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LONG TERM PLAN 2021-31 FEEDBACK FORM

Whangarei District Council

RECEIVED - CUSTOMER SERVICES
31 MAR 2021
WHANGAREI DISTRICT COUNCIL

THE CLOSING DATE FOR FEEDBACK IS THURSDAY 1 APRIL 2021

We would love your feedback on some key issues for our District.

POINTS TO REMEMBER WHEN SUBMITTING YOUR FEEDBACK

- Please print clearly. Make sure it can be easily photocopied, read and understood.
- All feedback is considered public under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act, so it may be published and made available to elected members and the public.
- Your feedback will not be returned to you once lodged with Council. Please keep a copy for your reference.
- You can also attend a hearing, scheduled for 13-14 April, to speak to your submission.

HOW TO GET THIS FORM TO US

Mail to: Long Term Plan feedback, Whangarei District Council, Private Bag 9023, Whangārei 0148
Email to: mailroom@wdc.govt.nz
Deliver to: Customer Services, Forum North, Rust Ave, Whangārei or Ruakākā Service Centre, Takutai Place, Ruakākā

YOUR DETAILS

Name Sebastien Ferrand

I am making this submission as: ○ An individual ☑ On behalf of an organisation

Organisation name Le Parisien Limited

Postal address 84 Cameron St

Best number to contact you on

Email leparisienwhangarei@gmail.com

Do you wish to be heard in support of your submission at a traditional hearing on 13-14 April? ○ Yes ☑ No

YOUR FEEDBACK

Please give us your feedback on the key issues raised in the Consultation Document.

KEY ISSUE – HOW WILL WE PAY FOR WHAT WE NEED – RATES OPTIONS (SEE PAGE 17)

OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021-22) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'.

Rates increase in years two to ten (2022-31) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.

OPTION 2: Limit the rates increase to LGCI plus 2% only across ten years of the Plan

WHY?

There should be no rates increase.
Council is inefficient and mismanaging rate payers affairs.
Operating costs are excessive and have to be reduced.

KEY ISSUE – SPACES FOR GATHERING (SEE PAGE 24)

OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).

OPTION 2: Put budget towards only ONE of the following: Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, or existing facilities at Forum North. Please state which site in your comments.

OPTION 3: Build a Whangarei District Council-owned theatre on the current Forum North site.

WHY? THE DEVELOPMENTS ARE UNWARRANTED AND A WASTE OF RATEPAYERS FUNDS

KEY ISSUE – CLIMATE CHANGE AND SUSTAINABILITY (SEE PAGE 28)

- ○ **OPTION 1:** Put $3.7m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
- ○ **OPTION 2:** Put $7.4 of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
- ✓ **OPTION 3:** No new funding towards climate change or waste minimisation.

WHY?

KEY ISSUE – REVITALISING OUR CITY CENTRE (SEE PAGE 32)

- ○ **OPTION 1:** Spend $13m to make improvements to James Street and John Street.
- ○ **OPTION 2:** Spend $21m to make improvements to James Street and John Street as well as either Robert Street or Cameron Street.
- ✓ **OPTION 3:** No additional funding for the City Centre.

WHY? COUNCIL OVER THE YEARS HAS RECEIVES SUBSTANTIAL RATES FROM JAMES & JOHN STS. BUT HAS BLOWN IT ELSEWHERE

TELL US WHAT YOU THINK – ANY FURTHER COMMENTS ON THE KEY ISSUES OR OTHER POINTS RAISED IN THE CONSULTATION DOCUMENT

THE PROPOSED INCREASE IN DEBT FROM $195m TO $361m IS GROSSLY EXCESSIVE

From: Whangarei District Council
Sent: 22 Mar 2021 02:18:28 +0000
To: Mail Room
Subject: Resource Consent Submission - Megan Lea - RC-APP-SUB-1

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Resource Consent Submission - Megan Lea - RC-APP-SUB-1

Receipt Number: RC-APP-SUB-1

Details of person(s) or organisation(s) making submission:

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Postal address:	
Phone:	

Email:	

I am / we are making a submission on the application for resource consent described below:

Name of applicant:	FNT13
Council references:	https://www.wdc.govt.nz/.../LTP-consultation-2021-2031 (relevant pages 24 – 27).
Proposal:	The proposal of a new large theatre at Forum North as proposed in the Whangārei District Council Long Term Plan (LTP) document.

Oppose or Support:

In general, I / we:	Support the application
The particular parts of the application I / we support / oppose or wish amendments to be made to are:	

Reasons:

The reasons for making my / our submission are:	Support this 100% - would love to see our community have a large lyric theatre which reflects performance and educational opportunities of the highest standard.

Decision / Conditions Sought

I / we wish Whangarei District Council to make	Approve the application

the following decision:	
Details of nature of any conditions sought:	

Hearing:

Hearing by Commissioner if requested by Submitter:	Pursuant to section 100A of the Resource Management Act 1991, I / we request that you delegate your functions, powers and duties required to hear and decide the application to one or more hearings commissioners who are not part of Council.
Appearance at Council hearing in support of submission:	I / We wish to be heard in support of my / our submission

Served submission:

Submission served?	I / We have served a copy of my / our submission on the applicant.

From: Whangarei District Council
Sent: 26 Mar 2021 23:13:28 +0000
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Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Julia Lee - 2021-LTP-SUB-215

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Julia Lee - 2021-LTP-SUB-215

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-215

Your details:

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 2: Limit the rates increase to LGCI plus 2% only in years one to three
Why?	Incomes are not necessarily increasing and so 4.5%+ raises would be hard for most families to pay. Rather than have these increases and more outstanding debt, surely by increasing the businesses in the CBD would compensate by increasing rate revenue for commerce.

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	All three of these options are fantastic for bringing tourists and businesses to Whangarei, which increases the tourist dollars coming in to the region. Whangarei has improved immensely since I first visited the city in 2014, and a conference centre would be amazing for the residents and tourists alike.

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 1: Put $3.7m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.

Why?	$3.7m will not get very far but is a good start in starting dialogue with the community in what climate change means, will look like and how it will be incorporated. Beyond 2031, I feel the funding should increase dramatically, but for now, without having to take funding away from anywhere else, option 1 is a good start.

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 1: Spend $13m to make improvements to James and John St.
Why?	Option 1 will revitalise the CBD, and won't cause as much disruption to traffic and residents as option 2. I love what has happened in the CBD so far, and to continue it into James and John Streets will just make visiting the CBD an even greater experience!

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

I moved to Whangarei from England in 2018, having only visited Whangarei briefly in December 2014, and I have been blown away by how much improved it is from 2014 - I love that I live in Whangarei and call it home. I love that WDC has put in cycle and foot paths around the river and town, making it so easy to exercise, I love that more are proposed; I love the development at the Town Basin and that is currently undergoing improvements, again with more to come if the proposal for James and John Streets goes ahead.
And I love this fun day, being able to come and see what the LTP is all about and find out about it.
Well done!!

From: Whangarei District Council
Sent: 31 Mar 2021 05:39:54 +0000
To: Mail Room
Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Karen Lee - 2021-LTP-SUB-354

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Karen Lee - 2021-LTP-SUB-354

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-354

Your details:

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No

at the hearing?	

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	I don't fully support either of these options for a few reasons. The huge growth in the property market is going to mean that some areas will see an increase in their rate just because of the housing market. I don't believe this is fair, just because your land is valued higher doesn't mean you have the income to pay more of the rates burden. There must be a fairer way to divide the rates burden, perhaps based on usable land area rather than the perceived value. Many people are still being effected by Covid19 therefore the reasoning behind holding off the rates increase still applies. However, I acknowledge that we can't play catchup forever and putting off the catchup could lead to a larger amount being needed. Therefore, I suggest that the 2% catchup be split between years 2 and 3 at 1% each year. This is still going to be a big burden on rate payers who are already struggling to make ends meet, unfortunately income doesn't increase 4.5% every year to keep up with growth.

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	I do not fully agree with any of these options. Not enough information has been provided on the capacity and types of events that each venue will be capable of hosting. Information is also needed on the capacity of current event spaces as well as what improvements will be made to Forum North under options 1 and 2. I support the Hīhīaua Cultural Centre getting funding. I acknowledge that Forum North will require improvements once Council offices are moved. I am still unsure of the feasibility of the Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre given the new post-Covid events environment. What I don't want to see is too many venues which can essentially do the same thing fighting for events. Especially since Council also has $10M set aside for a theater as well and is investing more into the Northland Events Centre.

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 2: Put $7.4m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	I think that option 2 is even a conservative investment and would like to see more.

	This is the most pressing issue of our time. Scientists have stated that the next 10 years will decided the future livability of our planet. we need to be doing more than just beginning to work on adaptation. We need to be taking big steps towards mitigation and minimisation alongside adaptation. Organic materials in landfill is a huge contributor to methane production and environmental pollution through leachate. Supporting/ building a commercial composting facility in Northland should be a top priority. Other councils (notably Auckland) have been making investments in community waste minimisation initiatives such as resource recovery centers, tool libraries, repair cafes, community gardens, community composting etc. It can be done! Part of this work also needs to map and contain old dump sites around the district that are in danger from erosion. Solutions also need to be sort of road side litter and fly tipping which are prolific across the district. Another improvement to the district that would aid waste minimisation would be the instillation of more water fountains with bottle refills. Stopping extraction of water by water bottling companies would also help in this area.

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 1: Spend $13m to make improvements to James and John St.
Why?	I think that pedestrian spaces including outdoor dinning will

	help revitalise the CBD which needs to move away from a traditional retail focus because of changes in shopping behaviour. I think that bringing residential living into the CBD will help revitalise it. I don't support an over pass over Dent Street as an access solution to connect the CBD and Town Basin. It is unrealistic, it will have to be huge in order to be accessible, it will also block large objects being transported out to Whangarei Heads. I also have some feedback on the complete streets master plan. 3.8 Railway Road is an important connection around the city and needs to be kept open at the five finger round about. This is not the right location for a pedestrian activation. 4.10 Street trees need to be well cared for so they don't die like the current ones. Preference should be given to natives. There must be consideration of the dangers posed by dropping flowers, leaves, seeds and fruit. 4.16 The car parking at Laurie Hall is heavily used. I think taking this away would be a huge mistake unless a similar area was converted to parking close by. 5.5 Don't remove the Cameron Street Canopy it is great for rainy days. City bins and twin bins - all bins around the city should be the large square ones with both rubbish and recycling like at the Bascule Carpark. This will ensure that they do not get filled by one pizza box and therefore overflow causing litter.

	Internationally there are also great examples of small surface bins with large underground receptacles as well as solar powered compacting bins.

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

Northland Events Centre Trust
Not enough information to give feedback.
What do we get for more than doubling the funding? Does the increase in funding mean an increase in rates?

Community Outcomes
Caring for the environment
Positively adapting is not enough, we need to be aiming to avoid/mitigate the effects of climate change on our district. Needs to be proactive not reactive.
Waste minimisation should be a stated outcome.
Proud to be Local
Needs to acknowledge the unique culture and history of tangata whenua not just combine it with all other cultures.

Prioritizing local procurement and working with communities to be involved in development e.g. planting.

I am proud of the increasing partnership with Māori through Te Kārearea and Māori wards. However, more can be done to ensure hapū/iwi involvement such as ensuring notification of consultations and proposals to buy land which may be significant.

Love the loop and the new shared path network.
The entry to the city needs upgrading/planting/ enforcement of fly tipping bylaw.
The footpath connecting Smeatons Drive to the CBD is shocking and needs safety improvements now not in how ever many years it is going to take to 4 lane SH1.

To align with the wishes of tangata whenua more funding is needed to move the public toilet from the Devonshire Reserve to an alternative location.

Whangārei Heads wayfinding signage driven by tangata whenua, showing historical and cultural narratives for the entire Heads area.

I also have feedback for the supporting documents.
Water pg 158 Giving consents to water bottling companies for the extraction of water doesn't align with environmental and cultural well-being.
Solid Waste pg 168 It doesn't seem like the 2017 Waste Management and Minimisation Plan vision is being implemented. How does Council foster waste minimisation?
Flood protection pg 194 Changes need to be made to the flood protection systems where they led to the death of wildlife e.e. tuna/eels. Currently the Hikurangi system doesn't meet the environmental or cultural well-beings. Performance measures need to include fish fatalities via pumps. It doesn't seem like the fisheries management plan is working.
Resource Consents pg 227 Monitoring of consents must be ensured to avoid future issues like the toxic waste at Ruakaka.
Health and bylaws pg 232 The cost of dog control bylaw should be shared between the general public and dog owners because the public benefit from the enforcement of these bylaws. The levels of service should include residence satisfaction with the contractor.
Democracy and Assurance pg 241 Community engagement - there needs to be more notification/engagement with iwi/hapū on review of policies etc. Public meetings are needed on the consultations alongside LTP & supporting documents as these were not covered in the LTP meeting. Levels of service need to include % of population engaged and residents satisfaction with community engagement. The family fun day was great, should be a yearly event, more coffee vans next time.
Strategy pg 243 It is great to see the importance of climate change and biodiversity acknowledged. Place based planning is great and must ensure engagement from tangata whenua. Corporate planning should also include a vision of the city we are trying to create. What is the flavour of Whangārei? e.g. city of sails, garden city etc. What physical, cultural, historial aspects are important to us? This will help shape Council decisions on what to

keep/future development.
Māori Relationships pg 246 Capacity building with hapū/iwi to ensure capability to effectively engage with Council. Consultation with hapū/iwi when buying land e.g. from DOC which may have cultural significance. This needs levels of service, should include measures on number of consents/decisions which have had hapū/iwi engagement. Also a measure of Te Kārearea/ Te Huinga satisfaction with relationships.
District development pg 248 I think that this should have levels of services measures.
Support services pg 254 The communications team have been doing a great job of sharing more on social media and answering the public's questions on different projects. This area also should have levels of services, for example under people and capability you might measure staff turn over and staff happiness.

From: Whangarei District Council
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Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Malcolm Leman - 2021-LTP-SUB-197

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Malcolm Leman - 2021-LTP-SUB-197

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-197

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 2: Limit the rates increase to LGCI plus 2% only in years one to three
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 3: No new funding towards climate change or waste minimisation.
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 3: No additional funding for the city centre.
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

One Tree Point Boat Ramp
A breakwater should be installed along with pontoon at the OTP boat ramp. Also the existing gravel ramps for small boats from One Tree Point Rd to the water edge should be repaired/upgraded. At some stage the road going to Marsden marina ramp will be relocated making it a longer trip to get there from OTP. Therefore the OTP ramp needs to be upgraded and made safer.

Whangarei District Council.
Private Bag 9023.
Whangarei 0148.

66a Western Hills Drive
Kensington
Whangarei 0112

Attention Whangarei District Mayor

Dear ms Mai
This letter seeks to set our our objection to the continued use by the Northland Helicopter Rescue Service of the Kensington site in breach of the District Plan for the area and exceeding any rules for permitted noise levels which apply at other sites which do permit aircraft traffic operations.

We set out our research into this issue and comment on some possible interim solutions for your consideration.

Northland Emergency Services Trust was established in 1987 to provide an emergency rescue service and this is defined in the Trust deed which is a public document.
The NEST operation has expanded in recent years and now is significantly involved in the provision of air ambulance services. These constitute some 60 percent of the operation and are operating 24 hours 7 days.
The expanded operation now owns 3 medium / heavy helicopters which not only account for the increased level of activity but are significantly increased in noise level and profile from their predecessors.
In September the Trust will own the helicopters and lease them to a new entity in conjunction with Westpac servicing both Auckland and Northland areas.

EXCESSIVE NOISE IS NOT A PERMITTED ACTIVITY

Noise generated by the helicopters is excessive to the point that it exceeds that permissible by the WDC at Whangarei Airport in term of the WDC Airport noise permitted profiles.Noise profiles at the airport are 50db and 60db.
The area surrounding the Helipad and Kensington Park is Residental 1. The WDC district plan specifically notes the prohibition of Helicopter operation or establishment of such operation in the residential 1 area.

To this point I have not been able to access the permission under which the operation is permitted or any constraints imposed. I must therefore assume the operation is as noted in NAV6.7 of the district plans and therefore compliant with NZS standards 6807.1994 and NZS6805.1992 which I cannot access .Can you please advise the noise levels allowable under these and evidence the compliance of the operation. The standards note that the levels are "the maximum noise levels for Community health"
I also note in the district plan the exemption from noise compliance for helicopter emergency operations. This at that point clearly referred to attendance for rescue and medical emergencies.
There is no doubt that the expanded operations are outside emergency operation definitions.

IN SUMMARY
The noise is such that it cannot be located at the airport due to the district plan so it is allowed in a public park in an area surrounded by residental housing in which it's activity is specifically prohibited. It is unlikely to be compliant with the requirements of the New Zealand Standards identified in the District Plan.

RMA 1991
This defines "excessive noise means any noise that is beyond human control and of such a nature as to unreasonably interfere with the

enjoyment of a persons property"
I wish to advise you that the continued and increasing use of the Kensington site is most definitely interfering with residents enjoyment of their property. The ongoing noise from the NEST operation in volume and frequency is affecting ability to sleep and in the long term affecting mental and physical health.

Over the past 12 months the issue has been discussed with
NEST - Chairman and CEO
Councillor
CIvil Aviation
Whangarei District Council
The summary concensus of this discussion is -

1) Noise levels are excessive and inappropriate at the current site.
2) There is no alternative site or appetite to fund a relocation.
3) NEST acknowledges it will eventually have to move to an undefined location.

DEVELOPMENT
There are two relevant developments

1) WDC has recently announced acquisition of property at Ruatangata for the purpose of a future airport development.
2) WDC will be required to permit a new operation which leases the NEST helicopters to access the site and provides services outside emergency requirements. Noise levels will continue or increase in breach of the specific and intentions of the District Plan.

OPPORTUNITY
WDC has options to address the problem
They can decline to allow the operation of the new entity to the current location.
They can offer the operation relocation the the newly acquired site.

INTERIM SOLUTION

The permission can be granted in the interim for daytime only at hours to be agreed. The provision of emergency rescue service after hours can be relocated off site. The true mid north location is in fact Kaikohe where a very large airfield with no noise concerns is located. This is in fact the centre of the serviced emergency area.

THE EFFECT ON NEARBY RESIDENTS

There is widespread dissatisfaction with the noise and associated disturbance. Anecdotally there are a number of cases where people have moved to other locations and property values are impacted.

People do not understand that opposition to location of the operation on the current site does not mean that they do not support the availability of the emergency service. This is a vital health service to the whole of Northland but it does not have to be al the expense of resident health and wellbeing.

REQUEST

The WDC is invited to enforce the operations compliance with the district plan and redefine any exemption and advise residents of the program to address the noise issue including relocation and the time frames for this to be carried out. Any interim mitigation should be also defined.

On receipt of this the issues here can be presented to the affected residents for comment and response.

We genuinely seek a solution to the problem we are facing and invite the Whangarei District Council to give urgent consideration to our concerns.

Yours sincerely

Roger de Bray

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WHANGAREI DISTRICT COUNCIL LTP SUBMISSION 2021

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SUPPORT:

Rates increase option 1

One only space for gathering Option 2 Forum North

Why: The existing events and conference centre built with substantial evidence to support such a big expenditure at the time has not borne out the predictions and is mainly a rugby centre. In the last eight months rooms have been used for 47 meetings, 6 conferences, 8 functions, 3 expos. Otherwise sport and rugby. While covid is easy to blame for this I have not seen any evidence to show that this project ever reached its postulations at the time. The annual operating costs are $670,000 and I would ask does this justify its existence, and leads me to question the great expenditure on the proposed Oruku Landing. I am surprised that this project has been proposed under a "shovel ready" project as I had not heard anything about this proposal prior to the announcement. In previous LTP??

Climate change Option 2

Why: Council has declared a climate change emergency and needs to follow through with this.

Council needs to give coastal communities confidence that they are addressing their special needs.

Revitalisating our city centre. Option 1

P.39 Poriti Water treatment plant up-grade

P.43 Riverside Drive/ Onerahi by-pass. This is urgent

REF: P.11 "……a growing district and meet the needs of a growing population of older residents."

I SEE NOTHING TO SUPPORT THIS STATEMENT IN THE LTP.

Except: P.13 "……a supporting role in housing so not in our LTP…….but Central Government."

This is not acceptable in this time of need for more suitable housing for older residents. Council could and should show leadership and care for the growing older population. There are a variety of options.

Grand projects are given priority over needs in this LTP and this is unacceptable..

P.13 The $5.1m for renewal and maintenance of existing pensioner housing, I see comes from rentals, so not out of rates.

$2m over the first four years for new build pensioner housing is not responsible nor caring.

<u>REQUEST:</u> That the budget for new build pensioner housing is increased to $5,000,000 over the first 5 years of the LTP.

<u>REQUEST:</u> That $2,000,000 over the first 4 years of the LTP is budgeted for public/private partnership new builds of small houses suitable for older people.

P.23/ 41 of Plan funding I see Papakainga have been added to the sports and community organisations for rates remission. Other struggling elderly are ignored.

<u>REQUEST:</u> That older persons are individually assessed for hard-ship and remission of rates applied as for Papakainga.

P.58 Plan Funding. Determining the number of household unit equivalents for HUE charges.

Sleep-outs and minor dwellings are increasingly the norm for giving teenagers and / or elderly relatives limited independent space with the family home. The use of Council services is not, or minimally, increased.

<u>REQUEST:</u> Remove "sleep-outs and minor dwellings" from the second and subsequent dwellings 5.1.2. list for HUE assessment.

REQUEST: That older people out-doors activity centres are automatically included alongside any children's play-ground.

I WISH TO MAKE A VERBAL SUBMISSION.

Robin Lieffering

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WDC LTP Personal submission 2021

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Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Linda Lloyd - 2021-LTP-SUB-221

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Linda Lloyd - 2021-LTP-SUB-221

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-221

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 2: Put $7.4m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 2: Spend $21m to make improvements to James and John St as well as either Robert St or Cameron Street.
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

From: Whangarei District Council
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Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Tim Howard - 2021-LTP-SUB-480

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Tim Howard - 2021-LTP-SUB-480

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-480

Your details:

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	Yes

at the hearing?	

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 2: Put budget towards only ONE of the following: Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North.
Why?	Hihiaua Cultural Centre should be prioritised over newer (initially private-sector proposed) initiatives like Oruku Landing. Hihiaua has been in the making for a much longer period, has been put on the backburner over years, and its proponents have politely and with integrity accepted that situation - awaiting Council support. It is also significant that this is a major tikanga-based concept and project, and deserves Council's respect and prioritising, if WDC's intention to work with integrity with tangata whenua is to be embodied and not only intentional. While Council has provided some support for Stage 1 development, we suggest now is the time for substantial support, and for Council's contribution to be able to leverage central Government With that in mind, we ask that Council: confirm the proposed $5m contribution; ensure that contribution is available early in Year 1 in order to leverage a proportionate Central Government contribution; consider increasing that $5m contribution in

	subsequent years. We ask that Council prioritise Hihiaua Cultural Centre over other major facilities' developments - the time is right.

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 2: Put $7.4m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	Climate Change and sustainability work is essential if Council is going to play a significant role in this District in mitigating and avoiding damage from climate change, and in adapting to the changing circumstances our communities find themselves. Council is to be congratulated for its Climate Emergency Declaration, for its declared interest in moving that Declaration towards action, in the excellent drafting work towards a Climate Action Plan. In that regard, the $3.7m proposed is a step in the right direction. However, we consider that - given the urgency of timing in relation to human-caused climate damage - that amount is insufficient, and we call for the higher amount of $7.4m to be allocated over the next ten years. We make this call in order to fund: * a tangata whenua and community-based ongoing advisory process to match the rolling out of WDC action on climate * specialist skills in sustainability and climate mitigation to be engaged inhouse * tangata whenua and community-based practical initiatives for mitigation and adaptation to be encouraged, assisted and resourced

Key issue - Revitalising	

our city centre (see page 32)	
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

Housing is one of Council's declared 5 priority areas of action, and rightly so. We note Council's goodwill in this area is well articulated, but also submit that budget lines need to be included in this area if that goodwill is to be enacted in practice.
With that in mind, NURM submits:
* that the $2m pensioner housing contribution over 4 years be retained in the LTP, at a minimum, or increased - as a contribution towards leveraging central Government funding in this area
* that Council re-consider an active role in supporting social housing initiatives - as catalyst, advocate, and as contributor , leveraging central Government finances at this stage that Govt is extremely keen to contribute to such solutions. In this regard, we seek $3m over the next two years to be allocated for such purposes
* that Council develop, alongside tangata whenua, community sector, and communities, a District Housing Plan over the next two years - a Plan that will mean that - in the future - Council will adopt regulatory (etc) processes that prioritise meeting the housing needs of those whose needs are not being met (rather than the de factor priority currently being given to developers and wealthy housing projects). We ask that $500,000 be dedicated to the development of that Plan, and offer our assistance to that Plan development.

From: David Alexander Lourie
Sent: 1 Apr 2021 16:34:11 +1300
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Whangarei District Council
Long Term Plan submission
!st April 2021.
Submitter: David Lourie
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I would like to present at the hearing.
I have no conflicts of interest to declare:

Support the status quo approach to water management.
Support the Long Term Plan retaining and strengthening the current precautionary and prohibitive approach to managing the risks posed by the introduction of gene edited organisms to our district.

8. Planning and Regulatory Services
We are required to undertake planning, monitoring and enforcement activities that meet the requirements of a wide range of legislation, such as the Resource Management Act (RMA), Heath Act and Food Act.
This includes:
Undertaking District planning.
Issuing resource consents and ensuring they meet required conditions
Issuing building consents and ensuring they meet required conditions
Providing health and alcohol licences and monitoring and enforcing bylaws such as animal and noise control, health, liquor and parking
The functions within this activity are covered by four separate departments: District Planning, Resource Consents, Building Control and Health and Bylaws .The outcomes of these functions are important in ensuring our District is inclusive, resilient and sustainable.

Remind the Council of its obligation towards the

Application of this policy statement
In the “New Zealand Coastal Policy Statement 2010”
This NZCPS is to be applied as required by the Resource Management Act 1991 (“the Act”) by persons exercising functions and powers under the Act. The Act itself should be consulted, but at the time of gazettal of this statement, its requirements in relation to this NZCPS are, in summary, that:
 regional policy statements, regional plans and district plans must give effect to this NZCPS (sections 62(3), 67(3)(b), 75(3)(b) refer);
 local authorities must amend regional policy statements, proposed regional policy statements, plans, proposed plans, and variations to give effect to NZCPS provisions that affect these documents as soon as practicable, using the process set out in Schedule 1 of the Act except where this NZCPS directs otherwise (section 55 refers);
when considering a requirement for a designation and any submissions received, a territorial authority must, subject to Part 2 of the Act, consider the effects on the environment of allowing the requirement, having particular regard to, amongst other things, any relevant provisions of this NZCPS (sections 168A(3)(a)(ii) and 171(1)(a)(ii) refer);

My experiences with dealing with Vehicles on Beaches Bylaw include an explaination by one of your staff that for bylaws to give effect to the New Zealand Coastal Policy Statement that unless the Council adopts the NZCPS in its plans the NZCPS is outside of the scope of the Bylaws. Vehicles on beaches needs to be addressed under ‘key strategic Issues’ of Governance and Strategy.

An area of Governance and Strategy that needs to be inserted into Governance and Strategy is environmental and biodiversity protection. Environmental and biodiversity protection can be inserted between such as growth, development, (insert) environmental and biodiversity protection, and climate change.
This gives an area or department where the New Zealand Coastal Policy Statement can be incorporated into and adopted by the Long Term Plan. Apart from adopting the NZCPS being non negotiable you can not expect positive environmental outcomes if they are not part of the Long Term Plan and incorporated into the District Plan as well. Incorporating the NZCPS into the LTP creates the regulatory space to have Vehicles on Beaches Bylaws that give effect to the New Zealand Coastal Policy Statement that will provide better environmental outcomes and attract residents that respect where they live.
9. Governance and strategy
Governance and strategy activity includes a number of important functions that support our District being inclusive, resilient and sustainable.
This activity includes
:Democracy and assurance which runs our governances and manages our risks
Strategy departments address the key strategic issues facing the District such as growth, development and climate change
Māori relationships which supports our partnership with hapū and the Te Kārearea Strategic Standing Committee.District development and commercial property, which support economic activity in the District and manages our commercial property portfolio

.Combined the functions of this activity also promote the social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being of the District.

Under Governance and strategy, concerns have been raised about the effects of ‘growth and development’ on water quality and would like council to give greater attention to ‘managing the risks’ that development poses to drinking water supplies and environmental indicators in the rivers and estuaries of the district. Closer attention needs to be paid to the effects of development on water quality when processing resource consents for subdivision and land use changes. Community groups such as Waipu River Walkway Committee would like council support to monitor water quality of catchments to establish sources of contamination so mitigation can effectively be undertaken. Monitoring needs to extend to ground truthing water quality test results by demonstrating cumulative effects on local ecosystems.

Page 22 of supporting documents omits having an approach for sea level rise. Although early reports suggest we may not see major sea level rise for centuries the ongoing observations of researchers in the Arctic, Greenland, Antarctica, the Himalayan Glaciers are seeing much more rapid ice melts. Globally ice melt is being measured in terra litres, thousands of cubic kilometres of ice melt per year. This rate of ice melt is significant and accelerating.
It would be strategic to plan for the certainty of coastal flooding as a continuing and ongoing process that is not restricted to isolated extreme weather events. One thing we can do is place an immediate halt to building on low lying coastal areas.
It would be strategic to look at existing paper roads running along coastal ridges and investigate purchasing or acquisition of land to provide the land transport corridors of the future. Sections of coastal roads, particularly those crossing causeways and bridges crossing tidal rivers or coastal floodplains will become regularly impassable before becoming permanently impassable within the timeframe of strategic plans, ie this side of 2050. We owe it to the future generations to build foundations they can grow from rather than us, now, wasting precious and perhaps irreplaceable resources worth hundreds of billions of dollars that will have to be abandoned. The strategic thing to do would be not permit building on these locations that will inevitably be flooded by rising seas.
Roads direct the flow of development, so creating roads and other infrastructure that connects communities living above a 20m elevation contour should future proof the district for the life of several strategic plans. This is important because whatever we do today lays down the foundations for the future decades and centuries.
Climate Change
CLIMATE CHANGE AND NATURAL HAZARDS
Our District is susceptible to extreme weather events which can cause significant unplanned repair works and capital costs. While we design and build our infrastructure assets to have resilience to these storm events, we are still often faced with unplanned repairs
. Council’s approach to funding storm damage is also addressed within Council’s Revenue and Financing Policy. Council would fund maintenance and capital works by borrowing up to it’s debt limit. If this was not possible then Council would reprioritise and/or defer operating costs and capital spending to accommodate the work required to make good the damage.
No provision has been made for catastrophic events such as tsunami, as this would be so disruptive that a business continuity plan based on the current operating model would be

impractical and other interventions (such as central government support) would be required.

Poriti Springs water supply upgrade.
The council recognise the legal ownership of the springs and treat the legitimate owners with respect. Any work undertaken is done so with the permission of the owners of the springs.
David Lourie

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LONG TERM PLAN 2021-31 FEEDBACK FORM

Whangarei District Council

RECEIVED
8 - MAR 2021

THE CLOSING DATE FOR FEEDBACK IS THURSDAY 1 APRIL 2021

We would love your feedback on some key issues for our District.

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- All feedback is considered public under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act, so it may be published and made available to elected members and the public.
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- You can also attend a hearing, scheduled for 13-14 April, to speak to your submission.

HOW TO GET THIS FORM TO US

Mail to: Long Term Plan feedback, Whangarei District Council, Private Bag 9023, Whangārei 0148
Email to: mailroom@wdc.govt.nz
Deliver to: Customer Services, Forum North, Rust Ave, Whangārei or Ruakākā Service Centre, Takutai Place, Ruakākā

YOUR DETAILS

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Organisation name

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Do you wish to be heard in support of your submission at a traditional hearing on 13-14 April? ☐ Yes ☑ No

YOUR FEEDBACK

Please give us your feedback on the key issues raised in the Consultation Document.

KEY ISSUE – HOW WILL WE PAY FOR WHAT WE NEED – RATES OPTIONS (SEE PAGE 17)

○ **OPTION 1:** Rates increase in year one (2021-22) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'.

Rates increase in years two to ten (2022-31) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.

✓ **OPTION 2:** Limit the rates increase to LGCI plus 2% only across ten years of the Plan

WHY? Because most of the proposed increase is being spent on "wants" not "needs". If it was going on essential infrastructure instead of theatres & the city centre I wouldn't mind so much.

KEY ISSUE – SPACES FOR GATHERING (SEE PAGE 24)

○ **OPTION 1:** Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).

✓ **OPTION 2:** Put budget towards only ONE of the following: Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, or existing facilities at Forum North. Please state which site in your comments.

○ **OPTION 3:** Build a Whangarei District Council-owned theatre on the current Forum North site.

WHY? Hihiaua Cultural Centre.

There is no way ratepayers should be subsidising the private sector by putting anything towards Oruku. In post-covid times council should probably not be spending anything on spaces for gathering crowds with? We see how things work out longer term.

KEY ISSUE – CLIMATE CHANGE AND SUSTAINABILITY (SEE PAGE 28)

- [x] **OPTION 1:** Put $3.7m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
- [ ] **OPTION 2:** Put $7.4 of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
- [ ] **OPTION 3:** No new funding towards climate change or waste minimisation.

WHY? There are limits to what can be done. If too much money is allocated, unwise decisions can be made as it is there to be spent.

KEY ISSUE – REVITALISING OUR CITY CENTRE (SEE PAGE 32)

- [ ] **OPTION 1:** Spend $13m to make improvements to James Street and John Street.
- [ ] **OPTION 2:** Spend $21m to make improvements to James Street and John Street as well as either Robert Street or Cameron Street.
- [x] **OPTION 3:** No additional funding for the City Centre.

WHY? Subsidising the private sector. City centres always go through cycles. Leave it to CBD landlords + tenants to sort out. Better decisions will be made by people putting up their own money. More seating + pedestrian right-of-way will make no difference anyway. Our CBD is physically attractive already.

TELL US WHAT YOU THINK – ANY FURTHER COMMENTS ON THE KEY ISSUES OR OTHER POINTS RAISED IN THE CONSULTATION DOCUMENT

The proposed plan seems to ignore the likelihood of a long-term decrease in tourism. A lot of the proposed stuff (CBD + shared spaces) make little or no sense if few 'outsiders' come to our area.

From: Whangarei District Council
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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Huhana Lyndon - 2021-LTP-SUB-488

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	Yes

at the hearing?	

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 2: Limit the rates increase to LGCI plus 2% only in years one to three
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	I am not in favour of Forum North. I support Oruku Landing and Hihiaua

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 2: Put $7.4m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	I agree for new funding into these priority areas as long as Nga Hapu o Whangarei are a part of decision making on allocation and funding priorities as well as implementation.

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 1: Spend $13m to make improvements to James and John St.
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

Nga Hapu o Whangarei require resourcing to support Hapu responses to RMA and LGA and Consenting matters in our district - we have so many developments taking place in the city and surrounding areas which require responses yet we are thin on the ground to provide consistency of response. It is my proposition that WDC provide a core operations resource to enable hapu technicians to meet, review, activate and support local mana i te whenua to respond to the many RMA/ LGA and Consenting matters that are happening in their rohe, providing some capability to respond - as we know this work is currently undertaken voluntarily with little resource support. Further, that our local approved hapu technicians have the ability and access to resource to grow capability to lead CIA processes and reports in our tribal rohe.

I support funding for Hihiaua Cultural Centre - IF the trust demonstrates a commitment to working with Nga Hapu o Whangarei in a meaningful way through governance and management. The kaupapa of Hihiaua is a legacy from the elders of our hapu, so it would be good to see our hapu as a part of decision making and operations.

Policy and Process -
Procurement of services and contractors. I would like to see this as a priority of Te Karearea, that local contractors are the priority and those who have demonstrated Maori knowledge, affiliation and commitment to hapu and working with Maori communities. I have grave concerns about the way with which Council contracts/ procures their contracts. Council has a responsibility to demonstrate that the contractors that they hire have a working knowledge and competence in working with Nga Hapu o Whangarei.

Te Tiriti o Waitangi Audit. WDC needs to resource and complete a Te Tiriti o Waitangi audit of its organisation, policies, processes, programs and subsidiaries. Dedicate resource to this priority please.

Hapu Specific Pathways into policy and planning - this has been a priority for Te Huinga.

But we as Hapu are still reduced to being relegated to being general Joe Public. I recommend that a dedicated Hapu engagement budget is set aside to ensure that there is early engagement, that hapu are resourced to respond in a meaningful and durable way (with access to technical support). That policy is put in place to ensure that Council dedicates itself to hapu specific pathways to input into policy and planning.

HR and Recruitment - That WDC collective ethnicity data on its staffing demographics and hapu and iwi descent. That council commit in their recruitment and HR appointment process to ensure that they test applicants knowledge, understanding of Te Tiriti o Waitangi, their understanding and knowledge of Te Ao Maori and knowledge of Nga Hapu o Whangarei our peoples/ narratives and dynamics. Further I say council needs to actively recruit Maori and uri from Nga Hapu o Whangarei, as I argue that due to the clear lack of inclusion of Te Ao Maori competence there is no requirement for staff appointed to have any working knowledge of their Te Tiriti partner aka Nga Hapu o Whangarei.

Return of Reserve Lands - I signal to Council that there is an opportunity to demonstrate a commitment to Te Tiriti o Waitangi by planning the return of reserve lands to the haukainga hapu and devolving resource to the hapu to administer these sites ongoing. Many of these lands were acquired by Council through the harbour board and public works and other acts of the Crown. It is timely that a stocktake is undertaken of reserve lands alongside Te Karearea to prepare for a hand back to hapu.

Hapu Hub - that Council prioritize a quality building for Nga Hapu o Whangarei which can be managed and coordinated for the benefit of the hapu and wider Maori Community. The currently Lower Dent St site is not that place, it has poor access, little maintenance and as uri no Nga Hapu o Whangarei we call upon Council to source a building, and resource it through your Community Halls and Grants Scheme for ongoing use and maintenance.

Place Names - that WDC complete a project alongside Nga Hapu o Whangarei to identify place names in the district which are wrong/ or typos or incorrect in order to move forward together to make name changes/ or adjustments to these places of significance around our rohe. EG: Te Kamo/ instead of Kamo. Ahotu/ instead of Apotu.

Coastal Cultural Heritage Trail - Waikaraka to Whangarei Heads: that a program of action is undertaken to reflect the cultural narratives of the Whangarei Heads area to grow the Maori cultural footprint in the area - as per recommendations of the Tamaterau CIA - but extend along the entire coastline. This will require resource and hapu engagement.

Hikurangi Swamp - Council needs to prioritise funding for the remediation of the 7 pump stations in the Hikurangi swamp to protect our tuna taonga species. That Council resource Nga Kaitiaki o Nga Waimaori to deliver ongoing monitoring services across the swamp and be resourced to engage across the scheme project and program. Nga Kaitiaki o Nga Waimaori are our endorsed lead on this work in Hikurangi Swamp - we need Council to allocate funding.

Catherine MacAulay

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WHANGAREI DISTRICT COUNCIL LTP SUBMISSION

I am well aware that the population of older people in the district is going to reach around 25% in a few years.

I see nothing in the LTP that recognises this increase. I see no new facilities.

My biggest concern is housing for the elderly, particularly for those who are less well-off financially.

I request: "That the LTP increases its current budget for pensioner housing to at least $5,000,000 for new builds in the first 5 years."

I believe that local councils have a responsibility to contribute to the housing stock for our local elderly. Council's current stock will not meet the needs of this growing population.

I request: "That the LTP includes $2,000,000 for public/private partnership in small housing units in small collectives (suggest 4 to 6).

Those of us who are fortunate can afford to move into retirement villages but there is an increasing number of elderly who do not have the finances to take up this option. Providing this opportunity would assist many to feel ownership in such a shared financial investment. These would need to be protected for occupation, not rental, only for those over 65. These should be landscaped to create a pleasant environment and be near public transport.

I sincerely hope you will take my requests seriously.

Yours faithfully

Catherine M MacAulay

From: Robin Lieffering
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From: Whangarei District Council
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To: Mail Room
Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Jordan MacDonald - 2021-LTP-SUB-362

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Jordan MacDonald - 2021-LTP-SUB-362

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-362

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No

at the hearing?	

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 2: Put $7.4m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	This is not enough money over ten years. This is a pittance compared to what needs to be contributed. I would like to see solarisation of public facilities. Change resource and building consents to allow for more sustainable options including second hand materials, earth and alternative materials. Create a target for reducing the amount of concrete used in constructions. Incentivize smaller home construction, composting toilets and stop putting minimal house size in subdivision covenants. I would love to see higher density housing in Whangārei CBD.

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 1: Spend $13m to make improvements to James and John St.
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

I would like to see Whangārei District council take new environmental legislation more seriously.

The new NES and NPS rules will mean fish passage in all district owned culverts and weirs need to be removed and remediated. Fish passage is a huge component to the decline of our endemic fish species and I would like to see an assessment and remediation plan done for all council owned assets that intersect with waterways.

Stop the Hikurangi flood scheme. This scheme has destroyed the biggest repo in New Zealand and it continues it to degrade under intensive dairy farming. The WDC owned pumping scheme needs to be stopped, removed and the surrounding area restored in native wetland plants. This will be hugely benefit to the climate change and sustainability section.

From: Whangarei District Council
Sent: 25 Mar 2021 00:06:39 +0000
To: Mail Room
Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Thelma MacDonald - 2021-LTP-SUB-177

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Thelma MacDonald - 2021-LTP-SUB-177

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-177

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No

at the hearing?	

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 3: Build a Whangarei District Council-owned theatre on the current Forum North site.
Why?	It would be great not to have to travel to Auckland to see good quality shows and a decent theatre may attract overseas performers too

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 3: No new funding towards climate change or waste minimisation.
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 2: Spend $21m to make improvements to James and John St as well as either Robert St or Cameron Street.
Why?	Not enough parking in the cbd area especially if you are disabled or elderly you just don't go there as it's too far to walk to shop's

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

LONG TERM PLAN 2021-31 FEEDBACK FORM

Whangarei District Council

RECEIVED 19 MAR 2021 WHANGAREI DISTRICT COUNCIL

THE CLOSING DATE FOR FEEDBACK IS THURSDAY 1 APRIL 2021

We would love your feedback on some key issues for our District.

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Email to: mailroom@wdc.govt.nz
Deliver to: Customer Services, Forum North, Rust Ave, Whangārei or Ruakākā Service Centre, Takutai Place, Ruakākā

YOUR DETAILS

Name

I am making this submission as: ☑ An individual ○ On behalf of an organisation

Organisation name Ross Mackenzie

Postal address PO Box 1918 Whangarie.

Best number to contact you on 021 961 898

Email spinz.ross@gmail.com

Do you wish to be heard in support of your submission at a traditional hearing on 13-14 April? ○ Yes ○ No

YOUR FEEDBACK

Please give us your feedback on the key issues raised in the Consultation Document.

KEY ISSUE – HOW WILL WE PAY FOR WHAT WE NEED – RATES OPTIONS (SEE PAGE 17)

○ **OPTION 1:** Rates increase in year one (2021-22) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'.

Rates increase in years two to ten (2022-31) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.

☑ **OPTION 2:** Limit the rates increase to LGCI plus 2% only across ten years of the Plan

WHY? WDC needs to have a full operation and financial review. My experience in business tells me that there will be significant savings on the table.
Contracting procedures also need a full review and acheivable KPIs set.

KEY ISSUE – SPACES FOR GATHERING (SEE PAGE 24)

○ **OPTION 1:** Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).

○ **OPTION 2:** Put budget towards only ONE of the following: Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, or existing facilities at Forum North. Please state which site in your comments.

☑ **OPTION 3:** Build a Whangarei District Council-owned theatre on the current Forum North site.

WHY? WDC should not use option 1 or 2 unless a significant Public/Private partnership could raise significant non rates funding.

KEY ISSUE – CLIMATE CHANGE AND SUSTAINABILITY (SEE PAGE 28)

☑ **OPTION 1:** Put $3.7m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.

○ **OPTION 2:** Put $7.4 of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.

○ **OPTION 3:** No new funding towards climate change or waste minimisation.

WHY? New Zealand's contribution to climate is minimal and the best mitigation action NZ could take is not worth the cost to NZ. As a matter of common sense waste minimisation, environmental preservation and protection of wild life and forna are vital.

KEY ISSUE – REVITALISING OUR CITY CENTRE (SEE PAGE 32)

○ **OPTION 1:** Spend $13m to make improvements to James Street and John Street.

○ **OPTION 2:** Spend $21m to make improvements to James Street and John Street as well as either Robert Street or Cameron Street.

☑ **OPTION 3:** No additional funding for the City Centre.

WHY? A much more important Issue is to provide a seamless link from the City Centre to the Town Basin.

TELL US WHAT YOU THINK – ANY FURTHER COMMENTS ON THE KEY ISSUES OR OTHER POINTS RAISED IN THE CONSULTATION DOCUMENT McAuslin Road Sandy Bay is the only unsealed beachfront road in WDC. It is 500m long with 5 blind corners, it is high maintenance and dangerous, 2 cars written off in 3 years. Every heavy rain tonnes of gravel wash down the hill onto the beach. Hoons love it! Users are hikers, horse trekers, cyclists and beach goers.

From: Whangarei District Council
Sent: 22 Mar 2021 06:54:51 +0000
To: Mail Room
Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Lorraine Maheno - 2021-LTP-SUB-129

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Lorraine Maheno - 2021-LTP-SUB-129

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-129

Your details:

Name:	Lorraine Maheno
I am making this submission as:	As an individual
Organisation name:	
Postal address:	173 McLean Road Waipu 0582
Best phone number:	0211042411
Email:	lorraine_maheno@hotmail.com

Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	
Why?	

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

On behalf of residents of McLean Road Waipu I would like to make a submission to have the second part of our road.

We have been residents here for 26 years and at least 2 submissions have been made in the past to no avail. I think it now has become critical that it is done for the following reasons.

1. Huge increase in traffic. The number of residences has increased from 6 to approx 30 in the past 26 years. However the biggest problem is through traffic from developments in Glenmohr Massey Harwood and South Roads

2. Health issues. Dust is polluting our water source and effecting people with respiratory problems.

3. Safety reasons. It is a school bus route and we have seen a big increase in cyclists/walkers.

4. Detour route for heavy vehicles that cannot use Cove Road bridge.

5. Alternative route when accidents close SH 1 and Cove Road.

6. With drier seasons grading is not been done on a regular basis and the road is badly corrugated and potholed and is a safety issue.

Please hear our pleas. Thankyou

From: Whangarei District Council
Sent: 25 Mar 2021 09:48:59 +0000
To: Mail Room
Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Patrick Malley - 2021-LTP-SUB-194

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Patrick Malley - 2021-LTP-SUB-194

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-194

Your details:

Name:	Patrick Malley
I am making this submission as:	As an individual
Organisation name:	
Postal address:	162 Pukeatua Road, RD9, Maungatapere, Whangarei, 0179
Best phone number:	021963363
Email:	patrick@onyxhorticulture.co.nz

Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No

at the hearing?	

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 2: Put budget towards only ONE of the following: Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North.
Why?	

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 1: Put $3.7m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 1: Spend $13m to make improvements to James and John St.
Why?	

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o I'd like WDC to provide funding and support/expertise to help us establish a cycleway/shared path in Maungatāpere. We have almost nowhere for people to walk for recreation, and cannot use the main roads because they are all now state highways with endless logging trucks. Our nearest park is Barge Park. We need something here. There are several paper roads within the area that could be suitable for a cycleway, and perhaps also access for horse-riders, dog-walkers and other leisure users. There is one between Clendon Drive and SH14, another off Pukeatua Rd, and perhaps a walkway to join up Corsair Drive and Clendon Drive. The Community-Led Project team have put aside $45,000 for a feasibility study for the Clendon Drive/Corsair Drive option, since a very kind landowner is willing to donate land, but they'd need more funding to cover the costs of establishing the walkway.
o I want the council to start insisting that all subdivisions donate some land for public use. Otherwise we will end up with a lot of places like Maungatāpere that keep expanding but have no land for playgrounds, public toilets etc. Other councils around NZ insist on this; ours currently just requests politely, so it doesn't happen – for example the subdivision in Corsair Drive where the bush is no longer accessible to the general public - only to residents of the new subdivision.
o I'd like WDC to help identify a possible route and funding source for a cycleway access between Maungatāpere and Whangārei.
o I'd like WDC to look at establishing a horse-riding trail on the council land at the end of Pukeatua Rd.
o I'd like WDC to look at establishing a mountain bike trail on the council land at the end of Pukeatua Rd.
o I'd like WDC to look at establishing walking trails on Maungatāpere Mountain, in consultation with local iwi.

From: Whangarei District Council
Sent: 24 Mar 2021 16:54:07 +0000
To: Mail Room
Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Rebecca Malley - 2021-LTP-SUB-164

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Rebecca Malley - 2021-LTP-SUB-164

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-164

Your details:

Name:	Rebecca Malley
I am making this submission as:	As an individual
Organisation name:	
Postal address:	162 Pukeatua Road RD 9
Best phone number:	
Email:	

Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	

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Why?	

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Why?	

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Why?	

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From: Whangarei District Council
Sent: 19 Mar 2021 23:19:07 +0000
To: Mail Room
Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Rosana Hiki Pou Ferguson - 2021-LTP-SUB-105

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Rosana Hiki Pou Ferguson - 2021-LTP-SUB-105

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-105

Your details:

Name:	Rosana Hiki Pou Ferguson
I am making this submission as:	On behalf of an organisation
Organisation name:	Manuel pou family whanau trust
Postal address:	2f Main Highway
Best phone number:	0211001530
Email:	rosanahpouferguson@gmail.com

Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	Yes

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	
Why?	This is an officials complaint under the privacies an officials information acts we the manuel pou family whanau trust we demand on request a internal independent investigation into the unlawful doings as kaitiaki of nzlands laws u have failed to comply we also expect a ministerial review into the illegal dealings under the contra profrentem principles international law Te tiriti o waitangi acts 1840 the 4articles. Under the class actions sections13 u r breaching ur legislative duties to the Maori affairs acts 1953 the families care an protections acts 1989 which needs to b addressed Ashere comply

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	
Why?	This is an officials complaint a demand on request for an official internal independent investigation into northland council breeching all treaty articles and failing to comply to the rules and regulations of your legislative duties and responsibility into native indigenous rights acts failing to comply to te tiriti o waitangi 1840 and international law the Maori affairs act 1953 care and protection act 1989 indigenous rights acts we request an immediate response to these very serious breeches

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 2: Put $7.4m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	This is an officials complaint a demand on request for 1.a officials internal independent investigation a ministerial reveiw under the 2.official information and privacies act 3. te tiriti o waitangi 1840 4.care and protection act 1989 5.international law environmental damage done by council concerning 1.water crisis 2.poisoning of lands 3.forests valleys landlocks airways waterways by Ariel spray of 1080 4.council pollution when concerning 5.waste and water management 6.unlawful confiscation of Maori land without consent by Maori land owners. This is and official complaint and a demand on request for our officials complaint and investigation be done under urgent request

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	
Why?	This is a demand on request for an official internal independent investigation for failing to comply to the rules and regulation of 1.official and privacy acts 2.indigenous rights acts 3.te tiriti o waitangi 1840 4.the care and protection act 1989 4.internal law act

	The council have responsibility to indigenous native Maori to care and protect their human and indigenous rights.council must obide and comply to the rules and regulations this is a demand on request for an immediate response to these very serious concerns

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

1. Demand on request for a officials complaint an officials internal independent investigation into council illegal bylaws to confiscate Maori free hold land using the work act economy crisis environmental crisis
Water crisis poverty crisis housing crisis
2.breeching all 4 articles of the the tiriti o waitangi 1840 which is constitute by crown
3.failing to the families care and protection act 1989
4. BreechingMaori affairs act 1953
5.class action section 13
6.indigenous rights acts
7.human rights acts
8.the health and well being of our native Maori
9.Environment law acts
10.failing to complying adhering and obiding to the rules and regulation of these act
Council you are responsible accountable an immediate response to these very serious complaints and concerns must be investigated and responded with an official answer

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YOUR DETAILS

Name Ruth Marsh

I am making this submission as: ☑ An individual ☐ On behalf of an organisation

Organisation name

Postal address

368 Three Mile Bush Rd
RD 1 Kamo 0185

Best number to contact you on 021 500 564

Email ruth@ourcommanfuture.co.nz

Do you wish to be heard in support of your submission at a traditional hearing on 13-14 April? ☐ Yes ☑ No

Unfortunately I am out of town.

YOUR FEEDBACK

Please give us your feedback on the key issues raised in the Consultation Document.

KEY ISSUE – HOW WILL WE PAY FOR WHAT WE NEED – RATES OPTIONS (SEE PAGE 17)

○ **OPTION 1:** Rates increase in year one (2021-22) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two to ten (2022-31) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.

○ **OPTION 2:** Limit the rates increase to LGCI plus 2% only across ten years of the Plan

WHY?

OPTION 3:
Rates increase in year one (21-22) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI + 1% catch up.
Rates increase in year ~~one~~ two of 2% + 2.5% LGCI + 1% catch up
Rates increase in years 3–10 of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.

KEY ISSUE – SPACES FOR GATHERING (SEE PAGE 24)

○ **OPTION 1:** Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hihiaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).

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☑ **OPTION 3:** Build a Whangarei District Council-owned theatre on the current Forum North site.

WHY?

OPTION 3: Provided we end up with a venue that has appropriate size + acoustics to host NZSO + NZ Ballet + other such performances.
Oruku is a bad site for such development – too small, too much congestion, and whatever happens these should be privately funded
Hihiaua is able to stand on it's own feet.

KEY ISSUE – CLIMATE CHANGE AND SUSTAINABILITY (SEE PAGE 28)

- ( ) **OPTION 1:** Put $3.7m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
- (✓) **OPTION 2:** Put $7.4 of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
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WHY?

We have declared a climate emergency; we need to act on it; focus on first mitigation. We need to also be very strategic about adaptation and waste minimisation.

KEY ISSUE – REVITALISING OUR CITY CENTRE (SEE PAGE 32)

- (✓) **OPTION 1:** Spend $13m to make improvements to James Street and John Street.
- ( ) **OPTION 2:** Spend $20m to make improvements to James Street and John Street as well as either Robert Street or Cameron Street.
- ( ) **OPTION 3:** No additional funding for the City Centre.

WHY?

Spend enough to connect town basin with city centre and improve the look and vibe of the ~~town~~ city centre.
Great work on the Complete Streets Master Plan.
We need to stimulate private investors to diversify in the city centre with for example, residential living and green spaces.

TELL US WHAT YOU THINK – ANY FURTHER COMMENTS ON THE KEY ISSUES OR OTHER POINTS RAISED IN THE CONSULTATION DOCUMENT

Long Term Plan Feedback
Wairarapa District Council
Private Bag 5023
Wairarapa, 5840.

From: Whangarei District Council
Sent: 23 Mar 2021 09:16:29 +0000
To: Mail Room
Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Peter Marshall - 2021-LTP-SUB-147

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Peter Marshall - 2021-LTP-SUB-147

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-147

Your details:

Name:	Peter Marshall
I am making this submission as:	As an individual
Organisation name:	
Postal address:	2/6 Deveron St Regent 0112
Best phone number:	0211345208
Email:	

Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 2: Put $7.4m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 1: Spend $13m to make improvements to James and John St.
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points

raised in the Consultation document:

From: Whangarei District Council
Sent: 29 Mar 2021 06:25:20 +0000
To: Mail Room
Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Tamsyn Marshall - 2021-LTP-SUB-266

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Tamsyn Marshall - 2021-LTP-SUB-266

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-266

Your details:

Name:	Tamsyn Marshall
I am making this submission as:	As an individual
Organisation name:	
Postal address:	22 Beverley Crescent, Maungatapere
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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No

at the hearing?	

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 2: Limit the rates increase to LGCI plus 2% only in years one to three
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	

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Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

Definitely better flow and beautification between the city and town basin.

50km limit in Maungatapere township please and a crossing option, traffic lights or roundabout.

Otherwise very exciting about the changes happening right now with Whangarei central!

From: Whangarei District Council
Sent: 24 Mar 2021 01:12:06 +0000
To: Mail Room
Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Barry Martin - 2021-LTP-SUB-153

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Barry Martin - 2021-LTP-SUB-153

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-153

Your details:

Name:	Barry Martin
I am making this submission as:	As an individual
Organisation name:	
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Best phone number:	0272220157
Email:	bazmazmartin50@gmail.com

Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	

at the hearing?	

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 2: Limit the rates increase to LGCI plus 2% only in years one to three
Why?	My main concern is the impact on persons with limited income whom own their own properties . abiet the council does give a rebate to pensioners but with ever increasing cost of living every dollar counts. No doubt at the next round of council property val;uations residential properties will show a huge increse so it goes without saying rates will go up. The Council always says it only takes what it needs to cover its plan but this is a never ending "wish list".

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 3: Build a Whangarei District Council-owned theatre on the current Forum North site.
Why?	Objection with Option 1. more particularly the Oruku Landing Conference Centre for the following reasons;- 1. Has the Council actually done a feasibility study for the actual costing including cost of foundations given that a large portion is reclaimed land which will require considerable foundations down a long way to find solid ground. (Given what was undertaken in the Hundertwasser |Project) 2. Parking. Is there provision on site or are 1000 patrons plus staff going to use the swimming complex park, Pohe Island or the Town Basin area. Associated with all these vehicles is the access being Riverside Drive (one way either direction) and

	imagine the traffic chaos. 3. Placing the complex across the river is splitting the city even further resulting in the city centre becoming even more deserted . 4. Although $60m grant from the Govt. Covid 19 Response fund has been offered , plus $23m from the WDC together with $14m from the NRC (Total $97m) the project is obviously "short in funding " as why would the WDC " be responsible for any liability or cost overruns ". Who in their right mind would give someone an "open cheque" on a project as big as this. Remember at the end of the day ratepayers are always the ones whom front up with the dollars not the Councils. The alternative is to use the existing Forum North site following relocation of the council staff to the new Civic block being built. Reson being ;- 1. The site is more stable (ie foundations are probably not on reclaimed land or may not require as much as the Oruku site 2. It is a central city location with majority of shops and other ammenities handy 3. Parking is easier and closer with mutiple entrance / exits from the Forum North 4. Funding . The Councils have basically commited $37m (WDC $23m & FNDC $14m) to the Oruku project and costed to ratepayers so why cannot this be tranferred to the Forum North revamp together with the Govt. $60m or is this $60m "set in concrete" for Oruku project.

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	

Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 1: Spend $13m to make improvements to James and John St.
Why?	This area does need a spruce up. Additionally would like to see some link up of the pedrestrian/ cycleway from Rust Ave/VineryLane to the Town Basin to avoid fighting your way through the main shopping area of the city and reduce the risks crossing the busy Hatea Drive/Dent St roads..Not an easy one but withsome lateral thinking like using the edge of Kamo Road / Hatea Drive to Mair Park . The down across the Mair Park bridge turn right and follow the pathway through to Vale Road which joins Riverside Road where there is a pedrestrian crossing to the basin loop

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From: Whangarei District Council
Sent: 10 Mar 2021 19:39:31 +0000
To: Mail Room
Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Jane Martin - 2021-LTP-SUB-38

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Jane Martin - 2021-LTP-SUB-38

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-38

Your details:

Name:	Jane Martin
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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 2: Limit the rates increase to LGCI plus 2% only in years one to three
Why?	this is a steep increase that no one has been made aware the reasons for this. the services we have paid for over the last 20 years have been non existent and i refuse to pay more for poorer service

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 3: Build a Whangarei District Council-owned theatre on the current Forum North site.
Why?	because the current congestion on the riverside road is bad enough. with the conference centre location this will cause more congestion. the current forum north site is ugly, they have space next door with the removal of the RSA so perfectly good enough site, and the fact we have transportation that heads to town this should not impact heavily on current road congestion

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 3: No new funding towards climate change or waste minimisation.
Why?	i have no idea how much money is currently going towards this so happy to keep same

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 3: No additional funding for the city centre.
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

we need to be conservative with money in the next 3 years, due to covid and the financial reactions to this. i think it is bad for local government to even consider putting more pressure on rate payers when many have been dealing with financial loss

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Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Vanessa Martinovich - 2021-LTP-SUB-57

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Vanessa Martinovich - 2021-LTP-SUB-57

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Do you wish to be heard	No

at the hearing?	

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	Need sufficient funds for the proposed budgets.

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	All sites have importance and will be used for different events.

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 2: Put $7.4m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	We need more progress on a Climate Change Policy for Whangarei.

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 2: Spend $21m to make improvements to James and John St as well as either Robert St or Cameron Street.
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

Some additional projects I would like added to the longterm plan include:

A tidy up and landscaping of the Town Basin main pedestrian area, between the end of the new park and the new playground. Make a better defined loop route through here and update to match surrounding infrastructure.

Better public beach access at Bland Bay.

Funding of the Waipu to Waipu Cove cycleway middle stage.

Bring forward proposed works on Pohe island like the skatepark stage 2, playground waterfront pontoons.

Whangarei main entrance berm clean up and landscaping, between Otaika Sportsfield and Otaika shops

From: Whangarei District Council
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Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Pia Johanna Marty - 2021-LTP-SUB-143

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Pia Johanna Marty - 2021-LTP-SUB-143

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	It is sensible to do the catch-up now. I don't know which services would be reduced if we do not increase the flow of money now. For me, this is not worth the risk as I feel we are not in control of which services or projects would be abandoned.

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 2: Put budget towards only ONE of the following: Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North.
Why?	Improvement of existing facilities at Forum North. I believe we do not need such large conference and event centres with 4 * hotels etc. like the one proposed at the Landing here in Whangarei. Estimations on maintenance costs are not reliable and eventually the tax payers will be asked to provide the money.

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 1: Put $3.7m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	With good programmes and plans that are efficient and

	thoroughly thought through, we could progress on mitigation of the problems and put a special focus on waste minimisation. These are the things we as ratepayers can do and I am very willing to participate and contribute to the steps that are proposed.

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 1: Spend $13m to make improvements to James and John St.
Why?	I wonder though, how many of the now empty shop spaces will be filled? It seems that such retail shopping is not en vogue anymore. People gather at the malls or shop online. I prefer to reduce all my shopping and stick to the bare minimum in line with waste minimaisation as well as self-sustained options.

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

I am impressed with the document and especially the various options that are given to us ratepayers in order to have our say. I sincerely hope that may citizens are reading this document and actually take the time to fill it in.

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Noel Matthews - 2021-LTP-SUB-180

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 2: Limit the rates increase to LGCI plus 2% only in years one to three
Why?	One tree point is growing significantly so the rates take will grow automatically for our area without the need to significantly penalise ratees

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 2: Put budget towards only ONE of the following: Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North.
Why?	Council has enough buildings already, supporting other funding initiatives spreads the financial load

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 1: Put $3.7m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	Climate change is real and we need to be improving our position in Whangarei to alleviate or respond to the affects of climate change

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 2: Spend $21m to make improvements to James and John St as well as either Robert St or Cameron Street.
Why?	CBD needs to be rejuvinated

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

Id like to make a submission regards to improving the safety of the One tree point boat ramp. Previous councils have installed pontoons twice. Both these were washed away in storms. As the population grows with 1800 more houses planned in the area, existing boat ramps are already becoming clogged. OTP boat ramp is predominantly only used by smaller craft due to no pontoon and side currents that make it difficult to launch larger craft. This submission is to build a retaining wall first to provide protection before reinstalling the pontoons. The wall would provide access for land based fishos to access deeper and better fishing grounds. Local resources (rocks) are being transported regularly by barge passed this location for ports and retaining walls further south. This submission is to seek council funding to utilyse our local businesses to create a long term and valuable asset for this growing community.

Submission to Whangārei District Council Long-Term Plan

24 March 2021

Submission presented by the Maungatāpere Community-Led Projects Team.

As a group we want to enhance Maungatāpere's assets, and address its major problem. We have done extensive consultation within the Maungatāpere district and there is a strong demand for a community space and safety measures around our traffic issues.

Maungatāpere has no public land within the village itself. With a population of over 3500 (2018 census), and as a major through-road we think there is a need for some publicly provided toilets. Travellers currently use the toilets at the service station or café, which are privately owned. There is some land by the hall, a mile up the road, but the bowling club is anxious about major use there that could lead to vandalism of the greens. It is also not the best position for public toilets.

Maungatāpere is set on an extraordinarily busy crossroads, with all four roads now designated state highways in order to accommodate logging trucks (hundreds of which go through the village every day). The village is spread out along these roads, with huge difficulties for residents wanting to get from café to dairy, or from dairy to the local church, or from any of these places to the school or day-care. There are almost no footpaths, and no walking access to the day-care. The distance from the village to the day-care is the equivalent of the distance from Forum North to the police station, but locals must drive because there is no footpath.

When our roads were changed to be state highways the district was not consulted, and was offered no compensatory infrastructure to mitigate the enormous increase in traffic, e.g. more paths, traffic-slowing devices, reduced speed limits, or the installation of traffic lights. The speed limit remains at 70km and should come down. Apparently a roundabout at the intersection is a possibility in the future, but this wouldn't help pedestrians, only make the intersection less dangerous for drivers. Traffic lights might be preferable because this would offer road-crossing options for pedestrians. Future changes in the village need to consider all users, not just traffic passing through. However, we recognise that the council can do little to help us with these concerns because now that our roads have all been designated state highways they have become NZTA's business – and NZTA's mandate takes no account of community needs, only road-users' needs.

What the council can help us with is providing places for locals to walk that aren't on these main roads. Our nearest parks are at Barge Park and the Mangakahia Complex, both only reachable by car. There is nowhere for young mums to walk their prams, or meet together where their children can play. No parks, no playground, no safe space. The school is only available after 4pm and in the weekends and holidays. Most people drive to town and do the Loop, but what if you don't have a car?

As a group, with current council support, we are looking at establishing a network of cycleways/shared paths. This would encourage our children to be more independent and support sustainability by allowing people to walk or cycle to school or work, reducing emissions and benefiting people's physical and mental wellbeing. In addition it would benefit our local economy, as people who walk or cycle have been found to be more likely to stop and visit shops and businesses on the way to their destination. There would be opportunities

for future business development to both support these public spaces as well as the growth of the village in general.

Cycleways and paths would also offer recreational opportunities for all members of the community – dog-walkers, mothers and babies/pre-schoolers, teenage cyclists, people wanting somewhere to exercise, horse riders and walkers. Currently there is nothing for any of these people. Research found that safety concerns are the biggest deterrent for people who want to try cycling. The health benefits of walking are estimated to be $2,60 per km and $1.3 per km for cycling.

There are several paper roads within the area that could be suitable for a cycleway, and perhaps also access for horse-riders, dog-walkers and other leisure users.
There is one between Clendon Drive and SH14 and another off Pukeatua Rd leading to SH15, and we're also looking at a walkway to join up Corsair Drive and Clendon Drive to make a safe loop walk. The Community-Led Project team have put aside $45,000 for a feasibility study for the Clendon Drive/Corsair Drive option, since a very kind landowner is willing to donate land, but they'd need more funding to cover the costs of establishing the walkway.

We'd also like the council to look at establishing a mountain bike trail and horse-riding trail on the council land at the end of Pukeatua Rd, and perhaps (after consulting local iwi and the Maungatāpere Mountain Trust) walking tracks up Maungatāpere Mountain. We'd like council to explore options for developing a cycleway between Maungatāpere and Whangārei that commuters, recreational cyclists and families could use. This should be included in the walking and cycling strategy so they are given priority and funding.

All of these possible developments would enhance life here, encourage outdoor recreation, support the mental wellbeing of our residents and make our community more resilient.
We are also concerned generally about subdivisions around Whangārei that are going to create more Maungatāpere-type villages that lack public land. We understand other councils insist on public land being offered in large subdivisions that will reduce public land while increasing the numbers of people needing access. Is there a reason why Whangarei District Council doesn't do the same? Even if the sections are large, like those along Three Mile Bush Rd, will they stay that way? What happens when Whangārei expands further and these are subdivided again? Where will the children play then? Do we all have to drive to the Loop?

We want the council to start insisting that all subdivisions donate some land for public use in order to future-proof the recreational opportunities of the people who will live there – now and long into the future. Otherwise we will end up with a lot of places like Maungatāpere that keep expanding but have no land for playgrounds, public toilets or gathering places. And without those, there is no sense of community. We just become a place for logging trucks to whizz past, while our residents have to drive elsewhere to access recreation.

In short, we would like these to be included in the plan:

- Maungatāpere's shared paths/cycleways—both local ones and a commuter cycleway between Maungatāpere and Whangārei—to be part of the walking and cycling strategy.
- The need for public land in Maungatāpere for a playground, community gathering and public toilets be recognised and addressed.

- Consideration be given to developing bridle paths, dog-walking areas and a mountain-bike trail on the land at the end of Pukeatua Road.
- A requirement that all future developments anywhere in the Whangārei District must include some allocated public land.

Maungatāpere Community-Led Projects Group – Maungatāpere Village Inc.

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Brent Mawson - 2021-LTP-SUB-44

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No

at the hearing?	

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	This level of rating is needed to meet the developmental needs of the district in the period of the plan

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	
Why?	I can fully endorse none of these three options. but prefer a mix of option 2 and 3. I am particularly concerned about the proposal to invest $23 million toward the building of the Oruku Landing Conference and Evens Centre. The proposal that Council take ownership of this construction project, manage the construction costs, take responsibility for the long-term maintenance and depreciation of the facility and be responsible for any liability or cost overruns has very serious financial implications. It is most unusual for any major building project to be completed within budget and running losses can be expected. I do not think it is prudent for the Council to commit to these unknown costs and feel that they have been seduced by the lure of $60 million from Central Government into an ill-considered venture. I believe that the Oruku Landing Conference and Evens Centre is not the place for a conference centre as this facility needs to be part of a genuine community facility "that bring us together, celebrate our

	arts, culture and heritage, and attract performers and events to our District." (p24). This aim can best be achieved by building a lyric theatre on the forum north site and upgrading the existing facilities in Forum North. There seems some wide discrepancy between the cost of $35 million provided by Shand Shelton Architects and the $55 million cost in the Council discussion document. I hope this was not a deliberate attempt by council staff to influence public opinion. I fully support council funds being provided to assist stage two of the Hihiaua Cultural centre.

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 1: Put $3.7m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	It is with reluctance I support option one as I believe it does not provide sufficient funding to significantly meet the challenge of climate change. Although the Council declared a climate change emergency in July 2019 there is little evidence of any urgency and serious commitment in these proposals. The creation of joint committees to discuss solutions is not a substitute for concrete action and I see little chance of this in the current proposed plan.

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 2: Spend $21m to make improvements to James and John St as well as either Robert St or Cameron Street.
Why?	A vibrant, environmentally rich city centre is essential for the health of the district. We need to make a more active connection between the CBD and the town basin, both for the

	economic health of the community and the integration of the economic and cultural life of the city and district

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

The central library is a absolute treasure for the district and I would urge the council to continue and increase the funding for this wonderful asset

Submission for WDC 2021-2031 Long Term Plan

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30 MAR 2021
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Section of Beach Road, Onerahi, is dangerous for pedestrians

The section of Beach Road, from the Onerahi Yacht Club to Hill St is extremely dangerous. The road is narrow and barely wide enough for two vehicles to pass each other, especially for large trucks and cars towing boats. It is potentially dangerous for pedestrians because this road finishes at the sea wall and there is no footpath for people and their families.

The WDC has created a well-used, safe, shared path from Beach Road, along the Waimahanga Track and Riverside Drive, to the Town Basin. Many more people are using Beach Road because there is now a safe pathway. It is great to see people of all ages enjoying the area every day - walking, running, cycling and taking their dogs for a walk, families with babies in prams and young children riding their bikes. Many people like to complete a circuit of Beach Rd and have to use a dangerous, narrow road with no footpath to do this.

Frequently reckless drivers choose to use Beach Road to drive as fast as they can, sometimes with groups of cars. It is frightening when cars speed past and are dangerously close to you. These drivers have a complete disregard for the safety of people and their families who enjoy walking along this scenic part of our harbour.

Many species of birds live in this area. I regularly walk around Beach Road and I frequently witness cruel drivers deliberately mowing down flocks of birds, killing and maiming them. Many people do not realise that some species like the Red-billed Gull is native to NZ and their numbers are in decline. Caring people do not like to witness this deliberate cruelty. This creates additional work for the Native Bird Recovery Centre volunteers. Traffic calming measures would slow drivers down and make Beach Road safer for all bird life too.

The WDC has encouraged people to use this beautiful area and now needs to complete the circuit of Beach Road and make it safer for people and birdlife.

Suggestions - make Beach Road:

- a one way street from the Onerahi Yacht Club to Hill St
- continue the concreted shared path to Hill St
- put in traffic calming measures from the Raurimu Road intersection to Hill St

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Gordon Angus McCulloch - 2021-LTP-SUB-296

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Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	We need to be prepared to invest in our District for the future. Council activity over recent years (eg The Loop, Pohe Island etc) have made Whangarei a better place to live and bring up children. I hope the Council continues to proceed with confidence in building a great living environment.

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	So that as broad a range of cultural/event activities can be provided for and progressed as soon as possible. To help build the "critical mass" of the community and increase the reasons for visitors to come to our great destination.

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 2: Put $7.4m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	We haven't always been good at thinking long term and

	respecting the land that sustains us. We need to expend more effort to achieve sustainable development and rethink our treatment of "waste" to unlock it as a resource.

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 2: Spend $21m to make improvements to James and John St as well as either Robert St or Cameron Street.
Why?	If we are not proud of it why should anybody else bother coming.

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

In relation to "Proud To Be Local - and there are opportunities for people of all abilities, ages and life stages to be active" That funding be available to support community facilities in meeting essential costs such as long term maintenance/replacement and insurance on an ongoing basis. This would help recognize the public good provided by organizations (of often volunteer workers) that have and do work tirelessly to provide opportunities for our young people.
"Efficient and resilient core services - the District is well prepared for growth and can adapt to change" That opportunities be explored to increase the availability of land particularly near the centres of all our townships for apartments, small lot/multi unit development. The purpose to provide a range of accommodation options for our increasingly diverse and growing community. This also has efficiencies in use of existing infrastructure.

From: Mary McDonald
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Subject: Fwd: ECO WATCH: New pesticides will modify insect genes: What could go wrong?

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Submission Addition from M.R G. McDonald.
Submission on G.E. and G.M.Os.
-This information arrived too late for me to include in my submission. Would you please admit it as a post script.

Mary R.G.Mc Donald

New pesticides will modify insect genes: What could go wrong?

By Kendra Klein
EcoWatch, 9 Mar 2021
https://www.ecowatch.com/pesticides-modify-insect-genes-2650992311.html
[links to sources at this URL]

Biden's election has boosted hopes that scientific integrity will be restored in the federal government. To make good on that promise, the administration will need to take action to safeguard against the risks of an entirely new type of pesticide, one developed by genetic engineers rather than chemists.

These pesticides will broadcast "gene silencing" agents across our farm fields — resulting in an open-air genetic engineering experiment. Among the concerns that scientists have raised are threats to bees and other beneficial insects essential to food production. Others have called out potential impacts on human health, including for some of our most essential frontline workers — farmworkers — and rural communities.

Farmers across the U.S. could soon fill their pesticide spray tanks with a substance known as interfering RNA (RNAi). (RNA is a molecule similar to DNA.) Insects that are

exposed to it — either by eating crops sprayed with the substance or by landing on a crop and absorbing it through their bodies — would be genetically modified right there in the field. The pesticide would trigger a process inside the insects' cells to switch off or "silence" genes that are essential for survival — like those needed to make new, healthy cells — thus killing them.

At least one product has already been submitted to the Environmental Protection Agency for approval. But unless Biden's administration takes action, companies will be able to commercialize these new RNAi pesticides without submitting meaningful health or environmental risk assessments.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's pesticide rules were written fifty years ago, long before regulators could imagine a class of pesticides that could genetically modify living organisms. Perhaps most concerning is that once gene-silencing agents are released into the environment, there's no clean-up process when things go awry. Evidence shows that RNAi-related genetic modifications could be passed on for up to 80 generations in some cases.

What could go wrong? Quite a bit, according to scientific research summarized in a report from Friends of the Earth.

RNAi and the "Insect Apocalypse"

From: Mary McDonald
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Subject: Fwd: [New post] Release: Health Canada Proposes to Remove Regulation for Some GMOs

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Attention to Mayor, and Chairman and all Councillors .

When draughting your Long Term Policies please note the constant pressure from the private sector to allow GE and GMOs into the environment. They put profits before any other consideration, even if it means irreparable destruction to the real sources of their profits, the environment and ecology. They never read the story of the
"Goose That Laid the Golden Eggs". Greed led them to kill the goose and then there were no more eggs...
Please read the following.

Yours sincerely,

Mary R.G. Mc Donald.

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by getrees

Lucy Sharratt is the Coordinator of the Canadian Biotechnology Action Network (CBAN), which brings together 16 groups to research, monitor and raise awareness about issues

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Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	There is limited other sources of funding available especially with covid.

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 2: Put budget towards only ONE of the following: Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North.
Why?	Conference Centre, we still have businesses needing to meet in NZ and Whangarei is a great location not far from Auckland with airport access.

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 3: No new funding towards climate change or waste minimisation.
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 2: Spend $21m to make improvements to James and John St as well as either Robert St or Cameron Street.
Why?	Improve the city Centre as it is important to increase commercial opportunities and growth.

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

Tar sealing of Gravel Roads - The council needs to consider the effect of increasing traffic flows on what until recently has been quiet country roads. IE: Pyle Road East, One Tree Point in which has two major subdivisions (The Landing) 477 new homes. (Marsden Cove) with over 600 new homes both subdivisions are expected to have direct connection on to Pyle Road East which is currently a gravel road. The increased traffic flow already from the vehicles associated with the earthworks from these subdivisions is having a significate effect on the quality of the road which will only be exacerbated with increased traffic flows.

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To: Mail Room
Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Janet mcgiven - 2021-LTP-SUB-87

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Janet mcgiven - 2021-LTP-SUB-87

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-87

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No

at the hearing?	

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	Easier to manage

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 2: Put budget towards only ONE of the following: Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North.
Why?	Oruku landing will be life blood to whangarei so get them up and going. The others particularly hihiaua will benefit and get money from oruku being successful

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 3: No new funding towards climate change or waste minimisation.
Why?	It can wait

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 1: Spend $13m to make improvements to James and John St.
Why?	Create easy access, pleasant and vibrant from the town basin to the city centre

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

I think keeping growth of opportunities needs to be a priority at the moment which is why I feel Oruku Landing could be the main focus point. From this our Town Basin will be our jewel and create opportunities for many people as well as making our city a more modern, appealing place to live and visit.

From: Whangarei District Council
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Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Bruce McGregor - 2021-LTP-SUB-50

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Bruce McGregor - 2021-LTP-SUB-50

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-50

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	Yes

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	It is in the interests of the District to maintain existing facilities in good condition, also to protect our environment and to develop new community facilities. Clearly rates need to increase to allow those objectives to be achieved. In conjunction with the rates increase, Council should review its Rates Remission and Postponement Policy to ensure it is sufficiently flexible to allow ratepayers to remain in their homes without facing financial hardship. The present policy seems to require the owner to reach agreement as to a payment schedule for deferred rates. More flexibility may be desirable such as the option of accumulating and deferring at least part of the rates until death, or until the property is sold. There could be a provision to allow inflation proofing of the deferred payments by applying a Consumer Price Index inflation adjustment, for example. The present policy requires a ratepayer to have owned a property for at least two years before applying for a postponement of rates. Why should the policy not be extended to include first home buyers, who may be those in greatest need!!

Key issue - Spaces for	OPTION 2: Put budget towards only ONE of the following:

gathering (see page 24)	Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North.
Why?	Given the financial restraints of our community, I would question priority being given to the Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre. First is the financial risk associated with such a facility and that likely future losses will require funding from Council. With Covid uncertainty of future travel and the increasing use of internet meeting options, it may be the worst time to invest substantial sums in such a project. Such centres already notoriously run at a loss. Secondly, I think the Council should concentrate on facilities that give priority to the recreational needs of our local community rather than higher socio-economic groups who are more likely to benefit from such a Conference Centre. Pressure should be brought on Government to redirect the proposed $60 million dollars to projects that better reflect the local community. On the other hand, the Hīhīaua Cultural Centre will promote development of local cultural excellence and opportunities. The Māori arts emphasis will reflect the relatively high proportion of Māori in our community. Such a Centre will also greatly complement the Wairau Māori fine arts to be part of the Hundertwasser building. Funding of improvements to Forum North are necessary and desirable to protect and improve that important existing community facility. So I really support TWO of the projects: Hīhīaua and Forum North.

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 2: Put $7.4m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	For Council to invest substantially in mitigation of climate change and waste management should be a top priority and given urgency. Consideration needs to be given to formulating a policy that differentiates projects that have benefit for a wide section of the community as opposed to local interest. For example, a project to protect a particular locality from sea level change may be seen to benefit a relatively small group of property owners. Owners of beach front properties tend to be reasonably financially well heeled in any event. The use of targeted rates may be more appropriate for some such projects. Council should consider a policy to promote and facilitate the use of water tanks for residential water supplies (to minimise the need for major additional reservoirs). Also incentives to instal solar power should be investigated.

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 1: Spend $13m to make improvements to James and John St.
Why?	I believe it is wiser to develop this Central area incrementally. To observe the outcome of changes to James and John Street may well influence final decisions that could then be made for later improvements to Robert and Cameron Streets. I consider development of walkways and cycleways and other suburban facilities should have higher priority than Option 2.

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

Port and Kioreroa roads intersection. I believe a much more pressing issue of congestion that should be given priority is the roundabout at the western end of Port Road (by the Okara shopping centre) and the adjacent bridge over to Reyburn Street. There is a very frequent build up of traffic back to the roundabout at Lower Dent Street. This bridge really needs widening or replacing and that should be in the LTP, in priority to the Kioreroa intersection.
Development of cycleways and shared paths is essential. The Draft LTP identifies the Kamo and Raumanga projects. Projects have to be prioritised but any mention of Tikipunga is regrettably missing. Tikipunga is one of the biggest growth areas for the town. Any development of cycle and walkways could relieve what is becoming a seriously congested commuter corridor from Tikipunga to the City Centre. There should be at least some planning for extensions to Tikipunga in the LTP, even if they follow after the other projects identified.
The Parihaka and Hātea River Reserves Management Plan was signed off in June 2009 and had a 10 year review period which is now well overdue. It is important that the plan be reviewed The Plan includes a stated intention to acquire any land needed to develop a cycleway on the western side of the river. Even if funding is not available for Tikipunga cycleways in this LTP period, purchase and protection of the corridors on both sides of the river needs to be given priority. Relatively little money should be required as only minor sections of the corridor are missing. The Hātea River valley walkways must be amongst the most used in the District.

FIBRE. Whangarei is fortunate to have its reasonably developed fibre optic network. Presently fibre does not cross the bridge by the Falls and Northpower will not say when there will be service beyond that point. Nearly 200 residential sections are already planned for Sands Road. I cannot find whether there will be fibre extended to those properties. Council should review its engineering standards to require subdividers to negotiate with the appropriate service providers to instal this essential modern service.

BUSES. Public transport is acknowledged to be an increasingly essential service in modern cities. It seems however that Council's subdivision requirements for width of roads (and dispensations being granted by Council to developers) means a substantial new subdivision in Sands Road will have narrow roads not designed to accomodate a bus service or even to allow for a reasonable amount of parking. Narrow, congested streets with few trees are not inducive to pleasant suburbia. Council's policies need to be reviewed in this regard.

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Submission for WDC 2021-2031 Long Term Plan

Section of Beach Road, Onerahi, is dangerous for pedestrians

The section of Beach Road, from the Onerahi Yacht Club to Hill St is extremely dangerous. The road is narrow and barely wide enough for two vehicles to pass each other, especially for large trucks and cars towing boats. It is potentially dangerous for pedestrians because this road finishes at the sea wall and there is no footpath for people and their families.

The WDC has created a well-used, safe, shared path from Beach Road, along the Waimahanga Track and Riverside Drive, to the Town Basin. Many more people are using Beach Road because there is now a safe pathway. It is great to see people of all ages enjoying the area every day - walking, running, cycling and taking their dogs for a walk, families with babies in prams and young children riding their bikes. Many people like to complete a circuit of Beach Rd and have to use a dangerous, narrow road with no footpath to do this.

Frequently reckless drivers choose to use Beach Road to drive as fast as they can, sometimes with groups of cars. It is frightening when cars speed past and are dangerously close to you. These drivers have a complete disregard for the safety of people and their families who enjoy walking along this scenic part of our harbour.

Many species of birds live in this area. I regularly walk around Beach Road and I frequently witness cruel drivers deliberately mowing down flocks of birds, killing and maiming them. Many people do not realise that some species like the Red-billed Gull is native to NZ and their numbers are in decline. Caring people do not like to witness this deliberate cruelty. This creates additional work for the Native Bird Recovery Centre volunteers. Traffic calming measures would slow drivers down and make Beach Road safer for all bird life too.

The WDC has encouraged people to use this beautiful area and now needs to complete the circuit of Beach Road and make it safer for people and birdlife.

Suggestions - make Beach Road:

- a one way street from the Onerahi Yacht Club to Hill St
- continue the concreted shared path to Hill St
- put in traffic calming measures from the Raurimu Road intersection to Hill St

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Emma McLean - 2021-LTP-SUB-131

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No

at the hearing?	

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	Its a small cost overall for better infrastructure and services

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	Okuru Landing $60 million is a fantastic opportunity from central government funding. Hihiaua is a fantastic asset to our comnunity.

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 1: Put $3.7m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	We are behind the times. I want to see evidence of how this money is solving these issues. They absolutely need our funding, but I want results not green washing. I noticed your recycling bins are no longer made from recycled materials.

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 1: Spend $13m to make improvements to James and John St.

Why?	The CBD is the heart of whangarei. I must stress that you do need more parking, and look at the rate on outskirts of town that doesnt fill up before 9:30am. That pushes workers into parking in the city which makes it harder for hourly shoppers to find a park.

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

Please consider Millbridge road in Waipu on the long term sealing plan.

We live on this short 200m road which is partly sealed, and is a thoroughfare (shortcut) road that cars, buses, tractors, milk tankers, cyclists and walkers all use.

At both ends it forms a loop of adjoining sealed roads back into waipu, and since lockdown many people use it as a walking / cycking route (approx 3km from waipu) Vehicle traffic also uses it as a safer route than entering the main highway.

It would be a very short yet high traffic road with only 3 residences, so you could successfully seal to meet targets.

From: Whangarei District Council
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Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Vincent MColl - 2021-LTP-SUB-200

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Vincent MColl - 2021-LTP-SUB-200

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No

at the hearing?	

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 1: Put $3.7m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 2: Spend $21m to make improvements to James and John St as well as either Robert St or Cameron Street.
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

Where does the Ferry from Oruku landing go? What roads are being proposed to be sealed?

I'm glad to see that the terrible layout / design of the CBD is getting some attention.

From: Alan McPherson
Sent: 30 Mar 2021 12:21:26 +1300
To: Mail Room
Subject: Proposed Fees and Charges 2021-2022 Feedback

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Hi,

Just heard about the increase in rates, unable to download pdf forms on my ancient computer, maybe no time and too late for submission so better something than nothing.
The increase in rates is far too much why. Don't bother explaining its too much we are still in covid-19, we are still hurting, be kind.
The Waipu to Ruakaka cycleway gets my nod in favour because simply ruakaka people do not get spoilt like Whangarei people do.

Regards

Alan McPherson

From: Whangarei District Council
Sent: 1 Mar 2021 00:33:01 +0000
To: Mail Room
Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Patricia McRae - 2021-LTP-SUB-6

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Patricia McRae - 2021-LTP-SUB-6

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No

at the hearing?	

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 2: Limit the rates increase to LGCI plus 2% only in years one to three
Why?	A gradual rise is so much easier for those on National Superannuation

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hihihua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	Vehicle parking is at a premium so with 3 areas being offered there is more a better chance of people attending

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 3: No new funding towards climate change or waste minimisation.
Why?	There is not enough money to put more funding into something like climate change

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 1: Spend $13m to make improvements to James and John St.
Why?	That area of our beautiful city has been ignored for too long, empty shops and offices don't help, the city is not looking

	prosperous in that area

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

Probably not a key issue here although under waste problems, it could be included. PLEASE put rubbish bins back at the beaches, the litter is very disappointing and, NO, people do not take their litter home, they often discard it wherever they walk. This includes more rubbish bins along the bike track and walkways. There are enough people employed to empty the bins and keep our walkways pristine

From: Whangarei District Council
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Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Robert McVicar - 2021-LTP-SUB-98

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Robert McVicar - 2021-LTP-SUB-98

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-98

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No

at the hearing?	

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 2: Limit the rates increase to LGCI plus 2% only in years one to three
Why?	it has been a hard year to save

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 2: Put budget towards only ONE of the following: Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North.
Why?	

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 3: No new funding towards climate change or waste minimisation.
Why?	waste of money as other countries are doing nothing

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 1: Spend $13m to make improvements to James and John St.
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

Construct concrete footpath along Cemetery Road for 2 Kms

From: Whangarei District Council
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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Tai Mears - 2021-LTP-SUB-268

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No

at the hearing?	

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 2: Put $7.4m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 2: Spend $21m to make improvements to James and John St as well as either Robert St or Cameron Street.
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Amy Mehrtens - 2021-LTP-SUB-295

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-295

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	

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Why?	

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Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 1: Spend $13m to make improvements to James and John St.
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

I'd like WDC to provide funding and support/expertise to help us establish a cycleway/shared path in Maungatāpere. We have almost nowhere for people to walk for recreation, and cannot use the main roads because they are all now state highways with endless logging trucks. Our nearest park is Barge Park or Mangakahia Complex. We need something here. There are several paper roads within the area that could be suitable for a cycleway, and perhaps also access for horse-riders, dog-walkers and other leisure users. There is one between Clendon Drive and SH14, another off Pukeatua Rd, and perhaps a walkway to join up Corsair Drive and Clendon Drive. The Community-Led Project team have put aside $45,000 for a feasibility study for the Clendon Drive/Corsair Drive option, since a very kind landowner is willing to donate land, but they'd need more funding to cover the costs of establishing the walkway.

o I want the council to start insisting that all subdivisions donate some land for public use. Otherwise we will end up with a lot of places like Maungatāpere that keep expanding but have no land for playgrounds, public toilets etc. Other councils around NZ insist on this; ours currently just requests politely, so it doesn't happen – for example the subdivision in Corsair Drive where the bush is no longer accessible to the general public -only to residents of the new subdivision.

o I'd like WDC to help identify a possible route and funding source for a cycleway access between Maungatāpere and Whangārei.

o I'd like WDC to look at establishing a horse-riding trail on the council land at the end of Pukeatua Rd.

o I'd like WDC to look at establishing a mountain bike trail on the council land at the end of Pukeatua Rd.

o I'd like WDC to look at establishing walking trails on Maungatāpere Mountain, in

consultation with local iwi

From: Whangarei District Council
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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Kallan Mehrtens - 2021-LTP-SUB-283

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-283

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No

at the hearing?	

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 3: Build a Whangarei District Council-owned theatre on the current Forum North site.
Why?	

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 2: Put $7.4m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 3: No additional funding for the city centre.
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

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cycleway/shared path in Maungatāpere. We have almost nowhere for people to walk for recreation, and cannot use the main roads because they are all now state highways with endless logging trucks. Our nearest park is Barge Park or Mangakahia Complex. We need something here. There are several paper roads within the area that could be suitable for a cycleway, and perhaps also access for horse-riders, dog-walkers and other leisure users. There is one between Clendon Drive and SH14, another off Pukeatua Rd, and perhaps a walkway to join up Corsair Drive and Clendon Drive. The Community-Led Project team have put aside $45,000 for a feasibility study for the Clendon Drive/Corsair Drive option, since a very kind landowner is willing to donate land, but they'd need more funding to cover the costs of establishing the walkway.

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o I'd like WDC to look at establishing a mountain bike trail on the council land at the end of Pukeatua Rd.

o I'd like WDC to look at establishing walking trails on Maungatāpere Mountain, in consultation with local iwi.

From: Whangarei District Council
Sent: 17 Mar 2021 08:13:07 +0000
To: Mail Room
Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Annalyse Metcalf - 2021-LTP-SUB-79

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Annalyse Metcalf - 2021-LTP-SUB-79

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-79

Your details:

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No

at the hearing?	

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	Increased rates mean more money to spend on infrastructure that we so badly need

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	Great for economy!

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 1: Put $3.7m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 2: Spend $21m to make improvements to James and John St as well as either Robert St or Cameron Street.
Why?	CBD needs attention, it's in a poor state, good for economy and local business

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points

raised in the Consultation document:

From: Whangarei District Council
Sent: 30 Mar 2021 03:22:41 +0000
To: Mail Room
Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Judy Mills - 2021-LTP-SUB-287

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Judy Mills - 2021-LTP-SUB-287

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-287

Your details:

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No

at the hearing?	

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	It is important to maintain services and undertake some new projects.

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 3: Build a Whangarei District Council-owned theatre on the current Forum North site.
Why?	It is untenable that a centre the size of Whangarei has no venue suitable for hosting large theatre events or concerts, such as the NZSO provides in many provincial centres of Aotearoa. We have recently moved from Napier, where the Municipal Theatre provided such a space. In addition, Hastings had the re-furbished Opera House (Toi Toi) which was a further asset. The population of the HB region is approximately 120,000, covering an area from Wairoa to Takapau. With our population in this District at about 100,000, I absolutely agree that the number of venues should be limited, but I am putting in a strong plea for a new purpose-built theatre on the Forum North site. If the Council vote for Option 2, then I believe the budget should be used to extend and improve the current attractive, but too small, theatre in Forum North.

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 2: Put $7.4m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	I congratulate the Council on having declared a "Climate Emergency", as this is the most important issue facing us today, and we owe it to future generations to do what we can to mitigate the effects of emissions. I suggest that all WDC vehicles be adapted to hybrid vehicles if that has not already been achieved. I note the proposal to improve the Riverside Drive/Onerahi road and query whether this is not in conflict with the aim of reducing harmful emissions. We should be encouraging drivers to get out of their cars, instead of making it easier for them. Has consideration been given to building a cycleway for at least part of this road? With the increasing popularity of E-bikes, a safe way of getting to work might be attractive. Raising the costs of parking is also a disincentive to driving a car, though of course unpopular.

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 3: No additional funding for the city centre.
Why?	I am not well-informed on detailed plans, but think this area is attractive as it is. While there is a disjunct between the old city centre, and the waterfront area, it is doubtful how the proposed work would improve this situation.

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

Pensioner Housing: I support the Council's continued involvement with social housing, and

the additional spend of $2m.

Community Outcomes: I note that the first one refers to ease and safety of travel around the district, and the second one refers to opportunities to walk and cycle.

I have recently moved to Ngunguru, and am very concerned that both children on their way to school, and adults (often older or young mums with pushchairs) have to share a very narrow footpath at certain points along the coast of the Estuary. When there is more than one person on the footpath, the options at these points are either to fall onto the very busy road, or, if you are a wobbly older person, to fall over a steep bank onto rocks. There is a short board walk along part of the coast here, and if that could be extended to Te Maika road, that would help to ensure that no child lost its life or was badly hurt.
Of course, there is no footpath beside the Estuary in other parts, which is a pity, but the section I am referring to, is particularly dangerous.
Building a boardwalk would fit well under those two community outcomes.

Support for Community Projects: I am impressed with the support given by Council to various community projects I have become involved it, and urge continuation of this, particularly in regards to the regeneration of Puke Kopipi, and the Community Garden.

I congratulate the Council on an accessible and clear document, and thank it for the opportunity to submit.

From: Whangarei District Council
Sent: 31 Mar 2021 10:07:06 +0000
To: Mail Room
Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Murray Mills - 2021-LTP-SUB-387

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Murray Mills - 2021-LTP-SUB-387

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-387

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No

at the hearing?	

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	To enable the Council to realise plans. We are grateful for the savings due to Covid intervention last year.

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 3: Build a Whangarei District Council-owned theatre on the current Forum North site.
Why?	Spreading the venues means Whangarei may fail ever to have a venue sufficient for city size concerts and events it deserves. Option 2 is a fallback option if the Forum North facilities were enlarged and focussed on.

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 2: Put $7.4m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	It is good the Council has declared a "Climate Emergency". It is vital to invest strongly and creatively in this area, working on both mitigation and adaptation of the effects of climate change. The training of all the Council staff and money spent on education of the wider public is money well spent. Action is urgent. Difficult issues (like use of private cars v public transport and encouraging cycling, walking etc.) should not be put on "long term" hold. Especially with the city and coastal

	areas being so vulnerable, and the amount of land that could be planted and nurtured in native trees. or developed with regenerative farming and horticulture and home and community gardening, there is great scope for positive action.

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 1: Spend $13m to make improvements to James and John St.
Why?	I am cautious about intregrating the town centre with the town basin, The current busy road means only a pedestrian flyover could work, perhaps associated with the new HunterVasser centre. A larger traffic-free old centre has its attractions.

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

Thanks for manageable documents to work with As a newcomer, the public meeting on Climate Change was very encouraging and informative . In our Ngunguru community there is a lot of support for environmental care. The community garden, the Puke Kopipi tree planting and the SWAT team on the Sandspit are all examples of local volunteers with knowledge and commitment that can be encouraged and built on.

The respect for local iwi is another feature to be capitalised on by the Council, in its commitment to te Tiriti.

The development of a safe Ngunguru waterfront walkway would be a priority for me, with both older walkers and keen school children vying for space beside a swift moving traffic. And with holidaymaker wanting good access to the stunning estuary.

From: Whangarei District Council
Sent: 18 Mar 2021 09:49:20 +0000
To: Mail Room
Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Hamed Minaeizaeim - 2021-LTP-SUB-94

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Hamed Minaeizaeim - 2021-LTP-SUB-94

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-94

Your details:

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No

at the hearing?	

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 1: Put $3.7m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 1: Spend $13m to make improvements to James and John St.
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

From: Whangarei District Council
Sent: 16 Mar 2021 08:08:13 +0000
To: Mail Room
Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Moana miru-makara - 2021-LTP-SUB-67

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Moana miru-makara - 2021-LTP-SUB-67

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-67

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	
Why?	

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 3: No additional funding for the city centre.
Why?	We need to put patrols in place around the schooling areas so our children can be safe to walk up or down the shared path and street to many of out children are being hurt or nearly

	kidnapped

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

From: Whangarei District Council
Sent: 31 Mar 2021 06:05:39 +0000
To: Mail Room
Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Simon Mitchell - 2021-LTP-SUB-358

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Simon Mitchell - 2021-LTP-SUB-358

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-358

Your details:

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	I don't mind with either.

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 2: Put budget towards only ONE of the following: Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North.
Why?	I would prefer the funding to go towards Hihiaua and the Oruku Landing.

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 2: Put $7.4m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 2: Spend $21m to make improvements to James and John St as well as either Robert St or Cameron Street.
Why?	The CBD needs an upgrade.

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points

raised in the Consultation document:

Really pleased with the most recent vote in favour of Maori Wards as well as the infrastructure changes that are being made. Love the loop and the cycle ways.

From: Whangarei District Council
Sent: 11 Mar 2021 02:45:56 +0000
To: Mail Room
Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Patricia Monro - 2021-LTP-SUB-40

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Patricia Monro - 2021-LTP-SUB-40

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-40

Your details:

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No

at the hearing?	

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% ‘catch up’. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	I acknowledge the need for the 'catchup' and there will be significant increasing costs for infrastructure and amenities over the next 10 years

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 3: Build a Whangarei District Council-owned theatre on the current Forum North site.
Why?	Although this may see a rates rise I feel we have an underutilised so-called Events Centre and lack a good theatre and associated facilities eg cafe and bar. I'm very supportive of Hihiaua Cultural Centre and hope we can find a way to support this also.

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 2: Put $7.4m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	This would show that we are serious and intend to take more action than at present which is virtually Option 1. There is significant work to be done in so many fields that this needs to be well funded.

Key issue - Revitalising	OPTION 1: Spend $13m to make improvements to James and

our city centre (see page 32)	John St.
Why?	I don't think Robert Street needs to be included but I do hope an interesting pedestrian bridge will be included over lower Dent Street to connect the Town Basin to the shopping Centre and facilities.

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

1. As a regular user of the Aquatic Centre Hydrotherapy Pool which is a very important facility for ageing or disabled persons and where many classes are overcrowded I would like to see more support for this facility mentioned in the Sports allocation. The whole facilty is used by a wide variety of people and age groups and fulfils many important roles in the community.

2. As an Onerahi resident I feel that the footpath and outside of our little well used shopping centre is very grubby. Should maintenance and cleaning be being carried out by the Council as these are commercial buildings and are presumably paying commercial rates?

Thank you for the opportunity to comment and I look forward to seeing a really progressive Long Term Plan for 2021 - 2023

From: Whangarei District Council
Sent: 18 Mar 2021 02:22:59 +0000
To: Mail Room
Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Tracey Moore - 2021-LTP-SUB-85

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Tracey Moore - 2021-LTP-SUB-85

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-85

Your details:

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	Because they are all valid proposals and much-needed facilities! Decent venues for the performing arts, cultural events, conferences etc are lacking in Whangarei and it would help the local economy if we didn't have to travel to Auckland, or even Kerikeri, for events.

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 1: Put $3.7m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 1: Spend $13m to make improvements to James and John St.

Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

Whangarei is now a progressive city experiencing rapid growth and it's great to see council investing in the city...but please invest in the public transport network to support this! Traffic is already congested and is getting worse with new subdivisions being developed. Upgrade the Rose St bus hub facilities/buildings - they're so old, rundown and not fit for purpose and it's not a place you'd want to wait for your bus. The bus users deserve better and you should be encouraging more people to use the bus service. Buses also need to be a lot more frequent, 7 days a week, and maybe increase the routes.
Thank you

From: Whangarei District Council
Sent: 28 Mar 2021 02:22:58 +0000
To: Mail Room
Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Neville Fraser Moors - 2021-LTP-SUB-235

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Neville Fraser Moors - 2021-LTP-SUB-235

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-235

Your details:

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	
Why?	

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points

raised in the Consultation document:

THIS IS MY SUBMISSION IN SUPORT OF THE SEALING OF THE REMAINDER OF McLEAN ROAD WAIPU.

I have lived at the above address for 13 years and have seen the traffic volume increase immensely.

This road is now used by many contractors with heavy vehicles in connection with large subdivision constructions in South Road, Glenmohr Road, Harwood Road, Cottage Hill Way, Millenium Way , Massey Road and various side roads.

These developments have increased traffic flow dramatically from non residents through Mclean Road accessing the eastern beaches and Mangawhai areas.

McLean Road is also used as an emergency bypass route following accidents on Cove Road and S H 1.

As for the REDUCE speed sign re dust nuisance its totally ignored. In the interim maybe a 80 KPH speed limit could be invoked.

Vechicle's too WIDE or Heavy to use the Cove Road Bridge just east of Waipu Village use Mclean Road regularly creating further disruption to the already unsealed section which is quite narrow in places .

I am sure Council does not need reminding the health hazards of road dust covering property and houses many of which collect rainwater for domestic use from these said houses.

I ask council to give submissions lodged to Seal the remainder of McLean Road with a favourable outcome.

From: Whangarei District Council
Sent: 25 Mar 2021 19:21:54 +0000
To: Mail Room
Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Diana Moratti - 2021-LTP-SUB-195

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Diana Moratti - 2021-LTP-SUB-195

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-195

Your details:

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No

at the hearing?	

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 2: Put budget towards only ONE of the following: Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North.
Why?	Oruku Landing is an exciting concept. Once built, this unique waterfront property will provide a vibrant, much needed asset for Whangarei.

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 1: Put $3.7m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	The lesser amount sounds fair.

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	
Why?	A multi-story carpark makes more sense.

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points

raised in the Consultation document:

Oruku Landing Hotel, Apartment and Conference and Events Centre must go ahead.

From: Whangarei District Council
Sent: 30 Mar 2021 07:14:37 +0000
To: Mail Room
Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Donn Morgan - 2021-LTP-SUB-292

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Donn Morgan - 2021-LTP-SUB-292

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-292

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No

at the hearing?	

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	
Why?	

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 3: No additional funding for the city centre.
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

I think rural zoning should be changed we own a property on 32 Hay Road which is not big

enough to farm adequately but ample big enough to have three lifestyle blocks . Thinking of the extra income for the city in rates and bringing home owners into the district would improve funding for roads and maintenance not to mention the increase in customers for local businesses in Hikurangi & Whangarei.

From: Whangarei District Council
Sent: 28 Mar 2021 21:34:55 +0000
To: Mail Room
Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - E P MORGAN - 2021-LTP-SUB-254

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - E P MORGAN - 2021-LTP-SUB-254

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-254

Your details:

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No

at the hearing?	

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 2: Limit the rates increase to LGCI plus 2% only in years one to three
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 1: Put $3.7m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 1: Spend $13m to make improvements to James and John St.
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

o I'd like WDC to provide funding and support/expertise to help us establish a cycleway/shared path in Maungatāpere. We have almost nowhere for people to walk for recreation, and cannot use the main roads because they are all now state highways with endless logging trucks. Our nearest park is Barge Park or Mangakahia Complex. We need something here. There are several paper roads within the area that could be suitable for a cycleway, and perhaps also access for horse-riders, dog-walkers and other leisure users. There is one between Clendon Drive and SH14, another off Pukeatua Rd, and perhaps a walkway to join up Corsair Drive and Clendon Drive. The Community-Led Project team have put aside $45,000 for a feasibility study for the Clendon Drive/Corsair Drive option, since a very kind landowner is willing to donate land, but they'd need more funding to cover the costs of establishing the walkway.

o I want the council to start insisting that all subdivisions donate some land for public use. Otherwise we will end up with a lot of places like Maungatāpere that keep expanding but have no land for playgrounds, public toilets etc. Other councils around NZ insist on this; ours currently just requests politely, so it doesn't happen – for example the subdivision in Corsair Drive where the bush is no longer accessible to the general public -only to residents of the new subdivision.

o I'd like WDC to help identify a possible route and funding source for a cycleway access between Maungatāpere and Whangārei.

o I'd like WDC to look at establishing a horse-riding trail on the council land at the end of Pukeatua Rd.

o I'd like WDC to look at establishing a mountain bike trail on the council land at the end of Pukeatua Rd.

o I'd like WDC to look at establishing walking trails on Maungatāpere Mountain, in consultation with local iwi.

From: Whangarei District Council
Sent: 8 Mar 2021 08:11:39 +0000
To: Mail Room
Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Fred Morgan - 2021-LTP-SUB-26

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Fred Morgan - 2021-LTP-SUB-26

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-26

Your details:

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No

at the hearing?	

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	
Why?	

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 3: No new funding towards climate change or waste minimisation.
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

I would like to see improvements to the road and footpath along Paranui Valley Road to

cater for increased vehicle and pedestrian traffic. The WDC needs to plan for provision of 2 lane access and a footpath. Paranui Valley Road is a popular recreational walking route. Development in the area will increase vehicle traffic. I have a 33 lot subdivision which has levied approximately $200,000 for roading improvements and some of this needs to be spent on improvements in the locality. Road and footpath improvements will also benefit other large landholdings with subdivision/development potential.

LONG TERM PLAN 2021-31 FEEDBACK

OUR DETAILS

Tony and Jean Morgan. We are making this submission as Individuals. Postal address: 2299 Whangarei Heads Rd, Whangarei. Contact: 094340147. Email: tonymorgannz@gmail.com

We do not wish to be heard in support of our submission at the hearing on 13-14 April.

RATES OPTIONS

We support OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021-22) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. There are major issues that require action as soon as possible.

SPACES FOR GATHERING

OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).

CLIMATE CHANGE AND SUSTAINABILITY

OPTION 2: Put $7.4 of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.

KEY ISSUE – REVITALISING OUR CITY CENTRE

OPTION 2: Spend $21m to make improvements to James Street and John Street as well as either Robert Street or Cameron Street.

FURTHER COMMENTS

ONERAHI BYPASS

We support the commencement of this project which is long overdue.

SEWAGE

We support the planned expenditure for the Whangarei Heads wastewater upgrade.

We support the WDC moving to connect all properties in the Whangarei Heads area to the town sewage system if it would be currently necessary under the planning regulations.

ROADING

The Whangarei Heads Road is unsafe. The building of pull off areas that can be safely used is urgently required, having been put off for far too long.

PRESERVATION AND PROTECTION OF OPEN SPACE FROM INCREASING URBANISATION IN WHANGAREI HEADS

The WDC needs to include in this Long Term Plan that there will be no future rezoning of additional land in the Whangarei Heads area, other than what is part of the proposed Parua Bay growth zone.
Previous submissions on Council planning have shown that the vast majority of Whangarei Heads residents do not support future rezoning that would enable more intensive subdivision in Whangarei Heads.

Increasing urbanisation threatens the natural landscape, environment, ecosystems and amenity values of Whangarei Heads. The Council has already rezoned land to enable intensive urban-style subdivision in Whangarei Heads for hundreds of houses.
Greater controls on development of small sections are necessary as current practice shows that what is currently in place is inadequate.
WDC must also incorporate detailed and appropriate landscaping and planting plans (and signoff when this is completed) as part of the building consent process. This is key in helping to protect the unique nature of Whangarei Heads by ensuring effective landscaping is used to help preserve the visual impact of buildings.

From: Whangarei District Council
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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Tracey Morris - 2021-LTP-SUB-220

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 2: Limit the rates increase to LGCI plus 2% only in years one to three
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 3: Build a Whangarei District Council-owned theatre on the current Forum North site.
Why?	The current theatre at Forum North seems to limit us so much when it comes to getting bigger shows to Whangarei. They bypass us and go to Kerikeri. A new larger theatre would surely have a positive impact on the economy with performers travelling and staying here. It would also give us the opportunity to promote more to Aucklanders to come north for weekends to see shows, visit the Huntervasser which would all be great for our economy.

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 1: Put $3.7m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.

Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 2: Spend $21m to make improvements to James and John St as well as either Robert St or Cameron Street.
Why?	I think a vibrant central city area is key to people coming to spend and $$ here with local businesses.

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

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Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Zelde Morrison-Smith - 2021-LTP-SUB-173

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Zelde Morrison-Smith - 2021-LTP-SUB-173

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-173

Your details:

Name:	Zelde Morrison-Smith
I am making this submission as:	As an individual
Organisation name:	
Postal address:	
Best phone number:	
Email:	

Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 2: Put $7.4m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 2: Spend $21m to make improvements to James and John St as well as either Robert St or Cameron Street.
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points

raised in the Consultation document:

o I'd like WDC to provide funding and support/expertise to help us establish a cycleway/shared path in Maungatāpere. We have almost nowhere for people to walk for recreation, and cannot use the main roads because they are all state highways with endless logging trucks. Our nearest park is Barge Park. We need something here. There are several paper roads within the area that could be suitable for a cycleway, and perhaps also access for horse-riders, dog-walkers and other leisure users. There is one between Clendon Drive and SH14, another off Pukeatua Rd, and perhaps a walkway to join up Corsair Drive and Clendon Drive. The Community-Led Project team have put aside $45,000 for a feasibility study for the Clendon Drive/Corsair Drive option, since a very kind landowner is willing to donate land, but they'd need more funding to cover the costs of establishing the walkway.
o I want the council to start insisting that all subdivisions donate some land for public use. Otherwise we will end up with a lot of places like Maungatāpere that keep expanding but have no land for playgrounds, public toilets etc. Other councils around NZ insist on this; ours currently just requests politely, so it doesn't happen – for example the subdivision in Corsair Drive where the bush is no longer accessible to the general public -only to residents of the new subdivision.
o I'd like WDC to help identify a possible route and funding source for a cycleway access between Maungatāpere and Whangārei.
o I'd like WDC to look at establishing a horse-riding trail on the council land at the end of Pukeatua Rd.
o I'd like WDC to look at establishing a mountain bike trail on the council land at the end of Pukeatua Rd.
o I'd like WDC to look at establishing walking trails on Maungatāpere Mountain, in consultation with local iwi.

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Angie Moselen - 2021-LTP-SUB-159

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 2: Limit the rates increase to LGCI plus 2% only in years one to three
Why?	Can hardly afford to live and pay bills now.

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 2: Put budget towards only ONE of the following: Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North.
Why?	Beautiful location that will attract more people to Hundertwasser and town basin area.

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 3: No new funding towards climate change or waste minimisation.
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 1: Spend $13m to make improvements to James and John St.
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points

raised in the Consultation document:

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Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Debbie Muckle - 2021-LTP-SUB-225

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Debbie Muckle - 2021-LTP-SUB-225

Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-225

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	Need to make some progress on these projects instead of them hanging around for years

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 2: Put budget towards only ONE of the following: Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North.
Why?	Put towards oruku will be really good and beneficial. Forum north still needs improving thou but can wait. It would be nice to see Riverside drive looking nicer plus have govt grant to assist

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 1: Spend $13m to make improvements to James and John St.
Why?	Its so ugly and boring now and everyone will see it when they

	go to Hundertwasser

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

Whangārei District Council Long Term Plan 2021-31 - Feedback

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Do I wish to be heard: No.

KEY ISSUE – HOW WILL WE PAY FOR WHAT WE NEED

1. I conditionally support Option 1.

1.1. I can see the inequity of exporting the accumulating liability of neglected and shrinking infrastructure on future generations if we fail to calibrate the rates level accordingly, now, to pay for sustained levels of service delivery.

1.2. However, rates increases must be seen in their context. Other costs of living are also changing, and in many cases increasing. In addition, for decades, whānau's labour income has been lost to corporate profits. I.e. production has continued to increase while on average, and/or for many the real value of people's wages has stagnated or decreased.

1.3. Therefore, asking citizens to maintain the value of rates payments while knowing that the real value of their income is simultaneously eroding year on year is problematic. Yes, central Government's policies are key to ensuring equitable distribution of wealth in society that ensures people's human rights to live a dignified life are realized. But when there are clear signals that local ratepayers are, for example, under chronic socio-economic stress, local Government (by virtue of having a measure of power and influence – i.e. a voice – that ordinary citizens do not have) has not just the ability, but a duty, to advocate for the human rights of its constituencies to central Government. In this case, I urge local Government to advocate to central Government for socio-economic policies that create an equitable distribution of wealth in this country that makes regular increases in rates a more ethical proposition.

1.4. Also, I support WDC's ongoing policy of rates holidays or waivers (in full or in part) for justified cases of hardship.

KEY ISSUE – SPACES FOR GATHERING

2. I support Option 1.

KEY ISSUE – CLIMATE CHANGE AND SUSTAINABILITY

3. I support Option 2: $7.4m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaption and waste minimisation.

3.1. As the name implies, 'status quo' is not an option to avert the worst effects of climate crisis. Our window to respond meaningfully within a timeframe that matters is also

shrinking fast, so we must frontload our investment in climate mitigation and adaption action now (so as to avoid the increased cost of delayed action later).

KEY ISSUE – REVITALISING OUR CITY CENTRE

4. I support Option 1.

FURTHER COMMENTS

Airport

5. Creating a new airport, particularly one of expanded capacity where greenhouse gas emissions are concerned, seems antithetical to imperatives to mitigate global heating. I would encourage a focus on more energy-efficient transport, such as rail.

Water

6. The concerns about over-allocation of freshwater in the Far North District and beyond (whether driven by a failed RMA regime or otherwise), combined with prospects of more frequent and severe climate crisis-related conditions in Tai Tokerau (such as droughts and floods) calls on WDC to do more to protect water security. Systemic drivers of unsustainable levels of water extraction must be identified and eliminated or resolved. Residences and businesses should be supported to uptake passive water collection and storage, and re-use of greywater. Using water for flushing toilets is also a tragic and in many instances unnecessary waste of a precious resource. Users should be supported to switch where possible to composting toilet options.

Naku noa,

Catherine Murupaenga-Ikenn

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Kia ora,

Please accept my feedback on the WDC Long Term plan attached.

Ngā mihi,

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Natalie - 2021-LTP-SUB-150

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No

at the hearing?	

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	Increase in rates means more money for local government to fund projects the districts needs.

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	Whangarei needs more spaces for public gatherings.

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 2: Put $7.4m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 2: Spend $21m to make improvements to James and John St as well as either Robert St or Cameron Street.
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

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Subject: Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Violet Nathan - 2021-LTP-SUB-495

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Violet Nathan - 2021-LTP-SUB-495

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	Yes

at the hearing?	

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	
Why?	Support Ngararatunua Kamo Māori Committee NZMC submission

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	
Why?	Kaumatua Hapu Hub at Old Army Hall in Whangarei

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 3: No new funding towards climate change or waste minimisation.
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 3: No additional funding for the city centre.
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

See Ngararatunua Kamo Māori Committee

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Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Craig Neilson - 2021-LTP-SUB-377

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	There's work to be done.

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	This is a careful balance, but there's 2 ways Oruku Landing could go. 1. It could be car-dependent. It would need a lot of parking at a prime waterfront location on the Hatea Loop, it would make traffic to Onerahi or Parua Bay much worse, it would congest the central city, and people would complain endlessly that they couldn't drive to it. or 2. It could be designed to be used without cars: incorporate a fast-and-frequent bus stop on Riverside Drive, integrate beautifully with the Hatea Loop, have minimal parking of its own (limited to disabled, loading zone and extremely expensive options), run a park-and-ride ferry, and let visitors forget about

	their cars when they're using it. People will complain about lack of parking either way, but this choice would limit how much traffic to the site affects other vehicles at the pinch-point site it's on. FORUM NORTH I have a fondness for this place and want to see Council clean up ready for the next user when they move out. That may extend to refurbishment and new investment - if so then great - it would be great to see it integrate better with the park rather than having its "back to it".

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 2: Put $7.4m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	Any funding used this way will be multiplied in future savings. Even at $7.4m this is a small amount to spend on understanding and preparing for what is arguably the greatest challenge in a generation.

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 2: Spend $21m to make improvements to James and John St as well as either Robert St or Cameron Street.
Why?	Infrastructure can make a real difference, of course, but I think a respectable portion of this budget should be spent on city-centre activation over the next 10 years too. With retail struggling and more work being done remotely a new vision is needed for a centre that can host things like Fan-zone events, free tourist/history/ghost tours, street-theatre, regular street-cleaning and CitySafe.

	You may hear from people about providing more parking in the city centre. This is a trap - there is already ample parking where people are willing to park a little further away. More on-street parking would turn the centre into a "strip mall" like Okara Park, which despite being 50% parking by land-use, can't cope with peak capacity. The current approach to provide cheaper parking further out is the right one, so long as the pedestrian experience is also factored in. This flat central-city is a great opportunity for walking and cycling - too good to miss. If additional parking must be provided then it should be multi-level, and operated by a third-party like Wilson's who will charge the real market rate. Cheap, Council-provided parking is only cheap because it is a ratepayer subsidy on the opportunity cost of what else could be done with that space. The exception is loading-zones and disabled parking. These uses for vehicles have very few other realistic choices and should be provided for adequately at street-level.

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

The largest budget proposed in this plan is for road transport, and this is a mistake.

While many in the district lament the growing pain of cars being less and less effective tools of transport, that characteristic is one of cars and not of the infrastructure. There is no city in the world that has designed a system that works well for cars. Cars are outrageously space-inefficient, and are usually used to move just one person. The "jumbo" spaces designed for cars make other forms of transport unappealing, for example a parent may currently feel like they need to make a car journey to take their kids to gymnastics lessons. In a growing

city this is going to get harder and harder, but the city has 2 options:

1. Invest more in car infrastructure - demolish other city features to make space for wider roads, charging stations and more parking. In this scenario the example family has no option but to continue driving because their house is necessarily a long way from the gymnasium and other options are unthinkable.
OR
2. Freeze road-sizes and develop other city features for a denser living environment, more walking and cycling, and PT use. In this scenario the example family have other options, and it may even be safe for the kids to walk or cycle their own way to the gymnasium.

The exception is road-maintenance and safety, even if that means posting lower speed limits. Road accidents are a terrible killer, and investment in this area must slow traffic down rather than building it "more like a racetrack" with long sweeping corners built for speed. Roads that are already built should be well maintained and ultimately given extra features like cycling or bus-priority lanes. E-bikes/scooters are a bigger transport "game-changer" than electric cars in other (denser) cities - and they should be - because they do not require spacious inner-city parking and they can solve the "last kilometre" problem associated with parking a short distance outside of the CBD.

I would like to see transport investment that lends itself to medium-density housing development. Resident families of Whangarei should be able to get by with only one car per household - even if they also have a bike each, an e-scooter or two, and a high level of fitness from all that walking!

LONG TERM PLAN 2021-31 FEEDBACK FORM

THE CLOSING DATE FOR FEEDBACK IS THURSDAY 1 APRIL 2021

Whangarei District Council

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29 MAR 2021
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YOUR DETAILS

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Do you wish to be heard in support of your submission at a traditional hearing on 13-14 April? ☐ Yes ☑ No

YOUR FEEDBACK

Please give us your feedback on the key issues raised in the Consultation Document.

KEY ISSUE – HOW WILL WE PAY FOR WHAT WE NEED – RATES OPTIONS (SEE PAGE 17)

- ○ **OPTION 1:** Rates increase in year one (2021-22) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two to ten (2022-31) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
- ✓ **OPTION 2:** Limit the rates increase to LGCI plus 2% only across ten years of the Plan

WHY? Financial reasons for ratepayers who may be unemployed/retired.

KEY ISSUE – SPACES FOR GATHERING (SEE PAGE 24)

- ○ **OPTION 1:** Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
- ✓ **OPTION 2:** Put budget towards only ONE of the following: Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, or existing facilities at Forum North. Please state which site in your comments.
- ○ **OPTION 3:** Build a Whangarei District Council-owned theatre on the current Forum North site.

WHY? Oruku

KEY ISSUE – CLIMATE CHANGE AND SUSTAINABILITY (SEE PAGE 28)

- ◯ **OPTION 1:** Put $3.7m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
- ◯ **OPTION 2:** Put $7.4 of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
- ✓ **OPTION 3:** No new funding towards climate change or waste minimisation.

WHY?

KEY ISSUE – REVITALISING OUR CITY CENTRE (SEE PAGE 32)

- ◯ **OPTION 1:** Spend $13m to make improvements to James Street and John Street.
- ◯ **OPTION 2:** Spend $20m to make improvements to James Street and John Street as well as either Robert Street or Cameron Street.
- ✓ **OPTION 3:** No additional funding for the City Centre.

WHY? City Centre is dead.

TELL US WHAT YOU THINK – ANY FURTHER COMMENTS ON THE KEY ISSUES OR OTHER POINTS RAISED IN THE CONSULTATION DOCUMENT

Remove carparking charges so that people return to city centre shopping.
Add more carparks for new Events Centre as not enough carparks now.

New Zealand
Symphony Orchestra
Te Tira Pūoro
o Aotearoa

1 April 2021

Whangārei District Council
Forum North, 7 Rust Avenue
Whangārei

Re: Long Term Plan 2021-31 Submission

From the Long Term Plan consultation document under the heading Spaces for Gatherings the New Zealand Symphony Orchestra (NZSO) supports **Option 3 - An Alternative Option** which provides for the building of a new 800-1000 seat theatre on the current Forum North site. In NZSO's view **Option 3** would provide the best outcome for performing arts in Northland.

The NZSO recently provided feedback and support to Forum North Trust 2013 during the development phase of the proposed new theatre, and we recently attended a presentation in Whangārei about the new theatre concept and how it would enliven and reimagine the Forum North Performing Arts campus. The NZSO is thrilled with the concept - It would be a fantastic new facility for performing arts and Northland audiences for generations to come.

In recent years a lack of suitable performing spaces has meant that the NZSO hasn't performed in Whangārei as often as we'd like to. By investing in a new theatre Whangārei audiences can enjoy their national orchestra more often whether it be for schools' concerts, community workshops, residencies and collaborations, masterclasses, and of course symphonic concerts.

With a superb new theatre at its heart Whangārei would be ideally positioned to host NZSO's new community and participation-based initiative "Setting Up Camp" – a three-day festival of concerts, creative opportunities, instrumental workshops, community performances and music making.

A new fit-for-purpose theatre will also be a major drawcard for other national touring companies to visit Whangārei more often.

NZSO is all about connecting with our communities and bringing our music to you – and that's precisely why the NZSO is fully supportive of this exciting new proposal.

Other New Zealand cities value the long-term benefits to their communities of investing in suitable performing arts spaces, and the proposed new theatre at Forum North is set to be a crucial civic asset, but more importantly a destination for Northland communities to enjoy, and participate, in the performing arts.

Ngā mihi nui,

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Chief Executive Officer

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Head of Projects

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	Yes

at the hearing?	

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	
Why?	

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 3: No new funding towards climate change or waste minimisation.
Why?	Need to demonstrate effects based on actual changes.

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

I make this submission knowing not a single word I write will make a difference to the

outcome. I only do so because silence may be taken as approval.

How can councillors with any sense of credibility claim to be listening to the public when it had no regard for the 5133 electors who petitioned the council to hold a referendum on the important issue of Maori wards. Cr Murphy even had the arrogance of voting to not receive the petition presumably because it was requesting something she did not agree with. It was the largest paper petition ever presented and the number significantly more than typically engage in the LTCCP submission process, and by significant multiple. Yet, Council undertakes a significant LTCCP engagement process with the eager encouragement of certain councillors for their circle of Facebook friends to send in submissions so the "voice of the community" can be heard.

I have a number of comments regarding Council and its current 10 year plan.

Forecasting. Every three years the council undertakes its LTCCP. Since the council decided to discontinue consulting the public on the Annual Plan, the LTCCP is the only opportunity for the public to have a say on issues such on a host of matters, including council finances. The LTCCP is promoted as a plan for the future. Even a cursory comparison on the LTCCPs however reveals there is little correlation between what the WDC says it will do and what it actually does. For example, in the 2018 LTCCP council debt was projected to be $238m in the 2028 year. The 2021 LTCCP forecasts 2028 debt to be $351m. That's a 47% variance in just three years! What council does, even within a single three-year election cycle, is materially different from what it says it will do. I therefore suggest that the LTCCP exercise is of no value, other than council meeting a statutory requirement. The Council should reinstate the public submission process for Annual Plans.

Throughout the LTCCP reference is made to meeting "community expectations" and providing the capital projects the community expects. Please specify what those expectations are and how those expectations were communicated to the Council, to demonstrate these expectations are real and not contrived.

Climate change. Please include annualised historic data for our district showing long-term

time sea level change, actual temperature change, and actual rainfall change. This would be of considerable assistance to landowners and consistent with the Climate Emergency status as declared by the WDC. Such historical data may impact on climate change adaptation planning and the other effects stated on page 37.

Rate rises. The proposed rate increases over the 10 year period significantly exceeds the rate of inflation, and the expected increase in household incomes. The effect is to erode the disposable income of residents, and low income households will be most affected. I submit council should in the first instance undertake a comprehensive review of its operating spending as an alternative to rate increases.

Please quantity the annual rate increase in dollar terms per week for the average value property, for each of the 10 years. This would greatly assist property owners when budgeting, and assist residential property investors/managers for planning rent increases to recover the additional costs.

Please quantify the affordability of rates for the average householder, for each of the 10 years. This is, total rates charged to an average householder divided by household average disposable (after-tax) income. This reflects the affordability of rates which is material to householders (including renters who will bear the incidence of rate increases).
Interest rates. Please explain why the Council's interest rate cost (borrowing rate) is significantly higher than the interest rate of prime commercial debt and funding from the LGFA.

The LTP assumes an interest rate averaging 3.27% across the 10 years, which is significantly less than the actual rate in recent years. Please explain the reduction.

Please specify the effect of of a 1% (100 percentage points) increase in interest rates on the average household rates, assuming the cost is fully passed on to ratepayers.

Derivatives. Council has not clearly reported the cost of its interest rate swap derivative contracts. It should do so in the notes to the financial projections so the public and

councillors can assess the costs and risks. The Mayors commented in 2019 that debt levels were around $140m, which is less than the value of the derivate contracts held. If taken as a true indication of debt, that would indicate the council is engaged in derivative speculation and it should explain why it is putting ratepayer money at speculative risk.

Revenue statement (page 272). The Revenue Statement includes a line item "Gain/(loss) on infrastructure asset revaluation". In my opinion it is misleading to include an asset revaluation as a revenue item as the item is not held for resale and council is not in the business of reselling infrastructure.

Debt. Council needs to be transparent about council debt levels when internal borrowing is taken into account.
Statement of financial position (page 276). Internal borrowing is not shown. The correct recording of internal this debt to show it as a reduction (Dr) noted as less internal borrowing in "Other reserves", and include it is in the current liabilities section (Cr) as Internal Debt funding.

Differential rating (page 325). Please detail the "revenue sought" figures for each of the rating categories to show how the figure was derived, and explain the underlying assumptions (that the assumed benefits applicable to each category).

Definitions of rating category (Page 323). There appears to have been a widening of the definition of a rating category in each case. For example, in the residential property is now, "All rating units which are used principally for residential or lifestyle residential purposes including lifestyle retirement villages, flats and apartments, that are not categorised as multi-unit. This category includes all rating units that are unused or used for a purpose other than a commercial and industrial one but that on their own and/or in the context of the surrounding land have been created and/or developed for residential use and/or are zoned for residential use." (Emphasis added). This is a departure from "use", to widen the discretion of council to rate a property according to its underlying zone or according to the use of neighbouring property with regard to the actual use of the property. The additional discretion should be removed.

I congratulate the council for its role bringing the Hundertwasser project to completion. That facility when combined with the loop and the adjacent park development will, finally, give Whangarei a community facility it can take pride in. No doubt the benefits will endure for many years and be a cornerstone for further improvements to the district.

Frank Newman

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DISTRICT COUNCIL

Rec'd 10th March 2021

Nga Kaitiaki o Nga Wai Maori and all Hapu of the Hikurangi Repo
7th March 2021
To stakeholders, consent holder and consenting authority for the Hikurangi Drainage Scheme

Regarding: Hikurangi Repo Drainage Scheme and ongoing adverse effects to tuna and sediment

Hikurangi repo is a taonga and habitat to many taonga - tuakana species and abundant fishery. Whakapapa and identity to this area which is included in the drainage scheme is primarily of Ngati Kahu o Torongare and Ngati Hau hapu, with connections to Ngati Hine, Te Orewai, Te Uriroroi, Te Parawhau hapu within the Upper Wairua Catchment. From 2007-2010 Nga Hapu o Te Repo participated in the resource consent process for the Hikurangi Drainage Scheme and instigated massive restoration efforts throughout the repo and the whole catchment. These hapu led efforts have contributed to the formation of Nga Kaitiaki o Nga Wai Maori which together and independently have worked towards the vision 'whakahokia te mauri o te wai maori' to continue the many hundreds of years of intergenerational connection with this place and for future generations. Shared and independent hapu mahi of Nga Kaitiaki o Nga Wai Maori includes:

- planting and restoration of riparian and wetland areas,
- long term high resolution monitoring programme for the tuna population of the Wairua River in partnership with NIWA,
- Tuna transfer and elver transfer programme delivery and ongoing monitoring,
- School and kura engagement and educational delivery,
- Participate in the Living Waters, Waima Waitai Waiora partnership and any other collaborative opportunity to restore the mauri of the whole catchment

Since the establishment of the 7 drainage scheme pumping stations in the Hikurangi Repo, destruction of tuna whakaheke (migrating breeding tuna between 12-80 years old) has occurred when floods coincide with migration of tuna from the repo and its tributaries to the Tongan Kermadec Trench, which is observed by hapu kaitiaki and harvesters to occur anytime between 1 February and 1 June each year. Large tuna kill events where tuna are 'minced' are well known among the hapu and farmers of the repo and we insist this is made priority to remedy this impact on taonga and ongoing breach of Te Tiriti o Waitangi by local government. The recent story has led us to where we are today and we summarise below:

2017 drainage scheme meeting attendees agreement to stand down pumps for 12 hours from the flood heights reaching spillway height following large

	tuna kill events
2018/2019	no floods and no use of the pump scheme due to drought
2020	12+ hour delay used in 1 June floods and minimal tuna deaths
12 Feb 2021	Ngati Kahu o Torongare kaitiaki net and transfer downstream 400 large migrating Tuna at the Ngararatunua Pump
14 Feb 2021	Pumps are turned on after 18mm rain [1] resulting in 1000's dead tuna. Noted there was high levels of debris in the waterways due to delays in starting to clear the debris.
25 Feb 2021	Hapu kaitiaki observe 1000's of dead tuna at 6 pump stations Hapu kaitiaki observe contractors clearing sediment and 100's dead tuna in sediment piles near river banks. 40kms of waterways had already been cleared.

Nga Kaitiaki o Nga Wai Maori and local hapu of the Hikurangi repo are unified in the view that it is inexcusable and intolerable to continue with the heavy impact on taonga species - tuna. We seek a full review of the resource consent for the Drainage Scheme and to be immediately resourced to oversee and monitor the adverse effects of the drainage scheme.

Full Review of the Drainage Scheme Resource Consent

From our view the failures to the repo and tuna are many:

- Consent conditions are out of date
- Management plan is out of date
- Fish migration plan is out of date and
- None of these plans have been designed by hapu as Te Tiriti partners or enable hapu to give effect to their tino rangatiratanga over their taonga
- Loss of trust and good faith between hapu as 'stakeholders' to the Hikurangi Drainage Scheme and the councils

We ask that -
That the **Whangarei District Council** revises it's former annual reports to include each recorded tuna mortality event as an 'adverse effect'

That the **Northland Regional Council** acts on consent condition #27 parts a, b and c and serves notice on the consent holder of it's intention to review the condition of these consents **within 10 days of this hui**

[1] Okarika at Rowland Road Rainfall Data for 14 Feb 2021

Immediate actions

Full review of the resource consent will take time to address, and immediate action is required.

We propose that hapu have the training, capability and expertise to co-design, and manage the drainage scheme monitoring programme across all it's activities, and in doing so start to regrow the good faith which has been lost with both councils. Nga Kaitiaki o Nga Wai Maori have freshwater fish expertise in monitoring and access to researchers to review methodology and it's application. Any methodology would include cultural health monitoring based on matauranga maori along with western science methods to inform the future of the drainage scheme as well as start to give effect to the consent conditions which have not been met. Furthermore, the 2017 agreement and trial of 12+ hours delay to starting the pumps has shown initial success in June 2020. remedies may be applied right away without variations to resource consent including:

- Starting manual transfer programme for migrating tuna both upstream all year round and downstream during the whakaheke months at each pump station;
- Methodology development and studies to capture accurate data on tuna population and habitat upstream of the drainage scheme
- Fish rescue on any drain clearance
- Adaptive monitoring for tuna whakaheke presence and absence from 1 Feb to 1 June to inform pump use decisions
- Investigating upstream fish migration structures through the weirs and installing any which are available in the short term
- Oversight of annual operations plans to ensure consent conditions **and** current best practice is used as much as practicable including infrastructure maintenance schedule checks and discussions regarding earthworks with contractor and NRC on earthworks management plans eg That pump doors are fixed so that they can remain open

This work is urgent and needs to be in place during this autumn. We propose to prepare a fee estimate to deliver this work through Nga Kaitiaki o Nga Wai Maori for 2021 and 2022 seasons for consideration in the next 10 days.

From the undersigned: Those present at 26 march 2021 meeting held at the cafter suite.

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NAME:	HAPU
Jeannie Pouteri	Ngati Hau.

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SUBMISSION TO THE WHANGĀREI DISTRICT COUNCIL

ON THE DRAFT LONG TERM PLAN 2021-2031

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1 April 2021

Kia ora

Thank you for the opportunity for Ngā Tai Ora - Public Health Northland, Northland District Health Board to provide a submission on the WDC Draft Long Term Plan 2021 - 2031.

Ngā Tai Ora is one of 12 public health units across New Zealand. We are tasked with promoting and protecting the health of our communities, and preventing disease, with actions focused on reducing inequities, influencing health determinants and supporting people to be healthy where they live, learn, work and play.

We support parts of the Draft Long Term Plan 2021-2031 for the Whangārei District but have suggestions and recommendations for improvement. We wish to be heard in support of our submission.

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INTRODUCTION

We acknowledge significant changes to the landscape since the previous Long Term Plan (LTP) in 2018. In 2019 we welcomed the reinstatement of the four aspects of community well-being – social, economic, environmental and cultural – into the Local Government Act (LGA). This shift towards broader, more integrated and sustainable approaches to improving quality of life in our communities into the future was also reflected by the central Government's first wellbeing budget in 2019, and at the international level by the Sustainable Development Goals to which New Zealand is a signatory.

As well as the local issues we face as a region we have been heavily impacted by two large global emergencies: climate change and the COVID-19 pandemic. These are ongoing and have in common at their root the unsustainable impact of human activities on the natural environment. There is increasing awareness of seriousness and urgency to act upon climate change with the scientific recognition that we now have less than a decade to prevent the worst outcomes. Numerous local bodies in New Zealand have declared climate emergencies, including the Whangārei District Council (WDC), in 2019. Last year brought the COVID-19 global pandemic with major impacts both globally and locally, especially for mental health in our community.

As we step into the next decade we see opportunities for Public Health Northland and Whangārei District Council (WDC), with our overlapping roles and common goals, to work together to tackle the challenges in a way that optimises co-benefits for health and wellbeing. From a population wellbeing perspective the top priorities we see for the region are:

- An equitable transition to healthy people living in a healthy climate and environment
- Drinking water security
- Affordable healthy housing for all
- An equitable transition to safe, healthy, decarbonised transportation
- Pandemic readiness, response and recovery.

Drawing on this context we offer detailed feedback on the LTP 2021-31 in the following table.

Key Issues

WDC Activities	Our Comments & Recommendations
Key strategic priorities identified in the LTP	
1. Climate Change	
Climate change emergency in Whangārei: an equitable transition to healthy people living in a healthy climate	**Introduction:** Northland has carbon emissions intensity above the national average[1] and the effects of climate change are already being seen (extreme weather events, flooding, coastal inundation, erosion, and drought[2]). With further climate change projections already locked in, delayed or inadequate action may see irreversible tipping points crossed, and a worsening of these impacts[3] with serious consequences for the four wellbeings (social, economic, environmental and cultural)[4], all of which should be in balance for optimal health. We therefore applaud WDC's declaration of a climate emergency and the acknowledgement of climate change as a priority issue in the LTP. However, we are concerned that the proposed actions do not match the urgent scale and unprecedented rate of transformation that is required to enable a healthy future for our communities. The science is now clear that this transformation requires dramatic decarbonisation to limit global temperature rise to 1.5°C by 2030[5]. This means at least a 45% reduction in global emissions by 2030 and zero emissions by 2050[6]. No one country or region can solve climate change singlehandedly. WDC needs to take its part in a global and national effort for an equitable transition to healthy people living in a healthy environment. **Climate change, human health and wellbeing:** The health sector recognises climate change as the biggest threat to human health and wellbeing in the 21st century[7], but also as an incredible opportunity to cut carbon emissions in ways that greatly improve health, equity and wellbeing[8]. According to the former World Health Organisation (WHO) Director-General, Dr Margaret Chan: "*achieving net zero emissions is the most important global health intervention now and for decades to come,*" and that the "*health benefits will outweigh the costs of mitigation policies, even without considering the longer-term health and economic benefits of avoiding more severe climate change.*"[9] The right to the highest attainable standard of health is recognised in the United Nations (UN) Declaration on Human Rights[10], and hauora (health and wellbeing) is one of the taonga guaranteed to all citizens under Te Tiriti o Waitangi[11]. Health/wellbeing effects of climate change: The health and wellbeing impacts of climate change are serious, broad and disproportionately affect the vulnerable (children, elderly, people

with disabilities and chronic disease and low income groups, posing a particular risk for Māori). Impacts include increased injuries, heat illnesses, air pollution related illness, mental illness, infectious and food/waterborne illness, health and socioeconomic inequalities, food/water insecurity and climate refugee burden on healthcare systems[12].

Health/wellbeing co-benefits of well-designed climate action:
These include:

- Reductions in air pollution related disease through reduced fossil fuel use in heating and transport
- Reductions in injuries and deaths from vehicle accidents
- Reduction in infectious disease, respiratory disease and energy poverty from more energy efficient homes
- Reduction in cardiovascular disease, obesity and diabetes from more active transport and plant-based diets[13]
- Reduction of stress levels related to excessive heat, uncontrolled fires, flooding and sea level rises, and insufficient drinking water.

Recent studies clearly show that well-designed climate action is needed to optimise health gains[14].

The scale and rate of decarbonisation needed to secure a healthy future:

While many people are undertaking well intentioned action towards emissions reductions the degree of scale and rate of the reduction required is usually not appreciated. The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) has shown that to avoid the worst effects, a rise in global temperature needs to be limited to 1.5°C above preindustrial levels by 2030, which translates to global net CO2 emissions decline of about 45% (from 2010 levels) by 2030[15]. New Zealand (NZ) ratified the Paris Agreement 2015 that committed to limit the global temperature increase to 1.5°C.

The Climate Change Commission (CCC) is currently drafting advice to the Government regarding specific emissions budgets and targets which are expected to be legislated by 2022. NZ's Zero Carbon Act 2019 provides the legislative framework for NZ's contribution to this 1.5°C reduction (New Zealand's Nationally Determined Contribution is to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 30% below 2005 levels by 2030)[16]. These are likely to have significant implications for local government decision-making especially in terms of infrastructure such as transport, roading, housing, manufacturing and primary industries. In NZ the agriculture and transport sectors account for the majority of emissions[17]. In Northland the two biggest emitters are agriculture and manufacturing[18]. Other Councils around New Zealand are expecting

	the bulk of climate change mitigation work to fall on councils and accordingly are taking a proactive approach[19] - developing carbon emissions inventories for their regions and plans for quantifiable emissions reductions, along with adaptation (e.g. Auckland Council has committed to reduce emissions by 50% by 2030 and achieve net zero emissions by 2050[20]). **Recommendations:** 1. WDC strengthens its approach to climate change mitigation and adaptation, drawing on the work of other Councils such as Auckland Council, Waikato District Council and Horizons Regional Council[21]: o Invest in climate change action: we support option 2 in the LTP: $7.4 million of new funding climate change mitigation, adaption and waste minimisation o For the Whangārei region and for WDC itself: ▪ Measure carbon emissions by type and district, including a baseline inventory and on-going monitoring ▪ Set measurable emission reduction targets by type/sector that match the urgent scale and rate of transformation that is required and align with the Paris Accord, IPCC and Zero Carbon Act recommendations e.g. 50% reduction by 2030, net zero by 2050. o WDC work more closely with Northland DHB to develop and implement plans that support an equitable transition to safe, healthy, decarbonised region. This means applying a health/wellbeing and equity lens to all climate relevant policies/decisions, with a particular focus on the following areas: transport, water, food systems, agriculture, housing, energy. Recommended structured processes include: ▪ Health Impact Assessment (HIA)[22] ▪ Health in all Policies (HiAP) approach[23] o Avoid locking in infrastructure projects over the next decade and beyond that are not compatible with rapid decarbonisation; instead prioritise projects that decarbonise with co-benefits to health e.g. active transport o Adaptation: plan to prepare for the already locked-in impacts of climate change, and to rapidly adapt to a zero-carbon future. Measures need to prioritise and protect groups likely to be worst affected - Māori, Pacific peoples, children, elderly, and low income

	people, and those geographically more affected by the direct climate impacts e.g. living in flood or drought prone areas.
Waste minimisation	Methane produced by landfill waste is a significant contributor to carbon emissions. We support WDC's stated focus on minimising the volume of waste we currently produce. In addition to the promotion of minimisation and recycling we recommend a focus on managing the waste process, including landfill waste-to-energy technology. The WDC waste minimisation plan states that "*Where actions have operational or financial implications they need to be confirmed in the Council's core planning documents - the Long Term Plan*"[24]. We would therefore recommend that these operational and financial implications are overtly explained within the LTP. The WDCs waste minimisation plan runs from 2017 to 2023. We consider that the plan be evaluated in terms of the efficacy and success/failings of the plan and its proposed actions, particularly where the actions have operational or financial implications. **Recommendations:** • That WDC introduces kerbside collection of green waste and organic waste to reduce landfill methane emissions • That the operational and financial implications of the waste minimisation plan are overtly explained within the LTP • That the waste minimisation plan be evaluated in terms of the efficacy and success/failings of the plan and its proposed actions, particularly where the actions have operational or financial implications.
2. Transportation	
An equitable transition to safe, healthy, decarbonised transportation	Transport is one of the leading and growing sources of carbon emissions in New Zealand[25] so a rapid transition to safe, healthy decarbonised transport is a national priority to which Whangārei must be a participant. In urban centres this involves rapidly shifting people out of petrol and diesel vehicles into more active transport (e.g. walking, cycling and public transport), electric vehicle use and ride sharing. Infrastructure must be set up to support this to occur in a safe and equitable manner so that our vulnerable populations such as elderly, children, those with disabilities, low socioeconomic groups and Māori are not disadvantaged. In rural settings the focus needs to be on electrifying the vehicle fleet. These shifts will not only bring benefits for climate due to emission reductions, but also major co-benefits for human health/wellbeing (reducing obesity, heart disease, cancer, diabetes, and respiratory disease)[26]. There is also potential for co-harms to health and health equity from mitigation and adaptation actions that do not apply a population health lens[27]. We commend the WDC's plan to fund more active transport but believe that the

	implementation needs to be more rapid. **Recommendations:** 1. That WDC works together with Northland DHB to plan and implement transport infrastructure that supports an equitable transition to safe, healthy, decarbonised transport by 2030, including setting measureable targets. This includes that the following be in place as soon as possible and well before 2030: • Accessible, low cost and safe public transport for people with diverse needs (people using guide dogs, pushchairs, walking sticks, wheelchairs, mobility scooters, and people with disabilities and their caregivers, people with babies and toddlers, and/or during the later stage of pregnancy, and senior citizens) • Accessible and safe walkways, cycleways, shared use pathways, especially in the inner city, with more planting for environmental health • Zero carbon public and freight transport systems (electric rail and buses, widespread electric car share systems, low carbon shipping, electric vehicle charging infrastructure). 2. That WDC implements a plan to measure and reduce its own transport emissions (with targets aligned with guidance set by the prevailing science and legislation [the IPCC, Paris Accord, Zero Carbon Act]). 3. Avoid locking in transport infrastructure projects that are not aligned with transport decarbonisation.
Public transport and Active transport (walking, cycling, scooting, jogging, skating etc)	We support the WDC's efforts and on-going commitment to build and improve cycleways, walkways and shared used paths in Whangārei City. This promotes active transport with dual benefits for climate (emissions reductions) and human health/wellbeing as already outlined. **Recommendations:** • That the uptake of cycle lanes and public transport by ratepayers is measured and that targets are stated to monitor use and uptake • Water fountains (currently lacking) be provided along the cycleway as a community amenity to encourage users to continue to be active safely • Better support for cycling within the CBD: provide better and safer (such as sweeping/appropriate signage for car drivers) dedicated cycle lanes on main traffic arterial routes to support use of bikes for commuting to and from work; link proposed and existing suburban cycleways with CBD cycleways

	• Introduce maintenance targets to ensure cycleways are safe to use e.g. sweeping, cleaning • We would like to reiterate our recommendations from our previous submission to the WDC on the Draft LTP for 2018-2028, that WDC consider increasing the width of the Hatea Loop Walkway to accommodate increased usage among pedestrians, skateboarders, scooters, and cyclists; and that WDC considers planting fruit trees along the Hatea Loop Walkway, which will not only provide healthy food sources for our communities, but would also be aesthetically appealing, as well as providing shade.
Dust – unsealed roads	We support the proposed sealing of rural unsealed roads with prioritisation of the areas identified in the *Regional Dust from Unsealed Roads Mitigation Framework*[28]. Dust generated (from road dust and other sources) can have a range of potential effects including: health effects from exposure to contaminants associated with the dust; health effects from exposure to inhalable particulate matter (PM_{10} and $PM_{2.5}$); nuisance effects such as soiling, and effects on amenity and visibility; and effects on ecosystem[29]. The exposure-response relationship is essentially linear and there is no 'safe' threshold; adverse effects on health are observed at all measured levels[30]. The possibility of logging companies and such businesses contributing to costs of road sealing could be explored. **Recommendations:** • That the negative impact of dust from unsealed roads on human health is acknowledged in the LTP • That sealing of unsealed roads is measured annually to demonstrate progress to ratepayers • A monitoring plan should be developed to track and assess the results (outputs and outcomes) of the activities planned for road dust mitigation. This would ensure that appropriate and meaningful data is collected to track the progress of eliminating the effects from dusty roads.
3. Housing	
Substandard housing	An analysis of households in Te Tai Tokerau paints a dismal picture with a high proportion of substandard housing, particularly in relation to damp and mould, and many households lacking access to basic amenities[31]. It was reported in 2020 that generally one in three Māori live in cold, damp and/or mouldy homes, in comparison with one in five Pākehā. In Northland, 42.9% of Māori live in damp housing[32]. Such conditions, along with overcrowding and other factors of substandard housing, can have significant impacts on health, especially in relation to respiratory infections and Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease, rheumatic fever and skin infections[33]. There is strong evidence, nationally and internationally, of improved health outcomes resulting

	from warmer and drier homes[34]. Improving housing is also an equity issue, with Māori and Pacific families being over-represented in low-income households in areas of poorer quality and crowded housing. Energy use in housing (building and heating) also impacts carbon emissions. **Recommendations:** Prioritise reducing emissions from our existing and new houses while maximising health and equity co-benefits. Pathways to this include: • The installation of clean heating and insulation of all existing houses • Investing in new, zero carbon, healthy, accessible social housing • Enabling high efficiency, low emissions home heating[35] • Working with Māori and iwi with regard to collaborative housing initiatives that are meaningful for Māori.
<u>Homelessness</u>	It is understood that "*A home is essential to wellbeing….[as] a crucial platform for recovery, employment, education and wider community engagement and participation*"[36]. In 2019 more than 41,000 people were estimated to be homeless in Aotearoa NZ[37]. Furthermore: • "*Homelessness is no longer dominated by the stereotypical rough sleeper with mental health issues and is now more often a working family with young* children"[38] • Māori and Pasifika groups, along with new migrants and those with disabilities, have disproportionate rates of homelessness[39] • Homelessness is living without shelter, in temporary accommodation, sharing accommodation with a household, or living in uninhabitable housing[40] • Many have experienced a multitude of disadvantages, including poverty, poor physical and/or mental health, unemployment or low income rates, and disconnection from cultural institutions[41] • The concept of the 'hidden homeless' defines homelessness as beyond just those who are sleeping rough, to include those who are 'couch surfing', living in overcrowded homes and so on[42]. The government has recognised that Te Tai Tokerau/Northland has one of the most severe experiences of homelessness, with a disproportionate impact on Māori[43]. In Northland across all age groups, Māori make up a significantly higher proportion of those receiving Emergency Housing Grants: • In the 15-29 year age group, Māori were 87.1% of recipients • 83.3% of the 30-44 age group • 79% of the 45-59 age group • 52.5% for those in the 60+ age group (this is still more than

	half the recipients in that age range)[44] • Northland currently has a population percentage of 33.9% for Māori, more than twice that of the national population percentage of 15.7%[45]. The Hon. Phil Twyford, then Housing Minister, stated that: *"We must acknowledge the harsh effects the housing crisis has had on Māori. They have borne the brunt of rapidly rising house prices and skyrocketing rents. A crucial part of Government policy must help more Māori move into their own homes, and there are great opportunities to partner with Māori organisations to do this[46]."* **Recommendation:** • That WDC work closely with local as well as government organisations such as Te Puni Kōkiri, and iwi/hapū, to create sustainable housing solutions for Māori, that enable home ownership in ways that are meaningful to Māori, for example, use of papakainga and multi-owned land. This would also create increased employment opportunities for Māori, including building apprenticeships, with positions specifically for Māori apprentices.
4. City centre revitalisation	
Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre	The proposed conference and events centre is within the tsunami evacuation zone[47]. The Conference Centre also is at risk of flooding; the area flooded in June/July 2020. Projects such as this can add tremendous benefit to the area, and therefore where it is built should be considered very carefully. This could provide an opportunity to shift the 'City Centre' over time to a safer place. **Recommendations**: • A robust risk assessment is done to determine the safety of the proposed location with respect to tsunami risk and consideration be given to an alternative location outside the evacuation zone. If the proposed location is retained then we recommend a well-tested tsunami evacuation plan is developed. • That the Council consider changing the placement of the City Centre to a place with lower flood risk.
Liquor licencing	Beyond the Council's regulatory role and function of liquor licensing, the Council is encouraged to continue their work in concluding the Whangārei Alcohol Policy work. **Recommendations**: • Progress to conclusion the Whangārei Alcohol Policy.

	• Emphasis on licensed premises to be for the purposes of dining, not alcohol-centric or nightclub venues. • Public toilets to operate in alignment with licensed premises operating hours to prevent urinating in public places.
Blue/green Network	We support the proposed Blue/Green Network in the City[48] and recognise the benefits for health and the four wellbeings. The WDC can be commended for the efforts in upgrading the Pohe Island development area in regards to attracting families and cyclists to the area and providing free car parking. **Recommendation:** • Free up unused public reserves to enable communities to plant community gardens.
Other WDC Priorities	
5. Water	
Climate change and water supply	Climate change is already impacting water supply in Northland and this is predicted to worsen. Aquifers are likely to be affected by sea-level rise (saltwater intrusion), changes to rainfall and river flows, as well as irrigation/abstraction demand[49]. Population growth is bringing increased demand. Safe sustainable water supply is the bedrock of a healthy society. As noted previously, up to 8% of residents in Northland do not have access to safe drinking water. The water source is the 'blood' of an eco-system and it is generally safe to say that the ecosystem/ biodiversity being protected means water sources are being protected. We therefore urge the WDC to find innovative ways to protect ALL water sources by developing guidelines for land use and farming. As noted by Brill et.al., "Nature-based solutions (NBS) have the potential to combat pressing global problems, including climate change, water security and biodiversity loss"[50]. **Recommendations:** • That WDC undertake climate change mitigation (emissions reductions) to reduce the impact on water supply as per section on climate change (see Submission section 1 pages 3-6) • That WDC undertake climate change adaptation to prepare for the predicted impacts of climate change on water security, including drought resilience • That the WDC seek innovative methods through which to protect ALL water sources by developing guidelines for land use and farming.

Water Safety Plans (WSPs)	We support the target of District wide supplies to have approved WSPs in place, under the new 2018 Water Safety Plan Framework.
Drinking Water Standards (DWSNZ)	Standardisation to current DWSNZ 2005 (2018): **Recommendation:** • That all references to DWSNZ are standardised to current DWSNZ 2005 (2018) for clarity[51]. Chemical Compliance: Chemical Compliance criteria (Part 8 of the DWSNZ) is absent as a performance measure target[52]. **Recommendation**: • We strongly recommend that Chemical Compliance criteria (Part 8 of the DWSNZ) be included.
Water Treatment Plants (WTPs)	We commend the WDC on the completed new WTP at Whau Valley (commissioned March/April 2021) and the proposed upgrade at Poroti (partially complete) with the new intake and pipeline. Both of these, as well as providing state of the art treatment also help towards security of supply and drought management.
Water supply system management: supply security and drought resilience	Drought resilience: We commend WDC for its commitment to supply resilience during times of drought, with the target of no water restrictions being required in order to ensure supply[53]. Supply sustainability: Minimising losses from the reticulated network is vital. The indicator <25% is set too high and is too wide a range to demonstrate progress over the span of the LTP[54]. We consider 25% to be an unacceptably large water loss, a risk to supply security, drought resilience and an on-going cost to ratepayers. **Recommendation:** • That the WDC target a reduction in value year in year out through the lifespan of the LTP with a final target in place well below 25%.
Drinking water reticulation network and new subdivisions	**Recommendation:** • That WDC measure, promote and fund the extension of the existing drinking water reticulation network into new subdivisions on the boundary of existing networks, instead of allowing the installation of tank water. This will improve the health of the community and improve the resilience of communities to droughts.
Water fluoridation	The most recent New Zealand *Oral Health Survey* (2009)[55] showed that children and adolescents living in areas with fluoridated water

	have 40% less tooth decay than those living in areas without. The significant benefits of water fluoridation for oral health are also supported by over 60 years of studies around the world[56]. Northland has consistently had one of the country's highest tooth decay rates, especially among children and adolescents with significant ethnic (Māori: non-Māori) oral health inequalities[57]. The high rate of tooth decay affects general health and well-being and results in significant costs to the health sector. This includes the probably connection between tooth decay and heart health[58] – yet, much of this is potentially preventable. Community water fluoridation (endorsed by the Ministry of Health)[59] is considered worldwide as one of the cornerstones of prevention and one of the top ten greatest population-based public health measures in reducing the occurrence of tooth decay[60]. However, Northland remains non-fluoridated. The *Health (Fluoridation of Drinking Water) Amendment Bill* which was first introduced by the previous National government in 2016. The bill as it stands proposes decision-making on fluoridation be shifted from local authorities to District Health Boards. The government will however be introducing a Supplementary Order Paper that changes the bill and gives responsibility for decision making to the Director-General of Health. This is expected to pass by the end of the year and to mandate fluoridation of reticulated water. **Recommendation:** • We recommend fluoridation of the reticulated water supply to protect the health of our community.
6. Wastewater	
Whangārei waste water treatment plant upgrade	WDC is to be commended for the proposed upgrading of the Whangārei Wastewater Treatment Plant over the course of this LTP to maintain this important infrastructure and help keep our harbour clean. The Council may also consider investigating the possibility of reusing sufficiently treated sewage effluent - seek to formalise the processes and prepare for when it is needed.
Sewage overflow performance measures	The number of wet weather sewage overflows from the WDC's sewage system (expressed per 1000 sewer connections to that sewage system) has not been included as a performance measure in the LTP[61]. **Recommendations:** • It is imperative that storm water ingress be included as a performance measure to reduce sewage spills, e.g. reducing increased wet weather flows compared to average dry weather flows • That activities such as replacing aging storm water and

		sewage networks be prioritised by age of pipes and or areas reporting high levels of sewage spill events.
7. Tsunami plan and flood protection		
Updated tsunami evacuation plan		The recent Kermadec earthquake event of 5th March 2021 and the resulting tsunami warning affecting Whangārei district residents resulted in mass evacuations of communities such as Ruakaka, and the Whangārei CBD. The evacuations caused significant traffic flow issues, and posed a risk to those seeking safety. **Recommendation:** • That WDC strengthens its emergency response plan to enable the safe and quick evacuation of those at risk to places of safety.
Rates review structure		**Recommendation:** • We advise that the public health principles of equity and social justice are applied to any decision-making around rates increases.
Other issues to consider:		
8	**Target setting**	WDC is to be commended in target setting outlined in the Supporting Documents for the LTP 2021-31 Consultation document. However, we note there is very little in the way of reductions within target setting across the lifetime of the Plan, with targets often remaining the same across the LTP. As well as maintaining the status quo the LTP is an opportunity to make some progress in improvements going forward. **Recommendation:** • That targets are set that aim for progressive improvement across the lifespan of the LTP.
9	**Engagement with iwi**	The WDC is to be commended for progressive, on-going and respectful engagement with iwi and Māori, as demonstrated in the recent Council decision to establish Māori wards for the 2022 and 2025 triennial Local Government elections. In 2020, Council established the Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Forum Standing Committee. As the Council notes in the LTP: "*Partnership with Māori helps us deliver all our collective aspirations for Whangārei – working closely together on decision making, early project planning and programme delivery*"[62]. It seems, therefore, that the WDC is aware of legislative responsibilities to Māori and local iwi, and has created engagement mechanisms to ensure robust compliance with those responsibilities. Given that Māori are more likely to live in substandard housing, experience poverty and under-education/under-employment, and so on, and on the other hand can be creative and innovative and

		contribute significantly to local and national economies[63], it is imperative that the Council develop a comprehensive policy on engagement with Māori and local iwi. This must include working collaboratively with Māori to ensure equitable growth for Māori, which will be of benefit to the Northland economy. As noted by Te Taitokerau Iwi Chief Executives' Consortium, "*Already significant contributors, Taitokerau Maori have the potential to substantially increase their contribution. For whānau to secure meaningful work and enjoy the same income levels as the average Kiwi, an environment needs to be created that enables this to occur.*" – however "*Māori need to lead the change in the conversation*"[64]. The WDC demonstrates good ability to enable Māori to lead where necessary.
10	**Engagement with Public Health Northland and Northland DHB**	Local Government Minister Nanaia Mahuta, noted that "*We face serious challenges such as the impact of population growth, climate change and ageing infrastructure….Reintroducing an emphasis on the four well-beings will engage councils and citizens on an intergenerational approach to improving quality of life outcomes in our towns and cities*"[65]. The four wellbeings are social, economic, environmental and cultural wellbeing. As well as providing an opportunity for strong engagement with iwi/Māori, there is opportunity for stronger engagement with Public Health Northland and Northland DHB (NDHB). The Canterbury DHB defines Health in All Policies (HiAP) as "*an approach to working on public policies across sectors and with communities. It systematically takes into account the health implications of decisions, seeks synergies, and avoids harmful health impacts – to improve population health and health equity*"[66]. Northland, including Whangārei, is a region of high deprivation and huge inequities in health. With relatively little effort, synergies between activities and goal outcomes of Public Health Northland/NDHB and the Council could be identified and collaborative projects established. Adopting a HiAP approach in Council could impel innovation in meeting targets for the four wellbeings. **Recommendation:** • The establishment of a working group between Public Health Northland/NDHB and WDC to identify projects and a way forward.
11	**New subdivisions**	**Recommendations:** • That WDC ensure new subdivisions are connected to WDC-operated reticulated water and wastewater systems. This will ensure the security and safety of drinking water supplies, and also reduce the likelihood of adverse effects due to the cumulative effects of multiple single on-site systems within a relatively small area (this is especially important if on-site systems are located close to ground water tables, on poor

		draining soils, susceptible to flooding or with features that allow drainage to surface catchments or the sea). • That a climate change action lens and population health lens be applied to all new subdivisions i.e. they are built to reduce emissions from our homes while maximising health and equity co-benefits e.g. zero carbon builds, with insulation and clean heating (low emission, low air pollution).
12	**Tobacco and vaping/ Smokefree environments**	It is encouraging to see that the WDC adopted a Smokefree Parks and Playgrounds Policy in December 2011. Northland has higher smoking rates than the New Zealand average (2018 Census data indicates that Northland has a regular smoking rate of 18.2%; compared to 13.72% for New Zealand) and we have less than 5 years to reach the Smokefree Aotearoa goal (Smokefree Aotearoa 2025). It is encouraging to see that all WDC owned parks sports grounds, playgrounds, bus shelters and pensioner housing across Whangārei district are smokefree. We strongly encourage the Council to continue actively designating WDC-owned land as smokefree (including walking and cycling tracks, all outdoor public spaces and outdoor dining) with clear and visible signage. This can perhaps be seen as an example of a Health in All Policies initiative, where a Council policy can have a significant impact on the health of their communities. **Recommendations:** • That WDC continue actively designating WDC-owned land smokefree (including walking and cycling tracks, all outdoor public spaces and outdoor dining, beaches and Department of Conservation owned land) with clear signage positioned in a visible way • We encourage the Council to consider implementation of a bylaw to prohibit the placement of shops that sell tobacco and/or vaping products near schools to discourage new generations of smokers.
13	**COVID-19 and pandemic preparedness (readiness, response and recovery)**	Although Northland has been relatively shielded from major economic impacts of the lockdowns, and major direct morbidity/mortality from COVID-19, Healthline call data indicates that the mental health of Northland residents has been significantly impacted. We are in the process of a vaccination roll-out and much uncertainty remains around the future of the pandemic and its effects on our community. Even if the COVID-19 pandemic is brought under control, our communities will need on-going assistance with recovery. Furthermore we need to be aware that pandemics are predicted to increase in frequency and severity because of increased globalisation, urbanisation, changes in land use, and exploitation of the natural environment[67]. Therefore we face an ever present risk of another infectious disease pandemic (e.g.

		novel influenza) and need to be prepared for such. **Recommendation:** • That WDC has a comprehensive pandemic plan in place to deal with the current and future pandemics.
14	**Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)[68]**	In 2015, the 17 SDGs were signed off by all governments in the United Nations (including New Zealand). The SDGs are an exciting opportunity for business, government, civil society and the tertiary sector to align their purpose and provide leadership on the delivery of Agenda 2030 (a universal agenda to achieve sustainable development globally). **Recommendation:** • We encourage WDC to engage with this process as appropriate, and would welcome collaboration on relevant projects.
15	**Wellbeing**	In 2019 an amendment to the Local Government Act (LGA) 2002 saw the reintroduction of the role of council on promoting and protecting the social, economic, environmental, and cultural wellbeing of communities. This aligns with the wellbeing approach that central Government is now taking in its Wellbeing Budget. Councils around New Zealand are now shifting towards integrating a wellbeing lens to their strategic plans (e.g. Clutha District Council, Masterton District Council). **Recommendation:** • That WDC structure their strategic objectives, business activities and targets to explicitly align with the wellbeing framework (social, economic, environmental, and cultural wellbeing) articulated in the LGA.

CONCLUSION

Thank you for the opportunity to make this submission. In summary we support aspects of the WDC LTP 2021-31 and believe it can be strengthened in the following ways, focussing on the five top population wellbeing priorities for the region and the transitions we need to see within the next decade:

Recommendations[1]:

1. *Climate change and environmental sustainability*: An equitable transition to healthy people living in a healthy climate. WDC strengthens its approach to climate change mitigation and adaptation by:
    a. Baselining regional emissions (developing a baseline emissions inventory), setting quantitative reductions targets that align with the science (e.g. 50% reduction by 2030, net zero emissions by 2050 as per Auckland City Council)
    b. Collaborating with Public Health Northland to develop climate action policies that optimise heath/wellbeing and equity co-benefits (using tools like Health in all Policies and Health Impact Assessments) with a focus on transport, housing and water.

2. *Transport*: that transport strategy aligns with an equitable transition to safe, healthy, decarbonised transport. Prioritise investment in active transport, ride sharing, electric vehicle infrastructure; and divest from carbon emission-heavy projects.

3. *Housing*: that housing strategy aligns with healthy, safe, affordable, accessible, decarbonised housing for all.

4. *Water*: that drinking water strategy aligns with ensuring security of safe, equitable supply. Prioritise drought resilience in the context of climate change.

5. *Pandemic preparedness*: that adequate planning is in place to manage the on-going COVID-19 pandemic, and future pandemics.

Perhaps the strongest recommendation we can make, however, is that the WDC apply a health/wellbeing and equity lens over all their activities, and work more closely with Public Health Northland to facilitate this. This would help achieve the 'four wellbeings' outcomes that are sought, and steer the region through the challenges it faces into a healthy sustainable future.

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FINAL - WDC LTP 2021-31 submission 2021.3.31

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Kia ora

Thank you for the opportunity for Ngā Tai Ora - Public Health Northland, Northland District Health Board to provide a submission on the WDC Draft Long Term Plan 2021 - 2031.

Our submission is attached.

Kind regards

Warren Moetara
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1/4/2021

Hi,

Can I have this checked?

Was resent by email - no notification1st April 2021, 5.00pm

Name: Maia Honetana
Organisation: Ngati Tu o Whangārei Head
Email: novastar711@gmail.com
Mobile: 020 41399300

Submission to be heard please.

I filled out form before 5.00pm but didn't get a reference number.

Ngati Tu o Whangarei Head wants to be heard at the hearing:

1. Supports NZMC Ngunguru Māori Committee.
2. We need a Kaumatua Hapu Hub at the Old Army Hall, Whangārei for elderly and disability community.
3. Enquiry about Parua Bay transfer station funding and location.
4. Protect Māori Freehold Land and DOC Land to be return to Hapu from WDC, NRC and DOC they can't sell it!
5. Māori Wards - do not represent all Māori - Te Karekarea does not represent or authority over our Hapu or Land
6. WDC needs to fund $20,000 for cultural Hapu sites of significance
7. We are the true tangata whenua people of the land which is Ngati Tu. There has been no Hapu consultation.
8. We need to have a Hapu Civil Defence Plan for Whangarei Head
9. Protect and Conserve our freshwater, forests and oceans. No toxic Mining at Kauri Mountain.

Regards Maia

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SUBMISSION BY NGUNGURU SANDSPIT PROTECTION SOCIETY INCORPORATED IN RESPECT OF 2020 REVIEW OF WHANGAREI DISTRICT COUNCIL ANNUAL PLAN.

DETAILS:

NAME: Jim Kilpatrick.

I AM MAKING THIS SUBMISSION AS: Chairperson of an organisation.

ORGANISATION NAME: Ngunguru Sandspit Protection Society Incorporated ("NSaPS").

POSTAL ADDRESS: P. O. Box 403083, Ngunguru 0154.

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WISH TO BE HEARD: NSaPS wishes to be heard in support of it's submission.

BACKGROUND:

NSaPS includes, at executive committee level, representatives of three Maori Hapu groups who have knowledge of the mountain, hills and pa sites that still hold their ancestral names passed down from generations, and who claim customary rights over the lands referred to in this submission.

Efforts have been made by the Ngunguru community since 1965 to protect the natural, cultural and historic values of Ngunguru Sandspit and adjacent coastal land (called Whakareora) from inappropriate development, so it can be enjoyed, valued and cherished by future generations.

NSaPS was incorporated in 2007.

In 2011, 83 hectares of Ngunguru Sandspit was acquired by the Crown, leaving an area of 68.833 in private ownership comprising balance Sandspit (35.3830ha) and Whakareora (33.3500ha), together in this submission called "the Property".

Submissions have been made to Whangarei District Council by NSaPS in respect of Long Term and Annual Plans since 2002 seeking financial assistance to purchase Ngunguru Sandspit and Whakareora and seeking zoning protection against residential and other development.

In 2018, after an unsuccessful attempt to broker a further land exchange between the Crown and Todd Property Group ("Todd"), the Minister of Conservation recommended that NSaPS apply to Nature Heritage Fund (NHF) and other funders (including Whangarei District Council and Northland Regional Council) to raise funds to buy the Property.

NSaPS lodged a funding application with NHF, based on a valuation by registered valuer of $3,000.000.00 (GST inclusive), and NHF (with a co - funder) agreed to provide funds so long as NSaPS could find the balance required to purchase the Property.

Whangarei District Council and Northland Regional Council were unable to provide funds because of other priorities at the time. Both however provided letters of support (see attached).

Letters of support have now also been provided by Department of Conservation and NHF (also attached).

In November 2019,before a purchase price could be negotiated with Todd the Property was sold to Templeton Commercial Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of NZPropCo Investments Limited.

NSaPS has commenced new negotiations with NZPropCo Limited to purchase the Property.

COMMENTS:

NSaPS will re-apply to NHF and other funders to Purchase the Property at valuation, estimated to now be $3,000,000.00 to $3,500,000.00(GST inclusive).

In the event of a shortfall of funds NSaPS will again ask Whangarei District Council and Northland Regional Council to contribute funds, expected to be between $100,000.00 and $500,000.00(more or less) from each, dependant on valuation and other funds raised.

NSaPS requests that Whangarei District Council allocates funds in the 2020/2021 financial year to add to funds from NHF and other funding agencies to enable the Property to be purchased.

NSaPS urges the Whangarei District Council to allocate funds, so as to show leadership and commitment to help secure the whole of Ngunguru Sandspit and Whakareora, to finally secure this outstanding property for perpetuity.

The Property, once purchased would be used as a nature and landscape reserve, with a possible commercial facility (including a camping ground) to be operated jointly by interested parties (ie Tangata Whenua ,Department of Conservation and Councils).

Jim Kilpatrick (Sgd.) 31 May 2020.

Attachments: Letter of support dated 21 January 2019 from Whangarei District Council.

Letter of support dated 19 October 2018 from Northland Regional Council.

Letter of support dated 6 March 2019 from Department of Conservation.

Letter of support dated 25 February 2019 from Nature Heritage Fund.

Whangarei
District Council

21 January 2019

To whom it may concern

In support of the funding application for the Ngunguru Sandspit Protection Society Inc

On behalf of the Whangarei District Council I write in support of the funding application by the Ngunguru Sandspit Protection Society Inc. and their efforts to protect this valuable natural heritage asset for the future.

Whangarei District Council has admired the work done by this society which has a commendable history of unfailing commitment to the protection of the Ngunguru Sandspit and Whakareora.

This area is a significant cultural and historical property with such natural heritage features that it would be appropriate it to be purchased and used as a nature and landscape reserve.

We trust that the application for funding to purchase and protect the Ngunguru Sandspit as a nationally important natural heritage site, is successful and we are pleased to support their application.

Yours sincerely

Rob Forlong
Chief Executive
Whangarei District Council

Northland
REGIONAL COUNCIL
Te Kaunihera ā rohe o Te Taitokerau

19 October 2018

Jim Kilpatrick
Chair of the Ngunguru Sandspit Protection Society Inc.
P O Box 403083
Ngunguru
Whangarei 0173

By email: jimkilpatricknz@gmail.com

Dear Jim

I write further to council's consideration of your recent invitation to commit to joining with Nature Heritage Fund and Whangarei District Council in the purchase of the 69 hectares adjacent to Ngunguru sandspit that is still in Todd Property Group's private ownership.

As you are aware, the workshop you attended was not a 'decision-making' meeting of council. Nevertheless, having been briefed on the presentation and listened to councillors' subsequent discussions, I have a strong sense that council is unlikely to entertain ratepayers' funds going into the purchase of the land in question.

However, council would like to lend its voice to Ngunguru Sandspit Protection Society's call to have the area protected, either through Government acquisition or by convincing the Todd Property Group of the merits of gifting or otherwise protecting the land from development.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any suggestions on how we may be able to assist in this way.

Kind regards

Bill Shepherd
Chairman

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Department of Conservation
Te Papa Atawhai

6 March 2019

Support for the Ngunguru Sandspit Protection Society's application for funding

I write to give the Department of Conservation's support to the Ngunguru Sandspit Protection Society's ('the Society') funding application, to purchase the southern portion of the Ngunguru Sandspit, including Whakareora Mountain.

The Department acquired the majority of the low lying sandspit in 2011 through a land exchange. That portion is now classified as a Scenic Reserve pursuant to the Reserves Act 1977.

The acquisition was a culmination of years of lobbying and effort by the Ngunguru Sandspit Protection Society, to protect and preserve this taonga. Their efforts in the lead up to the land exchange, and now again to protect the southern sections are to be commended.

The base of the sandspit (Whakareora), is a unique area of coastal forest whose type is unrecorded elsewhere in Northland. It contains the regionally uncommon kawaka, coastal kauri and black maire and represents a rare vegetation assemblage. It has important cultural values for Maori. It is also a key coastal landscape feature for the Tutukaka Coast. The area is vulnerable to development, due to its prominent position, access to the sea and high coastal property values.

The Department agrees that the best way to ensure the perpetual protection of this land is by way of purchase into public ownership and managed contiguously with the Scenic Reserve, with the Society and hapu. We have investigated options to contribute to the purchase of the properties through the Department's Land Acquisition Fund. Although there are limited funds available at this time, we offer our support to the Society, to help facilitate agreements and joint funding options where possible.

Please do not hesitate to contact me for any further information.

Yours sincerely

Sue Reed-Thomas
Director, Operations (Northern North Island)

Department of Conservation *Te Papa Atawhai*
Whangarei Office
PO Box 842
Whangarei 0110

25 February 2019

Nature
Heritage
Fund

NHF 18/02 Ngunguru

The Nature Heritage Fund (NHF) is a contestable Ministerial fund that was established in 1990. The fund is administered by an independent committee appointed by the Minister of Conservation. It is serviced by the Department of Conservation and receives an annual allocation of funds from the Government.

Since its establishment the NHF has protected over 340,000 ha of indigenous ecosystems through legal and physical protection (i.e. direct purchase or covenanting). The NHF's vision is to protect indigenous ecosystems that represent the full range of natural diversity originally present in the landscape, through the establishment of a sustainable and interacting system of protected areas.

The NHF Committee strongly supports the Ngunguru Sandspit Protection Society's (the Society) efforts to purchase and protect, as public land, the remaining freehold area of the Ngunguru Sandspit and an adjoining portion of the Whakereora Maunga. The protection of these areas would create a nationally significant ecological sequence, spanning estuarine systems, coastal dune land to coastal forest.

These areas are identified in the NHF's Northland Protection Strategy as being a priority for protection. They are important as they contain ecosystems types that are under-represented in New Zealand's protected lands. The purchase of these areas would complete the protection of the entire Ngunguru Sandspit.

Recently the NHF Committee assessed an application by the Society for funding to purchase the remaining freehold area of the Ngunguru Sandspit and an adjoining portion of Whakereora Maunga. The Minister of Conservation supported the Committee's recommendation that this application be declined, but that a future application for up to one quarter of the funding sought be welcomed, if the balance of funding was secured. Please note that the NHF currently has insufficient funds to entirely fund this purchase.

However, the NHF is working with a potential co-funder, who may be able to fund up to 45% of the amount the Society is seeking. The NHF is committed to keeping the Society informed of its discussions with the co-funder.

The Society continues to demonstrate its commitment and expertise through its active management of pest animals and plants on the Sandspit. The Society also works productively with other parties, including the Department of Conservation and the Whangarei District Council. The Society's dedication to the permanent protection of the Ngunguru Sandspit and adjoining areas is therefore obvious and enduring.

The Nature Heritage Fund Committee looks forward to continuing working with the Society, on the protection of these nationally significant areas.

Ngā mihi

Jan M Riddell

Jan Riddell
Nature Heritage Fund Chair

NGUNGURU SPORTS & RECREATION CLUB

Request for inclusion in the Whangarei District Council 2021 / 2031 Long term Plan Annual Plan

Dear Sir / Madam,

The Ngunguru Sports and Recreation Club (NSRC) together with the Stakeholders of the Ngunguru Community Youth Activity Zone hereby respectfully request the Whangarei District Council consider including the following submission in their 2021 /2031 Long Term Plan.

The Need:

For the WDC to continue to provide a Portaloo onsite or to install a permanent outdoor public toilet at the NSRC Sports Field to service the needs of the increasing number of children, youth, adults, and visitors participating in sports, events and activities using the-Sports Field and facilities especially the Skatepark which has instigated this submission.

Rationale:
The NSRC amenities, being a public space, contribute to users physical and mental needs being met. Physical needs that need to be addressed include the likes of hydration, seating, shading, and available toilet(s).
We are able to confirm that the provision of shade and seating at the Skatepark is currently being investigated by the Skatepark stakeholders.

NSRC assisting meeting WDC Active and Sports Strategy Goals:

1 Increase participation - more people, more active, more often:- **NSRC is currently contributing in a significant way to meeting this goal in our local community with the variety of recreational activities offered.**

2 Improve the quality of the experience of participants so they are more likely to continue participating: Participants, Whanau, and their wraparound support services are able to have what they need and where they need it. **NSRC is committed to meeting this goal by partnering with the Skatepark Stakeholders in preparing this submission to provide the necessary outdoor facilities that will improve the quality of experience for all users of the NSRC**.

3 Improve the economic, social and environmental sustainability of the facility network: The NSRC is committed to this.by working through its strategic plan, partnering with other community groups, continuing to invest and build on a variety of sporting and recreational activities and living by its Mission Statement **"To be the sporting and social HUB of Ngunguru and the Tutukaka Coast Community, providing an affordable and pleasurable experience to members and guests"**

Background to this request:

The NSRC is the Sporting and Recreational Hub for the greater Tutukaka Coast area. It has in excess of 820 adult financial members (children and youth under the age of 18 are not required to be members), and has under its umbrella 7 adjunct sporting clubs. The NSRC also hosts and is the home for a variety of recreational and community groups and enjoys a very close relationship with the Ngunguru School.

The greater Tutukaka coast area has grown substantially over recent years. The Ngunguru School roll is now close to 300. This growth in our region's population has placed considerable demands on the NSRC to cater for a range of sporting and recreational activities especially for the children and youth of our region.

Demand for an outdoor public toilet:

We believe that the following use of our facilities justifies this request be given serious consideration by the WDC.

The Ngunguru Community Skatepark: During mid 2020 the first stage of the Ngunguru Youth Activity Zone was completed by the WDC with the construction of the Community Skatepark. The installation of the Skatepark has proved extremely popular. Conservatively we estimate that there are in excess of 150 children and youth using the Skatepark every week.

The original intention was that users of the Skatepark were to use the Toilets at Whale Tail Park. This directive has proven not to be practical as children / youth using the Skatepark took it on to relieve themselves in the bush area adjacent to the Skatepark.

The Skatepark stakeholders addressed this issue with the WDC, and Council kindly agreed to install a Portaloo as a temporary measure until such time as a more permanent solution could be addressed.

Other sports codes and activities that would greatly benefit from the installation of a permanent outdoor toilet at the NSRC Sports Field:

Children's Football:

We expect that our Junior Soccer Club will again this year have 140 plus children participating in this sport. All these children need to practise during the week on our sports field and approximately 70 of them each Saturday will play their games here at the NSRC. Each Saturday morning during the football season we would have in excess of 250 players and supporters attending these various games.

Youth and Senior Football:

Again this year we expect that our Senior Football Club will enter 3 teams totalling approximately 50 players, trainers etc.. All 3 teams will need to practise once or twice a week on the NSRC Sports Field, and on Saturday afternoons during the football season at least one of these teams would play at the NSRC. Normally on a Saturday afternoon these games would attract in excess of 100 players and supporters to the NSRC.

Touch Rugby:

In Nov / Dec of each year the NSRC hosts an annual Touch Rugby competition. Normally 16 teams enter this competition. Every Friday night the competition is held some 240 plus players and supporters attend these games.

Sport Northland Secondary Schools Sports Festival:

The NSRC has agreed to support Sport Northland run what is intended to be an annual Secondary Schools Sports Festival using the various sporting facilities available at the NSRC. The inaugural festival is to be held in April this year and approximately 200 students are expected to attend.

Ngunguru School Sport Days:

The NSRC makes its facilities available free to the Ngunguru School to hosts its Sports Days. At their annual Athletic Day the whole school and many of the parents attend.

Rugby Women's World Cup:

The NSRC has been chosen as a base to host one of the tournament teams. The tournament has now been postponed until September 2022. The team will train on our Sports Field and use many of our other facilities. We expect that these practice sessions to be well attended by our local community and visitors following the tournament.

Puke Kopipi:

Is a native bush walk planted by community volunteers which is within the Sports Complex grounds on the hill opposite the main NSRC facility. This hill / lookout is accessed by many visitors and community members for leisure and fitness. It is also an evacuation point in the event of a tsunami.

Current Toilet Facilities available to all users of the NSRC facility

Other than a "long drop" near the 4th tee on the golf course there is only the temporary Portaloo provided for users of the Skatepark by the WDC which has certainly been a valued asset and one we are extremely grateful for. There is no other permanent outdoor toilet facility available for users and visitors of the NSRC Sports Field and Skatepark.

All users and visitors to the Sports Field and Skatepark wishing to use a toilet (other than using the temporary Portaloo) must currently find their way to the main Complex building and use the NSRC indoor toilets. If the NSRC is closed there is no current alternative should the Portaloo be removed.

During the winter months in particular this presents a major cleaning problem for the NSRC as many people do not remove their dirty footwear prior to entering through the NSRC lounge area to access the indoor toilets.

Possible temporary solutions:

As our representatives have only recently met with Grant Alsop from the WDC, the following has yet to be put to the NSRC Management Committee as they do not have another meeting until mid April. At this meeting, and as a temporary solution to the current issue, the Committee would be asked to:

-1) consider allowing all users and visitors to the Sports Field (including Skatepark users) use of its indoor toilets.

-2) investigate the possibility of converting the indoor toilet in the Community Hall into a dual-purpose toilet that could open onto the Sports Field to be accessed by users and visitors to the Sports Field and the Skatepark. If this is practical, the NSRC and the Skatepark could be asked if they were prepared to contribute to the cost of this renovation.

These are not ideal or long- term solutions, but would certainly help alleviate the demand problem that currently exists.

Conclusion:

Given the considerable use now being made of the NSRC Sports Field and the Community Skatepark, we trust that the WDC will look favourably at including this project request into its 2021 /2031 Long Term Plan. We are of course available to discuss this request at any time suitable to your WDC Management team.

Thank you.

Yours Faithfully

Carole Wigger _____ Co-President (NSRC)

Trish Avery _____ " " "

Ces Burke _____ Stakeholder Rep (NSRC) on the Ngunguru Youth Activity Zone

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Your details:

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	Yes

at the hearing?	

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 2: Put budget towards only ONE of the following: Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North.
Why?	

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 1: Put $3.7m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 2: Spend $21m to make improvements to James and John St as well as either Robert St or Cameron Street.
Why?	

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

o I'd like WDC to provide funding and support/expertise to help us establish a cycleway/shared path in Maungatāpere. We have almost nowhere for people to walk for recreation, and cannot use the main roads because they are all now state highways with endless logging trucks. Our nearest park is Barge Park. We need something here. There are several paper roads within the area that could be suitable for a cycleway, and perhaps also access for horse-riders, dog-walkers and other leisure users. There is one between Clendon Drive and SH14, another off Pukeatua Rd, and perhaps a walkway to join up Corsair Drive and Clendon Drive. The Community-Led Project team have put aside $45,000 for a feasibility study for the Clendon Drive/Corsair Drive option, since a very kind landowner is willing to donate land, but they'd need more funding to cover the costs of establishing the walkway.
o I want the council to start insisting that all subdivisions donate some land for public use. Otherwise we will end up with a lot of places like Maungatāpere that keep expanding but have no land for playgrounds, public toilets etc. Other councils around NZ insist on this; ours currently just requests politely, so it doesn't happen – for example the subdivision in Corsair Drive where the bush is no longer accessible to the general public -only to residents of the new subdivision.
o I'd like WDC to help identify a possible route and funding source for a cycleway access between Maungatāpere and Whangārei.
o I'd like WDC to look at establishing a horse-riding trail on the council land at the end of Pukeatua Rd.
o I'd like WDC to look at establishing a mountain bike trail on the council land at the end of Pukeatua Rd.
o I'd like WDC to look at establishing walking trails on Maungatāpere Mountain, in consultation with local iwi.

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No

at the hearing?	

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 2: Limit the rates increase to LGCI plus 2% only in years one to three
Why?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	I am not certain why we need so many arts and cultural centres. I actually don't feel supportive of putting funding towards any of these projects. I feel the funding should be directed towards creating a shopping Mecca at Okara Park. More shops and parking & some decent public toilets in that area. Town centre is gone. I do not go there. If I need to shop I go to Okara, stop trying to save the town centre. Seamlessly transition it into a food and accommodation place with the town basin. I don't believe the people of Whangarei want more Art centres and definitely the majority do no want hundervasser. This has ruined the peaceful relaxing calm vibe and look of the town basin. The people told the council this and they still are but you do not listen, what went wrong here? You took a vote, the people told you a no. You did it anyway. Listen to them, not just call a meeting and expect them to attend, you need to do the work and go and ask the questions. Spend time at the town basin, ask the people there what they want, attend community

	events and go and talk to people. Don't say we are holding a meeting you come to us! You need to go to the people who you are working for and listen to them.

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 3: No new funding towards climate change or waste minimisation.
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 3: No additional funding for the city centre.
Why?	As said before, the city centre does not need revitalising. It needs rebranding to a eats area or accomodation area. People have moved from the city centre as a shopping place to Okara park so embrace that and encourage grow in that area.

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

Maunu/Maungatapere area.
Why is the council ignoring Maunu residents? They did not want their park taken away. Families have many many years of history at that
Park and you refused to listen to them. They deserved that park. The council ignore Maunu. When was the last time toilets or a playground was supplied to the suburb? The playground was purchased by local Maunu community, has the council ever supported Maunu? Why not?

I see you mention growth in Whangarei Heads. Please also consider growth to the West of Whangarei. This area is growing very quickly. I commute to hospital from 4km from

Maungatapere daily in traffic. Please consider looking at Maungatapere village at 8am midweek. There are busses, traffic, children crossing, cars pulling in and out everywhere. It is a dangerous shambles and needs attention. Then please consider trying to get to work at that time also. This road and infrastructure needs to be added to this LTP. Already it is bad, without attention for 10 years it will be horrific. Consider your bike trail to Maungatapere, consider public busses to Maungatapere, consider 2 laneing from Maunu traffic lights to Museum both directions. give people some other options to travel to work.

Tikipunga sports park and a New sports park were both mentioned in the plan. I would like to know why Tikipunga football club get all this funding when Northland football club and other local football clubs do not? My children belong to Central Brown football club, they have an amazing new fields however, no parking or club rooms to support this. Over the last two seasons they have had to walk through muddy potholed parking area. The rugby club rooms built at Pohe Island are ridiculously huge. Why is this money and land only given to certain clubs and not shared amongst all? I am also interested in why are you planning to purchase land for a new
Sports hub? You have Kensington with Cricket, Netball, soccer, hockey, indoor gym, badminton , squash etc why is another site needed to be purchased?

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No

at the hearing?	

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 2: Limit the rates increase to LGCI plus 2% only in years one to three
Why?	How dare the council even suggest a rates increase of 6.5%?? Council should only be providing for necessities such as functioning infrastructure. We are getting a new council building at $50 million which is totally unnecessary. During the level 4 lockdown last year all essential services were maintained by council with employees working from home. They don't need a new block of fancy offices. We are getting a Hundertwasser monstrosity which very few international visitors are going to be able to visit. What on earth would we need a new events centre in the Town Basin for even if the government has promised to provide some of the funding. The Northland Events centre isn't even used to its full potential. It's about time council learned to cut its coat according to its cloth!! How about a rates reduction??

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	
Why?	None of the above are needed - refer my comments on the first

	issue.

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 1: Put $3.7m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 3: No additional funding for the city centre.
Why?	Reduce rates so that it is more attractive for businesses to return to the city centre!!

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

I refer you back to my comments for issue 1. Only provide for essential infrastructure with no frills.

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Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No

Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	OPTION 1: Rates increase in year one (2021) of 2% + 2.5% Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) + 2% 'catch up'. Rates increase in years two and three (2022-23) of 2% + 2.5% LGCI.
Why?	District is growing rapidly and needs funding to cope with significant issues especially climate change impacts and housing

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 2: Put budget towards only ONE of the following: Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North.
Why?	Hihiaua Cultural Centre is becoming established and needs more support. I have serious reservations about the Okuru Landing proposal as it is in a very confined space, vulnerable to climate change impacts and would shoft focus of Town Basin away from southern side.

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	OPTION 2: Put $7.4m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	If significant money is not spent now then the costs of dealing with impacts later will be significantly greater. It is a sensible investment to prepare. The changes are already happening - get with it now

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 1: Spend $13m to make improvements to James and John St.
Why?	James and john streets offer great potential for improvement as pedestrian only precincts that will connect with the Town Basin.

Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:

Continued encouragement needed on public transport facilities. Housing is a significantt issue and encouragement of apartment style housing in the central city should be pursed. Good to reduce waste, support more recycling, provide cycle and walkways. Consider establishment of parking areas well away from city centre supported by better public transport into the centre. Seek to reduce the number of cars using inner city. Pedestrian & cycle friendly is better for everyone and everything

SUBMISSION ON WH**ANGĀREI DISTRICT** 2021 **–** 2031 LONG TERM PLAN

TO: WHANG**Ā**REI DISTRICT COUNCIL

FROM: THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF WATER AND ATMOSPHERIC RESEARCH LIMITED

INTRODUCTION AND OVERVIEW

1. The National Institute of Water and Atmospheric Research Limited (NIWA) appreciates the opportunity to comment on Whangārei District Council's 2021 – 2031 Long Term Plan (LTP).

2. NIWA is a Crown Research Institute established in 1992. NIWA owns and operates the Northland Marine Research Centre (Research Centre), a nationally and regionally significant aquaculture and marine science facility, located on an 8.4 ha site on Station Road and Te One Street/Sime Road in Ruakaka.

Figure 1 **–** Northland Marine Research Centre site

3. NIWA is generally supportive of the direction and priorities outlined in the LTP, particularly the continuing focus on improving the roading network and the prioritisation of advocating for future opportunities for Whangārei.

4. NIWA's planned Kingfish development is one such opportunity which, once fully developed, will make a significant contribution to local employment and the local economy over the next five years. In order for this opportunity to be fully realised, NIWA requests that additional funding be allocated to the

upgrade of local roads, particularly Te One Street, which is no longer fit for purpose.

NIWA AND NORTHLAND MARINE RESEARCH CENTRE

5. NIWA has occupied the Research Centre site since 2002 – initially under lease from the (then) owner Mighty River Power and subsequently as owner after NIWA purchased the site in 2015.

6. To date NIWA, along with its commercial tenant (Aotearoa Fisheries Limited, trading as Moana New Zealand Limited (Moana NZ)), have developed approximately 5 ha of the 8.4 ha site. Moana NZ leases 2 ha from NIWA and produces pāua for local and export markets.

7. NIWA, with its partners Northland Regional Council and the Provincial Growth Fund, has commenced a programme of significant infrastructure investment (some $20 million) to develop the site in order to fully enable NIWA's research activities in aquaculture and marine sciences, and the endeavours of its existing (Moana NZ) and planned commercial partners. NIWA expects that all or most of the remaining 3.4 ha will be developed over the next four to five years, with 2.5 ha of that land having been earmarked for NIWA's proposed Kingfish farm development (refer next section).

8. Total employment combining both NIWA and Moana NZ personnel is currently 50 full time equivalent employees. This employment is dominated by Ruakaka locals. The number of personnel is expected to increase by at least 50% over the next five years (due to the planned expansions), with seasonal increases of 10% to 20%.

Planned development

9. NIWA has partnered with Northland Regional Council and the Provincial Growth Fund to significantly advance the design, operation, and construction of the first stage of its planned Kingfish development. The project involves the creation of an on-land commercial Kingfish farm using recirculating aquaculture systems. The first stage involves the construction of a recirculating aquaculture system enabling the first production of kingfish in commercial quantities. The expectation is that through industry investment in subsequent stages, the production will increase by five times once full production is reached.

10. The available technology is a direct derivation from NIWA's extensive publicly funded research to develop new high value aquaculture species opportunities for New Zealand's aquaculture sector. The opportunity with this aquaculture research is sizable and NIWA expects that it would add between $50 – $100 million dollars per annum to the Northland economy. It would also support industries such as trades, catering, material supplies, and feed

manufacture which are all expected to flourish as a direct result of NIWA's planned investment in facilities and science.

11. Based on current projections, the infrastructure upgrades for the kingfish part of the development are expected to be complete by the end of this year and the first stage of the facility installed and established within two years with kingfish being sold commercially soon after. Further infrastructure upgrades will occur into the future as other species researched realise their commercial opportunities.

TE ONE STREET

12. The main entrance to the Research Centre is through a purpose built gateway off Te One Street/Sime Road:

Figure 2: Entrance to Research Centre from Te One Street/Sime Road

13. Part of Te One Street/Sime Road is a private road which historically was used primarily by Mighty River Power as an access point for the old Marsden power station site – part of which now houses the Research Centre site.

14. Figure 3 below shows both the private and public parts of the road. The part that is private is called Sime Road, with the remainder of the road being referred to as Te One Street.

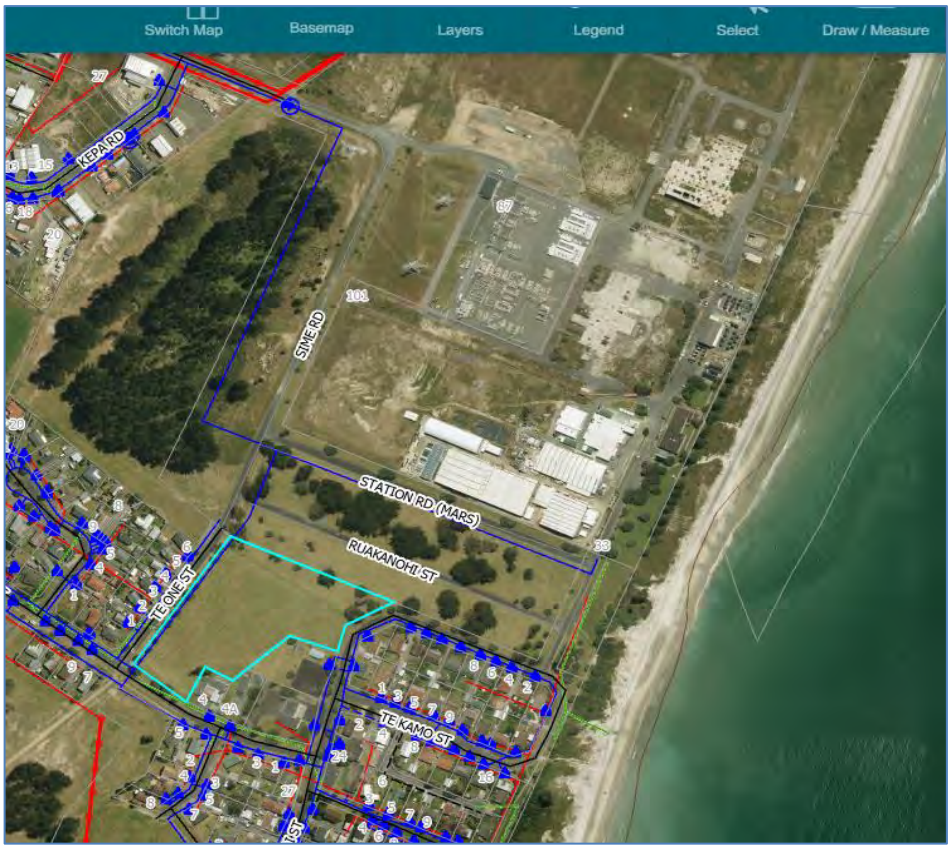

Figure 3: Section of Te One Street/Sime Road which is private road

15. When NIWA purchased part of the site in 2015, it acquired a right of way easement over part of the private road. The right of way is situated on land vested in the Crown, which holds the balance of the power station site on behalf of Te Arawhiti for Treaty Settlement purposes. NIWA shares maintenance costs and obligations with the Crown and other right of way holders.

16. Since the time that the right of way was established, the level of development in the area has significantly increased, and Te One Street/Sime Road is now a key accessway and through road for residents and businesses located in the area. As Figure 4 below shows there are now established residential enclaves to the south and south west of the Research Centre site, industrial developments to the west, as well as some remaining areas of open space.

Figure 4 – Te One Street surrounds

17. Despite these changes the private road is still not shown as a local road on the Whangarei District Plan maps (or indeed as a road at all). Figure 5 below is an extract from the District Plan zoning maps showing the areas of road as open space.

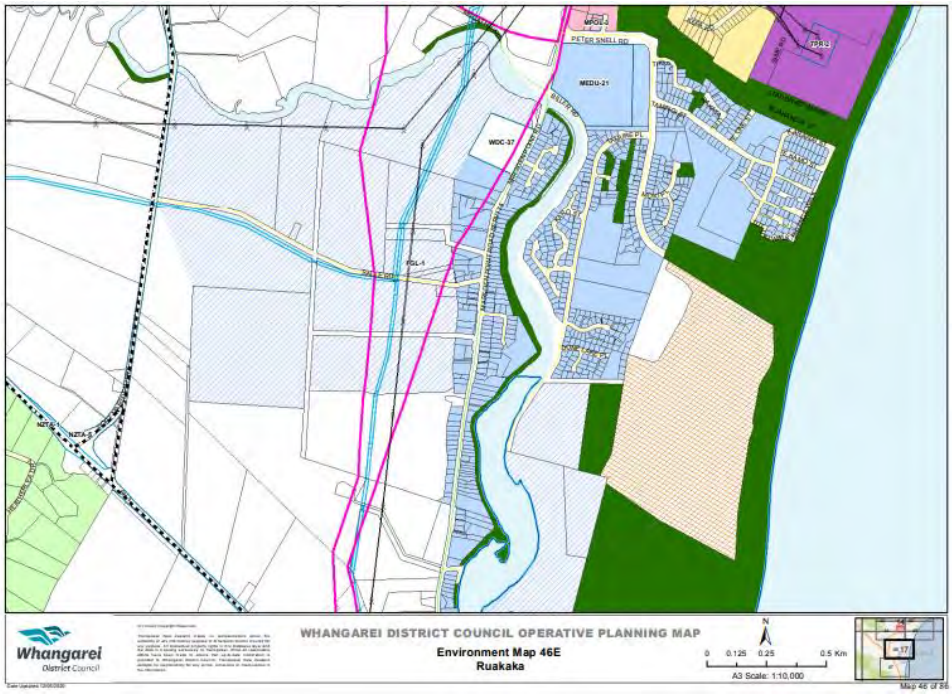

Figure 5 – District Plan Map extract

18. Figure 6 shows the extent of the private and public sections of Te One Street/Sime Road. All public roads are shown with a black line and the private section is shown highlighted yellow.

Figure 6: Plan showing public and private parts of Te One Street/Sime Road

19. Given the levels of new development in the area and the increased level of usage by the public as well as by vehicles servicing the various industries in the area, NIWA is concerned that Te One Street/Sime Road is no longer fit for purpose. The private road is sealed but has a narrow carriageway, unsealed shoulders, no road line marking and limited signage.

Figure 7 – Te One Street carriageway

20. The increased level of traffic from residents and businesses has also resulted in significantly greater and more frequent maintenance works being required (with all the attendant costs) – simply to retain the status quo.

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21. The LTP recognises that Whangārei is a growing district, and that improving the roads (and other ways of getting around) remains a key priority. The LTP also prioritises the support of future development opportunities – such as the expansion of Northport and relocation of the Navy.[1] However, the LTP makes no mention of other more immediate development opportunities such as NIWA's planned Kingfish development. NIWA considers that priority should also be given to recognising and providing for developments, like its Kingfish facility that is already in train and planned to be completed within the life of the LTP.

22. Such support should extend to ensuring that the roading network used by residents and industry, including around regionally significant facilities like the Research Centre is fit for purpose. At present, while the LTP prioritises spending on road improvements, it does not list all of the roads where improvements, or resealing/widening is proposed. Part of Te One Street/Sime Road is effectively a private road being used as public amenity. NIWA would like to see Te One Street/Sime Road added to the list of roads that are being considered for an upgrade.

23. NIWA appreciates that given the current private status of part of the road, the Council may require the vesting of that part as a public road before it agrees to upgrade and maintain the road.

RELIEF SOUGHT

24. For the reasons given above, NIWA requests that the Council amend the LTP to:

    (a) specifically recognise the planned Kingfish development as an important future development opportunity;

    (b) allocate funding to:

        (i) facilitate and engage in discussions with NIWA, the Crown and other right of way holders for the private road to determine extent of the upgrading required and the support for and appropriate process to convert the private road into a public road;

        (ii) meet the costs associated with any vesting and/or planning process as may be necessary to convert the private road into a public road;

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[1] LTP Consultation Document, p.9.

(iii) upgrade Te One Street/Sime Road to widen the carriageway of the road to better enable two way traffic and to include road marking and signage; and

(iv) maintain Te One Street/Sime Road to that standard for the remainder of the life of the LTP.

25. NIWA is available to meet with the Council to discuss this submission should that be of assistance.

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