

# **Whangarei District Council**

Tuesday 13 and Wednesday 14 April 2021

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## **Submissions relating to the Long Term Plan 2021 - 2031**

**Volume Eleven**

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## Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Malcolm Eric Pullman - 2021-LTP-SUB-330

**Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-330**

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### Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No
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## 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
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Why?	<p>Feel there is further scope for more efficiencies in council management.</p> <p>Local examples:</p> <p>Continued mowing of foreshore grass areas at Sandy Bay in winter when there is very little if any growth.</p> <p>Use of flail mowers on hydraulic arms of tractor to control roadside weeds and trees without follow up clearance, often causing blocked culverts and amplified erosion from run off which requires expensive remedial work.</p>
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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).
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?	With so much of the council's infrastructure within a meter or so of existing high tide levels (some of it less) this is an issue that

	requires prompt and pivotal leadership.
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Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 1: Spend \$13m to make improvements to James and John St.
Why?	With the council's commitment to redeveloping the Forum North precinct and the near competition of the Hundertwasser project some improvement in the linkage between the two is probably desirable. But the changes in commerce and public servicing of the last few years, especially those enabled by e-commerce, have shown so much change that the concept of city centers may yet change dramatically.

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

**Roading:**

Consideration should be given to making it mandatory in the planning for all new and/or roading improvements to either include or make provision for cycleways, walkways or scooter paths. This should apply in all areas but particularly so in the highly used coastal areas.

**Coastal erosion:**

Greater emphasis is required on identifying low lying or otherwise likely to be threatened areas and publicising the risks involved.

In general, managed retreat should be preferred to expensive coastal defences.

**Freedom Camping:**

Consideration should be given to greatly simplifying the planning and consent procedures to allow private land owners to develop basic "Not quite freedom, but fairly cheap", camping sites to take the pressure off already over-used public spaces.

**From:** Whangarei District Council  
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## Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Rachael - 2021-LTP-SUB-490

**Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-490**

### Your details:

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Best phone number:	
Email:	

### Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No
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at the hearing?	
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## 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?	Rates are increasing but what are we getting in return for it?

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 2: Put budget towards only ONE of the following: Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhītaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North.
Why?	There are more important things we need to spend money on. Whangārei needs passive income, the money-earners (20-30) have absolutely nothing to do in this town and are therefore leaving, setting up live elsewhere etc. Put money and focus back into reigniting town central

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?	These streets don't need to be re-done. They need SHOPS.

	<p>What is the point of spending money if there's nothing there to visit? Rolling a turd in glitter doesn't fix the problem.</p> <p>Limit commercial rates, reduce rent in town so that businesses can open in town and remain open. So many empty buildings</p>
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\* town central has so many empty shops. Empty shops means less passive income. Less people coming into town, less revenue and increases online shopping and outsourcing. Focus on the CAUSE of this and work out how to fix it.

\* Young money earners are leaving. There's nothing to do here unless you are old or have a family. Bring back the night life or more recreational places that don't only adhere to family.



# LONG TERM PLAN 2021-31 FEEDBACK FORM

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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



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

**WHY?**

Climate Change should not be linked to waste minimisation - very separate  
The Climate Change Crisis is a Hoax, propagated by misinformation from Media and Education.  
When the U.N. IPCC refuses to consider a report downplaying the Crisis Emergency from 1200 Earth scientists, instead promoting the emotional fear generated by a 16yr old schoolgirl, logical thinking is dismissed.

**KEY ISSUE - REVITALISING OUR CITY CENTRE (SEE PAGE 32)**

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

**WHY?**

Council policies over the past decades have decimated retail businesses in the City Centre, favouring the large Globalist traders in Mega Centres. Revitalising the city centre is too late, and ~~is~~ besides Ratepayers money is being spent on a new ivory castle for the ever increasing Council/Staff

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

As legal Class Actions worldwide are about to impact our Regional as well as National Governance; Ratepayers must seek to hold elected officials Accountable for their actions.  
As we saw in previous Nuremburg Trials  
- Ignorance is no legal excuse.



## 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)

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

**WHY?**

The worldwide Covid Plandemic is facing serious legality challenges ignored by our Media and elected Officials. (Reference the Worlds largest tort case, launched for Covid related Crimes against Humanity - Dr. Reiner Fuellmich; - German Corona Investigative Committee) Who will need to justify and be held accountable for their action or inaction

### KEY ISSUE – SPACES FOR GATHERING (SEE PAGE 24)

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

**WHY?**

Money has already been committed to a new building for the increasing Council Staff.



# HAVE YOUR SAY KŌREROTIA!

This Consultation Document outlines what we are proposing for the next 10 years.

We want you to tell us what you think of this Plan, the options we have outlined, and what we are proposing. We are also consulting on changes to our fees and charges and various policies. All of the supporting documents are available on our website. If you do not have access to the internet or would prefer a hard copy, please call us to request them.

## CONCURRENT CONSULTATIONS

Alongside this Consultation Document we are also consulting on our:

- Revenue and Financing Policy
- Rates, Remissions and Postponement Policy
- Development Contributions Policy
- Fees and Charges 2021-22

Consultation on these policies and fees and charges will be publicly notified on Council's website. People interested in the proposals will be able to present their views during a formal submission period from 1 March to 1 April 2021. This will be followed by formal hearings where any submitter may choose to speak to their submission.

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## GIVING US YOUR FEEDBACK

You can tell us:

- through the online submission form on our website [www.wdc.govt.nz/HaveYourSay](http://www.wdc.govt.nz/HaveYourSay)
- via email to [mailroom@wdc.govt.nz](mailto:mailroom@wdc.govt.nz)
- in person, by dropping off a completed feedback form at any Council Service Centre, or by calling our contact centre on +64 9 430 4200 (0800 932 463)
- by post, by sending your feedback to our mailing address as shown on the feedback form

You may also like to support your formal submission by posting or messaging on Facebook, [www.facebook.com/WhangareiDC](http://www.facebook.com/WhangareiDC).

### ***How to make your feedback as effective as possible***

- Use the feedback form and attach extra information, if required. This means we have all the information we need to process your feedback.
- Provide us with your contact details so we can email you, write to you or call you to keep you informed.
- Submissions on operational issues will be directed through our Customer Relations Management (CRM) process.



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WHANGAREI

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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

1 APR 2021

WHANGAREI  
DISTRICT COUNCIL**YOUR FEEDBACK**

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**WHY?**

HAPPY WITH WDC MEETING ITS COMMITMENT  
TO DO THE BEST FOR THE DISTRICT AND GET  
A BALANCE TO PROVIDE SATISFACTORY RESULTS.

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**WHY?**

HAPPY WITH SUPPORTING THE LATTER TWO  
OPTIONS. HOWEVER, NOT IN FAVOUR OF THE  
ORUKU PROJECT AT ALL. I WILL NOT  
SUPPORT IT IN ITS PRESENT FORM AND  
SITE. TOO MANY IF'S, BUT'S, MAYBE'S.



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**WHY?**

WE ARE NOT GOING TO SAVE THE WORLD  
NO MATTER HOW MUCH WE SPEND. A CAREFULLY  
STRUCTURED APPROACH IS THE MORE PRUDENT  
APPROACH.

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**WHY?**

LET'S FOCUS ON A STEPPED APPROACH. PLANNERS  
NEED TO ACTUALLY LISTEN TO COUNCILLORS CONCERNS  
AND SUGGESTIONS. IF WE GET THIS WRONG, WE WILL BE  
STUCK WITH IT, AND BE REMEMBERED FOR <sup>ALL</sup> THE WRONG  
REASONS. TREES IN PUBLIC PLACES CREATE A NUMBER  
OF ISSUES FOR ALL, SO A CAUTIOUS APPROACH IS NEEDED.

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

ALL IN FAVOUR OF INCREASED SPEND ON ROADING.  
I AM IN FULL SUPPORT OF SUBMISSION FROM THE  
MAUNGATAPERE LED PROJECT TEAM. WE SHOULD  
REDUCE THE SPEND ON PENSIONER HOUSING BY  
2 MILLION DOLLARS. THAT IS NOT PART OF  
COUNCIL BUSINESS & OUR INPUT IS ALREADY \$5.4m.

**From:** Whangarei District Council  
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## Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Peter Riehl - 2021-LTP-SUB-431

**Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-431**

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### Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No
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## Your feedback:

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Why?	

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



30 MAR 2021

WHANGAREI  
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This is a submission asking for the signage and if possible speed bumps to exert some control over speeding in Fairway Drive, particularly on the long straight stretch which links into Whau Valley Rd.

Fairway Drive has become an arterial route - all more reason to vamp up speed control measures for the safety of the public.

We have already logged our concern with the police. I have also received a very helpful reply to an email I sent to WDC chief executive Mr Rob Forlong, who explained that the rapid growth of the city is generating increasing traffic, as everyone is noticing. Fairway Drive was being particularly affected by development to the north and north-west.

Mr Forlong suggested I make a submission. I was advised by a WDC representative this morning to make a submission in this form.

We live on the corner of Elgin Place and Fairway Drive, just below a descending curve.

We have lived here for nearly two years. In that time there has been a big increase in traffic. This includes tradesmen's utes, articulated trucks, speedster motor cyclists and souped-up cars.

It appears a fair proportion is generated by drivers avoiding the Kamo shops. As far as we can see, no-one dares to travel on Kamo Rd at the speeds some are hitting in our street.

Traffic comes from east and west in Three Mile Bush Rd, turns into Clark Rd, then into Braintree St and into Fairway Drive. The curves of the road at this point serve to keep speeds down but as vehicles round the afore-mentioned curve and come down into the long straight stretch down to Whau Valley Rd, they let rip.

A friend over the road was so nervous about the speed at which traffic rounds that corner she put a card table she was lending me in her car and drove it over. She felt she couldn't have got out of the way quickly enough carrying the card table if a vehicle rounded the corner at speed.

We are logging traffic movements past our houses.

Examples: Friday March 19, 4.40-5.40p.m.: 544.

Monday March 29, 8-9a.m., 572 cars, trucks and vans; one bus, three cyclists, three motorbikes.

Same day, 3-4p.m., total 579 movements.

THE TOTAL FOR JUST TWO HOURS YESTERDAY BEING 1151.

I believe a significant number of vehicles are exceeding the speed limit. Some dangerously so. There are no 50mph signs in this stretch of Fairway Dr.

Rosemary Roberts, 2A Elgin Place, Kamo. 09 437 6906, and 021 024 33 523.

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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

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☐ **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)

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#### WHY?

The developments are unwarranted and waste of rate payers funds

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**WHY?**

Council throughout the years has received generous rates from James & John Streets yet, has blown it somewhere else. Vehicle access ought not be decreased

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Proposed increase in debt is grossly excessive  
\$195m to \$361m.

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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:**

Gomez Park
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The WDC owns a large block of land on Gomez Road which has previously been identified as a potential development site for “Gomez Park”, a sought after outdoor recreational facility. With the possibility to bring some dying sports back to life by providing much sort after event grounds, sports such as archery and mountain biking will have a chance at keeping their clubs alive within our district. The “trail track” will provide much needed funding to local community groups if they are able to host a horse trek, mountain bike ride, fun run/walk, or trail bike ride up to once per month. The benefits of developing this land far outweighs the cons and this project has already been on council development plans in the past, so half the work has already been done.

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## 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?

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, Hihiaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).

**OPTION 2:** Put budget towards only ONE of the following: Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hihiaua 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?**

WE'RE THE 8 CENTRE FROM WE  
ARE ALL OVER TAXED NOW!!

**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?**

WHERE ARE THE TOURIST, CRUISE SHIP ETC.!

**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



# LONG TERM PLAN 2021-31 FEEDBACK FORM



**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

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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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Do you wish to be heard in support of your submission at a traditional hearing on 13-14 April?

☒ Yes ☐ No

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

I am new to New Zealand and Whangarei.  
I am a resident class visa holder and arrived in  
Whangarei 3 months ago. I am employed as a dentist  
at Kanhai Dental. I believe that the Whangarei  
community could benefit greatly from a low  
income dental clinic. Both of the communities I've  
lived and practiced in (Santa Fe, New Mexico +  
Fort Collins, Colorado) had such clinics. The  
former was specifically for mothers and children  
and was known as the 'Maternal + Child dental  
Health Clinic'. That could ~~be~~ be an excellent  
starting point. I wish I could write more but only  
heard about this + need to head to work. I have  
been practicing for 30 years + have never seen the  
widespread dental decay that I'm seeing here in  
Whangarei...

**From:** Whangarei District Council  
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## Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Val Scott - 2021-LTP-SUB-473

**Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-473**

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### Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No
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at the hearing?	
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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 are big changes coming which require long term planning and the funding to to meet those changes.

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīāua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	The Oruku Landing Conference Centre should be established and retained in Council Council control but not at the expense of other facilities. I am not convinced that we need a conference venue here, especially when travel and tourism may be very restricted for some time, but IF Government money is available for this and no other asset, then go ahead.

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?	There is a climate crisis and all Councils must invest the maximum in response. Even \$7.4 million is not sufficient, but better than nothing.  Council could take a more active lead by only contacting goods and services from organisations which are not dependent on



	fossil fuels and incentivise green options and sponsor green employment opportunities.
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Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 3: No additional funding for the city centre.
Why?	<p>I don't think prettying up James, John et al will bring back people to the city, so it would be a waste of money. I think businesses need to fund thier own development to make the city more attractive, then they might maintain them better.</p> <p>The major issue is to capitalize on the huge funds spent on the Basin area we have to better connect the existing city centre with the Town Basin. Simple things like more (and safer) pedestrian crossings (a bridge?) between the city and the Basin; better connection between the long distance buses and the City buses - moving the Bus station to closer and safer position to the long distance buses. For example the buses from Onerahi (and the airport) do not stop at the Basin or at PaknSave- the nearest stops are Rose Rd and Kingsgate, which is really inconvenient for both tourists and locals. I will also be promoting this with NDC.</p>

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

I think the Council has to take a much more active role in the provision of housing especially now the Government will make more funds available for building infrastructure. WDC should work actively with Kainga Ora to build community housing. It was a travesty that Council pensioner housing was demolished for hotel development and should never happen again.

Community Funding

Council should actively assist building housing, both short and long term for the local homeless

**From:** Whangarei District Council  
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## Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Jill Secker - 2021-LTP-SUB-483

**Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-483**

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### Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No
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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?	I believe it is in our best interests to keep ahead of the rates increases, as long as there is a contingency in place in case of another economic blow like Covid 19

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīāua 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:**

As an Onerahi resident, I believe that consideration of relocating the airport, along with addressing the access road into Onerahi is relevant to the community. Riverside and Onerahi roads create a bottleneck for the Heads community traffic, impacting on road safety, travel times, productivity and ease of access to the Onerahi shopping centre. Futureproofing this route from traffic stops due to accidents, as well as anticipating even greater growth in the Heads community is important to keep ahead of these issues. At the same time consideration of the impact of traffic pollution and public transport is important. The amount of traffic currently using these roads, often with only one occupant in the car is not efficient. If a ferry dock is being considered at Oruku Landing might that include a passenger service from Whangarei Heads?

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## Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Frances Semenoff - 2021-LTP-SUB-463

**Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-463**

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### Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No
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## 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)	
Why?	<p>No selection made</p> <p>Oruku Landing Conference - right beside the river, with climate change and maybe the threat of future tsunamis - why?</p> <p>Theatre - Whangarei Boys' High School is currently building a 1300 seat auditorium which would accommodate the needs of the community - why double up?</p>

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.
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Why?	Improve the street system, this was highlighted during the recent tsunami alert when the city was gridlocked because of our inadequate street system. We would have been washed away whilst waiting in traffic queues.
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**Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:**

Parking is an issue in the CBD, a new park is being constructed at the town basin, but where do you park so you can visit this park?
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**From:** Whangarei District Council  
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## Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Doug Shearer - 2021-LTP-SUB-315

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### Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No
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at the hearing?	
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## 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 2: Put budget towards only ONE of the following: Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīāua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North.
Why?	Whangarei would benefit on having the Oruku Landing Conference and Event Centre allowing Whnagarei to help secure 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 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 - Rory Sherman - 2021-LTP-SUB-258

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## Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Rory Sherman - 2021-LTP-SUB-258

**Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-258**

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### Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No
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at the hearing?	
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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?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 3: Build a Whangarei District Council-owned theatre on the current Forum North site.
Why?	Anew venue would open up more possibilities for me as a Producer to tour shows and reach new audiences.

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:

Right now theatre in NZ needs a boost. A new venue can open up more possibilities and
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improve chances of making profit making it more likely to tour independent shows from NZ.

**From:** Whangarei District Council  
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**Subject:** Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Jonathan Slavich - 2021-LTP-SUB-256

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## Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Jonathan Slavich - 2021-LTP-SUB-256

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### Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No
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## 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, Hīhīāua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	<p>I really support Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre and the Hihiaua Cultural Centre. Im less certain of the long term plans and investment for Forum North.</p> <p>The Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, combined with a 4 star hotel is something that Whangarei desperately needs. Our town and region continues to grow and prosper, and in order to support that we need more infrastructure and services to meet the expectations of our community - at this development will provide that in a critical service, attraction, and center piece to the town - it is an amazing opportunity and brilliant synergy with The Loop, Town Basin, Hundertwasser, and I am excited at the atmosphere and attention it will bring to the town that will benefit current and future generations.</p> <p>It seems completely odd that we have no fit for purpose</p>



	<p>Conference and Events Centre in the north. The options with the stadium or forum north meet different community needs. If we don't have these kinds of facilities, the North will continue to miss out.</p> <p>It also astounds me that Whangarei has no higher quality hotel / motel accommodation in the CBD. Every month through work we have people from around NZ come to Whangarei for business, and they often check with me - "Is the Distinction or Quest the best place I should stay?" (no offence to those two operators). I feel embarrassed with my response, and embarrassed that that is the impression they are left with of our town. Audit NZ just last week asked me this question, as they are on site for two weeks conducting their Audit.</p> <p>As my friend David Wilson once said when he was at the head of Northland Inc - creating jobs in our region is critical to driving economic prosperity for this region. This project is going to create a significant and material amount of jobs, that will benefit our whanau, our community, not just during construction, but also in the long term. Further to that, I am in education and training, if we can assist in providing skills and training it will staircase our young or unemployed into opportunities for themselves and their families - "education is the most powerful weapon you can use to change the world" as Nelson Mandela once said.</p>
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Key issue - Climate change and sustainability	OPTION 1: Put \$3.7m of new funding towards climate change mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
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(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?	

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

I really support Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre and the Hihiaua Cultural Centre. Im less certain of the long term plans and investment for Forum North.

The Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, combined with a 4 star hotel is something that Whangarei desperately needs. Our town and region continues to grow and prosper, and in order to support that we need more infrastructure and services to meet the expectations of our community - at this development will provide that in a critical service, attraction, and center piece to the town - it is an amazing opportunity and brilliant synergy with The Loop, Town Basin, Hundertwasser, and I am excited at the atmosphere and attention it will bring to the town that will benefit current and future generations.

It seems completely odd that we have no fit for purpose Conference and Events Centre in the north. The options with the stadium or forum north meet different community needs. If we dont have these kinds of facilities, the North will continue to miss out.

It also astounds me that Whangarei has no higher quality hotel / motel accommodation in the CBD. Every month through work we have people from around NZ come to Whangarei for business, and they often check with me - "Is the Distinction or Quest the best place I should stay?" (no offence to those two operators). I feel embarrassed with my response, and embarrassed that that is the impression they are left with of our town. Audit NZ just last

week asked me this question, as they are on site for two weeks conducting their Audit.

As my friend David Wilson once said when he was at the head of Northland Inc - creating jobs in our region is critical to driving economic prosperity for this region. This project is going to create a significant and material amount of jobs, that will benefit our whanau, our community, not just during construction, but long term. Further to that, I am in education and training, we can assist in providing skills and training it will staircase our young or unemployed into opportunities for themselves and their families - "education is the most powerful weapon you can use to change the world" as Nelson Mandela once said.

**From:** Whangarei District Council  
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## Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Peter Smart - 2021-LTP-SUB-261

**Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-261**

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### Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No
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at the hearing?	
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## 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
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Why?	<p>Council must Live within it's means and can not continue to fleece the rate payer to finance grandiose projects dreamed up by staff and councilors.</p> <p>It is about time the council stopped wasting rate payers money, on such schemes as rate payers have only limited funds. It is NOT all right for staff and councilors continue to spend funds on needless projects.</p> <p>The council should take a good look at itself and reduce staff numbers and managers and this will provide a great deal of savings.</p>
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Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 3: Build a Whangarei District Council-owned theatre on the current Forum North site.
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Why?	<p>The location of the Oruku Landing is not a good site for a conference and Events Centre as this will create traffic bottle necks and have limited parking. The location is Not ideal for such a centre. This should be built on the old RSA site. At the same time staff numbers could be reduced thus eliminating the need to build a new office block and thus save money.</p>
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Key issue - Climate change and sustainability	OPTION 3: No new funding towards climate change or waste minimisation.
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(see page 28)	
Why?	There is no need for such funding. This is up to Central Govt not for local council

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 3: No additional funding for the city centre.
Why?	<p>Again there is no need for such a plan as the central city is devoid of people so why waste funds on such an idea. The plan does not provide for much or any inner-city living such as apartment blocks which would provide the population to justify such upgrading. At this point in time there is a shortage of parking and by doing the suggested improvements to John &amp; James streets a number of parking spaces will be lost. What is going to happen to the shop owners located in these streets...are they going to go out of business?</p> <p>This idea could be revisited in the next 10 year plan when things are more prosperous and more people living in the CBD.</p>

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

We should do away with the ward system to elect councilors. All rate payers should have a say in who makes up council. The number of councilors should be reduced and council do away with Maori wards as these would no longer be of any use thus reducing the cost of council. The building of the Civic Centre should stop and be replaced by the conference centre. Why is the council going to purchase land for another sports centre when Whangarei has enough parks for sport.

The Water supply which the council owns should remain in council ownership and not centralised.

By reducing expenture the need to borrow will be reduced thus helping us poor rate payers.



**From:** Whangarei District Council  
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**Subject:** Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Roimata Smith-Iri - 2021-LTP-SUB-350

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## Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Roimata Smith-Iri - 2021-LTP-SUB-350

**Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-350**

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### Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No
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at the hearing?	
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## 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, Hīhīāua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	We need a variety of spaces available for our growing population and the increased amount of events that come with the growth.

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?	As a town we should take responsibility at a council level for the effects of Climate change. The more support and systems that are put in place by the council, the easier it will be for individuals to instigate change and break old habits. Having local businesses incorporate new systems would also create new behavioural norms in a day-to-day space.

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page	OPTION 3: No additional funding for the city centre.
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32)	
Why?	I can only speak from a consumers point of view and not a business owner. As a busy working mum who is time poor finding a parking spot in the city centre has been a big challenge for me. I will do anything I can to avoid shopping or eating in the area. I have money to spend and I would rather travel and additional 5 mins to Okara park or shop online rather than go into the city centre.

**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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## Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Janeen Soderling - 2021-LTP-SUB-260

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## Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No
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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?	Any limitation on the rates increase is likely to prejudice the outcome for my chosen options for the LTP.

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 3: Build a Whangarei District Council-owned theatre on the current Forum North site.
Why?	Given that the need for a large theatre in Whangarei was recognized 45 years ago, in 1976, and its population is now significantly larger, with growth in and around the district bound to continue, it must be considered of the highest importance that the building of such a theatre be put in place at the earliest opportunity. Whangarei desperately needs a theatre suitable for the highest level of the various artforms, whether that be music, dance or theatre. It is indeed shameful that two generations of young people in our district have not had access to such a venue, therefore denying them exposure to the finest of our national and international artists and musicians. The Arts have clearly been neglected over the last forty years, and it is imperative that the issue be addressed, particularly when the longterm benefit to the community as a whole is acknowledged.

	<p>Some would argue that a suitably sized conference centre could serve the purpose of a theatre. Absolutely not! While not denying the need for a conference centre in Whangarei, a conference centre is not a theatre. There is a need for both - they are indeed complementary to each other.</p> <p>The financing of a theatre, in my opinion, should be undertaken by the Council, and this should be prioritized, so that construction can commence as soon as Forum North is vacated by the Council. There should be no further delay.</p> <p>Respectfully yours, Janeen Soderling.</p>
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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:**



**Submission by the  
Royal New Zealand Society for the  
Prevention of Cruelty to Animals  
Inc.**

**on Whangārei District Council's  
Long Term Plan 2021-2031**

**1 April 2021**





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## **Introduction**

The following submission is made on behalf of The Royal New Zealand Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (trading as SPCA).

SPCA is the preeminent animal welfare and advocacy organisation in New Zealand. The Society has been in existence for over 140 years with a supporter base representing many tens of thousands of New Zealanders across the nation.

The organisation includes 35 Animal Welfare Centres across New Zealand and approximately 60 inspectors appointed under the Animal Welfare Act 1999.

SPCA welcomes the opportunity to make a submission on the Whangārei District Council's Long Term Plan 2021-2031.

## **Submission**

SPCA supports the proposal in the Long Term Plan to continue investment in community funding.

SPCA submits that a portion of this funding is allocated to supporting responsible pet ownership through a financial contribution to the cost of desexing and microchipping cats and dogs.

SPCA would welcome the opportunity to develop a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Whangārei District Council (WDC) for a 10-year funding contribution to our national desexing programme (Snip 'n' Chip). This programme provides readily-accessible low-cost desexing, microchipping (and microchip registration) for owned companion cats and dogs.



## Background

The owned companion animal population of New Zealand is estimated to include 1.2 million companion cats and 851,000 dogs<sup>1</sup>. Desexing is a key component of responsible ownership yet, 146,000 cats and 221,000 dogs are not desexed<sup>1</sup>. The main barriers to desexing of owned companion cats are cost (27%), feeling it is unnecessary (23%), and not considering it a priority (21%)<sup>1</sup>. For dogs the three main barriers are feeling it is unnecessary (27%), wanting to breed the animal (26%), and cost (20%)<sup>1</sup>. These barriers have remained largely unchanged over the previous decade<sup>2,3</sup>.

The excessive (planned and indiscriminate) breeding of companion cats and dogs is an important contributor to New Zealand's widespread stray and unwanted animal population. Stray cats are considered a pest under the Northland Regional Pest Management Plan. Their inclusion as a pest in this region signals increased pressure to reduce stray cat populations, indicating a need for increased desexing of companion cats.

On average over 26,000 unwanted cats (72% of all incoming animals) and 4,500 dogs (15% of all incoming animals) end up in SPCA Centres per year. SPCA has an important role in providing a preventative, 'top of the cliff' approach to addressing the unwanted and stray animal population of New Zealand. Snip 'n' Chip provides a humane and effective way to reduce numbers of unwanted cats and dogs by assisting owners to overcome one of the main barriers to desexing (cost) through the provision of subsidised desexing.

Increased rates of desexing of companion animals can reduce the flow or contribution of animals from the owned populations to the stray and unwanted population. This is an important aspect of humanely reducing the number of unwanted animals.

SPCA envisions a future where all animal lives matter in our communities and advocates that all cats and dogs are desexed, microchipped, and contained. Desexing of cats and dogs can



ensure improved outcomes for the individual animal, and for our shared urban, rural, and wild spaces. The tables below list the many benefits of desexing cats and dogs in New Zealand:

Ensures Improved Animal Welfare Outcomes
Reduces relinquishment to shelters and subsequent euthanasia <sup>4-10</sup>
Decreases reproductive disease, including cancers, infections, and tumours <sup>5, 11</sup>
Increases lifespan for both cats and dogs <sup>12</sup>
Improves animal behaviour: reduced hyperactivity, increased affectionate behaviour, reduced aggression (fighting), and reduced sexually motivated frustration <sup>11, 13-16</sup>
Reduces problematic sexually motivated behaviours: roaming (risk of hit by car), urine marking, humping, and vocalising <sup>11, 16-18</sup>
Facilitates access to doggy daycare, kennel, and cattery services <sup>18</sup>

Ensures Improved Community Outcomes
Improves population control; there are fewer unwanted cats and dogs in the community <sup>19-21</sup>
Reduces nuisance behaviours: urine marking, fighting, roaming, fouling, and vocalisations can be detrimental to the relationship between animals and people within community settings <sup>11, 1-18</sup>
Increases compliance with local-government registration (reduced fees for desexed dogs) <sup>19</sup>
Reduces risk of disease transmission to people and other animals (e.g. ringworm, FIV) <sup>22,23</sup>
Prevents dog bites; intact dogs are associated with increased risk of dog bites <sup>24</sup>

Ensures Improved Agricultural Outcomes
May reduce nuisance behaviours associated with roaming (e.g. worrying stock), which can be costly and detrimental to animal welfare and the relationship between animals and people within community settings <sup>25</sup>
Reduces risk of toxoplasmosis transmission to farmed animals <sup>26,27</sup>

Ensures Improved Biodiversity Outcomes
Decreases predation pressure on native wildlife <sup>19, 28-33</sup>
Decreases risk of toxoplasmosis transmission to native wildlife <sup>27</sup>

In December 2020, SPCA launched, in Northland, its largest stand-alone Snip 'n' Chip campaign to date. The interest and uptake of this campaign has been phenomenal and we are on target



to desex 4000 cats by the end of June 2021. This will greatly impact individual cats and their families. In order to continue to make a sustained impact on reducing the number of unwanted animals in the Northland community this effort must to be ongoing and expand to include dogs.

## **Conclusion**

SPCA is committed to reducing the number of unwanted animals in Northland through Snip 'n' Chip campaigns.

Our organisation would welcome the opportunity to discuss the development of a MOU with WDC outlining an annual financial contribution to the Northland Snip 'n' Chip campaign over the following 10 years (2021-2031).

If invited, SPCA would welcomes the opportunity to speak on this topic at the Council hearing scheduled for the 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> of April 2021.



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## Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Carol Sumner - 2021-LTP-SUB-445

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## 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?	Set an example for the people you lead. Live within your means and stop spending more than you have. Costs are increasing faster than pay and certainly faster than savings can cover, it is becoming harder and harder to get by - resulting in more depression, disconnection, illness and discontent. If we can reduce the financial burden and slow down progress and projects, we can live within our budgets and enjoy life more thoroughly, instead of just barely surviving.

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 2: Put budget towards only ONE of the following: Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhītaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North.
Why?	As per my previous answer - live within our means and stop borrowing so much. Becoming indebted is not going to be beneficial long term - there will be a time when the payment must be made and the bigger the debt is, the less easy it will be! Debt creates more debt and more stress and higher rates to pay it back along with the interest!  Hihiaua Cultural Centre is already underway and will create a wonderful inclusive and diverse space, we don't need 3 or 4 spaces of similar purpose in progress all at once, the cost is too much for one time period (as shown by the necessity for a rates

	<p>increase). Pick one, Oruku sounds good as the govt is putting some funding towards it, but it is good practise to finish a job before you start the next one! I would understand work on Oruku or Hihiaua, I couldn't find enough information about the Forum North "Improvements" to make a decision on that one - is it necessary? Could it be used as something else that will cost less to convert until it is decided what would be it's best function? Option 3 seemed very expensive, funded almost entirely of debt - and I'm not sure that it is entirely necessary? How many theatres do we need? Will Oruku or Hihiaua not fill the need?</p> <p>Taxpayer money is thrown around (by council and government) far too wastefully and the cost-effectiveness is often lacking. It would be wonderful to have some kind of process when a project is put forward, to discover the following: What is it contributing to the community? Is it contributing something that already exists or could easily exist in a different space with less cost? Could it be included in some other way or space to use space more effectively/efficiently? Is it contributing to the environment? Is it carbon neutral or carbon positive? How much use is it expected to get? Are there other similar or symbiotic/mutualistic projects that could be included in this to tick off more "needs"?</p>
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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?	<p>Climate change mitigation and waste minimisation need to be top priority.</p> <p>Looking at different, cost-effective, natural ways of treating effluent (in</p>

Asia and Europe they used to use fish ponds that turned the effluent back into a useful resource with fantastic by-products - fish, sludge which was rich in nutrients for the gardens, and water that was cleaner than WHO standards!)

Eliminating any organics from going to landfill - councils must either have Council compost sites or have sub-contractors that manage composting sites - or farms that can receive food waste! I am sure something could be worked out easily, and this would reduce significant emissions coming from landfill. If we can collect rubbish regularly, I can't see why we can't collect food waste just as regularly or more frequently - I am sure there would be many passionate volunteers/farmers/composters or suchlike willing to clear out organic receptacles regularly.

I believe the best way to sequester carbon is to obtain swampland/wetland (or previously drained where possible!) and revitalize to the best of it's potential. Failing that - at least support/sponsor those who own such spaces to revitalize to the best of it's potential. Wetland is hugely beneficial for sequestering carbon (significantly more so than rain-forest). Restoring wetland may also assist with droughts by allowing aquifers to refill. See Forest and Bird for more information about the sequestering of Carbon by Wetlands.

Here is a link about the fish ponds and the details about wetlands assisting with refilling aquifers:

<https://solar.lowtechmagazine.com/2021/03/urban-fish-ponds-low-tech-sewage-treatment-for-towns-and-cities.html?fbclid=IwAR3dYQOIW2LTcB9KLruJ563M6UVSbfdkmUQCjY8YsZkxpjhYwrrPfuaZx6Q>

Here is the snippet about aquifers:

Still, when introduced into small rural communities, the benefits extend far beyond monetary profit, to the social, cultural, and ecological



	<p>services provided by the fish ponds. This includes improving soil quality, adaptability of local communities to climate change, leisure (e.g. fishing with friends), and steady sources of protein for small-holder farmers. For example, even if they don't sell the fish, a small sewage-fed fish pond can provide a family of six with 8kg of fish, per person, per year—a significant raise in protein intake for many rural communities. 12 In the case of the Eastern Kolkata Wetlands, the fish ponds also help to recharge the ground water—a serious issue in India where many aquifers are nearing depletion. 13</p> <p>Kolkata's wetlands are a "low-cost folk technology" 14 treating the majority of the sewage of a city with a population the size of New York. This is made possible through the development of a vast human-fish-plant ecosystem, a city-scale wastewater treatment plant that emerged through the creativity, ecological knowledge, and direction of local farming communities.</p> <p>The Kolkata fish farms provide 40% of the region's fish production and process 80% of the city's sewage.</p>
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Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 3: No additional funding for the city centre.
Why?	<p>Given the situation many face with lack of work/redundancies through Covid, low support from WINZ (the benefit does not cover living costs adequately). We need to look at cutting unnecessary (non-essential) spending. We have a wonderful space in Whangarei, plenty of pedestrian friendly areas, footpaths connecting many spaces, the revitalised playground is fantastic. If we could find small, low-cost, effective/efficient projects to complete to keep contractors employed, but keep the taxpayer money (or debt money!) spending minimal while</p>

	still making slow, steady improvements - I think this would ease the burden on many, and still be progress - just more appropriate progress for our current situation.
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**Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:**

I have some concerns about the "new full trust" governing the Northland Events Centre. I am not particularly familiar with the way things run in events centres, but taking council funding, while also receiving profit made from events, seems to be cheeky? Where does the profits from events held at this centre go? Does it all go back to council? I'm unsure why the new full trust needs to receive so much more on top of existing funding - surely being active and promoting events here will create enough revenue to cover costs? Could the costs of running be investigated and "green" solutions discovered that are less wasteful of resources/power/labour etc?

With Climate Change in mind I would recommend the new full trust set some rules about what resources can be used in the event centre? (for example no single use plastic and single use decorations etc)

Reducing our waste as many ways as possible is hugely important and events can be so very wasteful. Reducing the wasting of taxpayer money would be a fantastic choice - it seems there are so many projects that are done for vanity and desire rather than functionality and benefit to community/environment. Spending taxpayer money seems too easy for govt and council and it would be nice if they considered how cost-effective the spending was for each project.

Looking for ways to reduce, reuse, recycle, repair, streamline, and share would be very beneficial to keep in mind.

Support wetland recovery and revitalizing to mitigate climate change issues. Maybe rates rebates for those who are actively sequestering carbon on their property (with clear evidence before and after, and regular checks?), or some kind of incentive to plant more

trees, and create more wetlands.

Also supporting multiple dwellings/cohousing communities/tiny home communities both near towns and rurally - looking for ways to make these more affordable for people to increase housing availability/options, affordability, connection, well-being would be wonderful. I was pleased to see Ahi Wai go ahead though the cost does not make it easy for those with less financial backing.... housing needs to be more available and more affordable - so encouraging folks to build tiny homes, or clusters of tiny homes by reducing the costs involved with council, would be hugely beneficial (and some ways to make it harder for big businesses to get in on this would be good, to ensure the policy arrives to the people for the people intended instead of as a profit-collecting operation!)

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## Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Juanita Hool - 2021-LTP-SUB-185

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### Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	Yes
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## Your feedback:

Key issue - How will we pay for what we need - Rates Options (see page 17)	
Why?	Unable to respond on behalf of the organisation

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	
Why?	Unable to respond on behalf of the organisation

Key issue - Climate change and sustainability (see page 28)	
Why?	Unable to respond on behalf of the organisation

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	
Why?	Unable to respond on behalf of the organisation

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

Tena koutou

On behalf of the Takahiwai Rugby League Club this submission is to request Councils approval for the provision of "Lights" for the Takahiwai Sports Park located on the corner of McEwan and One Tree Point Roads. We seek the allocation of funds by inclusion within the Long Term Plan or, from within Councils current project funding. We have not previously been provided or assisted with lights by Council.

Who are We? The Takahiwai Rugby League Club utilises the Sports Park for training and holding of games for the Winter Season. We have participated in Rugby League in the District for over 80 years and have fielded both Junior and Senior Teams in local and northwide Rugby League competitions. We have maintained a mixed membership of financial and non-financial members over the years and the code continues to grow every year and provide a sports and wellbeing initiative to the community. We are responsible for bringing Rugby League to the Ruakaka-Takahiwai and outer areas, and our tenure in it's current space was recently renewed in 2013 by way of leasehold.

What will we do? We want to be able to continue to provide and support Rugby League to our local community and will be greatly aided to do this with the provision of lights. The Club and grounds are situated in areas that are consistent with the current Sports "Hubs" available at Ruakaka and the surrounding areas; ie, the Ruakaka Recreation Centre for Football, Waipu for Rugby and Takahiwai for Rugby League. If lighting is approved, we will assist Council to consult with our neighbours based on the relationship that has been built of the years.

It is my request to appear at a hearing to be available to answer any questions from Council that this submission might generate.

Ngā mihi

Juanita Hool; Secretary Takahiwai Rugby League Club.





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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?	For the district to progress, revenue must be forthcoming. Placing tight restrictions on rates is likely to restrict growth and improvements to our district, which will have a compounding effect on the future prosperity of the district.

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīāua 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?	Climate change and sustainably must have high priority funding. Climate change is the most pressing issue on our district into the future. I do have reservations however on money being spent on coastal mitigation. Managed retreat is a better option.

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page	OPTION 1: Spend \$13m to make improvements to James and John St.
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Why?	The connection between the city center and the town basin is poor. Vibrant development along James and John Street can make this connect much better. The Cameron Street area with one way traffic should be closed to general traffic, with only disabled access and parking, plus delivery vehicles, making it more pedestrian friendly

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

1. Riverside Drive improvements connecting the city with Onerahi needs to happen sooner than later, including 2 laning the Riverside Drive roundabout to ease congestion.
2. Onerahi town centre traffic flows and carparking is in dire need to improvements. The current layout and number of car parks is totally inadequate, and dangerous at peak times when attempting to exit the car parks. In reality, a larger supermarket is needed, and on a different site, with adequate car parking (but where??).
3. Whangarei Heads Road traffic improvements are continually ignored by Council, but this long term plan must incorporate real progress on this. Where are the traffic courtesy signs which council should have installed a decade ago or longer? Where are the pull over bays? Council has to cease ignoring the residence of Whangarei Heads, who are continuously frustrated, not only by the daily delays on this road, but by Council burying its head in the sand. Whangarei Heads has a rapidly growing population, and traffic volumes grow every year, but no commitment or action has been taken to make this major route (including for tourist) safer and more efficient. I will also add, why isn't our local Councillor hammering this lack of progress at Council with a determination to achieve results? Please, enough sitting on one's hands and head burying!
4. Park and Ride facility? On recent visits to Whangarei Hospital for appointments, I have encountered extreme difficulties in obtaining a car park (I always drive direct to the Hospital

Street entrance). How many people drive away unable to find somewhere to park, and end up late for appointments? Or how many elderly or disabled people cannot get a park close to the hospital entrance? This had me thinking, what about a Park and Ride setup? I believe this is an important issue Council should work on with the Hospital Board. Is there a present car park not too distant from the hospital, where frequent and free bus/minibus transport could be provided to and from the hospital main entrance, during peak hospital car park demand?

5. I would like to see Council contribute more to enable freedom camping in self-contained vehicles. The recent regulations passed by Council to severely limit freedom camping was a major concern to myself. Council should be proactive in encouraging freedom campers to our district, not banning them, as the bylaw virtually does. I myself will soon be living in a mobile home permanently, forced out of the rental market by landlord greed, making rent unsustainable, when trying to survive on a fixed low income. I know there are a vast number of New Zealanders in the same boat. Provided self containment is certified, I hope Council will make our district much more welcoming. Stop giving into the bias of the wealthy who do not want "those types" in their midst!

Thank you for the opportunity to provide my views. Whangarei is a great place to live, and lets continue to make it even better, and more welcoming :)

**From:** Whangarei District Council  
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## Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Aaron Thompson - 2021-LTP-SUB-493

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### Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No
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## 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's less about when to increase rates, and more about how to. Rates increases disproportionately impact on the lower socio-economic groups.

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).
Why?	Infrastructure is better developed. I support forward-thinking planning that makes the best use of space.

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?	<p>I don't think you could really overspend in this space in the short-term. It's investing for the future.</p> <p>However, the details should focus on green-industry, sustainable industry.</p>

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 28)	OPTION 1: Spend \$13m to make improvements to James and John St.
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Why?	Invest or the space will die.

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

Control overweight traffic through the inner-town. Large vehicles and trucks should not be traveling through the inner city area and up Hatea Drive.

Planners need to sort traffic flow issues to channel heavy traffic onto the Western Hills Drive bypass.

Also, Council-run community composting and an associated green-waste roadside collection please.

**From:** Whangarei District Council  
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## Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Jesse Tomason - 2021-LTP-SUB-339

**Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-339**

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### Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No
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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?	I am happy to pay extra to catch up - Whangarei is severely lacking in many facilities and I want to see Whangarei move forward

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīāua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	<p>Whangarei has been overlooked previously by Government and the rest of NZ.</p> <p>Government recognised the potential for job creation, apprenticeships, hospitality training and work for many local businesses. The provision of a much needed multipurpose facility for events, conferences, concerts, exhibitions and more to encourage visitors and international quality events to Whangarei, will also provide these opportunities for all Northlanders. The flow on effect will be far reaching.</p> <p>The \$60.0m funding is a one off and will be taken away from Whangarei if The Oruku</p>

	<p>Conference and Events Centre is not built. It is clear that the 4 star quality hotel will be sited next to the Centre and will only come to Whangarei if this Conference and Events Centre is constructed.</p> <p>The site is currently a real eyesore on our otherwise beautiful Town Basin Loop. It is the perfect spot for a facility for EVERYONE to use and enjoy. The rates split over a period of years will also enable the Hihiaua Cultural Centre to expand on their great cultural facility which I don't believe will be compromised but enhanced by development across the river. An upgrade to Forum North for the betterment of our citizens is also covered in this option.</p> <p>I choose Option 1 to benefit all 3 facilities as already provided for in the proposed rates increase.</p>
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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?	As a resident of Pataua South I am greatly affected by both sea water level rises and flooding. Currently I don't believe the district nor government are doing enough to mitigate the effects of climate change on our country. This is a major issue for our district and we need to do far more than currently.

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page	OPTION 1: Spend \$13m to make improvements to James and John St.
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Why?	The city centre has benefited from recent improvements however has a long way to go. The centre has been ignored far too long and people have been going elsewhere, in particular Okara. The centre needs developing and beautifying to bring more life into our city. I do believe however the issue of parking needs to be addressed. The town is severely lacking in parking, by bringing more people back in we need more parking.

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

Our city and region needs and deserves to prosper through creation of jobs, training, apprenticeships and the flow on effect that investment in the construction and operation of The Oruku Conference and Events Centre will provide. Whangarei will be able to host a myriad of events, conferences, exhibitions and concerts for all tastes for visitors and our own population that currently by-pass us.

The Government has recognised the potential for Whangarei and Northland and given a grant of \$60.0m, which our community will lose forever if this opportunity isn't taken up. I don't believe we can afford to be seen as a backwater of NZ any longer. The 4 star quality hotel will only be built if there's a conference and event facility to support it. We need quality accommodation to attract investment in Whangarei.

The site on the Hatea River looks awful as it currently is when the rest of the Loop walk is so attractive. A bridge over the river from there to the Hihiaua Peninsula opens up the opportunity for visitors so much more.

Funding for the Hihiaua Cultural Centre and Forum North in a staged approach allows for all projects to benefit.

**From:** Whangarei District Council  
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## Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - STEVE TRASS - 2021-LTP-SUB-440

**Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-440**

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### Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No
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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?	Rates need to increase and catch up with recent and imminent population increase, inflation and for increased demand on infrastructure.

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 2: Put budget towards only ONE of the following: Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhītaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North.
Why?	This is an unprecedented opportunity to take advantage of the Government funding which has only come about as result of the Covid 19 Pandemic rebuilding program and is very unlikely to be repeated. This opportunity must not be missed as the benefits both short and long term are massive for our district.

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?	Take the medium approach.

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page	OPTION 1: Spend \$13m to make improvements to James and John St.
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Why?	Take the medium approach.

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

Great work.
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**From:** Whangarei District Council  
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## Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Sarah Trass - 2021-LTP-SUB-434

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### Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No
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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?	Feel in will be better in the long run, as extending it will only put extra pressure on the economy and we have so many exciting things that are in fruition that could disappear.

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 2: Put budget towards only ONE of the following: Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhītaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North.
Why?	Regardless on my engagement in this project, I genuinely feel this is the best option for many reasons. 1 being that Government has offered financial support, which would disappear if not actioned on. 2 being that Oruku Landing is going to benefit a wider demographic within our community - hotel, shops, eateries, and multi-use event centre that can cater to such a variety of needs. 3 being that Oruku Landing will be the third catalyst in making the town basin area a social and cultural hub that supports all the other investments that have already been made towards Hihiaua, the playground and new park, and hundertwasser. Put all your energy and focus into one and once completed move on to the next, versus piece meal approach.

Key issue - Climate	OPTION 1: Put \$3.7m of new funding towards climate change
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change and sustainability (see page 28)	mitigation and adaptation and waste minimisation.
Why?	Start with this and see what works and what needs to be adjusted. Then grow. Great to see this as a strong initiative :)

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 1: Spend \$13m to make improvements to James and John St.
Why?	Feel focusing on these two would tie in nicely with the rest of the work you're doing around the town basin area. Again put energy into revitalising one area first - using the other amazing projects that are already bringing vitality to the area, and once completed move on to the next.

**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 - Josephine Turner - 2021-LTP-SUB-468

**Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-468**

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### Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No
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## 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?	Sealing of Helmsdale Road which has become really impossible to navigate with corrugation and pot holes making it very dangerous feels like a rally course. Just doesn't feel safe

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:**



**From:** Whangarei District Council  
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## Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Kurt Vercoe - 2021-LTP-SUB-230

**Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-230**

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### Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No
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## 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
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Why?	I feel the rate increase is quite substantial and with the new housing in our area in small sections the revenue will be ample,used wisely our rates should see our area thrive!
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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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Why?	All deservedly recipients
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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.
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Why?	The more that is spent on this now the less impact and costs that will be felt in the future.
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Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 3: No additional funding for the city centre.
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Why?	The amount of empty shops is a large issue here and needs to be addressed,specific planning to decide on which way to focus
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	the area.
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**Tell us what you think - any further comments on key issues or other points raised in the Consultation document:**

<p>I have been living at McLean Road in Waipu for 18 years and have been putting up with its UNSEALED dangerous condition way too long. Please see to it that it is put high in the priority list to seal.</p>
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**From:** Whangarei District Council  
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## Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Johanna Warren - 2021-LTP-SUB-346

**Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-346**

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### Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No
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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.
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Why?	<p>I am very happy to pay what looked in your figures like a reasonable increase as many of the matters in the plan are very important to me. I Do not want to see Council groaning under huge borrowed debt but do want to see on reducing emissions, providing good green spaces and walking and cycling routes in every corner of the district</p> <p>It is also important that infrastructure be continually maintained and improved as we do not want the discharge of sewage that has occurred in wellington, nor the lead disaster in Dunedin</p>
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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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Why?	
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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.
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Why?	because there is a lot to do and we need to get started. I hope
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	the allocation can grow if money becomes available, but also know that many people will struggle with rates increases so the money needs to be spread around various projects, and others done well will help contribute to better protecting the environment, i hope.
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Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 1: Spend \$13m to make improvements to James and John St.
Why?	Pedestrian access and safety throughout the city centre is essential.

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

It is very important that public transport and walking options that are safe and enjoyable are continually improved.

i have family living in Maungatapere and pedestrian access and safety throughout the village needs a a lot of work

Evey new development must include at the very least good pedestrian linkages through and to other areas nearby and some green spaces, even a pocket park with 2 fruit trees and a seat I'd like to see people able to leave their front door and wend their way past a tree and through a short walk way and so on from green space to green space and never have to go on the main road and return home.

**From:** Whangarei District Council  
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## Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Craig Watson - 2021-LTP-SUB-332

**Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-332**

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### Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No
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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?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīāua 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:**

Hi, I would like you to consider the establishment of some cycle/shared pathways in the Maungatapere area. A SH14/SH15/ Tatton rd loop for example, to encourage safe traveling for recreation and school children. Thanks

**From:** Whangarei District Council  
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## Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Frances West - 2021-LTP-SUB-427

**Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-427**

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## Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No
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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 prepare for the increase in population and invest in three water's infrastructure

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?	To be honest I'm not really a social person so may not utilise the facilities but these sound like good sources of employment and also improvements to the town which are all good things for improving the well-being of our people.

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 is something best prepared for. Please stop giving consents to build on low lying areas. Also waste minimisation is something we should work towards. I'm thinking the council could switch to hybrid or ev cars and

	initiate green waste collection (see note later)
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Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 1: Spend \$13m to make improvements to James and John St.
Why?	Town improvements are good

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

Please could you consider collecting green waste to divert greenwaste from landfill and being dumped in the gullies around town.

**From:** Whangarei District Council  
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## Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Sarah Whittles - 2021-LTP-SUB-304

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### Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No
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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?	I think this is a well considered option and allows for the growth that Whangarei needs. Covid did not have the same effect to our region as others did and a 'catch up' is wise, so that the shortfall and flow on effect isn't compounding.

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 3: Build a Whangarei District Council-owned theatre on the current Forum North site.
Why?	<p>To have mana and pride in our performance spaces in Whangarei we absolutely need a new lyric theater. The current theatre options in Whangarei are very lacking and restrictive and when compared to other regions we are missing the mark on all fronts.</p> <p>Top quality touring shows need a proper venue in Whangarei so they can reach audiences in Northland and the far north. Currently audiences from these regions need to travel to Auckland for these shows which means that not only is there unnecessary emissions from all those cars driving to Auckland, but the Whangarei hospitality industry and other sectors could be benefiting from these audiences coming to Whangarei instead.</p>

	<p>A modern lyric theatre will not only open the door for far more shows and performances to come to Whangarei, but for our own organisations to put on great shows as full sets will be able to be hired and all the technical aspects will be able to be utilized.</p> <p>If the aim is for local pride in our performance sector, and if we want to send a clear message to our youth that we value their creative ideas and that their creative expression matters, then Whangarei needs a theatre to be proud of.</p>
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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?	Finding ways to connect the city centre to the waterfront, and having other venues for markets is a great idea

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

Thank you for all your mahi on making this document so enjoyable and easy to read. I feel excited for the future of Whangarei



**From:** Whangarei District Council  
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**To:** Mail Room  
**Subject:** Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Luke Williams - 2021-LTP-SUB-316

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## Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Luke Williams - 2021-LTP-SUB-316

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### Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No
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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?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīāua 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:**

Funding for community.

Community Led Projects - Maungatapere

Would like to see some traffic calming, village beautification and public spaces in the area.

**From:** Whangarei District Council  
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## Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Claire Wilson - 2021-LTP-SUB-310

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### Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard	No
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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 keep the momentum going for Whangarei. We really are on the tipping edge to becoming a small city and we need to be more significant in New Zealand.

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 2: Put budget towards only ONE of the following: Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhītaua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North.
Why?	<p>Even though I clicked on option 2 - please do record that my selection is actually either option 1 or option 2. I edge slightly to option 2, simply because whatever work needs to be done it needs to be done properly and well. All too often you can tell if a project was meant to be better but corners were cut (usually the stylisation and accessibility) due to limited budget, therefore reducing the overall quality of the project. It leaves a feeling of being short-changed and of "it could have been so much better" or "what a half-assed effort"</p> <p>However, I would like to see all sites happen as it we need it in Whangarei to be a meaningful place to live and visit.</p> <p>Whatever site receives funding - I request that all facilities showcase Universal Design to be accessible to everyone</p>

	regardless of age, ability, ethnicity or socio-economic status
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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?	I think that central government should play a role in support local government in this. Also there is huge potential in public-private partnership to tackle waste minimisation.

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?	This is long overdue. The CBD is dangerous and inaccessible for many people including disabled people, older adults and young children. It is also a very old-fashioned setup and boring with no life, but apart from the Town Basin there is nothing else in Whangarei to go to for a "city feel"

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

More funds allocated towards Whangarei being accessible for everyone, particularly disabled people and older adults. Northland has the second highest proportion of both older adults and disabled people in New Zealand. Every single infrastructure project should have sufficient budget to enable a Universal Design approach to ensure that we have high quality facilities that are accessible for everyone, rather than having to waste money on costly retrofits because it was poorly designed with accessibility and disabled people as an afterthought.

There is future legislation coming our way as per the cabinet paper (please do read) below;

we need to be prepared for it, and that means budget allocation specifically for accessibility improvements (outside infrastructure projects) e.g. civil defence, communications and information, staff training, etc.

<https://www.msd.govt.nz/about-msd-and-our-work/publications-resources/information-releases/accelerate-accessibility/cabinet-paper.html>

**From:** Whangarei District Council  
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## Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Liadan Winters - 2021-LTP-SUB-481

**Receipt Number: 2021-LTP-SUB-481**

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### Hearing:



Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No
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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?	

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	
Why?	Alocate funding to climate change mitigation and adaptation instead.

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?	The funding amount should be far greater.

Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	
Why?	This money should be alocateed climate change mitigation and adaptation.

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

**raised in the Consultation document:**

Climate change has the potential to cause the extinction of the human race, it is the biggest issue facing council and it needs urgent action, everything else is secondary.

**From:** Whangarei District Council  
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## Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Jane Winton - 2021-LTP-SUB-442

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### Hearing:

Do you wish to be heard at the hearing?	No
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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?	<p>To ensure WDC has the funds to deliver quality long lasting infrastructure for our growing population.</p> <p>We still have low rates compared to other District Councils.</p> <p>So we can effectively tackle climate change and support community groups work to ensure we protect our flora and fauna</p>

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 3: Build a Whangarei District Council-owned theatre on the current Forum North site.
Why?	<p>Do not proceed with Okuru Landing.</p> <p>Reinstate Forum North Trust and build an arts centre and theatre. AND develop the Hihiaua Cultural Centre. The cultural centre absolutely.</p> <p>Riverside Drive beside the river is narrow, shaded and vulnerable with little space to park. It is the wrong place for a convention centre. We have Semenoff stadium and MacKay Stadium and in addition should have a community owned Arts and theatre centre. This was fund raised and on track until Stan Semonoff's Council robbed the funds, and referbished the</p>

	<p>building for themselves.</p> <p>Financially it is having rate payers supporting local businessmen to build a hotel and take the only seriousy profitable part. I acknowledge there are a couple of carrots with dollars from central government (tax payers) and Regional COuncil (rate payers). BUt WDC (ratepayers) would be signing up cover all liabilities and over runs. Just 'no' to Okura Landing.</p>
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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?	<p>We owe it to our children and grandchildren.</p> <p>Climate change and sustainability is a priority for our district.</p> <p>WDC did declare a Climate Emergency.</p> <p>Up our sorting and ability to recycle. Use it as an opportunity for employment. (NB Southland and other examples where some of our more vulnerable citizens are fully and proudly employed).</p> <p>Protect our waterways and flora and fauna. Stop the blame game between NRC and WDC employees when working with community groups about weeds and predators. Support individuals and community groups. WDC get your land in order. Some areas are disgraceful ( just one example is on Waverley Street where moth plants draping huge mature trees) and when community individuals or groups approach to offer to support are told constantly that they dont have the funds or staff. But no solutions.</p> <p>Bike tracks, walking tracks - keep developing more and maintain the current.</p>

	VEry important is the road from Onerahi to the Heads. Narrow vehicle road. It needs a major upgrade to include bikes and walkers.
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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?	<p>I dont know the answer to this. Money is needed to make good decsions about it. Hundertwasser will eventually bring lots of people and the yachts and boats will come back and we will need a healthy infrastructure in town.</p> <p>Our city and the world is changing. Do we have shops in town now? I like going into the City arcade in the evening with live jazz and all kinds of food places.</p> <p>This area of the city is where a Convention Centre and development should be or further out. There is room and</p>

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

The Loop and all its add ons it a fantastic assest to the town. It has got many many people moving and would be great if we could measure the health impact on our community.

Where are the big five - trains - please lobby in whatever way to put the train lines through and to include plans for passengers.

And pineapples. We could export by train pineapples all around NZ by electric train - sustainability.

The road between here and Auckland - lobby and do whatever - it is appalling. Also a priorty

to improve Northlands Roads. The flow on cost in health and life impacts is huge. We have the evidence that our roads are a contributor to our Northland death total and people injured. Double anywhere else in NZ.

The big dry dock. We are so caught up in the political landscape where Northland is ignored. This is the only place. Get Wayne Browns report and get it out there without the personality politics. Good luck. Put up my rates and do it. I'll help where I can.

**From:** Whangarei District Council  
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## Long Term Plan 2021-2031 Feedback - Ria Woollams - 2021-LTP-SUB-461

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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?	Prefer that we pay more now and less debt, and there is a lot to spend money on currently

Key issue - Spaces for gathering (see page 24)	OPTION 1: Allocate budget across three sites (Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre, Hīhīāua Cultural Centre, and existing facilities at Forum North).
Why?	I am not quite clear on the role of all these facilities along with the Northland Events Centre. I am wondering just how many facilities we need to invest in currently. However the Oruku Landiing seems like a good idea given that \$60m has been made available from central government, so I support that option.

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?	Definitely need more spent on this. I am not sure that the full current situation is even understood, let alone implications for the future. Our road (Clements Rd, Matapouri), is currently intruded upon by the tide when a big spring tide occurs (full moon, dark moon). That this already happens is of great

	concern as most of this road lies alongside the estuary. It has implications for water quality as well as functional use for residents.
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Key issue - Revitalising our city centre (see page 32)	OPTION 1: Spend \$13m to make improvements to James and John St.
Why?	I think issues of climate change and potential flood management really need to be addressed with the central city, but fully support revitalising the central city and definitely increasing walkability to all the ridiculous outlying shopping centres. It is distressing seeing women struggling to get children in buggies off the road where there are no decent crossing places, and I know from having done this myself, standing in the road whilst you try and wrangle children and buggies over rough ground, and big curbs whilst trying to get out of the way of vehicles is awful. We need to have clear walking and cycling paths radiating from the town centre to places that people need to go to like Okara. I think this should be prioritised over nice seating. More trees in car parks are also essential to reduce the heat of these spaces.

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

The Council needs to have a tree policy to protect special trees in the district (both native and exotic), so that these are recognised before it is too late.

IMPLEMENT AN IMMEDIATE MORATORIUM ON ALL AERIAL AND ROADSIDE SPRAYING WITH TOXIC CHEMICAL PESTICIDES. Since the 1920s there has been strong scientific evidence about the adverse effects of toxic pesticides on the environment

and all life forms, yet NZ is still using highly hazardous pesticides that have been banned in other countries. It is a well-documented fact that pesticides adversely affect the respiratory systems (among a long list of other symptoms) and that pesticides weaken the immune system of all life forms. Given that Japan has recently rejected NZ honey on the basis of containing only traces of glyphosate, I believe it is only reasonable to ask our government: “What do the Japanese know that we don’t?” NZ is relying on ‘safety data’ provided by the very industry that is making billions of dollars on selling their products. If NZ doesn’t have the funding for independent research, we should be looking for advice from better informed sources, like the United Nations. Blanket spraying of ‘undesirable’ plants, as in aerial and roadside spraying, is proven to be not only dangerous and unproductive, but also financially inefficient, wasting our tax dollar. Indiscriminate pesticide spraying is creating very costly problems, such as erosion, pollution of the waterways and serious health issues for humans, live-stock and wildlife. Pesticide poisoning is linked to cancer, endocrine disruption, reproductive effects, neurotoxicity, kidney and liver damage, birth defects, and developmental changes in a wide range of species. The continued and indiscriminate use of toxic pesticides is a breach of one of our most basic human rights – the right to health! On this basis, I believe it is our right that we ask all our government agencies to exercise the precautionary principle and place an immediate moratorium on Glyphosate and all other HHPs

THERE ARE MANY NON-TOXIC METHODS FOR ROADSIDE MAINTENANCE, WHICH ARE REGENERATIVE, SUSTAINABLE AND COULD BRING MANY PERMANENT JOBS INTO OUR COMMUNITIES, IF THE ROADSIDE MAINTENANCE CONTRACTS WERE ASSIGNED TO EACH INDIVIDUAL COMMUNITY.

Objectives: Minimizing the pollution of our waterways and environment by highly hazardous pesticides/herbicides, by practicing integrated roadside maintenance. Replacing non-targeted herbicide sprays and destructive slashing with the MOLD method (method-of-least-disturbance).

Restoring our ecosystems by replacing weeds along roadsides with native vegetation (or beneficial non-native plants), to stabilize the soil, prevent erosion, enhance and promote biodiversity and provide habitat/shelter/food for wildlife. Promoting the long-term financial benefit for ratepayers by reducing the costs of roadside maintenance. Providing people in our community with a permanent income, by gaining the contract for roadside maintenance as a

'community business'. Job offers include: landscapers, arborists, ecologists, equipment service team; botanists, nursery managers, administration staff and educational program managers (to share the learning process and knowledge with the next generation).

GE/GMO ISSUE: support the councils precautionary and prohibitive GE/GMO provisions/ policies/ rules in the operative WDC District Plan and previous Long Term Plan, which addresses the risks of any outdoor GE/GMOs experiments/ field trials/ releases to our biosecurity, unique biodiversity, wider environment, existing GM/GMO free primary producers, food sovereignty, economy, Hua Parakore, cultural values, and the public health. Please retain and enhance the precautionary and prohibitive GE/GMO policy in the Long Term Plan. I urge you to specifically mention that GMOs (genetically modified organisms) now include risky gene edited organisms/ CRISPR). Gene edited organisms have been shown to have unexpected/unforeseen off target adverse effects and should not be allowed in NZ. I also oppose any outdoor use of risky and controversial "gene drive" (a sterility technique that has grave risks).

Council should also be looking at community projects such as that carried out in the far north to help provide space for development of tiny house or other cost effective housing for the homeless. I realise this is not specifically Councils brief but they could also work with central government. It is so urgent that people have a place they can call their own. Tiny house or even portacoms such as recently done up north where people have a space to call their own that they rent to own as they can afford would help to immediately alleviate some of this problem.

Thank you for your excellent consultation...I feel the council has provided lots of opportunities to try and engage and receive feedback.