Office Use Only: 3153

Submission No: 2601 Glenn Alexander

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

Keep to the basics

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

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Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability - Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 1 - Do not continue the existing programme.

Comments

IF the Council thinks they can change the worlds climate you are all in fairy land

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

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Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Comments

Stick to the basics look at lifestyle projects after we get the roads, water-storm, fresh and black water spend five years directing our resources into upgrading existing infrastructure

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

35m would pay for a lot of water upgrades

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

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Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

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Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No Housing for the elderly No Traffic management No

What else?

Run the council like a house hold basics first nice to haves down the track don't spend money we don't have and can't afford.

Office Use Only: 3154

Submission No: 2602 Barbara Gibbins

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Comments

Brooklands Zoo is a wonderful asset

Bellringer Pavilion

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Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

Office Use Only: 3156

Submission No: 2603 Annabel Mazzotti

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Comments

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Which option do you support for The Hub?

Comments

I do not know.

Bellringer Pavilion

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Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

What else?

What happened to the bike paths!?

Office Use Only: 3157

Submission No: 2604 Glen Surgenor

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 3 - Increase the budget to \$50m over the 10 years to add more facilities.

Comments

Why not access some of the perpetual fund to complete this project as originally planned. It will be a great community asset for generations to come

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Comments

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Housing for the elderly

Traffic management

Yes

What else?

The perpetual investment fund should be used to support some of these larger one off developments that will benefit the community for many years, bring money into the economy from events and tourists while at the same time keeping the impact on rates to a minimum. In the early days the fund was set up so rate increases would not be seen within the NPDC area.

Office Use Only: 3158

Submission No: 2605 Alexandria Connolly

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

Brooklands Zoo

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Comments

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Bellringer Pavilion

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Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

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Water services
Yes
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

Office Use Only: 3159

Submission No: 2606 Alan Norgate

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Yes
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

Office Use Only: 3160

Submission No: 2607 Craig Bailey

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

Why is the train line not being used for both commercial, industrial and passenger use as a climate positive alternative and instead of the sole focus on more roads and the ongoing costs of them being maintained and repaired?

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Comments

A definite yes to a high frequency bus service. What is being developed for more cycle ways and cycle lanes? Build them and they will come - eg. Coastal Walkway!

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Comments

It's a great shame so much money was/is being spent on the new rugby stand, facilities and ground! Absolutely over the top in terms of bang for buck and how many residents benefit?

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Comments

Brooklands Zoo is a fantastic facility for all the community and visitors and deserves 100 per cent support.

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Comments

16.3 million for a new pavilion - NO! For whose benefit and for how many games to be played there per year? NO!

Council Controlled Organisations

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Water services

Housing for the elderly

Traffic management

Yes

No

What else?

What is being done about demolishing the power station chimney? It is a massive stain on the landscape! What is being done about providing more cycleways and cycle lanes? What is being done by Council to investigate the resumption of passenger and commercial train services to and from New Plymouth? I am not currently a ratepayer but I will soon be.

Office Use Only: 3162

Submission No: 2608 Michelle Ramage

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Water services No
Housing for the elderly No
Traffic management No

Office Use Only: 3163

Submission No: 2609 George Smith

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

Spending double the amount we currently spend to maintain the current state of transportation isn't sustainable at all but if we all chip in its affordable, whereas the individual cost of damage to vehicles etc may not be to affordable to some which is somewhat equitable

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Water services
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

Office Use Only: 3165

Submission No: 2610 Joel Beaty

Wish to speak to the Council: Yes

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Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Office Use Only: 3167

Submission No: 2611 Bev Wisnewski

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

If you increase spending on the existing infrastructure independent of disaster events they will be built to a better level of code and should require less repair.

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Comments

Looking at where the increasing urban zones are developing, reconsideration of location to Bell Block area for proximity to population, existing facilities (velodrome) with future land for extension would be a prudent approach before spending vast sums that just keep increasing in a limited area for development with traffic issues.

Brooklands Zoo

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Comments

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Comments

This is a unique selling point for NPL and needs to be protected.

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services

Housing for the elderly

Traffic management

Yes

Office Use Only: 3168

Submission No: 2612 James Hadlow

Wish to speak to the Council: Yes

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Comments

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

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What else?

Regarding the currently proposed Urenui-Onaero Waste Water Treatment Plant.

The long term plan states that 37 million will be spent on this project. The Deep Dive has stated that the projected cost is now \$41 million.

The NPDC mayor has reportedly stated that council projects are known to blow out by two or three times. This points to the possibility of this project costing in the region of \$120 million, all to service 226 households, a couple of dozen or so bachs and two council run camp grounds in a very contained geographical area, and to be paid for by all New Plymouth District rate payers.

The need for the project is purported to be the contamination of the Urenui River and the surrounding estuarine habitat by human sewerage. Over the last 20yrs, i.e. from when this project was first mooted in 2004, there have been no verifiable cases of notifiable disease being caused by the Urenui River water, mudflats or shellfish. Further to that the Taranaki Regional Council monitoring reports for the NPDC run camp grounds for the 2021-22 and 2022-23 seasons have found no adverse environmental effects from human sewerage in the rivers or estuaries.

NPDC mayor Holdom has reportedly stated that he is concerned the council is "walking down a corridor" where no other options for the project were being considered. He could not be more correct. There are multiple options aside from the currently proposed irrigate to land project and these need to be fully assessed before any binding decision is made to continue with the proposed scheme. New Plymouth District rate payers have an absolute right to be fully informed of the cost impacts of any proposed sewerage scheme for the Urenui-Onaero area on their on-going rates burden prior to NPDC committing to the cost and an absolute right to be fully informed as to the any schemes fitness for purpose as regards cost: benefit to the wider community.

Office Use Only: 3169

Submission No: 2613 Kieran Lee

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

with climate change - I dont think we can afford not to.

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Comments

I would not like too see 1st class cricket not be able to be played at Pukekura park - however \$16M is too much - even for a cricket lover like me. we have to look at more affordable options. Unless we have guarantee of more games from Cricket NZ (including womens internationals)

Council Controlled Organisations

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Traffic management
Yes

What else?

I noted in the capital expenditure that \$3.4M on the downtown carpark earthquake strengthening. I dont think we need another carpark building (this has been closed for a long time. I think we could demolish this and look at other uses for the area. I would like to see more investment in cycling and walking infrastructure as well as public transport.

Office Use Only: 3170

Submission No: 2614 Marcel Jones

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Housing for the elderly

Traffic management

Yes

What else?

I believe a minimum of 6 basketball courts is critical in the continued growth a development in the region. The marginal cost of constructing 6 rather than 4 is far outweighed by the benefit of doing it now. Thank you for your ongoing consideration

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Submission No: 2615 Kate Dawick

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

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Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

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Comments

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Which option do you support for The Hub?

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Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

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Submission No: 2616 Janet Hainsworth

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Submission No: 2617 Robbie Rawles

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Which option do you support for The Hub?

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Comments

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Comments

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Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Being suitable for greater use by other community groups, private conferences etc. would also be a boon for Pukekura Park.

Council Controlled Organisations

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Water services
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

What else?

Increased support and funding for people out there doing great things and hard work for our district should be encouraged, partnerships with clubs and volunteer organisations while not costing huge amounts provide a fantastic return for the district. For example the Mangamahoe Mountain Bike Park which always seems to be busy with people and makes our district attractive to live in and visit.

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Submission No: 2618 Brendon Kroon

Wish to speak to the Council: Yes

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 1 - Don't spend any more. This will save rates in the short term, but the state of our transportation assets will continue to decline, resulting in greater long-term cost implication.

Comments

Completely scrap the controversial plan for new cycle ways, bus stops where traffic have to wait behind busses while it is picking up passengers and no more reduced speed limits please. It seems as if the New Plymouth District Council have forgotten about the existing Coastal Walkway.

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

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Comments

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Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

The Brooklands Zoo is a New Plymouth icon and should remain as an entertainment area for families and visitors. New Plymouth is only a small city and there is not as much as the other main centres to see or visit. Please keep the zoo open or New Plymouth will have nothing. While I have selected 'Option 3', I also prefer 'Option 2'.

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Comments

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What else?

Dawson Street/Powderham Street Traffic Lights: Just over a year ago, I requested to both the New Plymouth District Council and NZTA that the Dawson Street traffic light side (from Devon Street) needs to have a green arrow light installed! A man at the council agreed that this area needs a green arrow and even went to have a look for him self. He told my dad that it was an oversight and it will get a green arrow light but will take some time. A year later, still no green arrow light and I was told by Xxxxx Xxxxxx (via email and what Wellington traffic control told her) that it was sufficient. It is NOT sufficient because drivers wishing to turn left onto the one way (Powderham Street) have to wait when they could have gone. There is a left turning bay but this traffic light is just stupid. It also means extra emissions from waiting cars wishing to turn left. Please do something about it.

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Submission No: 2619 Charles Cordwell

Organisation: Surf Life Saving New Zealand

Wish to speak to the Council: Yes

What else?

SLSNZ's submission is for the continued funding of the paid life guard service on the beaches of New Plymouth. Please see supporting documentation.



19/04/2024

New Plymouth District Council.

Re. Submission to 10-year Long Term Plan

This paper is being submitted as part of the council's Ten-Year Plan discussions on behalf of Surf Life Saving New Zealand for the provision of Regional Lifeguard Services at New Plymouth beaches during the peak summer holiday period. We are grateful for the on-going funding for the Lifeguard service at these beaches over the summer holiday period. Without this funding this service would not happen.

The budgets within the attached documents show the main costs associated with the Regional Lifeguard Service at Fitzroy, East End and Oakura beaches for the next 3 years . Please note these are subject to change but are provided to give a likely estimate to assist in long term budget planning.

2024-2025:

\$ 134,400

2025-2026:

\$ 139,776

2026-2027:

\$ 145,367

Surf Life Saving New Zealand understands that council are obliged to apply annual inflation to these annual budgets as per the CPI adjustment and appreciates this consideration as our costs continually to incrementally increase.

We would like to take the opportunity to present our submission and answer any questions the councillors may have regarding the Provision of a Regional Lifeguard Service in New Plymouth.

SLSNZ acknowledges and values the on-going support of the New Plymouth District Council proud of the collaborative relationship shared both with the council and the Lifequard Services which provides positive impact to those who live and choose to recreate at Beaches and within the wider community.

Yours Sincerely,

Charlie Cordwell

Regional Manager - Central Region

Surf Life Saving New Zealand

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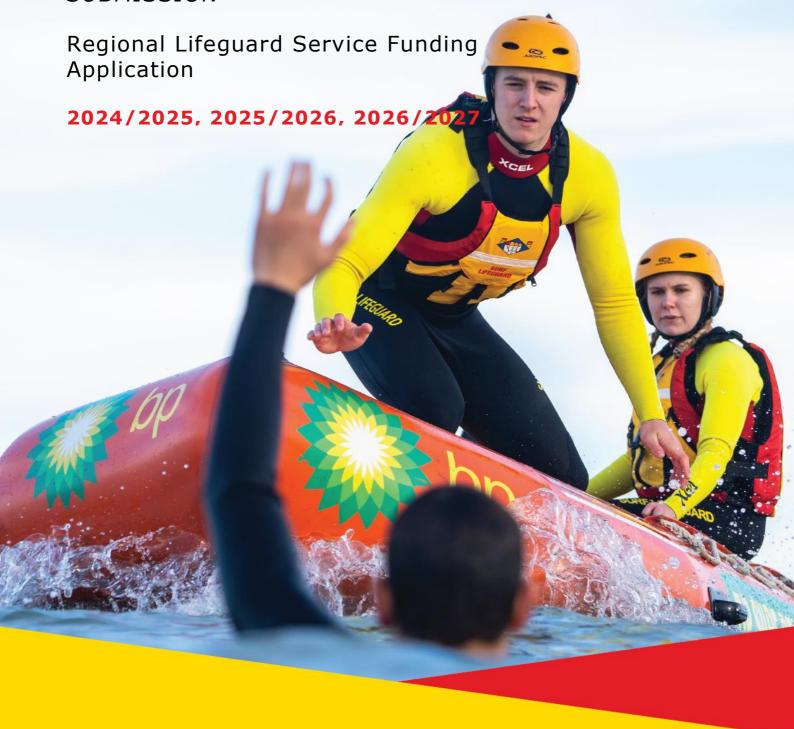




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SECTION 1

SERVICE BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Surf Life Saving New Zealand's (SLSNZ) vision is that 'No one drowns on our beaches" and our purpose is 'to lead and support surf lifesaving in New Zealand in partnership with our member clubs'. We are the national association representing 74 Surf Life Saving Clubs who actively patrol 92 locations during the summer months. There are over 18,000 members nationwide that are geographically divided into four regional areas of Northern, Eastern, Central and Southern.

Here in the Central Region, we provide support to 20 clubs spread over 22 lifeguard delivery locations through advocacy, wider planning and facilitation of lifesaving services. During the busy summer months, we also provide, community education programmes, lifeguard training and a regional sport programme, all aligned through a national framework.

Throughout the peak of summer there is a demonstrated need for lifesaving services to cover not only weekends but also through the working week at many of New Zealand's beaches. Some of these beaches do not have a local volunteer SLS Club or volunteer patrols.

As such, to cover these beaches and the weekday patrols, we partner with Territorial & Regional Authorities in order to resource these locations with paid lifeguards. These paid lifeguards are employed from our pool of volunteers, who apply and go through a trial/assessment process to seek seasonal employment.

This service is aligned nationally with systems and processes managed regionally by one of the 4 regional offices. A Regional Manager looks after the contractual and stakeholder relationship aspects of the service and a Regional Lifesaving Manager looks after the operational aspects of the service. There is also a comprehensive regional supervision and support programme that ensures no one works in isolation and a true national service is delivered. The programme in the Central Region employs around 65 seasonal lifeguards providing service to 22 locations.



1.1 STATISTICS AT A GLANCE 2023-2024

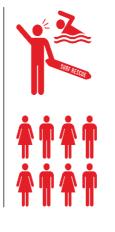
When considering the services seasonal data, it is important to deliberate all of the data captured when considering just how busy a particular location, or group of locations are.

As a rule of thumb, a high number of preventative actions and number of public involved when compared to lifeguard patrol hours will indicate how frequently lifeguards are interacting with beach patrons in order to prevent drowning and injury on the coastline.

Major first aid incidents require referral or transport to additional medical care, people rescued are likely to have fatally drowned without intervention, and people assisted to safety are not likely to have drowned without Lifeguard intervention.







636
Preventive
Actions
Involving
3736

Members of

the Public



0 Fatal Drownings during Patrol



14 People Assisted to Safety



5 Major First Aids





3 Searches



SECTION 2

SERVICE PREPARATION

2.1 DELIVERY LOCATIONS

During the 2023-2024 season 3 active patrolled locations (flagged areas) were operated within the New Plymouth. These were located at Fitzroy, East End and Oakura.

2.2 EMPLOYMENT & ASSESMENT PROCESSES

Nationally, Surf Lifeguard positions are advertised centrally from SLSNZ during July and August for the coming summer. Applicants are then screened to ensure that they are appropriately qualified and able to legally work in NZ.

Those that meet the standard are invited to attend an assessment day at a location that suits them (SLSNZ offers multiple assessment locations and dates across the country).

Basis of Overall Assessment:

- Experience Assessment Completed on application
- Swimming Competency 400m Pool Assessment
- Theory and Cognitive Assessment Theory Test
- Cardiovascular Fitness Assessment 3km Run
- Personality and Attitude Assessment

Basis of Lifeguard Appointments:

- There are three factors we consider in lifeguard appointments:
- The performance of the candidate on assessment day
- Current qualifications held and determination of the candidate to upskill before, during and post season.
- Past seasons Performance reviews

Holistically, the Central Region employed 65 Surf Lifeguards, and had a peak of 70 lifeguards working at any one time (inclusive of the Capital Coast and Hawkes Bay). A significant number of conditional offers of employment were given out to and accepted by returning guards, this is a process used to retain longer term and more experienced lifeguards.

These lifeguards were required to pass basic fitness competencies prior to commencing seasonal employment in a range of leadership roles across the area.



A combination of Fixed Term and Casual Contracts will be offered to guards primarily based on the roster offered to each individual and also encompassing each individual's qualifications, experience and their performance at the assessment day.

Unfortunately, many capable lifeguards miss out on employment due to the number of available positions, however this is a good indication of high-quality competition for the available roles. This process continues to have a positive effect with regards to the standard of lifeguards that we been able to appoint throughout the Taranaki Area.

We have seen a growth in performance of returning and new guard's competing for jobs even prior to the assessment through upskilling and obtaining additional qualifications. This is in part due to the growing expectations on lifeguards, an increase in the availability of courses, as well as increased and improved supervision and support.

Before commencing lifeguarding services, each lifeguard is required to attend a training induction day with other lifeguards from the area they are rostered to work. The induction process is a vital part of kicking off the season in ensuring the Lifeguards are well briefed on the season expectations, have clarity with operational duties, and are motivated to provide the best service possible.

Focus is put on specific roles and responsibilities, expectations and procedures that the lifeguards will follow. Two Inductions are conducted, one for the Regions Head Guards and another for all employees. These two days make it possible to outline role specific expectations and gives Head Guards the opportunity to develop leadership plans and share ideas with management, before having the opportunity to assist in delivering these plans and expectations to the other lifeguards during the induction for all lifeguard employees. The senior and Head lifeguards have expressed that further training preseason would be useful. This would require at least an additional day of training for these senior and leadership roles.



SECTION 3

PROPOSED SERVICE DELIVERY

3.1 SERVICE ALLOCATIONS

Proposed Service:

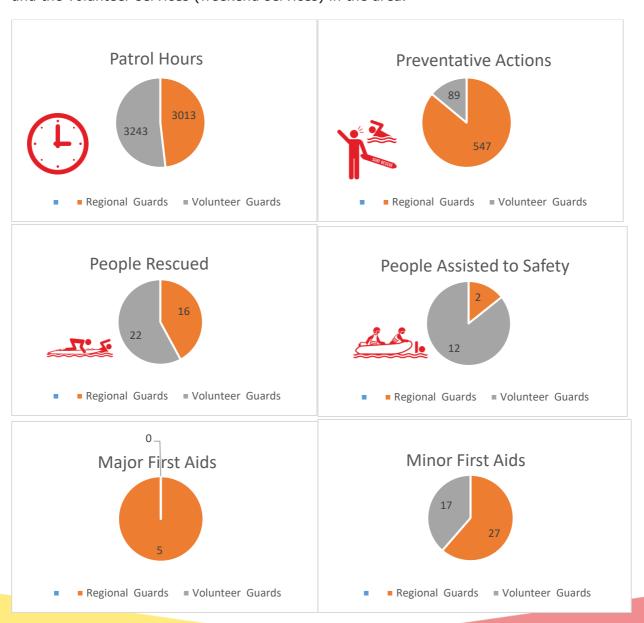
5 days a week - Monday to Friday
Nine Lifeguards employed
Proposed Start date Monday 23rd December 2024
Finished Friday 28th February 2025
Total days service provided 55





3.2 AREA STATISTICS 2023-2024

The statistics below cover the New Plymouth District Council patrolled beaches and show the breakdown between contract lifeguard services (paid weekday services funded by NPDC) and the volunteer services (weekend services) in the area.





SECTION 4

PROPOSED SERVICE - ANNUAL COST SCHEDULE

2024-2025

| Location | Cost of service | #of days |
|----------|-----------------|----------|
| East End | \$44,800 | 55 |
| Fitzroy | \$44,800 | 55 |
| Oakura | \$44,800 | 55 |
| Total | \$134,400 | |

2025-2026

| Location | Cost of service | #of days |
|----------|-----------------|----------|
| East End | \$46,592 | 55 |
| Fitzroy | \$46,592 | 55 |
| Oakura | \$46,592 | 55 |
| Total | \$139,776 | |

• Allows for 4% CPI index

2026-2027

| Location | Cost of service | #of days |
|----------|-----------------|----------|
| East End | \$48,455 | 55 |
| Fitzroy | \$48,455 | 55 |
| Oakura | \$48,455 | 55 |
| Total | \$145,367 | |

Allows for 4% CPI index



SECTION 5

SUMMARY

From both a public and an internal perspective the Regional Lifeguard Partnership at New Plymouth was completed successfully for another season. There were no drownings or near drownings. This service also provides any first aid treatment for public in and around the beach area.

This service not only provides a safer environment for the local community and visitors to enjoy New Zealand's favourite playground but provides an employment opportunity and personal development for the young people of the Taranaki area. The skills developed and the experience gained is then returned to their clubs and the communities in which they live.

Along with providing the Regional Guard program, Surf Life Saving has also provided other services to the local community, including volunteer patrols on weekends throughout the summer months and Beach Education to primary schools.

In conclusion the partnership between the New Plymouth District Council and Surf Life Saving New Zealand continues to play an important part of keeping beach users in a safe environment in which to enjoy New Zealand's favourite playground. Surf Life Saving New Zealand appreciates your ongoing and potentially increased support in providing this essential community service and look forward to our continued partnership.

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Submission No: 2620 Peggy Templeton

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

These two options really only give you one option. And honestly the existing levels of service are rediculous

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Comments

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Comments

Honestly, I was going to tick option #1 So much rate payers money has been wasted on consultations, etc,etc,etc and nothing gets done!!!!

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

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Comments

Which option do you support for The Hub?

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Comments

Not everyone is into sports \$35m would go a long way to fixing roads if that was done n NOT top headed. These options are really not enough options and really lead you to having to choose option 2

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 1 - Do not upgrade the zoo and gradually close it down.

Comments

Animals should not be caged in small areas for human indulgences And I don't believe it will cost \$800,00.00 to demolish.

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

Don't we have a rugby park???

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No
Housing for the elderly Yes
Traffic management No

What else?

There was no space to write why we choose the options we did in council controlled organisations. Why???? As a rate payer I was gutted to only get information about this plan this week. I went down to our council office to get a paper copy so I could at least read it. Bearing that in mind I have filled it out with little time to really process everything written I did feel you as council didn't really give us many options. Just another comment not everyone is on Facebook 24/7, nor get all notifications Would be nice to have that remedied before the next time a questionnaire comes out Not a happy rate payer.

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Submission No: 2621 Stephen Bone

Wish to speak to the Council: Yes

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Comments

I strongly oppose the for the Queen Street to cenotaph adjustment. It is a potentially expensive solution looking for a problem. I will tell you why during my submission before council.

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Comments

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Comments

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Water services

Housing for the elderly

Traffic management

Yes

No

What else?

"Council Controlled Organisations is newspeak for yet more semi-controlled bloated bureaucracies with more independence than necessary. Keep departments strictly under council control; it saves duplicating personnel, money, and provides direct accountability.

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Submission No: 2622 Peter Corin

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

Is there a maximum for this fund to get to? I don't support unlimited "saving" so once the fund gets to a specific number, e.g. \$10m then the saving should stop.

Big Call 2: Sustainability - Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Increase option 2 by \$300,000 each year for other initiatives and \$100,000 for a three year high frequency bus service trial.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

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Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects? Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Comments

The council is overly focused on saving. The council has an excellent credit rating and should be able to borrow for strategic projects at good rates, so taking money out of ratepayers pockets when they're paying 7-8% to save, when the council could borrow at 4-5% makes no sense.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 3 - Increase the budget to \$50m over the 10 years to add more facilities.

Comments

We need to commit to doing the job properly or it will never be done.

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Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

I don't have enough information to be confident of my answer to this question. If I was on the council I would want to see market research to ensure this facility was really returning the value for the investment and operational costs as my kids are older (8, 13, 15) and we never go to Brooklands Zoo and I don't see much value in it.

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

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Comments

Explore as many cost sharing options as possible, including sponsorship for naming.

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Yes

What else?

I would like to see the council reviewing more options around income generation and sale of some assets. For instance, other council owned zoo's in NZ charge admission, this is unlikely to be practical for Brooklands but has it been considered? On the asset sale side, does the council own land that could be sold to fund long term projects (e.g. the HUB). I would especially like to see land used exclusively for horse racing to be sold or repurposed (and maybe golf courses etc). We have too much money tied up in assets that only benefit a small minority, while all ratepayers have to fund future assets.

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Submission No: 2623 Michelle Ramage

Organisation: Roderique Hope Trust

Wish to speak to the Council: No

What else?





18 April 2024

New Plymouth District Council 84 Liardet Street New Plymouth

Attention: submission@npdc.govt.nz

Kia ora koutou katoa

As a local Taranaki housing community organisation, the values that underpin the work that Roderique Hope Trust are doing across our region are grounded in compassion, kindness, patience, respect, integrity, and collaboration. This is the DNA that makes us who we are and guides us in serving our community with commitment and passion.

This past year has been challenging in a number of different ways. We have seen the cost-of-living rise to an all-time high and as the cost for whānau who are renting in the private market also continues to trend upwards, this has put significant pressure on household budgets. Fuel, power, and food prices continued to increase, which significantly impacted the whānau we are supporting. There have been numerous times in the past 12 months that our team have encountered whānau who have been left with no option but to decide whether they feed their children and themselves or pay their energy bill as there simply isn't enough funds to pay for both.

My encouragement to the New Plymouth District Council is to push forward with your plan to invest \$4m into building and upgrading the Councils housing for the elderly stock, and even consider investing more into this hugely important project. Housing for our seniors is imperative and the demand for housing for this cohort of our community is only going to increase in the coming years.

It's hard to imagine being in your late 70s, early 80s and being handed an eviction notice because your landlord is no longer in a financial position to service a mortgage on the property you rent; and you are given 12 weeks' notice to find suitable accommodation in a provincial city where rents continue to trend upwards, and at pace.

Affordable housing in the New Plymouth District is an on-going and growing concern. Whānau in every corner of our community are being impacted but for our older people, renting in the private market is almost at a point where it is now untenable.

There is a common misunderstanding that by the time our 65+ have retired they will own a mortgage free home, but we know from our work on that ground that this is not the case. There are a wide range of reasons why a retiree many have not purchased a property, some by choice others because they had no option but to rent, they were divorced, lost their job, they have an injury, disability, or illness, or they have struggled to find work that would pay enough to allow them to service a mortgage.







We have found that many of the older people we have supported have been able to afford to rent in the private market while they are working full time, with a strict budget or the addition of a boarder or flatmate but once they enter retirement and receive the NZ Super, they simply cannot afford to pay market rent any longer. As such we are also finding that retirees are continuing to work long after they have turned 65, not by choice but out of necessity.

There is also a common misconception that older people are taken care of, as retirement villages are built across the region, however retirement villages are only an option if you have enough savings or an asset that's worth enough to sell so you can buy into a village. For many of the retirees we have supported, they do not have the equity in a property they own or savings in the bank to make this option viable and because of this will continue to be dependent on the private rental market long after they retire. We have found that many of these retirees are living on the poverty line from week to week and often struggle in silence trying to make ends meet.

Statistics NZ estimates the number of people aged 65+ in New Zealand is estimated to double within the next 50 years. The number of people aged 65+ in New Zealand (0.79 million in 2020) is highly likely to increase to 1.34–1.46 million by 2048 and to 1.65–2.06 million by 2073. It is a huge concern that homelessness in our retirees will escalate into a major issue locally.

Roderique Hopes Trust vision is simple – "where every person has a safe place to call home".

It is our belief that every single person, family, whānau and older person should have a warm, dry, safe place, wherever they choose, to call home and the New Plymouth District Council has a leadership role to play in this.

Michelle Ramage General Manager



Office Use Only: 3184

Submission No: 2624 Blair Walker

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

Prioritise vehicular traffic over optional/leisure (i.e. cycling/walking) activities.

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 1 - Don't put any additional amount aside.

Comments

These assets are likely already on capital works programme, reprioritise as required.

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 1 - Do not continue the existing programme.

Comments

Control future development areas via. District Plan.

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Comments

Prioritise affordability over lifestyle.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

The population of New Plymouth is aging and with the recent central government moves to reduce immigration the active population is likely to reduce.

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Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

Retain playground and farmyard animals as these are main draw card for this family oriented Zoo.

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

At 112mW x 130mL the Pukekura Park cricket ground is too small for provincial and international cricket matches. Construct a new 137m (450') diameter cricket ground with grass embankments west of the Taranaki Cycle Park, Bell Block, access from Ellesmere Ave.

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No Housing for the elderly No Traffic management No

What else?

For a single retiree average NPDC rates will rise from 10.6% to 15.6% of post tax NZ Super over 10yrs. This increase is excessive and risks making New Plymouth unaffordable for residents aged 65+. Further reduction of the NPDCs operating costs is required.

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Submission No: 2625 Colin Smith

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 2 - Continue the existing programme with a budget of \$240,000 in year 1, \$640,000 per annum in year 2 onwards and continue Planting our Place at \$200,000 each year.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Comments

Why the fixation on becoming a 'Lifestyle capital'. Do the basic services right. In case there is no place elsewhere in this survey, I wish to register my displeasure of extending the walkway to Waitara at such an exorbitant price. I am an avid cyclist and feel this is a nice to have not a need. Dont be incentivized to do it because of Govt funding carrot. We all know it will cost a lot more than mooted.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

We just cant afford it and again its a 'nice to have'. Another one of these projects that will blow out for sure. Note that somehow we have copped up to now without it. I wonder if the active persons involved in these sports could actually be declining - not because of inadequate facilities, I might add

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

Just madness. Can the otters! There have been times when there have been no otters and there are plenty of other attractions. The farmyard provides the most interaction. Special driveways to get access through our lovely green areas, for 'service vehicles'. No thank you.

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

Well I was present at the first Stags Cricket game at Rugby Park (note not Pukekura Park), probably late 1990's. The CEO or such like of NZ Cricket got up and said 'get X amount of covered seats and you will get Blackcap tests here'. Gee, you actually believe these guys will do what they say.

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services Yes

Housing for the elderly Yes

Traffic management

What else?

I think the Urenui/ Onaero sewage treatment solution (\$36 mil) needs reconsidering. I well remember the sewage pipe went past Waitara but got canned after the Oakura ext. 'blow out'. Surely there is an option to pump it all to Rifle Range Road. We have all the processing facilities there = no duplication of resource. Has this option been fully explored?

Office Use Only: 3186

Submission No: 2626 Lorraine Andrews

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Comments

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Comments

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Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Put increasing amounts of \$250,000 each year in to the reserve of the release from our Perpetual Investment Fund (used to subsidise rates) until year 10, when \$2.5m would be added.

Comments

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Comments

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Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

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Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No
Housing for the elderly No
Traffic management No

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Submission No: 2627 Steve Hobbs

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

With a potential increase in population it is important to look at this. New people to the area will then also contribute to this fund so the rates increase may be lessened. Has this been factored into the \$94 million rates increase?

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Comments

Saving for something that may or may not happen is not efficient. If something unexpected happens then offset against existing budgets.

Big Call 2: Sustainability - Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 2 - Continue the existing programme with a budget of \$240,000 in year 1, \$640,000 per annum in year 2 onwards and continue Planting our Place at \$200,000 each year.

Comments

Does Option 1 give a rates decrease?. How much was spent on this previously? I agree with the increased bus frequency and planting.

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Put increasing amounts of \$250,000 each year in to the reserve of the release from our Perpetual Investment Fund (used to subsidise rates) until year 10, when \$2.5m would be added.

Comments

Hopefully this will not become a slush fund for another purpose later.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 3 - Increase the budget to \$50m over the 10 years to add more facilities.

Comments

Additional facilities are required. The increase is not much higher than option 2.

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

It staggers me with the cost estimates.

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

This is a good proposal but the budget estimate is huge. You could build 16 houses for that commercially (including land purchase).

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No

Housing for the elderly No

Traffic management

What else?

Generally the budget estimates are enormous and I am suspicious of these and what they entail. Some of these projects could be sent out for tender (please avoid spending on Consultants) and done cheaper with local companies.

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Submission No: 2628 Chris Stayt

Organisation: Retired Civil Engineer

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

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How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

The New Plymouth District covers a large area and is only sparsely populated, when compared with other western world regions. The current transportation system is barely adequate for a most basic system to support the regions long term needs. I have chosen option 2, but I suggest that the region is at a point where a thorough rethink and re planning of the regions transportation needs is required. I suggest this needs to take place before any future financial commitment, such as option 2, can take place. Please note, that during my career, I was very involved in the Bell Block Bypass State Highway Project, the NPDC Te Rewa Rewa Bridge project and the NPDC Liardet St Pedestrian & Railway overpass project.

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 1 - Don't put any additional amount aside.

Comments

The status quo is currently a prudent position to maintain. But review this position in 5 years. However, I do support future proofing the region by building a ring road to access the port area and a second major transport crossing of the Waiwhakaiho River. These 2 projects could be looked at as separate, stand alone, projects.

Big Call 2: Sustainability - Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

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Comments

The current programme is adequate. The international carbon emissions trading scheme is geared towards high density populated countries, highly industrialised countries, with relatively low agricultural production. New Zealand is the opposite, low population density, low industrialisation, but relatively high agricultural production. I suggest, we should ensure our climate action programme, reflects this reality.

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Comments

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Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

This project, is a "nice to have project", but should be delayed until, the next long term plan. I suggest, that a better way forward would be to provide some support to existing infrastructure, such as netball, hockey and basketball and focus on carefully managed development at existing sites, where possible.

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

Keep the facility open. The zoo is an important community asset, which many families enjoy. This zoo also is linked closely with other zoos in New Zealand with regard to sharing of animals, animal health and welfare and education.

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

Domestic cricket manages with the current facility. International cricket does not rate Pukekura Park as the field/ stadium is not large enough.

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No
Housing for the elderly No
Traffic management No

What else?

Residential property rating - rating increases should be spread evenly across all residential properties. If the rates strike is to be 9%, then this should be evenly spread. The proposition that those properties with higher land values, should pay increases as high as 18.5% or those with lower land values should pay 4.1% is not a fair or reasonable proposal. If it is assumed that that folk with higher land values, can afford to pay more, then this is a false assumption. As an example, Fixed income rate payers will be seriously compromised. This proposition on page 36 of the consultation document, I suggest ,should be reviewed . The proposal will compromise many and be unsustainable for many, in the longer term. All rate payers share in the same services provided by the council.

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Submission No: 2629 Cathy Martin

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Comments

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Comments

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Comments

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Comments

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Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 3 - Demolish the existing pavilion and do not replace (estimated cost \$420,000).

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services

Housing for the elderly Yes

Traffic management

Office Use Only: 3191

Submission No: 2630 Jessie Haylock

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Increase option 2 by \$300,000 each year for other initiatives and \$100,000 for a three year high frequency bus service trial.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects? Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Comments

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

The zoo is an ASSET to not only our city, but to ournyoung family communities especially. It is an educational and safe experience that is invaluable.

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water servicesYesHousing for the elderlyNoTraffic managementYes

Office Use Only: 3192

Submission No: 2631 Tara Morgan

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Comments

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Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Put increasing amounts of \$250,000 each year in to the reserve of the release from our Perpetual Investment Fund (used to subsidise rates) until year 10, when \$2.5m would be added.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Comments

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Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services

Housing for the elderly

Traffic management

No

Office Use Only: 3193

Submission No: 2632 Paul Tipler

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Comments

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Comments

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Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 3 - Increase the budget to \$50m over the 10 years to add more facilities.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 4 - Implement the full vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$14.4m.

Comments

This is a magnificent area for children, grandchildren to play and be educated regarding animals birds etc

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Best cricket ground in NZ if not the World, well worth the investment rather than lose cricket matches

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

What else?

Speed humps on Lemon St, it has become a race track with motorists avoiding lights and built up traffic congestion on Powderham St, with the Rainbow Child Centre being on Lemon St a great danger to children

Office Use Only: 3194

Submission No: 2633 Roger Cloke

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage? Option 1 - Don't put any additional amount aside.

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate? Option 1 - Do not continue the existing programme.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

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Comments

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 1 - Do not upgrade the zoo and gradually close it down.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water servicesNoHousing for the elderlyNoTraffic managementNo

Office Use Only: 3195

Submission No: 2634 Brendon Juli

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 1 - Don't spend any more. This will save rates in the short term, but the state of our transportation assets will continue to decline, resulting in greater long-term cost implication.

Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage? Option 1 - Don't put any additional amount aside.

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

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Comments

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Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Comments

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Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services

Housing for the elderly

Traffic management

Yes

Office Use Only: 3197

Submission No: 2635 Neville Wardlaw

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Comments

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Comments

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Comments

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Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No
Housing for the elderly No
Traffic management No

What else?

nil

Office Use Only: 3198

Submission No: 2636 Wayne Herbert

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 1 - Don't spend any more. This will save rates in the short term, but the state of our transportation assets will continue to decline, resulting in greater long-term cost implication.

Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage? Option 1 - Don't put any additional amount aside.

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate? Option 1 - Do not continue the existing programme.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects? Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Comments

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 1 - Do not upgrade the zoo and gradually close it down.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 4 -Delay the required work and accept the risks of non compliance and building closure.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No Housing for the elderly No Traffic management No

Office Use Only: 3199

Submission No: 2637 Megan Brown

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Increase option 2 by \$300,000 each year for other initiatives and \$100,000 for a three year high frequency bus service trial.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Put increasing amounts of \$250,000 each year in to the reserve of the release from our Perpetual Investment Fund (used to subsidise rates) until year 10, when \$2.5m would be added.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Whilst the project is advanced, it still remains limited by the site and restrictions of the Racecourse. Would another site with good parking / transport links not make progress easier?

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No
Housing for the elderly Yes
Traffic management Yes

What else?

It's great to see - Pool entry fees maintained at the same rate Taranaki Arts Festival funding in the LTP Hope to see - An increasing commitment to climate change and working with TRC on increased bus service for the region Thank you for the provision and maintenance of so many services for our wonderful district!

Office Use Only: 3200

Submission No: 2638 Marg Lamplough

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage? Option 1 - Don't put any additional amount aside.

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 2 - Continue the existing programme with a budget of \$240,000 in year 1, \$640,000 per annum in year 2 onwards and continue Planting our Place at \$200,000 each year.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects? Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Comments

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services Yes
Housing for the elderly No
Traffic management No

What else?

No to nice to have yes to ONLY necessary and kowaroa play ground should have stayed as is

Office Use Only: 3202

Submission No: 2639 Jenn O'Connell

Wish to speak to the Council: Yes

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

Transport is important and needs investment to maintain levels of service, and in fact I would encourage this council to invest more into transport to not just retain existing levels of service, but also to improve our levels of service for walking and cycling.

To truly future proof our transport, we should invest more in these low carbon transport options to enable us to reduce congestion and lower our collective emissions. Provision for active transport is low cost in comparison to vehicle/road transport and delivers benefits in terms of health, user experience, safety, independence for our kids, emissions, air pollution, and more. For all these reasons, cycling should receive higher priority when considering how to get the best bang for our transport buck.

The Infrastructure Strategy that is included along with this plan makes several comments about intending to provide for active transport, which is great. However, apart from the Coastal Pathway extension, this intention is not backed up with projects in the first three years of the plan. To future-proof our transport system we should be focusing on bike infrastructure now as a great way to improve our streets for all users.

Although I see some benefits of the ring-road suggested in the plan, I do not think this would be the smartest use of our transport budget. Construction of new roading is costly and emissions intensive, and although the intended result is a reduction of traffic in our city centre, evidence has shown that building new roads tends not to reduce traffic in the long term, but instead induces more demand for driving and eventually increases traffic. Instead, I believe we should as a community focus on ways of using our existing road space to deliver better results for other modes of transport such as biking, walking, and public transport.

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 with an additional top up increase from funds released from our Perpetual Investment Fund (which would otherwise reduce your rates) of \$100,000 each year to a maximum of \$1m in year 10.

Comments

Climate-related instability is one of the biggest issues facing our community and we absolutely should prepare for this. It's important, though, to recognise that we need to focus on mitigation of climate change as well as preparation and adaptation to the results.

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 4 - Accelerate the programme even further with an additional \$300,000 each year.

Comments

Climate change is the number one issue we should be focusing on as a community, and therefore as a council. And the time we need to act is now. I strongly support accelerating our climate work, including the bus trial, and continuing to work with the Taranaki Regional Council to deliver a bus service that can encourage people out of their cars.

As an investment in low carbon transport, the bus trial is a great idea and I think it would be good to support this investment with a continued focus on low cost improvements to not just buses but to all forms of sustainable transport. For example, looking at improving signage on walkways and cutthroughs, public education for people new to bike commuting, bike racks, bike rack on bus + somewhere people can test it out, making improvements to transit hub in city centre,

We should also look at accelerating the project by re-allocating our existing road space to sustainable transport like bikes and buses. This might include making Ariki St bus lane only, removing less-used car parks to widen bike lanes, and connecting existing bike infrastructure better to create a network that enables people to choose bike transport.

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Put increasing amounts of \$250,000 each year in to the reserve of the release from our Perpetual Investment Fund (used to subsidise rates) until year 10, when \$2.5m would be added.

Comments

I support the idea of the fund, especially if the projects keep a strong focus on the sustainability piece of Sustainable Lifestyle Capital. However, without knowing the criteria that would be applied to projects, the level of interest, and the results of the investment, I think it's smart to start smaller and potentially expand the fund later if we need to.

New Plymouth District really does have the potential to be a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital. We have the mountain, the sea, the nature, and the creativity to be a really awesome place to live. This does require investment and forward-thinking, though, and I encourage the council to not let the voices focusing only on cost reductions and austerity take this possibility away from us.

I think it's also important to remember that single projects, even the most successful ones, cannot deliver this. For example, the Coastal Pathway was a really forward-thinking investment in creating a sustainable lifestyle capital (even if that wasn't the wording at the time). The investment has been hugely successful and popular, and the extension of this project is a great idea. But we should also be looking at ways to better integrate this wonderful asset with the rest of our transport network and providing better connections to public transport, bike infrastructure etc.

This applies also to big projects like the Tuparikino Sports Hub and Destination Play. These could be great steps for our community, but they will only truly deliver on created a sustainable lifestyle capital by connecting with other projects and changes. (e.g. improving transport to allow people from outside New Plymouth to access them) All that is to say that if this fund is established, I think the council should be very careful with the criteria for accessing funding, ensuring projects work well together, and not letting the fund become a slush fund for pet projects, but a real investment in the future of our district.

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Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Comments

As mentioned in the previous section, I think this project has potential to deliver for New Plymouth. However, as a big new project it's also a big investment of money and emissions. NPDC should keep a close eye on the emissions implications and ensure that transport and access is a key consideration for this project.

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

I think the zoo is a community treasure, and would hate to see it close. However, I think with the slight reduction in service listed in Option 2 the zoo would remain a community treasure, and we could then release \$3m of funding, which could deliver other important change for our community and our tamariki (e.g. climate action, local parks and playgrounds, investing in active transport).

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

This was a tough call for me. I think the new pavilion would be good for Pukekura Park and I have enjoyed watching cricket at this venue a few times. However, it seems like a big investment for a niche purpose, and when I balance it against other priorities for the community, I can think of better ways to invest \$15+ million. I think the value as a community venue is worth the \$1m, but I am not convinced that the additional cost to relocate is worth it.

Within the 'Paying it Forward' bracket, I think there are several other funding options that bring a broader community benefit e.g. City Centre Strategy, Community Partnerships, Te Tiriti Partnerships, and Community Boards. I would prefer to see more investment in these areas as a way of looking after future generations.

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

What else?

I think there is some great work done in this plan and really appreciate the focus on future-proofing and investing in our tamariki and their futures. I do think, though, that climate issues deserve far more attention and urgency than they receive. Surely, the best way to invest in our children's futures is to do our part to act on reducing emissions and to do our best to provide a livable environment across future generations.

I understand there is resistance to this in the community, but I think it's worth working through this resistance to deliver a better future for our district. Wellington Council has recently invested in a series of workshops called Lets Talk Climate that engage, educate and empower our communities on climate change. I would love to see NPDC invest in something similar.

I would also love to see a wider spread of investment across communities in our district. Many of the projects listed here, particularly in the Paying it Forward section are very New Plymouth focused, and I think other towns in the district would be well served by greater investment. This could be through their community boards or other avenues, but I think there's so much potential in those communities. I also support the call from New Plymouth Mountain Bikers for reinstating investment in their maintenance costs. They provide a wonderful community recreation space and the funding they are asking for is minimal when compared to other investments in this plan.

Finally, as someone who bikes for transport on a daily basis in New Plymouth, I reiterate a call for better supporting biking for transport. We have some great recreational biking facilities in New Plymouth District, but I strongly believe that if we want to become a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital, we should be investing far more in a network of bike lanes to connect people all around the district with where they want to go. So many car trips in our district are short distances, and if we could replace some of those with bike trips, our community would see great benefits in terms of health, safety, happiness, cost savings, and reduced emissions. Biking really is such great value for money, and delivering an integrated transport network that enables more people to do it more often would be a great investment for our community and our future.

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Submission No: 2640 Terry Long

Organisation: Mellowpuff Charitable Trust

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 1 - Don't spend any more. This will save rates in the short term, but the state of our transportation assets will continue to decline, resulting in greater long-term cost implication.

Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage? Option 1 - Don't put any additional amount aside.

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 2 - Continue the existing programme with a budget of \$240,000 in year 1, \$640,000 per annum in year 2 onwards and continue Planting our Place at \$200,000 each year.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects? Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Comments

After all the evidence, consultation and tape that this has been through it's time to get it done. More and more people are getting involved in none contact indoor sports and they don't have the space to participate for a variety of reasons. Kids are playing at ridiculous times of the night, getting a bye every third week or on occasions told they can't play as there's no room. Over a 10 year period we spent thousands of \$\$\$ supporting our children attend huge college events in Palmerston North, Napier and Tauranga who have modernized facilities adapting to the needs of their community, yet we keep sitting on our hands and making excuses not to move forward. I'm personally not going to benefit from this but hopefully my grandchildren will.

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

I am a staunch cricket lover, the sport is declining in numbers, less people are watching it and the big games don't come to Pukekura Park anyway. It's time for Cricket to step up and front up with the \$\$\$ needed for the upgrade.

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No
Housing for the elderly No
Traffic management No

Office Use Only: 3204

Submission No: 2641 Lizzy McNaught

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 1 - Don't spend any more. This will save rates in the short term, but the state of our transportation assets will continue to decline, resulting in greater long-term cost implication.

Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 4 - Accelerate the programme even further with an additional \$300,000 each year.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Put increasing amounts of \$250,000 each year in to the reserve of the release from our Perpetual Investment Fund (used to subsidise rates) until year 10, when \$2.5m would be added.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 4 - Implement the full vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$14.4m.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 3 - Demolish the existing pavilion and do not replace (estimated cost \$420,000).

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No Housing for the elderly Yes Traffic management Yes

What else?

Central parking prices need to be lowered

Office Use Only: 3206

Submission No: 2642 Anne Collins

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 with an additional top up increase from funds released from our Perpetual Investment Fund (which would otherwise reduce your rates) of \$100,000 each year to a maximum of \$1m in year 10.

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability - Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 4 - Accelerate the programme even further with an additional \$300,000 each year.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

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Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

I think that we should wait until we can better afford to replace the pavilion. Surely we could build a new one for less than \$16.3m. This sounds like it would be gold plated.

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

What else?

We need to seriously think about the weed pest problem that will get worse with climate change. We need to budget for this and also educate people on how to recognise pest weeds and remove them from their properties.

Office Use Only: 3207

Submission No: 2643 Maryann Walsh

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 1 - Don't spend any more. This will save rates in the short term, but the state of our transportation assets will continue to decline, resulting in greater long-term cost implication.

Comments

Continue to allocate the same amount of money and priortise where this money should be spent.

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 1 - Don't put any additional amount aside.

Comments

Another option is to keep the amount the same as now ie. \$200K and have an additional topup of \$100K from the Perpetual Fund to a max of \$1M in year 10.

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 1 - Do not continue the existing programme.

Comments

There is another option to continue with the existing programme with a budget of \$240K only. Encourage sponsorship from local companies to contribute to plants and planting. Encourage local companies to take up the challenge to assist. In terms of whether we're not going to meet our targets, consider comparing to other councils and central govt to ensure are not getting ahead of ourselves (and wasting money when regulations/calculations change).

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Comments

We dont need a reserve we have the PIF. Is this just setting up another fund for what purpose? The current process works.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

WE DONT NEED THIS HUB. Use the current assets to their FULL potential. Many are not utilised nor upkept so they can be used to their full potential.

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Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

Need to keep this open, its an asset to the community especially our younger members. Consider charging a nominal entry fee to contribute to operating costs.

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 4 -Delay the required work and accept the risks of non compliance and building closure.

Comments

You cannot justify spending \$16M on a building where we only have a few games on the field per year! If you want to consider upgrading the pavilion then consider what other sports can use / share the facility over the entire year. What is Cricket NZ / Central Districts contributing to this building? It should not be built using rate payers funds without sports organisation contribution. The top level cricketers need to be less precious!

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No
Housing for the elderly No
Traffic management No

Office Use Only: 3208

Submission No: 2644 Mary Borok

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

And push back on central government for the costs they are responsible for rather than central government passing the buck onto local council. We need to support sustainable, long-term transport options, remembering transport is not all about cars. Think to the future not 1950s thinking.

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 with an additional top up increase from funds released from our Perpetual Investment Fund (which would otherwise reduce your rates) of \$100,000 each year to a maximum of \$1m in year 10.

Comments

Council has done a good job with managing water flow, mitigating against floods of the past. We can take heed from devastating events around the country in the last 18 months and be prepared for the way weather patterns are changing.

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Increase option 2 by \$300,000 each year for other initiatives and \$100,000 for a three year high frequency bus service trial.

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Put increasing amounts of \$250,000 each year in to the reserve of the release from our Perpetual Investment Fund (used to subsidise rates) until year 10, when \$2.5m would be added.

Comments

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Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 3 - Increase the budget to \$50m over the 10 years to add more facilities.

Comments

Proceed and include hockey turfs and sports practice facilities for youth across codes. This will attract econoimic benefit and support our youth, making the district a model for a thriving community. Deferred costs always increase exponentially.

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Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 1 - Do not upgrade the zoo and gradually close it down.

Comments

Perhaps keep farm animals as a petting zoo for urban children. Zoos are a 19th century concept. Offer otters and monkeys to other zoos. In the future an educational aviary that also cares for native birds could be developed. Nga Manu in Kapiti may be an example. Not an immediate priority.

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

The grounds are unique and this keeps New Plymouth at a national level with the sporting and economic benefits it brings long term.

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No
Housing for the elderly Yes
Traffic management No

What else?

On Predator Free program, this is one of Taranaki's most important initiatives bringing bird life back to our forests and keeping rats out of our supermarkets. Advocate strongly for ongoing support. I missed this in the plan.

On CCOs, these have not worked well in Auckland, little council control. The government has signaled disestablishing Auckland Transport. Taranaki Regional Council can work with water but push back on central government for budget. Taxes and rates are all still publicly owned assets. Providing housing for the elderly is not a local government responsibility. Council planning should facilitate housing and land development use. External providers should support social housing.

On Bowl of Brooklands, strongly opposed to removable stage over lake. The acoustic will be changed. The Bruce Mason Centre operated a relocatable stage which turned out to be expensive and cumbersome to operate. Consider TSB stadium and Yarrow Stadium for larger audience wanting a mosh pit. If the council proceeds with this destructive option, all costs should be put onto event organisers.

NPDC and Taranaki Regional Council's work in partnership with mana whenua is a role model to be valued and protected from current political rhetoric.

Office Use Only: 3209

Submission No: 2645 Charles Le Breton

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 1 - Don't spend any more. This will save rates in the short term, but the state of our transportation assets will continue to decline, resulting in greater long-term cost implication.

Comments

Current funding should be used more prudently which will more than cover any perceived short fall.

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 1 - Don't put any additional amount aside.

Comments

Current funding should be used more prudently which will more than cover any perceived short fall.

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 1 - Do not continue the existing programme.

Comments

Accept need for action but any funding should be used more prudently which will more than cover any perceived short fall. Action taken should concentrate on positive and timely policies rather than unrealistic targets.

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Comments

With the massive inflation we continue to experience we should use all money available at the time in the most effective manner, this should include the PIF fund which continues to be eroded.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Extra funding should come from sports involved being given a target to reach for any needed improvements or new facilities. Professional sports bodies should pay their fair share.

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

Current funding should be used more prudently which will more than cover any perceived short fall.

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

In favour as long as a considerable contribution from users (50%) otherwise option 2.

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No
Housing for the elderly No
Traffic management No

What else?

Current funds should be used more prudently which will more than cover any perceived short fall. This should include better control of staff through management of CEO by a Councillors Management sub-committee with powers to direct and all CEO activities and his/her budgets.

Office Use Only: 3210

Submission No: 2646 Heather Gatenby

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

I believe we need to spend money to future proof, but the amount the rates will raise because of it could be done a different way.

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

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Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 1 - Do not continue the existing programme.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

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Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

This needs to be looked at again. New Plymouth only has 1 turf. This is poor for the sport as many school games are played past 8pm at night with no opportunities for all clubs to practice. If a club can practice there are usually 2 terms per 1/2 turf.

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 4 - Implement the full vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$14.4m.

Comments

When I was a mum of active children, this zoo was amazing for kid parties, family lunches and catching up with other mums. Seeing animals in the middle of the city is so unique. It's a shame that all the options are so expensive to rate payers.

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

Sparta players should not expect "fancy" toilets and showers and somewhere to gather is all top level needs. People love playing at the venue, they know the "club house" is old.

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No
Housing for the elderly Yes
Traffic management No

What else?

In the previous section. The traffic management that has been completed or planed so far has not improved traffic flow. Leave everything as it is and save money on consultants. Talk to the residents first then commuters to see if something needs changing.

Office Use Only: 3212

Submission No: 2647 Deon Robinson

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Comments

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

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Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

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Water services No Housing for the elderly Yes Traffic management Yes

Office Use Only: 3213

Submission No: 2648 Deborah Drew

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

How do humans tackle climate change' exactly. Gaze into a crystal ball? Until climate engineering is halted there is no 'tackling' anything.

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Comments

Absolutely have to charge an admission fee. \$5 for adults is not unreasonable.

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Comments

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What else?

Approach management of the district in a local context. What might be happening globally within other councils is their business! Do not be slaves of foreign policies that only harm, not enhance, lives of locals. Understand that it is rate payers who fund so many things. Using other people's money is not a game; it is an absolute responsibility of those who would have us think they are acting in rate payers interests.

Office Use Only: 3214

Submission No: 2649 Elsie O'Connell

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

Invest even more and put passenger trains back in New Plymouth!

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Comments

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Brooklands Zoo

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Comments

I love the zoo, definitely do not close it!

Bellringer Pavilion

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Comments

What else?

I'm 9 years old and I think that there should be a rock climbing place in New Plymouth. I also think NPDC should find ways to involve kids in planning for the future of our district.

Office Use Only: 3215

Submission No: 2650 Andrew Wong Too

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

Our children and our elderly rely more and more on a consistent public transport system

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Which option do you support for The Hub?

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Comments

New Plymouth is seriously struggling to accommodate youth and community sport. This is much needed- far and above the Yarrow stadium development. It will bring national youth sport to NP

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Brooklands Zoo

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Comments

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 4 -Delay the required work and accept the risks of non compliance and building closure.

Comments

It's a iconic part of Pukekura park and needs to reflect this and the iconic sports ground

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No
Housing for the elderly No
Traffic management No

Office Use Only: 3216

Submission No: 2651 Pamela Coe

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 2 - Continue the existing programme with a budget of \$240,000 in year 1, \$640,000 per annum in year 2 onwards and continue Planting our Place at \$200,000 each year.

Comments

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Comments

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Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services

Housing for the elderly

Traffic management

Yes

Office Use Only: 3217

Submission No: 2652 Trevor Woodward

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Comments

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

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Brooklands Zoo

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Comments

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 4 -Delay the required work and accept the risks of non compliance and building closure.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No Housing for the elderly No Traffic management No

What else?

There is a real need to control spending in current environment NPDC rates are very high for what we recive

Office Use Only: 3218

Submission No: 2653 Mary Perrott

Wish to speak to the Council: Yes

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Comments

Agreed. Especially as it includes some funding from WW NZTA.

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

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Comments

No contest - we have only to see the damage to other areas of NZ.

Big Call 2: Sustainability - Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Increase option 2 by \$300,000 each year for other initiatives and \$100,000 for a three year high frequency bus service trial.

Comments

Ticked Option 3 as best option. Also very enthusiastic about building a Regional Organic facility. Would settle for Option 2 if favoured by majority of those who make submissions.

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

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Comments

No argument about utilising the PIF. Using here to comment on Infrastructure Focus -viz: Waiwhakaiho 2nd viaduct and an eventual ring road for heavy transport. The Mayor's speech earlier this year at a Positive Ageing meeting was very informative how this could be possible.

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Although this project had "significant support" during LTP 2021-2023 consultation, it is hugely costly with potential over-run costs. Of course the same likely over-runs apply to all the projects I do support!

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

Keep The Zoo. Brings joy to thousands of people across the age groups.

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Option 1 because it is timely to build a fabulous new facility that will enhance and further show-case the jewel of Pukekura Park.

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

What else?

- 1. Particularly concerned about "Housing for the Elderly" and lack thereof, as well as the matter of wider housing provision with many people needing help. Ref: 18.4.24 meeting of Positive Ageing, Grey Power, Age Concern, & Disability Centre towards a combined focus on this issue.
- 2. I am wary of the rational Page 35 of the Consult-Doc that shows reduced rates for the last 7 years of the 10 year period. This paints a rosier forecast than historically happens ie rate increases do continue to occur. I do understand the rationale for the near-10% Rates for the first 3 years of the 10 year period.
- 3. Also Page 35 "Limits on Interest". The last 3 years of the 10 year period are hitting the proportion of Rates to service the interest costs to the interest limit. This does not leave room for unexpected events ie: not anticipated. Will look forward to having Council's financial personnel explain the differential....
- 4. Concerned to read on page 31 of the proposal to demolish the Metro Plaza bldg.

Office Use Only: 3219

Submission No: 2654 Vaughan Redshaw

Organisation: Bland & Jackson Surveyors Ltd

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Option 1 - Don't spend any more. This will save rates in the short term, but the state of our transportation assets will continue to decline, resulting in greater long-term cost implication.

Comments

Stick to the core responsibilities of Council, look at ways of cutting the fat from the nice to haves and get the core must haves done. Any excess can then go to the non essentials

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

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Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 1 - Do not continue the existing programme.

Comments

Concentrate on the basics, work at keeping plastics out of the ocean and waterways and off our beaches, something tangible that can actually be measured

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

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Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Comments

People are hurting financially, with high mortgages, job losses and high cost of living, this is a nice to have, look at it again in the future

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Reinvest in the core basics until finances are back on track

Brooklands Zoo

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Comments

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Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No
Housing for the elderly Yes
Traffic management No

What else?

Keep to your core roles, work for the community as a whole and on an even level, not elevating any specific groups above any others.

Office Use Only: 3220

Submission No: 2655 Lyes Jason

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Comments

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 3 - Increase the budget to \$50m over the 10 years to add more facilities.

Comments

A second artificial hockey turf is needed in New Plymouth and should be the main focus as it previously was!!!!

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No
Housing for the elderly Yes
Traffic management Yes

Office Use Only: 3221

Submission No: 2656 Michael Molloy

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

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Water servicesYesHousing for the elderlyYesTraffic managementYes

Office Use Only: 3223

Submission No: 2657 Laila Elliott

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Yes
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

Office Use Only: 3224

Submission No: 2658 Paige Crofskey

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

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Water services
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

Office Use Only: 3225

Submission No: 2659 Tony Daamen

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Water services
Yes
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

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Name and contact details not provided **Submission No: 2660**

Wish to speak to the Council: No

What else?

Your Home Your Say!

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure 1. I support option 2.

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

The questionnaire states: "Because of the frequency of severe weather events" implies that severe weather events are becoming more frequent than previously. But is this the case? Where is your evidence?

The investigative journalist, Ian Wishart, made a Privacy Act request to the National Institute of Water and Atmospheric Research, NIWA. The response from NIWA's media liaison, Melissa Bray:

"Thank you for your Privacy Act request, ... Our IT search function is unable to search using just an individual name. For us to complete your request we will need you to refine your request."

No details were given as to the refinement NIWA was seeking.

Ian Wishart's response:

"I knew NIWA's computer infrastructure was bad, but this is an incredibly damaging admission by NIWA. The ability to search a computer system by keywords or phrases has existed since Windows 98, so in my view NIWA is either lying in order to hide potentially explosive emails and messages from being released, or New Zealand is truly home to a very incompetent climate research agency. I can't see any other option

No wonder NIWA doesn't know our real storm, rainfall and temperature records if they can't do a simple keyword search."

https://centrist.co.nz/what-is-niwa-hiding-wishart-questions-as-niwa-blocks-privacy-act-bid-by-claiming-it-system-cant-search-by-keywords/

2. How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage? Since the NIWA databases don't seem to have accurate historical storm data,

historical rainfall data, and accurate temperature data, how can the Council know what the frequency is of severe weather events?

The Council gives no details as to severe weather frequency. "Climate change" used to be called Global Warming, but actually it should be called "weather". The use of the term Global Warming ended as it was not backed up by reality. Option 1. Don't put any additional amount aside.

Big Call 2: Future proofing our district

Climate Action Framework

The questionnaire states: "As a Council we do many things to help improve our natural environment but in recent years we have also embarked on a programme to tackle climate change. [formerly called weather] We are making progress but could do more."

Previously the Council had tried to tackle climate change via Let's Go: Your Way.

I sent a submission to the Council on Let's Go: Your Way, and went to the Extraordinary Council meeting on the 6th of December 2023.

The plans were to encourage walking and cycling by upgrading facilities, and therefore reduce motor vehicle use, assuming this would have a positive impact on the climate by reducing carbon levels.

At the meeting, Councillor Murray Chong asked a question of the panel of experts presenting the plan.

Councillor Chong wanted to know what are the current Carbon Levels? The experts were unable to answer this fundamental question, and cited that there had been no money available for this essential information.

So how could the experts present a plan that would enable reaching specific Carbon Levels in the future, if they didn't know what the current Carbon Levels were?

They Couldn't.

The panel of experts who worked on Let's Go: Your Way had **NO** possible way of knowing if their proposal would work.

And the majority of you Councillors signed off on this proposal with out knowing all the facts, meaning you couldn't know whether the proposal could or would be effective.

I am told that the Council do know what the Current Carbon Levels are.

Do you Councillors know what they are?

Do you know what levels of Carbon are needed for healthy plant growth?

Do you know what levels are detrimental to the environment?

Does the Council intend to tackle the weather when NIWA doesn't even know our real storm, rainfall and temperature records, see page 1.

Big Call 3: Paying it forward Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Why is the Council wanting to fund future projects, when the Council has **not** been maintaining the existing infrastructure?

The priority should be getting on with maintaining existing infrastructure.

The PIF is used to reduce rates! End of.

In any case, with the advent of 15 minute cities no one would be able to travel to a Lifestyle Capital.

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

The money already spent on on the Multi-Sport Hub / now a proposed Multi-use Community Hub, should have been spent on maintaining existing infrastructure.

Brooklands Zoo

The Brooklands Zoo is a wonderful asset for this city, especially for children, so I support undertaking upgrades to meet compliance with MPI.

Bellringer Pavilion

Repair the existing pavilion to cater for local community use. With the advent of 15 minute cities there will be no need for a top level domestic cricket pavilion.

Council Controlled Organisations

The Council itself, is already a Council controlled organisation, and all workers are officers. The Council is not held to account for its failures, and none of the officers take responsibility for their actions.

For example, on the 17th April 2024, I rang the Council on 06-7596060 and was informed that Fluoride (it's proper name is Fluorosilicic Acid, a toxic by product of the fertilizer industry) is still being added to the town water supply.

But on the 14th November 2023, The High Court found the July 2022 Fluoridation Orders by the then Director-General of Health, Dr. Ashley Bloomfield, to be unlawful and failed to consider the Bill of Rights Act. Why does the Council continue to break the law?

Why do the Councilors allow this to continue?

As the Council is acting unlawfully and out of control, why would we want three more organisations that are liable do the same, controlling our water services, housing for the elderly, and traffic management?

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Submission No: 2661 Ciprian Aurelian Secuiu

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 1 - Do not continue the existing programme.

Comments

Foremost we have to have evidence of our deterioration of our environment. To just say climate change it is not enough. Council should present deterioration of land buildings or other proof to the need for expenditure. Using money we don't have for feel good projects it is not working anymore.

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Comments

That will provide a backdoor of project that will be done without consultation and option for corruption. This type of planning it is showing a bad habit been established in the council.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

It is not the time for this. Budgets are heavily crushed by the economic outcome. To pile up on to families budget constrain it is showing how out of touch this council it is.

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Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

It is a main attraction and source of happiness for small kids. We should protect and improve as much as possible.

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

This is a cost not sustainable at this time. Should be added in future plans . It is not the moment for the exra expenditures.

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No Housing for the elderly No Traffic management No

What else?

Reduce expenses. At this time we should be very careful with budgets. To spend money it is very easy. To budget properly it is hard. So we prefer the hard bit not the easy way out.

Office Use Only: 3229

Submission No: 2662 Peter Ingram

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 1 - Don't spend any more. This will save rates in the short term, but the state of our transportation assets will continue to decline, resulting in greater long-term cost implication.

Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage? Option 1 - Don't put any additional amount aside.

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate? Option 1 - Do not continue the existing programme.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects? Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Comments

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 1 - Do not upgrade the zoo and gradually close it down.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 3 - Demolish the existing pavilion and do not replace (estimated cost \$420,000).

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No Housing for the elderly No Traffic management Yes

What else?

Traffic management is a joke and a waste of money at the moment. Please divide cones by 10 and make more efficient!

Office Use Only: 3230

Submission No: 2663 Dan Kelly

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

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Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

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Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 2 - Continue the existing programme with a budget of \$240,000 in year 1, \$640,000 per annum in year 2 onwards and continue Planting our Place at \$200,000 each year.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Put increasing amounts of \$250,000 each year in to the reserve of the release from our Perpetual Investment Fund (used to subsidise rates) until year 10, when \$2.5m would be added.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Yes
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

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Submission No: 2664 Mike Brooke

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

stupid to not do anything. The road to doom.

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Comments

Do NOT take it out of the perpetual fund specifically for this purpose. It was originally set up for capital projects with a contribution to rates but not for storm. Increase the amount put aside to keep pace with inflation. A futile comment as it will always be a token amount for this purpose. Clearly identify what it's intended use and stick with it

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 1 - Do not continue the existing programme.

Comments

I am not a climate change denier although I have yet to be totally convinced that whatever we do will be effective having been to the most polluting countries and realised how our small efforts are insignificant in the scheme of things

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Comments

It sounds to me as if you are suggesting that we take funds from the PPF and put it in a reserve fund for the same purpose. It just seems like a money-go-round

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Comments

I support the increase in recreational facilities as the city has stagnated in this regard for many years. Don't support the location. Should be at rugby park using all the land available on the site. Who wants to play outdoor sport at the racecourse? a recipe for pneumonia

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 4 - Implement the full vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$14.4m.

Comments

One of our attractions. Built by the JAYCEES and enjoyed by heaps of people, local and visitors. It may be a poor cousin to other zoos but children don't compare.

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Having had a long term acquaintance with some English cricketers, now retired. who played at this ground it needs to be maintained. Noted by Wisden as one of the best cricket grounds in the world we can't afford to lose it. Perhaps test cricket won't be played but other forms would fill the ground. Needs floodlights too.

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Housing for the elderly
No
Traffic management
Yes

What else?

Everything takes too long to do. get rid of the continuous consultations and delays from spurious objectors. I realise that it's a 10 year vision but just get on with it. Costs are racing ahead. Get your budgets more accurate. I can't recall an instance where a project was finished on time and on budget. Blowouts seem to be accepted as the norm. It wouldn't be allowed to happen in " the real world "

Office Use Only: 3232

Submission No: 2665 Val McEldowney

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 with an additional top up increase from funds released from our Perpetual Investment Fund (which would otherwise reduce your rates) of \$100,000 each year to a maximum of \$1m in year 10.

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 4 - Accelerate the programme even further with an additional \$300,000 each year.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 3 - Put increasing amounts of \$500,000 each year in to the reserve of the release from our Perpetual Investment Fund (used to subsidise rates) until year 10, when \$5m would be added.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 3 - Increase the budget to \$50m over the 10 years to add more facilities.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 4 - Implement the full vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$14.4m.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

What else?

Not being brave in earlier years has led to deterioration of infrastructure, so things need to be done, they will only get more expensive putting them off

Office Use Only: 3233

Submission No: 2666 Helen Poppelwell

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

I am sure there is an option 'in between' both these scenarios.

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability - Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Increase option 2 by \$300,000 each year for other initiatives and \$100,000 for a three year high frequency bus service trial.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Put increasing amounts of \$250,000 each year in to the reserve of the release from our Perpetual Investment Fund (used to subsidise rates) until year 10, when \$2.5m would be added.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Comments

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Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services

Housing for the elderly

Traffic management

Yes

No

What else?

Please don't close the zoo or add a charge. This is an excellent community resource and it is wonderful that it is free. Please consider transport strategies that improve cycling, walking and public transport.

Office Use Only: 3234

Submission No: 2667 Charlotte Maxner

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage? Option 1 - Don't put any additional amount aside.

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

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Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

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Comments

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No
Housing for the elderly No
Traffic management No

Office Use Only: 3235

Submission No: 2668 Adym Brown

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 1 - Don't spend any more. This will save rates in the short term, but the state of our transportation assets will continue to decline, resulting in greater long-term cost implication.

Comments

Can't afford to be charged anymore in rates

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 1 - Don't put any additional amount aside.

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability - Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 2 - Continue the existing programme with a budget of \$240,000 in year 1, \$640,000 per annum in year 2 onwards and continue Planting our Place at \$200,000 each year.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

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Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 3 - Increase the budget to \$50m over the 10 years to add more facilities.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 4 - Implement the full vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$14.4m.

Comments

Please shut down Pouakai Zoo

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Yes
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

Office Use Only: 3236

Submission No: 2669 Alexander Wiegerinck

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Comments

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Comments

Brooklands Zoo

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Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

The domestic cricket standards will change again in a few years and it will be all for nothing as the cricket grounds are too small

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
No

What else?

Do not go ahead with the Waitara walkway extension; it is just a nice to have and not needed. Do no go ahead with the Onearo and Urenui sewer system, unless it is paid for by the property owners; owners must upgrade their own septic tanks to national standards. We have to try to keep the rate rises affordable for all.

Office Use Only: 3237

Submission No: 2670 Marie Riordan

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Brooklands Zoo

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Comments

our zoo is an important venue of family fun

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

Office Use Only: 3239

Submission No: 2671 Rita Briggs

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Comments

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Brooklands Zoo

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Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

The Zoo is great for local residents and visitors alike; a must keep. There is no evidence that otters don't like to be observed from the top.

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
No

What else?

As New Plymouth is growing rapidly we need more water storage, as we already have water restrictions every year. Do not go ahead with the Waitara walkway extension; it is just a nice to have and not needed. Do no go ahead with the Onearo and Urenui sewer system, unless it is paid for by the property owners; owners must upgrade their own septic tanks to national standards. We have to try to keep the rate rises affordable for all.

Office Use Only: 3240

Submission No: 2672 Jim Eastwood

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

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Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

If this really is necessary to this amount, stop wasting money on "wants" rather than "needs", like the walkway extension, sports hub and terracing the Bowl of Brooklands/extra seating.

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

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Comments

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Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

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Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

\$35 million is a lot for a four court stadium. Many of the ratepayers will never use this facility. I would prefer to use some of this budgeted amount for other NECESSARY work ("needs" rather than "wants") with perhaps some to offset rates increases. Ratepayers are hurting enough. What's happened to all the money for this?

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

You should NEVER close the zoo down. There's nothing much in NP that's free for families and this zoo has such a great reputation. Do something for families rather than silly art works or unnecessary fluff. (PS \$1.5million for the upgrade of the otter enclosure as read online - really! I could build an amazing house for that.)

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

Why is it so non-compliant? Not everything has to be new and shiny. Once again, this is not something the majority of ratepayers would ever benefit from. Perhaps you need to get some further quotes. That would be interesting for ratepayers to see.

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No
Housing for the elderly Yes
Traffic management No

What else?

Firstly, are there any large paid Council staff that could be culled or reduced? Probably too many chiefs. It is very upsetting to see necessary items being pushed aside when some salaries are no doubt way too high.

Leave the Bowl of Brooklands alone! We don't need terracing on the hill (you would destroy the kids rolling down it that has been enjoyed by thousands of kids over the years) and we certainly don't need permanent seating over the lake. This is an amazing world class venue that should be loved as it is and which caters perfectly for the amount of concerts etc we hold. Why would WOMAD keep coming back if it were not suitable?

Also, why do close residents who have the luxury of being cordoned off during WOMAD get free Sunday passes while those of us who live very close by and get bothered by crazy parking etc get nothing?

Leave the zoo alone, see previous. Keep it free always.

No, you do NOT need to extend the walkway. A waste of money that could be used elsewhere, like for roading etc.

The new acquatic park should NOT come from ratepayers (if it isn't entirely funded elsewhere). Did you ever ask ratepayers if they wanted it? Keep the current acquatic centre maintained.

What's being done about all the vacant shops in town? They're an eyesore for visitors. \$3 per hour for parking in town and in car parks is outrageous. I would just about accept \$2 per hour. Why don't you give 30 minutes free parking on meters etc? This might just encourage people away from The Valley and back into the city centre. Why is Centre City car park charging on public holidays? This needs to be looked at.

And finally, stop setting up meetings to look at meetings to look at meetings. Closed meetings are not good. Give more notice to ratepayers and members of the public to participate and have their say. And yes, it would be good if Council did actually take notice and not just vote otherwise. Thank you.

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Submission No: 2673 Rachel Johnston

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Put increasing amounts of \$250,000 each year in to the reserve of the release from our Perpetual Investment Fund (used to subsidise rates) until year 10, when \$2.5m would be added.

Comments

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services

Housing for the elderly

Traffic management

Yes

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Submission No: 2674 Alex Scott

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 1 - Don't spend any more. This will save rates in the short term, but the state of our transportation assets will continue to decline, resulting in greater long-term cost implication.

Comments

do it right first time stop wasting money make sure contractors do a good job and make powerco fix up huatoki st and brois street etc. use the best materials not the least effect materials. stop wasting money putting in trafific islands and crossing then taking them out again.

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability - Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 2 - Continue the existing programme with a budget of \$240,000 in year 1, \$640,000 per annum in year 2 onwards and continue Planting our Place at \$200,000 each year.

Comments

make the best economic decisions at the time sustainability should be employed only if it is economic. electric rubbish trucks for example are no good if they dont work and cost way too much. if they are cost effective, then that is fine use them.

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

increase the size of the stadium with a simple extention but dont do anything else. For the other projects Set up a charitable trust to collect donations and get the users too fundraise...and give them a tax certificate for a refund. I also think that the race course is a bad idea for a hub. in my view NPL is a shade too big for a hub. they work well in towns. best to find a new place for the netball courts (maybe the old rubbish dump). every thing else should be distribubed around town as it is now. having a hub at the racecourse will create congestion. I am grossly opposed to the hub as well as the cost of it if I thought it was a good idea I might be more supportive of the cost.

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Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Comments

leave it as is. set up a friends of the zoo committee (like the friends of the opera house) and look for funds from donators who can then get a tax certificate. the zoo is good for kids but I think some people are overthinking the effects on animals.

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 4 -Delay the required work and accept the risks of non compliance and building closure.

Comments

again set up trusts to collect donations and raise money and get tax certificates.

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

What else?

we need to get back to the kiwi can do stuff. that means making it easier for kiwis to pitch in and do stuff. may be we can't have people "helping" for health and safety reasons and liability. but we can ask people or organisations to donate cash and make it attractive for them to do so by giving them a tax credit for their donation to a trust. it works for churches so why do we have to pay for assets for the community then pay gst on top of that again. the whole model is messed up. in the old days people would get together and build a church or a swimming pool or something.

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Naomi Pocock Submission No: 2675

Wish to speak to the Council: Yes

New Plymouth District Council Long Term Plan Submission Dr Naomi Pocock & Associates Alight Ltd

Tēnā koutou. I'm here to advocate for Doughnut Economicsⁱ as a decision-making tool your long-term planning. This tool aligns with your vision to future-proof the district, sustainability, and pay it forward for future generations. Doughnut Economics is being used in 80 cities around the world and is fast becoming the trusted model for decision making, ensuring thriving and prosperous (health over wealth) communities for generations to come and regenerating the natural world. Taking a Doughnut Economics approach may better help NPDC to align budgetary decisions of your Three Big Calls with those of your vision.

Doughnut Economics encourages us to stay within the Earth's ecological boundaries, while giving all citizens access to fundamental services. It uses regenerative and distributive 21st century economic thinking to restore and repair our environments and communities and give future generations a chance of thriving on a liveable planet. It argues for investment in the things that matter for a flourishing society and natural world.

In terms of the NPDC LT plan, a Doughnut Economics decision may lead, for example, to closing the Brooklands Zoo at a cost saving of \$897,000 per annum (minus demolition costs) and a boost towards the Planting our Place budget (currently \$200,000 per annum and funded from the profits from small forestry loggings). The nearby Pouakai Zoo can continue to offer educational zoology experiences for locals. Applying the Doughnut to decision making would help NPDC move beyond emissions reductions and adaptation plans in terms of 'sustainability' to consider all nine of the planetary boundaries, while aligning also with the Sustainable Development Goals. As the World Economic Forum argues, every decision is now inherently a climate decision, whether we recognise it or not.

In terms of the background to Doughnut Economics, scientists have discovered that we are overshooting 6 of the 9 boundaries that represent the safe space for humanity to continue to develop and thrive for generations to come on Earth (see Figure 1).

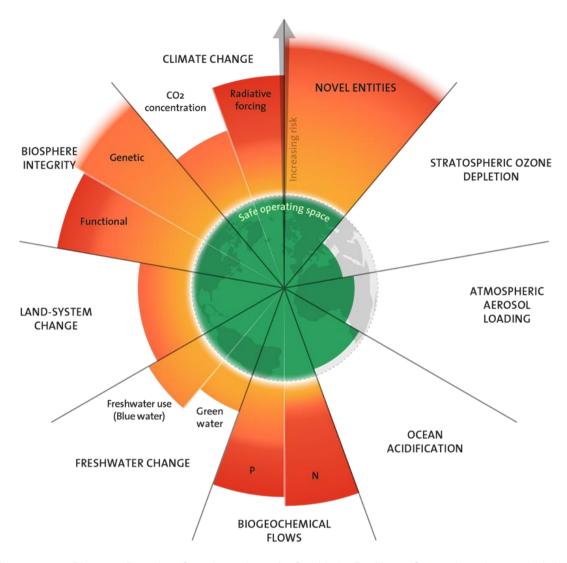


Figure 1 2023 Planetary Boundary Overshoot. Azote for Stockholm Resilience Centre, based on analysis in Richardson et al 2023

In 2020 the Ministry for Environment commissioned research to translate the planetary boundaries framework to New Zealand (see Figure 2). Like all developed nations New Zealand exceeds its fair share of the safe operating space, in terms of both production and consumption. Long term planning should be thinking of how any activities planned for will fit within, contribute to, or be aligned with operating in this safe operating space.

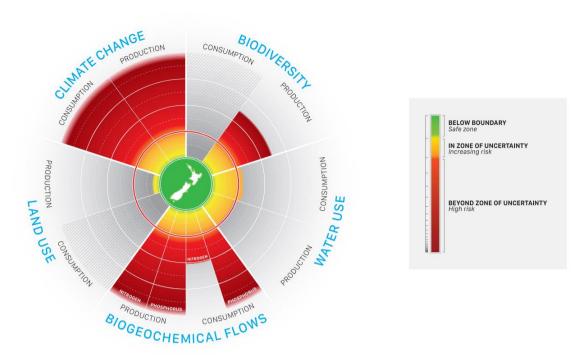


Figure 2 NZ's Assessment of 5 Planetary Boundaries. Ministry for Environment 2020

However, the report noted we can build a regenerative, circular economy that enhances New Zealand's resilience and reduces the transgression of planetary boundaries. The Doughnut Economics model we're presenting today enables this. It also incorporates the Sustainable Development Goals and aligns with NZ's Living Standards Framework. At its core, it suggests all activities should be developed and considered using the 'Seven ways to think like a 21st Century Economist' (see Figure 3).



Seven ways to think like a 21st century economist

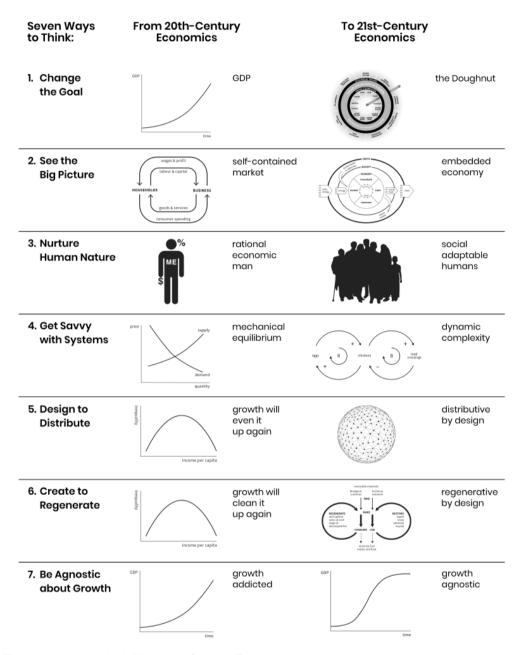


Figure 3 7 ways to think like a 21st Century Economist

Doughnut Economics provides a compass and map towards a safe and just space for humanity to thrive (see Figure 4). Outside the circle is the overshoot of planetary boundaries, inside the circle represents the shortfall of human deprivation. The model has been reimagined by Tuuhoe, who says the environment is the foundation and the social elements belong in the outer ring (see Figure 5). While these two doughnuts are slightly different interpretations, what they have in common is that they recognise human activity must operate in balance with nature.

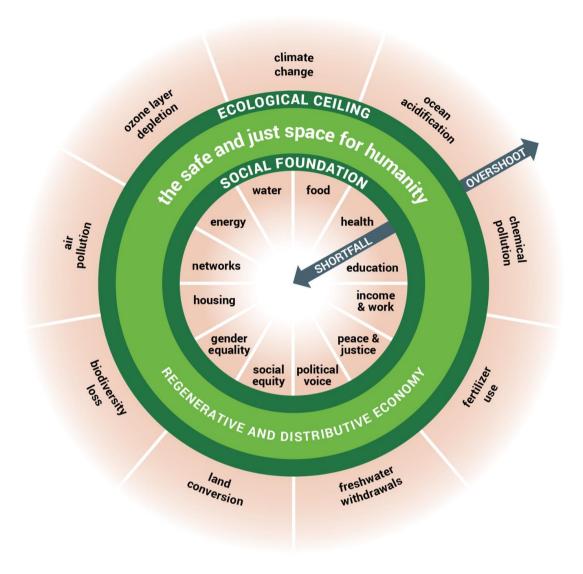


Figure 4 A compass for human prosperity

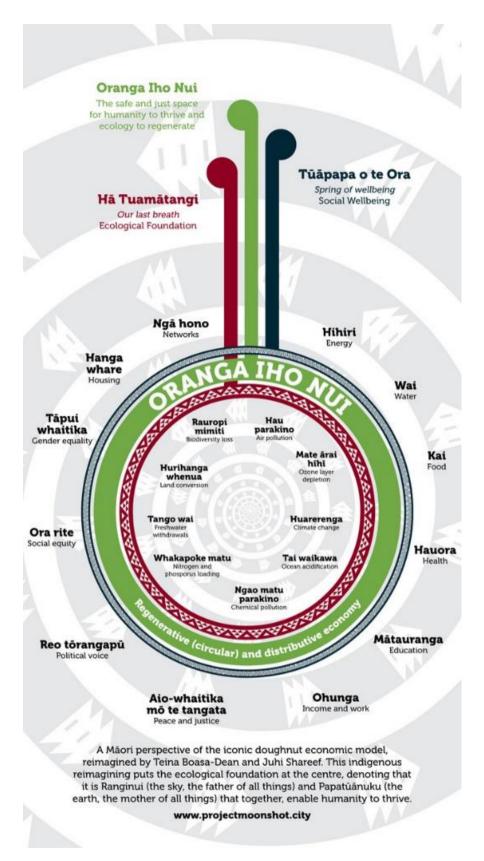


Figure 5 Tuuhoe Doughnut - Earth's Last Breath

We know the world is dangerously out of balance environmentally and socially. Our subconscious default is to grow the economy and our measure for this is GDP. However, the physical constraints of a finite planet mean that GDP cannot grow forever. GDP also does

not allow for fair distribution of wealth. It certainly does not consider environmental impacts. An oil spill is good for GDP, for example, because of the extra work (or use of goods and services) it creates. You may hear that some European countries are decoupling GDP from emissions, but they are nowhere close to decoupling at the rate needed to achieve the Paris Agreement of less than 1.5 degrees warming compared to pre-industrial times.

Instead, Doughnut Economics proposes that we be distributive and regenerative by design (Figure 6).

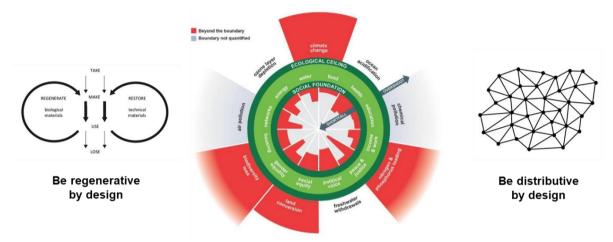
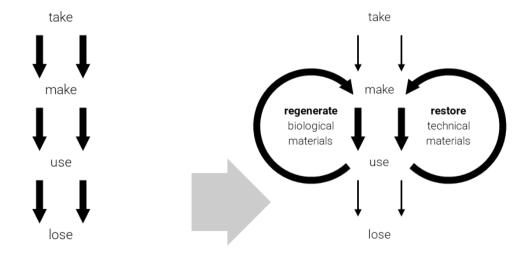


Figure 6 How can we get humanity into the doughnut?

This means, rather than degenerating earth's life supporting systems with our take, make, use and waste model, we need to regenerate and restore our living world (Figure 7). Examples include landscape restoration, the circular economy (such as the right to repair, repair cafes and circular manufacturing), nature-centred cities and nature-rich buildings.



Degenerative

Running down Earth's lifesupporting system

Regenerative

Working with and within the cycles of the living world

Figure 7 Change from degenerative to regenerative design

In addition, instead of dividing value and opportunity into the hands of a few, we could share value with the people who cocreated it (see Figure 8). Examples include affordable social housing, public transport, community micro-grids and purpose-led business.

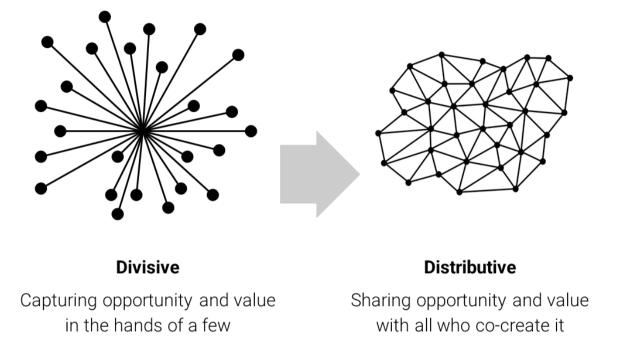


Figure 8 Change from divisive to distributive design

The city of Amsterdam has used Doughnut Economics as a tool to guide their social and economic recovery from the covid pandemic. Since then, over 80 local and regional governments worldwide have started exploring the concepts and what would it mean for their place to put them into practice. Locally, Regen Melbourne and Regen Sydney are each a collective of around 180 organisations using the doughnut as a concept to gather around to design their ambitions for a thriving future.

Different councils are engaging at different stages depending on where they are on their sustainability journey, from initial conversations or empowering local change makers to gathering data, planning, strategizing and demonstrating to using Doughnut Economics as a compass across all aspects of the organisation (see Figure 9).

Taking steps Empowering local change-makers Testing the Doughnut Starting conversations and internal learning on ongoing projects On a journey **Q** ¥Ξ ılı. Demonstrator Data, measuring and Plans and strategies Commiting long-term ಕಾ Identifying levers of transformative change Doughnut Economics as a strategic compass Decision-making and

Figure 9 How councils are getting started

As NPDC has started its sustainability journey and has a future generations focus, my ask today is that you engage Doughnut Economics as part of your Long Term Planning process for the next three years:

- 1. Firstly, I ask you to research and understand the reasons for Doughnut Economics being so widely adopted as a different way of thinking about the economic paradigm and how we design and operate cities
- 2. Next, I ask that you initiate an 'unroll the Doughnut pilot project' (all facilitation and training material is available open source via the Doughnut Economics Action Lab)
- 3. Then, you may need to collect data to create a 'portrait of place'
- 4. Next, you would engage with the doughnut across multiple dimensions of your organisation, to ensure your local targets and decisions sit within the planetary boundaries and investments align with social foundations
- 5. Finally, you would initiate conversations to move Doughnut Economics thinking beyond the council and into communities.

ⁱ Raworth, K. (2017). *Doughnut economics: Seven ways to think like a 21st-century economist.* Chelsea Green Publishing.

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Submission No: 2676 Theresa Hodgkinson

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 1 - Don't spend any more. This will save rates in the short term, but the state of our transportation assets will continue to decline, resulting in greater long-term cost implication.

Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 with an additional top up increase from funds released from our Perpetual Investment Fund (which would otherwise reduce your rates) of \$100,000 each year to a maximum of \$1m in year 10.

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Submission No: 2677 Rachel Johnston

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

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Submission No: 2678 Debbie Bliss

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 with an additional top up increase from funds released from our Perpetual Investment Fund (which would otherwise reduce your rates) of \$100,000 each year to a maximum of \$1m in year 10.

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability - Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Increase option 2 by \$300,000 each year for other initiatives and \$100,000 for a three year high frequency bus service trial.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

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Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Put increasing amounts of \$250,000 each year in to the reserve of the release from our Perpetual Investment Fund (used to subsidise rates) until year 10, when \$2.5m would be added.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 4 - Implement the full vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$14.4m.

Comments

We need to keep the zoo as it is an integral place in new plymouth

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Yes
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

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Submission No: 2679 Alistair Nairn

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

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Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

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Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Comments

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Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects? Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

Brooklands zoo is an important part of New Plymouth and so improving it is key to the district

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Pukekura park is one of the best grounds for cricket in New Zealand and I believe it is important that we continue to try to bring high level sport into the region

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No Housing for the elderly No Traffic management No

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Submission No: 2680 Pip Charteris

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Comments

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What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

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Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

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Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 3 - Increase the budget to \$50m over the 10 years to add more facilities.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No
Housing for the elderly Yes
Traffic management No

What else?

Our community needs more sports facilities for hockey and basketball games.

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Submission No: 2681 Amellia Liddall

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

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Comments

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Comments

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Brooklands Zoo

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Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 3 - Demolish the existing pavilion and do not replace (estimated cost \$420,000).

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Yes
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

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Submission No: 2682 David Edgecombe

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 1 - Don't spend any more. This will save rates in the short term, but the state of our transportation assets will continue to decline, resulting in greater long-term cost implication.

Comments

I would be happy with spending more of there was guarantee that it would actually become suitable for people to use and be reliable. Currently the services don't suit most needs and to double costs makes no sense unless it's going to usable for most for mahi or other activities. No just the 9-5 business hours but hours that lower social economic work tends to work (early mornings / late nights) this would then also become benificail in many areas across Taranaki.

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability - Climate Action Framework

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Option 1 - Do not continue the existing programme.

Comments

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Comments

Do this properly so we can use it for events and make money back and long term profit.

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

This is an attraction we can't start closing attractions that bring people to us. We're already so far out the way to visit.

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Again an attraction but I would properties the zoo.

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

What else?

Things need to be done properly. That includes using them correctly so we can start making money back because we can't keep subsidising poor business decisions on your part with our rates costs things are already too expensive and we pay high rates here already.

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Submission No: 2683 Glenda Tyrrell

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 3 - Increase the budget to \$50m over the 10 years to add more facilities.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services

Housing for the elderly

Traffic management

Yes

What else?

Vital to keep Brooklands Zoo open but keep it simple - generations have loved and enjoyed the zoo - it is a New Plymouth treasure

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Submission No: 2684 Jo-anne Mowat

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability - Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 2 - Continue the existing programme with a budget of \$240,000 in year 1, \$640,000 per annum in year 2 onwards and continue Planting our Place at \$200,000 each year.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Office Use Only: 3253

Submission No: 2685 Jamie Norris

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 1 - Don't spend any more. This will save rates in the short term, but the state of our transportation assets will continue to decline, resulting in greater long-term cost implication.

Comments

This isn't a choice, it's a coercive tactic! The NPDC expects us to swallow this Hobson's choice of asset decay or a huge rate rise. Where's the moderate option that addresses our crumbling infrastructure without crippling our wallets? This dishonest strategy is eerily similar to the ignored water meter feedback. It's transparently manipulative and destroys any remaining trust the community has in your leadership.

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage? Option 1 - Don't put any additional amount aside.

Comments

Not at this time.

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 1 - Do not continue the existing programme.

Comments

No.

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects? Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Comments

Given the economic conditions facing households, prioritizing rate relief should be the top priority.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

The NPDC's proposal for a new recreational facility raises significant concerns, particularly in the current economic climate. In this context, prioritizing a project with questionable return on investment, ballooning budget, and limited community appeal is daft and out of touch. This is Yarrow stadium round two; we're perpetually paying a fortune for sports facilities few use.

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

Though i don't visit it often, it doesn't make sense to shutter this, it brings much joy to those who use it. If you can't afford to maintain the existing charm of New Plymouth, stop blowing money on new projects, this is budgeting 101.

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 4 -Delay the required work and accept the risks of non compliance and building closure.

Comments

Sports again? really...

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No Housing for the elderly No Traffic management No

What else?

I am underwhelmed by the survey, the manipulative design of the options is not meaningful consultation. I expect this feedback will be promptly ignored by the council, just as the costly and deceitful water meters were. No doubt you'll choose your preferred options while giving rate payers the royal middle finger, yet again.

Office Use Only: 3254

Submission No: 2686 Hamish Crimp

Organisation: Taranaki Heritage Preservation Trust

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 with an additional top up increase from funds released from our Perpetual Investment Fund (which would otherwise reduce your rates) of \$100,000 each year to a maximum of \$1m in year 10.

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 4 - Accelerate the programme even further with an additional \$300,000 each year.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Put increasing amounts of \$250,000 each year in to the reserve of the release from our Perpetual Investment Fund (used to subsidise rates) until year 10, when \$2.5m would be added.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

It is concerning to see that the redevelopment of the Sportsground area could result in the loss of the original portion of the Bellringer Pavilion and the former curator's office. Further consideration should be given to the retention of these buildings as planning for the redevelopment of this area continues. In relation to the Bellringer Pavilion, it is proposed that following removal of later additions, this is restored and adaptively reused as a heritage/information centre for Pukekura Park. When returned to its original form the original portion of the Pavilion would complement the character of the sportsground area and enhance the historic context for the two nearby ticket boxes constructed in 1931. The original Pavilion, once stripped of its later additions, would provide a centrepiece for activities based on the proposed new plaza area.

The earliest portion of the current Sportsground/Bellringer Pavilion, which survives largely intact beneath the 1950s and 1980s additions, was completed during early-1924. This is a reinforced concrete structure, with timber window joinery; it is in a cottage style, with bungalow and Arts and Crafts features. The building was designed by noted New Plymouth architect Thomas Herbert Bates, who was responsible for, amongst other buildings, the New Plymouth Opera House (TSB Showplace) and Collier's Buildings. With regard to the structure of the existing Sportsground/Bellringer Pavilion, it is suggested that the following is undertaken as part of the sports ground redevelopment:

- The removal of 1950s and 1980s additions;
- Surviving elements of the 1924 Pavilion retained and protected from any demolition works;
- Restoration of the exterior of the building to its original 1924 form, especially:
 - The eastern facing front elevation;
 - o Side elevations; and oMain roof structure, especially where visible from front and side elevations
- Reconfiguration of the interior to accommodate a heritage and information centre for Pukekura Park.

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services Yes
Housing for the elderly Yes
Traffic management Yes

What else?

Please see below feedback/suggestions on a number of other heritage related matters associated with the LPT. Please feel free to get in contact if you want to discuss any of these matters in further detail.

Puke Ariki Long Term Galleries Refreshment:

Taranaki Life Gallery At present it is not proposed to begin work on the refresh of the permanent Taranaki Life Gallery at Puke Ariki until the 2028/29 financial year. This project has already been pushed out several times before in different budgets and waiting another 5 years is not acceptable. A fit-for-purpose Taranaki Life Gallery is vital in order to effectively tell the story of Taranaki's history to both locals and visitors alike. At present, the outdated exhibition is having a negative impact on visitor numbers and the reputation of Puke Ariki as a progressive world-class museum venue. Furthermore, inappropriate permanent display cases (or lack thereof) are causing irreversible harm to irreplaceable Puke Ariki collection exhibits significant to the history of Taranaki. It is strongly suggested that funding for this project be brought forward to the next financial year or as soon as is possible.

Proposed Metro Plaza Building Demolition

It is strongly recommended that any redevelopment of the current Metro Plaza area take into consideration the important built heritage values of the site. A number of structures with significant historic heritage value are located within the proposed development site, and the loss of these structures would likely have a significant negative impact on the heritage values of the central city area, which contains the only significant and coherent built heritage streetscapes remaining within New Plymouth City, and which strongly contribute to the unique character of the area.

It is strongly suggested that the Devon Street façade of the Metro Plaza/former McGruer's building completed in 1936 is retained and restored. This would retain the coherence and historic character of the Devon Street streetscape that is the locality of a number of significant scheduled heritage buildings, the value of which is enhanced by their group setting. This group value is recognised through the Proposed New Plymouth District Plan where the central city area, including the locality of the current Metro Plaza, is identified as a Heritage Character Area.

It is also strongly suggested that the former May and Arrowsmith bakehouse building (presently forming the rear section of the Downtown Arcade), completed in 1917-18 and designed by noted Wellington architect James Bennie, be retained and incorporated into the development. This building would provide an ideal setting for a streamside restaurant/café/bar, that could incorporate outdoor seating amongst the planned greening of the area adjacent to daylighted sections of the Huatoki Awa

The aforementioned proposals would provide an additional income stream to the NPDC, ensure the redeveloped area remains characterful and is actively utilised (which will help prevent antisocial behaviour), retain significant built heritage within the central city (in line with the NPDC's Heritage Strategy), and reduce demolition waste (in alignment with NPDC's waste minimisation goals).

It is important to note that this proposal still supports daylighting sections of the Huatoki Awa and other enhancements, including recognising the importance of the area to $Iwi/hap\bar{u}$ and their aspirations for the site.

History of the McGruers Building (Devon Street portion of Metro Arcade) from: https://terangiaoaonunui.pukeariki.com/story-collections/new-plymouth-buildings/mcgruersbuildingsmith-brownsmetro-plaza-19291936 "The drapery firm of McGruer's Ltd was established in Invercargill by John Duncan McGruer in 1892 and by 1919 had grown to include 20 branches across New Zealand. In 1921 McGruer's opened their first New Plymouth store in an old two-storied wooden building located on the site of the present carpark at 105 Devon Street West (opposite the TSB Showplace). During 1929, McGruer's purchased the eastern portion of the site of the present building at 33 Devon Street West. At the time, a two-storied timber building constructed sometime following 1907 (when the railway line was deviated away from Devon Street) was located on the property. The old building being too small for the growing firm, they soon commissioned noted New Plymouth architects Messenger, Griffiths & Taylor (Frank Messenger, Horace Victor Griffiths & William Taylor) to design extensive reinforced concrete additions to the rear of the original wooden building. The 1929 additions form the present rear ground and first floor portions of the extant building and considerably enlarged the size of the store. A building permit for these additions was granted by the New Plymouth Borough Council on 26 August 1929; Frank Cooper is noted as the builder and the estimated construction cost was £3000.

By 1936 the original timber front portion of the store had outlived its usefulness, and along with a neighbouring timber building on the western portion of the present site (constructed during the early-1870s), was demolished and replaced with the current reinforced concrete structure. Contiguous with the 1929 portion, the 1936 additions were designed in the fashionable Art Deco/Moderne style by New Plymouth architects Griffiths & Stephenson (Horace Victor Griffiths & William Newton Stephenson). A building permit for this work was granted by the New Plymouth Borough Council on 8 June 1936; Jones & Sandford Ltd. are noted as the builders and the estimated construction cost was £2200.

During the early 1960s McGruer's was acquired by retail furniture chain Smith & Brown's, who remained the principal occupants until 1984, when they relocated to a new store in Devon Street East (present site of Big Save Furniture, 300 Devon Street East). During 1985 the Downtown Arcade was developed from existing buildings by the Downtown Development Co. Ltd. Hundreds of people attended a gala opening and the arcade opened with a full complement of tenants. By May 1990 the firm was insolvent. The Arcade incorporates the former May and Arrowsmith Bakehouse at rear (constructed 1918) and allows pedestrian access to the downtown car parking building on Powderham Street - presently closed due to a poor earthquake seismic rating. (2024) The Downtown Arcade was later re-named the "Metro Plaza", past occupants of the Downtown Arcade/Metro Plaza include: Infocus (Photography outlet)

Powerplay Games Club Tropix The Miller Bar The Outback Pub and Grub The Phoenix Bar Subway

The main structure and first floor of this building remains principally intact, although the ground floor, like many others in Devon Street, has been substantially remodelled. The first floor Devon Street facade is largely intact and is a good example of the Art Deco/Moderne style. Copies of the original plans for the 1929 and 1936 additions are held by Puke Ariki Museum (ARC2014-006).

The McGruer's building is part of central New Plymouth's most important group of Art Deco style buildings, which also includes the former National Bank, Whites Ltd Building and Deare's Ltd (all located on the South side of Devon Street West between Brougham and Currie Streets)".

History of the Former May and Arrowsmith Bakehouse (By Hamish Crimp)

Constructed of reinforced concrete, with its foundations extending below the bed of the Huatoki Awa, this building was originally constructed as a bakery for the firm May and Arrowsmith during 1917-1918. Plans held by NPDC seem to indicate that the client was W. C. Phillips Esq. A permit for the erection of a bakehouse for May & Arrowsmith was granted by the New Plymouth Borough Council on November 5th 1917 and the estimated construction cost was £1116.

The building was designed by important Wellington based architect James Bennie, who designed over 200 Wellington buildings in the early twentieth century - his designs include some of Wellington's best known heritage buildings, including the Albemarle Hotel on Ghuznee St, The Vic on Cuba St, Paramount Theatre on Courtenay Place, and Mansfield Court Hotel in Newtown. It is likely the only

building designed by James Bennie to survive in New Plymouth, and possibly the only bakehouse of this era to survive in New Plymouth City. The interior of the building is notable for its large exposed timber structural beams.

The Gables Old Hospital Seismic Issues

The Gables is a heritage building of national significance, it is one of the oldest buildings in Taranaki, and amongst the earliest to survive nationally. The building provides an important venue for the Taranaki Arts Community. It is presently proposed to begin works associated with seismic strengthening of the building in the 2030/31 financial year – this timeframe is unacceptable and given the significance of the building and its vulnerability to damage during seismic events, it is suggested that seismic strengthening be brought forward to an earlier date as soon as possible.

Te Henui Vicarage Seismic Strengthening

The Te Henui Vicarage is one of the oldest buildings in Taranaki, and amongst the earliest to survive nationally. The building provides an important venue for the Taranaki Arts Community. It is presently proposed to begin works associated with seismic strengthening of the building in the 2031/32 financial year – this timeframe is unacceptable and given the significance of the building and its vulnerability to damage or total destruction during seismic events, it is suggested that seismic strengthening be brought forward to an earlier date as soon as possible.

Richmond Cottage Seismic Strengthening Richmond Cottage is one New Plymouth's earliest surviving European settler cottages and is associated with several families prominent to the early European development of Taranaki during the 19th century. The building is located within central New Plymouth and has a high public profile. It is presently proposed to begin works associated with seismic strengthening of the building in the 2032/33 financial year – this timeframe is unacceptable and given the significance of the building and its vulnerability to damage or total destruction during seismic events, it is suggested that seismic strengthening be brought forward to an earlier date as soon as possible.

Built, Cultural Heritage Protection Fund

At present this fund distributes up to \$150,000 per year to eligible projects. Whilst it is acknowledged that funding has been increased in recent times, with inflationary pressures and associated construction and other related costs, this funding is no longer adequate to support the built and cultural heritage of New Plymouth District. With significant seismic strengthening obligations on building owners, it is important that those who own historic heritage have access to adequate financial support. It is emphasised that New Plymouth District has, and continues to, lose significant amounts of its irreplicable built and cultural heritage, and all measures should be taken to stem these losses so that our unique heritage remains for both present and future generations. It is suggested that funding is increased by the amount of \$50,000, to a total of \$200,000 per annum, and that further increases should take place as the NPDC's financial position allows.

Office Use Only: 3255

Submission No: 2687 Jo-anne Mowat

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

Basic infrastructure should be the priority of the council.

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 with an additional top up increase from funds released from our Perpetual Investment Fund (which would otherwise reduce your rates) of \$100,000 each year to a maximum of \$1m in year 10.

Comments

Obviously we are not prepared for a disaster with the current amount set aside.

Big Call 2: Sustainability - Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 2 - Continue the existing programme with a budget of \$240,000 in year 1, \$640,000 per annum in year 2 onwards and continue Planting our Place at \$200,000 each year.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Comments

Reserving funds aside when the council has debt is not good financial practice. makes more sense to repay debt first.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

Option 2 at a much lower budget. Instead of closing, reduce the number of animals at the zoo, choosing those that cost the least to maintain, to keep. The zoo has expanded it's range of animals over the years and this has become more expensive to maintain. The zoo is for ratepayers (locals) it is about a place for our children to experience animals. Many generations have had this experience and I would like to see this continue for future generations. As for the issue of looking down on animals such as Otters, I would like to see the scientific proof that this is really damaging to the Otters.

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No Housing for the elderly No Traffic management No

What else?

The last question of setting up CCO's seemed to me that we would spend more on overheads and administration rather than using the councils current structure.

Office Use Only: 3256

Submission No: 2688 Dr Tim McGovern

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

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Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

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Comments

This is much needed as preparation for the impeding climate-induced severe weather

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 4 - Accelerate the programme even further with an additional \$300,000 each year.

Comments

This is much needed now, rather than waiting for climate-induced severe weather arriving. Invest in more cycleways, waste minimisation, decarbonisation, adaptation, agricultural diversification, and as many other sustainable projects as you can.

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Comments

I would rather see this funding used now towards sustainability projects

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 3 - Increase the budget to \$50m over the 10 years to add more facilities.

Comments

Anything that help active lifestyles and therefore health outcomes

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 4 - Implement the full vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$14.4m.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 3 - Demolish the existing pavilion and do not replace (estimated cost \$420,000).

Comments

This is a lot of money for a limited use. I would rather see this funding being used elsewhere through Pukekura Park

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

What else?

Please focus on the environment and health outcomes

Office Use Only: 3257

Submission No: 2689 Steve Wright

Organisation: Farmer

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

Definitely proceed with alternative route for trucks. They are wrecking the streets, many travel too fast and are a danger to public because of their size.

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Comments

More consideration needs to be taken by Council when approving building permits etc if the development has the potential to be hit by a natural disaster I.e coastal erosion, flooding, slips etc.

Big Call 2: Sustainability - Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 2 - Continue the existing programme with a budget of \$240,000 in year 1, \$640,000 per annum in year 2 onwards and continue Planting our Place at \$200,000 each year.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

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Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No Housing for the elderly Yes Traffic management Yes

What else?

Coastal walkway is fantastic but the cost for new extension seems extremely excessive. Suggest get several more quotes to get a more realistic price even if it takes longer.

Office Use Only: 3258

Submission No: 2690 Rochelle Edgecombe

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Comments

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Comments

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Which option do you support for The Hub?

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Comments

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Comments

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Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Yes
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

Office Use Only: 3259

Submission No: 2691 Rhian Arbuckle

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

Option two but without increasing rates. We had a huge increase this year already without any improvements

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 with an additional top up increase from funds released from our Perpetual Investment Fund (which would otherwise reduce your rates) of \$100,000 each year to a maximum of \$1m in year 10.

Comments

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Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects? Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

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Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services

Housing for the elderly

Traffic management

No

What else?

Reduce rates

Office Use Only: 3260

Submission No: 2692 Isla Blair

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 1 - Don't spend any more. This will save rates in the short term, but the state of our transportation assets will continue to decline, resulting in greater long-term cost implication.

Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage? Option 1 - Don't put any additional amount aside.

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate? Option 1 - Do not continue the existing programme.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects? Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Comments

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 1 - Do not upgrade the zoo and gradually close it down.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No Housing for the elderly No Traffic management No

What else?

Stop spending money un-necessarily. None of your suggestions are essential.

Office Use Only: 3261

Submission No: 2693 Alan O'Connor

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Increase option 2 by \$300,000 each year for other initiatives and \$100,000 for a three year high frequency bus service trial.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

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Comments

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 4 -Delay the required work and accept the risks of non compliance and building closure.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

What else?

Connect the valley / katere rd to cycle network

Office Use Only: 3262

Submission No: 2694 Wendy Richards

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 2 - Continue the existing programme with a budget of \$240,000 in year 1, \$640,000 per annum in year 2 onwards and continue Planting our Place at \$200,000 each year.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects? Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Comments

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Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

Install a donation box near inside entry of zoo. Most families would donate what they could afford. This would be a way of getting extra funding to help maintain the zoo. No one wants to see the zoo closed. Old and young enjoy going there.

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Why can't the pavilion stay in same location. Seems the logical thing to do and possibly save some cost.

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No
Housing for the elderly Yes
Traffic management Yes

Office Use Only: 3263

Submission No: 2695 Fei Wang

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

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Comments

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Option 2 - Continue the existing programme with a budget of \$240,000 in year 1, \$640,000 per annum in year 2 onwards and continue Planting our Place at \$200,000 each year.

Comments

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Option 2 (preferred option) - Put increasing amounts of \$250,000 each year in to the reserve of the release from our Perpetual Investment Fund (used to subsidise rates) until year 10, when \$2.5m would be added.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 4 -Delay the required work and accept the risks of non compliance and building closure.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No Housing for the elderly Yes Traffic management No

Office Use Only: 3264

Submission No: 2696 Rosemary Law

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

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How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 1 - Don't spend any more. This will save rates in the short term, but the state of our transportation assets will continue to decline, resulting in greater long-term cost implication.

Comments

I support spending more on transportation if it is on carbon neutral strategies, those that have actual physcial benefit to our health at the same time such as more and connected cycle ways so that we can commute from the smaller towns on protected cycleways. Our roading seems to work fine compared to other cities I visit.

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

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Option 3 (preferred option) - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 with an additional top up increase from funds released from our Perpetual Investment Fund (which would otherwise reduce your rates) of \$100,000 each year to a maximum of \$1m in year 10.

Comments

Taranaki has been relatively unscathed from severe weather events in the last few years compared to other areas in Aotearoa but we can't be thinking we can expect this to keep happening. No amount of preparedness can be too much.

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 4 - Accelerate the programme even further with an additional \$300,000 each year.

Comments

Climate action to me is focusing on strategies that make Taranaki a better place to live and enjoy for us and future generations. Appropriate direction of resources in combatting and adjusting to climate change is super important in my opnion.

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Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

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Option 3 - Put increasing amounts of \$500,000 each year in to the reserve of the release from our Perpetual Investment Fund (used to subsidise rates) until year 10, when \$5m would be added.

Comments

I really like the idea of NP being a sustainable Lifestyle Capital so support good investment.

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Any extra sports facilities is a bonus in any community as long as it goes along with grass roots programs, such as getting kids into playing basketball, particularly those who are less privileged as long as there are no other barriers such as cost to use the facilities and uniforms. I do think though NPDC should be maximising grants for sports from wherever able.

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

I have loved taking my son to the zoo, it's a great space but I do think zoos might be need a full rethink. Animals behind cages is not the best way to care for the creatures we share the earth with. I would really love to see the money spent on pest eradication, so our children get to see our own amazing creatures in the natural environment as they have started doing with the release of kiwi here.

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Comments

I am not sure if a new pavilion would get the big games here. If so, maybe the new pavilion is worth it but the small boundaries are likely to limit the use anyway.

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water servicesYesHousing for the elderlyYesTraffic managementNo

Office Use Only: 3265

Submission No: 2697 Murray Fisher

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 1 - Don't put any additional amount aside.

Comments

Challenge the government to stop their practice of weather modification which appears in our skies daily, without this un-necessary modification then we shouldn't require additional funding.

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 1 - Do not continue the existing programme.

Comments

Firstly, climate change is a hoax, this needs to be acknowledged. There is a temperature change as expected following an ice age. Follow the actual factual science not the manipulative narrative.

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Comments

The financial load being put on the rate payers is unsustainable, fiscal expenditure should be limited to necessary expenditure while we are in this economic climate.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Utilise all currently facilities, the economic climate does not allow for this expenditure at this time.

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Comments

The zoo brings pleasure to numerous people, the otters don't need an elaborate enclosure, tidy it.

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 4 -Delay the required work and accept the risks of non compliance and building closure.

Comments

Sports facilities in the province are currently under utilised, do the minimum at this time.

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No Housing for the elderly No Traffic management No

What else?

You talk about having a low debt compared to availability of funds to borrow, this sort of statement is irresponsible and implies you are happy to keep spend borrowed money. If you think borrowing more and loading the debt onto the younger generation is ok then you should resign, it's not ok. No more borrowing against our properties is what the majority of the rate payers want, open you ears and listen, stop borrowing money, you should be planning to reduce the debt not extending it.

Office Use Only: 3269

Submission No: 2698 John Flowers

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

Need to keep infrastructure up to date or else we'll play catch up

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Comments

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Comments

I believe we need a complete rethink on this project! We do not need to centralise all sports ie football to Hickford Park! Also stop being held to ransom by the racing fraternity

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

We need this

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No
Housing for the elderly Yes
Traffic management Yes

What else?

Get a solid plan and don't tinker

Office Use Only: 3270

Submission No: 2699 Dan Bowman

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Comments

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What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Increase option 2 by \$300,000 each year for other initiatives and \$100,000 for a three year high frequency bus service trial.

Comments

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Comments

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Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 4 - Implement the full vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$14.4m.

Comments

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Yes
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

Office Use Only: 3271

Submission No: 2700 Michael Loft

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Comments

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Comments

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Comments

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Water services

Housing for the elderly

Traffic management

Yes

What else?

Improve central town and utilise existing land/space better. I.e. continue with shopping development in Waiwhakaiho, repurpose the Bunnings space for restaurants, bars, local shops by the sea (similar to MADE in Hamilton), improve city centre shopping mall. Reduce social housing developments in up and coming suburbs. This has been trialled in Auckland and failed, sadly these housing developments will only bring an area down, so in a smaller region such as New Plymouth this will have huge negative repercussions for local communities.

Office Use Only: 3272

Submission No: 2701 Sophia Nisbet

Wish to speak to the Council: Yes

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Comments

Rural road maintenance and renewals should not be delayed due to logging vehicle use - contrary to the proposed Infrastructure Strategy. (see P.48 of the Infrastructure Strategy)

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

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Comments

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Comments

Installing loading stations to get logs on trains and into the port. This would be far more sustainable than a ring road. Rail is a long term sustainable (environmentally and economically) solution for the forestry industry AND council. With the added bonus of taking pressure off the Council and WK roads that are currently not coping with the high amounts of heavy vehicle use.

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Comments

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 3 - Increase the budget to \$50m over the 10 years to add more facilities.

Comments

A multi-sport hub which could be built and added to over the next 30 years would be more inclusive and forward thinking. A four indoor court stadium cannot grow with the city and is short sighted.

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 1 - Do not upgrade the zoo and gradually close it down.

Comments

Zoo's are an antiquated concept. Gradually closing the zoo and exotic animal enclosures down and transitioning it to an educational New Zealand wildlife sanctuary and rehab for our endangered species, over time will have more benefit to the community and NZ ecology. This would also be an intersectional policy approach as it would help NPDC towards it's sustainability goals. A gold coin donation should be considered or \$5 for adults free for children to help with these transition costs alongside the current funding it receives.

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

Top level domestic Cricket could still proceed without the pavilion being used. Byo picnic rugs and camping chairs like at the Basin Reserve.

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services

Housing for the elderly

Traffic management

Yes

What else?

Submission opposing the NPDC LTP proposal to revert Tarata Road, from Pukeho Road to the Stratford Boundary back to metal (gravel): Found in the Infrastructure Strategy for Rural Roads (pg48 of the Infrastructure Strategy)

Introduction/My relation to the proposal:

Kia ora My name is Sophia Nisbet. I wish to be heard on my submission at the oral hearing and reserve the right to address other issues or add further to my submissions at the hearing in question. My partner, Jethro Neeson, and I were present at the meeting held at Tarata hall on April the 10th where we were informed of the council's proposal to revert 6.5kms of Tarata Rd, from Pukeho Rd to the Stratford boundary to metal.

I understand this will be carried out as part of the proposed Infrastructure Strategy for rural roads (pg 48 of the proposed Infrastructure Strategy). The proposed strategy for Rural Roads is 'short term high use activity on specific roads (e.g logging of a particular area for a short period) will be monitored and renewals carried out at the conclusion of such activity'.

This proposal is in direct contradiction to the overarching goals of NPDC to maintain existing levels of service. On this basis alone the proposed strategy should not be included in the LTP. The proposal to revert Tarata Rd to gravel will result in a decrease in the level of service the community receives. It also results in negative health and well being outcomes for the community, something NPDC have a responsibility to maintain or improve.

We are new residents on the road (as of September last year) after purchasing a lifestyle section (2663 Tarata Rd). The property is part of the 6.5kms impacted by the proposed 'reversion' to metal. I am unsure if the council are aware, there are several sections that have been subdivided off a farm, with the main lot having been turned into forestry. These sections, are yet to be built on, however will be residential sections with houses in due course. These houses/sections will, in my opinion, not have been considered by council as needing dust aprons or as being affected by NPDC (Rui's) proposal. However all of these sections are within the 6.5km stretch of road the council is proposing to revert.

Community consultation:

I found it very alarming that we were not given the full proposal at the meeting, nor even told what section of the LTP this proposal could be found in. We should have been given a print out or presented with the section of the LTP relevant to the community to make it easier to create an informed submission.

Holding a meeting 7 working days before submissions were due to close, with no indication prior to what the meeting was about is not sufficient community consultation. The lack of information left the community confused (I believe deliberately) and despondent around their ability to influence the outcome of the decision with regards to the road reversion.

Also what effort has been made to inform the affected residents other than this meeting? As I am aware of no letter box drops, emails or notices on titles have happened. The owners of these new lifestyle sections that aren't yet living there certainly will not be aware that one of their deciding factors in buying a property is about to be taken away.

I believe the council has been negligent in approving subdivisions intended for residential use, while in conjunction planning to revert a stretch of road affecting them back to metal. It also highlights a complete lack of strategic planning between regional and district councils.

Road usage:

Tarata Road - despite its small population - has a high road usage of predominantly heavy commercial vehicles as a consequence of the large number of rotational forestry blocks off both Tarata and Junction Road. Due to the fact it's a through road from the forgotten highway and a NZ cycle way (part of the Forgotten World highway cycle trail) the road is subject to cyclists and commuters as well as residents and commercial vehicles. Commercial logging (50 trucks a day), recreation (Motocross and hunting) and cyclists are some of the other users of this road other than residents. As far as I'm aware, logging trucks - although pay RUC's which go to Waka Kotahi - are also required to register with councils and include the roads they use. This way councils can get a more fair portion of RUC's from Waka Kotahi. Rui's argument to the community that as a low population area we don't have enough money through RUC's to maintain Tarata Rd is rubbish.

Waka Kotahi allows for councils to claim more money depending on the amount of commercial logging trucks using council roads. The fact it is also a national cycle way should allow the council to apply funding to upkeep the road to a standard that is safe for cyclists and logging trucks to share. For these reasons alone Tarata Road does not fit into a low road usage category which metal roads are purposed for.

Environmental Impact:

The environmental impact of the 'reversion' to metal has also not been considered.

50 trucks a day on gravel road that runs parallel to Taramoukou stream will, in summer, create a huge amount of sediment that will land in the water and be transported down to the Waitara river. As we try to protect our waterways it seems ridiculous to revert roads to gravel - that have such a high heavy vehicle usage - when they lie so close to waterways. The council have an obligation and have policies and programmes in place to reduce sediment and runoff into our waterways. The reversion of the road to gravel undermines and is contrary to other stated policy in the district plan and long-term plan. Was this a country road with the odd cattle truck and no commercial users it would not have the same impact.

However this road is very busy - with the majority of vehicles being heavy vehicles that will create large dust plumes (over 100m high, that travel depending on wind) and will drastically increase the amount of sediment traveling downstream and then into the Waitara river. Where is the environmental impact report on this?

Health and Safety:

I am currently 32 weeks pregnant with twins. Had we known we would have a gravel road right by our house, used by heavy commercial vehicles we would have not bought our section.

The implications of the prolific amounts of metal dust in the air to our children's respiratory health (ours and our neighbors) is severe. The impact of the dust on cyclists' health is also something that has not been considered. This dust will also contaminate our drinking water (rain water), stop us from being able to properly ventilate our homes, dry washing on clothes lines and limit what stock we can have (lambs cannot handle dust).

In my view the council have an overriding obligation to consider the health and welfare of the residents. I refer to a study of the effects of gravel roads on residents, which showed that a road in Northland with around 40 trucks a day regularly exceeded the 24-hour national standard, leading to significant adverse health effects (Health Impacts of PM10 from Unsealed Roads in Northland, Emission Impossible, Prepared for Ministry of Health, 19 April 2019)

I do not believe the logging community will appreciate a road they pay to use through RUCs, also degrade and revert to gravel as it adds time to their drives, creates more wear and tear on their vehicles and creates a further division between them and the community they work in. This is not to mention the increased risk of accidents that will be prevalent due to the large volume of vehicles on a metal road.

Costing:

While tarseal is more expensive to build from scratch, the maintenance cost of a metal road is far higher than that of a tarseal road - so for a 'Long Term Plan' the councils proposal sure exemplifies short term thinking - particularly as this road has such a high, heavy vehicle usage. The cost to properly maintain the metal and the tarseal dust aprons will surpass the initial cost to redo the tarseal stretch of road in question (6.5 kms Pukeho Rd to the Stratford boundary).

The typography of the stretch of road in question is actually quite gentle and will be (from my understanding) far cheaper to maintain or repair than other sections of Tarata Road, specifically the saddles.

The Council did not clearly explain at our community meeting that repairing the whole of Tarata Road would cost the council 15mil rather than the 30 mil figure he produced as the council get a 51% subsidy for any works they do from Waka Kotahi.

The Council have also failed to highlight the exact savings that will be made by reverting 6.5kms out a 30km stretch of road, to metal. From the 30 million dollar figure the Council have touted to repair the whole stretch of road, how will reverting this 6.5kms safely to metal save NPDC money? Particularly as at least one third of the 6.5km stretch will have to be tarseal for dust aprons for the approx 20 properties within 100m of the road.

Furthermore the proposal to resurface in the future will result in an increased cost due to inflation and project cost. This is something the LTP is aiming to avoid as part of the infrastructure strategy.

Current Road Maintenance:

Subsequent to this submission I am in the process of filing an OIA;

- 1. To see how much the council spends yearly on the maintenance of Tarata road; each year for the last 10 years (this is excluding the money spent on upgrades to the road paid for by the Junction Rd endowment fund)
- 2. To be shown the costings in NPDC's modeling which allegedly supports the idea that the proposal of reverting the road is cheaper than repairing.

I believe the modeling is incorrect and compared apples to pears and want all the figures involved in that process and the proposal removed from the LTP until the community can be made aware of these. The statement Rui Leitao has made to the media and our community that the "The Endowment Fund is currently not spent on road maintenance. Interest generated by the fund, as previously directed by the community, is to be used for road safety projects on Tarata Road." is inherently flawed.

These 'road safety projects' have indeed helped maintain the road and have involved widening sections of the road and repairing the surface, none of which the council has had to fund. Road maintenance and 'road safety projects' are intrinsically interlinked. These projects, directed by the community, have upgraded the road and are the sections which council has not had to maintain as they are not failing. From what I can understand the maintenance on the road by NPDC has been negligible, and the only improvements to the road that have not failed are ones that the community has prioritised and paid for itself from the Junction Rd endowment fund. If this is the case - it is completely inexcusable that the council should feel it does not have the obligation to repair the whole of Tarata Rd to a standard acceptable for high heavy vehicle usage.

After reading the LTP, I gather that this proposed reversion of this section of Tarata Road to metal, goes against one of the goals of the NPDC's LTP. This goal is to maintain existing levels of service found in page 10 and 13 of the LTP. Reverting a tarseal road to metal/gravel is not in line with this goal and will likely add costs for future generations through inflation and increasing project costs. Other options:

I do not believe other options to maintain the road have been thoroughly looked into, some of these are:

- Setting up a toll for heavy vehicles on either Tarata road, or at the port could be a hugely successful way to gather revenue and also the latter would be a disincentive for logging trucks to travel into the port, which causes further roading issues in New Plymouth, and across the district.
- Reducing the speed for heavy vehicles on Tarata road to 50-60km/h would see the road degrade at a far slower rate (which Rui admitted had not been considered in his modelling) giving more time to repair the failing stretches of road. NPDC conceded at the meeting on the 10th of April that their modeling had not taken this into consideration.
- A limit on how many trucks per day (seen in Marlborough district council) could also be effective to slowing degradation (allowing more time to fix failing parts of road) and provide another incentive to go out via Junction Rd.
- Weather conditions. Prohibiting the use of commercial logging trucks on Tarata in wet weather (as this is often when damage occurs).

These are all options that would help the community keep this 6.5km of road as tarseal, therefore stopping a precedent to 'revert' (neglect) more of Tarata road in future.

An actual long term plan would be to get them onto a train at Stratford and bring them in that way. This will provide a number of benefits all over the district and result in a more sustainable solution to the issue of logging trucks.

Logging truck damage:

The issue of logging truck damage to roads is a nationwide issue. Not a Tarata issue. We as a community should not be punished because NPDC have failed to budget over the last 30 years for the predicted degradation of this road and consequential repairs and upgrades it would need. Nor should the community be punished for Council's, district and regional, failure to communicate and collectively apply pressure on Waka Kotahi for a sustainable long term solution to the degradation of council roads from commercial logging use.

Had the council looked at banning commercial forestry trucks on this road (sending them back up Junction Rd and on to the forgotten highway) the proposal of reverting to metal wouldn't be so detrimental to the environment, health and safety of the community, health of livestock and the councils roading budget. However this is not the case and Tarata road is very busy.

Conclusion:

Not only is the costing in this proposal questionable, the proposal directly contradicts one of the goals of the NPDC's LTP which is to maintain existing services. Aside from this I do not believe the council has taken into consideration the impact to the communities environmental health, physical health and their livelihoods (farms and properties they've invested in) or the other road users health and safety, and therefore should not include the proposal to revert from Pukeho Rd to the Stratford boundary back to metal in the current LTP. Lastly, I will reiterate the fact that this proposal exemplifies short term thinking, the complete antithesis of what a LTP sets out to achieve.

Nga mihi Sophia Nisbet

Office Use Only: 3273

Submission No: 2702 Jerewin Mendoza

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 1 - Don't spend any more. This will save rates in the short term, but the state of our transportation assets will continue to decline, resulting in greater long-term cost implication.

Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage? Option 1 - Don't put any additional amount aside.

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate? Option 1 - Do not continue the existing programme.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 3 - Put increasing amounts of \$500,000 each year in to the reserve of the release from our Perpetual Investment Fund (used to subsidise rates) until year 10, when \$5m would be added.

Comments

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 1 - Do not upgrade the zoo and gradually close it down.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No Housing for the elderly No Traffic management No

What else?

The rates are already high please give us a break

Office Use Only: 3274

Submission No: 2703 John Masters

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

We've already seen what happens when programmed maintenance is deferred for the sake of a rates reduction (sewerage treatment plant is a case in point). It is essential that our local infrastructure is maintained and future-proofed where possible.

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 with an additional top up increase from funds released from our Perpetual Investment Fund (which would otherwise reduce your rates) of \$100,000 each year to a maximum of \$1m in year 10.

Comments

As long as these funds are used as intended and there won't be a wall of red tape to access the same if/when required. We don't want to see a Christchurch situaio where 10 years on some people are still waiting for promised assistance.

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 2 - Continue the existing programme with a budget of \$240,000 in year 1, \$640,000 per annum in year 2 onwards and continue Planting our Place at \$200,000 each year.

Comments

Apart from the Planting our Place initiative (that I support) there is little in the supporting document to explain what "other initiatives" might look like. I don't agree with creating a fund where there is no clear objective for it. If future initiatives are identified then they should be costed and budgeted for at the time.

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Comments

With the demand on rate payers to fund known activities it seems a bit of an ask for additional funds to create a reserve for "future projects". Again, if a project is identified in the future then it should be costed at that stage and budgeted for in future LTPs.

Tüparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

We have far more pressing items that require rate-payer funding, not the least our infrastructure including roads, water and housing development. I'm still angry at the way that Council, and subsequently Councillors, treated the TRI over the lease of this land due to what, essentially, was a technicality. Council saw an opportunity, took advantage of it and promoted the sporting hub without any regard or respect to TRI - not fair play at all.

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 4 - Implement the full vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$14.4m.

Comments

I would have thought the Council would have put more effort into challenging some of the blatantly stupid "standards" that MPI have set. In any event, Brooklands Zoo is a long-standing community asset and I'm more than happy to some of my rates spent on this project than, say, the sports hub.

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

While I agree with the preferred option I'm still staggered at the price tag. This amount would build $16 \times 10^{10} = 10^{10}$

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water servicesYesHousing for the elderlyNoTraffic managementNo

Office Use Only: 3275

Submission No: 2704 Alexandra Hepburn

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

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Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 2 - Continue the existing programme with a budget of \$240,000 in year 1, \$640,000 per annum in year 2 onwards and continue Planting our Place at \$200,000 each year.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Put increasing amounts of \$250,000 each year in to the reserve of the release from our Perpetual Investment Fund (used to subsidise rates) until year 10, when \$2.5m would be added.

Comments

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 3 - Increase the budget to \$50m over the 10 years to add more facilities.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 4 - Implement the full vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$14.4m.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services Yes
Housing for the elderly No
Traffic management No

What else?

Why wasn't Yarrows upgraded to a multi sport use facility if we now have to go spend \$16m to house cricket....??? Interesting that the government has cut funding for Venture Taranaki - that's a shame, would support funding for increased support of their work.

Office Use Only: 3276

Submission No: 2705 Lydia Radich

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 1 - Do not continue the existing programme.

Comments

The climate is always changing and has always changed and will continue to change!

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Put increasing amounts of \$250,000 each year in to the reserve of the release from our Perpetual Investment Fund (used to subsidise rates) until year 10, when \$2.5m would be added.

Comments

As long as future projects don't include helping to fund water front playgrounds when there are already plenty of council playgrounds that don't get well utilised.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Our region is failing our community as we don't have the facilities to promote sport and exercise for a population with an issue with obesity. It's incredibly sad when schools have to limit the number of teams participating in sport due to lack of courts and facilities. NOT GOOD

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 1 - Do not upgrade the zoo and gradually close it down.

Comments

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 3 - Demolish the existing pavilion and do not replace (estimated cost \$420,000).

Comments

Why was Yarrow stadium not built to allow for cricket and football games too? Total oversight considering rugby is a dying sport and has a consistent decrease in the number of players choosing to play the sport.

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services Yes
Housing for the elderly No

Traffic management Yes

Office Use Only: 3279

Submission No: 2706 Rosemary Law

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 1 - Don't spend any more. This will save rates in the short term, but the state of our transportation assets will continue to decline, resulting in greater long-term cost implication.

Comments

NP roads work well compared with other cities I visit.

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 with an additional top up increase from funds released from our Perpetual Investment Fund (which would otherwise reduce your rates) of \$100,000 each year to a maximum of \$1m in year 10.

Comments

Taranaki has been relatively unscathed compared to other areas regarding the impact of recent weather events in NZ but I don't think we can expect that to keep happening. Extra investment in this area is pretty important.

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 4 - Accelerate the programme even further with an additional \$300,000 each year.

Comments

Any investment in sustainability is good for us and future generations, any extra investment is important.

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 3 - Put increasing amounts of \$500,000 each year in to the reserve of the release from our Perpetual Investment Fund (used to subsidise rates) until year 10, when \$5m would be added.

Comments

I like the idea of NP being a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital if we actually do what this implies.

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Any extra sports facilities is great for communities as long as the facilities come with easy access especially for those with less financial resources.

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

I have loved taking my son to the zoo, it is a great space, but I think going forward Zoos might need a rethink. I would much rather see the money spent on predator eradication so that our kids get to see our own creatures in their natural environment, not behind cages.

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

I don't think a new pavilion would bring bigger events, the size of the space will always mean events will be limited to local games.

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services Yes
Housing for the elderly Yes
Traffic management No

What else?

I include comments below that I have emailed to a council person on the Ahuahu to Weld Road Reserve Bridge and Walkway as is something I feel strongly about and is in my immediate area as below:

I remain dismayed to hear this project is going ahead and is now not just a \$500,00 project but will cost \$1 million. I write to you as the only NPDC contact I have about this. Though I know you say with local community involvement and that the process was "robust", since the last communication, I have spoken to many people in this community and no one thinks putting a walkway around from Ahu ahu to Weld road within the high tide zone is a good use of council funds though many would like to see the bridge retuned. I understand the Hapu don't want the bridge without clear guides of where to walk or bike as they fear the headland would expect to be a throughway. Again, when all of NZ councils are experiencing unprecedented coastal erosion even on the west coast of the North Island and being advised to undertake a "managed retreat" from the coast, why are we spending money, one million dollars on infrastructure in the sand dune area?

I copied in the editor of our local newspaper (TOP), as someone who has her finger on the pulse of the local community, I am skeptical there was wide community consultation as even she was not able to tell me what is going there.

Having not heard anything about it from anywhere and imagining it was still in a process, I was told by two local people that the contract has gone to a local concrete contractor. As someone who has been active in planting for the council in the area, I have not heard or seen any information on what structures will be paced there, an artist impression or anything.

I am not so worried about the concrete in that it can be removed down the track if the sea doesn't do it for us soon but I worry about what trees, flora and cliff face will be removed and what digging away of this wee fragile headland will be done that will undermine it and the Urupa on it that can never be replaced, let alone the scar on this lovely natural space .

I suspect a small number of people acting as a "squeaky wheel" have gotten this project pushed through and though I would also like to see many more biking paths in our community, there are better places to focus resources.

I think the NP walkway is great but has given locals in my area unrealistic expectations of what should be here. I also suspect it is part of a wider plan that has also not been shared with the community. I would love to see a Taranaki wide project of cycle ways around the coast though not right on the coast connecting communities and allowing passive transport. The tracks could go past historical sights, up rivers with wee bridges. I would hope it would be Iwi led and have heard stories about a trek by Kupe or their Tipuna that could be encorporated in the tracks and give us all a much better understanding of our history. I would hope to be invited to discussions or at least informed through connections with planting groups or the TOP about such projects going ahead. Other than the email below, I am not in the habit of hassling the council with emails though I did write about people tracking over the headland and removing vegetation from it 5 or so years ago and was very pleased when it was fenced off, this project does seem to have been kept quiet. I have also had comments that the council has not done due diligence when choosing a contractor. Myself and sister often answer surveys about what the community would like to see resources spent on in detail and provide our contact details when asked if we would like to be part of discussions, but have never heard back. The amount of erosion that has happened in the Weld raod to Ahu Ahu small area in the last 2 years has been astounding, we were planting there 3 years ago but sadly found this was a futile exercise and have since been planting more on the Ahu ahu dune with more sand and protection. We will do more planting this year but will talk to whoever we can about where best to plant now.

Getting a whole community engagement in such projects as everyone know brings a wealth of expertise and great connections, don't underestimate how useful the whole community can be. I understand the cycleway by the Clutha river had great community engagement especially with adjacent landowners and hope we could do similar here. I also hope future projects in our area are widely publicised so the whole community can contribute not just a few who think they know what's best for everyone.

Office Use Only: 3280

Submission No: 2707 Rosemary Tatham

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 2 - Continue the existing programme with a budget of \$240,000 in year 1, \$640,000 per annum in year 2 onwards and continue Planting our Place at \$200,000 each year.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Put increasing amounts of \$250,000 each year in to the reserve of the release from our Perpetual Investment Fund (used to subsidise rates) until year 10, when \$2.5m would be added.

Comments

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Yes
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

Office Use Only: 3281

Submission No: 2708 Geraldine McQueen

Organisation: Teacher

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects? Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Comments

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 4 - Implement the full vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$14.4m.

Comments

The zoo is one of the best things going for NP. Especially if you want young families to move to NP.

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services

Housing for the elderly

Traffic management

Yes

What else?

We need to be aware that the gas & oil industry will become nonexistent in NP very soon. Hopefully not. NP is a beautiful place. What else can we do to boost our economy. We want job opportunities for skilled workers increased in NP. All our young adults who have no financial burdens like mortgages are all moving to Australia to get better paying jobs.

Office Use Only: 3282

Submission No: 2709 Mackenzie Davis

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Option 1 - Don't spend any more. This will save rates in the short term, but the state of our transportation assets will continue to decline, resulting in greater long-term cost implication.

Comments

Roads are being done, But not at a high standard. If you pump more money in, put it towards good project managers/company's that are actually taking the right steps when needed. Westown roundabout there was a mistake with the traffic lights. Also the huge roundabout that is being put in by Lepperton has wrecked the road structure. Aslong as things are being done once and correctly even if it takes longer. More money doesn't mean better quality.

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

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Comments

Yes, But planning for Mt Taranaki eruption should have significant plans in place. If there is plans, then make these more public. A lot of the community have no idea of the potential threat of our māunga in the back yard.

Big Call 2: Sustainability - Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 2 - Continue the existing programme with a budget of \$240,000 in year 1, \$640,000 per annum in year 2 onwards and continue Planting our Place at \$200,000 each year.

Comments

definitely would love a better bus service, operating more hours and days etc. A-lot of the community don't have the luxury of working 9-5 Monday to Friday. You will find most people that are working 9-5 have private car use. PLEASE don't go ahead with more E-buses. They are not worth the investment. The ROI will take too long. The battery will need replacing before it's profitable. I have taken this bus and it is way too heavy for the roads. Half the seats have been taken away for the floor layout. If we are investing in the roads then this makes no sense? The bus drivers find it difficult to control on Borrel ave when they need to take off again. Throwing passengers forward violently then normal.

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

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Comments

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Comments

yes! No need for double budget. This facility makes sense to invest time and money

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 4 - Implement the full vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$14.4m.

Comments

Yes, Brooklands zoo is a fantastic addition to New Plymouth that makes so much sense. Go full steam ahead and get those enclosures up to standard. Not for VIEWING purposes but for ANIMAL purposes. No body wants to visit sad animals. So make them as happy as possible. That is a worthy investment. Spend \$20,000,000 if needed!

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

We can't please everybody. Turn the pavilion into a beautiful place maybe another stage for WOMAD?

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No
Housing for the elderly Yes
Traffic management Yes

What else?

Please look at our city centre itself. The beautiful Huatoki Square. Puke ariki is stunning. But the Centre city mall is so out of date and bringing no foot traffic through the town itself. Please look at re doing the mall and facing it towards the sea front. Start tieing the beautiful places together.

Office Use Only: 3283

Submission No: 2710 Jackie Sole

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Increase option 2 by \$300,000 each year for other initiatives and \$100,000 for a three year high frequency bus service trial.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects? Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Comments

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Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services

Housing for the elderly

Traffic management

No

Office Use Only: 3284

Submission No: 2711 Adele Collins

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

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Comments

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Comments

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Comments

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Comments

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Comments

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Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No
Housing for the elderly No
Traffic management Yes

Office Use Only: 3285

Submission No: 2712 Angie Benn

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

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Option 1 - Don't spend any more. This will save rates in the short term, but the state of our transportation assets will continue to decline, resulting in greater long-term cost implication.

Comments

Be more efficient in quality control and workflow, have better monitoring of budget and outcomes!

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Comments

But be more efficient in quality control and workflow, have better monitoring of budget and outcomes! And put tenders out not only to preferred providers.

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 2 - Continue the existing programme with a budget of \$240,000 in year 1, \$640,000 per annum in year 2 onwards and continue Planting our Place at \$200,000 each year.

Comments

Council be more efficient in quality control and workflow, have better monitoring of budget and outcomes! Wipe preferred provider and put out tenders for work required.

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects? Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

Seek private funding opportunities for individual parties who wish to contribute and funding organisations who are willing to contribute. Option 1 may be viable if other parties are passionate about the project.

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No
Housing for the elderly No
Traffic management No

What else?

Public Toilets in Lepperton!!! I have been meeting with NPDC Officers for 5 years working through their consultation process, been actively requesting for 3 LTP rounds for the public toilet that NPDC supported as part of the Community Hall design which due to legalities could not be on MOE land resulting in our community loosing our public toilet. We are requesting money be allocated in year one of the LTP for Lepperton to once more have a public toilet on NPDC owned land in the heart of our village in our Community Open Space. As a community we would love the opportunity to start planting and a community of green fingers, we are happy to seek donations of trees that fit into design concept. I would also like an investigation be completed nationally on what a single pan toilet costs eg. permaloo's who many council's use to supply public toilets.

Office Use Only: 3286

Submission No: 2713 Caroline Den-McKay

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage? Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Increase option 2 by \$300,000 each year for other initiatives and \$100,000 for a three year high frequency bus service trial.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

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Comments

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Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Yes
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

Office Use Only: 3287

Submission No: 2714 Gemma Gibson

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 2 - Continue the existing programme with a budget of \$240,000 in year 1, \$640,000 per annum in year 2 onwards and continue Planting our Place at \$200,000 each year.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

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Comments

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services Yes
Housing for the elderly Yes
Traffic management No

Office Use Only: 3288

Submission No: 2715 Hywel Davies

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

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Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage? Option 1 - Don't put any additional amount aside.

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 1 - Do not continue the existing programme.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

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Comments

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

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Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 1 - Do not upgrade the zoo and gradually close it down.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water servicesYesHousing for the elderlyNoTraffic managementNo

Office Use Only: 3289

Submission No: 2716 Kristin D'Agostino

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 1 - Don't spend any more. This will save rates in the short term, but the state of our transportation assets will continue to decline, resulting in greater long-term cost implication.

Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 with an additional top up increase from funds released from our Perpetual Investment Fund (which would otherwise reduce your rates) of \$100,000 each year to a maximum of \$1m in year 10.

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 4 - Accelerate the programme even further with an additional \$300,000 each year.

Comments

This is a very important issue that affects all citizens, yet it is being funded much less than sport specific projects like the sports hub or cricket pitch. Please prioritise and fund sustainability projects!

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

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Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Comments

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Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 4 -Delay the required work and accept the risks of non compliance and building closure.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Yes
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

Office Use Only: 3290

Submission No: 2717 Adele Collins

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

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Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 2 - Continue the existing programme with a budget of \$240,000 in year 1, \$640,000 per annum in year 2 onwards and continue Planting our Place at \$200,000 each year.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

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Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 3 - Increase the budget to \$50m over the 10 years to add more facilities.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No
Housing for the elderly No
Traffic management Yes

What else?

Tourism and promoting taranaki, will be key, if we invest in our facility upgrades, we need to make the most of them and utilise them in many ways. Attracting people to the region, will also help local business grow and the economy. Be good to build our appeal and make sure we are the place everyone talks about after their visit - or better still they move here. Be good to see a growing focus for example - cruise ship - keep up the cafe vibes, get more entertainment organised and people out welcoming / helping our visitors navigate round - keep the momentum growing, weve made a great start!

Office Use Only: 3292

Submission No: 2718 Kirsty McMurray

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

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Option 1 - Don't spend any more. This will save rates in the short term, but the state of our transportation assets will continue to decline, resulting in greater long-term cost implication.

Comments

Option 3: Save the money for when something better comes along. Nobody's catching the bus and until petrol and electricity get prohibitively expensive and public transport gets exponentially easier and more pleasant, that's not going to change.

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Comments

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Option 2 - Continue the existing programme with a budget of \$240,000 in year 1, \$640,000 per annum in year 2 onwards and continue Planting our Place at \$200,000 each year.

Comments

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Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Great idea, terrible location. Do it somewhere else.

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Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

That pavilion needs to be bowled. Save cricket!

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services

Housing for the elderly

Traffic management

Yes

Office Use Only: 3293

Submission No: 2719 Jade Ponga

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

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Comments

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What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

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Comments

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Which option do you support for The Hub?

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Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 4 - Implement the full vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$14.4m.

Comments

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services

Housing for the elderly

Traffic management

Yes

Office Use Only: 3294

Submission No: 2720 Bella White

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

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Comments

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Comments

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Option 2 (preferred option) - Put increasing amounts of \$250,000 each year in to the reserve of the release from our Perpetual Investment Fund (used to subsidise rates) until year 10, when \$2.5m would be added.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No
Housing for the elderly Yes
Traffic management Yes

Office Use Only: 3295

Submission No: 2721 Vaughan Watson

Organisation: Taranaki Racing Inc. Wish to speak to the Council: Yes

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

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How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

Our Transportation assets need to improve over 10 years, Not remain at the existing levels which are sub standard.

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

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Comments

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Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Limit the development to Four-Court or 2 \times 3 Court Stadium phased in and governed by requirement to stay within budget.

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

Introduce nominal entry charges to supplement cost of improvements.

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

Domestic top level cricket should be facilitated at the Yarrows Stadium which is under utilized and over priced..

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services

Housing for the elderly

Traffic management

Yes

Office Use Only: 3296

Submission No: 2722 Kirsty Miller

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

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Comments

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Comments

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

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Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Office Use Only: 3297

Submission No: 2723 Alan Steedman

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Comments

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Option 4 - Accelerate the programme even further with an additional \$300,000 each year.

Comments

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Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 1 - Do not upgrade the zoo and gradually close it down.

Comments

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No
Housing for the elderly Yes
Traffic management No

Office Use Only: 3299

Submission No: 2724 Kevin Stretton

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

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Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

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Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 1 - Do not continue the existing programme.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Comments

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 3 - Increase the budget to \$50m over the 10 years to add more facilities.

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 1 - Do not upgrade the zoo and gradually close it down.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water servicesNoHousing for the elderlyNoTraffic managementNo

Office Use Only: 3300

Submission No: 2725 Sam Houghton

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Comments

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Comments

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Comments

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 3 - Demolish the existing pavilion and do not replace (estimated cost \$420,000).

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No
Housing for the elderly Yes
Traffic management No

Office Use Only: 3301

Submission No: 2726 Marina Collier

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

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Comments

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Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Comments

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Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No
Housing for the elderly Yes
Traffic management No

What else?

Watch the spending in difficult times. Utilise the perpetual fund

Office Use Only: 3302

Submission No: 2727 Renata Cassidy

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

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Option 1 - Don't spend any more. This will save rates in the short term, but the state of our transportation assets will continue to decline, resulting in greater long-term cost implication.

Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

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Comments

Use perpetual investment fund

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

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Comments

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Comments

Brooklands Zoo

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Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No
Housing for the elderly Yes
Traffic management No

Office Use Only: 3303

Submission No: 2728 Lloyd Morgan

Organisation: Taranaki Synthetic Turf Trust

Wish to speak to the Council: Yes

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

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Comments

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Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Increase option 2 by \$300,000 each year for other initiatives and \$100,000 for a three year high frequency bus service trial.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Put increasing amounts of \$250,000 each year in to the reserve of the release from our Perpetual Investment Fund (used to subsidise rates) until year 10, when \$2.5m would be added.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 3 - Increase the budget to \$50m over the 10 years to add more facilities.

Comments

This needs to address districts needs, and address major shortfalls as a priority

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Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services Yes

Housing for the elderly Yes

Traffic management Yes

Office Use Only: 3304

Submission No: 2729 Lisa Rowlands

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 2 - Continue the existing programme with a budget of \$240,000 in year 1, \$640,000 per annum in year 2 onwards and continue Planting our Place at \$200,000 each year.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

A lot of people of all ages get a lot pleasure at the zoo.

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services

Housing for the elderly

Traffic management

Yes

Office Use Only: 3305

Submission No: 2730 Julie Laurent

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

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Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

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Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

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Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects? Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services

Housing for the elderly

Traffic management

Yes

What else?

Kept Enhancing / creating outdoor areas. Few more seats for resting along walkway. Replace the bbqs at Merriland Domain and Eastend and put few more around.

Office Use Only: 3306

Submission No: 2731 Chris Paul

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

Only if you commit to low emission concrete etc

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 with an additional top up increase from funds released from our Perpetual Investment Fund (which would otherwise reduce your rates) of \$100,000 each year to a maximum of \$1m in year 10.

Comments

Increase seems reasonable in light of climate change forecasts

Big Call 2: Sustainability - Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 4 - Accelerate the programme even further with an additional \$300,000 each year.

Comments

Please do all you can, particularly while Luxon's COALition is trying to do everything they can to burn fossil fuels.

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

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Option 3 - Put increasing amounts of \$500,000 each year in to the reserve of the release from our Perpetual Investment Fund (used to subsidise rates) until year 10, when \$5m would be added.

Comments

Great to see you setting aside funds to make our community more sustainable in the future

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 3 - Increase the budget to \$50m over the 10 years to add more facilities.

Comments

Consider sustainable design options. and prioritise hockey turf

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 4 - Implement the full vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$14.4m.

Comments

Great community infrastructure. Prioritize local wildlife rehabilitation centre and exotic animals at risk from climate change in their natural habitat

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

I am in two minds about this. I do NOT like the Pavilion building as it is an investment for a elitist boring sport that should fund it themselves. However I do like the other wider changes to the entrance to Pukekura Park that this project brings. I also like that the new building will be a green building and would like to see Council formally commit to making sure it is (rather than just a design to get people over the line and then cheapening out for the actual build as some companies do).

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
No

What else?

Investment in local communities (towns, suburbs) not just New Plymouth city centre. Keep extending Coastal Walkway - Patea to Urenui should be the 30 year vision. You have previously talked about a track up the Waiwhakaiho to the Mounga, please get that done ASAP.

Office Use Only: 3307

Submission No: 2732 Karrie Meyer

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 1 - Don't spend any more. This will save rates in the short term, but the state of our transportation assets will continue to decline, resulting in greater long-term cost implication.

Comments

We don't need to increase rates, the money just needs to be allocated correctly

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage? Option 1 - Don't put any additional amount aside.

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 1 - Do not continue the existing programme.

Comments

No money for "climate change"

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects? Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 1 - Do not upgrade the zoo and gradually close it down.

Comments

These choices are ridiculous. Close the zoo or spend 5.7 million!? Keep the zoo open, do not spend millions on upgrades. The otters are lovely and it's absurd to think they are upset that humans are looking at them from above. The problem seems to be the MPI minimum standards not the zoo. KEEP THE ZOO OPEN!!!!! WE HAVE ALREADY PAID FOR THE ZOO, DO NOT TAKE IT AWAY!!!!

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 4 -Delay the required work and accept the risks of non compliance and building closure.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No Housing for the elderly No Traffic management No

What else?

A bit more common sense is needed for spending our money. The options from this survey are not good enough. Now is not the time for new projects and upgrades. We need to focus on infrastructure and no rate increase.

Office Use Only: 3308

Submission No: 2733 Fred Quilter

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Comments

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Comments

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Comments

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Brooklands Zoo

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Comments

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Bellringer Pavilion

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Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services

Housing for the elderly

Traffic management

Yes

What else?

PUBLIC TOILETS AND AMENITIES AT LEPPERTON

Office Use Only: 3310

Submission No: 2734 Anna Ryder

Organisation: Ruru House Ltd Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 3 - Increase the budget to \$50m over the 10 years to add more facilities.

Comments

We need a multi event centre that can host concerts, sports events, expos. A well thought out facility that would service a wider part of the community.

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

We need to keep the zoo. Hamilton have their gardens and charge for that. Maybe we need to charge for non-locals?

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No Housing for the elderly Yes Traffic management No

What else?

Within the village of Lepperton, we need a toilet to be added to the green space. We have lots of cyclists and visitors to the area so this would support the village in ensuring our visitors are looked after. This would also make the green space more flexible as events such as markets could be held at the space.

Office Use Only: 3311

Submission No: 2735 Lacey Hollins

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Comments

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Comments

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Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No Housing for the elderly Yes Traffic management Yes

What else?

Focus on basics. This council is a joke.

Office Use Only: 3312

Submission No: 2736 Joan Hanson

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Comments

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Comments

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Comments

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Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

To have the Zoo in the middle of the town is amazing. Seeing childrens faces as they see the animals is priceless. For so many families, Brooklands Zoo is the only Zoo they can get to visit due to rising everyday costs. Having Brooklands Zoo, brings smiles to every face, young or old.

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

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Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services

Housing for the elderly

Traffic management

Yes

Office Use Only: 3313

Submission No: 2737 Nick Enright

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

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Comments

just focus on the basics . no frills

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

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Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate? Option 1 - Do not continue the existing programme.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

totally unacceptable to spend 35 million on a project like this in the current economic climate

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Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

the fact you would even think of spending 16 million on this in a cost of living crisis makes me question who comes up with these ideas

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services Yes

Housing for the elderly

Traffic management Yes

Office Use Only: 3314

Submission No: 2738 John McGifford

Organisation: Central Football Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Thank you for the opportunity to submit to New Plymouth District Council's Long Term Plan for the period 2024 to 2034. Our comment is reserved for the Tūparikino Active Community Hub (TACH) project given Central Football is an organisation that has been campaigning since 2013 for the facilities that TACH will provide for this sport. We are fortunate to have been privy to Sport Taranaki's LTP submission and wholly support such, as it applies to the TACH project. It is not the intent of this submission to reiterate the already well established health, physical, community and economic benefits of this project but rather implore Council to proceed in a way that is fiscally responsible whilst still providing facilities that the sporting codes desperately need. As such Central Football has selected Option 2.

Office Use Only: 3316

Submission No: 2739 Tracey Zehnder

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability - Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Increase option 2 by \$300,000 each year for other initiatives and \$100,000 for a three year high frequency bus service trial.

Comments

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Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Comments

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Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

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Comments

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Bellringer Pavilion

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Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services

Housing for the elderly

Traffic management

Yes

What else?

Public toilets for Lepperton And A walkway foot path from Lepperton down to the local kindy Ruru House along Richmond road. This would benefit the families using the kindy to walk with prams and also those wanting to walk and exercise in a safe way outside of the village. This would save travel emissions to and from the kindy. Currently there is no footpaths that extend past the village for those wanting to exercise

Office Use Only: 3317

Submission No: 2740 SallyMay Hopper

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

Definitely prioritise a second-crossing of the Waiwhakaiho River for alternative and increased access in an emergency situation.

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

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Comments

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Comments

We would be really interested if the Council looked at ways of helping home-owners transition into more energy efficient and carbon-neutral options into their everyday living. For example, we would be really interested in solar panels to harness the amazing sunlight we get in Taranaki to mitigate the charges we incur from the electricity companies. As we look towards hybrid/electric vehicles, solar power makes sense for charging them. Would the council be able to look at a rent-to-buy or super-low-interest rate loan scheme for interested households to install solar panels with battery into their homes? Another idea is to help fund rain-water collection tanks to households, this would be a great way to harness and store water from the skies that could be used for watering gardens/lawns/washing cars etc. and take some of the pressure off the water reservoir especially at times of water shortages.

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Comments

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Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 3 - Increase the budget to \$50m over the 10 years to add more facilities.

Comments

We, as a family would be very disappointed if the artificial turf complex is not included in the refocus, we have little girls who love hockey and a second turf would be of great benefit to the region. Please reconsider.

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Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 4 - Implement the full vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$14.4m.

Comments

This zoo is a Taonga, every visitor from outside the region we have talked to cannot believe we have this well-kept, safe and wonderful zoo in the middle of the city, free of charge! Let's keep this amazing place running and spend the money needed to ensure it is enhanced and enjoyed for many more generations to come.

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

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Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

What else?

Can we please investigate options to help keep our oceans clean after rain-events? It was really disappointing that after a pretty insubstantial amount of rain that Ngamotu Beach was deemed to have too higher count of bacteria for it to be safe for our children to swim in at the local Weetbix Tryathlon. The other city beaches were affected multiple times over the summer too and this should be addressed as we are so lucky to live in a coastal city and our beaches should be clean and safe to swim in and enjoy all year long.

Office Use Only: 3318

Submission No: 2741 Almu Cachaza

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

No progress country stops investing in public transport. It brings more opportunities to young people, investment for a better future in the big picture. Think about people's future.

Office Use Only: 3319

Submission No: 2742 Penelope Moffat

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

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Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Office Use Only: 3321

Submission No: 2743 Amna Haroon

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

Transportation in the long run will become a priority if not now. With the growing population and keeping climate in mind, for maintenance and keeping the quality top notch, i believe not spending is not the way to go.

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

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Comments

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Comments

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Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

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Water services
Yes
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

Office Use Only: 3322

Submission No: 2744 Seth Andersen

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

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Comments

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Housing for the elderly

Traffic management

Yes

What else?

Conservse the native trees around taranaki alot have been taken out by the council in recent years. Brooklands is a major attraction for families and visitors alike and school outings so that's the major concern for me in the new proposal if necessary just do the critical upgrades but not shut it down as tourism brings in big revenue and this helps attract visitors.

Office Use Only: 3323

Submission No: 2745 Gary OKeeffe

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Council Controlled Organisations

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Yes
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

Office Use Only: 3324

Submission No: 2746 Simone Banks

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Option 4 - Accelerate the programme even further with an additional \$300,000 each year.

Comments

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Comments

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Water services No
Housing for the elderly Yes
Traffic management No

Office Use Only: 3325

Submission No: 2747 Mike Low

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Comments

taxing people now for something that may never happen is plan wrong.

Big Call 2: Sustainability - Climate Action Framework

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Comments

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Comments

just encourages councils to spend spend & spend

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Comments

the hub should be scrapped. sell the racecourse land for housing & use the revenue gained to pay for water pipe repairs etc.

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Option 4 -Delay the required work and accept the risks of non compliance and building closure.

Comments

not enough cricket played their to justifie the ongoing cost.

Council Controlled Organisations

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Water services No
Housing for the elderly No
Traffic management No

What else?

shut down funding for the Len Lye Centre that would save \$4m a year money better spent else where. there is no return on that money being spent there & never will be.

Office Use Only: 3326

Submission No: 2748 Charles and Chelsey Werder

Wish to speak to the Council: No

What else?

We live at 2645 Tarata road.

We are writing in regards to the road changes that have been proposed as to possibly revert our section of road back to gravel. This for starters is something we have had NO advisement of from any council member which is a complete disappointment. We have next to no contact with our local community as we keep to ourselves and live busy lives it was a shock to hear of such news on a facebook post since we are directly affected. For this to go ahead would dramatically impact us as our house is right on the road it is within 5 meters of our home. The dust that this will create is going to coat our house and come in our windows which is a major concern to us as our daughter was very sick for 2 years with intensive hospital treatment one of which resulted in a trip to starship hospital and finally diagnosed with Chronic Sinusitis a few years ago which is a lasting condition that results in infections in her sinuses and causes her to have a chronic cough often follows a chest infection. We are adamant that the dust this will create would be a risk to her health and well being along with all of ourselves and our animals as our drinking water would also be directly affected. The lack of communication on this matter is highly concerning as rate payers we cannot believe that we have had zero correspondence. This has come to our attention from facebook and we were directed to a newspaper article for further information. I would have liked to add to that article I am still considering in doing so. Please take this as a firm NO from us to go ahead with reverting our road back to gravel and we would appreciate updates on this matter via email response.

Office Use Only: 3327

Submission No: 2749 Louanne and Gary Rielly

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

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Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

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Water services No Housing for the elderly No Traffic management No

Office Use Only: 3328

Submission No: 2750 Tracey Mitchell

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

This project in its current form has not considered the impacts on the local neighbourhood and will impact people and their properties. See final section for more details of impacts

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services

Housing for the elderly

Traffic management No

What else?

Kia ora koutou,

I write to you the elected members of the District as a property owner at Ridge Lane New Plymouth. I am not in support of the Sports hub proceeding.

The public information on the proposed sports hub, does not address the additional parking that will be required for the increased use generated by the new facilities being added. If not enough additional parking is provided this will impact the streets and increase issues around parking/driveways and the general feel of the neighbourhood. There are already parking issues on my street during big events at the stadium. If additional parking is provided withing the development, this will increase the "hard stand" area of the racecourse catchment, increasing the stormwater flooding issues that already occur.

Since I have owned my house, there have been several times the racecourse area and stormwater pipe draining the area have not been able to cope with the volume of rain. When this happens, it spills on to Rogan Street and then down Ridge Lane (and other properties on Rogan Street). This has occurred in August 2017, February 2018 and March 2018 (there are other times, but I can't recall the dates or the times before I lived there).

The 800mm diameter stormwater pipe installed in the 1990's running from the northern end of the racecourse under Wakefield Street, was not designed to take the quantity of stormwater runoff that we have today. When there is a large stormwater event, the runoff ends up running down Ridge land and floods some of the houses. With the increased non-porous areas (rooves, playing courts and maybe parking) proposed, this will only increase the problem. If detention ponds are added as a way to manage the additional stormwater, they will have limited effect. Once they are full and the ground is saturated, they cannot accommodate the next band of rain falling.

If the Council knows of the flooding issues and the parking issues currently as complaints have reported over the years; then why have these not been addressed or considered in the proposed development and Information given to the public to make a decision on the LTP? I believe, the project should be put on hold until a full analysis of the known risks are assessed and understood. Then costings completed to understand the true cost of the project, and the public allowed to vote knowing the full facts.

By committing to part of the project you commit us the rate payer to costs to fix the problems created by a poorly considered project. Plus decades of pain for the local communities as we fight to get the problems recognised and addressed.

Office Use Only: 3329

Submission No: 2751 Graham Wilson

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Comments

Surely the users of the pavilion should pay for its repair or replacement

Council Controlled Organisations

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Water services No
Housing for the elderly No
Traffic management No

Office Use Only: 3330

Submission No: 2752 Shirley Manning

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Comments

I would like to see Brooklands Zoo keep open and not close. This is a free family venue that all the families in the city can enjoy and a place to take visitors. If necessary I think some of the attractions could be scaled down to save on the running cost but please do not close. My children loved going there and now I see my grandchildren enjoy the place just as much. Thank you for considering this submission

Office Use Only: 3331

Submission No: 2753 George Shaw

Organisation:

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Office Use Only: 3332

Submission No: 2754 Ryan Evans

Organisation: Personal submission Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Increase option 2 by \$300,000 each year for other initiatives and \$100,000 for a three year high frequency bus service trial.

Comments

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Comments

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Office Use Only: 3333

Submission No: 2755 Hester Stretton

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Comments

New Plymouth is under represented in quality facilities and failing to act on this will mean future generations will have facilities that are not up to standard. Hockey is an example with only one turf available for games and practices.

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Comments

A great opportunity to link this project with the hub and Pukekura park providing a fantastic leisure and activity hub for many NP residents and tourists.

Council Controlled Organisations

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Water services No
Housing for the elderly No
Traffic management No

Office Use Only: 3334

Submission No: 2756 Katy Kerr

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

Your Home, Your Say Consultation Document Office Use Only: 3335

Submission No: 2757 Dr Neil de Wet

Organisation: Health NZ National Public Health Service Te Manawa Taki

Wish to speak to the Council: Yes

Health New Zealand

Health NZ National Public Health Service Te Manawa Taki Private Bag 2016 New Plymouth 4310

18 April 2024

New Plymouth District Council submissions@npdc.govt.nz

Tēnā koe

Re: Draft Long Term Plan 2024-2034

We **DO** wish to speak to our submission.

Preferred Hearing Session: May 2; morning or afternoon; 15 mins.

Health New Zealand | Te Whatu Ora leads the day-to-day running of the health system across Aotearoa New Zealand, and either provides or commissions services at local, regional, and national levels. Under the Pae Ora (Healthy Futures) Act 2022, one of the key objectives of Health NZ is "to promote health and prevent, reduce, and delay ill-health, including by collaborating with other agencies, organisations, and individuals to address the determinants of health."

The National Public Health Service (NPHS) is a division of Health NZ and leads the delivery of Health Protection, Health Promotion and Prevention services, as well as working with the Public Health Agency in the Ministry of Health | Manatū Hauora on intelligence, population health and policy. As a Te Tiriti o Waitangi partner, NPHS advocates for equitable health outcomes, by striving to eliminate health differences, particularly for Māori, and build towards Pae Ora (healthy futures) for everyone.

Health NZ National Public Health Service Te Manawa Taki welcomes the opportunity to submit on the **New Plymouth District Council Draft Long Term Plan 2024-2034 (LTP).**

It is understood that health is more than the absence of disease or infirmity¹. The New Zealand Health Strategy includes a broad definition of health for the achievement of Pae Ora (healthy futures) and includes the goals of achieving health equity and improving health outcomes for all New Zealanders. For the NPHS, building towards pae ora (healthy futures) for everyone includes promoting and supporting *mauri ora* (healthy individuals and ways of living where culture is recognised as a determinant of health), *whānau ora* (healthy, empowered, and strong whānau/families), and *wai ora* (healthy environments and an acknowledgment of the connection with whenua and the impact of this on health

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¹ WHO. Constitution of the World Health Organization (who.int)

Health New Zealand

and wellbeing)²³. The New Zealand Health Strategy recognises that there are multiple factors that influence health and wellbeing, including our communities and places people live and work. It also notes the influence that non-health sector agencies can have on health⁴. Health NZ National Public Health Service Te Manawa Taki is committed to the goal of achieving health equity as set out in Te Pae Tata. One of the ways this can be done is by advocating for an equity lens to be applied to the plans, policies and resources of local government that will influence the social determinants of health.

Whilst non-communicable diseases (NCDs), such as heart disease, cancer, diabetes and lung disease, are the leading causes of chronic disease and premature death globally and in Aotearoa New Zealand 5, they are inseparable from the social determinants of health (the broader conditions, systems, and forces that shape our everyday lives)⁶. These social determinants of health sit beyond the health care system and include factors such as the environment, income, housing, food security and the food environment; they are estimated to account for 30-55% of health outcomes 7. Crucially, the local environments in which we live shape the modifiable behaviours (e.g., smoking, physical activity) that influence NCDs, and are key enablers of physical, mental, and social wellbeing in our populations8.

Health and its many determinants can be influenced by the policy and action of local government. As the level of government that is 'closest' to populations, local government is perfectly positioned to influence population health positively and equitably through policy interventions, provision of infrastructure and 'grassroots' engagement with stakeholders and communities9.

Biophilic public health recognises the innate human affinity (or our inborn 'love, awe and respect') for nature. This perspective emphasises the connection between the condition of the natural world and the physical and mental wellbeing of humans, highlighting our need to experience a thriving and healthy natural world in our daily lives including in the built environment¹⁰. This means that access to high quality, abundant and ecologically healthy natural spaces is necessary public health infrastructure. 11 In particular, for both individuals and communities, nature can be a refuge and is seen to provide mental health benefits in

² Ministry of Health (2020). Whakamaua: Māori Health Action Plan 2020-2025. Wellington: Ministry of Health

³ Te Pae Tata Interim New Zealand Health Plan 2022. https://www.tewhatuora.govt.nz/publications/te-pae-tata-interim-new-zealandhealth-plan-2022/

Ministry of Health. 2023. New Zealand Health Strategy. Wellington: Ministry of Health. New Zealand Health Strategy

⁵ Dam, J. L., Nagorka-Smith, P., Waddell, A., Wright, A., Bos, J. J., & Bragge, P. (2023). Research evidence use in local governmentled public health interventions: a systematic review [Review]. Health Research Policy and Systems, 21(1), Article 67. https://doi.org/10.1186/s12961-023-01009-2

⁶ Health, C. o. S. D. o. (2008). Closing the Gap in a Generation: Health Equity through Action on the Social Determinants of Health. ⁷ WHO. Social determinants of health (who.int)

⁸ Dam, J. L., Nagorka-Smith, P., Waddell, A., Wright, A., Bos, J. J., & Bragge, P. (2023). Research evidence use in local governmentled public health interventions: a systematic review [Review]. Health Research Policy and Systems, 21(1), Article 67. https://doi.org/10.1186/s12961-023-01009-2

Dam, J. L., Nagorka-Smith, P., Waddell, A., Wright, A., Bos, J. J., & Bragge, P. (2023). Research evidence use in local governmentled public health interventions: a systematic review [Review]. Health Research Policy and Systems, 21(1), Article 67. https://doi.org/10.1186/s12961-023-01009-2

¹⁰ de Wet, N. (2018). Biophilic Public Health: Re-imagining Public Health for the 21st Century. Microsoft Word -

²⁰¹⁸⁰⁵²⁹ MOH CPHAC Biophilic Public Health(FINAL) (toiteora.govt.nz)

11 White, M. P., Alcock, I., Grellier, J., Wheeler, B. W., Hartig, T., Warber, S. L., ... & Fleming, L. E. (2019). Spending at least 120 minutes a week in nature is associated with good health and wellbeing. Scientific reports, 9(1), 1-11.

times of stress ^{12,13}. The health benefits of access to nature may be proportionately greater for children and for those who experience socio-economic disadvantage¹⁴. Therefore, restoring the quality, ecological health, and biodiversity of wild and natural spaces and ensuring equitable access to nature is important in promoting and supporting population health gain.

These perspectives reinforce the key role that New Plymouth District Council has in contributing to cultural and community wellbeing and health outcomes through its vision and in shaping the factors that influence health.

To protect and enhance public health the following responses to the Big Calls are provided:

| The Big Calls | | |
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| Issue | Our Position | Comments |
| Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure | Support Option Two | Shaping a healthy built environment through investment in infrastructure such as infrastructure that encourages active transport and increases road safety ¹⁵ , or by providing high quality natural spaces that people can access and enjoy is important in supporting and promoting population health and wellbeing and community health gains and benefits ¹⁶ . |
| | | Biophilic public health recognises the innate human affinity (or our inborn 'love, awe and respect') for nature. This perspective emphasises the connection between the condition of the natural world and the physical and mental wellbeing of humans, highlighting our need to experience a thriving and healthy natural world in our daily lives ¹⁷ . Historical underinvestment in infrastructure can be inequitably distributed - areas of higher deprivation often received lower levels of |

¹² MacKinnon M, MacKinnon R, Pedersen Zari M, Glensor K, Park T. Urgent Biophilia: Green Space Visits in Wellington, New Zealand, during the COVID-19 Lockdowns. *Land*, 2022; 11(6):793. https://doi.org/10.3390/land11060793

¹³ Kolandai, K., Milne, B., McLay, J., von Randow, M. and Lay-Yee, R. Anthropause appreciation, biophilia, and ecophilosophical contemplations amidst a global pandemic. *Journal of Environmental Psychology* 2023 (85) 101943. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jenvp.2022.101943.

Mitchell, R., Africa, J, and Logan, A. Vulnerable populations, health inequalities, and nature. In van den Bosch, M, and Bird, W. (Eds) (2018). Oxford Textbook of Nature and Public Health: The role of nature in improving the health of a population.
 https://doi.org/10.1093/med/9780198725916.001.0001
 New Zealand College of Public Health Medicine. (2018). NZCPHM Transport Policy Statement. Wellington: NZCPHM, 2018.

¹⁵ New Zealand College of Public Health Medicine. (2018). NZCPHM Transport Policy Statement. Wellington: NZCPHM, 2018. https://www.nzcphm.org.nz/media/124042/2018 11 20 nzcphm transport policy statement final.pdf final.pdf final.pdf final.pdf leaves, N. (2018). Biophilic Public Health: Re-imagining Public Health for the 21st Century. Microsoft Word -

¹⁶ de Wet, N. (2018). Biophilic Public Health: Re-imagining Public Health for the 21st Century. Microsoft Word -20180529 MOH CPHAC Biophilic Public Health(FINAL) (toiteora.govt.nz)

¹⁷ de Wet, N. (2018). *Biophilic Public Health: Re-imagining Public Health for the 21st Century*. https://toiteora.govt.nz/assets/Toi-Te-Ora-Public-Health/Publications-and-Resources/Medical-Officer-of-Health-Reports/20180529 MOH CPHAC Biophilic Public HealthFINAL.pdf

| | | investment in a variety of infrastructure types¹⁸. Applying an equity lens to strategies, plans and policy development is a way to address historical underinvestment and disadvantage and to improve community outcomes by prioritising areas of known social deprivation, alongside those with identified issues¹⁹. Support ongoing investment in transport infrastructure, in particular investment in active transport infrastructure and safety improvements that will support increased uptake in active modes. Support ongoing investment in natural open spaces. Recommend the Council take a 'whole of trip' approach to transport infrastructure to promote a transport environment where each segment of the journey is integrated. Recommend that an equity lens be applied to the provision of infrastructure to ensure that everyone has access to high quality services. |
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| Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve | Support Option Three | Natural hazards are a risk across Aotearoa New Zealand and include earthquakes, volcanic activity, severe weather and flood events. Climate change is likely to increase many of these risks. Natural hazards are a risk to public health in both direct and indirect ways ²⁰ . • Support investment for the recovery from natural disasters. |
| Meeting new Regulatory standards for flood protection | Comment | Flooding presents a risk to public health, infrastructure, and the environment ²¹ . |

O'Sullivan, K. C., Olin, C. V., Pierse, N., & Howden-Chapman, P. (2023). Housing: the key infrastructure to achieving health and wellbeing in urban environments. Oxford Open Infrastructure and Health, ouad001.
 Sara Meerow, Pani Pajouhesh & Thaddeus R. Miller (2019) Social equity in urban resilience planning, Local Environment, 24:9, 793-

^{808,} DOI: 10.1080/13549839.2019.1645103

20 Environmental health Intelligence New Zealand. About natural hazards. EHINZ

21 Environmental Health Intelligence New Zealand. About natural hazards. EHINZ

| | | Support investment in infrastructure to reduce the impacts of flooding and the recovery from flood events. |
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| Tracks and Trails | Comment and Recommendation | Shaping a healthy built environment through investment in infrastructure that increases safety and supports active transport is a way to contribute to a range of personal and community health gains and benefits ²² . • Support investment in active transport infrastructure. • Recommend the Council take a 'whole of trip' approach to transport infrastructure to promote a transport environment where each segment of the journey is integrated. |
| Transport Planning | Comment | Shaping a healthy built environment through investment in infrastructure that supports active transport is a way to contribute to a range of personal and community health gains and benefits ²³ . • Support investment in infrastructure that increases amenity values, walkability, safety and encourages active and public transport options. • Support investigating options to reduce heavy traffic through the New Plymouth CBD and other town centres to increase amenity, walkability and connection with the natural environment. |
| Tangaroa Stream and Waiari Stream stormwater projects | Comment | The effective management of stormwater is essential for public health ²⁴ . It is important that the development and design of stormwater systems and infrastructure both complements future community development and focuses on areas where there are known issues. Flooding presents a risk to public health, infrastructure, and the environment. |

New Zealand College of Public Health Medicine. (2018). NZCPHM Transport Policy Statement. Wellington: NZCPHM, 2018. https://www.nzcphm.org.nz/media/124042/2018 11 20 nzcphm transport policy statement final.pdf
 New Zealand College of Public Health Medicine. (2018). NZCPHM Transport Policy Statement. Wellington: NZCPHM, 2018.

https://www.nzcphm.org.nz/media/124042/2018 11 20 nzcphm transport policy statement final.pdf ²⁴ New Zealand College of Public Health Medicine. (2018). Climate Change Policy Statement. 2018 09 06. nzcphm climate change substantive policy 2018 update-provisos.pdf

Biophilic public health recognises the innate human affinity (or our inborn 'love, awe and respect') for nature. This perspective emphasises the connection between the condition of the natural world and the physical and mental wellbeing of humans, highlighting our need to experience a thriving and healthy natural world in our daily lives²⁵. Restoring the quality, ecological health, and biodiversity of wild natural spaces and ensuring equitable access to nature is important in promoting and supporting population health gain²⁶. Support ongoing investment into flood management and the restoration of natural environments. **Climate Action** Recommend Climate change poses a significant threat to **Programme** Option Four public health and adequate funding is needed to investigate and implement strategy to address this²⁷. The impacts of climate change are also expected to disproportionately affect those most vulnerable or who are already experiencing disadvantage²⁸. Increasing urban tree canopy cover has multiple environmental, social and health benefits, relevant to climate change including for example reducing urban heat island effects, increasing surface permeability, improving air quality and increasing amenity value. **Recommend** additional funding be allocated to climate change and sustainability initiatives. **Support** investment in public transport improvements. **Support** the development of a Climate

Adaptation Plan and recommend the

²⁵ de Wet, N. (2018). Biophilic Public Health: Re-imagining Public Health for the 21st Century. https://toiteora.govt.nz/assets/Toi-Te-Ora-Public-Health/Publications-and-Resources/Medical-Officer-of-Health-Reports/20180529 MOH CPHAC Biophilic Public HealthFINAL.pdf

 ²⁶ de Wet, N. (2018). Biophilic Public Health: Re-imagining Public Health for the 21st Century. Microsoft Word - 20180529 MOH CPHAC Biophilic Public Health(FINAL) (toiteora.govt.nz)
 ²⁷ New Zealand College of Public Health Medicine. (2018). Climate Change Policy Statement.

New Zealand College of Public Health Medicine. (2018). Climate Change Policy Statement.
 2018 09 06. nzcphm_climate change substantive policy 2018 update-provisos.pdf
 New Zealand College of Public Health Medicine. (2018). Climate Change Policy Statement.

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| | | active involvement of Health NZ National Public Health Service Te Manawa Taki in the development of the Plan. • Support Planting our Place and emissions reductions objectives. • Support investment into increasing the resilience of the New Plymouth District. |
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| Accelerating stormwater catchment management planning and investment | Comment and recommendation | The effective management of stormwater is essential for Public Health ²⁹ . Biophilic public health recognises the innate human affinity (or our inborn 'love, awe and respect') for nature. This perspective emphasises the connection between the condition of the natural world and the physical and mental wellbeing of humans, highlighting our need to experience a thriving and healthy natural world in our daily lives ³⁰ . It is important that the development and design of stormwater systems and infrastructure both complements future community development and focuses on areas where there are known issues. Increasing population, the ongoing development of the built environment and climate change are all factors that increase the importance of managing stormwater, providing both challenges and opportunities. • Continue to support investment in catchment management planning. • Recommend the active involvement of Health NZ National Public Health Service Te Manawa Taki in the development of the Plan. |
| Completing water meters installation | Comment and Recommendation | Water meters and volumetric charging are a tool to improve network management, control water loss and defer capital expenditure; they also help consumers to become more aware of |

²⁹ New Zealand College of Public Health Medicine. (2018). Climate Change Policy Statement.

^{2018 09 06.} nzcphm climate change substantive policy 2018 update-provisos.pdf

30 de Wet, N. (2018). Biophilic Public Health: Re-imagining Public Health for the 21st Century. https://toiteora.govt.nz/assets/Toi-Te-Ora-Public-Health/Publications-and-Resources/Medical-Officer-of-Health-Reports/20180529 MOH_CPHAC_Biophilic Public HealthFINAL.pdf

| | | their water use and incentivise water conservation ³¹ . When water meter rates are introduced, it can become less affordable for larger or lower income households to meet their basic individual water needs, resulting in an inequitable impact on some members of the community. ³² Any introduction of rates on water consumption must ensure that all individuals are able to meet their basic water needs without suffering economic hardship. • Recommend the Council consider potential inequities that may result from charging for water use. • Health NZ National Public Health Service Te Manawa Taki has previously engaged with NPDC regarding water metering and would like to re-engage with the Council to support a pro-equity approach to this kaupapa. |
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| Urenui and Onaero adaptation planning | Comment | Climate change presents a significant threat to public health and will have different effects on different communities, for example coastal communities are more vulnerable to sea level rise ³³ . The impacts of climate change are also expected to disproportionately affect those most vulnerable or who are already experiencing disadvantage ³⁴ . • Support the proritisation of communities likely to experience the greatest inequities. • Support investment in risk management and adaptation planning for high-risk communities. |

Water New Zealand (2009) Water Metering Guidance Manual. Retrieved from: Water Metering – Guidance Manual (waternz.org.nz)
 Barberán, R., & Arbués, F. (2009). Equity in domestic water rates design. Water resources management, 23(10), 2101-2118.
 New Zealand College of Public Health Medicine. (2018). Climate Change Policy Statement.

^{2018 09 06.} nzcphm climate change substantive policy 2018 update-provisos.pdf 34 New Zealand College of Public Health Medicine. (2018). Climate Change Policy Statement. 2018 09 06. nzcphm climate change substantive policy 2018 update-provisos.pdf

| Urenui and Onaero wastewater upgrade | Comment and recommendation | The recognised issue with wastewater in these communities presents a risk to human health and the environment. The potential wastewater solution may also impact public health should a disproportionate cost burden be placed on a small community. • Support investing in wastewater management solutions. • Recommend that Council widely explore available options and technology that can achieve public health outcomes at a cost proportionate to the risk, taking into account the opportunity costs associated with investments. • The Medical Officer of Health for Taranaki would like to work with the Council to find an appropriate and affordable solution to this issue. |
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| Waste Management and Minimisation | Comment | Waste disposal and waste minimisation practices have significant impacts on the health of communities. Waste management and minimisation services provided by councils represent a public good, and effective waste management and minimisation contributes to public health outcomes. Waste that is not properly disposed of can contaminate land, water, and air. This can then become a health hazard and risk in terms of communicable diseases, chemical poisoning, or physical injury. Waste management also influences health through effects on the natural environment and ecosystem health, and through greenhouse gas emissions contributing to climate change. • Continue to support ongoing investment in waste management and minimisation. |
| Tūparikino Active Community Hub | Comment and recommendation | The provision of sport and recreation facilities can contribute to health and wellbeing by |

| | | increasing participation.³⁵ Benefits include not only increased physical activity levels, but the social and cultural benefits associated with quality community facilities. Support increased investment in sport and community infrastructure. Support the broader goal of the hub to become "a site of health, celebrating mana whenua identity and links to the whenua" (p21) and the collaboration with mana whenua on this project. Recommend that the hub provides opportunity for people of all ages and abilities to participate in physical activity and that the needs of community groups that promote physical activity as well as those who participate in informal sport are also considered. Recommend that the use of active and public transport modes by hub users be prioritised when undertaking transport planning for this project. |
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| Additional funding for community partnerships | Comment | A connected and inclusive community contributes to health and wellbeing, community organisations contribute to this³⁶. Support increased investment in community partnerships. Support ongoing investment in solutions regarding housing, housing for the elderly and food insecurity. |
| Housing for the elderly | Comment and Recommendation | Housing is a key social determinant of health ³⁷ and contributes to the health and wellbeing of people and communities. Ensuring a diversity of housing options in a community gives people of all life stages and income levels the ability to live in warm, dry, healthy housing ³⁸ . |

³⁵ Eime, R.M., Harvey, J., Charity, M.J., Casey, M., Westerbeed, H. & Payne, W.R. (2017). The relationship of sport participation to provision of sports facilities and socioeconomic status: a geographical analysis. Australian and New Zealand Journal of Public Health. The relationship of sport participation to provision of sports facilities and socioeconomic status: a geographical analysis - Eime - 2017 -Australian and New Zealand Journal of Public Health - Wiley Online Library (accessed 15/03/21)

36 Te Pae Tata Interim New Zealand Health Plan 2022. https://www.tewhatuora.govt.nz/publications/te-pae-tata-interim-new-zealand-

health-plan-2022/

³⁷ WHO. <u>Social determinants of health (who.int)</u>
³⁸ Health in All Policies Team, Community and Public Health (2019). *Integrated Planning Guide for a healthy sustainable and resilient* future. Christchurch, New Zealand: Canterbury District Health Board.

| | | Support ongoing investment into housing for the elderly Recommend the development of a regional housing strategy and investigation into the wider role Council could have in housing. Recommend active involvement of Health NZ National Public Health Service Te Manawa Taki in the development of a regional housing strategy. |
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| Implementing the New Plymouth Ngāmotu City Centre Strategy | Comment and recommendation | Biophilic public health recognises the innate human affinity (or our inborn 'love, awe and respect') for nature. This perspective emphasises the connection between the condition of the natural world and the physical and mental wellbeing of humans, highlighting our need to experience a thriving and healthy natural world in our daily lives ³⁹ . Improving urban environments promotes the health and wellbeing of residents and can also promote economic growth and opportunities. A healthy community environment integrates access to open space, opportunities for active transport, housing, and infrastructure quality, as well as safety and the minimization of exposure to hazards ⁴⁰ . Characteristics that contribute to improved community health include low air and noise pollution, traffic speed and volume, green space, walkability, as well as places for social interaction and social capital ⁴¹ . These factors contribute to a 'sense of place' in communities, and are linked to livability, wellbeing, and community resilience ⁴² . • Support the implementation of the objectives of the City Centre Strategy, in |

³⁹ de Wet, N. (2018). Biophilic Public Health: Re-imagining Public Health for the 21st Century. https://toiteora.govt.nz/assets/Toi-Te-Ora-Public-Health/Publications-and-Resources/Medical-Officer-of-HealthReports/20180529 MOH CPHAC Biophilic Public HealthFINAL.pdf

40 Auckland Regional Public Health Service (2017) Urban-development-authorities-discussion-20170518.pdf (arphs.health.nz).

⁴¹ Canterbury District Health Board (2016) Associations between urban characteristics and non-communicable diseases – rapid

evidence review. Available from: https://www.cph.co.nz/wp-content/uploads/UrbanDesignLiteratureReview.pdf
https://ww Available from: Strengthening Community Sense of Place through Placemaking (semanticscholar.org)

| | | particular aspects which seek to increase livability, walkability, accessibility, access to nature in urban spaces and opportunities for people to interact with nature. • Recommend the incorporation of biophilic design elements into the proposed plans. |
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| Te Tiriti Partnerships | Comment | Partnering with tangata whenua and the development of co-designed plans represent an important opportunity to improve health equity in ways that uphold Te Tiriti o Waitangi. • Support additional funding by Council to support iwi and ngā hapū as Te Tiriti partners. |

To protect and enhance public health the following comments and recommendations are provided:

| Other Comments | | |
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| Issue | Our Position | Comments |
| Working with Tangata Whenua | Comment and recommendation | Partnering with tangata whenua and the development of co-designed plans represent an important opportunity to improve health equity in ways that uphold Te Tiriti o Waitangi. A key component of such plans is the recognition of the crucial cultural and historical relationships that mana whenua have with te taiao (the environment) ⁴³ . This aligns with the understanding that promotion of local indigenous identities in public spaces has significant benefits for population health and wellbeing ⁴⁴ . |
| | | Support Council working in partnership with iwi and hapū. |

⁴³ Raerino, K., Macmillan, A., Field, A., & Hoskins, R. (2021). Local-Indigenous Autonomy and Community Streetscape Enhancement: Learnings from Māori and Te Ara Mua—Future Streets Project. *International journal of environmental research and public health*, *18*(3), 865.

⁴⁴ Raerino, K., Macmillan, A., Field, A., & Hoskins, R. (2021). Local-Indigenous Autonomy and Community Streetscape Enhancement: Learnings from Māori and Te Ara Mua—Future Streets Project. *International journal of environmental research and public health*, *18*(3), 865.

| | | Recommend ongoing development and implementation of and investment into co-design and co-management plans. |
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| Three Waters Infrastructure | Comment | Potable drinking-water is essential to the health, safety, and well-being of communities. Providing potable water is also a legislative requirement for water suppliers under the Health Act 1956. • Support ongoing investment into improving the water supply network. • Support investigation into a regional approach to water strategy. • Recommend active involvement of Health NZ National Public Health Service Te Manawa Taki in the development of a regional water strategy. |
| Library Services | Comment and Recommendation | The availability of services like libraries have an influence on health outcomes ⁴⁵ . Investment in public libraries can provide significant return in community benefits including as a community space, supporting children's educational achievement, and increasing social capital ⁴⁶ . Public libraries can also reduce inequalities relating to access to technology and 'reduce the digital divide' ⁴⁷ . • Support ongoing investment in public libraries. • Recommend that the Council apply an equity lens to planning for and funding upgrades and prioritise libraries in communities that experience high levels of deprivation and need. |
| Community Partnerships | Comment | Housing is a key social determinant of health ⁴⁸ and contributes to the health and wellbeing of people and communities. Actions that increase |

Field, A., Witten, K., Robinson, E., & Pledger, M. (2004). Who gets to what? Access to community resources in two New Zealand cities. *Urban Policy and Research*, 22(2), 189-205.
 Library and Information Association of New Zealand Aotearoa. (2014) Valuing our Libraries. <u>LIANZA-report-v1.0.pdf</u> (accessed

<sup>24/03/21)

47</sup> Library and Information Association of New Zealand Actearoa. (2014) Valuing our Libraries. LIANZA-report-v1.0.pdf (accessed 24/03/21)

48 WHO. Social determinants of health (who.int)

| | the availability of healthy, safe and sustainable housing benefit public health and wellbeing. |
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| | Support ongoing provision of free independent advice to homeowners on home sustainability. |

Health NZ National Public Health Service Te Manawa Taki is interested in ongoing engagement with the New Plymouth District Council to support the development and implementation of plans, policy and strategy relating to the New Plymouth District Council LTP 2024-2034 implementation. Decisions made by New Plymouth District Council, as part of the LTP process, have the potential to significantly influence the health and wellbeing of individuals, whānau and communities and the natural environment. Working collaboratively will support the achievement of our common goals, including the four wellbeing outcomes (as set out by the Local Government Act 2002) and the goals of the Pae Ora (Healthy Futures) Act 2022.

Should the Council require any further information to support the decision making for the Long Term Plan please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Submission No: 2758 Russell Nagel

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 2 - Continue the existing programme with a budget of \$240,000 in year 1, \$640,000 per annum in year 2 onwards and continue Planting our Place at \$200,000 each year.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Put increasing amounts of \$250,000 each year in to the reserve of the release from our Perpetual Investment Fund (used to subsidise rates) until year 10, when \$2.5m would be added.

Comments

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Comments

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Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 1 - Do not upgrade the zoo and gradually close it down.

Comments

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Yes
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

Office Use Only: 3337

Submission No: 2759 Kevin Byrne

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

Transportation is at the heart of supporting communities hence we have to at least maintain it.

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 with an additional top up increase from funds released from our Perpetual Investment Fund (which would otherwise reduce your rates) of \$100,000 each year to a maximum of \$1m in year 10.

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Increase option 2 by \$300,000 each year for other initiatives and \$100,000 for a three year high frequency bus service trial.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects? Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Comments

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 3 - Increase the budget to \$50m over the 10 years to add more facilities.

Comments

Artificial turns are a must have in NP weather. Having active children and adults is at the core of a healthy community and organized sport is a key aspect of getting children involved in what often turns to a active lifestyle longterm.

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Pukekura Park is an iconic venue and we need to ensure it is a 1st class venue.

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

Your Home, Your Say Consultation Document

Office Use Only: 3338

Submission No: 2760 S George

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 1 - Don't spend any more. This will save rates in the short term, but the state of our transportation assets will continue to decline, resulting in greater long-term cost implication.

Comments

We DO NOT want anymore cycleways. We have tons of them. Do not waste our rate money on any more. The majority of respondents on this topic previously have told you they do not want more cycleways.

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Comments

Not only are you planning on the rates going up by 10% you are removing the PIF fund reducing our rates. So does that mean we are actually getting an average 20% increase p.a plus inflation? Has anyone there actually got any idea how all these costs will actually stack up — as you don't seem to realise there are going to be cost overruns usually.

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 2 - Continue the existing programme with a budget of \$240,000 in year 1, \$640,000 per annum in year 2 onwards and continue Planting our Place at \$200,000 each year.

Comments

Climate change – continue the existing plan don't add more. The mountain is more our enemy than the sea. There is a cost of living crisis going on which obviously doesn't affect the people that write these dozens of plans at hundreds of thousands in salaries a year - and the council staff on huge salaries - but those of us on minimum wage are feeling the pinch. You should give it a go - just live on \$21k of your income for a year and see how far that gets you. KEEP THE COSTS DOWN.

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Comments

Which bit of it's a cost of living crisis do you people not get. Have you not heard the police minister this week say NZ is effectively BROKE. That means the rate payers and the tax payers are pretty much BROKE. Obviously you lot aren't. Please wake up - the people paying all your bills are running out of money, KEEP THE COSTS DOWN NOW, Get used to doing what is actually needed, leave out all the extras, strip back costs and you won't need a reserve as you'll be living within your ratepayers means. You need to think carefully as you are fast approaching an increase in pensioners and they can choose to live anywhere and having one of the most expensive places in the country to live and huge rates increases every year will drive people away. That will bring down property prices and the amount of rates paid. And if it's all too expensive to live here then new people won't be moving in. KEEP THE RATES DOWN.

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

What on earth is wrong with the TSB Stadium. It is being used every week by heaps of people. It is in perfectly good condition in a COST OF LIVING CRISIS. There are a ton of sports fields in NP there are heaps of open spaces to train and play. There is a cost of living crisis going on for everyone - so the kids need to do what the oldies had to do - learn how to do their sport out in an open paddock. Plenty of great kiwi sports people did extremely well that way and so can the youth of today. Don't spend any rate or tax payer money on a sports hub.

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 1 - Do not upgrade the zoo and gradually close it down.

Comments

There is a private Zoo in New Plymouth - Poaukai. Let them do business and get out of their way and that will save another ratepayer from going under when you compete with them with a multi million dollar upgrade that rate payers CAN"T AFFORD. The Brooklands Zoo is pretty ordinary anyway - more of a farm zoo so let people make money out of the real zoo animals that people really want to see.

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

Are you people totally incapable of doing something simple ???? The issue is sports people can't get changed - can't they get changed at their hotel - we used to get changed before we left home to play - we didn't have to wear civies to the last second before a game. Or a spilt second after we finished. So to provide somewhere to get changed you want a green roof and a full architect design of something amazing 2 story, ramps and lifts etc etc etc. Which bit if it's a cost of living crisis do you people not get. Your ratepayers are really struggling to pay bills and CAN"T AFFORD increased rates.

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No Housing for the elderly No Traffic management No

What else?

What's your plan when people start defaulting on their rates? Whose paying for all these warm fuzzy ideas then?

There is absolutely no way a CCO is going to cost the rate payer less. There is no way you will reduce rates by the amount 3 new companies will cost to set up and run. We will pay you slightly less rates and we will pay those entities more than our overall rates are now. But you will say our rates have gone down. There will be 3 new companies to set up with expensive new leadership teams, buildings, vehicles, staffing, admin teams, equipment etc etc etc. You have all that resource under one roof now - much cheaper.

THERE IS A COST OF LIVING CRISIS we are all feeling. FOR GOD SAKE just reduce the rates and stop spending such enormous amounts of money on things we average everyday people do not need or want. We keep saying no to spending and you keep spending and spending and spending. Those of us who actually pay the bill have said no for years – WE MEAN NO to spending.

Why are Small Holding property rates going up 24.4% p.a. when we get nothing provided? Except some roads. So we are paying an enormous increase in rates for no services. Yet the average increase is just 10% for people who get heaps of services provided in town. Over 10 years from a \$3k start point now – add 24.4% p.a (as your rates never come down) and 10% inflation/overruns p.a – for all your cost overruns and increased expenses – how this usually plays out in the hands of the rate payer – our rates – with no services are going to be about \$13.5k p.a in 10 years time when we are then on a pension. How on earth would you think we are going to pay for this? or anyone else will buy what we have – when you are offering us absolutely NO SERVICES.

You have a strategy for no ratepayers as they all leave town to places that are cheaper to live in. No to the walkway going to Waitara – it's just a nice to have in a time when there is no money in the community. Put it top of the list when we are out of debt and rates actually have come down. Didn't you get the message the new coalition government (that the majority of NZ voted for) doesn't support co-governance. No money should be going towards co-governance from council through our rates end of story. This needs to be removed from any expenditure, until the voters have a chance to decide on this. Who are the people who are the community partnerships with council? Where do the rate payers get to have a say on who these people are and what money they are allocated. How is the council reporting and measuring what difference these groups are making.

You have already been giving them money but it hasn't been effective so why are you are giving them more. You don't say how much you were already giving them so we don't know how much altogether they are now getting. Where is the measure of whether what they are doing is working or just throwing money around for the sake of hoping something will stick. I'll say it one more time - THERE IS A COST OF LIVING CRISIS - PEOPLE HAVE NO MONEY TO SPEND - KEEP THE RATES DOWN.

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Submission No: 2761 Sam Newton

Organisation: Recreation Aotearoa

Wish to speak to the Council: No





Submission:

Introduction

- 1. Recreation Aotearoa is a registered charity and the organisation responsible for providing leadership, advocacy, and professional development opportunities for those involved in the broader recreation sector. We work at an agency, industry and professional level to build capability, develop partnerships, and equip individuals and organisations with the skills they need to deliver high quality recreation experiences that engage participants.
- 2. Recreation Aotearoa's membership includes recreation policy makers, territorial local authorities, voluntary organisations, regional sports trusts, consultants, outdoor recreation organisations, and others involved in the delivery of recreation throughout New Zealand.
- 3. Our mission is enhancing wellbeing through recreation.
- 4. We welcome the opportunity to provide input into the New Plymouth District Council Long Term Plan.

The value proposition of investment in Active Recreation

- 5. Recreation Aotearoa believes recreation is vital to New Zealand society. Recreation is not just about enjoyment. It is about being healthy, engaged, stimulated, and interacting with others. This occurs via outdoor recreation, community recreation, and within parks, aquatics, and facility-based recreation centres.
- 6. Recreation generates significant value for society across several of the wellbeing domains and outcomes expressed within NZ Treasury's Living Standards Framework: Health; Subjective Wellbeing; Income Consumption and Wealth; Work, Care, and Volunteering; Family and Friends; Safety.
- 7. The most significant benefit of recreational physical activity, surpassing others by a significant margin, is derived from health benefits, even when factoring in the costs associated with related accident and injury claims. Overall health benefits to New Zealand amount to \$9.0 billion, or \$8.4 billion after deducting the injury claims. This constitutes nearly half of the net social value generated by physical recreational activities in Aotearoa New Zealand.





- 8. Our population instinctively understands this. In a large survey 90 per cent of New Zealanders agreed that "by being active they are in turn maintaining a good level of health and fitness, and this helps to relieve stress."
- 9. Physical inactivity is associated with loss of productivity, health costs, as well as associated costs with pain and suffering. Healthier, happier individuals are more likely to do well in other areas of their lives, whether it is in social or professional situations. This has a positive flow-on effect for communities.
- 10. The availability of public green spaces, including those designated for recreation, has been linked to increased mental well-being.
- 11. In a study conducted in New Zealand; individuals who met the global physical activity recommendations were found to have a 51% higher likelihood of experiencing healthy mental well-being.
- 12. Engaging in active recreations is known to reduce the prevalence of mental health conditions like depression and anxiety, as well as non-communicable diseases such as cancer, heart disease, and type 2 diabetes, ultimately enhancing life expectancy.
- 13. Studies indicate that involving peers and parents in developmentally suitable play provides children with the chance to cultivate social-emotional skills. These skills encompass problem-solving, collaboration, negotiation, language acquisition, and self-regulation. This contributes to the development of executive functions and facilitating effective social interaction with others. Engaging in outdoor recreation during childhood has also shown a positive association with the development of pro-environmental attitudes and behaviours in adulthood.
- 14. Moreover, research has demonstrated that recreation enhances social cohesion, fosters community connectedness, and strengthens community identity. A recent literature review presented compelling evidence of positive outcomes for older adults, including increased social support, the formation of friendships, and a heightened sense of integration within the community. Similarly, for young people, participating in such activities contributes to the development of friendships, a clearer sense of self among peers, a feeling of belonging, and an enhanced sense of community. 74% of New Zealanders agree





- that "sport and physical activity help build vibrant and stimulating communities."
- 15. Research indicates that offering fair and secure opportunities for sport and active recreation, that are inclusive of the entire community, can create connections among individuals and groups, bridging societal divides based on factors like race, class, gender, ability, or religion. 84% of New Zealanders believe "sport and physical activity bring people together and create a sense of belonging."
- 16. Play serves a therapeutic and rehabilitative function in aiding tamariki to recover in the aftermath of crises, such as the impact of Covid-19 or recent events like Cyclone Gabrielle. This involves assisting children in regulating the body's stress response, providing an avenue to comprehend the events affecting them and their community, and facilitating the development or reconstruction of social connections through shared experiences. In a time where Tamariki will be subject to the increased frequency and intensity of severe weather events, play will be critical.
- 17. Research indicates that establishing connections with supportive individuals or groups within organised recreation settings fosters the development of various 'protective factors,' potentially mitigating antisocial behaviour. Enhancing community recreation facilities, such as local parks, has the potential to elevate participation rates and community mana, simultaneously diminishing perceived instances of antisocial behaviour within the community.
- 18. A thriving recreation industry can also help our nation prosper socially and economically. At last count, Play, Active Recreation and Sport contributes \$4.9 billion or 2.3% to our annual GDP, and the sector employs more than 53,000 New Zealanders.
- 19. Newly released findings from a Social Return on Investment study reveal that each dollar allocated to play, active recreation, and sport yields a social return of \$2.12 in New Zealand. In essence, every dollar invested in these activities results in more than a twofold social return. It's important to note that this is a conservative estimate, and the actual return, particularly for those currently excluded from opportunities for physical activity, is likely to be even higher. This submission will expand on this point with reference to the disability community and tangata whenua, separately.





- 20. The nation's recreation values and opportunities are fundamental to the tourism industry, and support regional development by encouraging skilled professionals and migrants to consider options in and beyond the main centres. Approximately 50% of international visitors to New Zealand participate in one form of outdoor recreation, or another.
- 21. Creating well-designed green spaces for physical activity in urban areas can enhance their resilience to severe weather events, such as Cyclone Gabrielle. Additionally, these green spaces contribute to cooling urban environments and promoting the health and well-being of residents. This submission will expand on this point, separately.
- 22. Greater understanding of these benefits and their downstream impacts, along with awareness of how Local Government can influence recreation delivery, are key to ensuring that New Zealand's recreation opportunities remain among the world's best.

Recreation through a Te Ao Māori lens - Te Whai Oranga

- 23. The English term "recreation" lacks a direct translation in te reo Māori. Te Kāhui Kura Māori, the Māori navigational group of Recreation Aotearoa, offered an insightful alternative, defining recreation in their strategy as "Te Whai Oranga" the pursuit of wellbeing. Te Whai Oranaga has subsequently been adopted as the title and fundamental underpinning of our organisational strategy.
- 24. This definition prompts a shift in approach, encouraging individuals to consider recreation not just as a pursuit of physical activity but as a holistic endeavour focused on providing wellbeing. This perspective diverges from the conventional approach of prioritising the physical aspects of recreation, emphasising that the tangible outcomes are byproducts of the overarching pursuit of Te Whai Oranga.
- 25. In a society struggling with disconnection and environmental challenges, the wisdom of Te Whai Oranga, a Māori approach to recreation, offers a powerful and much-needed antidote. It's not simply a collection of activities, but a holistic philosophy that weaves together well-being, environmental connection, and community spirit, creating a tapestry of resilience in the face of modern challenges.
- 26. Te Whai Oranga reconnects people to the Natural World. Māori recreation prioritises time spent outdoors, fostering a deep respect for





the environment. This is more than just enjoying nature; it's about understanding our place within it, becoming stewards rather than possessors. Māori knowledge systems and practices offer solutions to environmental challenges that are often missing in mainstream approaches.

- 27. Te Whai Oranga strengthens relationships and communities. Māori recreation is rarely a solitary endeavour. It's about shared experiences, storytelling, and strengthening bonds within whanaungatanga (extended family) and the wider community. This focus on collectivism and support networks can combat social isolation and build the resilience needed to tackle challenging issues like poverty and incarceration.
- 28. Te Whai Oranga promotes holistic well-being and recognises the interconnectedness of physical, mental, and spiritual health. Activities like dance, music, and storytelling are not just fun; they can be forms of emotional release, stress reduction, and spiritual connection. This aligns with the Māori Health Strategy's emphasis on "Te Oranga Whanui," the holistic well-being of the community.
- 29. Te Whai Oranga raises environmental awareness. Engaging with the environment through traditional practices like hunting, fishing, and gathering fosters a deep understanding of its resources and limitations. This awareness can translate into sustainable resource management and responsible environmental stewardship.
- 30. In our hyper-connected world, Te Whai Oranga offers a counterpoint to the constant noise and distractions. Activities like weaving or carving require focus and mindfulness, promoting inner calm and reducing stress. This resonates with the growing understanding of the detrimental effects of information-overload and the importance of mindful practices.
- 31. Ultimately, Te Whai Oranga is about recognising that our well-being is intrinsically linked to the well-being of our communities and the environment. It's about prioritising connection, respect, and holistic health. In a world struggling with disconnection and environmental neglect, Te Whai Oranga offers a powerful path towards healing ourselves and our planet.





32. Encompassing the kaupapa above, Recreation Aotearoa lays down a wero (challenge) to Council's to consider and invest in providing opportunities that reflect Te Ao Māori views of recreation and to encourage and support more Māori to recreate in culturally-centred ways.

Disability - Accessibility & Inclusion in Recreation

- 33. Recreation Aotearoa believes that the significance of enhanced access to active recreation for people with disabilities is currently underappreciated by local government. The Sport New Zealand Spotlight on Disability Report (2018) tells us that in any given week, people with disabilities participate less, and in fewer sports and recreation activities than people without disabilities across Aotearoa.
- 34. We also know that people with disabilities who participate in fewer sports and activities score less favourably on health and wellbeing indicators, and according to the NZ Wellbeing Statistics (2021), people with disabilities are currently faring worse (comparative to people without disabilities) across a range of wellbeing outcomes.
- 35. Recreation Aotearoa submits, however, that there is a strong appetite by people with disabilities to participate more, comparative to people without disability, particularly with disabled adults aged 25 and over.
- 36. Sport NZ's Active New Zealand data also demonstrates that the majority of the top 20 activities disabled adults want to try in the next 12 months are recreational in nature (rather than traditional sport), with a similar trend demonstrated for children and young people.
- 37. It's clear that individuals with disabilities often experiences even greater benefits from recreational activities than their non-disabled counterparts.
- 38. However, people with disabilities also have more barriers to increasing their participation than people without disability. For rangatahi for instance, a lack of nearby accessible facilities and spaces is a much stronger barrier than people without disabilities of the same age.





- 39. Recreation Aotearoa note that 52% of respondents with a disability/access need in the 2020 Access Survey reported there is a range of public activities and events that they would like to participate in but are currently unable to because of inaccessibility.
- 40. Recreation Aotearoa note that funding is a common barrier reported by Councils to enhancing the accessibility of recreation places, spaces, and opportunities. Strategically prioritising and allocating funds to enhance accessibility within existing budget investments for public recreation spaces is vital to ensure that the development and improvement of these areas actively and effectively addresses the diverse needs of people with disabilities.

The importance of Local Government to the Play, Active Recreation and Sport (PARS) Sector

- 41. Councils in New Zealand play a critical role in providing opportunities for New Zealanders to be physically active. Reciprocally, the realisation of various local government objectives and outcomes relies on investment in facilities, infrastructure, resources, and opportunities that promote engagement in play and active recreation.
- 42. It has been recently established that total funding to the play, active recreation, and sport (PARS) sector was \$4.0b, in 2022. Over 25% of this total (\$1.06b) is from local government. Local government funding of the PARS sector far exceeds that of central government and class 4 gaming grants, combined.
- 43. Recreation Aotearoa recognises that local government is contending with a multitude of financial challenges, including those related to water infrastructure, climate change mitigation, inflation, and the imperative to restrict rates increases. Additionally, there has been a notable decrease in the Lotto Significant Projects Fund, which traditionally supports sport and recreation infrastructure. Currently, there is no specific central government funding allocated for community sport and recreation infrastructure, and the prevailing financial conditions indicate that this issue may not be addressed in the near future.
- 44. However, Recreation Aotearoa submits that central and local government are jointly responsible for the well-being of New Zealanders. The establishment of a national direction and a shared framework for wellbeing lies with central government. However,





- developing local wellbeing plans and allocating resources, largely sits with local government, which can foster innovation, collaboration, and localisation.
- 45. We have observed that regional funding forums, currently in place in many areas, play a valuable role in ensuring alignment at a regional level. Additionally, partnerships between organisations can help reduce costs, achieve economies of scale, and explore innovative approaches to provide opportunities for physical activity.
- 46. Local government plays a crucial role in addressing the escalating challenges posed by climate change, urbanisation, economic uncertainty, and threats to social cohesion. Prioritising physical activity can serve as a means to tackle these overarching issues. For example, effective placemaking that promotes recreation can enhance the appeal of cycling or walking, creating more attractive, safer, and inclusive spaces for social interactions. This, in turn, encourages spending time in and around local businesses and retailers. Active local communities contribute to the overall health, of individuals and families, leading to reduced strain on the healthcare system and improved well-being outcomes.
- 47. Recreation Aotearoa submits that transforming local government into a champion of well-being, with backing from central government, has the potential to yield tangible and positive results for both local communities and the entire country. We propose placing a distinct emphasis on recreation as an integral component of this wellbeing focus. Furthermore, we believe that recreation could serve as a proving ground for a novel partnership approach involving central and local government, as well as Māori.
- 48. The above-mentioned challenges and opportunities demand the efficient utilisation of funding at national, regional, and local levels. Ensuring that the available funding is employed in ways that yield the best return on investment is of paramount importance. Improved understanding and collaboration among organisations, coupled with a heightened awareness of the priorities of each organisation, can facilitate alignment and mutual support across various funding sources. Ultimately, it is local government supported by Regional Sports Trusts (RSTs) that will lead this Kaupapa.





The vital importance of urban green spaces - The PCE weighs in

- 49. As an independent Officer of Parliament, the Parliamentary Commissioner for the Environment (PCE) has broad powers to investigate environmental concerns and is independent of the government of the day. The Commissioner's work is directed towards the single output of independent reports and advice on environmental issues, and a mission to maintain or improve the quality of Aotearoa New Zealand's environment.
- 50. In March 2023, the PCE published a report titled "Are we building harder, hotter cities? The vital importance of urban green spaces". It has been very favourably received by professionals in a variety of sectors including town-planning, ecology, Civil Defence Management, Infrastructure, and Recreation. It makes many salient points, that Recreation Aotearoa affirms and submits to TCC for consideration.
- 51. In recent decades, factors such as population growth, urban sprawl, traffic congestion and loss of productive land have brough about profound transformations in New Zealand cities. In response, various changes in the realm of infrastructure, densification, re-zoning, transportation, and water services have been carried out. However, amid these changes, the significance of green space is at risk of being overlooked, or even neglected.
- 52. Instead of the traditional model of stand-alone homes in new periurban suburbs, a significant portion of the current housing construction takes the form of attached or semi-attached dwellings, such as apartments townhouses or terraced houses, within city limits. 60-80% of new residential titles in New Zealand cities since 2016 are within the pre-existing urban footprint.
- 53. This urban intensification reduces both the quality and quantity of urban green space. Infill housing removes gardens, lawns, trees, and soil. Increased population density impacts on the usability of existing Parks and green Spaces. In some cases, parks and green spaces are repurposed for other uses, all together. Grass berms, shrubbery, and trees adjacent to streets are reduced or removed.
- 54. The report goes into some detail and proves abundant examples and evidence of the important role green spaces provide. Including, temperature regulation, stormwater management, air filtration, carbon sequestration and habitat provision.





- 55. The PCE outlines three risks associated with this loss of green space. The first concerns what the loss of green space might mean for the health and wellbeing of cities population and is largely covered previously in this submission. Similarly, the amenity or 'placemaking' benefits that urban green space provides is covered elsewhere in this submission and the risk of its loss is obvious.
- 56. Perhaps the most pertinent point the PCE made, in light of Cyclone Gabrielle and the likelihood of further severe weather events, relates to stormwater management.
- 57. Recent flooding events highlight the risks of creating large, hardened surfaces that cannot cope the increased precipitation resulting from climate change. While one response might be to further fortify infrastructure, climate change brings additional challenges like temperature stress. As New Zealand anticipates potential heat wave crises, an urban landscape dominated by concrete and asphalt could exacerbate discomfort and, in some cases, pose risks to lives.
- 58. For these reasons and many more, Recreation Aotearoa submits that the Long-Term Plan pay much more regard to the provision and expansion of green space within New Plymouth. We urge that a considered, regionally appropriate, and well-funded programme of tree planting be implemented in public spaces. This should specifically focus on areas adjacent to streets and footpaths, which are the most popular places in which physical activity takes place. We face a future in which, without adequate tree cover, it may simply be too hot to be physically active outdoors in summer.

Recreation in New Plymouth

- 59. We acknowledge and thank New Plymouth District Council as the major provider of the areas sport and recreation facilities. By investing in recreation, New Plymouth District Council is helping to instil a lasting culture where active living matters. The work of New Plymouth District Council makes a real difference.
- 60. The New Plymouth District Council has a critical part to play in ensuring people continue to enjoy quality recreation opportunities. These need to be available to everyone, regardless of age, fitness level, ability, or socio-economic background.





- 61. Council planning needs to adopt a long-term approach that considers factors such as urbanisation, population growth, and an ageing population, to ensure recreation can continue to thrive amid change.
- 62. Research has found that in areas of activity decline, government and community-led interventions helped reverse the trend. When the infrastructure is in place, such as parks, playgrounds or aquatic facilities, people are more likely to be active.
- 63. Population growth and increased demographic diversity has and will continue to place pressure on recreational infrastructure in New Plymouth.

Specific Comments:

- 64. Recreation Aotearoa supports the proposed investment in Active Recreation infrastructure and services, outlined in the Draft LTP.
- 65. Recreation Aotearoa supports the Councils commitment to investment in active transport infrastructure. Recreation Aotearoa has long supported Active Transport initiatives across the motu. Investment in Active Transport infrastructure achieves the dual symbiotic benefit of easing congestion and making it easier for residents to integrate healthy recreational activities into their day-to-day lives.
- 66. Recreation Aotearoa submits its support for the investment in Play by New Plymouth District Council. Recreation Aotearoa notes that codesign kaupapa for Play infrastructure often results in a desirable bias towards less structured and informal modes of play.
- 67. Recreation Aotearoa cautions against deferred maintenance and upgrades of playgrounds, specifically. It is essential that investments in public toilets, walkways and connecting green spaces are also implemented.
- 68. We further encourage New Plymouth District Council to increase investment in the accessibility of playgrounds and parks. Considering the wider whānau impact of disability and inactivity, and the increasing rate of impairment comparative to the aging population, statistically there is a significant proportion of the community currently missing out on the irrefutable benefits of being physically active.





- 69. Recreation Aotearoa submit on the importance of genuinely consulting and collaborating with people with disabilities and their whānau, and encourage New Plymouth District Council to undertake inclusive consultation processes within the design, development, and upgrades of the recreation and play spaces specified within the LTP.
- 70. We further submit our support for maintaining collaboration with people with disabilities throughout the duration of such projects and warn of the risk of only consulting with end-users at the beginning of a project, or after it is too late. Maintaining ongoing input from the disability community and advisory groups at regular intervals, is an essential principle to imbed within the project developments.
- 71. Alongside robust processes for maintaining collaboration with people with disabilities, Recreation Aotearoa also submits its support for ensuring there are processes stipulated in policy whereby people with disabilities can notify council of any barriers to accessing recreation places, spaces, and programmes. This includes aligned procedures of how such barrier will be addressed and remediated by council.
- 72. Recreation also submits its concern that cost escalation in undertaking these investments may be inadequately accounted for. Recent observations from around the motu, in both the PARS sector and others, have demonstrated that inflation in materials, labour and debt-servicing has placed considerable budgetary pressure on long term projects.
- 73. Recreation Aotearoa cautions New Plymouth District Council of a predictable lag-effect of participant uptake in the utilisation of new recreational facilities. Many forms of recreation have suffered a loss of participant numbers and organisational capability after recent challenges. Recreation Aotearoa urges New Plymouth District Council to be patient with regard to how quickly and fully new facilities are utilised by different recreational groups.
- 74. Additionally, we submit that rapid changes in demographics, participation trends and technology mean that a 'build it and they will come' approach doesn't always work. Simply building infrastructure is not enough. Recreational assets need to be activated and programmed to make them more appealing and to break down barriers for the hard-to-reach areas of the community.

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Submission No: 2762 Norma Southee

Organisation: Retired

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 with an additional top up increase from funds released from our Perpetual Investment Fund (which would otherwise reduce your rates) of \$100,000 each year to a maximum of \$1m in year 10.

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Increase option 2 by \$300,000 each year for other initiatives and \$100,000 for a three year high frequency bus service trial.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects? Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Comments

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Comments

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Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Yes
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

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Submission No: 2763 David Pannett

Organisation: Creative New Zealand

Wish to speak to the Council: No



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E te Koromatua, ngā Kaikaunihera mā, tēnā koutou katoa

Submission to: Te Kaunihera-ā-Rohe o Ngāmotu New Plymouth District Council

Subject: Draft Long-Term Plan 2024–2034

From: Arts Council of New Zealand Toi Aotearoa (Creative New Zealand)

- 1. Creative New Zealand welcomes the opportunity to submit feedback on New Plymouth District Council's draft Long-Term Plan 2024–2034 (LTP).
- 2. We thank Council for its ongoing support of arts, culture, creativity and ngā toi Māori, and commend Council's vision to create a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital where people want to live, learn, play and invest in.
- 3. Arts, culture, creativity and ngā toi Māori are an important part of developing strong and prosperous cities, and cohesive and healthy communities. In Taranaki, ngā toi Māori is a unique and important presence in the region, and makes significant contributions to New Plymouth's identity, wellbeing and economy.
- 4. We urge Council to ensure the LTP recognises the essential role of ngā toi Māori and the arts and creative sector in the wellbeing of your residents, as you make decisions for the future of your district.

Key Points

- 5. The LTP presents a **valuable opportunity for Council to effectively invest in arts, culture, creativity and ngā toi Māori**, to support the resilience and wellbeing of New Plymouth's communities and ensure the district can thrive. The LTP does not currently acknowledge the contributions of ngā toi and the creative sectors to the district, and we strongly encourage Council to ensure its commitment to arts, culture, creativity and ngā toi Māori is visible in the LTP.
- 6. We support the focus on te ao Māori in the LTP's community outcomes, including strengthening Te Tiriti partnerships with hapū and iwi to improve wellbeing, and to create communities that embrace te ao Māori. Ngā toi Māori will play a significant role in Council achieving these goals and we urge Council to ensure the LTP recognises these contributions.

7. We encourage Council to work with artists and creatives to achieve greater community outcomes in other prioritised work across the district, including city centre upgrades, infrastructure development and climate change adaptation. As connectors and innovators, creative communities are uniquely positioned to help Council communicate and deliver on these projects and can play a vital role in helping New Plymouth thrive.

Arts, culture, creativity and ngā toi Māori are a vital part of communities in New Plymouth

- 8. Last year at <u>All in for Arts—He waka toile eke noa nei tātou</u>, Councillor Dinnie Moeahu shared, "I think that our vision, our expression and our inspiration is something to admire. It's something to aspire to. There's something really important about the creative arts that draws me closer to my sense of belonging and my identity, and that's our cultural narrative here in Taranaki."
- 9. Investment in the creative sector is investment in inclusive and resilient communities, social cohesion, physical and mental wellbeing, and increased economic activity.
- 10. There is substantial evidence that the creative sector can support Council to meet the opportunities and challenges in its LTP. For example:
 - engagement with arts, culture and creativity positively enhances wellbeing, and means communities are more likely to have strong connections to community, land and place¹
 - 78 percent of Māori agree that ngā toi Māori is an important way of connecting with their culture and identity²
 - the majority of Taranaki residents agree that the arts is a key part of their community and that arts and culture has a vital role to play in the future of where they live³
 - the creative sector contributed \$16.3 billion to New Zealand's GDP in 2023.⁴
- 11. From our most recent *New Zealanders and the Arts—Ko Aotearoa me ōna Toi* research in 2023, we know that New Zealanders' personal connection with the arts has grown, and many feel the arts contribute strongly to their mental health and wellbeing. New Zealanders are also increasingly recognising the economic benefits of the arts, and support for public funding of the arts is higher than ever.
- 12. Ngā toi ā rohe (the arts of a particular region, iwi, hapū) plays a significant role in the protection, preservation and transmission of language, culture, mātauranga and ngā toi Māori, and expresses the mana motuhake and unique identity of the people of an area, such as in New Plymouth. We know from our 2023 research that ngā toi Māori is increasingly embraced by Māori and New Zealanders as a whole.
- 13. Arts, culture, creativity and ngā toi Māori provide essential infrastructure for strong, prosperous, connected and healthy communities in New Plymouth. This includes community hubs, whare taonga, museums, art centres, festivals, art schools, whare wānanga, galleries, creative skill development workshops, education programmes, residencies, master classes, exhibitions, performances, makers' spaces and internships, among many others.

Wellbeing and Arts, Culture and Creativity in the Waikato: Understanding the impact of arts, culture and creativity on the people of the Waikato region. (2022).

² New Zealanders and the Arts: Ko Aotearoa me ōna toi (2023). Creative New Zealand.

³ New Zealanders and the Arts: Ko Aotearoa me ōna toi (2020). Creative New Zealand.

⁴ Infometrics sector profiles 2023 Manatū Taonga Ministry for Culture & Heritage (2023).

- 14. We know it is a challenging time for New Zealanders and many sectors across the country. The creative sector is no exception. It was one of the hardest hit by COVID-19 and is adversely affected by the current, difficult economic environment. Arts organisations, which rely on a mix of central and local government funding, community funding, box office takings and other support, operate on thin margins and are vulnerable to shocks. With revenue streams under pressure, organisational arts infrastructure remains vulnerable.
- 15. New Plymouth has a strong reputation for arts and culture, with a community undertaking work of national and regional significance. Council's support for arts, cultural and creative activity and infrastructure will ensure the sector continues to deliver social, cultural, economic and environmental outcomes for the district's communities.
- 16. As with other infrastructure such as transport and water, arts and culture require secure, stable investment from core funders, including Council, to survive and service the region. The impact of unstable or paused investment could lead to loss of vital arts and culture infrastructure costing more in the long run as it is harder to rebuild, than to maintain. Arts organisations, practitioners and creatives are uniquely positioned to help Council support the district's future development across the focus areas of the LTP.

Response to draft Long-Term Plan 2024–2034

Vision and Strategic framework

- 17. We strongly encourage Council to embed arts, culture, creativity and ngā toi in its LTP's outcomes and strategic priorities, to strengthen the social, cultural, environmental and economic life of New Plymouth.
- 18. The LTP outlines four goals (community outcomes): Trusted; Thriving Communities and Culture; Environmental Excellence; and Prosperity. We encourage Council to recognise the strong contributions that investing in the creative sector makes to these outcomes. For example:
 - Trusted:
 - Ngā toi Māori will support Council's goal of strengthening Te Tiriti partnerships with hapū and iwi to improve wellbeing. Ngā toi Māori has ritualistic, cultural, historical, communal and spiritual significance for Māori, and is deeply rooted in mātauranga Māori for the benefit of the community. Investment in the creation of ngā toi Māori, and cultural infrastructure such as marae, is vital for delivering to Te Tiriti o Waitangi.
 - Thriving Communities and Culture:
 - Arts participation helps individuals to find support, develop networks and gain a sense of belonging, as well as increasing community cooperation.
 - Artistic, cultural and creative activity is a powerful way to connect communities and amplify diverse voices.
 - Working with iwi and hapū, and creative organisations such as Creative Taranaki, Taranaki Arts Festival Trust, the Govett-Brewster Art Gallery/Len Lye Centre and Zeal Taranaki can help Council collectively realise New Plymouth's vision of being a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital.

Prosperity:

- The creative industries including advertising, technology, publishing, television, radio, film, design, music and performing arts are rapidly growing in Aotearoa, and will support New Plymouth to diversify its economy.
- Supported arts organisations and regular arts and culture experiences also feed other
 parts of the creative ecosystem and the local economy, including education, health,
 trade and enterprise, hospitality, retail and tourism. Strong creative industries create
 jobs, drive economic growth and attract new business. They enhance the reputation of
 New Plymouth as a destination to live, learn, play and invest in.
- 19. We strongly encourage Council to ensure the LTP recognises the contributions of ngā toi Māori to achieving these community outcomes in Taranaki. Ngā toi Māori is widely embraced by communities in New Plymouth and Council's support for ngā toi in its LTP is a crucial part of ensuring ngā toi is being produced, enjoyed and celebrated.
- 20. Success in protecting, revitalising and promoting Māori artforms supports many artists, practitioners and tourism operators in the region, and positively enhances the reputation of New Plymouth nationally and internationally.
- 21. In Taranaki, the Taku Poi He Manu, Taku Ringa He Manu Mātauranga Māori Revitalisation Programme 2023/24 is supporting the employment of five Taranaki arts practitioners to design, develop and deliver a programme that seeks to protect at-risk or endangered regional artforms (including waiata, performing arts, poi manu, mau rākau and karanga). Supported by investment from Creative New Zealand and Manatū Taonga Ministry for Culture & Heritage, the programme is building the numbers, technical skill, knowledge and experience of Māori artists and arts practitioners across Taranaki.
- 22. Māori artists, practitioners and communities rely on Council funding to share mātauranga, collaborate, create and present arts and cultural experiences with marae, whānau, hapū and iwi in Taranaki. Investment in ngā toi Māori also supports the revitalisation of te reo Māori and te ao Māori. Fifty-eight percent of Māori and 32 percent of all New Zealanders agree that ngā toi Māori motivates them to kōrero Māori. It grows knowledge and appreciation of the stories, values and places of importance to tangata whenua.
- 23. Arts, cultural, creative and ngā toi Māori practitioners and organisations are **valuable partners** for Council to achieve its broader priorities and vision, by strengthening communities through connection, empowerment and placemaking. They will support Council to effectively respond to current challenges, such as climate change.
- 24. Artists and creatives are particularly skilled at designing and delivering innovative, strategic and cost-effective solutions, and we encourage Council to consider how the creative sector in New Plymouth can help realise and implement your LTP.
- 25. We note Council's implementation of the New Plymouth Ngāmotu City Centre Strategy to invest \$11.4 million in developing the city centre as a destination for locals and visitors. We strongly encourage Council to explore how it can partner with the creative community to deliver to the Strategy. Artists and creative practitioners are skilled at delivering development project elements that can increase the use of public space, showcase New Plymouth's culture and identity, and increase economic activity.

Tūparikino Active Community Hub (The Hub)

- 26. We support Council's updated project for the Tūarikino Active Community Hub and the focus on upgrading community infrastructure.
- 27. We especially welcome Council's commitment to incorporate community and cultural components, particularly the celebration of mana whenua identity and links to the whenua. Council has a strong track record of incorporating cultural elements into infrastructure projects (eg, Te Rewa Rewa Bridge and the award-winning New Plymouth Airport, Te Hono) and we are encouraged to see this work continue.
- 28. We note Council's intention for the facility to be multi-use and have capacity to host cultural events. Close engagement and consultation with the creative sector on this proposal will be essential, to ensure the facility is fit-for-purpose in meeting these needs of the community. We encourage Council to think about:
 - whether any of the new spaces developed could support the arts community (such as an indoor multi-purpose space used for rehearsals or performing arts events) who we note use the TSB Stadium facilities
 - how the community hub can provide New Plymouth's residents with more opportunities to engage with and participate in arts, culture, creativity and ngā toi which have similar and mutual benefits to sport for communities' physical and mental wellbeing

Additional funding for community partnerships and boards

- 29. We support Council's intention to allocate an additional \$150,000 per annum to community partnerships, and an allocation of \$125,000 for local investment through Community Boards.
- 30. We encourage Council to engage closely with the creative community in building community partnerships. A number of arts organisations in New Plymouth have strong, existing relationships with mana whenua, funders, government, non-profits, businesses and other community groups. A strong relationship with the creative community can foster new partnerships and collective approaches.

Infrastructure focus

- 31. We acknowledge Council's commitment to ensure New Plymouth's infrastructure reflects te ao Māori. Visibility and representation of ngā toi Māori in New Plymouth's infrastructure inspires pride and engagement for people in a region, drives demand, touring work, lively events and festivals, and Māori content in galleries, museums and other public spaces.
- 32. We support Council's proposed Puke Ariki buildings renewal programme to ensure they are fit for purpose. The museum and library buildings are important spaces for communities to gather and exchange cultural knowledge, creativity and storytelling.

Council is a crucial investor in arts, culture, creativity and ngā toi

- 33. We acknowledge Council is facing several key challenges in drafting its LTP, and needs to balance prudent fiscal management alongside investment in critical infrastructure and the needs of a growing community.
- 34. New Plymouth District Council is a major, and crucial, investor and partner in arts and culture. Many arts organisations receive core investment from Council, often in partnership with

- central government and community and private funders. New Plymouth's arts and culture services are reliant on local government contributions, as this support is not guaranteed from other sources.
- 35. Creative New Zealand's own ability to support the sector is under strain, and we have materially less funding to invest from 2024/25 (around 30 percent) than for the previous five years.
- 36. Shared investment is vital for a resilient and supported arts and cultural sector. To maintain this collective approach, we encourage Council to ensure funding support for arts, culture, creativity and ngā toi Māori is a core part of its LTP.
- 37. Council's investment in arts and culture is vital for creating a strong, autonomous and resilient local arts, culture and ngā toi infrastructure. Strong cultural infrastructure will support Council to respond to current challenges. As we face a less certain future, the arts have a crucial role in improving social wellbeing by building and regenerating strong, connected and healthy communities.

Creative New Zealand's interest and investment in the arts in New Plymouth

- 38. Creative New Zealand is the national arts development agency of Aotearoa New Zealand, responsible for delivering government support for the arts. We're an autonomous Crown entity under the Arts Council of New Zealand Toi Aotearoa Act 2014.
- 39. Our legislative purpose is to *encourage*, *promote*, *and support the arts in New Zealand for the benefit of all New Zealanders*. We do this by *Investing in the arts*, *Developing the arts*, *Advocating for the arts*, providing *Leadership in the arts*, and *Partnering for the arts*.
- 40. Creative New Zealand receives funding through Vote: Arts, Culture and Heritage and the New Zealand Lottery Grants Board Te Puna Tahua. In 2022/23, Creative New Zealand invested nearly \$74 million in the arts.
- 41. We recognise the importance of New Plymouth to arts, culture, creativity and ngā toi in Aotearoa. For arts that are delivered in the Taranaki region, \$703,890 of direct financial support was provided by Creative New Zealand in 2022/23. Of this, \$576,204 in funding went directly to the New Plymouth District, supporting individual arts projects and arts and cultural organisations.
- 42. Under the Creative Communities Scheme, we also fund territorial authorities directly to support local arts activities. In 2022/23, funding of \$116,826 was provided to the Taranaki region, which included \$64,140 to New Plymouth District Council and your creative communities.

Final thoughts

- 43. Thank you again for the opportunity to comment on the LTP. We understand there is considerable pressure on all local councils' budgets and acknowledge your continued commitment to investing in arts, culture, creativity and ngā toi as part of the overall investment in your community's wellbeing.
- 44. We share your aspirations for New Plymouth and look forward to working with you to realise the potential of arts, culture, creativity and ngā toi to support your community to thrive. Our

collective approach will ensure arts, culture and creativity can deliver value to all New Zealanders and to communities throughout Aotearoa.

45. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or if you wish to discuss this submission further. The key contact person is:

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Position: Senior Advisor, Advocacy (Local Government)

Kaiwhakamahere Matua Taunaki, Kāwanatanga ā Kainga

Contact: <u>cara.paterson@creativenz.govt.nz</u>

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou katoa, nā

David Pannett

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Senior Manager, Strategy & Engagement

Pou Whakahaere Matua, Rautaki me te Tūhono

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Submission No: 2764 Claire White

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Increase option 2 by \$300,000 each year for other initiatives and \$100,000 for a three year high frequency bus service trial.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Put increasing amounts of \$250,000 each year in to the reserve of the release from our Perpetual Investment Fund (used to subsidise rates) until year 10, when \$2.5m would be added.

Comments

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

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Comments

Do not delay this any longer. It will be a hugely valuable investment in the health and well-being of our community. There is robust and longstanding evidence of need and this project needs to get started and not delayed yet again.

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

As part of the greater network of facilities this plays an important role in providing additional venues in which to connect our community beyond cricket. It is an investment in the wider pukekura park 'venue' that compliments the investment being made for tuparikino.

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No Housing for the elderly Yes Traffic management Yes

What else?

You have consulted widely and have preferred options that have been budgeted for. Please respect the time and energy that the community have invested already in these initiatives and proceed.

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Submission No: 2765 Danielle Gibas

Organisation: Wild for Taranaki Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Comments

See our submission

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Traffic management
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Dear Madame/Sir,

Wild for Taranaki is the region's biodiversity trust, supporting more than 49 groups and organisations working to protect and enhance the unique native plants, animals and ecosystems within Taranaki.

Wild for Taranaki is grateful for New Plymouth District Council's support since its inception in 2016. In particular, we'd like to thank Council for its recent support for the set-up of our Action Hub platform. It's because of this tool and our engaged network of members that we believe we make an ideal partner to help New Plymouth District Council reach its sustainability and climate action goals.

Successes such as the Planting our Place programme, volunteer trapping network on NPDC reserves, amendments to the dog by-law for the better protection of our coastal birds are a testament to council's ability to make significant gains for biodiversity in district and we encourage the continuation and expansion of this type of activity.

The people of this district are fiercely proud of our natural assets and there is a great deal of motivation to get involved and help protect these taonga.

By tapping into our volunteer resources, NPDC can engage the community in reaching sustainable, climate action goals.

Our innovative online platform Action Hub, links organisations, volunteer groups and individuals, through events, projects and land listings. The purpose-built technology is useful for a diverse range of users. From helping to recruit volunteers to carbon calculators, Action Hub can help track a project's progress and compile tangible data for reporting and budgeting.

One example of how NPDC can use our services for improved sustainability is in pest plant management. Taranaki is leading the country in predator control, but pest plant management is arguably just as important. For our endangered lizards, birds and insects to thrive, native flora/habitats must be abundant.

At Wild for Taranaki we can host and mobilise volunteers for regular weeding events in support the work already happening in NPDC reserves, run community workshops and tackle weed issues on private land through advocacy and backyard biodiversity training. For this to be truly effective, this needs to happen in strong coordination with NPDC parks, communications teams.

With our unique oversight of what's happening in the environmental and conservation sector with relationships spanning the entire breadth of activities in the sector, we are able to engage NPDCs constituents in boots-on-the-ground restorative work.

We have collaborated with Puke Ariki, Govett Brewster Art Gallery on numerous successful public events to help bring awareness and educate our community about rich biodiversity in our region.

We connect the dots between individuals, groups and organisations, whether it be neighbours wanting to plant a nearby reserve, catchment restoration by iwi or businesses wanting to do their bit.

In the last 12 months Wild for Taranaki helped promote 75 planting, pest control, weeding events and presentations/ workshops. We organised and hosted 29 courses and public events to upskill and educate on bird identification, sea life, trapping and weed identification and eradication.

At our annual biodiversity forum, we bring together individuals and organisations from around the region with presentations and workshops. Aside from upskilling and educating our members, the forum enhances comradery which helps unify the sector and fortify relationships.

What Wild for Taranaki does:

- Provide support for growing the work of Wild for Taranaki members
- Coordinate the sector (via regular catch-ups, a biodiversity forum and problem-solving on key issues)
- Connect groups to enhance efficiency in the sector
- Encourage investment, secure funding and support funding applications
- Build partnerships
- Provide information and resources, such as planting guides and bestpractice knowledge
- Advocate for biodiversity protection
- Promote success stories, encouraging individuals and groups to get involved

We look forward to supporting New Plymouth District Council's environmental goals.

Thank you for reading this submission,

Wild for Taranaki

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Submission No: 2766 Sam Williams

Organisation: Ngati Tawhirukura Charitable Trust

Wish to speak to the Council: Yes

Executive summary

My name is Sam Williams. I am an IE & C (Instrumentation/Electrical and Control systems) Engineer and a TUV functional safety engineer.

I am also an independent trustee for Ngāti Tawhirikura hapū. I have support from Tawhirikura, and their adjoining hapū for this submission.

Thank you for all the work you have done and currently are doing in the hapori of Ngamotu.

I have taken the time to review the 2021-2031 Wastewater management plan and the 2021-2031 Stormwater and flood protection asset management plan.

The information set out in these documents identifies urgent need from my perspective to not only upgrade, but replace these assets.

We do not have enough information about the WWTP & associated pumping and stormwater systems to make good decisions.

There are improvements for P &IDs and layouts, in progress. P&IDs are key documents, as are cause and effects, which are not mentioned, lay outs are a by- product of the P&IDs to illustrate where all of the control equipment is situated. Functional descriptions assist us to understand how a system is meant to function and it would normally set out modes of failure, redundancy etc.

I have seen no mention of hazardous areas and electrical inspections and whether the compliance is up to date.

A sewage plant is a very hazardous area, and has the capability of creating explosions, due to the abundance of methane. There is a much greater

likelihood for the presence of H2S. Critical equipment that has not been identified or maintained can easily cause damage to people plant and the environment.

We have seen a number of issues of loss of containment from the WWTP into its surrounding water bodies, April 2023, Jan2024 and also from the Te Henui pumping station into the Te Henui awa.

It is not tenable to operate when these types of key issues have been identified. It is very clear that these systems, Waste water treatment and their auxiliary networks need immediate attention.

Recommendations for urgent considerations:

Within the next 5 years:

Build a new WWTP in an area where it cannot affect water bodies that has the design capacity to manage our projected population.

While this is a significant expense, it is required as its failure would have a significant effect on all people in New Plymouth and the environment.

Design new ways of managing discharges that currently flow into water bodies, so they do not.

Dismantle the resource consents allowing discharges into water bodies, e.g. sewage, stormwater and industrial & Refuse discharges.

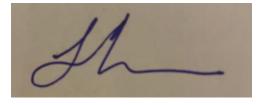
Install continuous monitoring in rivers to police this. Introduce heavy fines that cover the restoration of damage plus a significant deterrent amount.

Suggest the 16.3 million that is earmarked for the Bell Ringer Pavillion.

Do not sweat these assets.

Thank you very much for your time

Sam Williams



Information is from:

2021-2031 Wastewater management plan and the 2021-2031 Stormwater and flood protection asset management plan.

Information on discharges into water bodoies from notification to hapū when they happen.

Key issues for 2021-2031 WWAMP and Key Issues for Stormwater and Flood Protection

| Incomplete inspection/ condition | Incomplete plan and resourcing for the inspection and condition rating of: | | | | |
|----------------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| rating data and programme | Plant and equipment (P&E) | | | | |
| | Pressurised mains | | | | |
| | Gravity mains and general reticulation including manholes | | | | |
| | Pipe bridges and river crossings | | | | |
| | Above ground Asbestos Cement (AC) pipe | | | | |
| | Unlined tunnels | | | | |
| | Operational building | | | | |
| Lack of asset inventory data and | The Council has not understood the value of asset data and has not developed formal metadata standards to | | | | |
| standards and guidelines | ensure the right data is recorded to support asset management decision making which has resulted in incomplete | | | | |
| | and inaccurate assets inventories which has in turn caused operational challenges including maintaining an | | | | |
| | inadequate spares inventory, increased risk of asset failure and an inability to accurately plan for future works | | | | |
| Lack of a sewer containment | The Council has not developed and adopted a formal wastewater containment standard that clearly establishes a | | | | |
| standards | basis of design and performance expectations which has resulted in an inconsistent approach to infrastructure | | | | |

| | development, variable performance and peak capacity, increased risk of sewage overflow and challenges undertaking maintenance because of a lack of any shutdown strategies | | |
|---|--|--|--|
| System design does not meet current | Poor system design, legacy performance issues and a lack of future development considerations, particularly for | | |
| and future demand | | | |
| and ruture demand | older facilities has resulted in poor asset performance, higher operational cost, increased health and safety risks, a | | |
| | lack of capacity to accommodate future development, lack of contingency plans, increased risk of environmental | | |
| | harm and non-compliance with the Council's own bylaw | | |
| Lack of a robust renewal programme | Lack of software licenses | | |
| for telemetry and communications | Out of date Piping and Instrumentation Diagrams (P&IDs) and functional descriptions | | |
| technology • Communications single points of failure/lack of redundancy | | | |
| | Out of date radio equipment | | |
| | Out of date pump station instrumentation including level monitors and alarms | | |
| | Narrow bandwidth connections between SCADA sites | | |
| | Lack of spares inventory | | |
| Lack of engagement with iwi on | When infrastructure has developed, there has been a lack of consideration for natural hazards and poorly defined | | |
| infrastructure design, build and | resilience performance expectations, which has resulted in vulnerable infrastructure being constructed in natural | | |
| operations | hazard zones and a vulnerable system that is linear in nature and has a high number of single-points-of-failure | | |
| | | | |
| Lack of maintenance scheduling | There has been insufficient investment of resources to develop a comprehensive programme of preventative | | |
| | maintenance schedules. This has resulted in many items of P&E receiving no routine servicing which has in turn | | |
| | increased the cost of reactive emergency repairs, voided equipment warranties, shortened the operating lives of | | |
| | assets, increased the cost of the renewals programme, reduced system performance and increased health, safety | | |
| | and environmental risks. Only about 50% of P&E assets have a maintenance schedule in the system | | |
| | Material increase in funding required as current maintenance budget is insufficient | | |
| | Lack of Operations and Maintenance manuals for some P&E | | |
| | No maintenance on the marine outfall and its cathodic protection for 10 year | | |
| Lack of understanding of the system | The district's population is growing; however, there is insufficient evidence based understanding of the system's | | |
| capacity and performance | capacity and performance and an overreliance on the observational knowledge of field staff to inform future | | |
| | development decisions which has resulted in poor system performance, increased environmental risks, poorly | | |
| | informed investment decisions and barriers to land development. Population growth assumptions are not | | |
| | sufficient to undertake growth modelling | | |
| | • LiDAR of the district is incomplete and will become out of date in 2025 leading to poor outcomes when creating | | |
| | hydraulic models • No calibrated network model | | |
| | Pipe and manholes reaching capacity, surcharging and ultimately overflowing | | |
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| | • Bell Block trunk main is surcharging and close to overflowing • No understanding of inflow and infiltration so |
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| | cannot progress solutions |
| | Lack of flow meters on the network to understand performance |
| | WWTP is operating at peak hydraulic capacity |
| | Growth is occurring and needs to be accommodated |
| | The Hospital is being redeveloped and will require additional capacity |
| Historical lack of renewals | Due to fiscal constraints the level of investment to replace assets was significantly reduced which has resulted in |
| | an overall deterioration in the condition of the network, increased risk of asset/system failure, increased reactive |
| | maintenance costs and increased risk of environmental damage. |
| | Already carrying a large backlog of deferred reticulation renewals |
| | Renewals funding is insufficient for both reticulation and P&E so backlog will continue to accrue |
| | TDF Replacement |
| | H2S corrosion of reticulation, P& |
| Lack of sustainable processes and poor | The wastewater system disconnects the community and industry from the impact of their wastewater production |
| community education around people's | and it operates in a way that is energy intensive, consumes a lot of chemicals and produces large volumes of waste |
| impact on wastewater systems | which results in the consumption of natural resources and discharges to land, air and sea. |
| | The wastewater system and treatment plant consumes large amounts of potable water, energy and chemicals |
| | Illegal discharges and trade wastes impacting on the |
| | Fat and wet-wipe sewer blockages |
| | NPWWTP produces a significant proportion of NPDC's Green House Gas (GHG) emissions |
| | Storm Water & Flood AMP |
| Not understanding the threats of | When infrastructure has developed, there has been a lack of consideration for natural hazards and poorly defined |
| natural hazards to infrastructure and | resilience performance expectations which has resulted in vulnerable infrastructure being constructed in natural |
| not building in resilience | hazard zones and a vulnerable system that is linear in nature and has a high number of single-points-of-failure |
| | |

Comply with all resource consents for wastewater discharge from our system. The number of abatement notices received. 3

Remaining Useful Life

Asset condition is a key parameter in determining the Remaining Useful Life (RUL) of an asset and can be used to predict how long it will be before an asset needs to repaired, renewed or replaced. Asset condition is also an indicator of how well an asset is able to perform its function. The RUL of assets have been recorded in the Wastewater AMP: Volumes 1-3. Condition ratings for underground assets where inspection programmes are not currently in place

are predominantly inferred from the assets age, and known failure profiles. A CCTV programme is in place for Wastewater assets, which attributes a condition rating inline with the methodology in the New Zealand Pipe Inspection Manual. Where visual inspection is possible professional judgement and experience is relied upon to determine the condition rating. There is an improvement action in Section 10: Asset Management Improvement Programme of the Asset Management Strategy to address this

Critical Assets

There is currently no definition for critical assets; however, critical wastewater assets have been identified in the Wastewater AMP: Volumes 1-3, where possible. This information is based on the Three Waters Team's knowledge and experience. The Three Waters Team recently commenced a programme to assess and record criticality ratings for P&E assets in the EAM asset inventory. This process is only partially complete and is recorded as an improvement action in Section 9: Improvement Plan

Table 7 in Section 7: Asset Lifecycle of the Asset Management Strategy outlines the criticality ratings for assets. No criticality ratings have been provided for assets in this AMP as a more robust data quality system is needed to determine the ratings more accurately, and there is an improvement action for asset data in Section 10: Asset Management Improvement Programme of the Asset Management Strategy.

I could not find section 10 in the 2021-2031 WW AMP. 9.2 Improvement plans

| ble 22: W | /astewater AMP improver | ments summary | | | | | |
|-----------|--|---|-------------|-----|----|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| No. | Title | Description | Status | BAU | 9 | Critical spares assessment | Asse |
| | mprovements Master Planning | Produce Wastewater Master Planning | In progress | | 10 | Critical asset management plan | Produ |
| | Network model | Produce fully validated wastewater network models to facilitate improved planning and operations | In progress | | | | |
| | Maintenance Management Plan | Produce and implement Maintenance Management Plan | In progress | | 11 | Critical spares assessment | Asser |
| | Plant equipment survey | Survey all P&E and match inventory to on-site status | In progress | | 12 | Critical asset management plan | Produ |
| | Service notifications and check sheets | Produce full set of scheduled maintenance and check sheets for mechanical P&E and record/implement schedule in EAM. | In progress | | | | |
| | I&E maintenance records | Record and manage I&E scheduled maintenance tasks in EAM. | In progress | | 13 | Asset inventory | the st pipes Service |
| | Assets identification tags | Check and install tagging to all P&E | In progress | | 14 | Asset data quality plan | Cond and c |
| | RedEye | Following survey in item 4, update P&IDs and layout drawings | In progress | | | | devel |

categories are listed in Table 22.

| 10 | Critical spares assessment | Assess critical spares and procure any required components | In progress | |
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| 10 | | | In progress | |
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| | Critical asset management plan | Produce a focused management plan for those assets identified as critical | In progress | |
| | | | | |
| 11 | Critical spares assessment | Assess critical spares and procure any required components | In progress | |
| | Critical asset management plan | Produce focused management plan for those assets identified as critical | In progress | |
| | | | | |
| 13 | Asset inventory | Include pipe bridges/values on asset inventory for the structures constructed to specifically support pipes and owned/maintained by the Three Waters Service | In progress | |
| 14 | Asset data quality plan | Conduct analysis of existing asset data to identify and correct any obvious errors or omissions. This will form part of the Asset Data Quality Plan to be developed with the Infrastructure Systems Team. | In progress | |

Risk Assessment

10 Unknown, 2 Low, 12 Medium, 11 High, 2 Extreme

The risk assessment matrix is not included in the AMP. Also noting that these are existing known problems, while due to the absence of the information in the key issues, it would be fair to say there are still many unidentified issues.

Table 13: Risk level and prioritisation for wastewater projects

| Project Budget Code | Project Description | Priority | Risk Level | | |
|---------------------------|--|----------|------------|--|--|
| Level of Service Projects | | | | | |
| WW1091 | Pump Station Fall Protection | 1 | Medium | | |
| WW2001 | Urenui & Onaero Sewer System | 2 | Extreme | | |
| WW2002 | Wastewater Pumpstation Overflow Prevention | 2 | Medium | | |
| WW2300 | Inglewood Dump Station | 3 | Medium | | |
| WW2301 | TDF Crown Infrastructure funded | 1 | High | | |
| WW2302 | Screenings handling | 1 | Medium | | |
| WW3007 | Golf Course Sewer Trunk Main Remediation | 1 | Medium | | |
| WW3009 | Bell Block Trunk Sewer - Capacity Upgrade | 2 | High | | |
| WW3010 | Mangati SPS Emergency Storage | 2 | High | | |
| WW3015 | Screens for Maintenance Bypass of NPWWTP Inlet Works | 1 | Medium | | |
| WW3016 | Corbett Park Pump Station Upgrade Project | 2 | High | | |
| WW3017 | Inglewood Oxidation Ponds and Pump Station Upgrade Project | 2 | Medium | | |

| Project Budget Code | Project Description | Priority | Risk Level | | |
|---------------------------|---|----------|------------|--|--|
| Level of Service Projects | | | | | |
| WW3018 | Shearer Reserve Pump Station Upgrade Project | 2 | High | | |
| WW3019 | Te Henui Pump Station Upgrade Project | 2 | Medium | | |
| WW3020 | Wastewater pipe bridge Upgrade Programme | 2 | Medium | | |
| WW3021 | Waitara Wastewater Pumping System Upgrade | 2 | Extreme | | |
| WW3025 | Wastewater Pump Station Flow Meters | 1 | High | | |
| Growth Projects | | | | | |
| WW1018 | Waimea Valley Sewer Extension | 2 | Medium | | |
| WW2003 | Wastewater Network Modelling | 1 | Medium | | |
| WW2006 | Sewer Services For Subdivisions In Un-Service | 1 | Low | | |
| WW2009 | Upgrading of Huatoki Valley Sewer Main | 2 | Low | | |
| WW2010 | Wastewater Model Build and Update | Unknown | Unknown | | |
| WW2019 | Eastern Sewer Network Realignment | 2 | High | | |
| WW2022 | Junction Growth Area Sewer Upgrade Thames | 2 | Medium | | |
| Renewals Projects | | | | | |
| AA0026 | West Quay Pump Station | 1 | High | | |
| WW1001 | Laboratory Minor Equipment Renewals | Unknown | Unknown | | |

| WW1013 | Lorna St Sewer Upgrade | 1 | High |
|--------|---|---------|---------|
| WW1036 | Emergency Wastewater Retic Network Renewals | ? | Unknown |
| WW1055 | Waitara Outfall Pipeline Renewals | ? | Unknown |
| WW1056 | Resource Consent Renewals Wastewater | 1 | High |
| WW2023 | Wastewater Building Renewals | Unknown | Unknown |
| WW2026 | Laboratory Major Equipment Renewals | Unknown | Unknown |
| WW2201 | Sewer Lining & Rehab of Pipes | Unknown | Unknown |
| WW3002 | Wastewater Reticulation Renewals Full Budget (Medium) | Unknown | Unknown |
| WW3003 | Wastewater Plant, Equipment, I&E Renewals (Medium) | Unknown | Unknown |
| WW3006 | New Plymouth Outfall Pipeline Renewals | Unknown | Unknown |
| WW3024 | Waitara Pumping Station Purlin Replacement | 1 | High |

The biggest driver of increased demand for all Council services and use of Council assets is population growth.

To complement and service the planned growth areas in the district wastewater network modelling needs to be undertaken (Projects: WW2003 and WW2010) and services are required for subdivisions (Projects: WW2006, WW2009, WW2019, and WW2022).

The Growth Projects require Capex of approximately \$27 million over the next 10 years. As at 30 June 2019, the certified fair value of wastewater assets was approximately \$351 million (excluding inflation). A number of issues associated with asset management have been identified throughout this AMP. The improvement actions required over the 10 year period (2021-2031) have been collated in this AMP. A number of improvement actions relate to all the AMPs and are therefore included in the Asset Management Strategy.

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Submission No: 2767 Janita Carlyon

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Increase option 2 by \$300,000 each year for other initiatives and \$100,000 for a three year high frequency bus service trial.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Put increasing amounts of \$250,000 each year in to the reserve of the release from our Perpetual Investment Fund (used to subsidise rates) until year 10, when \$2.5m would be added.

Comments

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Comments

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Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

The upgrade of Pukekura Park Bellringer Pavilion is imperative as Taranaki continue to be able to host Domestic Cricket at this facility. It's a venue that helps bring the community together and also aids young budding crickets to be able to watch their heroes in action which helps solidify their dreams that one day they too could be in the middle of Pukekura Park playing cricket. The Pavilion was built 100 years ago and has constantly been in the top most beautiful cricket fields around the world. With the upgrade, it will update the much needed facilities for many years to come which will be beneficial to the cricketing community, other communities also utilising the Pavilion and open it up to others too (not possible given it's current restrictions). Financially, it will also create an economic boost to the region with people coming from all over to watch cricket there as well as many more communities able to book the facilities for use when not being used for cricket.

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No
Housing for the elderly Yes
Traffic management Yes

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Submission No: 2768 Olwyn Thomas

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Comments

As a great grandmother I wish to strongly object to any thought of closing Brooklands Zoo. This venue is definitely a need not a want, and is a special place where young children can explore, learn and play in a safe place. If necessary, I'm sure as an option, we could close the Otter enclosure.

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Submission No: 2769 Christine Fabish

Organisation: Inglewood Community Board

Wish to speak to the Council: Yes

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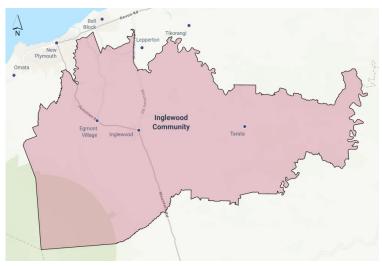
Dear Mayor and Councillors

RE: SUBMISSION TO THE NPDC Long Term Plan.

From: Inglewood Community Board, representing Kōhanga Moa ward.

Introduction

Thank you for the opportunity to submit our feedback on the Draft LTP. Inglewood Community Board represents over 11,000 residents of the Kōhanga Moa Ward of the New Plymouth District Council. We encompass the town of Inglewood, as well as the communities of Egmont Village, Tariki and Tarata. We also reach into the urban edges of New Plymouth and Bell Block and encompass the National Park.



For the purposes of this submission, we will comment on the Big Calls detailed in the standardised feedback forms. We have then addressed additional comments and feedback based on specific projects to Kōhanga Moa Ward, as well as aspects of our Board Plan.

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure.

Many of our key infrastructure assets are rundown. We have been focusing on our three water assets in recent years but now we also want to increase the amount we spend on fixing up our transportation assets (roads,footpaths, bridges etc).

1. How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years? (pg. 13) (please tick one)

Option 1: Don't spend any more. This will save rates in the short term, but the state of our transportation assets will continue to decline, resulting in greater long-term cost implication.

Option 2: Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

- We support Option Two. (with Caveats around contractual arrangements)
- Rationale: We believe transportation assets are core council business and support an increase to funding of these assets.
- We would like to see higher levels of accountability around the spending within transportation and construction, and higher levels of scrutiny of contractors. The onus has been on the contractor, rather than council for accountability. We believe that the current arrangements are not offering fair value for money for our ratepayers.
- We believe the cost to deliver better transportation infrastructure for the district could be reduced if council were to revert to bringing some or all of this in-house, and struggle to see how paying private contracting businesses is beneficial to our community.
- In relation to core concerns around transportation, the southern entrance to New Plymouth, including SH3 through Inglewood, is the most significant intra-regional link for internal commerce and commuter transit inside Taranaki. This route has had no serious updates over the last 3-4 decades and is now creaking under the weight of a growing province with more intra-regional travel than ever before. We do not believe that the current proposed timelines, budgets, or attention reflect the importance of this transportation corridor to the region, and the negative impacts it is having on communities like Inglewood. The connection of SH3 and SH3A inside the township of Inglewood is the most significant transport 'node' on the west coast of the North Island between Hamilton and Bulls.

- Furthermore, we have been advised directly by the NPDC Transportation team that
 the trucking volumes associated with future harvests within the eastern Taranaki Hill
 country (Purangi, Tarata and areas within the Straford District) are projected to
 surpass trucking volumes on our State Highways by quite some margin again with
 all truck traffic projected to enter Inglewood Townships currently strained roading,
 further materially affecting the liveability of our community.
- We strongly support and encourage NPDC to invest more, and sooner, in the feasibility study into a heavy traffic bypass in Inglewood CBD as alluded to on our <u>RLTP submission to TRC</u>. This is essential to future planning and growth in the district and will help Inglewood's liveability. Investments need to be immediate, and proportional to the demands on our network here. The Inglewood Community Board request the \$200k pencilled for year two of the LTP is brought forward to year one.
- Whilst we support an increase to Transportation funding, we would like it to be delivered with much more accountability to ratepayer, and we would like our community to materially benefit from the proposed budgetary increase, and in an extremely timely manner.
- Inglewood One Network Framework (ONF)
 Inglewood Community Board would like to see the Inglewood ONF and town centre upgrade to year one. The Board consider the ONF to meet the needs of the full wellbeing of the LGA and NPDC Strategic framework.

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

Our Disaster Recovery Reserve enables us to smooth the cost of replacing damaged assets. Because of the frequency of severe weather events, we think we should increase the amount we put aside in this reserve.

- 2. How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage? (pg. 14) (please tick one)
- Option 1: Don't put any additional amount aside.
- Option 2: Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).
- Option 3: Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 with an additional top up increase from funds released from our Perpetual Investment Fund (which would otherwise reduce your rates) of \$100,000 each year to a maximum of \$1m in year 10. (This is the Council's preferred option)
 - We support option three

 Rationale: the need to boost reserves for future shocks is encompassed in option three, with the caveat that any money earmarked from the PIF, stays inside the PIF over the 10-year period, to ensure it is getting the maximum return. There would be no sense in removing money from the PIF to put in a bank account at lower return.

Big Call 2: Sustainability

Climate Action Framework

As a Council we do many things to help improve our natural environment but in recent years we have also embarked on a programme to tackle climate change. We are making progress but could do more.

3. What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate? (pg. 16) (please tick one)

Option 1: Do not continue the existing programme.

Option 2: Continue the existing programme with a budget of \$240,000 in year 1, \$640,000 per annum in year 2 onwards and continue Planting our Place at \$200,000 each year.

Option 3: Increase option 2 by \$300,000 each year for other initiatives and \$100,000 for a three-year high frequency bus service trial. (This is the Council's preferred option)

Option 4: Accelerate the programme even further with an additional \$300,000 each year.

- We support option three .
- Rationale: We support the need to increase attention to climate-related concerns. We
 are living in a climate crisis and believe that adequate resource should be allocated
 to building community resilience so that more frequent and intense events can be
 dealt with, but would like to understand how exactly these interventions are
 proposed.

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital

Reserve Income from our Perpetual Investment Fund is used to offset rates. We are proposing to use some of that income to establish a reserve which can be used for future projects. This would reduce the amount of subsidy to rates.

4. Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects? (pg. 19) (please tick one)

Option 1: Do not establish the reserve.

Option 2: Put increasing amounts of \$250,000 each year in to the reserve of the release from our Perpetual Investment Fund (used to subsidise rates) until year 10, when \$2.5m would be added. (This is the Council's preferred option)

Option 3: Put increasing amounts of \$500,000 each year in to the reserve of the release from our Perpetual Investment Fund (used to subsidise rates) until year 10, when \$5m would be added.

- We do not support
- Rationale: The total proposed budget for this program of work is \$14m over 10 years, yet gives no definition to the scope of what this fund is intended for or how it would be specifically beneficial to our community. We do not believe this fund will be of any benefit to this community, as it is currently proposed - given scant detail.
- If we were to support a fund of this nature, it would only be done so on the condition that there were specific policies to address the equitable distribution of such a fund (or perhaps avoid inequitable distribution of the fund), in particular to the outlying areas of the district. History suggests that the majority of funding for 'lifestyle projects' have been delivered within areas adjacent to the CBD, or in coastal communities, with only peppercorn improvements to lifestyle factors within the Inglewood and more remote communities in the last 35 years.

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

In our last Long-Term Plan we set aside a budget for a Multi-Sport Hub. We are now proposing to refocus that funding to deliver a multi-use, minimum four-court indoor stadium building to complement the TSB Stadium.

5. Which option do you support for The Hub? (pg. 20) (please tick one)

Option 1: Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Option 2: Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan. (This is the Council's preferred option)

Option 3: Increase the budget to \$50m over the 10 years to add more facilities.

• We support 'a review of this project and delivery of essential-only elements.

- Rationale: Whilst we support the council to deliver sporting infrastructure to our communities, we would like to see significant rationalisation of this project to deliver 'essential-only' elements, and see a wider lens cast over sporting infrastructural deficiencies in the district.
- In Inglewood, nearly all of our sporting infrastructure is delivered by community groups, including the Taranaki Community Stadium Trust, among others. These groups ensure the commercial and financial viability of the assets and raise funds from the not-for-profit sector and others to ensure long term sustainability. Council provides maintenance of grounds and drainage where necessary through the parks team, but often the ongoing physical buildings are outside of council remit certainly that is the case in our community.
- We believe there are significant inequities in the delivery of sporting infrastructure across the district, which will not be addressed through the development of the Hub.
- We acknowledge the move towards lowering pool fees for community pools, and support this to address a drop in usage since the fees were raised in 2021.

Brooklands Zoo

Some of the animal enclosures at the zoo are ageing and no longer meet the Ministry of Primary Industry (MPI) minimum standards.

6. Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo? (pg. 22) (please tick one) Option 1: Do not upgrade the zoo and gradually close it down.

Option 2: Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Option 3: Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m. (This is the Council's preferred option) Option 4: Implement the full vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$14.4m.

- We support option two.
- Rationale: We support essential only upgrades and would support a more thorough analysis of what these essential-only upgrades look like so as to ensure no scopecreep and identify any further potential cost savings to lower the proposed \$5.7m budget.

Bellringer Pavilion

The current pavilion building is structurally compromised and can no longer be used for top level domestic cricket. The Pukekura Park Management Plan identifies a new, more appropriate location for a pavilion.

- 7. Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion? (pg. 24) (please tick one)
- Option 1: Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m. (This is the Council's preferred option)
- Option 2: Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.
- Option 3: Demolish the existing pavilion and do not replace (estimated cost \$420,000).
- Option 4: Delay the required work and accept the risks of non compliance and building closure.
 - We support option two.
 - Rationale: We do not believe this represents fair value to the community, and in-particular only has a very narrow focus on elite sport, rather than broader community sport needs.
 - The existing pavilions utilisation as a community space (for 100 people) could be easily accommodated by other spaces within the city, and the justification of an estimated
 - \$16.3m spend on such a space for these purposes is not warranted, nor represents fair value.
 - We also suspect that this budget will not be able to be maintained and will very likely balloon.

We have significant underfunding in Inglewood for sporting facilities . Council was made aware of these deficiencies in the last LTP

Council Controlled Organisations

We propose to look at different ways to deliver some Council services to provide greater efficiencies. We are considering setting up three new Council Controlled Organisations, or similar models, and would like some preliminary feedback from the community whether or not we should initiate investigations, before we do any further work on the proposal.

8. Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services? (pg. 27) (please tick one)
Water services YES

Housing for the elderly YES

Traffic management YES

- We support all options around CCOs, and as stated above in our submission would like, in particular, to see much more exploration into the potential of a CCO that can deliver built Traffic Infrastructure and Civil works.
- We recommend that the council forms a working group to look at how it re-establishes in-house capacity in the delivery of transportation infrastructure and seeks to bring much more talent in-house, at all levels from machinery operator to project management. This could be run as a CCO, and if 'profitable' return a dividend to the ratepayers to offset rates and council expenditure. It could also pick up adjacent council contracts if it required 'economy of scale'. Once this process has been undertaken, council should seek to disestablish all current contractual agreements.

Closing Summary

- We would like to reiterate that the number one issue facing the Inglewood Community and Kōhanga Moa in general is roading and Infrastructure.
- We would like to see an appropriate budget given to resolve the issues facing the residents of Tarata and Purangi in particular a minimum \$6.5m pledged to address the severe degradation of roading out to Purangi, and historical issue which council has chosen not to address and is only getting worse with time. We have impending severe issues in our eastern hill country that will have significant flow-on effects to the already highly compromised transportation networks within Inglewood Township. We do not believe the proposed budgets and timeframes to remedy our transportation issues acknowledge the urgency and importance of these problems to our community which is clearly articulated by our community feedback in the appendix. We appreciate that many parts of the LTP compete for budget and attention but feel the placement of our concerns at such a low level, and relatively poor timeliness suggests that, sadly, these are not important issues in the council's eyes.

- We would like to see significant work around contractual arrangements (particularly around roading but all civil works) and providing fair value for money for ratepayers. Furthermore, we would like to see proposals that transparently look at, where projects are proposed, what 'minimum viable upgrades' look like, rather than every project seeking to bolt-on a swathe of nice-to-haves every time the opportunity arises, and council staff then recommending these as the preferred option.
- We strongly request funding from NPDC for increase in mowing Inglewood parks and cemetery.
- NPDC have a comprehensive waste management and waste minimization strategy, Inglewood Community Board request that this strategy full encompasses all outlining Inglewood communities.
- Overall, we see a lot of 'Visions'. From Sustainability to Pukekura Park and the Zoo, to what the CBD and coast look like. Yet we see next to no vision for our community, that is not lead by the tireless voices of this community board. We see large amounts of resources poured into caring about a few otters, but next to no consideration for how the kids of our community get to school, or access recreational opportunities. When \$1m can be materialised for a playground (destination play) outside of an LTP process, and shovels in the ground within that period we believe this highlights such inequities.
- We see a culture inside council acutely focused on what looks nice from the outside, delivered within a very narrow geographical footprint, yet we can't help but feel largely excluded from this vision. We believe there needs to be more accountability to individual communities to deliver these needs. We do not see the last 35 years since the LG reforms having delivered equitably to all communities - and in particular Inglewood and its surrounds has, relatively speaking, stagnated, when compared to other urban areas.
- What we are asking for will reduce the effects of climate change, improve the health of
 our population, increase regional and district-wide productivity, allow for growth within
 our community, increase social cohesion and lay the foundation. \$200k in year 4 of
 the LTP to investigate traffic issues is not sufficient in the face of proposals to increase
 some programs (i.e. the climate framework which this project will have positive
 effects on having an increased budget of nearly \$1m annually)
- Inglewood Community Board strongly implore NPDC to understand the needs of K\u00f6hanga Moa and appropriately fund and provide the resources to meet our growing needs.

Imagine a Kōhanga Moa Inglewood, that is gateway to Te Papakura o Taranaki, that is a destination, a conservation hub and a sustainable place which provides a great lifestyle.

Ps - can we please have a Welcome to NP District Sign at Tariki.

Appendix Data

We implore elected members to read through the views of locals living in the Kōhanga Moa Ward. It may help with background information.

Feedback relating to Sporting Facilities

- 1. Basketball court
- 2. More all-weather recreation spaces for children/teenagers. e.g. Covered basketball courts,
- 3. I'd like to see a decent basketball court at the park for better teenage/adult activities also
- 4. a fitness activity park included in the current park would be great
- Netball Courts I would love to see covered Netball Courts for our local community to train and play under, considering health & safety I.e sun and rain exposure in our current climate.
- 6. Yes would like to see the netball courts used for Saturday netball we have four courts sitting down there being unused which is a shame so much congestion in New Plymouth why can't games be played here
- 7. TET upgrade Local community gym upgrade
- 8. Referring to TET. More permeant seating on the West side, Roofing over some of itLarger Electronic scoreboards, and noticeboard. Lights for future activities in the grounds very important for evening events e.g rugby, athletics, concerts etc (assumed TET stadium)
- 9. Better lighting at Karo Park Main Carpark. There is no lighting there.
- 10. Multisports hub end of Elliot street to bring more events to the region and room for more car parks.

Feedback relating to Playgrounds

- 1. New and updated playgrounds
- 2. Playground by the pool needs shade.
- 3. Sun shade over playgrounds.
- 4. Playground that caters for the under 3 years
- 5. Public concerns were not addressed including lack of seating, baby swing and shade.
- 6. Somewhere for our disabled children to play. We spend a lot of time in Stratford due to the bike park being wheelchair and trike friendly. Inglewood was given a grant to make the playground at Jubilee disability friendly, if anyone on the board wishes to take my son there and let me know how this playground is accessible I would be grateful, if you can get over the bark you then have to climb a platform, not accessible to any disabled child.
- 7. Would love the community to be accessible and fun for all our children.
- 8. the playgrounds are average (with the exception of the skatepark). In comparison to Stratford and bell block, we are lacking majorly

- 9. I think Inglewood has an awesome opportunity to be vibrant and welcoming with a large safe playground area
- 10. Bbq etc at playground would be good, plus an infants playground
- 11. proper skate bowl.
- 12. More development at area by skate park. Could do something great for kids area. Not sure what.

Feedback relating to Events

- 1. More events Love Inglewood
- 2. That more community events take advantage of the TET community stadium. More use out it!
- 3. get some festivals going on... sunflower festival was tried but died out, maybe some others could be tried... get some entertainers come to town for concerts.. cycle tour
- Events
- 5. While nice, I think there are far greater priorities than free concerts and food events
- 6. Love more outdoor concerts etc line Stratford are doing. The Sunday market is great for Inglewood.
- 7. have events in town.

Feedback relating to Walkways (not Windsor Walkway)

- 1. community fruit trees on the side of the new walkway.
- 2. I would like to say that I am for improving walkways but against cycleways. These two should be in separate questions in this quiz. Although the playground was upgraded
- 3. More Bush and nature Walks
- 4. More recreational walks that are pushchair/wheelchair friendly.
- 5. Decent walk ways i.e. Windsor walkway (its a joke). You want it safe enough to walk a baby in a pram etc. More walk ways and paths linking areas.
- 6. Would love to see an "around inglewood" walking/bike track safe for individual use and family use that is also pram friendly.
- 7. Would love to see improvements to the Trimble Walkway, particularly introduction of some rubbish bins
- 8. Better walkways Longer walks and walkways suitable for bikes and prams
- 9. Accessible walking paths
- 10. No but the new walk way down by the pool is great been a few times
- 11. Linking walks right around Inglewood
- 12. Would be great to extend the walkway by Gibbs reserve
- 13. And eventually a cycle and walking path to egmont village could be pretty awesome
- 14. More please
- 15. More walkways provided, an actual path not the road. Safer to run on and bike with kids on.
- 16. Pathway down lower Dudley Road and back into town on Tarata Rd Pathway from Joe Gibbs reserve behind St Patricks and through to connect with Trimble walkway
- 17. or have a separated path for walkers cyclists can speed past also.
- 18. Are there plans to improve Tarata road and maybe include some walkways out this way
- 19. A proper nice walking loop for fitness/recreation would be cool.

Feedback relating to Pools

- 1. pool open longer hours/fully staffed.
- 2. The pool fully accessible for entry and changing room, covered and heated
- 3. Swimming pool closed early early mornings a great is great for people to do weightless exercise
- 4. Indoor Swimming Pool
- 5. Better hours at the Pool including aquarobics
- 6. Swimming pool upgrade with more shade.
- 7. Would be great if the pool was covered so could be used all year.
- 8. Better pool facility and swimming season length.
- 9. Roof on the swimming pool for year round use

- 10. Sunshade over the main public swimming pool.
- 11. Covered heated swimming pool like in Stratford
- 12. locals can use the pool please.
- 13. Pool roof over our pool so locals are able to train and hold events regardless of weather.
- 14. Forward planning to ensure Inglewood pool is manned with life guards
- 15. Better hours at the Pool including aquarobics.
- 16. All year round swimming complex.
- 17. Keeping our town pool open
- 18. better pool opening hours
- 19. Serious consideration to replace the Inglewood pool so that it can be used all year by all members of the community
- 20. Covered swimming pool, also the pool actually being open would be good to.
- 21. Covered in swimming pool that is accessible all year round.

Feedback Relating to Parks (including Dog Parks)

- 1. Better family facilities at the parks ie. Toilets, bbq/eating areas. Covered eating areas.
- 2. A fully fenced off-lead Dog Park; double gated for safe entry / exit, with dog water fountain and rubbish bin, and basic bench seats for humans. Dunedin has some excellent
- 3. examples of dog parks which are highly utilised by the community.
- 4. We need an area we can walk large dogs off lead. Large dogs need to run and be off lead. A dog park would be wonderful.
- 5. Lovely tidy picnic bbq areas.
- 6. Amongst the cycle way a dog park also
- Just more family friendly outdoors things to do in Inglewood rather than having to travel to NP would be great
- 8. Also a dedicated Dog Park(Park at top end of Towai, corner of rewa) No dogs on sports fields so kids and parents, players don't have to put up with Dog poo in shoes etc. Also have more doggy poo bins.
- 9. Dog park..off lead walking.

Feedback related to Youth/Adult/Seniors - Better activities for senior citizens.

- 1. Better facilities for young people.
- 2. Area for teenagers/young adults to be able to hang out
- 3. Recreation centre with different activities on for kids and adults Adult night classes would be awesome
- 4. Indoor hangout area for teens.
- 5. I want to see a decrease in violence among youth and others and people working together to look after each other, both of which will naturally follow if people are allowed to participate in the non-violent exchange of ideas and hear that God created the world and he loves everyone and he wants us to love each other, he loved us so much that he died for us.

Intersection problems Inglewood Central

- 1. Improve access in/out of New World, too many entrances and exits, needs to be sorted please.
- 2. Intersection at the corner of windsor Cafe- please remove carparks (or widen road) on the railway carpark side of the road to ensure following traffic when vehicles are turning right heading towards Inglewood primary school.
- 3. IntersectionMoa St/ Tarata Rd/ Rimu St, it's a dogs breakfast. Kelly/ Matai Intersection view is terrible to turn right.
- 4. No right turn at Kelly onto main road.
- 5. Put a roundabout in on the corner by the pharmacy and Oscar's cafe
- 6. Kelly onto main road and library corner shocking
- 7. Pulling out of side streets
- 8. Right turning bay off sh3 for Upper Durham and Upper dudley roads
- 9. Kelly street entrance so turning traffic into Kelly steet don't hold up main road traffic, or better still a round about which will also help traffic coming in and out of supermarket

- 10. Fix the intersection in front of the library. Horrible to use during peak times
- 11. roundabout for us tarata residents on hwy 3
- 12. sort the CBD intersection so its easier to navigate or by pass the town. whichever works.
- 13. Access onto SH3 from library intersection is getting busier roundabout?
- 14. Stop sign at Standish/Matai Street when trucks with trailers 200m round onto Matai Street to merge in you have to slam on your brakes for them to go or to overtake which means going faster than 50km. There is also a rest area there and heavy trucks speedingOnto Matai street is dangerous.
- 15. something needs to be done about the bypass by bottle store should be straight through from the trucks having to wait

Feedback on Speed/Safety Inglewood CBD/Township including Bypass Comments

- 1. Reduced speed zone through Inglewood cbd please.
- 2. Better road safely at the southbound exit of Inglewood. Traffic does not slow down in this area and it can be risky existing and entering my property in the 50 k zone.
- 3. Slow the speed limit in Main Street
- 4. install more speed humps on secondary roads.
- 5. speed limit lowered
- More speed management tools (speed bumps etc) along Kelly Street & Miro St / Windsor Road.
 Traffic speeds through these areas
- 7. I would like too see 30km thru our township, specially as there is lots more traffic passing thru our town specially more trucks
- 8. 40 kph all over Inglewood
- Having the speed limit along upper dudley rd & windsor rd lowered ASAP. Better walkway on the side of the road aswell.
- 10. Traffic through inglewood before and after school is so dangerous. It does not make for a friendly and accessible town. I find it hard to take my children to the library because parking is across the main road.
- 11. I would like the lack of safety on the roads to be addressed (especially the bypass/Matai street junction).
- 12. Traffic from Brooks to High School to be 30km. STOP Logging Trucks using SH3 Direct them down 3A to Main cross road. That way they are not passing any schools on the way to NP e.g Inglewood High School, Egmont Village, Welbourne Primary Highlands, NPBHS.
- 13. Reduction in heavy vehicles coming through the centre of town.
- 14. Remove all logging trucks from the road and move the logs to rail. Electrify the railroad.
- 15. Trucks Drive through Inglewood faster than the speed limit, especially the Logging Trucks, and also the intersection by the Cool shop and Library, trucks often don't stop there and don't care about others, something needs to be done, maybe a traffic light put in place there.
- 16. If there was a way to have trucks driving around the middle of town instead of right through the middle of town
- 17. To stop the heavy vehicles coming through the town. It seriously detracts from a pleasant shopping/library experience.
- 18. Inglewood hasn't moved into the era as the state highways that it is built on have. For local living, it's busy, it's dangerous and more importance seems to be placed on the traffic moving through it than the people who live here.
- 19. Traffic in Inglewood at peak times is crazy, the amount of crashes in the CBD over the past few years is way too many. In my opinion Inglewood should be bypassed for the safety of everyone.
- 20. Get the heavy traffic out of the town.

- 21. Rimu/Rata street intersection by Big barrel with the by pass Trucks roll through this intersection and block off people heading straight out on Rata street nearly colliding or block them on the train tracks. Needs better traffic management.
- 22. sort the CBD intersection so its easier to navigate or by pass the town. whichever works
- 23. Speed bumps in pukatea, hinau, kelly and miro streets. So many cars speed through those streets. More rubbish bins and dog poo bins around recreational areas.
- 24. something needs to be done about the bypass by bottle store should be straight through from the trucks having to wait
- 25. Get the logging trucks out of the main shopping area
- 26. It would be great if we could bypass traffic from the centre of inglewood and make a village atmosphere. Attract more shops and have events in town. Would also be easier to connect the two sides of inglewood and make the library and pool and park more accessible.
- 27. I would like to point out the traffic flow in Inglewood is shocking. The logging trucks run the town of 3 or 4 following each other and not abiding the road code.

Feedback on Parking

- 1. Better/more parking around the primary school and kindy grass berm could be turned into more parking outside the kindy.
- 2. hammer hardware. Yellow parking lines on Main road opposite
- 3. Yes, there needs to be disabled parking in front (main road) and on the side of the chemist (in the fun ho parking) I'm not disabled but wondered why there's no parks for them.
- 4. Library need more and safer parking.
- 5. Disabled carparks by the bank/chemist.
- 6. I've said parking a great in CBD but that's because we have railway parking. We'd have NOTHING if that wasn't there
- 7. More disabled parking.

Feedback on Pedestrian crossings and pedestrian areas

- Raise the pedestrian crossings on the main roads in Inglewood to slow trucks down (ie outside Hammer Hardware and TSB bank).
- 2. Pedestrian crossing deadly
- 3. Safer pedestrian crossings in CBD
- 4. Raised pedestrian outside hammer hardware
- 5. Better visibility for main pedestrian crossing in middle of main street as it's hard sometimes with cars parked both sides right up to crossing to see smaller people coming onto crossing
- 6. People are always trying to cross the road either from chemist to toilets or from the statue to subway, very dangerous.
- 7. A pedestrian crossing in front of chicken and chips dairy
- 8. And I'd also like to see our pedestrian crossings looked at in town slightly raised would be good
- 9. Pedestrian crossings are very dangerous due to parked cars obscuring the view of drivers as they approach them
- 10. Something not sure what but the intersections of rimu and rata street, rata and matai and moa and matai all need attention. They are very dangerous for traffic and pedestrians.
- 11. Smooth down step down from foot paths to road. For mobility scooter. Some are good others are shocking. Kauri Street is bad for us to go down town. Crossing over Kelly street to get to supermarket is very dangerous
- 12. Pedestrian crossings are very dangerous due to parked cars obscuring the view of drivers as they approach them
- 13. Linkage of businesses across the railway line. Maybe a pedestrian overbridge and associated development and new use for the railway station. A solution to the town CBD Being cut in half by the railway line and the excessive road traffic
- 14. They need a big improvement and better pedestrian safety assure
- 15. Footpaths around town aren't wide enough when using a buggy. Crossing points are also poor/non

- existent. Intersection of Standish and Carrington street for example. Safety of pedestrian crossings on the main street is poor
- 16. Speed in town is excessive and no regard for the 2 pedestrian crossings Rata and Matai street
- 17. Bus stops with bus timetable in Inglewood and Egmont village.
- 18. More public transport into town.

Feedback on Inglewood CBD general

- Better use of the Railway carpark. Currently a dead space in the centre of town mainly utilized by logging trucks.
- 2. Better utilization of carpark area used for carboot sale. This is a massive area in the middle of cbd that could be developed into a incredible family friendly area with direct access to existing facilities.
- 3. To be a destination. At the moment not a whole lot draws people to Inglewood
- 4. I think Inglewood is a functional little town.
- Better security- More CCTV(do we have any?)in the CBD. Also areas like the rugby fields, TET, Cemetery, Ponyclub areas are quite secluded and would benefit from better Security- cameras etcsome strange stuff happens in those places
- 6. Information boards around town (perhaps along walkways?) with histories, the Māori name/meanings, settler life, Polish settlers etc. Also, statues. Life size Moa statues that would be around in Taranaki if alive today. Morrinsville has a whole lot of cow statues that people take pictures with. Kōhanga Moa = The nest of the Moa, there used to be lots of Moa in our area, would make a good attraction to get people to stop in our town.
- 7. We have a great little town and it would be great to see tourists here.
- 8. Stick to the basics, a lot of these questions affected people who live in Inglewood not the outer area.

 Don't forget we all pay rates and funding should give return to all not just the ones in the small square.
 - 9. I think Inglewood has an awesome opportunity to be vibrant and welcoming with a large safe playground area, more affordable food options on offer that open on a Monday night. Another supermarket. Lovely tidy picnic bbq areas. Tidy up the train station area and capitalize its historical value (not just a wire fence with a concrete carpark in front of it). Some shop fronts could use a coat of paint, I guess the idea is to make peopl e stop on their way up north for refreshments and rest like you do in Levin before you hit Wellington. People would bypass NP heading north so why don't we capitalize on that and showcase the lovely township of Inglewood where a lot of families are now moving to because of it being quite central to everything here in beautiful Taranaki.
- 10. Get that railway land sorted out. Such a missed opportunity to create a true community hub and recreational space for our township. You can do it! (Waterboy voice)
- 11. Fairy lights on the trees outside the bottle store and cool shop
- 12. Wider variety of shops.
- 13. More use of the Inglewood railway station.
- 14. Better share of the resources available to NPDC stop spending all the money in New Plymouth.
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Feedback relating to general maintenance/investment

- Would love to see improvements to the Trimble Walkway, particularly introduction of some rubbish bins.
 Also trimming of trees at two of the towns once excellent lookouts one in Joe Gibbs Reserve and one in Jubilee Park behind TET both are so overgrown there is NOTHING to be seen from the lookout.
- 2. Footpaths are hideous, especially outside of fabish and Jackson and new world, I send reports to the npdc every month asking for fixes.
- 3. Entering Inglewood from 3A highway, is appalling, rubbish around housing, vehicles parked permanently on the street, the road verge is very unkempt and untidy, not welcoming at all.

- 4. our drains gutters and driveways cleaned out regularly they get so blocked at times
- 5. Fix the roads especially Kelly street
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- 7. Removal of those trees in the CBD area a health and safety issue. Leaves can become very slippery. Also a nuisance for our gutters on buildings and drains.
- 8. The actual facilities need the upgrades. The roads look horrendous and the playgrounds are average (with the exception of the skatepark). In comparison to Stratford and bell block, we are lacking majorly. There is nothing that would make outsiders want to come here, and instead pushes our own residents to other parts of the region to find this enjoyment. There's a lot of money lost there....
- 9. At times the lawns at the Cemetry look unkept/untidy
- 10. Our garden areas need to be regularly maintained.
- 11. More maintenance on facilities we have. Eg the parks and gardens, as well as the trees on streets. Should residents have to look after, prune trees on road frontage of streets. Used to be done by council every two years, now not done at all.
- 12. An aspiration for the Community Board is that the Cemetary be looked after. A present it is a disgrace and at the time of writing this, it has not been mown for five weeks. As a ratepayer with family members buried there it is so disappointing to see it neglected. Visitors to the cemetary must leave with a very poor impression of Inglewood.
- 13. the new walkway behind the marae started with hiss and a roar and now weeds have taken over soon the path will be covered
- 14. As per previous question, improvements to the Trimble walkway including addition of rubbish bins and better management of the overgrown grass/weeds
- 15. As someone who walks daily in Inglewood I find the walkways terribly unkept.
 - 16. I think we have way bigger roading concerns than adding cycleways. Until we can make existing road safe and stable, I dont think we should be adding cycleways. The council needs to see that the current roading methods are not working and address this immediately. All of the roads in this district are blowing apart the same day they are laid, and although it is easy to blame the contractors, the blame needs to be placed higher on people who decide what material qualities and quantities are being used. In trying to make thingsbetter, inforcing things like emulsion instead of traditional tar may have benefits, but it is not working. Stop passing blame and do something to make our community safe
- 17. Are the new INGLEWOOD signs still going up? the wooden ones are a bit dated, something stainless steel & sophisticated with NICE plantings around would help make our town less shabby. As would mowing the lawns regularly- something NPDC are saving money on
- 18. The toilets are an embarrassment-and the worst I've seen on my travels.
- 19. Fix the roads inside Inglewood.
- 20. i would like to see our infrastructure kept up to date specifically waste water and effluent overflows
- 21. It would be awesome if the footpaths around town were upgraded
- 22. The condition of the cemetery is appalling. I go up there twice a week. They say it gets mowed 2-3 weekly but this is absolutely rubbish sack the contractors if this is the best they can do!!!
- 23. Sort out some of the potholes
- 24. Raising the road as the gutters are too high up.
- 25. lower rates and no water meters
- 26. Free food
- 27. No war, decrease in violence by engaging in free exchange of ideas including the idea that we are all created by the God who loves us, and gave his life for us. Watching out for each other and being kind. Jesus taught us how to be kind.
- 28. Needs more housing options
- 29. water, Inglewood had the best water now not safe to drink some days
- 30. Urban development new residential areas.
- Also K\u00f6hanga Moa signs with the wooden Inglewood/Jinglewood signs at all entrances.

Cycling

- 1. Cycle trail from Inglewood through Egmont Village to the mountain bike park.
- 2. I think we have way bigger roading concerns than adding cycleways. Until we can make existing road safe and stable, I dont think we should be adding cycleways. The council needs to see that the current roading methods are not working and address this immediately. All of the roads in this district are blowing apart the same day they are laid, and although it is easy to blame the contractors, the blame needs to be placed higher on people who decide what material qualities and quantities are being used. In trying to make things better, inforcing things like emulsion instead of traditional tar may have benefits, but it is not working. Stop passing blame and do something to make our community safe
- 3. A direct cycling connection from Egmont village and other small communities to Inglewood via separated, safe cycle -walking- horse riding tracks.
- 4. Where the pine trees are now on the walkway, it would be really cool to make a mini mountain bike track- kids have already made some jumps in there. Would be easy to do when there's a digger there felling the tree
- 5. The roads between Inglwd and Eg Village are bad enough for cars let alone a cycle lane - the bridge just before Egmont Vill is so poorly visible esp at night is a fatal accident waiting to happen (Burgess Park Bridge is worst)
- 6. Yes. Mangamahoe needs to be included as the kids love to cycle there but it's dangerous
- 7. a cycle park for our kids, proper skate bowl. Let's start thinking of generations coming
- 8. from egmont village to mangamahoe
- 9. A bike lane to Bell Block following the railway line beside SH3A
- 10. To get safely to ING and Town from EGV would be great.
- 11. Keep it realistic, there's always going to be issues achieving full connection given the way SH3 bisects the township. Rata and Matai will always be horrible to ride up/down, the rest of the village is actually nice to ride around as is.
- 12. A cycleway would be appreciated. Cycling on main roads and even country roads is nerve wracking and unsafe. Having a cycleway would provide a great option forrecreation and fitness plus an opportunity to enjoy the scenery. Even a cycle lane would be better than what we currently have
- 13. With Population growth and more cars on road keep the cycle ways off high traffic areas.
- 14. Its good now
- 15. More safety for kids to cycle to school esp across the main road down the other end of Inglewood from the lights
- 16. Anything suitable for kids biking or push chairs as well as dog walking friendly
- 17. Passenger train NP to Hawera
- 18. Inglewood to the valley bike trail linking to foreshore.
- 19. Path for Windsor walkway Bike/ pump trac
- 20. Be involved with discussion with roading companies, police etc to promote cycle lanes on country circuits to improve safety.
- 21. Maybe a cycleway linking the outskirts of inglewood to the CBD. Bike racks in town.
- 22. Sounds like a great initiative
- 23. Why is it a big thing on cycling at the moment .
- 24. Could we have some....
- 25. Our kids love biking, however we don't have many safe and decent areas to bike herein Inglewood
- 26. to spend a lot of money on cycleways which will only benefit the towns people while rural people lack the support they need
- 27. In the last 8 years an accident has taken out the 50km sign three times. We need larger 50km green signs coming into Inglewood.
- 28. We have lots of cyclist coming along Tarata road all the way to Purangi and Beyond also along to Waitara via Otararoa road. The condition of the roads is becoming dangerous for cyclist and motorcyclists. Maybe some signs on to road would be useful to warn of cyclist
- 29. similar to those on the roads near Carrington road in NP
- 30. Cycle link to Egmont Village

- 31. I would like to see a network of path and cycle ways across the town.
- 32. With an increase in e bike users around NZ, it would be great to have cycle/walkways in and around Inglewood.
- 33. Need safer places for kids to ride bikes
- 34. Widen egmont road for biking.
- 35. We need a bike park for our kids, similar to what Bell Block and Stratford have.
- 36. Some pump tracks
- 37. Be nice to see a bike park like what Stratford has.
- 38. Cycle ways should not be allowed in any town/city. As the roads ARE NOT WIDE ENOUGH. Once medians are closed by NZ Transport there is NO ROOM for passing anywhere. They are more troublesome than good now to the general public as it has Proven with that fitted out of Waipukurau/Waihowe area.

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Submission No: 2770 Rob Hamilton

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

The question and answers are very pointed to what you have already decided. Is either a straight out no or the current preferred idea. I would choose something in the middle of the 2 options.

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 1 - Don't put any additional amount aside.

Comments

Adjust spending as required and pull back on other costs that are not priority, if the unexpected events are to occur.

Big Call 2: Sustainability - Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 2 - Continue the existing programme with a budget of \$240,000 in year 1, \$640,000 per annum in year 2 onwards and continue Planting our Place at \$200,000 each year.

Comments

DO NOT send NPDC staff overseas for any meeting or courses on climate change related topics!!!

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Put increasing amounts of \$250,000 each year in to the reserve of the release from our Perpetual Investment Fund (used to subsidise rates) until year 10, when \$2.5m would be added.

Comments

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Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Comments

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Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

Start charging out of region people to access the zoo (and other free activities) at least install donation boxes for some contribution to upkeep. Rate payers are funding the tourist and a large percentage of the rate payers are not impacted financially from tourism.

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

Cool park and great cricket ground but spending money on something that will never host international is not smart. The cost could be put towards a multi use sport hub. Do what we can to fix and utilize the existing facilities for now.

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No
Housing for the elderly No
Traffic management No

What else?

I do not agree with the proposal to target rate increases to properties with higher land values! This proposed increase will impact on ability to be able to continue to finically survive and could ultimately be the deciding factor to stay at the property or being forced to sell and relocate and purchase in an area with lower land value and therefore lower rates. Working hard and saving to afford a house in an area you desire is a life goal for most, by increasing the fees and forever penalizing the higher land values with higher rates, you are potentially taking this away these people that have worked hard and accomplished this and might not financially have the ongoing income to support this. So the assumption that because you own a higher valued land area you can service the higher rates is completely incorrect.

Can the residential rates be set relative to the m2 size of the land in residential area, this may encourage people to subdivide and therefore create more revenue and also assist with the housing issues? In addition to this, if it was decided that the rates would increase more for the higher land values , I would expect going forward ,to see an increase and improvement of care and maintenance carried out in these areas if that are in fact deemed to be a higher land value area. If you want to increase rates relative to the area people live in then this should reflect in the immediate area to start with. Some minor examples that need improvements, Regular mowing of lawns on reserve areas, increase in emptying of bins, increase of quality of bins, addition of dog poo bins, upgrade of access to the beach, some care and effort put in to council gardens and bush , widening of street.

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Submission No: 2771 Les Marshall

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

This is core infrastructure stuff which should come first

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Comments

Disagree with option 3. Isn't this just rearranging the deck chairs? Also, is this an 'actual' fund? Money that can earn interest that adds to the fund when it's not needed?

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 2 - Continue the existing programme with a budget of \$240,000 in year 1, \$640,000 per annum in year 2 onwards and continue Planting our Place at \$200,000 each year.

Comments

Option 2 with \$100,000 for HFB trial. With current economic time it may be better to have a flexible approach. Should Council finances improve during the plan period, the consider adding to the programme.

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Comments

While not against the principle outlined I don't like options 2 or 3. This idea seems rather airy fairy. Again, rearranging the deck chairs. It seems to me a 'Lifestyle Capital' has already been established and if you treat it like infrastructure, it needs a maintenance budget. Then budget for it on an ongoing basis. Isn't this the job of Venture Taranaki? Isn't this 'reserve' another way of funding VT? Also 'reserve' suggests you may or may not spend it? What would trigger it's use? When? Who manages it? Seems a bit pointless.

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Comments

There is no doubt Nth Taranaki is lagging behind other significant provincial areas when it comes to this sort of infrastructure. Looking beyond individual users we need to consider the economic benefits to the area. It's unfortunate that this should come into focus at such a difficult point economically. Given that council provided facilities abound already it is hard to ignore those that aren't on the same field so to speak. Use funds already committed to at least get on with some progress. Clearly those affected are going to need to decide what is needed most.

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 4 - Implement the full vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$14.4m.

Comments

I have gone for option 4 as a catch all at this stage although there could be options. The overall impact of doing all seems small as opposed to just part of the proposals. As someone who recently visited with grandchildren, it's clearly a popular place for all age groups. I also think there could be other options to consider. What is appropriate to have in the exhibits. E.g. Does the zoo need waterborne species which possibly cost more to maintain? If otters are only there for 'entertainment' maybe they should be removed, likewise the tortoise? Does Brooklands Zoo contribute NZ 'science' animals in zoos or is it just a recreational facility?While there recently I didn't see extra attention being afforded the otters over other exhibits. Further, perhaps the feasibility of erecting a small gatehouse should considered for the purpose of a refreshment concession combining the future ability to charge a modest entry fee to non residents on the same principle as Govett Brewster?

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 3 - Demolish the existing pavilion and do not replace (estimated cost \$420,000).

Comments

This is a tricky issue with the facility having multiple uses. One does not want to be unfair to cricket given support for a multi sports hub. However, cricket has been caught in a historical time warp and has probably rested on it's laurels a bit, as some sort of 'permanent resident' without considering the future, particularly as the needs of the game has changed. I feel cricket here is at a crossroads and needs to have a strategic discussion from local, Central D to NZ Cricket about the realistic place of cricket in this province in the modern era. Not just a 'if you don't have it we won't come' from the governing body. With regards to community use for small groups the question is what makes it apparently so popular to users? I don't know. Could these small users be catered for elsewhere? Has any consideration been given to a separate meeting/function area for public use within the spare space at the main council building? Option 3 at least gives a blank space and an option to reconsider how the area is used. Would compel cricket to rethink it's future needs sooner rather than later. And their are other public toilets nearby.

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

What else?

Some options mention use of the PIF dividend rather than going towards rates. Isn't that all just academic, smoke and mirrors? When it comes down to it aren't we just looking total costs or running the district less available external sources of income equals rates for the balance?

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Submission No: 2772 Nicholas Field

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 1 - Don't spend any more. This will save rates in the short term, but the state of our transportation assets will continue to decline, resulting in greater long-term cost implication.

Comments

Recent proposed spending on transportation infrastructure has been ill-thought out and there has been some significant spending rejected in public consultations. This has led to a profound loss of trust in council transport management. Spending should only be increased when the basics of road maintenance can be established and any other spending on a case-by-case basis. For example, the recent proposed cycleways on South Road to Spotswood were overwhelmingly rejected by the community but, had central govt funding not been removed, would have gone ahead in full. The remaining idea to add 6 raised crossings on the main Westerly artery to the city is equally absurd, yet remains on the agenda. An investigation of accident statistics at crossings in that area provided by Waka Kotahi show that in fact there were no serious incidents recorded at those crossings in the last 10 years. Even with all the incidents reported over that time, the added economic cost to the community of increased travel times, carbon emissions and car maintenance works out greater than the listed social cost of all incidents in the area, whether on crossings or not. This kind of misplaced planning is not deserving of increased spending. The RBNZ inflation figures show an increase of 30% over the last decade, not 100%.

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Comments

This should be a funding increase that does not affect the PIF. It also should be flexible up to \$500k. So if not used, the annual amount can be reduced or funds removed if unused.

Big Call 2: Sustainability - Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 2 - Continue the existing programme with a budget of \$240,000 in year 1, \$640,000 per annum in year 2 onwards and continue Planting our Place at \$200,000 each year.

Comments

Tackling Climate Change is a central government issue and should be funded as such.

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects? Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Comments

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

Recent RNZ investigations have shown that Option 2 is NOT a requirement for existing zoos and this consultation is deeply misleading. The ONLY requirement is to maintain the facilities and keep this valuable asset open. On the details of the proposed 'standards,' there is no need for an otter to look me in the eye in a way that would never happen in the wild. Has anyone consulted the otters on this?

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

The proposed replacement is simply too expensive. A cheaper option 1 could get my support by retaining the existing building for some facilities with the pitch-side structure more basic, meeting the minimum requirements of pro-cricket. There is no need for curved walls, sunken basements and green roofs. The expensive proposed structure will not deliver enough community benefits. A cheaper Option 1-2 might.

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services Yes

Housing for the elderly

Traffic management Yes

What else?

There are significant economic challenges facing the New Plymouth district over the next 10 years. The focus should be on economic development to mitigate the effects of a likely reduced O&G sector. The alternative is to plan early and align council spending to a smaller rates income in the future.

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Submission No: 2773 Shaun Biesiek

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Comments

What leading questions, where is efficiencies, where is buying better, contracting better

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 1 - Don't put any additional amount aside.

Comments

Again leading questions

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Comments

What are the outcomes first ???? what have you achieved with the existing program, couple of the items listed in the consultation document were noted when I was on council and Yet still saying " we improving" " switching over" bunch of nice words and not a lot of action... most of the sustainability should be just normal day to day running of the business

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Put increasing amounts of \$250,000 each year in to the reserve of the release from our Perpetual Investment Fund (used to subsidise rates) until year 10, when \$2.5m would be added.

Comments

About time, I and many have suggested this for many years - good to see its finely happening, should have been done years ago

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Comments

Don't even delay it scrap it - the opportunity was missed when yarrows needed redoing, this is a pet project and too much has already been spent on planning etc Look back at how TSB Stadium was funded and get back to this type of community involvement, and start looking at a regional approach

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 4 - Implement the full vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$14.4m.

Comments

Red-hearing this..... Personally I don't agree with zoo's but sadly in some cases they are needed to protect endangered species.... However get off your seats and visit the zoo any day during the weekend and watch the families interacting and you will get the answer for me its either option 4

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Comments

Again a professional sport 'wanting' council to foot the bill... with these sports you will continue be chasing compliance and 'needs they call wants' . you would have more luck shooting a moving target while sitting on a bucking horse

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
No

What else?

I have said it many times but you struggle with the basics look at the list of 'yet to complete' projects and finish them before you start adding more to the list, and start to require quality work charged at normal prices not the "council will pay 10x over normal"... if you want an example Junction road improvements is a joke ... your rubbish collection food waste still going to land fill ?? (sort this out) ... if the staff cannot deliver the basics find staff that can, this is how the real world operates

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Submission No: 2774 Glenn Howlett

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

Don't waste money on electric buses, just fix the roads. Don't waste money on pedestrian/ cycle ways in town, just fix the roads

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Comments

Storms are not going to get worse or become more frequent, so option 2 should be fine.

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 1 - Do not continue the existing programme.

Comments

Stop worrying about the climate, it's crazy ideology. Stick to the knitting.

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

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Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 3 - Increase the budget to \$50m over the 10 years to add more facilities.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No
Housing for the elderly Yes
Traffic management Yes

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Submission No: 2775 Paul McCurdy

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Comments

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Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services

Housing for the elderly

Traffic management Yes

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Submission No: 2776 Agnes Lehcke

Organisation: Grey Power Assoc New Plymouth

Wish to speak to the Council:

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Comments

We need to maintian what we have and then be able to improve where necessary.

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

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Comments

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Comments

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Comments

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Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

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Water services

Housing for the elderly

Traffic management

Yes

What else?

I think there needs to be very attractive bonuses to entice senior living in family houses to take the downsize option and live in smaller one i.e. units. We cannot dictate that these home owners do this but we can attract them to units with carrots. It just takes certain ways to do this. I feel there are larger houses which could also be converted to community homes given initiative and creativity. Conversion isn't a difficult issue. Just draw the plans and check the costs. It's much cheaper than buying land and building new. Let's think outside the norm!

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Submission No: 2777 Steve Frith

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Option 1 - Don't spend any more. This will save rates in the short term, but the state of our transportation assets will continue to decline, resulting in greater long-term cost implication.

Comments

This council spends to much on idiot glorified unnecessary things .they should look at putting another northern by pass road into the city to stop all the congestion when there is major problems, instead of the ststis quo

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 1 - Don't put any additional amount aside.

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

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Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 1 - Do not upgrade the zoo and gradually close it down.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No Housing for the elderly Yes Traffic management No

What else?

Stop spending on stupid shit that don't need doing.donot spend more than a million on bellringer,waste of money for a minority to view and use,build an alternative route from north to city for vehicles,should have been done instead of stupid walkway

Office Use Only: 3359

Submission No: 2778 Shaun McDougall

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

Only if we receive real benefit, value for money, and contractors are held to account for quality of works. Noting the work around the Junction Road exit on the state highway and road widening - it appears very little value add, and the road widening exit from Junction Road failed within the first week.. (understanding this is state highway, hopefully not similar outcomes for local roads)....

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Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability - Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 1 - Do not continue the existing programme.

Comments

Maintain "continue Planting our Place at \$200,000 each year" but nothing additional.

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

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Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services

Housing for the elderly

Traffic management

Yes

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Submission No: 2779 Ryan and John Evans and McElroy

Organisation: Taranaki Cricket Association

Wish to speak to the Council: Yes

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Bellringer Pavilion

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Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

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April 19, 2024

The Taranaki Cricket Association offers this submission as its official position in support of Option 1 for redevelopment of the Bellringer Pavilion, one of the Paying It Forward – Big Calls contained within the 2024-2034 Long Term Plan Your Home, Your Say survey. We would like the opportunity to speak to our submission.

We are passionate about cricket and will always advocate for our sport. So, we were grateful and excited to see the plans adopted as part of the Pukekura Park Reserve Management Plan, and that these plans were then included in NPDC's draft LTP for funding. We believe that the sportsground, a part of the park for close to 150 years, is a massive part of its legacy and standing in Taranaki's heritage.

This is the third time in as many years that TCA has submitted to NPDC on this particular proposal and the points we have made around why this work is required all stand:

- Work is needed to return to the days when Pukekura Park was considered one of the world's premier boutique sportsgrounds.
- The structure of the existing Bellringer Pavilion is structurally compromised, and means capacity limits are in place to ensure use with an acceptable level of risk.
- The facilities are old and out of date and not suitable for modern professional level sport.
- NZC has asked for a clear plan of action in order to consider continuing to renew the park's Warrant of Fitness for top level cricket, and allow it to continue to host top matches.

There are however opportunities to be taken:

- The park remains renowned for strong crowd attendance.
- For this reason, combined with its attractive appearance/vistas, it remains a favourite for television producers putting together a strong visual product.
- The ground's existing dimensions align almost perfectly with the guides for women's international matches.
- An opportunity exists with redevelopment work complete, to bid for White Ferns international matches and even push to become a home base for the side.
- The facility is used by multiple community groups and there are opportunities to not only continue this, but expand it, with a venue suitable for corporate functions and private events to bring in revenue.

To prepare this submission we canvassed our cricket community for support. Our informal survey was responded to by 435 people. Of these 312 identified as New Plymouth ratepayers.

The high-level results of the survey are contained within this submission and we are available to discuss the results further with NPDC staff.

We support the proposed upgrade of the Pukekura Park sports ground and pavilion facility as outlined in the Draft LTP (ie Option 1).

This statement was agreed to by 89.2% of respondents.

It is Taranaki Cricket's belief that the preferred option is an appropriate response to the issues and opportunities facing the ground and serves better than the other three options presented.

It has the support of key park stakeholders and represents a vision that would help future-proof the sportsground and cement the entire park's reputation as the jewel in New Plymouth's crown.

We do note some concerns around the cost and these are addressed further below.



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We believe sports, and cricket in particular, is a vital part of the history, heritage and future legacy of Pukekura Park.

This statement was agreed to by 92.7% of respondents.

Pukekura Park was developed almost 150 years ago in 1876 and our research shows the sportsground has been a feature since around 1890. By 1894 it had become the acknowledged home of Taranaki Cricket. Over the years the sportsground developed a reputation as a leading boutique cricket ground and has hosted a number of international teams and first-class fixtures. The experience of watching high quality cricket from the tree-lined terraces has been a part of Taranaki's summer tradition for more than 130 years and it is appropriate that this heritage be considered when looking at the future of the park.

We support the use of Pukekura Park and its facilities for a wide range of sporting and community activities.

This statement was agreed to by 95.4% of respondents.

It has been previously stated, including in NPDC's own supporting information for this consultation, that the Bellringer Pavilion is one the most popular small venues for hire in the district. Taranaki Cricket is well-used to this, and believes it is appropriate and even necessary for NPDC to efficiently fund and utilise facilities. We have no issues with the shared use nature of the pavilion and would even hope that this can be expanded with opportunities for corporate use and as an event space (i.e. weddings) - a potential driver of additional revenue from the facility.

We support the promotion of the Taranaki region on the national and international stage and believe hosting quality, televised sport is a good way to do this.

This statement was agreed to by 92.6% of respondents.

The return of broadcast cricket coverage to free-to-air channels has been a game changer. It has been noted that there has been a resurgence of interest in cricket since the change came into effect this summer.

Taranaki Cricket believes there is an opportunity for our district to capitalise on this interest and coverage. A couple of high-level statistics are illustrative.

- The December 30 Super Smash double-header matches at Pukekura Park, between the Central Districts Stags and Hinds and Canterbury Kings and Magicians, were viewed by a cumulative audience of 150,000.
- The White Ferns women's match against England at Saxton Oval in Nelson in late March was viewed by a cumulative audience of around 550,000.

As noted previously and above, the picturesque surrounds and strong walk-up crowds makes Pukekura Park a favourite of television producers, and Taranaki and New Plymouth could put itself in the frame for similar exposure, particularly with a ground that lends itself towards women's cricket.

In addition to exposure, high level sports matches also lead to tourism opportunities and economic impact.

We support the use of our rates money going towards this proposal.

This statement was agreed to by 82.3% of respondents. Of the 312 respondents who identified as NPDC ratepayers, 87.8% agreed with the statement.

Cost is always a contentious factor, so as you would expect the level of support for this statement is lower.

TCA is also not immune to concern about the cost. In addition to being a cricket community, we are also part of the wider community. We are home and business owners who pay rates. We are participants in other sporting codes. We are parents whose children play sport and take part in all kinds of recreational activities. We are as affected by the cost-of-living crisis as anybody else.

In the years that we have worked on this proposal with the council, there have been eyebrows raised within our community, and even at a board level, as the cost has steadily gone up. We are also aware of the many cost-pressures council faces.

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We have previously indicated to this council that we understand the need to have our own skin in the game. It is worth reiterating that point and to confirm our intention to attempt to raise our own capital to go towards to this project and to reduce the cost to ratepayers.

We are also happy to consider alternative designs which may reduce the cost to the ratepayer or looking at how different stages of the project can be brought online for maximum efficiency.

What is most important here is that the plan remains in the future work programme in some form, and with an indication of budget and timeline which will give us the opportunity and a target to work towards.

We support bringing the proposal forward to the first three years of the Long-Term Plan (2025-27).

This statement was agreed to by 87.6% of respondents.

Taranaki Cricket recognises that as things stand the likelihood of bringing the project forward is low. Bringing the project forward remains one of our goals but we recognise there will be a need to bring our own funding sources to the table to make this happen.

Taranaki Cricket believes there is an opportunity to be taken and we encourage councillors to see the opportunity and seize it.

An incredible amount of work has gone on over the past few years with council and other community stakeholders to develop the plans that were included in the Draft LTP and as Option 1 in your consultation survey.

We believe there is a strong case for the investment to be included in the Long-Term Plan and we are committed to continuing to work with council to ensure this opportunity is taken in as cost-efficient a manner as possible.

John McElroy
Taranaki Cricket Association Board Chair

Ryan Evans
Taranaki Cricket Association General Manager

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Submission No: 2780 Ross Dravitski

Wish to speak to the Council: Yes

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

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Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

How much is the Waka Kotahi support, how much has it increased,as last I heard they had cut it. You could try running smaller buses on routes that cover the passengers on board as there are a lot of big buses running around NP empty or with very few people on board, save the fuel and RUC costs, this could be better mangaed

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 with an additional top up increase from funds released from our Perpetual Investment Fund (which would otherwise reduce your rates) of \$100,000 each year to a maximum of \$1m in year 10.

Comments

I have gone with option 3 because it does not increase rate that much, and it doesn't increase debt for us now and for future generations. Also when Roger Kerr Newell and our Mayor Peter Tennant sold power co they amde a big statement in the local paper that in 20 years NP would not be paying rates as the PIF would have enough money to pay them. How is this going or were we just lied to by the council at the time? Will I get an answer to this that wont blame covid

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 2 - Continue the existing programme with a budget of \$240,000 in year 1, \$640,000 per annum in year 2 onwards and continue Planting our Place at \$200,000 each year.

Comments

I would stay at option 2 as you haven't had any rules from the government yet, Also with the high frequency buses you need to plan and work out how to run smaller buses which cost less and have less pollution , How things are now it is probably cheaper to use vans and a type of ferry service, that would be busy all the time and actually transport people against running the big mostly empty buses around town,

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Comments

Learn how to budget and stop increasing council debt, start a project then finish it then pay it off and start the next project, times are hard now for most people, and you think having more debt is good for the future of NPDC

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

This needs to go back to the planning committee of sport taranaki as they need to come up with the parking plans and traffic managemnet plans for the events they plan to have before any thing starts here They wer allocated 38.8 million last 10 year plan. its now down to 35 million so where has the 3-8 million gone, The original plan was for all sports at 91million and they were going to raise the difference from external sources, how much has been raised if any ,also the figure was reprojected to 110 million, soit seems all along all they wanted was another 4 court stadium, This is not a sports hub,and once started it will escalate and it won't be the 38.8 million any more. If you want a multi sports complex try Colson road or the old fertiliser works, no traffic or parking problems as plenty of land m

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

This is a highly used facility and raved about from visitors to new Plymouth and very popular. Its one of the jewels like the light festival over summer. I cant work out how MPI are telling NPDC what to do with the otters, do what is needed not dictated to by outsiders, The Otters have always looked happy to me when ever I have been and the kids are normally always happy there.

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

This one gets me, a few years ago they put a cricket pitch in the middle of rugby park, then said the ground area was too small and they couldn't expand it because of the stands etc,so shifted back to Pukekura park, and had no issue with the smaller ground venue. So when Rugby park stand was demolished and the ground area could have been extended to hold international cricket events Taranaki cricket kept quiet about the state of the pavillion so they didn't have to or want to set up a shared facility with all the amenities with rugby. Now its all about cricket ,but the ground is too small for cricket any way, so shifting from rugby park for that reason was a load of cobblers wasn't it So the Pukekura park venue isn't suitable for top level domestic cricket any way, so I can see they will want to expand the gound at great cost after getting a pavillion. so the cost wont stop

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No
Housing for the elderly Yes
Traffic management No

What else?

water services should be as they were originally part of the council management to provide the service thats what councils were set up to look after. Just get back to the basics and maintain the assets we have, not introduce new ones and more debt. Traffic management should just be kicked off all our roading projects, and the stop go people etc should all be supplied by the contractors own personnel, What is the costs for traffic management and 500 metres of cones in at least 3 rows for a 20 to 30 metre work area, 30% plus or more. Contractors used to mange them selve lets go back to that and bring costs under control

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Submission No: 2781 Christine Holmes

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

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Option 1 - Don't spend any more. This will save rates in the short term, but the state of our transportation assets will continue to decline, resulting in greater long-term cost implication.

Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 with an additional top up increase from funds released from our Perpetual Investment Fund (which would otherwise reduce your rates) of \$100,000 each year to a maximum of \$1m in year 10.

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability - Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 2 - Continue the existing programme with a budget of \$240,000 in year 1, \$640,000 per annum in year 2 onwards and continue Planting our Place at \$200,000 each year.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects? Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 1 - Do not upgrade the zoo and gradually close it down.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No Housing for the elderly Yes Traffic management No

Office Use Only: 3363

Submission No: 2782 Morris West

Wish to speak to the Council: Yes

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 1 - Don't spend any more. This will save rates in the short term, but the state of our transportation assets will continue to decline, resulting in greater long-term cost implication.

Comments

Bloody ridiculous choices. The devil or the deep blue sea. Neither is acceptable and you well know it. Grow some and come up with real answers.

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 1 - Don't put any additional amount aside.

Comments

Do you actually have any answers beyond spend, spend, spend?

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 1 - Do not continue the existing programme.

Comments

Climate change is a crock and the sooner this is realised the better.

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

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Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Comments

Future projects need to be funded by thbose who will use them, this includes furture running costs. We were 'gifted' the Len Lye Centre and it now costs ratepayers in excess of \$10 million a year to run. Cut the apron strings there and you've got \$10 million to spare.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

If the Hub is needed, let those who will use it raise the funds.

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Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 1 - Do not upgrade the zoo and gradually close it down.

Comments

Zoos worldwide are no longer seen as the right thing to do. It's unfortunate, but so be it.

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 4 -Delay the required work and accept the risks of non compliance and building closure.

Comments

NZ Cricket has already abandoned Pukekura Park and the so called 'First Class' cricket is anything but, attracting fewer spectators than players. If cricket want it, let them raise the money. They hardly use the nets that were put in at great expense.

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No
Housing for the elderly No
Traffic management Yes

What else?

It's time that people, including councils, fought back against things like earthquake risks, climate change etc. Designed to keep the population poor and easier to control. All proposed existing and new spending should be based on 'If this was my money, would I be spending it?' It's very easy to spend someone else's money, especially when it doesn't exist in reality. Cut the apron strings to GBAG/LLC. A poor art gallery at best, by any standards, let alone world standards. \$10 million running costs for \$700, 000 return.

Office Use Only: 3364

Submission No: 2783 Gary Poulgrain

Organisation: Mangorei School Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

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Option 1 - Don't spend any more. This will save rates in the short term, but the state of our transportation assets will continue to decline, resulting in greater long-term cost implication.

Comments

If we focus on increasing active transportation and top notch public transport hopefully within New Plymouth we can reduce this cost.

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

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Comments

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Comments

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Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Comments

This is essential for the well-being and health of our community- this would be huge for our tamariki and increasing health benefits across all areas

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 4 - Implement the full vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$14.4m.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 3 - Demolish the existing pavilion and do not replace (estimated cost \$420,000).

Comments

For the amount of games we have had in the past it's not worth it

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water servicesNoHousing for the elderlyNoTraffic managementNo

Office Use Only: 3365

Submission No: 2784 Ken Coulson

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

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Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 3 - Increase the budget to \$50m over the 10 years to add more facilities.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Yes
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

Office Use Only: 3366

Submission No: 2785 sd sd

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Comments

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

No

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services

Housing for the elderly

Traffic management

Office Use Only: 3367

Submission No: 2786 Jennifer Bovaird

Organisation:

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

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Water services
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

What else?

Please take into account the cost of living atm the stress on rate payers

Office Use Only: 3368

Submission No: 2787 Darren Smith

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

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Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

For transport assets to be better utilised, there needs to be more services, more often, so that public transport becomes a realistic option. This requires investment

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

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Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

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Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Comments

Creating a reserve creates a pool of money that is there to be spent, which increases the risk that the money will not be used wisely.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 3 - Increase the budget to \$50m over the 10 years to add more facilities.

Comments

Supporting sporting facilities is supporting the health and wellbeing of our community - and sporting facilities often attract a wide cross section of society, providing a healthy and entertainment passtime for those that may not have access to much else.

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 4 - Implement the full vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$14.4m.

Comments

The zoo, in combination with the park, is a town jewel. It provides a healthy and entertaining place to get out and about and is particularly loved by our younger community members.

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

I do not agree with spending \$16M on the new pavilion, but it is important to me that there is a community space in the park and also that top domestic cricket continues to come to the province. Events are very important to the liveability of a city and contribute to many sectors of the local economy.

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services No
Housing for the elderly Yes
Traffic management Yes

What else?

The Council is wanting to make this province more liveable but continues to impede development - including development that the Council wants as part of its plan to grow the city (e.g. residential developments in areas zoned residential). The way that the Council currently manages Resource Consent applications to increase housing stock and business opportunities is extremely disappointing. Developers often enter into agreements to purchase land which are conditional on obtaining suitable Council Resource Consent, and the fact these consents can take years to obtain (if obtained) is causing agreements to be cancelled and will discourage future development attempts. The performance of the Council in this area is well known - I understand one of the major banks notes this Council as one of the worst for obtaining Resource Consents to subdivide.

I would also like to submit that the Council is planning to allocate development contributions in a grossly inequitable way and in a way that will not promote anyone's interests. For example land owners in Puketapu will need to pay the Council an extra \$60k per lot in development contributions to develop their residential zoned land (if they are able to get consent to do so) into the residential sections the Council is wanting. The combination of cost and difficulty in developing in Puketapu will put developers off. This is not fair to landowners (who will be paying rates based on residential land value, despite their land being practically impossible/economically not viable to develop) and will impede the result the Council is wanting.

Office Use Only: 3369

Submission No: 2788 Gosta Duncan

Organisation: Egmont Athletics Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Comments

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Comments

Brooklands Zoo

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Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

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Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Yes
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

Office Use Only: 3370

Submission No: 2789 Kevin Fenwick

Organisation: Basketball Taranaki Inc.

Wish to speak to the Council: Yes

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Basketball Taranaki supports option 2 for the TACH in the LTP.

The funds are already budgeted and it will provide a much needed additional indoor facility for traditional indoor sporting codes – basketball, volleyball, netball, futsal, etc.

The TSB Stadium is no longer fit for purpose with capacity constraints and dated equipment and facilities.

To future proof the venue, the TACH needs to have a minimum of 6 additional basketball courts. We have a once in 30 year opportunity to increase the space for sporting codes and if we don't construct 6 courts now, we will find ourselves with the same ongoing capacity issues going forward. We are poor cousins to other regions around the country with the following cities enjoying significantly larger facilities:

Palmerston North 13 courts
Napier 9 plus 3 in Hastings
Tauranga 9 courts

Wellington 12 including 6 basketball and 6 netball

Nelson 5 basketball courts

Dunedin 5 basketball courts 21 netball courts 16 indoor tennis courts

As Taranaki doesn't have a minimum 5 court venue, Basketball New Zealand who run 32 Tournaments across the calendar year, largely discounts the region as a prospective host because the tournaments capacity requirements are too big. In 2023 and 2024 Taranaki has been allocated a small regional secondary school tournament catering for those teams who don't qualify for the Secondary School Nationals. This is a huge economic opportunity missed with tournaments bringing a significant number of people to the region including the teams and their supporters. The Secondary School National tournament hosted in Palmerston North attracts 72 teams from around the country. This is over 700 players plus their supporters.

Basketball Internationals don't happen at the TSB Stadium as the facilities aren't fit for purpose. In 2023, due to capacity constraints, Year 7 & 8 tamariki basketball games were tipping off 9:00pm at night. They weren't getting home till after 10:00pm and into bed after that. Not a great way to set them up for school the following morning. This year they are playing slightly earlier at 8:20pm but this has been at the expense of Years 1 to 4 tamariki with teams being turned away in 2024.

Basketball statistics: Active participants in the game of Basketball in NZ: 77,500 No of Secondary School players in NZ: 26,572 Neck and neck with Netball 26,950 Registered players in Taranaki: 1,973 Aged under 20: 1,398 (71%)

Office Use Only: 3371

Submission No: 2790 Geraldine Guy

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

Need to invest but in the right places - definitely a ring road around NP but entry points eg: Coronation Ave needs a roundabout urgently as does Inglewood town centre - increased traffic flows-bogged / safety issues high.

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

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Comments

But also demonstrate mitigation methods not just reactive means to an ongoing issue. Eg wood slag (sold cheap or free?) Erosion / flooding - no new builds near risky sites

Big Call 2: Sustainability - Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Increase option 2 by \$300,000 each year for other initiatives and \$100,000 for a three year high frequency bus service trial.

Comments

Unsure of focus on bus trial until buses actually travel in /around good routes & times (questionable) & electric methods increase - shuttles?

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

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Option 2 (preferred option) - Put increasing amounts of \$250,000 each year in to the reserve of the release from our Perpetual Investment Fund (used to subsidise rates) until year 10, when \$2.5m would be added.

Comments

More detail on what this is / could be used for - nice to have or critical or used for council activities? Prefer it to go towards elderly housing & investment long term

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Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Comments

A great idea but massive cost - why so much???? It's a playground / park. Do not remove park

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

Keep and upgrade zoo - jewel in crown

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Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Shouldve occurred years ago. No mention of what will happen to park gates...must keep. Area has parking access issues - 2nd entry should be considered

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services

Housing for the elderly

Traffic management

Yes

What else?

Prefer rates increase be much less - but like the targeted rates idea - rich pay more

Office Use Only: 3372

Submission No: 2791 Leon Vickers

Wish to speak to the Council: Yes

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

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Option 1 - Don't spend any more. This will save rates in the short term, but the state of our transportation assets will continue to decline, resulting in greater long-term cost implication.

Comments

Why is there only two options? The second option doubling the spend is excessive.

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 1 - Don't put any additional amount aside.

Comments

It would be nice to increase the fund, but is not a necessity.

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 1 - Do not continue the existing programme.

Comments

Looking after the climate should be part of normal business.

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Comments

Not necessary.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

It will be a wonderful asset, when it can be affored.

Office Use Only: 3373

Submission No: 2792 Wendy Maclean

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Comments

This is an altogether complex issue that is not covered in these two options at all. Neither answer is applicable or acceptable given the bigger picture. Double the amount is extreme and not acceptable in this economic environment. This councils penchant for cycleways is evident in this figure and it is irresponsible and unreasonable to expect the entire community to fund the cycleways as planned. Emphasis instead should be on footpaths and pothole repair to ensure the majority of residents benefit rather than a select few subsidised by us all. A ring road or heavy vehicle bypass from the industrial area of BBK to the Port should be an essential and urgent consideration for council with a second crossing of the Waiwhakaiho definitely needed within the next 10 years. In 2020, the population of Waitara was 7,000 people and unless it has undergone huge growth since then, the requirement to spend \$38.5m on an extension to the walkway so it terminates in Waitara is nonsensical. How many people will use it to the tune of probably \$40m by the time it's finished. The walkway is a wonderful asset to New Plymouth, however extending it to Waitara at such a cost to all ratepayers to benefit a few who would like to cycle it to work from Waitara is unjust, unreasonable and not affordable

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Comments

a 10% year on year rate increase is simple not tenable and any option to reduce that amount, such as the return on funds from the PIF, must be retained in my view Funding as laid out for other projects to future-proof the district would seem reasonable

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 1 - Do not continue the existing programme.

Comments

There is currently no government plan to provide guidance in this area (on hold awaiting "expected" legislation). Stating that the risk has been assessed with the finding that some assets are "considered vulnerable" without knowledge of what assets, how they have been assessed and against what provides insufficient information and therefore must be viewed as subjective. There are no facts to back up this statement Funding for stormwater catchment management, coastal erosion and water treatment in Urenui & Onaero is a necessary spend - water meters are not! Where is the evidence that water meters will result in reduced water use? Saying that there is the potential as some point to charge for water is a blatant lie - certainly council has immediate plans to charge for water as soon as meter installation is complete. Charging for water will not result in reduced usage, this concept is about as sensible as the old "toilet tax" which assumed that if a dwelling had more than one toilet, usage would increase. \$6.5m is a ridiculous figure and is a completely unnecessary spend for rate payers to fund

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Comments

What does a sustainable lifestyle mean? Where and how will this capital reserve be spent? Establishing a fund that has no clear criteria around it's use or purpose is an irresponsible proposal. The PIF funds must continue to be used to support rate stabilisation (not reduction as inaccurately stated) thus reducing the proposed 10% per annum increases

Tūparikino Active Community Hub

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

New Plymouth is a small city with a population well under 100,000 people - and this is also an aging population. Our council however has super-city plans! Whilst there is an argument for a sports facility to support the community the expense of the extravagant planned hub is a complete overkill. I would definitely support a plan that was more aligned with the city's size and community need rather than the super-city model currently proposed To place this kind of additional financial burden on ratepayers during this post COVID economic recovery when most people are struggling to make ends meet is yet another irresponsible proposal by council

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 1 - Do not upgrade the zoo and gradually close it down.

Comments

The conditions at the zoo are so far beyond what is acceptable to house animals it makes no sense to waste further funds on it. It is cruel and should certainly be humanely close with existing funding being diverted to the Pound which is currently an appalling representation of council disregard for animal welfare

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

\$16.3m is an unacceptable proposed spend for this. The cricket association have stated that although this proposal would be the preferred option, they do realise it is a lot of money in tight economic times, to they are also keen to look at other options to keep the costs as low as possible. This is another example of imbalance of facility to community requirement at significant cost to rate payers. Some of the proposed other projects paying forward are slightly vague - what do community partnerships relate to and how many are there? \$150,00 per annum per partnership sounds reasonable on the surface of it, but is it? Community boards proposed annual allocation seems underwhelming and could be doubled Given New Plymouth's documented aging population, housing for the elderly is essential, as well as refurbishment of the existing properties which are largely an eyesore. It is unrealistic however for council to venture into the provision of housing beyond housing for the elderly - especially given that the creation of a working capital fund of approx. \$4m will mean the model will no longer be self-funded. The LTP must stop referring to "other possibilities for a wider role in housing" under the Housing for the Elderly heading throughout the document - such references are misleading City centre strategy should be re-examined to align with the proportions of the city, \$11.4m in 7 years is an extraordinary amount of money to provide unnecessary raised crossings and streetscape improvements funded by unacceptable rate increases Funding for Te Tiriti partnerships is unnecessary. To say it would speed up consenting processes would seem to suggest bribery, and to state that the quality of development will be improved is tenuous at best. A scholarship/cadet programme may be a worthwhile use of funds

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Yes
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

What else?

Destination Play plans are an extreme and ludicrous proposed spend along with everything else this council is planning and looking for acceptance for in it's LTP. The Destination Play project requires significant scaling back or something has to be postponed indefinitely.

This city quite simply has too small a pool of rate payers to fund all of the councils proposed developments within the 10 years the plan allows.

Common sense needs urgently to prevail or the city will have more than it's share of delinquent rate payers and destitute to deal with as expenses continually rise.

I agree, the projects proposed in this plan are for the most part, good and great ones, however, the global economy is still in recovery mode and such expensive luxuries as laid out here have to be more closely examined in respect of their priority for funding from the available purse The cycle lanes as proposed are certainly detrimental to traffic flows and pedestrians alike, and the sheer number of roadways that would be affected is unacceptable and not at all conducive to good planning

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Submission No: 2793 Alistair John

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Double the amount we spend to \$315m over 10 years, which will maintain our transportation assets at existing levels of service.

Comments

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Comments

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Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 3 - Put increasing amounts of \$500,000 each year in to the reserve of the release from our Perpetual Investment Fund (used to subsidise rates) until year 10, when \$5m would be added.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 3 - Increase the budget to \$50m over the 10 years to add more facilities.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water servicesNoHousing for the elderlyNoTraffic managementNo

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Submission No: 2794 Mike Dowd

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Comments

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What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 2 - Continue the existing programme with a budget of \$240,000 in year 1, \$640,000 per annum in year 2 onwards and continue Planting our Place at \$200,000 each year.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Put increasing amounts of \$250,000 each year in to the reserve of the release from our Perpetual Investment Fund (used to subsidise rates) until year 10, when \$2.5m would be added.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 3 - Increase the budget to \$50m over the 10 years to add more facilities.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

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Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Yes
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

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Submission No: 2795 Stephen Watkins

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Comments

In order to make an informed decision on this point, the criteria which a project must meet should have already been developed & presented, otherwise this simply represents a slush fund.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 3 (preferred option) - Implement the first three phases of the vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$9m.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 3 - Demolish the existing pavilion and do not replace (estimated cost \$420,000).

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
No

What else?

Given the ratio of residentially zoned land is increasing at a far greater rate than that of commercial/industrial/farmland zoned land, it is reasonable to re-evaluate the allocation of rates to specific zones. Contrary to popular opinion, small business in particular, cannot continue to absorb the disproportionate cost increase of council rates, alongside increased council charges and general business costs.

I therefore would be supportive of a minor change to the method used to proportionally allocate rates, however it is important to note that the situation is perhaps more complex and nuanced than portrayed:

- The definition of a high and low value sections needs to be very carefully considered. The supporting documentation did not detail how the specific high and low property values used in the graphs were derived.
- 2. It is unclear from the information provided as to whether these high v low value definitions would be adjusted on an annual basis to reflect changes in property values.
- 3. There is an underlying assumption that owners of high value sections have sufficient cash reserves to pay an increased level of rates, and that conversely, it is assumed that low-value property owners have insufficient cash reserves to pay the existing level of rates. The value of the property owned is not necessarily representative of an individual's ability to pay increased rates. There are many other variables at play.

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Submission No: 2796 Sharon Nickel

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability - Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 1 - Do not continue the existing programme.

Comments

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Put increasing amounts of \$250,000 each year in to the reserve of the release from our Perpetual Investment Fund (used to subsidise rates) until year 10, when \$2.5m would be added.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 2 - Undertake necessary upgrades to meet compliance with MPI standards at a cost of \$5.7m over 10 years.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 2 - Repair the existing pavilion at a cost of \$1m to cater for local community use but would not be suitable for top level domestic cricket.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
No

What else?

All new homes to install water tanks to collect rain water, no brainer really, greatly reduce impact on water usage. Rates to be used for infrastructure upgrades, roads etc first before whimsical wants.

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Submission No: 2797 Jessie Waite

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage? Option 2 - Boost the amount we put aside each year to \$500,000 (from \$200,000).

Office Use Only: 3379

Submission No: 2798 Esme Eastment

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Comments

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Comments

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 4 - Accelerate the programme even further with an additional \$300,000 each year.

Comments

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Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 3 - Increase the budget to \$50m over the 10 years to add more facilities.

Comments

Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 4 - Implement the full vision for the zoo over 10 years at a cost of \$14.4m.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 1 (preferred option) - Replace the pavilion in a new and improved location at a cost of \$16.3m.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

Should we investigate alternative delivery options related to the following services?

Water services
Housing for the elderly
Traffic management
Yes

What else?

No further feedback, other than be cautious about wide ranging cuts to "back office staff" given there is always a risk of losing long term institutionalised knowledge which can have unforeseen future consequences.

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Submission No: 2799 Leon Vickers

Wish to speak to the Council: Yes

Big Call 1: Future proofing our district

Investing more in looking after our existing infrastructure

How should we address the increasing costs of looking after our transportation assets over the next 10 years?

Option 1 - Don't spend any more. This will save rates in the short term, but the state of our transportation assets will continue to decline, resulting in greater long-term cost implication.

Comments

Surely there is more than 2 option. To double the spend is excessive.

Boosting the Disaster Recovery Reserve

How should we approach the costs of unexpected storm related damage?

Option 1 - Don't put any additional amount aside.

Comments

There are more important things gs to spend money on.

Big Call 2: Sustainability – Climate Action Framework

What should be our approach to sustainability, including climate?

Option 1 - Do not continue the existing programme.

Comments

Climate sustainability should be part of normal business activities.

Big Call 3: Paying it forward

Establishing a Sustainable Lifestyle Capital Reserve

Should we establish a Lifestyle Capital Reserve to help fund future projects?

Option 1 - Do not establish the reserve.

Comments

This fund is unnecessary.

Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 1 - Delay the project beyond this Long-Term Plan.

Comments

It will be a wonderful asset, when it can be afforded.

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Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

Option 1 - Do not upgrade the zoo and gradually close it down.

Comments

Bellringer Pavilion

Which option do you support for the Bellringer Pavilion?

Option 4 -Delay the required work and accept the risks of non compliance and building closure.

Comments

Council Controlled Organisations

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Yes

What else?

1 / 2 SUBMISSION - NPDC - DEVELOPERS CONTRIBUTIONS LEVY

I would like to make a submission regarding the Development and Financial Contributions Policy. I consider NPDC must have a standard Development Contributions cost for all subdivisions under its jurisdiction. I consider targeting certain areas to pay a disproportionate contribution is unequitable. It is a known fact that NPDC need to make major infrastructure investments, in the years to come. But I am concerned that NPDC consider Developers as the easiest target for their fund deficit. While new developments might necessitate new infrastructure or upgrades to existing infrastructure, the NPDC seems to be focussing on covering costs only, and focusing on recovering almost all of those costs within the particular areas.

There are at least two bigger pictures that the NPDC is missing here:

- 1. Developments benefit the region as a whole, by increasing housing stock and healthy homes in particular, which make the region more attractive to live in and encourage skilled workers to come here (and also increase the number of households contributing to the regions overall infrastructure).
- 2. Each individual development needs to be financially viable developers live in the economic reality of the market economy. In order for developments to happen, developers need to be able to make money and so development contributions need to be affordable.

Also, by having development contributions 4x greater in some areas than in others, the NPDC is effectively intervening in the market, choosing to make some land easier to develop (and so more valuable to its owners) and other land more expensive to develop (and so less valuable to its owners – although this is unlikely to be factored into the rates that the NPDC happily receives form those owners). Looking at Puketapu in particular, I understand the development contribution will be around \$80,000 per section of HUE. It is clear from NPDC data that Puketapu is intended to provide the greatest number of new sections for the foreseeable future, and yet they will have to pay very high levies.

The Development Contribution, as it stands for Puketapu, will only have two possible outcomes:

- 1. Developers will not develop
- 2. Developers will pass the contribution cost to purchasers, making the sections unaffordable (which will cause long sale lead-times in early developments and so discourage later developments). The end result will be the same, a significant amount of land zoned residential by the NPDC and earmarked for development by the NPDC, staying undeveloped and not usuable for residential purposes and so not available for the growing population predicted by the NPDC. It will also impact the number of separate lots the NPDC will be able to levy rates against.

These outcomes are not advantageous to NPDC interests. They also grossly unfair to owners of Puketapu land who, like me, use their land for farming purposes and are being required to pay rates based on residential land values (my rateable value recently increased by 300%, which is making farming my land uneconomic) – particularly when converting my land to 2 / 2 residential section will also be uneconomic due to the \$80,000 per HUE development contribution Further the NPDC is wanting Puketapu to be developed, while expecting developers to meet almost all of the cost for \$36M worth of assets, plus financing costs, where it is not clear what benefit the area will get from some of those assets. In particular, how will Puketapu benefit from \$16M invested into "puketapu area stormwater phase 1" – and if that investment will benefit other households, then it would seem unfair for Puketapu to meet 100% of the costs.

I request that NPDC carefully consider their proposed policy. I have spoken to several interested parties, and the consensus is that, at least for Puketapu, development will be stifled and section affordability compromised I draw your attention to the NPDC Consultation Document Long Term Plan 2024-2034. If Transportation, Disaster Reserve Fund, Future Project Fund, Tuparikino Active Community Hub, Brooklands Zoo, and the Bellringer Pavilion are considered, the NPDC "preferred options" amount to a spend of hundreds for millions of dollars, over the next ten years. I personally would endorse the majority of these proposals if NPDC can afford them.

NPDC however need to "cut the coat to suit the cloth," and if NPDC cannot afford all of their proposals, then so be it. By my calculations, arrived at by NPDC data, Puketapu, if fully developed, would contribute nearly \$170,000,000 to the NPDC coffers. I can assure NPDC that the Development Contributions Policy, as it is proposed will stifle development, and the above level of contributions will be impossible to realise from Puketapu.

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Submission No: 2800 Teressa Grant

Wish to speak to the Council: No

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Which option do you support for The Hub?

Option 2 (preferred option) - Proceed with the project using funding already budgeted (\$35m) in the last Long-Term Plan.

Comments

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Brooklands Zoo

Which option do you support for the Brooklands Zoo?

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Comments

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