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Long Term Plan 2021-2041 Amendment and Annual Plan 2023/24
Te Mahere Roa 2021-2041 Ngā Whakatikatanga me te Mahere ā-Tau 2023/24

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- Option 3:** Reopen Levin Landfill and keep using it until the consent expires in 2037.

Do you agree with Council's objectives for considering the future use of Levin Landfill?

- Support Council's waste minimisation and climate change objectives Yes No
- Restore the mana of Hōkio Yes No
- Meet Council's existing consent obligations Yes No
- Protect the environment from harm Yes No
- Minimise cost for ratepayers Yes No
- Other (please specify) _____

Issue Three Our Key Water Infrastructure

Which option do you prefer?

Tick below to identify your preferred option

- Option 1:** Increase the budget to meet the scope of work
- Option 2:** Reduce programme of work to meet current budget
- Option 3:** Increase the budget to meet the scope of work without universal water metering

- Option 4:** Reduce programme of work to meet current budget without water meters for universal water metering

Do you support increased development contribution payments to help meet the increased costs of water infrastructure programme upgrade?

- Yes No

Sharing fees and charges more fairly

Do you support the proposed changes to the way fees and charges are shared?

Yes No

Foxton Beach Freeholding Account

Do you agree with \$500,000 from the Foxton Beach Freeholding Account being used for the Foxton Pools Redevelopment Project?

Yes No

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FURTHER SUBMISSIONS TO THE LONG TERM PLAN 2021-2041

I would like to add to my previous submission dated 17 April 2021.

Rates

To calculate the general rates I support Option 3. Rural farming ratepayers pay more than their fair share through the general rate for Council facilities such as parks and reserves, cemeteries, and most of the other council services that are not target rates.

Landfill

I support Option 1. Bad decisions by previous councillors in the years from 1998 to 2007 on changing the Levin dump to a regional landfill and then to take the rubbish from Kapiti District from 2007 has been a disaster. These previous councillors said that developing Levin landfill would be an income revenue stream for the ratepayers of Horowhenua. I quote from a Council document in 2007 "It has been an important aim of the Horowhenua District Council to diversify and expand the Council's funding base and reduce reliance on rates to finance expenditure." The Mayor at the time was quoted in this same document as saying "The extra net revenue generated by this arrangement has presented Council with a rare opportunity to advance a long-held objective to diversify its funding base and reduce the dependence on general rates."

I am attaching copy of the relevant page from the 2007 Council document showing where this extra landfill related revenue could be spent in the first year.

These decisions made by previous councillors between 1998 and 2007 were against the wishes of the community – both Maori and Pakeha - who did not want a regional landfill in the sand hills at Hokio. The community considered having a landfill in sand country close to the Hokio Stream and the Hokio township was totally unsuitable and wanted the Council to look for a more suitable site in clay based land elsewhere.

In 2000 some of the community group (at their own expense) took the Council to the Environment Court to try to stop the landfill at Hokio.

In 2002 the Environment Court set the conditions for the Council to operate a landfill at Hokio, these conditions were to try and protect the Hokio environment and to minimise any adverse effect of the landfill.

In the last 20 years the Council has breached most of these conditions set by the Environment Court. In August 2008 the Parliamentary Commissioner for the Environment Dr Jan Wright censured both the District Council and the Regional Council for failing to meet the conditions of their resource consents.

Previous councillors between 1998 and 2007 have left today's councillors to fix up a financial disaster. Horowhenua District Council have been operating the Levin Landfill for the last 20 years, instead of making any profit as promised it has made a loss of between \$8 and \$9 million dollars instead - and this amount of debt is growing with interest charges. The previous councillors have created an environmental disaster that will cost Horowhenua ratepayers well into the future. Two thirds of the rubbish in the Levin landfill came from Kapiti. Kapiti ratepayers will pay nothing towards fixing and remitting the damage to the Hokio landfill.

From my observation a lot of Horowhenua rubbish is handled by private individual operators at no expense or involvement of the Council.

In Council's "Future Horowhenua" document page 30, under Option 1 Council quotes "This is the most expensive option, at \$1.6 million per annum - \$500,000 per annum more than Option 3. This budget covers transport and disposal of waste elsewhere and maintaining the Landfill."

My question to Council is – why is ratepayer's money being used to subsidise the transport and disposal of rubbish not handled by private operators? It should be a user pay system so people realise the true cost of disposal of their rubbish and will take steps to minimise, compost or recycle their rubbish.

Councillors - PLEASE do not carry on this financial and environmental disaster – **VOTE OPTION 1 TO CLOSE THE LANDFILL NOW** so that we can start the healing process of the Hokio community and environment.

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Allocation Of Extra Landfill Related Revenue

It has been an important aim of the Horowhenua District Council to diversify and expand the Council's funding base and reduce reliance on rates to finance expenditure.

The Development Contributions policy adopted in 2006 was a major achievement in that direction.

During 2006/2007 Council entered into a long term contract with a waste disposal contracting business whereby the volume of the residual solid waste stream to be disposed of at the Levin landfill would almost double.

"The extra net revenue generated by this arrangement has presented Council with a rare opportunity to advance a long-held objective to diversify its funding base and reduce the dependence on general rates", said Mayor Brendan Duffy.

The features of the proposed allocation of the extra revenue in question are:

- Hold the Solid Waste Rate at the 2006/07 levels, instead of increasing it by \$10 in 2007/08 as indicated in the LTCCP;
- Do \$100,000 more waste minimisation work (e.g. extended kerbside collection and/or recycling facilities), each year, plus;
- Do \$100,000 more footpath replacement work, each year, plus;
- Do \$100,000 more new footpath work, each year, plus;
- Do \$30,000 more new street light work, each year, plus;
- Do \$30,000 more community support work, each year, plus;
- Put \$100,000 more towards the 2-yearly strategic grants, each year (making them \$300,000 every 2 years), plus;

The proposal outlined in Council's Draft 2007/08 Annual Plan would bring about a very visible, immediate and ongoing betterment to people living in the Horowhenua.

The public's views on the proposed or alternative allocations of this additional revenue are sought as part of this consultation process.






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SUBMISSION TO THE LONG TERM PLAN 2021-2041

Infrastructure Funding: Development Contributions

We support a development contribution levy for new subdivisions that will use Horowhenua District Council present infrastructure that includes water supply, waste water treatment, storm water and roading.

We do NOT support development contribution levy on individual subdivision in a rural area that will not use Horowhenua District Council present infrastructure for sewage disposal or water connection and storm water.

We would support water meters being installed to every property in the district that use the Horowhenua District Council water infrastructure. This would conserve water use substantially, those people that use more than their allotted amount of water would pay for the extra, and property owners with water leaks would ensure they are fixed as soon as possible. It would also encourage property owners to have their own water tanks for the likes of watering gardens/lawns and washing vehicles.

Changes to the Land Transport Targeted Rate

We support the land transport target rate proposal.

Financial Strategy

We do NOT support the Horowhenua District Council increasing their debt level. Any debt increases should only be tied to infrastructure projects such as waste water and water upgrades. Extra costs for upgrading these facilities would be paid by the users of such facilities. Increasing the debt above the current \$94 million would put ratepayers at risk of substantially higher rate increases in the future when interest rates rise possibly by 4-5% which was the norm less than ten years ago.

Any future Council "good feeling" projects should be built as community projects and not by saddling the rate payers with Council debt. Good examples of local community projects were the building of the hockey turf and the large stadium at the Levin Show Grounds and even the swimming pool was partly funded by the community. Community projects bring the community together.

Changes to the General Rate

We agree with the changes to the General Rate but are concerned about the proposed rate increase on lifestyle properties that are included in a large contiguous farm. Some of these farms include a number of small titles that cannot be made contiguous with the main farming block. They are Maori land blocks with multiple ownership that were set aside in the 1860's for different hapu and whanau families, when the Maori people lived in the countryside around lakes and coastal areas. Some are landlocked or only accessed by unformed paper roads, they cannot be built on because of the multiple ownership; therefore these titles should not be classed as lifestyle blocks that would attract higher rates.

There needs to be a remission policy that farmers using these small titles as part of their farming operation could apply to the Council for remission of part of the rate. It is impossible for farmers to buy these small blocks of multiple owned Maori land so they could make them contiguous with their farming operation.

Quotable Value says that under the present Government legislation they cannot amalgamate these titles into a farming block because of the different multiple ownership. For example, we have a 25 hectare landlocked block in the middle of our farm that we brought from the Ryder Family in 1978, it has one Maori owner with a very small share (approximately 100 sq. meters) and because of this the block has to have its own separate Quotable Value valuation and its own separate rate demand. Even though we own land both sides of this block we cannot make the three blocks contiguous because of the Government legislation. We have tried but do not know how to get in touch with this Maori owner or any descendants.

We farm a number of small titles of multiple Maori ownership land where some owners have formed a family trust to administer their small block; we have no formal leases on these blocks, we pay them rent and also pay the Council rates.

If these small blocks of multiple ownership Maori lands are classed as lifestyle blocks for rateable purposes, it would make them uneconomic to farm and if the farmers stopped paying rates on these titles Council would have to deal directly with the multiple Maori owners themselves.

I wish to speak to this submission and answer any questions Councillors may have.

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Infrastructure Funding: Development Contributions:

Individual subdivisions in rural areas: These subdivisions have to provide their own water supply and their own irrigation and sewage disposal area at considerable cost when being developed as a lifestyle block and will pay a higher rate to the Horowhenua District Council so should be exempt from any development contribution.

Financial Strategy

I do not agree that Council should increase their debt level, interest rates will eventually increase. It wasn't that long ago that we were paying 9 – 10% interest rate. When interest rates do rise again it will put considerable pressure on rates and ratepayers. A 1% increase on a debt of \$100 million adds another million onto the interest that has to be paid.

Changes to the General Rate

It would be a win/win situation for all concerned if there were rate remissions on small multiple owned Maori titles being classed as lifestyle blocks but being farmed as part of a larger farming area -

- Council would receive some rate payments,
- The owners would receive some rent payments and not be liable for rates,
- Farmers would be able to farm the land as remission on the rates would make it economic to farm.

When rates are too high on small lifestyle titles and it becomes uneconomical to farm, then no one wins if the farmer abandons the land.

Landfill –

I would like to speak briefly as a ratepayer and a neighbour to the Landfill –

I could not make this part of my earlier submission on 19 April 2021 as I was a signatory to the Project Management Group (PMG) agreement signed in early 2019 with Horowhenua District Council to work towards the closure of the Levin Landfill by the 31st December 2025. I signed this agreement as a neighbour to the Landfill not as a member of the Neighbourhood Liaison Group (NLG). The agreement restricted me from making any negative comment on the Landfill; however I have recently attended two meetings with the (NLG) - that I am a founding member of - and our representatives on the PMG. I have been told by our representatives on the PMG of their frustrations with Council's representatives and the failure of the District Council representatives to meet the spirit of that agreement.

There appears to be no mention of the Landfill in the Long Term Plan that I can see, however there is mention of Solid Waste Disposal being capital expenditure of \$5.3 million and operational spending of \$104 million to be funded by rates 56% and others 44%.

- There has been no transparency by Councils' on the landfill for the last 20 years.
- There has been no management plan.
- There have been no financial plans or budgets.
- There has been no disclosure of the total debt that the Landfill has accumulated in the last 20 years.
- There has been no disclosure on where the rubbish that goes into the Landfill comes from and what tonnage from other sources.
- There has been no disclosure on how much of the rubbish is actually from the Horowhenua.
- There has been no disclosure on odours coming from the landfill that affect the local residents.
- There has been no disclosure on leachate and the effect it is having on the two local Iwis, the Hokio Stream, the Hokio Township and the surrounding environment.
- There has been no disclosure on the mismanagement of the landfill over the years.

So how can ratepayers make an informed decision to either close the Landfill by 2025 or maintain the Landfill?

Between 2000 and 2002 when mediation was held between the Horowhenua District Council and residents and objectors to the Levin Landfill, the then Mayor, the Deputy Mayor, the Council Engineer and Council's Environmental Lawyer said that the Landfill was needed and would be a revenue stream to subsidise the rates for the districts ratepayers of the future. I believe the total debt for the Landfill is now over \$7 million.

In 2008/2009 year Horowhenua District Council disclosed that they wanted to take rubbish into the Levin Landfill from Kapiti, and for this ratepayers would receive a benefit of \$500,000 per year from Kapiti that would be used to subsidise our rates. This proposal was outlined in the Council's 2007-2008 Annual Plan which stated that it would bring about a very visible, immediate and ongoing betterment to people living in the Horowhenua. Over the years nobody has been able to show me where this \$500,000 income a year has been spent.

Thank you for your time this evening.

Peter Everton
11/5/21

From:

Sent: Wednesday, 3 May 2023 7:31 am

To: Long Term Plan 2021-41 Project Team <ltip@horowhenua.govt.nz>

Subject: FW: Long Term Community Plan amendment submission

Apologies for the late response – This e-mail is in support of the Manakau United Football Club LTCP Submission.

Kind regards
Kimbal McHugo
Chairman MDCA

On behalf of Manakau United Football Club

The MUFC blueprint for the Manakau Domain

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MUFC are currently working with HDC to:-

Provide better connectivity to the domain for the community by:-

- Replacing roadside boundary is a 7-wire fence topped with barbed wire with bollards
- Have a multi-modal pathway installed on the northern side of Waikawa Beach Road to allow easy and safe access for all locals and encourage greater usage.
- Determine a safe connection across state highway 1 to connect Manakau Village and School to the Domain.

Place Bollards to surround carpark and road edge, to make the domain accessible to the local community.

Construct a new toilet block that can be accessed and utilised by the public to much greater degree than the current facilities – this currently is to be funded as part of the 3 waters grant.

Remediation of southwestern corner of domain to be used as a practice/training area. This would allow training to be held off the current pitch (future pitches) to retain the current high standard of playing surface created over the 13 seasons that MUFC have maintained the domain.

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Things that we would like to work with HDC to progress:-

Have the domain treated like all other domains and sports fields in the Horowhenua. This would include full maintenance of all surfaces and buildings and include sport specific requirements such as line marking etc. We would however like to have MDCA maintain their Kaitiaki/guardianship role.

The domain must be increased in size as part of the growth plan for Manakau. As most of

the growth in Manakau is set to be concentrated around Waikawa Beach Road, this makes it even more of an imperative.

Have option to have a single pitch aligned east west as it currently is or have one smaller pitch aligned north south and larger pitch aligned east west (as it is currently) but moved eastward. This would most likely require the movement of the containers to allow the pitch to meet required width. Two pitches would allow for the expected increase in players and teams as Manakau continues to grow.

Practice/training area to have new upgraded LED lighting – MUFC currently working with suppliers to produce quotes to be able to go out for funding.

Car park to be paved and kerbed to allow for longevity of the carpark construction and delineation between grassed and car parking area.

Install a high fence along the roadside bordering the practice pitch to stop balls getting onto Waikawa Beach Road. 3 - 5m ball catching net Bollard line on carpark edge of training pitch.

New native plantings around the edge (to attract birds, catch balls, obscure ground from road to absorb some noise) - get rid of existing verbasium hedge. This would include tidying up corner at the north-eastern end and replanting in natives

Work with landowner on the northern boundary to

- significantly reduce the height of the existing wind break to allow better grass growth on the northern boundary.
- Reduce the length of branches extending back into the domain from the windbreak.

Monique Davidson CEO Horowhenua District Council

Good morning Monique

I am responding to your request for feedback pertaining to my thoughts on rates affordability.

Unfortunately I could not respond through the link provided as it is possibly due to the fact that

I use a Mac.

Safari Can't Open the Page

Safari can't open the page "letskorero.horowhenua.govt.nz/rates-fees-and-charges" because the server where this page is located isn't responding.

I trust that this email to you is acceptable.

Two points that I wish to raise.

(1) On page (2) Rates Review 3rd paragraph (This means that owners of lower-value homes can have rates bills

that are similar to those of owners of much higher-value properties.)

My question is, does Council provide less goods and services to lower value homes, or does Council provide more

goods and services to higher value homes, or are the same services provided to all properties by Council? I understand

the difference associated with Rural properties.

(2) On page(2) Rates Review 2nd paragraph. The letter draws attention to the effects of, inflation, interest rates, price increases

and the awareness that some households are paying 8-9% of their income on rates, while others pay just 1-2%.

These figures to me do raise concern for those within our community that are within the 8-9% range.

I submit a simple idea for your consideration that could well assist Council costs associated with interest rates.

and as a collective assist those within the 8-9% range

A large proportion of our residents are retired, I am also assuming that many will own their properties freehold, in addition

many place retirement funds on Bank Term deposits which provide a low interest rate taxable return, unsecured.

As I understand it Council has various loans of different % rates. If Council was to calculate an average cost of all of Councils Loans as a percentage, lets say 4% and split this amount 50/50 Council could offer to all rate payers a credit of 2% off the following years rates providing the rates are paid one year in advance. From a rate payers position paying rates in advance is a secure investment. It also becomes a working Capital for Council, or provides for the payment by Council of the higher interest loans that Council may be servicing.

Just my thoughts for your consideration Monique

Kind regards

Allan Day (Snr)

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Please tick this box if you want to keep your contact details private

Full Name: LISA SANSON

Name of Organisation: _____

Postal Address: 34 HYDRABAD DRIVE
WAITAREKE BEACH **Post Code:** 5510

Email: lisa.sanson@hotmail.com

Phone number: 021 840 334

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Full Name: Peter + Jill Hammond

Name of Organisation: 8 Story Street,

Postal Address: Foxton Beach

Post Code: 4815.

Email: peter.jillhammond@gmail.com

Phone number: 021 769 581

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Full Name: Valerie Maud Rodgers

Name of Organisation: _____

Postal Address: 9 Haggis Road

R.D 20 Levin **Post Code:** 5570

Email: _____

Phone number: 06 36 26766

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Submission on Dog registration.

We would like to comment on the proposed increase on the Dog Registration.

As Farmers with working dogs, we can not see what benefits we get from registering our dogs except the tag we put on their collar. \$70-80 seems a very high price to pay for just a plastic tag.

Farm dogs very seldom end up in the pound or need the Animal Control person. Years ago we took our dogs to a dosing strip for their Hydatids medication which was paid for as part of the registration.

Now we buy the medication from the vet and administer them ourselves. How can the Council demand this cost for doing nothing.

DJ Jimms.



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Rates Rebate Scheme:

Ladies and Gentlemen.

Councils throughout New Zealand have seen fit to manage and control a Rates Rebate scheme, giving people the option to at least get a small support payment to assist them when it comes to the time when they have to pay their rates.

We would submit that the current Rates Rebate scheme is no longer fit for purpose.

Given that the proportion of the older residents, and more particularly superannuitants in the Horowhenua, is increasing at a rate that is higher than the national average and further; that these people are often asset rich but cash poor, the concept of a Rates Rebate scheme appears, on the surface, to have a great deal of merit for the older citizens of our community.

Horowhenua Grey Power and the Grey Power NZ Federation have been making representations to the relevant Government Agencies and Ministries for a number of years seeking changes to the current system, without success. It is our hope that Local Government NZ can be encouraged to have a greater success.

Submission:

Horowhenua Grey Power would submit that there are a number of social, medical and financial pressures being placed on older people in our community that now makes the concept of an improved Rates Rebate scheme both desirable and at times necessary.

- i. **As at 1st April 2023 Superannuitants got an extra \$102.84 in their superannuation entitlement payments. [based on a couple's entitlement paid fortnightly = an increase of \$25.71 per person per week]**
- ii. **Please note that this is an entitlement NOT A BENEFIT.**
- iii. **The \$102.84 is a gross payment, so attracts a tax take of 17.6%. (S) rated tax.**
- iv. **Paid into a couple's bank account is therefore = \$84.74 per fortnight.**
- v. **The increase in Superannuation from 2022 to 2023 is equivalent to 6.7% per annum.**
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the active organisation for those aged 50 plus

- vii. Food prices are now 14% above last year's rates.
- viii. The current CPI is 6.7%.

It can therefore be seen that given the current state of the economy and the income of Superannuitants living on "just the Pension" there are major financial constraints being placed on our pensioners and others who are asset rich and very much cash poor.

As stated previously the current Rates Rebate scheme is not fit for purpose.

The amounts set down guiding whether or not when a person/s applies for a Rates Rebate the schedule of earnings, is set too low.

The amounts paid out if a person is eligible to receive a Rates Rebate are also far too low.

As an example:

I am a retired school principal. The education system is 'screaming' out for relievers and I am not doing any relief teaching. Payment for one (1) day of relief teaching is approximately \$300 (nett). If I work just that 1-day, I can make a claim under the Rates Rebate scheme, just. But it is paid out at the very lowest amount possible.

If I work for 2-days or more as a relief teacher I go over the thresh-hold to receive anything. To my mind that is ridiculous.

We would submit that the Horowhenua District Council make a submission to the Government, through Local Government New Zealand to have the earnings thresh-hold raised to (up to) 50% above the current level and that the pay-out also be raised to 50% above the current level.

Remember that 1-in-4 of the people who live in our community are superannuitants. Many of them require financial assistance to continue living in their own homes. As a community we need to be supporting that initiative. The alternative is rest home care that comes at an even greater cost to the wider community.

Terry Hemmingsen

PRESIDENT
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Do you support the proposed changes to the way fees and charges are shared?

Yes No

Foxton Beach Freeholding Account

Do you agree with \$500,000 from the Foxton Beach Freeholding Account being used for the Foxton Pools Redevelopment Project?

Yes No

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Rates Postponement Policy:

Ladies and Gentlemen.

Councils throughout New Zealand have seen fit to introduce a Rates Postponement Policy, giving people the option to postpone the payment of all, or a portion of their rates for a fixed or indefinite period. The objective of such a postponement policy is (or should be) to enable Councils to provide older ratepayers with more options and more flexibility when it comes to paying their rates. It lets older ratepayers decide how best to manage their personal finances and also gives older rate payers the opportunity to stay in their houses for longer.

Given that the proportion of the older residents, and more particularly superannuitants in the Horowhenua, is increasing at a rate that is higher than the national average and further; that these people are often asset rich but cash poor, the concept of a Rates Postponement Policy appears to have a great deal of merit for the older citizens of our community.

Legislation:

- 1). **Local Government Act 2002, states, section 102(3);**
"A local authority may adopt either or both of the following policies:"
 - (a) a rates remission policy
 - (b) a rates postponement policy

- 2). **Local Government Act 2002, states, section 110(1);**
"A policy adopted under section 102(3)(b) must state – "
 - (a) the objectives sought to be achieved by a postponement of the requirement to pay rates; and
 - (b) the conditions and criteria to be met in order for the requirement to pay rates to be postponed.

- 3). **Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 No 6, section 87(1);**
"A local authority must postpone the requirement to pay all or part of the rates on a rating unit (including penalties for unpaid rates) if –"

the active organisation for those aged 50 plus

- (a) the local authority has adopted a rates postponement policy under section 110 of the Local Government Act 2002;

4). **Local Government Act 2002, states, section 102(4);**

A local authority –

- (a) must consult on a draft policy in a manner that gives effect to the requirements of section 82 of the Local Government Act 2002 before adopting a policy under this section.

Submission:

Horowhenua Grey Power would submit that there are a number of social, medical and financial pressures being placed on older people in our community that now makes the concept of a Rates Postponement Policy both desirable and at times necessary.

The Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 and the Local Government Act 2002 allow for a rates postponement for residential rate payers. Prior to that, those rates could only be postponed if the rate payer proved hardship.

We have been told by Horowhenua District Council staff that up to 1:4 people living in our community are over the age of 65-years. They are superannuatants are able to access the New Zealand universal Superannuation scheme and are also able to hold a New Zealand SuperGold Card. However, what is missing from this are the statistics that show that despite being (so called) asset rich they are cash poor. A recent "Sunday" programme aired on TV1 highlighted the circumstances that many seniors live in. (Ref: TV1 Sunday 23 April 2023).

What many people do not know is that in a study undertaken by Professor Carol Wham of Massey University, 75% of seniors being admitted to hospital were either malnourished or on the cusp of malnourishment. The question is why? And the answers are relatively simple. In most cases these seniors could not pay for the food or heating to keep themselves healthy. All of those surveyed lived in their own homes. We need to find ways to ensure that these people have sufficient funds to eat well and to live well.

Horowhenua Grey Power, are therefore recommending a rates postponement scheme that will be available to all residential ratepayers that are aged 65 and over (or over 60 if on a benefit) to postpone their rates for life or until such time as the residence against which the rates postponement is applied, is sold. Whichever comes later.

The aim is to give qualifying ratepayers a choice of paying their rates now or later.

To qualify for a rates postponement the rate payer must be required to meet the conditions and criteria, as set out in the Policy, namely;

- i. The ratepayer must be over the age of 65 (or over the age of 60 if on a benefit).
- ii. The property must be insured.
- iii. The postponed rates must not exceed 80 per-cent (80%) of the available equity in the property. The available equity being the difference between the Council's valuation of the property (the capital value at the most recent revaluation) and the value of any encumbrances against the property, including mortgages and loans.
- iv. The property must be the prime residence of the ratepayer and owner occupier.

Horowhenua Grey Power recommends that the costs of the proposed scheme should be paid (only) by those whose rates are being postponed. No other ratepayers should be required to subsidise those people who wish to engage in the rates postponement scheme.

As well as the annual rates demand, it is recommended that that costs of the scheme should be;

Six monthly interest on postponed rates (at the Council's marginal rate), plus 1% for administration. An annual reserve fund levy of 0.25% to meet the costs of any unrecoverable rates postponements.

An initial Application Fee of \$75.00.

Interest rates to be compounding.

So, what are the benefits for our older residents;

- (i) They do not have to pay rates each year.
- (ii) They will have extra money to do the things they really want or need to do.
- (iii) Eat well and live well.
- (iv) Repairs and maintenance to their house, a medical procedure, new spectacles, an urgent trip to deal with a family matter either locally or off-shore – it should be their choice.
- (v) Not having to pay rates can considerably ease financial pressures and burdens that for older people are becoming a real challenge with rising inflation and food prices.

Horowhenua Grey Power recognises that by installing a Rates Postponement Scheme, there will (may) at times be pressures put on Council's ability to acquire additional funding to support the Scheme using the Council's marginal rate. Having stated this, it is important to consider the bigger picture around the need to continue to provide a social housing structure for our senior citizens.

Successive governments have encouraged our older residents to remain in their homes for as long as they can, as this reduces pressure on the Rest Home and Retirement Village communities. It also diverts funding that would be taken up by rest home subsidies, should older residents need to move out of their existing homes into rest home care.

It is far less costly to provide home-care and personal-care options into senior's homes than it is to put such people into 'a home' and then have to pay increased costs in the form of subsidies.

By using a Rates Postponements Scheme the seniors who take it up will be paying for **"their own roof over their own head"** rather than relying on the state to pick up the bill.

In the Q & A supplementary paper attached to this submission there is a question about; "Who pays the costs of the Scheme?"

It is a good question and it interesting to note that the response makes it quite clear that the, **"costs of operating the Scheme will be paid ONLY by those whose rates are being postponed."**

Will there be a cost to Council? The answer to that is NO. And, nor should there be.

The only outstanding issue would be the need for Council to acquire sufficient funds at the marginal rate to support the Scheme.

Conclusion:

Within this submission and the attachments, Horowhenua Grey Power have put in place some suggestions and recommendations about how a Rates Postponement Policy could (and should) operate.

We have provided answers to many of the questions that should be asked.

We have made it clear that such a Policy is **not about avoiding having people pay their rates**, but rather it is about keeping older people in their homes for longer, ensuring that (over time) they pay their way and that they can continue to live in our community without the added burden of having to pay their rates 'immediately' with the associated financial pressures that may come with such demands.

So here is the question; ***should a Rates Postponement Scheme be introduced, who loses (financially or otherwise)?***

And the answer is: ***No-one !!!***

We would submit that Horowhenua District Council needs to adopt this proposed policy and support our seniors through the latter years of their lives.

Terry Hemmingsen

PRESIDENT
HOROWHENUA GREY POWER

DATED: 30th APRIL 2023

Attachments:

To assist Council with their deliberations we have added two (2) attachments,

- 1) Rates Postponement Policy – Draft: This document is largely based on that used by the Nelson City Council when providing Rates Postponements for their citizens.
- 2) Rates Postponement Policy – Supplementary Information: This is a Q & A paper taken from a number of LG Councils who provide Rates Postponements for their citizens.

It is our hope and expectation that these documents will assist Councillors in making a wise decision to support the 25%+ seniors in our community who may need that extra little bit of financial support.

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RATES POSTPONEMENT POLICY – DRAFT

Objective:

The objective of the Rates Postponement Policy is to enable Council to provide older ratepayers with more options and flexibility. It lets older ratepayers decide how best to manage their finances and also gives older ratepayers the opportunity to stay in their own houses/homes for longer.

Conditions & Criteria:

- (a) The ratepayer must be over the age of 65-years (or over the age of 60-years if on a benefit,
- (b) The property must be insured.
- (c) The postponed rate must not exceed 80 per cent (80%) of the available equity in the property. The available equity being the difference between the Council's valuation of the property (capital value at the most recent valuation) and the value of any encumbrances against the property, including loans and mortgages.
- (d) The property must be the prime residence of the ratepayer and be owner occupied.

Procedures:

- (i) Applications must be made on the prescribed form which can be obtained from a Council Customer Service Centre or on our website; www.horowhenua.govt.nz
- (ii) There is an initial application fee of \$75.00.
- (iii) Applications must include detailed information explaining how they meet the conditions and criteria under this policy. This must include a statutory declaration for the first year of the ratepayer's property insurance and the value of encumbrances against the property including loans and mortgages.
- (iv) Note that: for the rates to continue to be postponed, the Council will require each year thereafter, by way of a statutory declaration, of the ratepayer's insurance and the value of encumbrances against the property, including mortgages and loans.
- (v) Decisions on applications under this policy will be made by the _____

Other Matters:

The applicant may choose to postpone the payment of a lesser amount of rates than the full amount that they would be entitled to postpone under this policy.

There is no income testing attached to this policy.

The repayment of the postponed rates will be required at the earlier of;

- (a) Sale of the property, or
- (b) Death of the ratepayer (or surviving ratepayer where there is a couple)

Interest will be charged on the postponement rates six (6) monthly at Council's marginal rate (the current cost to Council of borrowing the required funds) plus 1% for administration and 0.25% to a risk reserve.

Council recommends that ratepayers considering postponing their rates seek independent advice from a financial adviser on the financial impacts and appropriateness of postponing their rates.

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RATES POSTPONEMENT POLICY – SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

How do I Qualify for Rates Postponement?

You must meet the conditions and criteria in the Policy

The ratepayer must be over the age of 65-years (or over the age of 60-years if on a benefit)

The property must be insured.

The postponement rates must not exceed 80% of the available equity in the property. [the available equity is the difference between the Council's valuation of the property (the capital value at the most recent valuation) and the value of any encumbrances against the property, including mortgages and loans.]

The property must be the prime residence of the ratepayer and be owner occupied.

How do I apply?

As a first step you are required to fill out an eligibility form (this is attached as Appendix "A")

There is an initial application fee of \$75.00. Applications must include detailed information explaining how the conditions and criteria will be met under this policy. This must include a Statutory Declaration for the first year, of your property insurance and the value of encumbrances against your property, including mortgages and loans.

Please note: that for the rates to continue to be postponed, Council will require evidence each year thereafter, by way of statutory declaration of your property insurance and the value of encumbrances against your property, again including mortgages and loans.

Making the Decision?

Council recommends that ratepayers considering postponing their rates seek independent advice from a financial adviser on the financial impacts and appropriateness of postponing their rates.

Applying for the Scheme:

You can do this by signing a conditional Letter of Offer and returning it to Council with all of the required documentation.

What if I still have a Mortgage?

If you have a mortgage, you can still apply for the scheme. However, you will need to have a written agreement from the financial institution which funds your mortgage.

When will my Postponed Rates actually be payable?

You can choose to pay your postponed rates in full (or in part) any time you like, without penalty. Otherwise, Council will require them to be paid:

- After you have died, or in the case of couples, the second partner has died. Council is aware that it can take time to settle an estate, and will allow up to twelve (12) months for payment.
- When you cease to be the owner of the property. However, if you sell your property and buy another one within the Horowhenua District, Council will consider transferring the outstanding balance, or as much as is needed, to facilitate the purchase, provided it is satisfied that there is adequate security in the new property for eventual repayment.

Who pays the cost of the scheme?

The cost of operating the scheme will be paid only by those whose rates are being postponed. Council has determined that there will be no subsidy from other ratepayers.

As well as annual rates, the costs of the scheme are:

- Six-monthly interest on the postponed rates (at the Council's marginal rate), plus 1% for administration. There will also be an annual reserve levy of 0.25% to meet the costs of any unrecoverable postponements.

There is an initial Application Fee of \$100.00.

What if my home is owned by a Family Trust – can I still apply?

Yes, but there are special requirements.

The issue with trusts is that the trust is technically the legal ratepayer. If you live in a house owned by a trust, or you have a life tenancy/remainder agreement, you are eligible to apply. However, Council must be satisfied that all people with an ownership interest in the property have agreed to be part of the Scheme. As well as trustee(s) this may include beneficiaries, depending on the terms of the Trust Deed.

Council will require a letter from the Trust's lawyer to confirm that all parties whose consent is required have in fact consented, and that they have the legal authority to do so. Council's conditional Letter of Offer will also need to be signed both by the Applicant(s) and all parties whose consent is required.

Why is Horowhenua District Council offering Rates Postponement?

The law allows councils to offer rates postponements to residential ratepayers. Council has made the decision to offer residential property owners a choice as to when they pay their rates.

What are the benefits for me?

If you don't have to pay rates each year, you will have extra money to do the things that you really want or need to do. Medical treatment, Dental treatment, new glasses, house maintenance, a holiday It's your choice. For a lot of older people, not having to pay rates can considerably ease the financial pressure.

How will I know what the accumulated costs are likely to be over time?

Councils across New Zealand who already have the Scheme have developed financial models that Council can tap into to develop their own model. Whenever you request it, Council will be able to give you a "snapshot" of your total accumulated costs compared to the value of your property at that time.

Will I get myself so far into debt that it cannot be repaid?

No. If the total postponed charges reach 80% of the available equity in your property, future postponement will cease. From then on you will be required to begin paying your rates up front again.

The available equity is the difference between the Council's valuation of the property (Capital Value at the most recent re-valuation) and the value of any encumbrances against the property, including mortgages and loans.

However, this will not affect postponements that have already been made.

The postponed rates will continue to accrue, along with associated costs, and will still be repayable when you sell the property, or when you die.

What about Insurance?

If you have insurance for your property when you apply, you will be required to keep it insured and to produce evidence of this each year.

If you do not have insurance, you will be required to take on insurance.

Insurance is to protect you and Council if your home is substantially damaged or destroyed. It means that the postponed rates debt will not affect the re-building or replacement of your home.

Do I have to postpone all of my rates or can I postpone part of them (just the amount I need)?

The Scheme is entirely flexible so, yes, you can apply to postpone all or part of your rates. Once you are in the Scheme, you can vary the amount you postpone depending on your financial situation. This is something you will need to discuss with Council officers.

Does Council get an Ownership Right in my House?

No, you retain full ownership. Council simply has first claim on your property for the postponement amount that has accumulated, when it is sold or become a part of your estate.

Do I need to consult a Lawyer about this?

If you think you should. However, there is no need for your lawyer be involved.

Do I need to consult a Financial Adviser about this?

Council recommends that ratepayers considering postponing their rates seek independent advice from a Financial Adviser on the financial impacts and appropriateness of postponing their rates., although it can be reviewed

Can the Scheme be reviewed or suspended?

Council's Scheme is in place indefinitely, although it can be reviewed at any time subject to the requirements of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002. If there were to be changes, they would not affect the entitlement of people already in the Scheme to continue postponement of future rates.

Council reserves the right not to postpone any further rates once the total of postponed rates and accrued charges exceeds 80% of the available equity in the property. The available equity is the difference between Council's valuation of the property and the value of any encumbrances against the property, including mortgages and loans.

How do I get started?

Complete the Eligibility / Application Form and post, deliver or email it to the Horowhenua District Council.

You will then be contacted to make an appointment with one of the Council's staff to determine your eligibility and to complete your application.

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Long Term Plan 2021-2041 Amendment and Annual Plan 2023/24

Te Mahere Roa 2021-2041 Ngā Whakatikatanga me te Mahere ā-Tau 2023/24

Submissions must be received by **4pm, Monday 1 May 2023**

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Do you wish to speak in support of your submission at a Hearing?

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Copies of the Consultation Document for the Long Term Plan 2021-2041 Amendment and Annual Plan 2023/24 (and Supporting Information) are available online or at Horowhenua District Council, Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō, Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom and Shannon Library.

Any additional comments can be attached and submitted with this form.

Levin Landfill
Proposal -
Attachments (5)

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Levin Landfill Proposals:

Ladies and Gentlemen.

The HDC Consultation Document makes a case to continue to dump our 'rubbish' into the ground and then cover it up for later generations to deal with. What follows is leachate into local water sources, methane emissions to air and limited timeframes for waste disposal facilities with associated consent requirements and the potential for legal action.

We see this as very limited, short-term thinking and believe that other alternative options be seriously considered.

For hundreds of years people have buried their rubbish often with no ill-effects to the community or the environment. However, as the Fox River disaster showed, more recently on the West Coast of the South Island, there are rubbish dumps that have a very negative impact on our environment.

In Europe including the UK, many municipalities have moved away from dumping and burying their rubbish to incinerating it. The process has proven to be successful right across Europe and the UK in reducing waste by between 90% - 95% while at the same time producing more water than a plant uses, producing steam for electricity generation, providing heating for residential homes and glass houses, providing roading material from the ash and creating a revenue scheme for a community by selling off these and other benefits.

We will of course be told that the downside will be CO2 emissions to air, thereby contributing to global warming. That of course is trite nonsense. Modern technologies now provide for scrubbers and filters that reduce any possible emissions to less than 0.5% CO2 emissions to air.

It is our submission that the Horowhenua District Council moves to Option 2 of their landfill proposal as an interim measure (only) and to take immediate steps to commission the investigation in to and the construction of an incineration plant that will best meet the needs of our community and the municipalities and other towns and villages that surround us. Thereby

the active organisation for those aged 50 plus

creating a series of revenue streams that we so desperately need to support our local community.

We have attached for your consideration supporting documents to assist in you in your deliberations;

Amager Bakke - Copenhagen

Amager Bakke Waste-to Energy Plant – Copenhagen

Tyseley Energy from Waste Plant – Birmingham UK

Incineration – Wikipedia

There are, of course other sources, including the West Coast NZ proposal.

Terry Hemmingsen

**PRESIDENT
HOROWHENUA GREY POWER**

DATED: 29 APRIL 2023

Amager Bakke

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Amager Bakke (lit. 'Amager Hill'), also known as **Amager Slope** or **Copenhill**, is a combined heat and power waste-to-energy plant (new resource handling centre) and recreational facility in Amager, Copenhagen Denmark,^[1] located prominently within view of the city's downtown.

The facility opened in 2017,^[2] and partially replaced the nearby old incineration plant in Amager,^[3] which is in the process of being converted from coal to biomass (expected to complete in 2020).^[4] The two plants play a major role in Copenhagen's ambitions of meeting zero carbon requirements by 2025.^[4]

The recreational components of the facility (the dry ski run, hiking trail and climbing wall) opened in December 2018,^[5] with an attendance estimated at 42-57 thousand visitors annually.^[6]

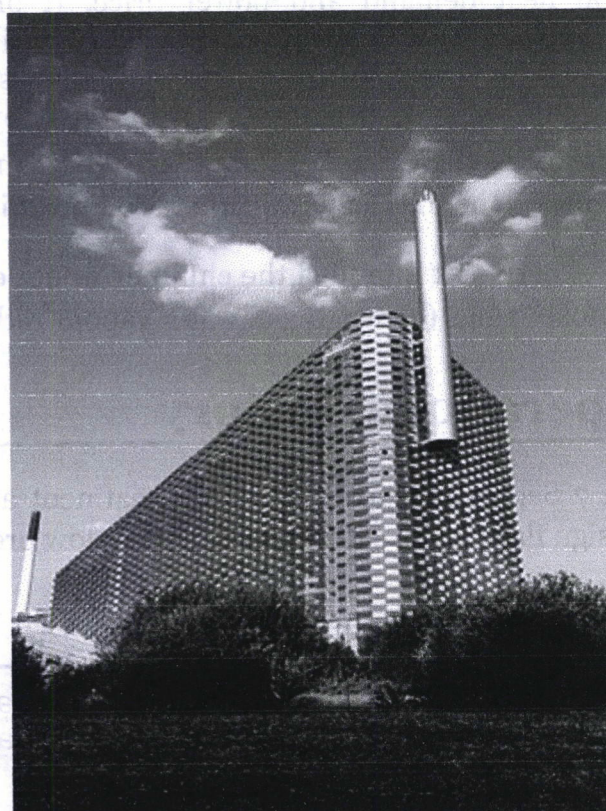
Copenhill was named the *World Building of the Year 2021* at the fourteenth annual World Architecture Festival.^[7]

Construction and technicalities



Skiing in Amager Bakke.

Amager Bakke



Country	Denmark
Location	Amager, in Copenhagen
Coordinates	55°41′4″N 12°37′12″E﻿ / ﻿﻿ / ﻿
Status	Operational
Construction began	2013

The plant opened on 30 March 2017.^[2] It is estimated to cost \$670 million,^[8] and is expected to burn 400,000 tons of municipal solid waste annually. It also houses a sports facility designed by Bjarke Ingels Group with an 85 m (279 ft) tall sloped roof that doubles as year-round artificial ski slope, hiking slope and climbing wall, which opened to the public 4–6 October 2019.^{[2][9][10][11]} The climbing wall, manufactured by Walltopia, is the world's tallest climbing wall at 85 meters.^[12]

Technically, the plant is designed to change between operating modes, producing 0–63 MW electricity and 157–247 MW district heating, depending on the local heat demand and power price. It produces more clean water than it uses. Because of filtration and other technologies, sulphur emission is expected to be reduced by 99.5% and NO_x by about 95% as well as dioxins and HCl^{[13][14]} and it is claimed to be the cleanest incineration plant in the world.^[4]

An experiment intended the chimney to not emit its exhaust continuously, but instead in the form of "smoke" rings (consisting of water vapour rather than actual smoke).^[3]

Operational history

On 7 September 2018 all waste treatment and energy production was stopped for 17 days to fix a design flaw in the compensators of the low pressure steam system.^[15]

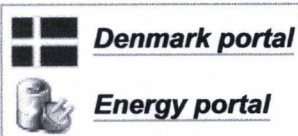
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Commission date	30 March 2017
Construction cost	\$670 million
Owner(s)	<u>Amager Ressource center</u>
Thermal power station	
Primary fuel	<u>Municipal solid waste</u>
Combined cycle?	Yes
Cogeneration?	190 MW
Power generation	
Nameplate capacity	57 MW
External links	
Website	<u>www.a-r-c.dk/amager-bakke</u> (https://www.a-r-c.dk/amager-bakke)
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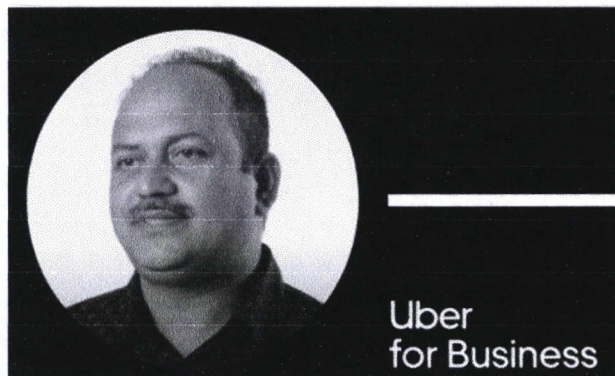
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Amager Bakke Waste-to-Energy Plant

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Copenhagen, Denmark

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The €470m (\$611m) Amager Bakke waste-to-energy plant was built in the outskirts of the Danish capital Copenhagen. Image courtesy

The Amager Bakke combined heat and power (CHP) complex has been built in the outskirts of the Danish capital Copenhagen. It is one of the largest waste-to-energy plants in northern Europe. The complex also serves a recreational and an environmental education centre.

“The Amager Bakke waste-to-energy plant burns waste collected from 500,000 – 700,000 inhabitants and 46,000 companies.”

The €470m (\$611m) innovative project was developed by the Copenhagen-based waste management company Amager Ressourcecenter (Amagerforbraending). Amager Ressourcecenter is jointly owned by five Copenhagen-area municipalities, namely Dragør, Frederiksberg, Hvidovre, Copenhagen and Tårnby.

The new facility replaced the adjacent 45-year old waste-incineration plant, which generated heat and electricity for 150,000 households. It has the capacity to treat 400,000t of waste annually to produce electricity and heat for 150,000 homes in Copenhagen.

The waste-to-energy plant is equipped with the latest waste treatment technologies for greater efficiency and better environmental performance. The plant also features a ski slope on its roof to offer recreational facilities for the city residents. Built with an investment of \$12.2m, the ski slope was opened in October 2019.

The construction of the waste-to-energy project started in March 2013, and was completed in 2017.

Energy efficiency and environmental benefits

The Amager Bakke waste-to-energy plant burns waste collected from 500,000 – 700,000 inhabitants and 46,000 companies in and around Copenhagen. Designed to utilise 100% energy content of the waste, the plant achieved an energy efficiency of 107%.

The plant has more than 25% more energy output than the old plant, which is Europe’s oldest waste-to-energy plant. It generates steam at a temperature of 440°C and with a pressure of 70 bars, doubling the electrical efficiency compared to the old plant.

The total quantity of wastes and biomass burned was 357,000t and 443,000t in 2017 and 2018, respectively. The total energy production stood at 900,000 MWh and 1,259,000MWh in 2017 and 2018, respectively.

The use of stone wool has allowed temperature regulation, flood defences and economic viability for the project. The stone wools are mostly used around the pipes.

Technology at the Danish waste-to-energy plant

The facility includes two furnace lines connected to a boiler and a joint turbine and generator system. Each fuel line has a capacity to burn 35t of waste an hour.

“The construction of the project started in March 2013, and was completed in 2017.”

The waste is lifted through a crane and fed to a double lane combustor grate with the use of a hopper. The plant uses Babcock & Wilcox Vølund's advanced combustor grate, called DynaGrate. It is a water-cooled combustor grate resembling a staircase. The grate bars are alternately arranged and are mounted on shafts to optimise the agitation of fuel bed.

The mechanical design of DynaGrate offers optimised combustion of the waste fuel with its capacity to process a variety of waste materials, including metal. It also reduces maintenance cost with its wear zone consisting of steel tubes. In addition, the movable grate parts do not come in contact with each other, which further reduces the maintenance costs.

The plant uses flue gas condensation technology to optimise the heat production. An electrostatic precipitator (ESP) is used to catch the particles in the flue gas. A flue gas cleaning technology, called selective catalytic reduction (SCR), is also installed to reduce the NO_x emissions.

The smoke plumes of the plant are released in giant 30m smoke rings and each ring is blown as a visual spectacle for releasing every single tonne of fossil CO₂. Amager Bakke plant curbs 100,000t of CO₂ emissions a year and allows Copenhagen to reuse 90% of its metal waste.

In addition, the flue gas condensation enables the plant to recover 100 million litres of water and reuse 100,000t of bottom ash as a road material.

CopenHill ski slope

The project aims to promote environmental sustainability as well as technological and architectural advancements. Designed by SLA, the CopenHill's rooftop is made as a downward slope. The state-of-the-art urban architecture makes the project economically viable and attracts tourists.

The ski slope offers recreational facilities such as artificial skiing slope, a running path, an 80m-high artificial climbing wall, which is the tallest artificial climbing wall in the world, a café, and a grove of trees.

Contractors involved with the Amager Bakke CHP

BIG-Bjarke Ingels Group is the architect of the Amager Bakke waste-to-energy plant. The rooftop of the waste-to-energy plant has been designed by a Danish architectural lab, SLA.

MOE were the engineering consultants and manager for the construction site. Other contractors involved in the structural designing of the new plant include Topotek/Man-Made Land and AKT.

Realities:united provided the smoke ring generator, while the contract for building steel was awarded to Züblin Stahlbau. Ramboll was involved as the owner's engineer provided planning and commissioning services.

Stone wool used in the plant was supplied by Rockwool International, a manufacturer of mineral wool products.

B&W Vølund was awarded a contract worth \$170m in October 2012 to design and supply the firing equipment, combustion and energy control system and environmental equipment. The company also provided the DynaGrate, boiler, slag

and ash-handling equipment, as well as environmental equipment, such as ESP and SCR.

In February 2013, NCC was awarded a \$39.32m contract to carry out construction works (silos, earth and concrete works) of the new plant. The total contract value may reach \$48.29m with possible additional construction works assigned to NCC in future.

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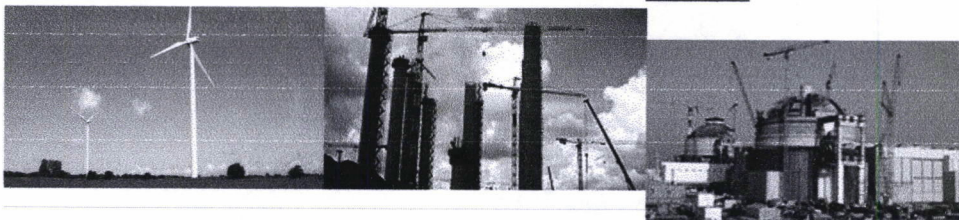
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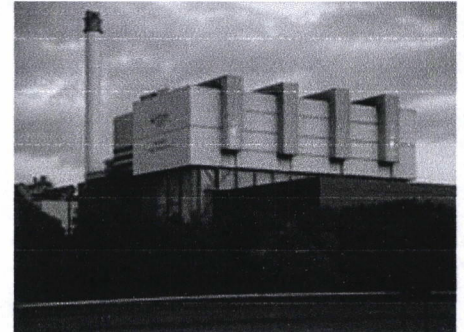
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Tyseley Energy from Waste Plant

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Tyseley Energy Recovery Facility is a waste incineration plant in Birmingham, UK. It is run by Veolia.

It was built in 1996 by Veolia to a design by Faulks Perry Culley & Rech.^[1] The plant has become a notable building in Birmingham with a lighting scheme that illuminates the plant during the hours of darkness. It was built to comply with the European emissions standards that came into force in 1996. Veolia benefits from Levy Exemption Certificates for the element of energy which is produced from renewable sources. This provides income to the City Council. The plant was opposed by Birmingham Friends of the Earth for contributing to climate change, causing air pollution and reducing recycling rates in the city.^[2]



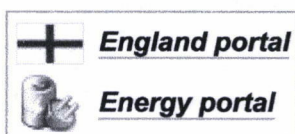
The Birmingham Energy Recovery facility

The ERF operates 24 hours a day for 365 days a year (except for planned shutdowns for maintenance). It takes around 350,000 tonnes of waste produced by the city annually and burns it to produce electricity, of which 25MW is fed into the National Grid.^[3] It is a two-stream plant with each boiler designed to process 23.5 tonnes of rubbish per hour. It has a turbo-generator which exports 25MW to the National Grid, after providing for on-site needs. The ERF also recovers several thousand tonnes a year of ferrous metals for recycling from the process.

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Incineration

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Incineration is a waste treatment process that involves the combustion of substances contained in waste materials.^[1] Industrial plants for waste incineration are commonly referred to as **waste-to-energy** facilities. Incineration and other high-temperature waste treatment systems are described as "thermal treatment". Incineration of waste materials converts the waste into ash, flue gas and heat. The ash is mostly formed by the inorganic constituents of the waste and may take the form of solid lumps or particulates carried by the flue gas. The flue gases must be cleaned of gaseous and particulate pollutants before they are dispersed into the atmosphere. In some cases, the heat that is generated by incineration can be used to generate electric power.

Incineration with energy recovery is one of several waste-to-energy technologies such as gasification, pyrolysis and anaerobic digestion. While incineration and gasification technologies are similar in principle, the energy produced from incineration is high-temperature heat whereas combustible gas is often the main energy product from gasification. Incineration and gasification may also be implemented without energy and materials recovery.

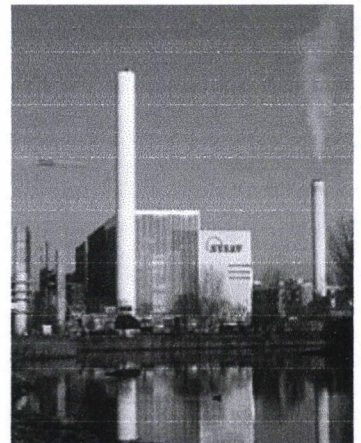
In several countries, there are still concerns from experts and local communities about the environmental effect of incinerators (see arguments against incineration).

In some countries, incinerators built just a few decades ago often did not include a materials separation to remove hazardous, bulky or recyclable materials before combustion. These facilities tended to risk the health of the plant workers and the local environment due to inadequate levels of gas cleaning and combustion process control. Most of these facilities did not generate electricity.

Incinerators reduce the solid mass of the original waste by 80–85% and the volume (already compressed somewhat in garbage trucks) by 95–96%, depending on composition and degree of recovery of materials such as metals from the ash for recycling.^[2] This means that while incineration does not completely replace landfilling, it significantly reduces the necessary volume for disposal. Garbage trucks often reduce the volume of waste in a built-in compressor before delivery to the incinerator. Alternatively, at landfills, the volume of the uncompressed



The incineration plant in Vienna, Austria, designed by Friedensreich Hundertwasser



SYSAV incineration plant in Malmö, Sweden, capable of handling 25 tonnes (28 short tons) per hour of household waste. To the left of the main stack, a new identical oven line is under construction (March 2007).

garbage can be reduced by approximately 70% by using a stationary steel compressor, albeit with a significant energy cost. In many countries, simpler waste compaction is a common practice for compaction at landfills.^[3]

Incineration has particularly strong benefits for the treatment of certain waste types in niche areas such as clinical wastes and certain hazardous wastes where pathogens and toxins can be destroyed by high temperatures. Examples include chemical multi-product plants with diverse toxic or very toxic wastewater streams, which cannot be routed to a conventional wastewater treatment plant.

Waste combustion is particularly popular in countries such as Japan, Singapore and the Netherlands, where land is a scarce resource. Denmark and Sweden have been leaders by using the energy generated from incineration for more than a century, in localised combined heat and power facilities supporting district heating schemes.^[4] In 2005, waste incineration produced 4.8% of the electricity consumption and 13.7% of the total domestic heat consumption in Denmark.^[5] A number of other European countries rely heavily on incineration for handling municipal waste, in particular Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Germany, and France.^[2]

History

The first UK incinerators for waste disposal were built in Nottingham by Manlove, Alliot & Co. Ltd. in 1874 to a design patented by Alfred Fryer. They were originally known as **destructors**.^[6]



Manlove, Alliot & Co. Ltd. 1894 destructor furnace at Cambridge Museum of Technology

The first US incinerator was built in 1885 on Governors Island in New York, NY.^[7] The first facility in the Czech Republic was built in 1905 in Brno.^[8]

Technology

An incinerator is a furnace for burning waste. Modern incinerators include pollution mitigation equipment such as flue gas cleaning. There are various types of incinerator plant design: moving grate, fixed grate, rotary-kiln, and fluidised bed.

Burn pile

The burn pile or the burn pit is one of the simplest and earliest forms of waste disposal, essentially consisting of a mound of combustible materials piled on the open ground and set on fire, leading to cause pollution.



A typical small burn pile in a garden.

Burn piles can and have spread uncontrolled fires, for example, if the wind blows burning material off the pile into surrounding combustible grasses or onto buildings. As interior structures of the pile are consumed, the pile can shift and collapse, spreading the

burn area. Even in a situation of no wind, small lightweight ignited embers can lift off the pile via convection, and waft through the air into grasses or onto buildings, igniting them. Burn piles often do not result in full combustion of waste and therefore produce particulate pollution.

Burn barrel

The burn barrel is a somewhat more controlled form of private waste incineration, containing the burning material inside a metal barrel, with a metal grating over the exhaust. The barrel prevents the spread of burning material in windy conditions, and as the combustibles are reduced they can only settle down into the barrel. The exhaust grating helps to prevent the spread of burning embers. Typically steel 55-US-gallon (210 L) drums are used as burn barrels, with air vent holes cut or drilled around the base for air intake.^[9] Over time, the very high heat of incineration causes the metal to oxidize and rust, and eventually the barrel itself is consumed by the heat and must be replaced.

The private burning of dry cellulosic/paper products is generally clean-burning, producing no visible smoke, but plastics in the household waste can cause private burning to create a public nuisance, generating acrid odors and fumes that make eyes burn and water. A two-layered design enables secondary combustion, reducing smoke.^[10] Most urban communities ban burn barrels and certain rural communities may have prohibitions on open burning, especially those home to many residents not familiar with this common rural practice.

As of 2006 in the United States, private rural household or farm waste incineration of small quantities was typically permitted so long as it is not a nuisance to others, does not pose a risk of fire such as in dry conditions, and the fire does not produce dense, noxious smoke. A handful of states, such as New York, Minnesota, and Wisconsin, have laws or regulations either banning or strictly regulating open burning due to health and nuisance effects.^[11] People intending to burn waste may be required to contact a state agency in advance to check current fire risk and conditions, and to alert officials of the controlled fire that will occur.^[12]

Moving grate

The typical incineration plant for municipal solid waste is a moving grate incinerator. The moving grate enables the movement of waste through the combustion chamber to be optimized to allow a more efficient and complete combustion. A single moving grate boiler can handle up to 35 metric tons (39 short tons) of waste per hour, and can operate 8,000 hours per year with only one scheduled stop for inspection and maintenance of about one month's duration. Moving grate incinerators are sometimes referred to as **municipal solid waste incinerators** (MSWIs).



Control room of a typical moving grate incinerator overseeing two boiler lines

The waste is introduced by a waste crane through the "throat" at one end of the grate, from where it moves down over the descending grate to the ash pit in the other end. Here the ash is removed through a water lock.

Part of the combustion air (primary combustion air) is supplied through the grate from below. This air flow also has the purpose of cooling the grate itself. Cooling is important for the mechanical strength of the grate, and many moving grates are also water-cooled internally.

Secondary combustion air is supplied into the boiler at high speed through nozzles over the grate. It facilitates complete combustion of the flue gases by introducing turbulence for better mixing and by ensuring a surplus of oxygen. In multiple/stepped hearth incinerators, the secondary combustion air is introduced in a separate chamber downstream the primary combustion chamber.

According to the European Waste Incineration Directive, incineration plants must be designed to ensure that the flue gases reach a temperature of at least 850 °C (1,560 °F) for 2 seconds in order to ensure proper breakdown of toxic organic substances. In order to comply with this at all times, it is required to install backup auxiliary burners (often fueled by oil), which are fired into the boiler in case the heating value of the waste becomes too low to reach this temperature alone.

The flue gases are then cooled in the superheaters, where the heat is transferred to steam, heating the steam to typically 400 °C (752 °F) at a pressure of 40 bars (580 psi) for the electricity generation in the turbine. At this point, the flue gas has a temperature of around 200 °C (392 °F), and is passed to the flue gas cleaning system.

In Scandinavia, scheduled maintenance is always performed during summer, where the demand for district heating is low. Often, incineration plants consist of several separate 'boiler lines' (boilers and flue gas treatment plants), so that waste can continue to be received at one boiler line while the others are undergoing maintenance, repair, or upgrading.

Fixed grate

The older and simpler kind of incinerator was a brick-lined cell with a fixed metal grate over a lower ash pit, with one opening in the top or side for loading and another opening in the side for removing incombustible solids called clinkers. Many small incinerators formerly found in apartment houses have now been replaced by waste compactors.^[13]

Rotary-kiln

The rotary-kiln incinerator^[14] is used by municipalities and by large industrial plants. This design of incinerator has two chambers: a primary chamber and secondary chamber. The primary chamber in a rotary kiln incinerator consists of an inclined refractory lined cylindrical tube. The inner refractory lining serves as sacrificial layer to protect the kiln structure. This refractory layer needs to be replaced from time to time.^[15] Movement of the cylinder on its axis facilitates movement of waste. In the primary chamber, there is conversion of solid fraction to gases, through volatilization, destructive distillation and partial combustion reactions. The secondary chamber is necessary to complete gas phase combustion reactions.



Municipal solid waste in the furnace of a moving grate incinerator capable of handling 15 metric tons (17 short tons) of waste per hour. The holes in the grate supplying the primary combustion air are visible.

The clinkers spill out at the end of the cylinder. A tall flue-gas stack, fan, or steam jet²⁰⁶⁷ supplies the needed draft. Ash drops through the grate, but many particles are carried along with the hot gases. The particles and any combustible gases may be combusted in an "afterburner".^[16]

Fluidized bed

A strong airflow is forced through a sandbed. The air seeps through the sand until a point is reached where the sand particles separate to let the air through and mixing and churning occurs, thus a fluidized bed is created and fuel and waste can now be introduced. The sand with the pre-treated waste and/or fuel is kept suspended on pumped air currents and takes on a fluid-like character. The bed is thereby violently mixed and agitated keeping small inert particles and air in a fluid-like state. This allows all of the mass of waste, fuel and sand to be fully circulated through the furnace.

Specialized incinerator

Furniture factory sawdust incinerators need much attention as these have to handle resin powder and many flammable substances. Controlled combustion, burn back prevention systems are essential as dust when suspended resembles the fire catch phenomenon of any liquid petroleum gas.

Use of heat

The heat produced by an incinerator can be used to generate steam which may then be used to drive a turbine in order to produce electricity. The typical amount of net energy that can be produced per tonne municipal waste is about 2/3 MWh of electricity and 2 MWh of district heating.^[2] Thus, incinerating about 600 metric tons (660 short tons) per day of waste will produce about 400 MWh of electrical energy per day (17 MW of electrical power continuously for 24 hours) and 1200 MWh of district heating energy each day.

Pollution

Incineration has a number of outputs such as the ash and the emission to the atmosphere of flue gas. Before the flue gas cleaning system, if installed, the flue gases may contain particulate matter, heavy metals, dioxins, furans, sulfur dioxide, and hydrochloric acid. If plants have inadequate flue gas cleaning, these outputs may add a significant pollution component to stack emissions.

In a study from 1997, Delaware Solid Waste Authority found that, for same amount of produced energy, incineration plants emitted fewer particles, hydrocarbons and less SO₂, HCl, CO and NO_x than coal-fired power plants, but more than natural gas-fired power plants.^[17] According to Germany's Ministry of the Environment, waste incinerators reduce the amount of some atmospheric pollutants by substituting power produced by coal-fired plants with power from waste-fired plants.^[18]

Gaseous emissions

Dioxin and furans

The most publicized concerns about the incineration of municipal solid wastes (MSW) involve the fear that it produces significant amounts of dioxin and furan emissions.^[19] Dioxins and furans are considered by many to be serious health hazards. The EPA announced in 2012 that the safe limit for human oral consumption is 0.7 picograms Toxic Equivalence (TEQ) per kilogram bodyweight per day,^[20] which works out to 17 billionths of a gram for a 150 lb person per year.

In 2005, the Ministry of the Environment of Germany, where there were 66 incinerators at that time, estimated that "...whereas in 1990 one third of all dioxin emissions in Germany came from incineration plants, for the year 2000 the figure was less than 1%. Chimneys and tiled stoves in private households alone discharge approximately 20 times more dioxin into the environment than incineration plants."^[18]

According to the United States Environmental Protection Agency,^[11] the combustion percentages of the total dioxin and furan inventory from all known and estimated sources in the U.S. (not only incineration) for each type of incineration are as follows: 35.1% backyard barrels; 26.6% medical waste; 6.3% municipal wastewater treatment sludge; 5.9% municipal waste combustion; 2.9% industrial wood combustion. Thus, the controlled combustion of waste accounted for 41.7% of the total dioxin inventory.

In 1987, before the governmental regulations required the use of emission controls, there was a total of 8,905.1 grams (314.12 oz) Toxic Equivalence (TEQ) of dioxin emissions from US municipal waste combustors. Today, the total emissions from the plants are 83.8 grams (2.96 oz) TEQ annually, a reduction of 99%.

Backyard barrel burning of household and garden wastes, still allowed in some rural areas, generates 580 grams (20 oz) of dioxins annually. Studies conducted by the US-EPA^[21] demonstrated that one family using a burn barrel produced more emissions than an incineration plant disposing of 200 metric tons (220 short tons) of waste per day by 1997 and five times that by 2007 due to increased chemicals in household trash and decreased emission by municipal incinerators using better technology.^[22]

The same researchers found that their original estimates for the burn barrel were high, and that the incineration plant used for comparison represented a theoretical 'clean' plant rather than any existing facility. Their later studies^[23] found that burn barrels produced a median of 24.95 nanograms TEQ per lb garbage burned, so that a family burning 5 lbs of trash per day, or 1825 lbs per year, produces a total of 0.0455 mg TEQ per year, and that the equivalent number of burn barrels for the 83.8 grams (2.96 oz) of the 251 municipal waste combustors inventoried by the EPA in the U.S. in 2000,^[11] is 1,841,700, or on average, 7337 family burn barrels per municipal waste incinerator.

Most of the improvement in U.S. dioxin emissions has been for large-scale municipal waste incinerators. As of 2000, although small-scale incinerators (those with a daily capacity of less than 250 tons) processed only 9% of the total waste combusted, these produced 83% of the dioxins and furans emitted by municipal waste combustion.^[11]

Dioxin cracking methods and limitations

The breakdown of dioxin requires exposure of the molecular ring to a sufficiently high temperature so as to trigger thermal breakdown of the strong molecular bonds holding it together. Small pieces of fly ash may be somewhat thick, and too brief an exposure to high temperature may only degrade dioxin on the surface of the ash. For a large volume air chamber, too brief an exposure may also result in

only some of the exhaust gases reaching the full breakdown temperature. For this reason there is also a time element to the temperature exposure to ensure heating completely through the thickness of the fly ash and the volume of waste gases.

There are trade-offs between increasing either the temperature or exposure time. Generally where the molecular breakdown temperature is higher, the exposure time for heating can be shorter, but excessively high temperatures can also cause wear and damage to other parts of the incineration equipment. Likewise the breakdown temperature can be lowered to some degree but then the exhaust gases would require a greater lingering period of perhaps several minutes, which would require large/long treatment chambers that take up a great deal of treatment plant space.

A side effect of breaking the strong molecular bonds of dioxin is the potential for breaking the bonds of nitrogen gas (N_2) and oxygen gas (O_2) in the supply air. As the exhaust flow cools, these highly reactive detached atoms spontaneously reform bonds into reactive oxides such as NO_x in the flue gas, which can result in smog formation and acid rain if they were released directly into the local environment. These reactive oxides must be further neutralized with selective catalytic reduction (SCR) or selective non-catalytic reduction (see below).

Dioxin cracking in practice

The temperatures needed to break down dioxin are typically not reached when burning plastics outdoors in a burn barrel or garbage pit, causing high dioxin emissions as mentioned above. While plastic does usually burn in an open-air fire, the dioxins remain after combustion and either float off into the atmosphere, or may remain in the ash where it can be leached down into groundwater when rain falls on the ash pile. Fortunately, dioxin and furan compounds bond very strongly to solid surfaces and are not dissolved by water, so leaching processes are limited to the first few millimeters below the ash pile. The gas-phase dioxins can be substantially destroyed using catalysts, some of which can be present as part of the fabric filter bag structure.

Modern municipal incinerator designs include a high-temperature zone, where the flue gas is sustained at a temperature above $850\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ ($1,560\text{ }^\circ\text{F}$) for at least 2 seconds before it is cooled down. They are equipped with auxiliary heaters to ensure this at all times. These are often fueled by oil or natural gas, and are normally only active for a very small fraction of the time. Further, most modern incinerators utilize fabric filters (often with Teflon membranes to enhance collection of sub-micron particles) which can capture dioxins present in or on solid particles.

For very small municipal incinerators, the required temperature for thermal breakdown of dioxin may be reached using a high-temperature electrical heating element, plus a selective catalytic reduction stage.

Although dioxins and furans may be destroyed by combustion, their reformation by a process known as 'de novo synthesis' as the emission gases cool is a probable source of the dioxins measured in emission stack tests from plants that have high combustion temperatures held at long residence times.^[11]

CO₂

As for other complete combustion processes, nearly all of the carbon content in the waste is emitted as ²⁰⁷⁰CO₂ to the atmosphere. MSW contains approximately the same mass fraction of carbon as CO₂ itself (27%), so incineration of 1 ton of MSW produces approximately 1 ton of CO₂.

If the waste was landfilled, 1 ton of MSW would produce approximately 62 cubic metres (2,200 cu ft) methane via the anaerobic decomposition of the biodegradable part of the waste. Since the global warming potential of methane is 34 and the weight of 62 cubic meters of methane at 25 degrees Celsius is 40.7 kg, this is equivalent to 1.38 ton of CO₂, which is more than the 1 ton of CO₂ which would have been produced by incineration. In some countries, large amounts of landfill gas are collected. Still the global warming potential of the landfill gas emitted to atmosphere is significant. In the US it was estimated that the global warming potential of the emitted landfill gas in 1999 was approximately 32% higher than the amount of CO₂ that would have been emitted by incineration.^[24] Since this study, the global warming potential estimate for methane has been increased from 21 to 35, which alone would increase this estimate to almost the triple GWP effect compared to incineration of the same waste.

In addition, nearly all biodegradable waste has biological origin. This material has been formed by plants using atmospheric CO₂ typically within the last growing season. If these plants are regrown the CO₂ emitted from their combustion will be taken out from the atmosphere once more.

Such considerations are the main reason why several countries administrate incineration of biodegradable waste as renewable energy.^[25] The rest – mainly plastics and other oil and gas derived products – is generally treated as non-renewables.

Different results for the CO₂ footprint of incineration can be reached with different assumptions. Local conditions (such as limited local district heating demand, no fossil fuel generated electricity to replace or high levels of aluminium in the waste stream) can decrease the CO₂ benefits of incineration. The methodology and other assumptions may also influence the results significantly. For example, the methane emissions from landfills occurring at a later date may be neglected or given less weight, or biodegradable waste may not be considered CO₂ neutral. A study by Eunomia Research and Consulting in 2008 on potential waste treatment technologies in London demonstrated that by applying several of these (according to the authors) unusual assumptions the average existing incineration plants performed poorly for CO₂ balance compared to the theoretical potential of other emerging waste treatment technologies.^[26]

Other emissions

Other gaseous emissions in the flue gas from incinerator furnaces include nitrogen oxides, sulfur dioxide, hydrochloric acid, heavy metals, and fine particles. Of the heavy metals, mercury is a major concern due to its toxicity and high volatility, as essentially all mercury in the municipal waste stream may exit in emissions if not removed by emission controls.^[27]

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Geoffrey George



Dear Monique Davidson

Regarding the proposed rating changes

It dose sound fairer but a Simmlar change was discussed about 30 years ago The Council decided aganst it then reason that the people that looked after their property's where penalised and the one's that neglected their property's where rewarded.

The rates are Centanly getting out of hand more like a rent on your own property.

The Council needs to cut it Costs

As a example a water leak out Side our gate I told the Council about it. At one time a guy would haul turned up with a shovel dug it up and fixed it.

Now it took four guys a excavator a water Suck King truck another truck and trafic control guys madnness what did that cost?

Also Council spends way to much on Contractors Consultants and apointing People to Council and other bureaucrated bullshit to put it bluntly.

Another thing is forkl and gardens etc its hard to find a parking Space for a garden. Mayor Duffy was lazing them out the maintaince was just to high.

In my opinion and other people ive talked to think the biggest ripoff is horizon rates. why should town people be paying a Palmerston North Council for Buses train libraries etc and on my rates a drain that does not exist its extortion really.

I think Horowhenua District Council should be looking after its ^{own} rate payers not letting them be a milking cow for Palmerston North.

Hope you can make this out my eye sight not to good.

Yours Sincerely *Geoffrey*


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Annual Plan 2023/24

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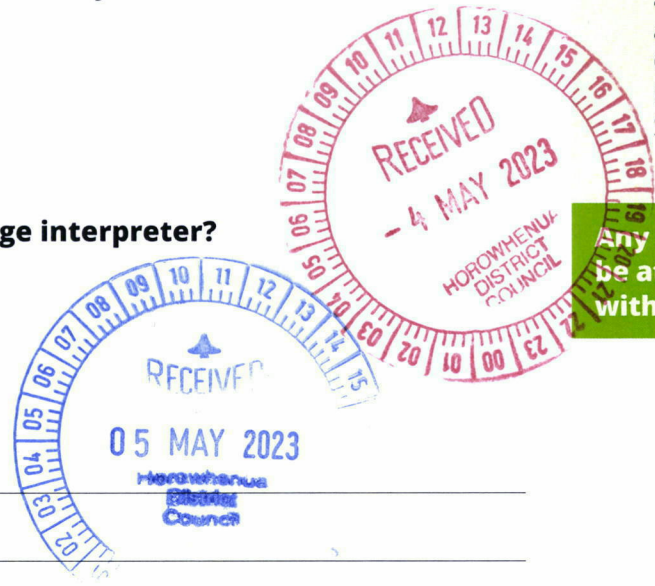
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Levin **Post Code:** 5510

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Other (please specify) *rubbish collection*
Reduce the number of companies driving the same route to pick up rubbish

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Fw: Rates Increase

Kevin Doncliff to LTPA

01/05/2023 03:18 pm



Hi this is Kevin Doncliff from [redacted]. I'm in receipt of your letter dated 24/3/2023, I phoned and spoke to Jacinda [redacted] I outlined my concerns re a supposed 35% rates increase on our property re without any added benefits.

IE---below.

We already pay for our own rubbish removal, which is usually included in the Council Rates for Levin but not Rural.

We maintain/service our effluent thru our own sewer system which includes pumping systems at our own expense.

We also are on rainwater supply/tanks which we also maintain including pumping systems at our own expense.

The road to Waikawa Beach from State Highway 1 is narrow dangerous/substandard there is also no turning into right lane heading south, again dangerous.

The Market House Values have dropped after the QVS where done, and even if they'd stayed high I fail to see the justification. This smacks to me of a Capital Gains Tax.

We have lived here for 19+ yrs and want to retire here which I'm doing in Dec 2023 and then will be on a pension, a 35% increase unjustifiable for no extra benefits especially when the services we maintain on our own property increase/cost of living.

(In Summary) I fail to see the justification in a 35% Rates Increase where there are no extra benefits for us.

I look forward to your response

Sincerely

Kevin Doncliff

Submission on the Long Term Plan Amendment: Rates Review

Keith Griffin

I wish to make the following submission on the proposed Rates Review.

Reading through the consultation document I don't use the landfill, I don't use key water infrastructure as I am on stream water and pump water.

I have to pay for my own refuse. I don't use the library – it's too noisy. The last time I went was to do my AA licence last year. I don't use the pool because of my allergies. The only place I go to in Levin is Donnelly Park when I watch my football team play. Basically my rural life is quite exclusive.

And for this, I'm looking at a 25% increase in my rates. My property can't be subdivided. The only way to make any value from my land is to knock my house down and put in a block of flats. I have sloping land, with ponds to bush.

My rates are proposed to increase from \$2069.42 to \$2704.09 – a change of \$12.21/week. I'm paying that extra for something the council does nothing for. I'm asking myself what for? The information provided in your letter is hard to understand and a smothering of the increase. How do I pay that? It's obscene. And the dog fees are increasing too, so I am paying more for my best friend too.

With this and the Regional Council's rates, is becoming almost unliveable. I receive the Rates Rebate but think that will be eaten up with this increase. Half my next pension is being taken out for Council rates. Living the rural life I enjoy is becoming a real struggle. This has been my life and joy for 22 years and it is becoming exorbitantly expensive to live here.

Everything around us is going up. Banks are having record profits, oil companies and supermarkets are too. Everyone is making a profit except those who are living in the community - they're really struggling. For example dog food has increased 100% since Covid. It was \$19 before Covid, now it's \$39.50.

I also don't see any benefit from the invisible Council, Horizons, just the regular payments going out of my account.

All we're doing is paying loads of money out and I don't see huge benefit.

I expect this will be echoing the comments made by many in the rural community. It is a financial invasion of their lifestyle.

Keith Griffin