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Submission No. 251

Tanya Nikolajenko

From: Long Term Plan 2021-41 Project Team
Sent: Friday, 16 April 2021 1:37 pm
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Categories: Tanya Working On

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Subject: Waitarere Beach Road Cycleway

Good afternoon

Please find attached our submission for the Long Term Plan 2021- 2041.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if there are any problems with the format of our submission.

Yours faithfully

Annelies Hine
Vice President
Waitarere Beach Progressive and Ratepayers Association
027 597 0050



Long Term Plan 2021 - 2041

Submission Form

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- Copies** of the Consultation Document for the Long Term Plan 2021-2041 (and Supporting Information) are available online or at Council's Office, Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō, Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom and Shannon Library.

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

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Did you provide feedback as part of pre-engagement on the Long Term Plan?

Yes No

Hearing of Submissions

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Yes No

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Yes No

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Yes No

If yes, please specify below:

Community Outcomes Appendix

Cycle Waitarere Submission to Horowhenua District Council proposed Long Term Plan 2021 – 2041

Introduction

Cycle Waitarere is a sub-committee and advocacy group for the Waitarere Beach Progressive and Ratepayers Association (WBPRA).

WBPRA, its members and local residents has helped create a cycling culture within the Waitarere area through constructing and maintaining off road tracks, seeking access agreements with the local forestry company and private landowners, continuous dialogue with regulatory authorities, promoting cycling and cycle safety and playing an active role in Waitarere’s growing cycling community.

Cycling is an important part of the Horowhenua economy. Cycle Waitarere alone has an asset base worth conservatively estimated at \$1.35million dollars, making Cycle Waitarere a significant investor in the local community.

However, Cycle Waitarere is very concerned about the safety of cyclists in the Horowhenua District especially those members of our community who currently or could cycle alongside the Waitarere Beach Road. The speed reduction on Waitarere Beach Road to 80kms has in the view of cyclists, made the road more unsafe where vehicles choose to ignore the speed reduction resulting in more overtaking. Cycle Waitarere would like to see a dedicated cycleway.

Cycle Waitarere will also advocate on behalf of all cyclists for safety improvements to Waka Kotahi-NZTA in that a shared pathway alongside SH1 from the proposed O2NL interchange at Heatherlea East Road to the Manawatu River be provided.

SUBMISSION	
1	Cycle Waitarere is seeking a cycleway/walking pathway alongside the Waitarere Beach Road from Waitarere Beach to State Highway 1 intersection
2	Cycle Waitarere submit this activity is in alignment with: <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Horowhenua District Council proposed Long Term Plan 2021 – 2041 – Growing our future togetherb. Waitarere Beach Community Plan – April 2020c. Horowhenua District Council Horowhenua Shared Pathways Strategy – March 2016d. Horowhenua District Council Annual Plan 2020-2021

Horowhenua District Council Long Term Plan 2021-2041 – Growing our future together

Cycle Waitarere agree with the Mayor's Message and in particular 'You've also said you need a modern, versatile transport network that makes it easy to get around whether you prefer driving, cycling, walking or a mobility devise. Cycle Waitarere also acknowledge the Council's vision – With many hands the threads which weave our neighbourhood and communities together will be strengthened from the Tararua ranges to the sea. Growing neighbourhoods and building stronger communities together'.

However, Cycle Waitarere feel the vision has been expedited by the Council's consultant document for its proposed 2020 – 2041 Long Term Plan. The Auditor Report notes some disturbing reports and Council assumptions on key public infrastructure including the proposed Tara-ika development, three waters reform and uncertainty over the delivery of the capital programme. Cycle Waitarere feel greater focus needs to be on 'core' development activities like shared pathways first with an eye on future 'aspirational' activities.

This is aligned with the Mayor's comment - about focusing on the essentials in this Long Term Plan 2021 – 2041 and in that context the Horowhenua Shared Pathways Strategy and specifically the Waitarere Beach Road Cycleway project.

Waitarere Beach Community Plan – April 2020

The Waitarere Beach Community Plan was developed over 12 months and in partnership with iwi, students of Poroutawhao School, community drop-in sessions, two rounds of surveys and many community meetings. The Community Plan outlined the vision and values of the Waitarere Beach community and identified six priority areas and associated actions.

A top priority identified is a pathway which runs alongside the road from State Highway 1 to the settlement and to ensure the Shared Pathways Network Concept Plan includes pathways for the Waitarere Beach area.

Horowhenua Shared Pathways Strategy

In March 2016, the Horowhenua District Council produced a Horowhenua Shared Pathways Strategy to provide the strategic framework for a shared pathways trail network linking the District's major communities.

The trail would negotiate areas of high amenity value, including coastal reserves, rivers, mountains and lakes.

The purpose of this strategy is to:

- Establish the strategic direction for a cycle trail network
- Provide for the development of an integrated Horowhenua Shared Pathways network

- Support future funding proposals for network development and expansion
- Seek support and endorsement from New Zealand Cycle Trail for inclusion as a potential expansion to the 'Great Rides' network

This Strategy will:

- Inform each Council's policy and strategy documents – including the Long Term Plan and District Plan
- Be used as a Master Plan to develop long-term partnerships with government organisations and funding agencies such as Trusts, community organisations and other interested parties.

Among other things, the Strategy sought to establish a governance group to consist of stakeholder representatives including HDC elected members, HDC staff, local community members and organisations along with recreational enthusiasts.

The purpose of this group is to form, explore and make recommendations for strategic collaborative initiatives and funding opportunities. Cycle Waitarere is happy to work with the Council on reinvigorating the Strategy.

SUBMISSION	
3	Cycle Waitarere seek clarification on the status of the Horowhenua Shared Pathways Strategy
4	Cycle Waitarere wish to be considered as a key stakeholder in any governance arrangement for the Horowhenua Shared Pathways Strategy

Horowhenua District Council Annual Plan 2020-2021 – Land Transport Section

The Land Transport Activity aims to provide and maintain roads, footpaths and shared pathways across the District that meet the community's needs.

The Capital Expenditure Programme for Land Transport for 2020-2021 Shared Pathways – Cycle facilities showed an Annual Plan forecast of \$730,000 (this total included a 2019-2020 underspend of \$300k+). It appears the 2020/21 Variance shows a \$306,000 underspend.

SUBMISSION	
5	Cycle Waitarere seek funding towards a Waitarere Beach Road Cycleway in the 2021-22 Capital Expenditure Programme for Land Transport

Conclusion

Cycle Waitarere is a sub-committee and advocacy group for the Waitarere Beach Progressive and Ratepayers Association.

Cycle Waitarere has helped create a cycling culture in the Waitarere area but has been concerned for many years about the safety of cyclists in the Horowhenua District especially those members of our community who currently or could cycle alongside the Waitarere Beach Road.

Cycle Waitarere want cycling to be a real and safe 'transport' option for rural Horowhenua residents first and foremost. Horowhenua has an opportunity to join other regions that have strong and rapidly growing demand for single and multi-day cycling. Opportunities to grow regional economic activity is strong with expected population growth and increased local resident investment as well as increased visitor spend. Cycling also provides many other benefits including improved health outcomes, improved spirit and wellbeing and basic liveability.

Cycle Waitarere wish to work with the Council and therefore make the following submission:

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6	We ask that the Council submits to Waka Kotahi-NZTA that a shared pathway be provided on SH1 between Heatherlea East Rd and the Manawatu River

Signed

Steve Hirini

Annelies Hine

Jeremy Manks

Cycle Waitarere Sub-Committee

On behalf of Waitarere Beach Progressive and Ratepayers Association

Submission No. 252

Tanya Nikolajenko

From: Long Term Plan 2021-41 Project Team
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Subject: Foxton Beach Progressive Association LTP Submission

Kia ora

Please find attached the Foxton Beach Progressive Association submission to the LTP.

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FBPAI took part in pre-engagement on the LTP.

We wish to present our submission at a Council Hearing.

We do not require an interpreter or translator.

**SUBMISSION TO HOROWHENUA DISTRICT COUNCIL
2021-2041 LONG TERM PLAN**

16 APRIL 2021

Please refer to the Foxton Beach Community Plan alongside this submission.

Our Vision for Foxton Beach/Te Wharangi:

- To enhance and protect our unique natural environmental features.
- To retain and enhance our laid-back and beachy way of living.
- To ensure positive community outcomes are planned and provided for, through managed growth and change.

The high level outcomes we are looking for from this submission come from our Community's Plan:

- **Environment:** That our natural environment is protected, enhanced and understood.
- **Neighbourhoods and Community Wellbeing:** Safe, balanced, affordable, diverse, liveable and environmentally sustainable neighbourhoods that retain Foxton Beach's laid-back style of living and encourage socially active and resilient residents.
- **Recreation and Open Space:** Sufficient and usable reserve and open space amenities which encourage active and fulfilled residents and visitors.
- **Economic Resilience:** Vibrant events, viable businesses and needed services – which strengthen social, cultural, and financial resilience.

Iwi and Hapu considerations are important for the planning and outcomes of Foxton Beach.

ENVIRONMENT

We request that:

That Council conducts an urgent review of the rules and by-laws pertaining to the coastal environments of Foxton Beach, the Manawatu Estuary, and the surrounding dunes.

We refer you to following framework from the New Zealand Coastal Policy Statement 2010 (NZCPS): Specifically, Policy 20 of the NZCPS addresses vehicle access to beaches and the foreshore. At a broad level, it requires controlled use of vehicles in these areas where there are certain risks, for example, harm to ecological systems, danger to other beach users, disturbance of peaceful enjoyment, damage to habitats, and sites of significance to tangata whenua.

As a result of that urgent review, we request that:

1. An updated Foxton Beach Coastal Reserves Management Plan is produced that includes:
 - 1.1 **All vehicles are banned from all dunes** to prohibit the continued degradation of the natural environment and the danger they cause to other recreational users. Further discussion also needs to be had around the managed use of the McKenzie Trail, which may be the exemption.
 - 1.2 **All signage is reviewed and updated.** Remove 'The Beach is a Road' wording – this encourages use of the beach as a normal road not a recreational space where caution and care need to be taken.
 - 1.3 **All 'wheelies' and inappropriate driving is banned from all of these areas.**
 - 1.4 Encourage Manawatu District Council to **place speed signs** at the Himatangi entrance to the beach.
 - 1.5 A strategy is developed to ensure there are **consequences for breaking the rules.**
 - 1.6 **All vehicles are banned from the beach in front of the beach car park during daylight saving hours or other high-use times.**
 - 1.7 **Specific areas are fenced and/or signposted to protect the fauna and flora** living there e.g., nesting dotterels and 'The Dune Garden'.
 - 1.8 That **Council officers liaise with the community during this review.**
 - 1.9 The statutory bodies **continue to build co-operation with each other**, alongside the community, to best care and protect our coastal and estuarine environments.
 - 1.10 The **community is fully and continually informed of all water-quality testing results** at Foxton Beach, the Manawatu River, and the Manawatu River Loop at Foxton.

We also request that:

- The wetland in Holben Reserve is constructed as soon as possible to improve water quality run-off. This should happen as the first priority of the Holben upgrade.
- Council actively supports the need to re-establish a healthy flow back into the Manawatu River Loop at Foxton, thus improving down-stream water quality and habitat.
- All waters and pollutants entering the Ramsar site and Manawatu River must be of a high enough standard so as not to degrade the quality of the water and/or the natural environment.
- Horowhenua District Council, in conjunction with other statutory bodies, co-fund an Environmental Ranger position to implement the revised Foxton Beach Coastal Management Plan. This ranger would work out of Holben Pavilion.
- Horowhenua District Council, alongside Horizons Regional Council, make provision for the growing effects from seismic and climate risks to keep the Foxton Beach community and environment as safe as possible.

NEIGHBOURHOODS AND COMMUNITY WELLBEING

We request that:

- Infrastructure planning needs to keep ahead of growth issues significant to Foxton Beach, particularly around water and waste disposal.
- Horowhenua District Council implements the wishes of the Foxton Beach Community in the 'Master Plan' and other developments to:
 - a) Retain our 'beachy and relaxed lifestyle'.
 - b) Ensure new-builds and renovations are as sustainable and environmentally friendly as possible.
- FBPAI are included in all Community Board workshops conducted by Horowhenua District Council that pertain to Foxton Beach, so that FBPAI are fully informed on all activities etc.
- Horowhenua District Council assists FBPAI as required, to develop regular iconic events.
- Horowhenua District Council continues to support FBPAI and the community with funding through grant applications.

RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE

We request that:

- Horowhenua District Council undertakes Option 1 in the upgrading of the Foxton Pool. With growth of the district our biggest challenge, we believe we should provide the best facilities now to 'future proof' demand.
- The Holben Reserve upgrade is 'staged' with the installation of the wetland first priority. The Plan should include 'holistic' traffic calming and management.
- External funding sources are sought to complete the Holben project. We suggest a brainstorming session is held with stakeholders to determine options.
- Horowhenua District Council constructs a wall at the back of the front dunes in the Beach carpark so sand-blow management can be carried out more effectively and efficiently.
- Horowhenua District Council investigates the construction of picnic tables and seating inside this wall (along the edge of the carpark) that would allow people to view the beach while eating their kai.
- Horowhenua District Council develops and implements a **Freedom Camping Policy** that clearly outlines what is acceptable behaviour e.g., not parking alongside Whitebait Creek for 3 months during the whitebait season in non-self-contained vehicles etc; also that leaving used toilet paper in the natural environment is not permitted.
- Horowhenua District Council are aware of the need for a plan that designates areas and noise levels for specific recreational use, particularly in the river. Multiple users including jet skis, paddle boards, kayaks, motorised boats (including fishing and recreational boats), yachts, and shore-bound fishermen at times, all compete for the same space. Accidents waiting to happen!
- Horowhenua District Council considers purchasing the piece of land directly upstream of the Manawatu Marine Boating Club (currently on the market) to ensure land is available for recreational use by the growing population. Consideration of swapping/selling the reserve across the road from MMBC, should also be given to longer-term development opportunities and future-proofing.
- That the shared pathway from Palmer Road through to the beach area be completed. This would complete a desirable 'loop' that could be strongly marketed, bringing investment and activity to the beach.
- Horowhenua District Council actively supports the opportunities around the development of 'shared pathways' along the stop banks from the Foxton Beach Boat Club through the Foxton township, up the spillway to Shannon and beyond.

ECONOMIC RESILIENCE

We request that:

- Horowhenua District Council undertakes Option 1 and used Development Contributions to fund growth infrastructure. This option means that developers are paying for infrastructure growth, not the ratepayer.
- The review of the Foxtton Beach Freeholding fund is completed asap.
- FBPAI is able to align FBFF expenditure to projects contained in the Foxtton Beach Community Plan and prioritise same.
- Horowhenua District Council develops an 'Application Form' for the FBFF that clearly outlines the criteria and process so community groups are able to more easily apply for financial project assistance. The application may require the need for a business plan and an easy-to-follow document generated from Horowhenua District Council would assist this also.
- Foxtton Beach Progressive would be happy to assist community groups with any applications prior to them requesting endorsement from the Foxtton Community Board.
- Horowhenua District Council implements a 'best practice' investment strategy asap, to ensure FBFF income grows and available on an ongoing basis.

Thank you

Nga mihi

Janine Smart - Chair
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Tanya Nikolajenko

From: Brent Harvey
Sent: Friday, 16 April 2021 2:49 pm
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Subject: FW: Foxton Pool.

Categories: Tanya Working On

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From: Adrienne VanOpdorp <jaajvan@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, 16 April 2021 2:44 PM
To: Brent Harvey <BrentH@horowhenua.govt.nz>
Subject: Foxton Pool.

Hello Brent.

I tried to drop the submission into the library today but astonishingly there were no parking spaces anywhere. I could not believe it.

So here is my and my husband's submission.

Name: Adrienne VanOpdorp

Address: 5 Nelson Street, Foxton Beach

Topic One – Foxton Pool

Preferred Option: Number 1

Comments: No comments.

Name: Jon VanOpdorp

Address: 5 Nelson Street, Foxton Beach

Topic One – Foxton Pool

Preferred Option: Number 1

Comments: No comments

I hope this is what you are wanting and that you received this.

Kind regards,

Adrienne.

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Submission date: **16 April 2021, 3:50PM**
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Contact Details

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

Title: **Mr**

Full Name: **Byron Williamson**

Name of Organisation:

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Postcode:

Telephone:

Mobile:

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Did you provide feedback as part of pre-engagement on the Long Term Plan? **No**

Hearing of Submissions

Do you wish to present your submission to Council at a Hearing? **No**

If yes, please specify below:

Do you require a sign language interpreter? **No**

Do you require a translator?

No

If yes, please specify translation details below:

Topic One - Foxton Pool

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 5: Permanently Close Facility

Comments:

At this stage we need to focus on keeping rates down. Cheap rates is a draw card for this region and current residents are struggling. In the future we can reassess a new pool and other recreation facilities. After we have more rate payers.

Topic Two - Infrastructure Funding: Development Contributions

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Using development contributions as the key source of funding for growth infrastructure, in combination with other sources.

Comments:

I can't understand why there are no development contributions. I'm sure the council has a reason but we need developers to pay. Why should us rate payers?

Draft Development Contributions Policy

Do you wish to speak to the Development Contributions Policy at a hearing? **No**

What activities do you think development contributions should be collected for as a source of funding growth infrastructure?

**Roading
Water supply
Wastewater treatment
Stormwater**

Comments:

Which approach do you think should be used?

District-wide contributions for roading and community infrastructure. Scheme-by-scheme contributions for the three waters. Growth areas pay for major expenses related to them.

Comments on Catchments:

Do you agree with this approach?

Yes

Comments on Time of payment:

I think this is reasonable. We want to encourage developers. Also its fairer on them. If historically this has worked in other parts of New Zealand I don't see why we shouldn't do it here. As long as they pay.

Do you agree with the proposed scope for reducing development contributions?

No

Comments on Reductions:

Topic 3 - Changes to the Land Transport Targeted Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 2: Status Quo - Differential where businesses pay 35% of the Land Transport Targeted Rate and District Wide properties pay 65%.

Comments:

Topic Four - Changes to the General Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Creating a Farming differential - Differential that only applies to Farming properties with a differential factor of 0.5 (Farming) to 1 (District Wide)

Comments:

Honestly I have no opinion on this based on my lack of understanding of the subject.

Draft Revenue and Financing Policy

Do you have any other comments about the draft Revenue and Financing Policy? **No**

If yes, please provide comments:

Draft Rates Remission Policy

Do you have any comments or suggested changes on the Rates Remission Policy? **We need to get rid of it. No rates remission for anyone. Everyone should pay no matter who they are.**

Financial Strategy

Have we got the balance right between rates increases and debt levels? **No**

Comments:

I don't think this is the time to be building new facilities. Its also not the time for any unnecessary infrastructure. How about we put a hold on everything unnecessary until our population increases significantly?

Community Outcomes

Do you think the proposed Community Outcomes reflect the aspirations of the Horowhenua community? **Yes**

Are we missing something, or focusing on something we shouldn't be?

Additional Comments

Please identify any additional comments you have on what is proposed as part of Council's Draft Long Term Plan 2021-2041.

Attach any other comments:

Tanya Nikolajenko

From: Brent Harvey
Sent: Friday, 16 April 2021 3:59 pm
To: Records Processing
Subject: FW: Foxton Pool - Growing Our Future Together

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To: Brent Harvey <BrentH@horowhenua.govt.nz>
Subject: Re: Foxton Pool - Growing Our Future Together

Good afternoon Brent,
Please see below my submission in regards to LTP for the Foxton swimming pool
Regards
Susanne Taylor

Name: Susanne Taylor

Address: 31 Andrews Street, Foxton Beach

Topic One – Foxton Pool

Preferred Option: 1

Comments: With the growing population in Foxton and Foxton Beach, which is made up of not only retired people but also of families, I think it is more important than ever that a good quality facility be built which can be used all year round. It is no longer acceptable to have an adhoc building that was thrown together on the cheap. Why throw good money away trying to fix something that is not really fit for purpose. This area needs and deserves a modern swimming pool complex.

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On Wed, 24 Mar 2021, 11:26 am Brent Harvey, <BrentH@horowhenua.govt.nz> wrote:

Good Morning,

In November last year, you provided feedback on various concepts as part of a Feasibility Study on Foxton Pool. The feedback received demonstrated the importance that the community places on aquatic provision in Foxton with 676 responses to the proposed concepts.

Last Wednesday, Councillors adopted the draft Long Term Plan Consultation Document. The purpose of the Long Term Plan 2021-2041 Consultation Document is to get your feedback to help Council set out what we are going to do over the next 20 years.

One of the key topics in the 2021-41 Long Term Plan is the future of Foxton Pool. Your feedback provided in November last year has directly help shape the options for consideration. The Consultation Document asks the community to consider five options. All of the options have been quantity surveyed and operational modelling completed to help inform future decision making. The options are:

- Option 1: Indoor and Outdoor Leisure Pool
- Option 2: Basic All-year pool
- Option 3: Seasonal Outdoor Leisure Pool
- Option 4: Seasonal Outdoor Basic Pool
- Option 5: Permanently Close Facility

The purpose of the email today is to let you know that the submission period is now open and to encourage you to have your say – the submissions received through this period will assist Council when it comes to making a decision on the future of the facility. It's important that the community is heard when considering the pools future and I encourage as many people as possible to take the time to complete a submission.

The full LTP Consultation Document, including supporting information and how to make a submission can be found here: [Long Term Plan 2021 - 2041, Growing Our Future Together](#).
Submissions close at 4pm on Monday 19 April 2021.

Please join us on Friday 26 March or Friday 09 April for a free swim and sausage at Foxton Pool from 3.30pm – 6.30pm. We'll have staff on hand to answer any questions you may have in relation to Foxton Pool. Alternatively, if you have any questions feel free to contact me by replying to this email.

Kind regards

Brent

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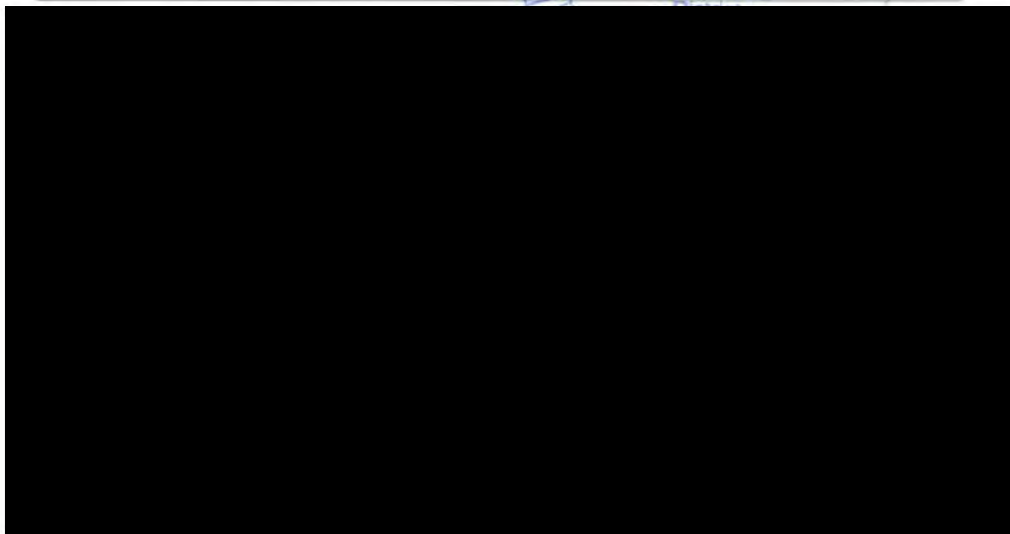
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FOXTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY (FHS)

Chairs: Te Kenehi Teira/Jenny Lundie
Secretary: Heeni Collins

Submission: HDC Long-Term Plan 2021-2041

16 April 2021

SUMMARY

FHS supports HDC's Community outcomes. The Society also considers there should be suitable focus on promoting heritage values that contribute to community identity, promote interaction. Therefore we recommend explicit focus in planning documents and discussions about the preservation and communication of Foxton social history and community identity.

COMMENT

The Foxton Historical Society holds significant historical resources that document the settlement of Te Awahou - Foxton. These are mostly unique items and should be made accessible in a location with appropriate multiple resources – eg: Audio Visual technology, physical items, interpretive information, interactive space.

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Key results will include a safe home for an irreplaceable collection, the restoration of an important heritage building and a further boost to Foxton's emerging role as a Tourism destination, along with wider associated activities and investments.

SUBMISSION

FHS seeks Horowhenua District Council support (through its Long Term Plan 2021–2041) to assist the Society to secure, seismically upgrade and use the Historic and iconic Foxton Courthouse building to deliver a town history information amenity that engages with 21st century audiences.

Effective partnering between HDC and the FHS will contribute to Outcomes as below:

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HDC OUTCOME: *Strong Communities*

The unique social history resources held by FHS are very suited to interactive and intergenerational experiences...showing how the past and the future are linked. The diversity of settlement experiences in Foxton can be showcased and community identity and pride would be promoted. Enabling Horowhenua residents to better "know who we are".

HDC OUTCOME: *Fit for Purpose Infrastructure*

The Courthouse has Heritage listing (as Wahi Tupuna) and is of a rare surviving architectural style. It is one of the most visible landmark features in Town and is much photographed by visitors. The strengthening, reconfiguration and sympathetic re-purposing of the building would demonstrate the community's commitment (as represented by HDC) to preserving the best of the past for current and future Horowhenua residents.

OUTCOME (LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT): *Cultural Well-Being*

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HDC OUTCOME: PARTNERSHIP TANGATA WHENUA

The stories FHS can tell of Foxton -Te Awahou canvass 800 years or more, of human activity in the Horowhenua. Foxton has one of the nation's most significant Moa Hunter and midden sites dating from around 1300 AD; (Wylie's Road) plus many Wahi Tapu locations, Urupa and Kainga including many that continued in post contact times.

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Topic One - Foxton Pool

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 2: Basic All-year pool

Comments:

**Keeping costs reasonable to ratepayers but still providing a suitable facility for citizens.
Allowances should be made for future development.**

Topic Two - Infrastructure Funding: Development Contributions

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Fully support development contributions to provide funding for the infrastructure required for anticipated growth within the district.

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Which approach do you think should be used?	<p>Harmonisation: all required contributions are the same across the district.</p>
Comments on Catchments:	<p>Council has adopted a satisfactory policy of harmonisation to other services.</p>
Do you agree with this approach?	<p>No</p>
Comments on Time of payment:	<p>We believe that appropriate time for the generation of invoices to developers is at the time of application for the issue of title.</p> <p>Where no new title is to be issued, invoices would become payable at the time of application for building consents.</p>
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Topic 3 - Changes to the Land Transport Targeted Rate

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If yes, please provide comments:

Draft Rates Remission Policy

Do you have any comments or suggested changes on the Rates Remission Policy?

Financial Strategy

Have we got the balance right between rates increases and debt levels? **No**

Comments:

We wish to see the policy around debt lowered considerably.

Rational: -

- 1. Due to the uncertainty of the Tara Ika meeting projected targets (outlined in LTP)**
- 2. Buffer to allow for unseen circumstances that may arise as a result of this project**
- 3. Look at reducing costing of unnecessary expenditure**

Overall budgeting within the LTP does not appear to be well detailed. There are many items that are perhaps "wish list" as opposed to necessary requirements.

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- **Vibrant Economy – YES as it's progressive and represents the aim our Association.**
- **Outstanding Environment – YES as we're coastal with natural features to protect.**
- **Fit for purpose Infrastructure – YES as we're anticipating much housing development in our area including climate change issues.**
- **Partnership with Tangata Whenua – YES as such partnerships encourage community respect, tolerance and unity over important issues and their outcomes.**
- **Strong Communities – YES as it's common sense and essential to all who live here. Provides sense of security, inclusiveness and participation, being all joined, healthy wellbeing and promotion of culture.**

Additional Comments

Please identify any additional comments you have on what is proposed as part of Council's Draft Long Term Plan 2021-2041.

Our organisation fully supports the Levin-Waitarere Surf Life Saving Club's (LWSLC) submission to bring forward the budgeted funds for the replacement of their existing club rooms.

This involves making funds available within this financial year for the concept development and the construction funds being available within the following financial year.

This requires bringing forward these budgeted funds one year.

The LWSLC is an important part of our beach community and the existing facilities are well beyond being fit for purpose.

We believe that the sooner new facilities are made available the more our beach and surrounding communities will benefit.

Attach any other comments:

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Did you provide feedback as part of pre-engagement on the Long Term Plan? **No**

Hearing of Submissions

Do you wish to present your submission to Council at a Hearing? **No**

If yes, please specify below:

Do you require a sign language interpreter? **No**

Do you require a translator?

No

If yes, please specify translation details below:

Topic One - Foxton Pool

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 2: Basic All-year pool

Comments:

Topic Two - Infrastructure Funding: Development Contributions

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Using development contributions as the key source of funding for growth infrastructure, in combination with other sources.

Comments:

Draft Development Contributions Policy

Do you wish to speak to the Development Contributions Policy at a hearing? **No**

What activities do you think development contributions should be collected for as a source of funding growth infrastructure?

Roading

Water supply

Wastewater treatment

Stormwater

Community infrastructure such as parks, sportsfields, activity centres, playgrounds and more.

Comments:

Which approach do you think should be used?

Comments on Catchments:

Do you agree with this approach?

No

Comments on Time of payment:

Do you agree with the proposed scope for reducing development contributions?

Comments on Reductions:

Topic 3 - Changes to the Land Transport Targeted Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Comments:

Topic Four - Changes to the General Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Comments:

Draft Revenue and Financing Policy

Do you have any other comments about the draft Revenue and Financing Policy?

If yes, please provide comments:

Draft Rates Remission Policy

Do you have any comments or suggested changes on the Rates Remission Policy?

Financial Strategy

Have we got the balance right between rates increases and debt levels?

Comments:

Community Outcomes

Do you think the proposed Community Outcomes reflect the aspirations of the Horowhenua community?

Are we missing something, or focusing on something we shouldn't be?

Additional Comments

Please identify any additional comments you have on what is proposed as part of Council's Draft Long Term Plan 2021-2041.

Attach any other comments:

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Submission date: **17 April 2021, 9:02PM**
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Did you provide feedback as part of pre-engagement on the Long Term Plan? **Yes**

Hearing of Submissions

Do you wish to present your submission to Council at a Hearing? **No**

If yes, please specify below:

Do you require a sign language interpreter? **No**

Do you require a translator? **No**

If yes, please specify translation details below:

Topic One - Foxton Pool

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Indoor and Outdoor Leisure Pool

Comments:

I travel to places with splash pads for my child , if it was closer, I feel like people would travel to go to a splash pad in Foxton. Also a swimming pool that caters to everyone will be used more often. It would be great for people in Foxton that do not have the option of traveling.

Topic Two - Infrastructure Funding: Development Contributions

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 2: Not using development contributions for funding growth infrastructure, and increasing rates instead.

Comments:

Draft Development Contributions Policy

Do you wish to speak to the Development Contributions Policy at a hearing? **No**

What activities do you think development contributions should be collected for as a source of funding growth infrastructure?

Water supply
Wastewater treatment
Community infrastructure such as parks, sportsfields, activity centres, playgrounds and more.

Comments:

Which approach do you think should be used?

District-wide contributions for roading and community infrastructure. Scheme-by-scheme contributions for the three waters. Growth areas pay for major expenses related to them.

Comments on Catchments:

Do you agree with this approach? **Yes**

Comments on Time of payment:

Do you agree with the proposed scope for reducing development contributions? **No**

Comments on Reductions:

Topic 3 - Changes to the Land Transport Targeted Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option: **Option 1: Remove Differential - All ratepayers pay the Land Transport Targeted Rate based on capital value.**

Comments:

Topic Four - Changes to the General Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option: **Option 2: Status Quo - Rural properties (including all business in the rural zone) pay 25% of the General Rate rates income, District wide pay 75% of the General Rates rates income.**

Comments:

Draft Revenue and Financing Policy

Do you have any other comments about the draft Revenue and Financing Policy? **No**

If yes, please provide comments:

Draft Rates Remission Policy

Do you have any comments or suggested changes on the Rates Remission Policy?

Financial Strategy

Have we got the balance right between rates increases and debt levels? **Yes**

Comments:

Community Outcomes

Do you think the proposed Community Outcomes reflect the aspirations of the Horowhenua community? **Yes**

Are we missing something, or focusing on something we shouldn't be?

Additional Comments

Please identify any additional comments you have on what is proposed as part of Council's Draft Long Term Plan 2021-2041.

Attach any other comments:

Long Term Plan 2021-2041 - Submission Form



Submission date: **17 April 2021, 8:31PM**
Receipt number: **102**
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Did you provide feedback as part of pre-engagement on the Long Term Plan? **No**

Hearing of Submissions

Do you wish to present your submission to Council at a Hearing? **No**

If yes, please specify below:

Do you require a sign language interpreter? **No**

Do you require a translator? **No**

If yes, please specify translation details below:

Topic One - Foxton Pool

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Indoor and Outdoor Leisure Pool

Comments:

This is the only option that really makes sense for a community that is growing very fast. I swim in Palmerston North because I can use the gym and the pool, and I can do it before or after work. This is a much needed community resource. It is not something we should take the cheap option for, because this is investing in our well-being, and the well-being and connectedness of our community.

Topic Two - Infrastructure Funding: Development Contributions

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Comments:

Draft Development Contributions Policy

Do you wish to speak to the Development Contributions Policy at a hearing? **No**

What activities do you think development contributions should be collected for as a source of funding growth infrastructure?

**Roading
Water supply
Wastewater treatment
Stormwater**

Comments:

Which approach do you think should be used?

District-wide contributions for roading and community infrastructure. Scheme-by-scheme contributions for the three waters. Growth areas pay for major expenses related to them.

Comments on Catchments:

Do you agree with this approach?

Yes

Comments on Time of payment:

Do you agree with the proposed scope for reducing development contributions?

Comments on Reductions:

Topic 3 - Changes to the Land Transport Targeted Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 2: Status Quo - Differential where businesses pay 35% of the Land Transport Targeted Rate and District Wide properties pay 65%.

Comments:

Topic Four - Changes to the General Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Comments:

Draft Revenue and Financing Policy

Do you have any other comments about the draft Revenue and Financing Policy?

If yes, please provide comments:

Draft Rates Remission Policy

Do you have any comments or suggested changes on the Rates Remission Policy?

I would like to see religious communities taken out of the rates remission.

Financial Strategy

Have we got the balance right between rates increases and debt levels? **No**

Comments:

Community Outcomes

Do you think the proposed Community Outcomes reflect the aspirations of the Horowhenua community? **Yes**

Are we missing something, or focusing on something we shouldn't be?

Additional Comments

Please identify any additional comments you have on what is proposed as part of Council's Draft Long Term Plan 2021-2041.

Attach any other comments:

Submission No. 270

From: Ashley Huria
Sent: Tuesday, 20 April 2021 4:37 PM
To: Records Processing
Subject: FW: Proposed Change to the rating for properties at Honi Taipua Street Manakau

Ashley Huria

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From: Doug Law <dougl@horowhenua.govt.nz>
Sent: Tuesday, 20 April 2021 4:36 PM
To: Ashley Huria <ashleych@horowhenua.govt.nz>
Subject: FW: Proposed Change to the rating for properties at Honi Taipua Street Manakau

FYI and action

Doug Law

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From: Louise Miles <Louise@milesplanning.co.nz>
Sent: Tuesday, 20 April 2021 4:28 PM
To: Doug Law <dougl@horowhenua.govt.nz>
Subject: FW: Proposed Change to the rating for properties at Honi Taipua Street Manakau

From: Louise Miles
Sent: Tuesday, 20 April 2021 4:24 pm
To: dougl@horowhenua.govt.nz
Subject: Proposed Change to the rating for properties at Honi Taipua Street Manakau

Hi Doug

Thank you for taking my call today. As discussed I have just received in the post today a letter regarding a proposed to change the rating differential for my land at Manakau. I see that the submissions have closed. I did try to make an online submission anyway but there appears to be no form to do this.

As discussed I have a number of small contiguous blocks (historically that size) to the north of Manakau village comprising around 16ha of Class 1 land. This land has recently been certified for organics and this year was used for organic maize and baleage. The plan is to use it for other crops in the future. The letter advises that the land under the new proposal would be for a non farming and the rates would increase. I consider this to be extremely unfair, as effectively my land would be rated as lifestyle blocks, which clearly it is not being used for, and given that it is Class 1 soil should never be used for lifestyle blocks.

I would appreciate it is if this email could be added to the submissions made to the proposed rating change.

Kind Regards
Louise

Louise Miles

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Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

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Submission date: **17 April 2021, 5:22PM**
Receipt number: **95**
Related form version: **2**

Contact Details

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Title: **Mr**

Full Name: **Lewis Edward Rohloff**

Name of Organisation: **submitting as an owner/occupier of a residential property in Playford Park, Levin.**

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Email: **[REDACTED]**

Did you provide feedback as part of pre-engagement on **Yes** the Long Term Plan?

Hearing of Submissions

Do you wish to present your submission to Council at a **Yes** Hearing?

If yes, please specify below: **In person**

Do you require a sign language interpreter? **No**

Do you require a translator? **No**

If yes, please specify translation details below:

Topic One - Foxton Pool

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Comments:

I believe that residents and businesses within the general locality of Foxton and Foxton Beach should be regarded as responsible enough to form a local consensus on the future of their pool and their ability to pay for it without cross-subsidisation. Similarly, residents and businesses in and around Levin and should be held responsible for need and the costs of their local pool.

Cross-subsidies disguise transparency and distort demand and preferences.

Topic Two - Infrastructure Funding: Development Contributions

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Using development contributions as the key source of funding for growth infrastructure, in combination with other sources.

Comments:

My preference (as above) needs to be qualified. I am not comfortable with the last five words of Option 1. If it is intended to employ other funding sources, they should be identified, quantified and specifically 'consulted' upon.

Draft Development Contributions Policy

Do you wish to speak to the Development Contributions Policy at a hearing? **Yes**

What activities do you think development contributions should be collected for as a source of funding growth infrastructure?

Roading

Water supply

Wastewater treatment

Stormwater

Community infrastructure such as parks, sportsfields, activity centres, playgrounds and more.

Comments:

Which approach do you think should be used?

Other: Scheme by Scheme contributions for roading, community infrastructure and three waters. Growth areas pay for all expenses related to them. I any form of financial assistance is to be provided let it be confined to government grant recognising the existance of one or more 'social' imperative.I

Comments on Catchments:

Do you agree with this approach?

No

Comments on Time of payment:

Council should not expose existing ratepayers and residents (who, as tenants, also attract liability for off-setting rates) to the added costs and risks by effectively underwriting growth development through pre-funding infrastructure provision but delaying demands for payment.

Do you agree with the proposed scope for reducing development contributions?

No

Comments on Reductions:

In the circumstances you describe, deserving applicants for such relief from a portion of development contributions, should make their appeal on 'social; grounds to the government of the day, or alternatively, seek additional capital from private investors.

Topic 3 - Changes to the Land Transport Targeted Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Remove Differential - All ratepayers pay the Land Transport Targeted Rate based on capital value.

Comments:

Topic Four - Changes to the General Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Comments:

I favour neither of these options.

Change of this nature should be considered only as part of a comprehensive, first principles review of the entire rating policies and the 'rating model' which determines the distribution of rating impact across the spectrum of activities and rating units.

I have submitted that such a review should proceed immediately.

Draft Revenue and Financing Policy

Do you have any other comments about the draft Revenue and Financing Policy?

No

If yes, please provide comments:

Draft Rates Remission Policy

Do you have any comments or suggested changes on the Rates Remission Policy?

It should provide for consideration of remission of all or part of a rates assessment on 'hardship; grounds.

Financial Strategy

Have we got the balance right between rates increases and debt levels?

No

Comments:

Your proposals are totally un-affordable for a majority of Horowhenua households.to

Community Outcomes

Do you think the proposed Community Outcomes reflect the aspirations of the Horowhenua community? **Yes**

Are we missing something, or focusing on something we shouldn't be? **What you are missing is that the majority of people within the district consider the outcome declarations to be hyperbole and demonstrably inconsistent with reality.**

Additional Comments

Please identify any additional comments you have on what is proposed as part of Council's Draft Long Term Plan 2021-2041.

Attach any other comments:

From: Ashley Huria
Sent: Monday, 19 April 2021 12:43 PM
To: Records Processing
Subject: FW: Additional Commentary for Appending to Questionnaire Response (submission N0. 271)
Attachments: 210415_LER-HDC(Submission_LTP2021-2041)affordability.docx

Can you please add this to Lew Rohloff Submisison #271

Ashley Huria

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From: Lew Rohloff [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, 19 April 2021 12:01 PM
To: Ashley Huria <ashleych@horowhenua.govt.nz>
Subject: Re: Additional Commentary for Appending to Questionnaire Response (submission N0. 271)

Hello Ashley,

I now attach my written commentary to accompany the Questionnaire Response already in your possession.

Please acknowledge receipt and thank you for your help in this matter.

regards
Lew Rohloff

On 19/04/2021 9:15 am, Ashley Huria wrote:

Hi Lew,

Please see attached a copy of your submission as requested.

Regards,
Ashley

Ashley Huria

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15 April 2021

Submission

Horowhenua District Council
Draft Long Term Plan 2021-2041

Name: Lew Rohloff
Address: 
Telephone: 
Email: 

District Mayor and Councillors,

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to this consultation exercise.

Submitter's Declaration of Interest

I am the 'owner/occupier' of a modest 1960 bungalow in the Playford Park area of Levin township. This has been my 'family' home continuously from 1982 to the present day.

- Born in Whanganui in 1937,
- Widower,
- Recipient of NZ Superannuation (single, living alone allowance),
- Small savings without independent income source, and
- Voluntary, Community Advocate

I am a life member of Grey Power New Zealand Federation. During a little more than the decade leading up to my retirement earlier this year I have been primarily responsible for advocacy related to maintaining New Zealand Superannuation. With regard to local matters I have submitted on Horowhenua Grey Power's behalf to successive Long Term and Annual Plan proposals, for more than twenty five years.

Hopefully, these brief comments will indicate my reasonably 'informed' understanding of local government, smaller district representation realities and, perhaps more importantly, my personal empathy with the real life experiences and vulnerable financial circumstances of so many of my peers, particularly those resident in Levin.

Therefore, it is for the dependent ageing people of our communities and younger low to middle income households of Levin, Foxton, Foxton Beach and other ‘urban’ communities that I offer my observations.

My issue with the Draft Long Term Plan is that it is fundamentally flawed being based on policies and assumptions that completely disregard the economic realities of Horowhenua, and, in particular, the seriously impoverished characteristics of the main population centres of Levin, Foxton and Foxton Beach.

Further, it does not conform to the requirements of the Local Government Act 2002, which in Section 14 (c) requires that in performing its role, a local authority must act in accordance with the following principles:

“when making a decision, a local authority should take account of—

- (i)**
the diversity of the community, and the community’s interests, within its district or region; and
- (ii)**
the interests of future as well as current communities; and
- (iii)**
the likely impact of any decision on each aspect of well-being referred to in [section 10](#).”

and for further clarity, Section 10 of the Act states:

“(1)
The purpose of local government is—

- (a)**
to enable democratic local decision-making and action by, and on behalf of, communities; and
- (b)**
to promote the social, economic, environmental, and cultural well-being of communities in the present and for the future.”

The fundamental flaws I detect in the Draft Long Term Plan are particularly relevant in the ‘Benchmarks Disclosure Statement’ and accompanying column charts included in the ‘Financial Statements’ section (pages 45-47)¹ of the LTP’s ‘supporting information’ viewable by reference to Council’s website.

The purpose of this statement purports to assure readers that Council’s proposed revenue from rating meets ‘**prudently managed**’ affordability benchmarks which are stated to be a ‘**quantified limit**’ on rates increases. The way in which this statement is graphically presented misleads viewers into accepting that both total proposed rate revenue and incremental annual percentage increases are ‘**affordable**’.

As is evident in Appendix No. 1 attached:

- the first chart has no legend; we need to guess the nature of the data columns,
- The second chart has a legend suggesting three data elements but only two are depicted, and most importantly,

¹ **Benchmark Disclosure Statement (rates Affordability)** see Appendix No. 1.

- the ‘quantified limit’ in the Disclosure Statement at the head of the page is completely irrelevant to the question of affordability. Affordability, and/or the complete lack of same can be determined only by assessing the impact of rating demands on the variable incomes of householders and businesses.

This Disclosure Statement does not meet its legislated requirement. It certainly conveys the opposite of ‘prudently managing revenues, expenses, liabilities and general financial dealings.’ The proposed Long Term Plan cannot be afforded by the greater majority of the householders of Horowhenua District!

I submit that the Draft Long Term Plan is unaffordable for at least 50% of the households of the district.

Horowhenua’s unfavourable Economic Indicators

On the following pages I have tabled/charted a number of relevant statistics:

- Median Household Incomes (Horowhenua vs Neighbouring TA’s)
- Distribution of Household Incomes(Horowhenua 2018 Census)
- Median Personal Incomes (Horowhenua’s ‘small areas’)
- NZ Deprivation Index 2018 (Horowhenua ‘small areas’)
- Proposed Rate Revenues 2021-2041 (derived from HDC Supporting Information)

Table No. 1

Median Household Incomes 2008 - 2019
Horowhenua District compared with neighbouring Territorial Authorities
 (\$)

Year	New Zealand	Horowhenua	Kapiti Coast	Palmerston North	Tararua	Manawatu	Rangitikei
2019	92,000	62,900	75,300	88,600	70,400	90,200	73,300
2018	89,000	55,000	73,400	82,200	66,700	81,100	68,400
2017	82,300	50,600	70,800	75,500	61,300	74,500	62,800
2016	80,900	50,700	65,400	75,700	61,400	74,700	63,000
2015	74,300	42,800	58,300	63,900	51,800	63,000	53,200
2014	71,800	46,600	61,400	69,700	56,500	68,700	58,000
2013	69,100	44,300	56,200	66,000	53,600	65,100	55,000
2012	66,100	44,000	53,200	65,300	53,400	64,200	54,400
2011	64,900	42,500	51,900	62,900	51,800	61,700	52,400
2010	62,700	43,600	50,600	64,400	53,400	63,000	53,700
2009	62,800	43,900	48,700	64,600	54,000	63,100	54,000
2008	62,300	43,000	50,600	63,000	52,900	61,300	52,700

Source: Ministry for Business, Innovation and Enterprise ‘Regional Economic Indicators’

This data clearly demonstrates the entrenched ‘inferior’ performance of Horowhenua when compared with the apparent ‘economic’ wellbeing of neighbouring territorial authorities.

Table No. 2

Distribution of Household Incomes within Horowhenua

(source: MBIE Regional Economic Indicators)

Up to 20,000	20,001-30,000	30,001-50,000	50,001-70,000	70,001-100,000	100,001 or more	Not Stated
12.2%	15.9%	20.5%	14.2%	13.5%	17.5%	6.3%

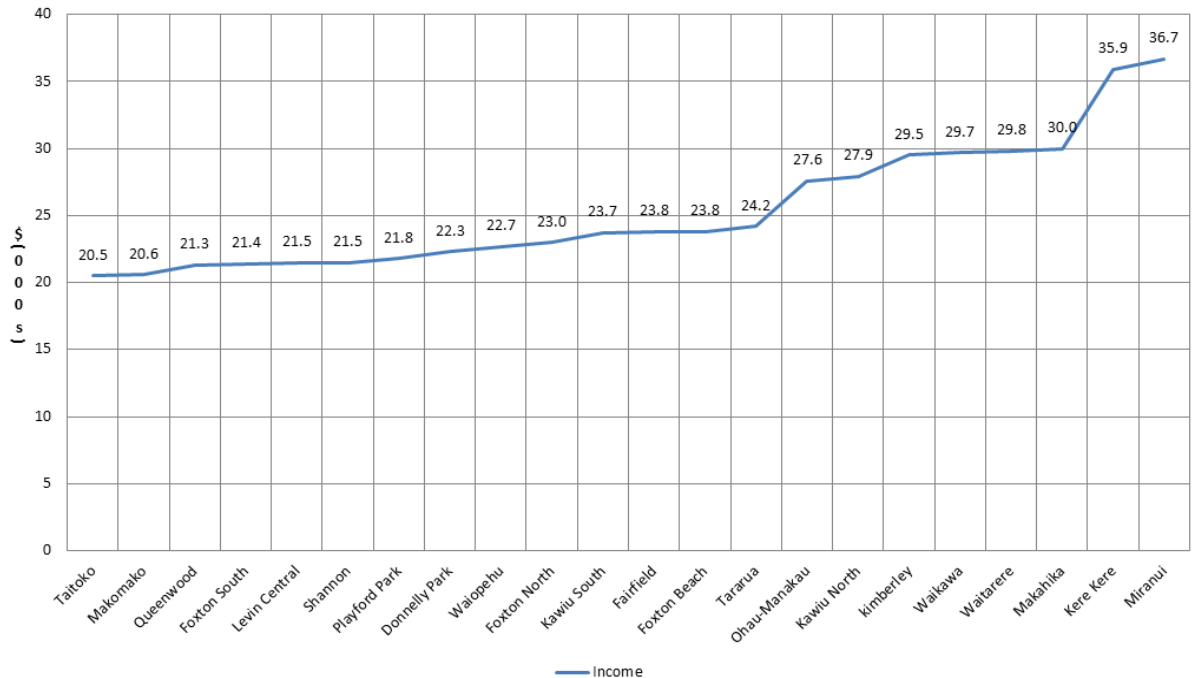
The intended 2021-2022 ‘rating impact’ on a typical, modest family home (1960’s vintage) in Horowhenua, of HDC’s and Horizons, Draft Long Term Plans; amounts to no less than \$3,000 per annum.

The accepted ‘un-affordable’ threshold (5% of household income) is therefore breached where household income is \$60,000 or less, per annum. This ‘income distribution’ data indicates that ‘affordability’ is a serious issue for more than 50% of all Horowhenua households.

Chart No. 1

Median Personal Incomes within Horowhenua

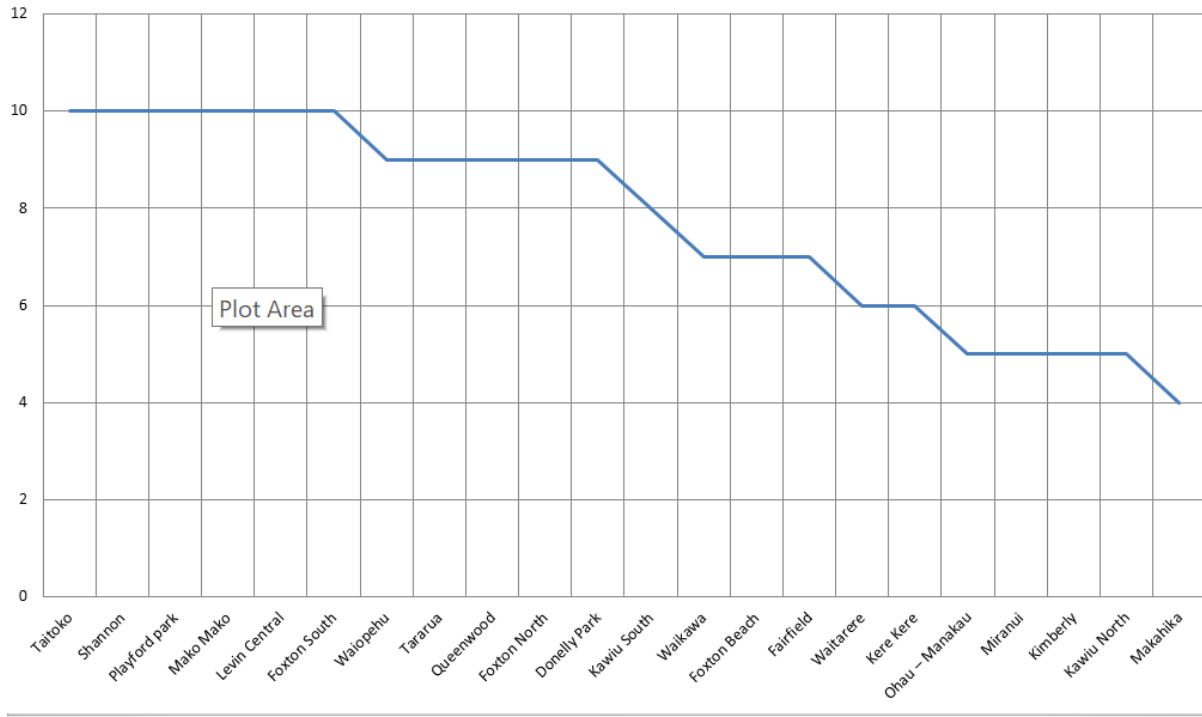
(Source: NZ Census 2018)



This data seriously challenges Council’s policy of entrenchment within its rating model, of patronage of rural property at the expense of increasing rating revenue from urban property. Urban householders are inappropriately encumbered so as to subsidise rural communities and businesses which manifestly seem ‘better able’ to afford the cost of local government.

Chart No. 2

**Deprivation Index 2018
(Horowhenua)**



The data depicted in Chart No. 2 provides a shameful commentary on the long-term economic management of Horowhenua and, clearly identifies urban householders as the undeserving victims of such mismanagement. The 2018 Census results are not an isolated aberration. While the identification of the ‘small area’ communities does not directly correlate to earlier Census reporting, the trend since the 1989 amalgamation of Levin Borough into the Horowhenua District has been one of incremental impoverishment.

Chart No. 3

**Proposed Rate Revenues 2021-2041
(derived from HDC Supporting Information)**

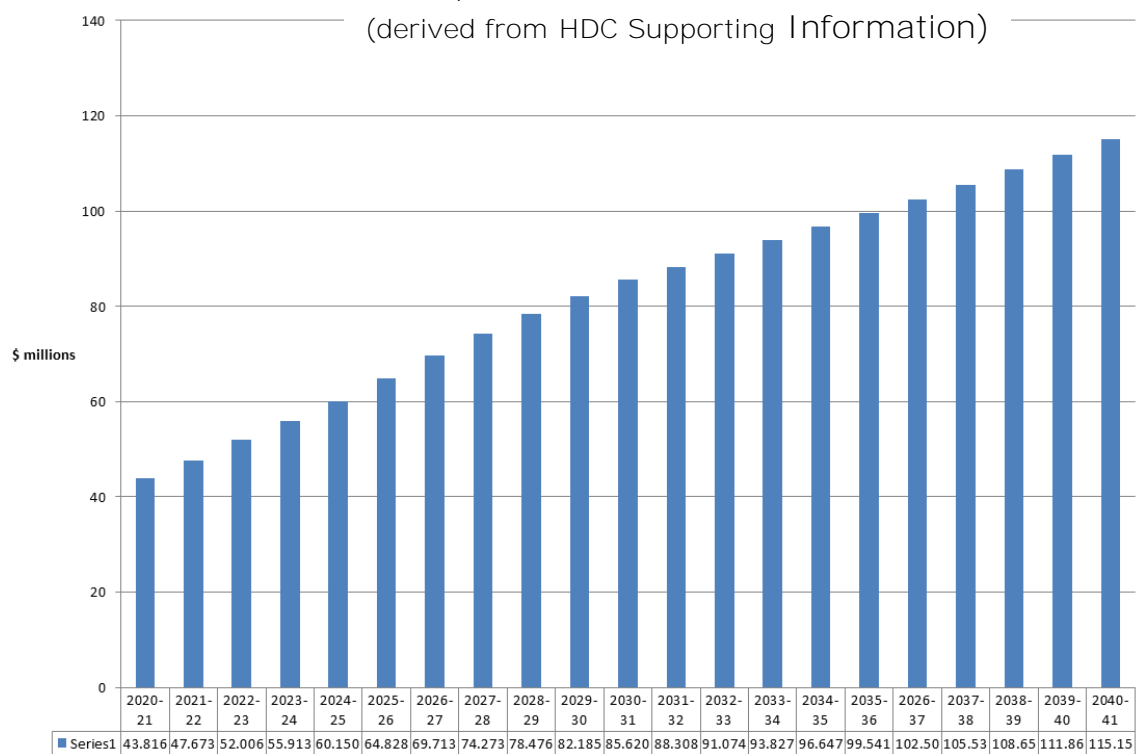


Chart No. 3 is offered for direct comparison with the misleading depiction on page no. 35 of the Consultation Document which suggests to the casual reader that after a period of high rating during the 6 years to 2026-2027 rates begin to decrease to then stabilise at less than a nominal 2% per year.

But, in fact, reference to the detailed financial statements in the LTP's Supporting Information, total rating in monetary terms is projected to increase each year from \$43.86 million in the base year 2020-2021 to \$115.15 million in year 2040-2041.

Further, within both the Consultation Document and Supporting Information, Council asserts that residential ratepayers will derive benefits from growth which will not be shared by rural ratepayers.

I cannot trace any evidence of this!

Indeed, the opposite conclusion might be drawn from determining the average rate per household for 2020-21 (\$2,639) with an extrapolated, inflation corrected (2.0% per annum, cumulative), average rate per household of (\$3,921) for year 2040-2041.

As will be seen from Chart No. 3 and the projected number of households for 2040-2041 (27,815) depicted on page no.14 of the Consultation Document; the average rate per household will be significantly higher at a projected \$4,140. By this measurement growth does not deliver direct benefit to ratepayers.

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The time is way overdue for a 'first principles' review of the policies and structure of the Horowhenua 'rating impact' model with a view to reversing the impoverishment of the Levin 'community of interest.' Notwithstanding the added impact of Covid 19 this review is clearly warranted on the evidence related to pre-Covid influences.

About this time last year Council adopted an extra-ordinary provision of reducing 2020-2021 revenue requirements to 98% Of total 2019-2020 rates revenue. I believe similar provision should be repeated because of the uncertainties of 2021-2022.

We still face a number of uncertainties arising from further possible economic shut-down and in addition to such risks, Government initiatives to remove 'Three Waters' services from direct territorial authority management and funding and, additionally to dedicate \$3.8 billion to infrastructural provision for housing construction which renders this iteration of Long Term Planning requirements rather academic and possibly fraught with risk. Only later this year will perhaps, the ongoing expectations of local authorities, be made clear by Government.

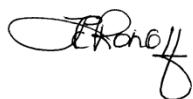
Horowhenua D C's apparent wish (from 1 July this year) being immediate "provision of key public infrastructure to accelerate the development of the Tara-Ika Growth Area" should now be postponed.

I further suggest that aside from facilitating the rezoning of the subject land, provision of the necessary infrastructure remains a matter solely for 'private developers partnered by Government to introduce a 'public housing' component within the visualised 'diversity' ascribed to the spatial plan.

I note the Office of the Auditor General's 'Long Term Plan Bulletins' and their 'audit certificate' of the Consultation Document both draw elected representatives attention to the uncertainties I have mentioned. In the case of the auditor's 'Qualified Opinion' in relation to Tara-Ika Infrastructure, I believe there also exists a further argument to postpone Council's desire to accelerate 'provision of infrastructure.'

My Recommendations:

- 1. Proceed with the immediate reintroduction of Development Contributions as described in the Consultation Document as 'Topic Two, Option 1.' applicable to each of the 'five nominated Activities' and subject to the first stated form of 'Catchments' namely "District-wide contributions for roading and community infrastructure. Scheme-by-Scheme contribution for the three waters. Growth areas pay for major expenses related to them."**
- 2. Suspend all other proposed policy changes pending the completion of a 'first principles' Rates Review so as to devise an 'affordable and sustainable rating model, prior to using same as the basis for Amending the Long Term Plan 2021-2041 in February 2022; with the funding of prioritised operations and capex expenditure during 2021-2022 confined to a similar limit as applied in 2020-2021 plus the proceeds arising from immediate collection of Development Contributions.**



Lew Rohloff

Benchmarks Disclosure Statement

What is the purpose of this statement?

The purpose of this statement is to disclose the council's planned financial performance in relation to various benchmarks to enable the assessment of whether the council is prudently managing its revenues, expenses, assets, liabilities, and general financial dealings.

The council is required to include this statement in its long-term plan in accordance with the Local Government (Financial Reporting and Prudence) Regulations 2014 (the **regulations**). Refer to the regulations for more information, including definitions of some of the terms used in the statement.

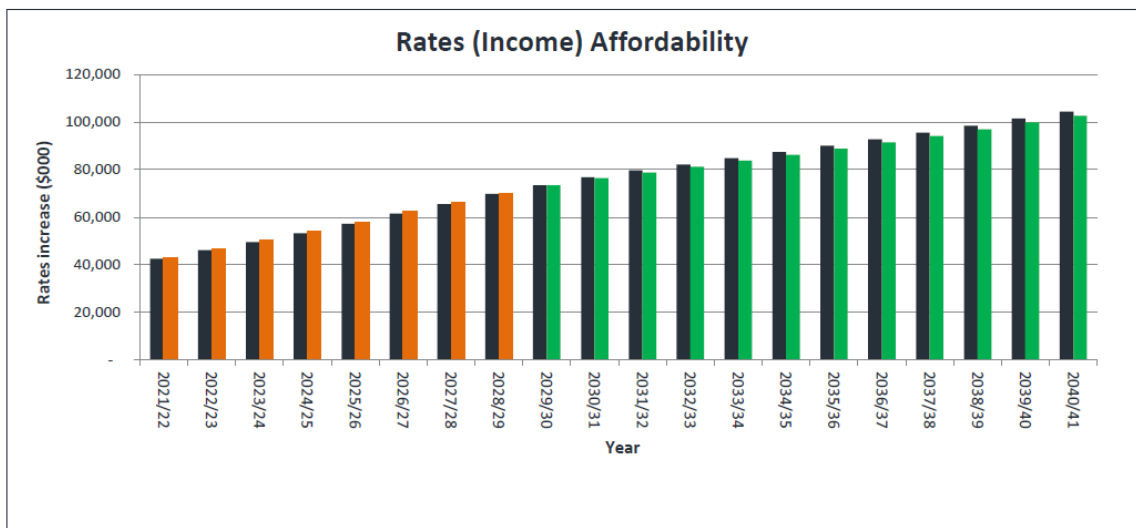
Rates affordability benchmark

The council meets the rates affordability benchmark if -

- its planned rates income equals or is less than each quantified limit on rates; and
- its planned rates increases equal or are less than each quantified limit on rates increases.

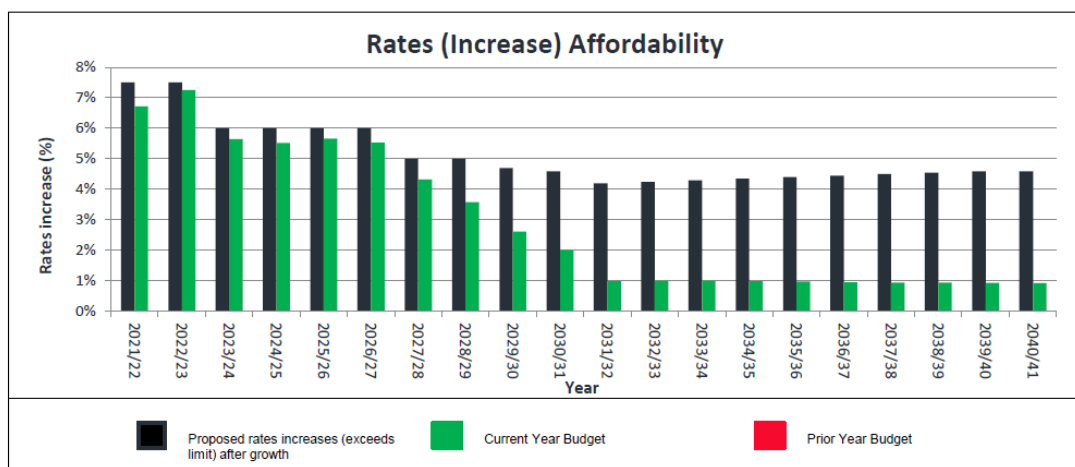
Rates (income) affordability

The following graph compares the council's planned rates with a quantified limit on rates contained the the financial strategy included in this long-term plan. The quantified limit is LGCI + 2%.



Rates (increases) affordability

The following graph compares the council's planned rates increases with a quantified limit on rates increases contained the the financial strategy included in this long-term plan. The quantified limit is LGCI + 2%.



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Submission date: **17 April 2021, 3:49PM**

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Related form version: **2**

Contact Details

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Did you provide feedback as part of pre-engagement on **No**
the Long Term Plan?

Hearing of Submissions

Do you wish to present your submission to Council at a **No**
Hearing?

If yes, please specify below:

Do you require a sign language interpreter? **No**

Do you require a translator? **No**

If yes, please specify translation details below:

Topic One - Foxton Pool

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Indoor and Outdoor Leisure Pool

Comments:

Topic Two - Infrastructure Funding: Development Contributions

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Using development contributions as the key source of funding for growth infrastructure, in combination with other sources.

Comments:

Draft Development Contributions Policy

Do you wish to speak to the Development Contributions Policy at a hearing? **No**

What activities do you think development contributions should be collected for as a source of funding growth infrastructure?

Water supply
Wastewater treatment
Stormwater

Comments:

Which approach do you think should be used?

District-wide contributions for roading and community infrastructure. Scheme-by-scheme contributions for the three waters. Growth areas pay for major expenses related to them.

Comments on Catchments:

Do you agree with this approach?

No

Comments on Time of payment:

Do you agree with the proposed scope for reducing development contributions?

No

Comments on Reductions:

Topic 3 - Changes to the Land Transport Targeted Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Comments:

Topic Four - Changes to the General Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Comments:

Draft Revenue and Financing Policy

Do you have any other comments about the draft Revenue and Financing Policy? **No**

If yes, please provide comments:

Draft Rates Remission Policy

Do you have any comments or suggested changes on the Rates Remission Policy?

Financial Strategy

Have we got the balance right between rates increases and debt levels?

Comments:

Community Outcomes

Do you think the proposed Community Outcomes reflect the aspirations of the Horowhenua community? **Yes**

Are we missing something, or focusing on something we shouldn't be?

Additional Comments

Please identify any additional comments you have on what is proposed as part of Council's Draft Long Term Plan 2021-2041.

Shannon Progressive Association Inc request HDC install front steps leading into the Shannon Railway Station Museum and Visitor Centre Inc in keeping with the original look of the building. We propose retaining the current ramp as well. We are willing to undertake this work ourselves with your approval.

Attach any other comments:

Long Term Plan 2021-2041 - Submission Form



Submission date: **17 April 2021, 3:26PM**
Receipt number: **96**
Related form version: **2**

Contact Details

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

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Email: [REDACTED]

Did you provide feedback as part of pre-engagement on the Long Term Plan? **No**

Hearing of Submissions

Do you wish to present your submission to Council at a Hearing? **No**

If yes, please specify below:

Do you require a sign language interpreter? **No**

Do you require a translator?

No

If yes, please specify translation details below:

Topic One - Foxton Pool

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 2: Basic All-year pool

Comments:

It's important for Foxton to have the same access to sport and leisure activities as larger areas and there is little point in having a pool that cannot be used all year round. Given budgetary pressure, the pragmatic option B is the best approach.

Topic Two - Infrastructure Funding: Development Contributions

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 2: Not using development contributions for funding growth infrastructure, and increasing rates instead.

Comments:

We've got to play the long game here and acknowledge the broader community benefit from increased development. The increase in rates provides long term annuity income for HDC to cover asset development and maintenance, and borrowing money has never been cheaper.

Draft Development Contributions Policy

Do you wish to speak to the Development Contributions Policy at a hearing? **No**

What activities do you think development contributions should be collected for as a source of funding growth infrastructure?

Comments:

Which approach do you think should be used?

Comments on Catchments:

Do you agree with this approach?

Comments on Time of payment:

Do you agree with the proposed scope for reducing development contributions?

Comments on Reductions:

Topic 3 - Changes to the Land Transport Targeted Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 2: Status Quo - Differential where businesses pay 35% of the Land Transport Targeted Rate and District Wide properties pay 65%.

Comments:

Topic Four - Changes to the General Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Creating a Farming differential - Differential that only applies to Farming properties with a differential factor of 0.5 (Farming) to 1 (District Wide)

Comments:

Draft Revenue and Financing Policy

Do you have any other comments about the draft Revenue and Financing Policy?

No

If yes, please provide comments:

Draft Rates Remission Policy

Do you have any comments or suggested changes on the Rates Remission Policy?

Financial Strategy

Have we got the balance right between rates increases and debt levels? **Yes**

Comments:

Rate increases are a fact of life if we want to continue to enhance or even maintain our district. Decades of no, or very low rate increases have meant underinvestment in key infrastructure and assets. We do not want to return to this. I acknowledge the impact on fixed income ratepayers but that is why we have a rates remission policy. I support increased debt level because the cost of borrowing is low but the impact of having this money is high.

Community Outcomes

Do you think the proposed Community Outcomes reflect the aspirations of the Horowhenua community? **Yes**

Are we missing something, or focusing on something we shouldn't be?

Additional Comments

Please identify any additional comments you have on what is proposed as part of Council's Draft Long Term Plan 2021-2041.

Attach any other comments:

Long Term Plan 2021-2041 - Submission Form



Submission date: **17 April 2021, 1:40PM**

Receipt number: **94**

Related form version: **2**

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Did you provide feedback as part of pre-engagement on the Long Term Plan? **No**

Hearing of Submissions

Do you wish to present your submission to Council at a Hearing? **Yes**

If yes, please specify below: **In person**

Do you require a sign language interpreter? **No**

Do you require a translator? **No**

If yes, please specify translation details below:

Topic One - Foxtton Pool

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Indoor and Outdoor Leisure Pool

Comments:

The Foxtton area is a growing community, first stop on the motorway in a few years and we are surrounded by water.

We need to teach our children to swim.

Have an unpolluted place to swim.

Protected place to swim.

Better facilities will be used to a bigger degree by the public.

Should include free swimming lessons

Topic Two - Infrastructure Funding: Development Contributions

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Using development contributions as the key source of funding for growth infrastructure, in combination with other sources.

Comments:

We have lost an estimated 81mil in development contribution funds over the years. Lets develop our community with them now.

Draft Development Contributions Policy

Do you wish to speak to the Development Contributions Policy at a hearing? **Yes**

What activities do you think development contributions should be collected for as a source of funding growth infrastructure?

Comments:

All of the above where needed. Why restrict the community development and why would you?

Which approach do you think should be used?

Comments on Catchments:

Again why restrict the community growth by putting obstacles in the way.

Do you agree with this approach?

No

Comments on Time of payment:

You pay to build up front therefore the payment is secure and not a risk. That is if the developer goes bust and cannot pay.

Do you agree with the proposed scope for reducing development contributions?

No

Comments on Reductions:

Why we have already lost approximately 81mil on contribution levies?

Topic 3 - Changes to the Land Transport Targeted Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Comments:

Topic Four - Changes to the General Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Comments:

Draft Revenue and Financing Policy

Do you have any other comments about the draft Revenue and Financing Policy?

No

If yes, please provide comments:

Draft Rates Remission Policy

Do you have any comments or suggested changes on the Rates Remission Policy?

Financial Strategy

Have we got the balance right between rates increases and debt levels? **No**

Comments:

I would like to see debt reduced

Community Outcomes

Do you think the proposed Community Outcomes reflect the aspirations of the Horowhenua community? **Yes**

Are we missing something, or focusing on something we shouldn't be? **To keep our environment clean. There is no mention of policies to manage pollution.**

Lake Horowhenua needs to be clean, water going into it needs to be pollution free.

POLLUTION POLICIES are not included anywhere.

Additional Comments

Please identify any additional comments you have on what is proposed as part of Council's Draft Long Term Plan 2021-2041.

Attach any other comments:

Long Term Plan 2021-2041 - Submission Form



Submission date: **17 April 2021, 8:06AM**
Receipt number: **93**
Related form version: **2**

Contact Details

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Did you provide feedback as part of pre-engagement on the Long Term Plan? **Yes**

Hearing of Submissions

Do you wish to present your submission to Council at a Hearing? **No**

If yes, please specify below:

Do you require a sign language interpreter? **No**

Do you require a translator? **No**

If yes, please specify translation details below:

Topic One - Foxtton Pool

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Indoor and Outdoor Leisure Pool

Comments:

We acknowledge the pool facility currently has issues and needs investment. Pools are an important community asset. I am personally a regular pool user and would use it year round. Thinking ahead to the future we will likely see our community growing with migration of population. As such demand will grow. With the development of the river park we will see Foxtton as a location for families to come to to participate in recreational activities, great pool facilities will add to this.

Please consider the opportunities for the future in decision making not just the short term cost.

Thank you

Topic Two - Infrastructure Funding: Development Contributions

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Comments:

Draft Development Contributions Policy

Do you wish to speak to the Development Contributions Policy at a hearing?

What activities do you think development contributions should be collected for as a source of funding growth infrastructure?

Comments:

Which approach do you think should be used?

Comments on Catchments:

Do you agree with this approach?

Comments on Time of payment:

Do you agree with the proposed scope for reducing development contributions?

Comments on Reductions:

Topic 3 - Changes to the Land Transport Targeted Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Comments:

Topic Four - Changes to the General Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Comments:

Draft Revenue and Financing Policy

Do you have any other comments about the draft Revenue and Financing Policy?

If yes, please provide comments:

Draft Rates Remission Policy

Do you have any comments or suggested changes on the Rates Remission Policy?

Financial Strategy

Have we got the balance right between rates increases and debt levels?

Comments:

Community Outcomes

Do you think the proposed Community Outcomes reflect the aspirations of the Horowhenua community?

Are we missing something, or focusing on something we shouldn't be?

Additional Comments

Please identify any additional comments you have on what is proposed as part of Council's Draft Long Term Plan 2021-2041.

Attach any other comments:

Long Term Plan 2021-2041 - Submission Form



Submission date: **16 April 2021, 7:50PM**
Receipt number: **90**
Related form version: **2**

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Did you provide feedback as part of pre-engagement on the Long Term Plan? **No**

Hearing of Submissions

Do you wish to present your submission to Council at a Hearing? **No**

If yes, please specify below:

Do you require a sign language interpreter? **No**

Do you require a translator? **No**

If yes, please specify translation details below:

Topic One - Foxton Pool

Tick below to identify your preferred option: **Option 2: Basic All-year pool**

Comments:

Topic Two - Infrastructure Funding: Development Contributions

Tick below to identify your preferred option: **Option 1: Using development contributions as the key source of funding for growth infrastructure, in combination with other sources.**

Comments: **Development contributions should never have been stopped in the first place!**

Draft Development Contributions Policy

Do you wish to speak to the Development Contributions Policy at a hearing? **No**

What activities do you think development contributions should be collected for as a source of funding growth infrastructure?

Roading

Water supply

Wastewater treatment

Stormwater

Community infrastructure such as parks, sportsfields, activity centres, playgrounds and more.

Comments:

Development contributions should be paid by Developers/builders when they are building multiple houses for profit making purposes, otherwise HDC ratepayers are subsidising the Developers by hundreds of thousands of dollars (as has been the case in Levin) by paying for the Developers to connect their new builds to HDC existing infrastructure, existing infrastructure that rate payers paid for.

Which approach do you think should be used?

District-wide contributions for roading and community infrastructure. Scheme-by-scheme contributions for the three waters. Growth areas pay for major expenses related to them.

Comments on Catchments:

Do you agree with this approach?

Yes

Comments on Time of payment:

Do you agree with the proposed scope for reducing development contributions?

No

Comments on Reductions:

If the development contribution is for an individual person/family, then YES.
If the development contribution is for a profit making property development/commercial/business operation then NO

Topic 3 - Changes to the Land Transport Targeted Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 2: Status Quo - Differential where businesses pay 35% of the Land Transport Targeted Rate and District Wide properties pay 65%.

Comments:

Businesses create heavier use of the local roads through retail and farming.

The changes in property rating values are largely as a combined result of Transmission Gully inviting investors from Wellington to buy up properties in Levin as well as the current nation wide housing shortage.

The change in the capital value of ALL properties should not change the staus quo.

Topic Four - Changes to the General Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 2: Status Quo - Rural properties (including all business in the rural zone) pay 25% of the General Rate rates income, District wide pay 75% of the General Rates rates income.

Comments:

**Rural properties do not use many of the urban amenities, for example:-
streetlights
sewerage
water supply
footpaths**

Draft Revenue and Financing Policy

Do you have any other comments about the draft Revenue and Financing Policy?

No

If yes, please provide comments:

Draft Rates Remission Policy

Do you have any comments or suggested changes on the Rates Remission Policy?

no comment

Financial Strategy

Have we got the balance right between rates increases and debt levels?

Comments:

I'm not in favour of increasing general Council debt.

Community Outcomes

Do you think the proposed Community Outcomes reflect the aspirations of the Horowhenua community?

Yes

Are we missing something, or focusing on something we shouldn't be?

Great aspirations, is there a plan in place to achieve these goals?

Additional Comments

Please identify any additional comments you have on what is proposed as part of Council's Draft Long Term Plan 2021-2041.

Attach any other comments:

Long Term Plan 2021-2041 - Submission Form



Submission date: **16 April 2021, 7:26PM**

Receipt number: **91**

Related form version: **2**

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Did you provide feedback as part of pre-engagement on the Long Term Plan? **No**

Hearing of Submissions

Do you wish to present your submission to Council at a Hearing? **No**

If yes, please specify below:

Do you require a sign language interpreter? **No**

Do you require a translator? **No**

If yes, please specify translation details below:

Topic One - Foxtan Pool

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 2: Basic All-year pool

Comments:

Topic Two - Infrastructure Funding: Development Contributions

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Using development contributions as the key source of funding for growth infrastructure, in combination with other sources.

Comments:

Draft Development Contributions Policy

Do you wish to speak to the Development Contributions Policy at a hearing? **No**

What activities do you think development contributions should be collected for as a source of funding growth infrastructure?

**Roading
Water supply
Wastewater treatment
Stormwater**

Comments:

Which approach do you think should be used?

District-wide contributions for roading and community infrastructure. Scheme-by-scheme contributions for the three waters. Growth areas pay for major expenses related to them.

Comments on Catchments:

Do you agree with this approach?

Yes

Comments on Time of payment:

Do you agree with the proposed scope for reducing development contributions? **No**

Comments on Reductions:

Topic 3 - Changes to the Land Transport Targeted Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Remove Differential - All ratepayers pay the Land Transport Targeted Rate based on capital value.

Comments:

Topic Four - Changes to the General Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 2: Status Quo - Rural properties (including all business in the rural zone) pay 25% of the General Rate rates income, District wide pay 75% of the General Rates rates income.

Comments:

Draft Revenue and Financing Policy

Do you have any other comments about the draft Revenue and Financing Policy? **No**

If yes, please provide comments:

Draft Rates Remission Policy

Do you have any comments or suggested changes on the Rates Remission Policy? **Some religious groups are run as a business should pay rates also rest homes should pay**

Financial Strategy

Have we got the balance right between rates increases and debt levels? **No**

Comments:

Reduce your spending on nice to haves splash pad should be no increase of rates due to Covid

Community Outcomes

Do you think the proposed Community Outcomes reflect the aspirations of the Horowhenua community? **Yes**

Are we missing something, or focusing on something we shouldn't be?

Additional Comments

Please identify any additional comments you have on what is proposed as part of Council's Draft Long Term Plan 2021-2041.

Attach any other comments:

Long Term Plan 2021-2041 - Submission Form



Submission date: **16 April 2021, 6:17PM**
Receipt number: **89**
Related form version: **2**

Contact Details

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

Title: **Miss**

Full Name: **Tara Peters**

Name of Organisation:

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Email: [REDACTED]

Did you provide feedback as part of pre-engagement on the Long Term Plan? **No**

Hearing of Submissions

Do you wish to present your submission to Council at a Hearing? **No**

If yes, please specify below:

Do you require a sign language interpreter? **No**

Do you require a translator? **No**

If yes, please specify translation details below:

Topic One - Foxton Pool

Tick below to identify your preferred option: **Option 3: Seasonal Outdoor Leisure Pool**

Comments:

Topic Two - Infrastructure Funding: Development Contributions

Tick below to identify your preferred option: **Option 2: Not using development contributions for funding growth infrastructure, and increasing rates instead.**

Comments:

Draft Development Contributions Policy

Do you wish to speak to the Development Contributions Policy at a hearing? **No**

What activities do you think development contributions should be collected for as a source of funding growth infrastructure? **Roading
Water supply
Wastewater treatment
Stormwater**

Comments:

Which approach do you think should be used? **District-wide contributions for roading and community infrastructure. Scheme-by-scheme contributions for the three waters. Growth areas pay for major expenses related to them.**

Comments on Catchments:

Do you agree with this approach? **Yes**

Comments on Time of payment:

Do you agree with the proposed scope for reducing development contributions? **Yes**

Comments on Reductions:

Topic 3 - Changes to the Land Transport Targeted Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Remove Differential - All ratepayers pay the Land Transport Targeted Rate based on capital value.

Comments:

Topic Four - Changes to the General Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 2: Status Quo - Rural properties (including all business in the rural zone) pay 25% of the General Rate rates income, District wide pay 75% of the General Rates rates income.

Comments:

Draft Revenue and Financing Policy

Do you have any other comments about the draft Revenue and Financing Policy? **No**

If yes, please provide comments:

Draft Rates Remission Policy

Do you have any comments or suggested changes on the Rates Remission Policy?

Financial Strategy

Have we got the balance right between rates increases **Yes**
and debt levels?

Comments:

Community Outcomes

Do you think the proposed Community Outcomes
reflect the aspirations of the Horowhenua community?

Are we missing something, or focusing on something we
shouldn't be?

Additional Comments

Please identify any additional comments you have on
what is proposed as part of Council's Draft Long Term
Plan 2021-2041.

Attach any other comments:

Tanya Nikolajenko

From: Brent Harvey
Sent: Friday, 16 April 2021 5:13 PM
To: Records Processing
Subject: FW: Foxton Pool - Growing Our Future Together

Brent Harvey

Community Facilities and Events Manager

Waea Mahi | (06) 366 0999
Waea Pukoro | 64276491982

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Horowhenua
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**We are.
LGNZ.**

From: Andy Woodward <andy.woodwark@xtra.co.nz>
Sent: Friday, 16 April 2021 5:11 PM
To: Brent Harvey <BrentH@horowhenua.govt.nz>
Subject: Re: Foxton Pool - Growing Our Future Together

Kia ora Brent,

See below.

Ngā mihi nui,

Andy

Andy Woodward
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Foxton 4815

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andy.woodwark@xtra.co.nz

Sent from my iPhone

On 16/04/2021, at 11:03 AM, Brent Harvey <BrentH@horowhenua.govt.nz> wrote:

Good morning all,

We are approaching the end of the Long Term Plan consultation period with the official period concluding at 4pm on Monday 19 April. I know that a lot of you have submitted and provided your thoughts on Foxton Pool which is fantastic – thank you.

For those who haven't, I encourage you to take the time to make a submission, there is still time to do so.

The simplest way to reply to me with the following information and I will ensure it is included with the submissions.

Name: Andy Woodwark

Address: 8 Carex Grove, Foxton Beach

Topic One – Foxton Pool

Preferred Option: Option 1

Comments: While Option 1 is the most costly, representing a \$57 premium over permanently closing the facility, it is the best choice from a quality of life perspective and most closely aligns with the Council strategy. Creating an attractive community asset that can be used all year round will encourage greater use and attract more visitors to the town. There may also be opportunities for economic benefit in terms of additional employment and retail trade. Facilities such as this are important for creating cohesive communities as they form an anchor for a range of activities both organised such as sports and exercise through to more social gatherings. Any facility which increases the opportunity for people to improve their health and well-being can only be a good thing. The positive impacts of exercise on physical and mental health are well documented with the additional reduction in the cost of social services a great dividend.

Thank you for your time. If you have any last minute questions about the options please don't hesitate to give me a call.

Regards
Brent

Brent Harvey

Community Facilities and Events Manager

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**We are.
LGNZ.**

From: Brent Harvey <BrentH@horowhenua.govt.nz>

Sent: Thursday, 8 April 2021 4:16 PM

To: Brent Harvey <BrentH@horowhenua.govt.nz>

Subject: Foxton Pool - Growing Our Future Together

Good afternoon,

Thank you to those of you that have submitted to the 2021-41 Long Term Plan, we are just over halfway through the consultation period and have received a number of submissions. For those of you that haven't submitted, there is still time to do so as consultation period closes 4pm Monday 19 April.

As outlined in my prior email there are five options presented for consideration with regards to Foxton Pool, including the option of permanent closure. I strongly encourage you to have your say if you wish to help shape the future of Foxton Pool. It's critically important that we receive submissions and hear from the community as this helps inform Councillors when it comes to decision making time.

More information on the five options and can be found here - www.horowhenua.govt.nz/GrowingOurFutureTogether

You are able to make a submission via email provided it includes the following information – These can be sent directly to me or to lt@horowhenua.govt.nz

Name:

Address:

Topic One – Foxton Pool

Preferred Option:

Comments:

We have a free swim and sausage sizzle this Friday at Foxton Pool (3.30pm – 6.30pm) and will have staff onsite to answer any questions about the options being considered. If you don't have any questions, you are most welcome to come along and enjoy the facility and an evening at the pool – we will also have the dunk tank operating for those that are extra keen!

Kind regards
Brent

Brent Harvey

Community Facilities and Events Manager

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Waea Pukoro | 64276491982

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**We are.
LGNZ.**

From: Brent Harvey <BrentH@horowhenua.govt.nz>
Sent: Tuesday, 30 March 2021 8:50 AM
To: Brent Harvey <BrentH@horowhenua.govt.nz>
Subject: FW: Foxton Pool - Growing Our Future Together

Good Morning,

In November last year, you provided feedback on various concepts as part of a Feasibility Study on Foxton Pool. The feedback received demonstrated the importance that the community places on aquatic provision in Foxton with 676 responses to the proposed concepts.

On Wednesday 16th March, Councillors adopted the draft Long Term Plan Consultation Document. The purpose of the Long Term Plan 2021-2041 Consultation Document is to get your feedback to help Council set out what we are going to do over the next 20 years.

One of the key topics in the 2021-41 Long Term Plan is the future of Foxton Pool. Your feedback provided in November last year has directly help shape the options for consideration. The Consultation Document asks the community to consider five options. All of the options have been quantity surveyed and operational modelling completed to help inform future decision making. The options are:

- Option 1: Indoor and Outdoor Leisure Pool
- Option 2: Basic All-year pool
- Option 3: Seasonal Outdoor Leisure Pool
- Option 4: Seasonal Outdoor Basic Pool
- Option 5: Permanently Close Facility

The purpose of the email today is to let you know that the submission period is now open and to encourage you to have your say – the submissions received through this period will assist Council when it comes to making a decision on the future of the facility. It's important that the community is heard when considering the pools future and I encourage as many people as possible to take the time to complete a submission.

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Submission No. 280

19 April 2021

18a Douglas Street, LEVIN

By email: ltp@horowhenua.govt.nz

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Submission: Consultation document on Horowhenua District Council Long-term Plan 2021-2041

Ka rere ngā mihi ki te Kaunihera o Horowhenua,

I acknowledge our Horowhenua mana whenua, Muaūpoko Iwi, Muaūpoko Tūpuna, Whānau, Hapū and Iwi. Whakahono kia tū kaha Muaūpoko. I am submitting this, and in support of my whānau members who have also have similar submissions.

As a resident and ratepayer I take this opportunity to provide feedback to the Horowhenua District Council Long-term Plan 2021-2041 consultation document.

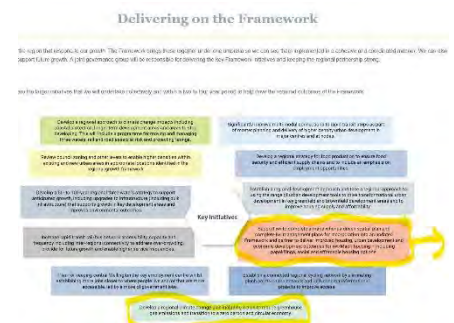
I have read your latest plans for 2021-2041 and summarise my submission to articulate the following concerns starting with;

1. This council' plans to 'grow' our population is of particular interest to me in terms of what will be provided regarding additional growth and who will pay for that growth?
2. I have grave concerns about this council's assumptions that key public infrastructure will be delivered and funded externally and **will not be funded by Council debt.** I agree with the independent auditor concerning the districts growth area 'Tara-Ika' and he states that HDC's assumption is unreasonable and provides evidence of why, i.e. to date, external funding has not been secured. Therefore, I too am led to understand that if council is unsuccessful in securing external funding, what would the impact on the underlying information be? An increase in debt of \$27 million and delaying capital upgrades of \$19 million. (LTP 2021-2041 Auditors report pg. 54)
3. The LTP outlines the government's intention on page 22 of their three waters reform decisions during 2021. **The effect that the reforms may have on three waters services provided is currently uncertain because no decision has been made yet.** As the auditor writes the consultation document was prepared as if these services will continue to be provided by council, but future decisions may result in significant changes, which would affect the information on which the consultation document has been based. (LTP 2021-2041 Auditors report pg. 55). The short sightedness of this LTP did not include a commitment towards developing an action ready plan in support of the 3-waters review.
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development of future growth areas and thus could result in uncertainty of delivering their capital programme pipeline of works.

5. Council outlines on pages 24 and 25 their decision on when to replace ageing assets is informed by continual assessment of asset condition and monitoring of reactive maintenance costs. The auditor general further states that ‘the renewal of assets budget is based on the age of the assets. And goes on to say, ‘there is therefore a risk that unbudgeted expenditure may be required to pay for renewals that are needed earlier than planned and can result in an increased risk of disruption in services. I agree with this statement and use this submission to further highlight that risk to the current residents of Horowhenua. (LTP 2021-2041 Auditors Report pg. 55)

6. A missed opportunity goes begging. The Horowhenua District Council’s continuation of the status quo, which narrows down the ability to influence other areas of value added growth, and certainly has the potential of creating additional inequity in the Horowhenua region. It is obvious that LTP has not considered other housing options with council’s immediate Treaty partner.



7. Green spaces, reserves and land usage – it is important that these are both protected, preserved and areas set aside in the new areas for this important part of our daily lives. I would hope that the current parks and reserves

8. I conclude my submission focusing on the biggest asset or taonga, that has for several decades not been respected, protected or treated with the mana it deserves. In terms of the requirements of the 3 Waters, our taonga is directly affected by all three and so with any future plans and legislation, I strongly support for plans that directly support the restoration of our lake. Sadly, provision in the LTP is lacking for the lake. It is important to understand the connection Muaūpoko have with their lake based on their whakapapa. For that reason, there needs to be a concerted environmental effort to prioritise eco-friendly work to move the lake from being one of the seven worst lakes in New Zealand to a much cherished waterway that we as a people can engage in. As a descendant, it is a continual awareness and missingness, knowing we cannot engage in our taonga, and all the mātauranga this holds for us in a true and meaningful ways.

9. Māori Wards – although it is not part of this years LTP, recent legislation has allowed for the introduction of Māori Wards in the council. In terms of leadership and representation it is valid for my view. I strongly support the establishment of a Māori Ward in the Horowhenua District Council, furthermore I support the representation of iwi partners across the standing committees of the council governance and operational areas. Mana whenua are directly effected by decision of the council, and to uphold its partnership obligations, representation needs to be changed.

I appreciate that there will be many submissions made on what HDC proposes for the next twenty years, and as such, I expand my submission on the issues of most importance to me with the future of my whānau in the heart of my submission.

Yours sincerely, Kelly Tahiwai

The structure of my submission covers 12 topics. I will cover each topic speaking to each item.

- i. Growth vs infrastructure a national issue for councils
- ii. Demands on central government to resolve Wellington housing crisis and Horowhenua' is thrust into a 20-year housing growth that they have not planned. Can HDC put a bid for financial support based on this premise?
- iii. Capacity building Māori landowners to develop housing solutions for Māori home ownership is not included.
- iv. Lack of Horowhenua sustainable and environmentally healthy 3-water plan.
- v. Testing water does not improve water quality and costs ratepayers
- vi. Catchment levels and farm levels
- vii. Community Outcome reflects aspirations of Horowhenua
- viii. LTP Consultation document – Topic 1 – Foxton Pool feedback
- ix. LTP Consultation document – Topic 2 – Infrastructure funding - Development contributions.
- x. LTP Consultation document – Topic 3 – Changes to the Land transport targeted rate
- xi. LTP Consultation document – Topic 4 – Changes to the general rate
- xii. General comments for LTP 2021 - 2041

I've itemised the 12 sections listed above. 7 relate to my '**key points**' listed below and the numbers from 8 – 12 responds to the questions in the LTP 2021-2041 consultation document to feedback our preference based on the 4 topics offered by Horowhenua district council.

Section 12 General topics is where I conclude my submission.

Key points

In considering my submission, my key points are as follows:

- I. Understanding if the LTP proposes a massive population **growth** with an ageing and under-invested legacy infrastructure what, has been considered in this LTP 2021-2041 to accommodate additional **infrastructure** stresses. My concerns are grounded in the knowledge that many councils nationally are grappling with their current infrastructure issues and with many facing 13.5% increase in rates approximately. For Wellington to address their infrastructure bill it is currently estimated at 2 billion dollars and this is due to the council under investing historically, and this is not too dissimilar to Horowhenua District Council.
- II. In my view the consideration of **Central government** priorities to mitigate Wellington cities housing crisis by encouraging a district council in close proximity of Wellington to plan a 20-year growth in Horowhenua. Therefore, what has HDC raised with central government in terms of HDC meeting both land mass and a housing development pipeline that will support the Wellington housing **demand**? Ultimately the LTP is reliant on a \$46 million financial support per year over 20 years. LTP lacks a correlation with central government' Wellington housing crisis and the districts planned growth.

- III. It is very disappointing to see there is no provision in the LTP for the inclusion of **developing Māori landowner capability** to utilise their land as an option to address sustainable and affordable housing for Māori in Horowhenua?
- IV. The greater Horowhenua has a role as a national contributor to New Zealand food-basket. Inevitably this continues to impact on Horowhenua' ability to being a **sustainable and environmentally** healthy district and further impacts on the 3-waters review programme.
- V. The LTP lacks intention to **review** the continued measuring of **water quality** parameters which has little or no impact on improving water quality, at a cost to the ratepayer.
- VI. Has provision been given to apply exemptions for areas (at a **catchment level** and a farm level) where there are no resource pressures, or where resource pressures have not been effectively addressed.

VII. HDC Question	My comments
1. Do you think the proposed Community Outcomes reflect the aspirations of the Horowhenua community? (HDC LTP 2021-2041Pg. 11)	It is aspirational, but this LTP is missing measures of success statements such as “we know when we have achieved success when...” and describe what success looks like. How does the community know that the outcomes are being achieved?
VIII. Topic One Foxton Pool	Oppose or support
Option 1. Indoor and Outdoor Leisure Pool	Oppose
Option 2 Basic All-year Pool	Support this option
Option 3. Seasonal Outdoor Leisure Pool	Oppose
Option 4. Seasonal Outdoor Basic Pool	Oppose
Option 5. Permanently Close Facility	Oppose
IX. Topic Two Infrastructure funding - Development contributions.	We are proposing the following options. Do you agree?

<p>Option 1. Using development contributions as the key source of funding for growth infrastructure, in combination with other sources. Using development contributions as a significant way of funding growth alongside other options such as grants and SPVs. This option ensures growth pays for growth regardless of the scale of development. Development contributions have the potential to provide income of over \$3 million per year in the first 10 years.</p>	<p>My comments: My preference is for growth to pay for growth. Therefore, I support this option. My reservations of submitting my full support is primarily due to the future risks and uncertainties that HDC have little or no control over as highlighted on page 43 of LTP 2021-2041.</p>
<p>Option 2 Not using development contributions for funding growth infrastructure, and increasing rates instead.</p>	<p>Oppose this option. This does not reflect growth paying for growth. Make sure that new properties pay their share introduce development contributions so that the cost of infrastructure for growth is paid for by those new properties. I urge partnerships with Central Government to fund some of the significant development and avoid the need to review capital spending.</p>
<p>X. Topic 3. Changes to the Land Transport Targeted Rate</p>	<p>We are proposing the following options. Do you agree?</p>
<p>Option 1. Remove Differential The Land Transport Targeted Rate will be paid for by all ratepayers based on capital value. Businesses will pay 30% of the rates, because they hold 30% of the capital values throughout the district.</p>	<p>I support this option. Proposing option 1. For business this is fairest option out of the two. As a result of this option I'd like to see the future of business increasing as the population grows.</p>
<p>Option 2 - Status quo.</p>	<p>Oppose this option.</p>
<p>XI. Topic 4. Changes to the General Rate</p>	
<p>Option 1. Creating a Farming differential For this option there would be a differential that only applies to Farming properties. The Farming differential has been proposed because the higher farming land value would mean an unfair level of rates being attributed to rural agricultural rating units. The way the differential would be calculated would be on a dollar value, for every \$1 the District Wide ratepayers pay, the Farming properties would pay 50c.</p>	<p>Support this option Nothing more to add here.</p>
<p>Option 2. Status Quo Rural properties (including all businesses in the rural zone) pay 25% of the General Rate rates income. District Wide (excluding rural) pay 75% of the General Rate rates income.</p>	<p>Oppose this option</p>

XII. General comments LTP 2021-2041

The Need to replace ageing infrastructure

The LTP outlines a considerable amount of development occurred in 1960's, which highlights how old and ageing the districts infrastructure is, especially in terms of the three waters network. Across all of the infrastructure activities, particularly for the three waters network, historically there has been an underfunding of renewals. A key challenge for the district is making smart decisions around when to replace these ageing assets.

Continual assessment of asset condition and monitoring of reactive maintenance costs are undertaken to inform decision making. This ensures that we replace our older assets at the best time. We plan to replace our assets just-in-time to ensure we get the greatest use possible out of them. When replacing assets, we need to consider whether any upgrades are needed to meet increasing demands. This approach ensures our infrastructure is future proofed for increases to demand where appropriate.

Has the renewal of assets been budgeted for based on the age of the assets? Prior to undertaking condition assessments should asset of renewals be done first to plan a future programme around it? My question is will the condition of assets differ from what is expected from the age of the asset, or has the option of renewals being required earlier or later than planned into the budget?

What we told you HDC what we want to see in our community

The community engagement feedback highlighted that one of the most important actions residents want to see is for council to focus on delivering high quality infrastructure. The community also said a reliable, high-quality drinking water supply is also important too.

What I'd like to see reflected in the LTP 2021-2041 is;

- fairness to everyone when considering funding infrastructure for population growth
- investigate different ways to invest in funding the infrastructure.
- plans to restore and maintain healthy rivers, lake and Moana for future generations.
- need a modern, versatile transport network that makes it easy to get around whether you prefer driving, cycling, walking, or a mobility device.
- council money to be spent wisely on the things that matter like 3-waters solutions and improving the greatest natural asset in the district Lake Horowhenua.

Horowhenua Lake

I am a descendant of Muaūpoko and am a future beneficial owner of Lake Horowhenua. Today that same whakapapa gives my family, children and grandchildren beneficial ownership of Lake Horowhenua and we are proud to uphold the duty of care to protect our preserved fishing and other rights of the Maori owners over the Lake Horowhenua and the Hokio Stream that the Crowns 1956 Rold Act section 18 holds special provisions for Lake Horowhenua.

In Muaūpoko evidence has been heard by the Waitangi Tribunal 2200 Porirua Kia Manawatu that is currently sitting. The 2017 Waitangi Tribunal preliminary Muaūpoko Report details the Tribunal's findings and recommendations on the claims it has inquired into

under the Treaty of Waitangi and gives evidence of historical and current breaches of Article 2 for Lake Horowhenua owners.

I submit as 'Appendices A' a copy of the Waitangi Tribunal 2017 Muaupoko report and Appendices B ROLD Act 1956 that supports the report.

I strongly oppose to the 20-year LTP that the HDC are seeking in terms of all storm-water, catchment and undertakings that HDC operate that drain straight into Lake Horowhenua I note the concerns that the independent auditor's report cited that supports my objective.

I also '**oppose**' the following and support the independent auditor's findings:

- I oppose all resource consents mentioned in the LTP in reference to Levin Global Storm-water System.
- I support the auditor's report expressing concerns that HDC has not made provisions for a budget that gives support for the Government's new Ministry of Health 3 Waters Policy which would reflect HDC commitment to the well-being of their residents. According to WHO safe and readily available water is important for public health. Water in most parts of the world is considered as life, whether it is used for drinking, domestic use, food production or recreational purposes. Improved water supply and sanitation and better management of water resources, can boost countries' economic growth and can contribute greatly to reducing poverty.
By 2025 more than half the world's population will be living in water-stressed areas. (WHO website).

APPENDICES A Waitangi Tribunal 2017 Muaupoko report.

APPENDICES B ROLD ACT 1956 (supports Appendices A)

Tanya Nikolajenko

From: Brent Harvey
Sent: Friday, 16 April 2021 7:39 PM
To: Records Processing
Subject: FW: FW: Foxton Pool - Growing Our Future Together

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From: Linda Burling <lindaburling58@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, 16 April 2021 7:33 PM
To: Brent Harvey <BrentH@horowhenua.govt.nz>
Subject: Re: FW: Foxton Pool - Growing Our Future Together

Completed below;
LINDA

On Fri, 16 Apr 2021 at 11:04 AM, Brent Harvey <BrentH@horowhenua.govt.nz> wrote:

Good morning all,

We are approaching the end of the Long Term Plan consultation period with the official period concluding at 4pm on Monday 19 April. I know that a lot of you have submitted and provided your thoughts on Foxton Pool which is fantastic – thank you.

For those who haven't, I encourage you to take the time to make a submission, there is still time to do so.

The simplest way to reply to me with the following information and I will ensure it is included with the submissions.

Name: LINDA BURLING

Address: 23 BROWN TCE, FOXTON BEACH

Topic One – Foxton Pool

Preferred Option: indoor + outdoor pool/water play area, all year

Comments: i am a 2-3 times week user of this pool during its current opening season.

Thank you for your time. If you have any last minute questions about the options please don't hesitate to give me a call.

Regards

Brent

Brent Harvey

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From: Brent Harvey <BrentH@horowhenua.govt.nz>

Sent: Thursday, 8 April 2021 4:16 PM

To: Brent Harvey <BrentH@horowhenua.govt.nz>

Subject: Foxton Pool - Growing Our Future Together

Good afternoon,

Thank you to those of you that have submitted to the 2021-41 Long Term Plan, we are just over halfway through the consultation period and have received a number of submissions. For those of you that haven't submitted, there is still time to do so as consultation period closes 4pm Monday 19 April.

As outlined in my prior email there are five options presented for consideration with regards to Foxton Pool, including the option of permanent closure. I strongly encourage you to have your say if you wish to help shape the future of Foxton Pool. It's critically important that we receive submissions and hear from the community as this helps inform Councillors when it comes to decision making time.

More information on the five options and can be found here - www.horowhenua.govt.nz/GrowingOurFutureTogether

You are able to make a submission via email provided it includes the following information – These can be sent directly to me or to ltp@horowhenua.govt.nz

Name:

Address:

Topic One – Foxton Pool

Preferred Option:

Comments:

We have a free swim and sausage sizzle this Friday at Foxton Pool (3.30pm – 6.30pm) and will have staff onsite to answer any questions about the options being considered. If you don't have any questions, you are most welcome to come along and enjoy the facility and an evening at the pool – we will also have the dunk tank operating for those that are extra keen!

Kind regards

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From: Brent Harvey <BrentH@horowhenua.govt.nz>
Sent: Tuesday, 30 March 2021 8:50 AM
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Subject: FW: Foxton Pool - Growing Our Future Together

Good Morning,

In November last year, you provided feedback on various concepts as part of a Feasibility Study on Foxton Pool. The feedback received demonstrated the importance that the community places on aquatic provision in Foxton with 676 responses to the proposed concepts.

On Wednesday 16th March, Councillors adopted the draft Long Term Plan Consultation Document. The purpose of the Long Term Plan 2021-2041 Consultation Document is to get your feedback to help Council set out what we are going to do over the next 20 years.

One of the key topics in the 2021-41 Long Term Plan is the future of Foxton Pool. Your feedback provided in November last year has directly help shape the options for consideration. The Consultation Document asks the community to consider five options. All of the options have been quantity surveyed and operational modelling completed to help inform future decision making. The options are:

- Option 1: Indoor and Outdoor Leisure Pool
- Option 2: Basic All-year pool
- Option 3: Seasonal Outdoor Leisure Pool
- Option 4: Seasonal Outdoor Basic Pool
- Option 5: Permanently Close Facility

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

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Did you provide feedback as part of pre-engagement on the Long Term Plan? **No**

Hearing of Submissions

Do you wish to present your submission to Council at a Hearing? **No**

If yes, please specify below:

Do you require a sign language interpreter? **No**

Do you require a translator?

No

If yes, please specify translation details below:

Topic One - Foxton Pool

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Indoor and Outdoor Leisure Pool

Comments:

Topic Two - Infrastructure Funding: Development Contributions

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Using development contributions as the key source of funding for growth infrastructure, in combination with other sources.

Comments:

Draft Development Contributions Policy

Do you wish to speak to the Development Contributions Policy at a hearing? **No**

What activities do you think development contributions should be collected for as a source of funding growth infrastructure?

Roading

Water supply

Wastewater treatment

Stormwater

Community infrastructure such as parks, sportsfields, activity centres, playgrounds and more.

Comments:

Which approach do you think should be used?

District-wide contributions for roading and community infrastructure. Scheme-by-scheme contributions for the three waters. Growth areas pay for major expenses related to them.

Comments on Catchments:

Do you agree with this approach? **No**

Comments on Time of payment:

Do you agree with the proposed scope for reducing development contributions? **Yes**

Comments on Reductions:

Topic 3 - Changes to the Land Transport Targeted Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option: **Option 1: Remove Differential - All ratepayers pay the Land Transport Targeted Rate based on capital value.**

Comments:

Topic Four - Changes to the General Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option: **Option 1: Creating a Farming differential - Differential that only applies to Farming properties with a differential factor of 0.5 (Farming) to 1 (District Wide)**

Comments:

Draft Revenue and Financing Policy

Do you have any other comments about the draft Revenue and Financing Policy? **No**

If yes, please provide comments:

Draft Rates Remission Policy

Do you have any comments or suggested changes on the Rates Remission Policy? **Please make it fair for all others - I am happy with the statement, but when you hear wealthy people scamming the system its frustrating**

Financial Strategy

Have we got the balance right between rates increases **Yes**
and debt levels?

Comments:

Community Outcomes

Do you think the proposed Community Outcomes **Yes**
reflect the aspirations of the Horowhenua community?

Are we missing something, or focusing on something we
shouldn't be?

Additional Comments

Please identify any additional comments you have on
what is proposed as part of Council's Draft Long Term
Plan 2021-2041.

Attach any other comments:

Long Term Plan 2021-2041 - Submission Form



Submission date: **18 April 2021, 3:35PM**
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Full Name: **Christina Curley**

Name of Organisation:

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Did you provide feedback as part of pre-engagement on the Long Term Plan? **No**

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Topic One - Foxton Pool

Tick below to identify your preferred option: **Option 1: Indoor and Outdoor Leisure Pool**

Comments:

Levin Pools are already full, and having a year-round indoor-outdoor pool will ensure that there is space for the overflow with population growth. It will also bring more people to Foxton in the long-term, as well as support Foxton and Shannon whānau, and help to cover increased staff costs of having it open. Option 1 is the best outcome for the district which future-proofs against need, including a larger infrastructure spend at Levin Pool in the future as the overflow can go to Foxton instead.

Also as a Shannon resident I am more likely to use the Foxton Pools than Levin.

I am happy to pay the higher rate impact.

If Option 1 is not possible then my next preferred option would be Option 2 followed by Option 3.

Topic Two - Infrastructure Funding: Development Contributions

Tick below to identify your preferred option: **Option 1: Using development contributions as the key source of funding for growth infrastructure, in combination with other sources.**

Comments:

Option 1 is a no-brainer. Discussing this with elders in the Shannon community elicits some anger and a very strong opinion that Option 1 is their preference. These are people who are otherwise extremely unlikely to make a submission to Council and are not connected digitally.

Reasoning: The property market is very high right now and developers *should* be bearing some of that cost because they are profiting immensely from their developments. It is not unreasonable to ask them to bear it, especially as the alternative is to push those costs onto ratepayers who will both not directly benefit from this development (i.e. receive huge profits per house) and also potentially be put into hardship with multi-year rates rises - particularly the 14% rates rise of Year 1 in Option 2.

I am pleased to see Council is taking up the option of the \$3.8bn infrastructure funding support to help with this too - nice work team.

I am support of Option 1 even though I am part of a team looking at ways of solving the housing crisis we are facing in Shannon, and that this will add to our costs if we do go ahead with a social housing project. Because Shannon infrastructure costs are already in place, we expect development contributions would be much lower though.

Given the growth in the district, it's possible that development contributions would be enough to create increased income for other projects too.

Do you wish to speak to the Development Contributions Policy at a hearing? **No**

What activities do you think development contributions should be collected for as a source of funding growth infrastructure?

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Community infrastructure such as parks, sportsfields, activity centres, playgrounds and more.

Comments:

All should be collected as all are elements of cost which otherwise would be paid for by ratepayers.

Community infrastructure (such as green spaces) may be one area where developers might wish to create their own in lieu of council, but we should look carefully then at who would own them and land use requirements.

One thing that isn't mentioned elsewhere but I would like to draw your attention to is the recent report regarding use of arable land and that we are building over all of this to future detriment (Taraika being an example). I ask that Council when considering growth areas considers putting aside extra areas with clean fertile soil for community gardens and parks, because in the future there will be a lot more demand for the type of growing areas that are called allotments in the UK, and demand for home food production as consumption patterns shift towards organic and locally grown urban farms and small-scale agriculture production. So I ask these are balanced out. Thanks.

Which approach do you think should be used?

District-wide contributions for roading and community infrastructure. Scheme-by-scheme contributions for the three waters. Growth areas pay for major expenses related to them.

Comments on Catchments:

Do you agree with this approach?

Yes

Comments on Time of payment:

I agree with this approach. It will need to be flagged with them early though.

Do you agree with the proposed scope for reducing development contributions?

Yes

Comments on Reductions:

Yes - this directly would impact us if we created a housing development in Shannon to support our people here. So I am in support of this for that reason - and that it would help others doing similar.

Topic 3 - Changes to the Land Transport Targeted Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Remove Differential - All ratepayers pay the Land Transport Targeted Rate based on capital value.

Comments:

Topic Four - Changes to the General Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Creating a Farming differential - Differential that only applies to Farming properties with a differential factor of 0.5 (Farming) to 1 (District Wide)

Comments:

Yes I agree with this. Impact content in the LTP is clear about the financial impact on Council and individuals.

Draft Revenue and Financing Policy

Do you have any other comments about the draft Revenue and Financing Policy?

No

If yes, please provide comments:

Draft Rates Remission Policy

Do you have any comments or suggested changes on the Rates Remission Policy?

Financial Strategy

Have we got the balance right between rates increases and debt levels? **Yes**

Comments:

I think so - it does rely on growth (e.g. no further significant pandemics!).

Community Outcomes

Do you think the proposed Community Outcomes reflect the aspirations of the Horowhenua community? **Yes**

Are we missing something, or focusing on something we shouldn't be?

One thing I would love to see more of is an introduction of water meters to help people understand and monitor their usage, rainwater tanks for all new houses (or a shared one for apartment buildings) to support increased resilience in case of a natural disaster, and a focus on water conservation (including managing commercial runoff). This is especially important in areas such as Ōhau where the existing infrastructure isn't enough, and also important in places like Foxton Beach with limited water supplies. (Anecdotal example: when I moved here, I installed a 5,000L rainwater tank (not plumbed into system) and it gives me a lot of peace of mind. I used it to water the garden all summer and never emptied it, and it was full again by the end of summer.) As we have more and more people using the same limited resources, this is an obvious one to me. The cost to add a rainwater tank for a new-build is also not prohibitive - around an additional \$2k per house based on what it cost me to install mine. It would increase network resiliency enormously in case of disaster, as well as reducing stormwater runoff and

waste water and freshwater treatment costs. If the tanks were also plumbed in to provide untreated water to flush the toilet with, for example, this would have a big impact across the district and would hopefully reduce Council costs as a result (I'm sure your engineers could give you exact numbers). (There are some other councils I'm aware of who are considering these measures - you can watch their experience with this too.)

The other big aspiration/issue here in Shannon is housing - providing housing for our people who are being pushed out as the region grows. Like any other complex human system (sometimes called a "wicked" problem), ultimately supply is the challenge driving prices. But please be mindful of helping us shape the community here to one which retains its kind and close-knit nature, as there is the potential for multiple medium-sized developments here, and we want to find a way to ensure our local people (many of whom are tangata whenua or mana whenua) are not left out or pushed out. I personally would prefer intensification of the existing urban-zoned land in Shannon rather than making the town's footprint larger.

There is a lot of demand here for an after-school programme too, if an opportunity arose to support this in some way.

On a positive note: I am really grateful for the Council support of initiatives in Shannon and I am pleased to have been able to work much more closely with HDC than I ever did in Wellington which is due to the accessibility and support of council staff. Thanks, team. Your hard work makes a difference to the lives of people here.

Additional Comments

Please identify any additional comments you have on what is proposed as part of Council's Draft Long Term Plan 2021-2041.

Thanks team - I have already included my comments elsewhere. Ngā mihi.

Attach any other comments:

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Related form version: **2**

Contact Details

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Did you provide feedback as part of pre-engagement on the Long Term Plan? **No**

Hearing of Submissions

Do you wish to present your submission to Council at a Hearing? **No**

If yes, please specify below:

Do you require a sign language interpreter? **No**

Do you require a translator?

No

If yes, please specify translation details below:

Topic One - Foxton Pool

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 3: Seasonal Outdoor Leisure Pool

Comments:

Topic Two - Infrastructure Funding: Development Contributions

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Using development contributions as the key source of funding for growth infrastructure, in combination with other sources.

Comments:

Draft Development Contributions Policy

Do you wish to speak to the Development Contributions Policy at a hearing? **No**

What activities do you think development contributions should be collected for as a source of funding growth infrastructure?

Roading

Wastewater treatment

Stormwater

Community infrastructure such as parks, sportsfields, activity centres, playgrounds and more.

Comments:

Which approach do you think should be used?

Harmonisation: all required contributions are the same across the district.

Comments on Catchments:

Do you agree with this approach?

Yes

Comments on Time of payment:

Do you agree with the proposed scope for reducing development contributions? **Yes**

Comments on Reductions:

Topic 3 - Changes to the Land Transport Targeted Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 2: Status Quo - Differential where businesses pay 35% of the Land Transport Targeted Rate and District Wide properties pay 65%.

Comments:

Topic Four - Changes to the General Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Creating a Farming differential - Differential that only applies to Farming properties with a differential factor of 0.5 (Farming) to 1 (District Wide)

Comments:

Draft Revenue and Financing Policy

Do you have any other comments about the draft Revenue and Financing Policy? **No**

If yes, please provide comments:

Draft Rates Remission Policy

Do you have any comments or suggested changes on the Rates Remission Policy?

Financial Strategy

Have we got the balance right between rates increases **No**
and debt levels?

Comments:

Community Outcomes

Do you think the proposed Community Outcomes **Yes**
reflect the aspirations of the Horowhenua community?

Are we missing something, or focusing on something we
shouldn't be?

Additional Comments

Please identify any additional comments you have on
what is proposed as part of Council's Draft Long Term
Plan 2021-2041.

Attach any other comments:

Long Term Plan 2021-2041 - Submission Form



Submission date: **18 April 2021, 4:39PM**
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Related form version: **2**

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Did you provide feedback as part of pre-engagement on **Yes**
the Long Term Plan?

Hearing of Submissions

Do you wish to present your submission to Council at a **No**
Hearing?

If yes, please specify below:

Do you require a sign language interpreter? **No**

Do you require a translator? **No**

If yes, please specify translation details below:

Topic One - Foxton Pool

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Indoor and Outdoor Leisure Pool

Comments:

Topic Two - Infrastructure Funding: Development Contributions

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Using development contributions as the key source of funding for growth infrastructure, in combination with other sources.

Comments:

Draft Development Contributions Policy

Do you wish to speak to the Development Contributions Policy at a hearing? **No**

What activities do you think development contributions should be collected for as a source of funding growth infrastructure?

Water supply

Wastewater treatment

Community infrastructure such as parks, sportsfields, activity centres, playgrounds and more.

Comments:

Which approach do you think should be used?

Comments on Catchments:

Do you agree with this approach?

Yes

Comments on Time of payment:

Do you agree with the proposed scope for reducing development contributions?

No

Comments on Reductions:

Topic 3 - Changes to the Land Transport Targeted Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Remove Differential - All ratepayers pay the Land Transport Targeted Rate based on capital value.

Comments:

Topic Four - Changes to the General Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 2: Status Quo - Rural properties (including all business in the rural zone) pay 25% of the General Rate rates income, District wide pay 75% of the General Rates rates income.

Comments:

Draft Revenue and Financing Policy

Do you have any other comments about the draft Revenue and Financing Policy?

No

If yes, please provide comments:

Draft Rates Remission Policy

Do you have any comments or suggested changes on the Rates Remission Policy?

Financial Strategy

Have we got the balance right between rates increases and debt levels?

Comments:

Community Outcomes

Do you think the proposed Community Outcomes reflect the aspirations of the Horowhenua community?

Are we missing something, or focusing on something we shouldn't be?

Additional Comments

Please identify any additional comments you have on what is proposed as part of Council's Draft Long Term Plan 2021-2041.

Attach any other comments:

Long Term Plan 2021-2041 - Submission Form



Submission date: **18 April 2021, 5:32PM**
Receipt number: **131**
Related form version: **2**

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Did you provide feedback as part of pre-engagement on the Long Term Plan? **No**

Hearing of Submissions

Do you wish to present your submission to Council at a Hearing? **No**

If yes, please specify below:

Do you require a sign language interpreter? **No**

Do you require a translator? **No**

If yes, please specify translation details below:

Topic One - Foxton Pool

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Indoor and Outdoor Leisure Pool

Comments:

Topic Two - Infrastructure Funding: Development Contributions

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Comments:

Draft Development Contributions Policy

Do you wish to speak to the Development Contributions Policy at a hearing?

What activities do you think development contributions should be collected for as a source of funding growth infrastructure?

Comments:

Which approach do you think should be used?

Comments on Catchments:

Do you agree with this approach?

Comments on Time of payment:

Do you agree with the proposed scope for reducing development contributions?

Comments on Reductions:

Topic 3 - Changes to the Land Transport Targeted Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Comments:

Topic Four - Changes to the General Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Comments:

Draft Revenue and Financing Policy

Do you have any other comments about the draft Revenue and Financing Policy?

If yes, please provide comments:

Draft Rates Remission Policy

Do you have any comments or suggested changes on the Rates Remission Policy?

Financial Strategy

Have we got the balance right between rates increases and debt levels?

Comments:

Community Outcomes

Do you think the proposed Community Outcomes reflect the aspirations of the Horowhenua community?

Are we missing something, or focusing on something we shouldn't be?

Additional Comments

Please identify any additional comments you have on what is proposed as part of Council's Draft Long Term Plan 2021-2041.

Attach any other comments:

Long Term Plan 2021-2041 - Submission Form



Submission date: **18 April 2021, 7:08PM**
Receipt number: **132**
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Contact Details

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Did you provide feedback as part of pre-engagement on the Long Term Plan? **No**

Hearing of Submissions

Do you wish to present your submission to Council at a Hearing? **No**

If yes, please specify below:

Do you require a sign language interpreter? **No**

Do you require a translator?

No

If yes, please specify translation details below:

Topic One - Foxton Pool

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Indoor and Outdoor Leisure Pool

Comments:

Topic Two - Infrastructure Funding: Development Contributions

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Using development contributions as the key source of funding for growth infrastructure, in combination with other sources.

Comments:

Draft Development Contributions Policy

Do you wish to speak to the Development Contributions Policy at a hearing? **No**

What activities do you think development contributions should be collected for as a source of funding growth infrastructure?

**Water supply
Community infrastructure such as parks, sportsfields, activity centres, playgrounds and more.**

Comments:

Which approach do you think should be used?

District-wide contributions for roading and community infrastructure. Scheme-by-scheme contributions for the three waters. Growth areas pay for major expenses related to them.

Comments on Catchments:

Do you agree with this approach?

Yes

Comments on Time of payment:

Do you agree with the proposed scope for reducing development contributions? **No**

Comments on Reductions:

Topic 3 - Changes to the Land Transport Targeted Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Remove Differential - All ratepayers pay the Land Transport Targeted Rate based on capital value.

Comments:

Topic Four - Changes to the General Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 2: Status Quo - Rural properties (including all business in the rural zone) pay 25% of the General Rate rates income, District wide pay 75% of the General Rates rates income.

Comments:

Draft Revenue and Financing Policy

Do you have any other comments about the draft Revenue and Financing Policy? **No**

If yes, please provide comments:

Draft Rates Remission Policy

Do you have any comments or suggested changes on the Rates Remission Policy?

Religious organisations should pay rates as they have contributing money from the community coming in.

Financial Strategy

Have we got the balance right between rates increases and debt levels? **No**

Comments:

We do not want to jump the gun, housing is growing adding more debt than we can manage results in higher tax rates in future.

Community Outcomes

Do you think the proposed Community Outcomes reflect the aspirations of the Horowhenua community? **Yes**

Are we missing something, or focusing on something we shouldn't be?

With more focus on quality infrastructure and environmental attractions the economy will be a natural progression. No point adding lots of houses and people when our medical centre and other Dr's are struggling to keep trained Dr's in horowhenua. Our parks, mountain bike tracks, Lake walks and beaches need to be maintained and celebrated.

Additional Comments

Please identify any additional comments you have on what is proposed as part of Council's Draft Long Term Plan 2021-2041.

I would like to see our adventure park monitored as it often gets damaged and left unsafe by litter/glass/needles for our tamariki. The park on Kennedy could be expanded to cater for the growing families that have moved into this area. Majority are fulltime working families that contribute to our community, it would be nice to acknowledge all families not just poverty stricken families.

Attach any other comments:

Long Term Plan 2021-2041 - Submission Form



Submission date: **18 April 2021, 8:57PM**
Receipt number: **134**
Related form version: **2**

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Did you provide feedback as part of pre-engagement on **Yes**
the Long Term Plan?

Hearing of Submissions

Do you wish to present your submission to Council at a **No**
Hearing?

If yes, please specify below:

Do you require a sign language interpreter? **No**

Do you require a translator? **No**

If yes, please specify translation details below:

Topic One - Foxtton Pool

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Indoor and Outdoor Leisure Pool

Comments:

Given the growth of the Foxtton, Foxtton Beach and outlying district the growing utilisation of the Pool facility while currently strong will likely grow immensely over the coming years

I personally attend Aqua-classes four times a week and would do so throughout the year if the facility was open all year round: The potential for this facility to expand and contribute significantly to the community's well-being, fitness and general good-health is much needed in today's society.

Topic Two - Infrastructure Funding: Development Contributions

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Comments:

Draft Development Contributions Policy

Do you wish to speak to the Development Contributions Policy at a hearing?

What activities do you think development contributions should be collected for as a source of funding growth infrastructure?

Comments:

Which approach do you think should be used?

Comments on Catchments:

Do you agree with this approach?

Comments on Time of payment:

Do you agree with the proposed scope for reducing development contributions?

Comments on Reductions:

Topic 3 - Changes to the Land Transport Targeted Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Comments:

Topic Four - Changes to the General Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Comments:

Draft Revenue and Financing Policy

Do you have any other comments about the draft Revenue and Financing Policy?

If yes, please provide comments:

Draft Rates Remission Policy

Do you have any comments or suggested changes on the Rates Remission Policy?

Financial Strategy

Have we got the balance right between rates increases and debt levels?

Comments:

Community Outcomes

Do you think the proposed Community Outcomes reflect the aspirations of the Horowhenua community?

Are we missing something, or focusing on something we shouldn't be?

Additional Comments

Please identify any additional comments you have on what is proposed as part of Council's Draft Long Term Plan 2021-2041.

Attach any other comments:

Long Term Plan 2021-2041 - Submission Form



Submission date: **18 April 2021, 9:15PM**
Receipt number: **133**
Related form version: **2**

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Did you provide feedback as part of pre-engagement on **Yes**
the Long Term Plan?

Hearing of Submissions

Do you wish to present your submission to Council at a **Yes**
Hearing?

If yes, please specify below: **In person**

Do you require a sign language interpreter? **No**

Do you require a translator? **No**

If yes, please specify translation details below:

Topic One - Foxton Pool

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 2: Basic All-year pool

Comments:

This is a good interim option to provide Foxton with a year round facility. The only concern is have the additional costs of wages and running costs been factored into the \$26.61 per year increase or is this only to cover the cost of repaying the lending?

Topic Two - Infrastructure Funding: Development Contributions

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Using development contributions as the key source of funding for growth infrastructure, in combination with other sources.

Comments:

This needs to be implemented but the timing of charging needs to be specific, and more easily understood than the shambles that the Development Contribution levy was at its last implementation. The level of the contributions and the variance between areas also needs to be better researched.

Draft Development Contributions Policy

Do you wish to speak to the Development Contributions Policy at a hearing? **Yes**

What activities do you think development contributions should be collected for as a source of funding growth infrastructure?

Roading
Water supply
Wastewater treatment
Stormwater

Comments:

Which approach do you think should be used?

Harmonisation: all required contributions are the same across the district.

Comments on Catchments:

Do you agree with this approach?

No

Comments on Time of payment:

The above assumes that every developer will then build the houses. It does not take into account that some developers will simply sell the sections to an individual who will build later. Therefore this method will create confusion. The levy needs to be charged at the same time on all developments. ie either at 224 C or at Building Consent application

Do you agree with the proposed scope for reducing development contributions?

No

Comments on Reductions:

Topic 3 - Changes to the Land Transport Targeted Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Remove Differential - All ratepayers pay the Land Transport Targeted Rate based on capital value.

Comments:

We agree with option 1

Topic Four - Changes to the General Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Creating a Farming differential - Differential that only applies to Farming properties with a differential factor of 0.5 (Farming) to 1 (District Wide)

Comments:

We support this option in principal BUT there are a large number of rating units deemed to be vacant lifestyle that are to move automatically into the District Wide group that are actually part of a larger farming enterprises or used as farming support blocks. These blocks need to be identified and returned to the Farming category. It has come to light that a large number of these blocks are owned by numerous Maori owners/ family members and that the income from the lease of these lands is of major importance to the owners. The subsequent proposed increase in rates will make the leasing of a number of these blocks uneconomical, and they could become a liability to the owners and the Horowhenua District council. The factor of 1.00 to 0.50 will need to be further addressed because of this.

Draft Revenue and Financing Policy

Do you have any other comments about the draft Revenue and Financing Policy?

Yes

If yes, please provide comments:

Do not increase the lending. Spend only on the necessities and not on the feel good projects. Do not increase the debt upper levels, leave them at the current levels. DO NOT spend spend \$36m million on Donnelly Park.

Draft Rates Remission Policy

Do you have any comments or suggested changes on the Rates Remission Policy?

There should be included in the policy an option for these Vacant Lifestyle blocks that have been identified as being part of a farming enterprise that the rates can also be remitted back to the level they would be if they were deemed to be rural/farming land

Financial Strategy

Have we got the balance right between rates increases and debt levels? **No**

Comments:

Every LTP we are told that the debt levels will go up for the next 3 years and then start to come down. We oppose the increase in the net debit limit increase to 250% of operating income.

Community Outcomes

Do you think the proposed Community Outcomes reflect the aspirations of the Horowhenua community?

Are we missing something, or focusing on something we shouldn't be?

Additional Comments

Please identify any additional comments you have on what is proposed as part of Council's Draft Long Term Plan 2021-2041.

Attach any other comments:

Tanya Nikolajenko

From: Brent Harvey
Sent: Sunday, 18 April 2021 8:41 PM
To: Records Processing
Subject: FW: Foxton Pool - Growing Our Future Together

Brent Harvey

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**We are.
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From: Wutzler, Janet <J.R.Wutzler@massey.ac.nz>
Sent: Sunday, 18 April 2021 8:36 pm
To: Brent Harvey <BrentH@horowhenua.govt.nz>
Subject: FW: Foxton Pool - Growing Our Future Together

Hi Brent

Thank you for your emails. Here is my submission for the Foxton Pool options.

Name: Janet Wutzler

Address: PO Box 258 Levin

Topic One – Foxton Pool

Preferred Option: Option 2

Comments:

Apart from the reason of a town this size needing a public swimming pool, and ideally year-round, with the development of the Loop, which is fantastic, more people will be drawn to the river water, which is toxic, and presents a potential public health hazard. The pool provides an alternative for swimming and water fun.

I strongly feel that, in addition to the pool upgrade, the front grassy area should be significantly landscaped to be both visually captivating, a draw-card for the pool and a space for people to be in. This does not need to be something that requires a huge cash injection; could large rocks be donated by a local quarry, trees obtained from the Green Hub, local builders may add seating etc – in exchange for small placards advertising their company's contribution.

This would also complement the Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom complex and begin to connect it to 'over the road' continuing Foxton's (much needed) enhancement of its main street, which is packed with potential. Foxton could be a really beaut town visually, easily on a par with a town like Arrowtown, if more was made of its attractive old buildings.

The people of Foxton deserve and desperately need the continued lift to morale that is already apparent from the development of the Loop, and a significant visual enhancement and creation of a public space at the Pool, which is located in the middle of the main street and (should be) an unmissable landmark.

Thanks Brent, I hope this is clear!

Warm regards

Janet

From: Brent Harvey <BrentH@horowhenua.govt.nz>
Sent: Friday, 16 April 2021 11:03 am
To: Brent Harvey <BrentH@horowhenua.govt.nz>
Subject: FW: Foxton Pool - Growing Our Future Together

Good morning all,

We are approaching the end of the Long Term Plan consultation period with the official period concluding at 4pm on Monday 19 April. I know that a lot of you have submitted and provided your thoughts on Foxton Pool which is fantastic – thank you.

For those who haven't, I encourage you to take the time to make a submission, there is still time to do so.

The simplest way to reply to me with the following information and I will ensure it is included with the submissions.

Name:

Address:

Topic One – Foxton Pool

Preferred Option:

Comments:

Thank you for your time. If you have any last minute questions about the options please don't hesitate to give me a call.

Regards
Brent

Brent Harvey
Community Facilities and Events Manager

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**We are.
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From: Brent Harvey <BrentH@horowhenua.govt.nz>
Sent: Thursday, 8 April 2021 4:16 PM

To: Brent Harvey <BrentH@horowhenua.govt.nz>
Subject: Foxton Pool - Growing Our Future Together

Good afternoon,

Thank you to those of you that have submitted to the 2021-41 Long Term Plan, we are just over halfway through the consultation period and have received a number of submissions. For those of you that haven't submitted, there is still time to do so as consultation period closes 4pm Monday 19 April.

As outlined in my prior email there are five options presented for consideration with regards to Foxton Pool, including the option of permanent closure. I strongly encourage you to have your say if you wish to help shape the future of Foxton Pool. It's critically important that we receive submissions and hear from the community as this helps inform Councillors when it comes to decision making time.

More information on the five options and can be found here - www.horowhenua.govt.nz/GrowingOurFutureTogether

You are able to make a submission via email provided it includes the following information – These can be sent directly to me or to ltp@horowhenua.govt.nz

Name:

Address:

Topic One – Foxton Pool

Preferred Option:

Comments:

We have a free swim and sausage sizzle this Friday at Foxton Pool (3.30pm – 6.30pm) and will have staff onsite to answer any questions about the options being considered. If you don't have any questions, you are most welcome to come along and enjoy the facility and an evening at the pool – we will also have the dunk tank operating for those that are extra keen!

Kind regards
Brent

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From: Brent Harvey <BrentH@horowhenua.govt.nz>
Sent: Tuesday, 30 March 2021 8:50 AM
To: Brent Harvey <BrentH@horowhenua.govt.nz>
Subject: FW: Foxton Pool - Growing Our Future Together

Good Morning,

In November last year, you provided feedback on various concepts as part of a Feasibility Study on Foxton Pool. The feedback received demonstrated the importance that the community places on aquatic provision in Foxton with 676 responses to the proposed concepts.

On Wednesday 16th March, Councillors adopted the draft Long Term Plan Consultation Document. The purpose of the Long Term Plan 2021-2041 Consultation Document is to get your feedback to help Council set out what we are going to do over the next 20 years.

One of the key topics in the 2021-41 Long Term Plan is the future of Foxton Pool. Your feedback provided in November last year has directly help shape the options for consideration. The Consultation Document asks the community to consider five options. All of the options have been quantity surveyed and operational modelling completed to help inform future decision making. The options are:

- Option 1: Indoor and Outdoor Leisure Pool
- Option 2: Basic All-year pool
- Option 3: Seasonal Outdoor Leisure Pool
- Option 4: Seasonal Outdoor Basic Pool
- Option 5: Permanently Close Facility

The purpose of the email today is to let you know that the submission period is now open and to encourage you to have your say – the submissions received through this period will assist Council when it comes to making a decision on the future of the facility. It's important that the community is heard when considering the pools future and I encourage as many people as possible to take the time to complete a submission.

The full LTP Consultation Document, including supporting information and how to make a submission can be found here: [Long Term Plan 2021 - 2041, Growing Our Future Together](#). **Submissions close at 4pm on Monday 19 April 2021.**

Please join us on Friday 09 April for a free swim and sausage at Foxton Pool from 3.30pm – 6.30pm. We'll have staff on hand to answer any questions you may have in relation to Foxton Pool. Alternatively, if you have any questions feel free to contact me by replying to this email.

Kind regards

Brent

Brent Harvey

Community Facilities and Events Manager

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Tanya Nikolajenko

From: Brent Harvey
Sent: Sunday, 18 April 2021 8:09 PM
To: Records Processing
Subject: FW: Foxton Pool - Growing Our Future Together

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**We are.
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From: Reihana Adlam <reihana-adlam@hotmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, 18 April 2021 8:07 PM
To: Brent Harvey <BrentH@horowhenua.govt.nz>
Subject: Re: Foxton Pool - Growing Our Future Together

Hi Brent,

Name: Reihana Adlam

Address: 17 Mark Perreau Place, Foxton

Topic One – Foxton Pool

Preferred Option: 3 Seasonal Outdoor Leisure Pool

Comments: Keen to have a heated pool for everyone and also the toddler pool for the young ones.

Ngā mihi,

Reihana Adlam

On 16/04/2021, at 11:03 AM, Brent Harvey <BrentH@horowhenua.govt.nz> wrote:

Name:

Address:

Topic One – Foxton Pool

Preferred Option:

Comments:

Tanya Nikolajenko

From: Brent Harvey
Sent: Sunday, 18 April 2021 8:09 PM
To: Records Processing
Subject: FW: Foxton Pool - Growing Our Future Together

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Sent: Sunday, 18 April 2021 6:44 PM
To: Brent Harvey <BrentH@horowhenua.govt.nz>
Subject: Re: Foxton Pool - Growing Our Future Together

Kia ora Brent

Name: Susan Woodwark

Address: 8 Carex Grove, Foxton Beach

Topic One – Foxton Pool

Preferred Option: Option 1

Comments: Swimming pools and good facilities are a great way to give people in smaller communities somewhere to keep fit and stay healthy at a relatively low cost. They provide children with somewhere safe to learn to swim and become confident, critical in a town with a large river and the sea. Whilst this option will result in high rates the minimal increase is well worth the long term benefits. this area is really improving and facilities like this are key to attracting families and encouraging/assisting the council fulfil part of it's strategic plan.

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Sent: Saturday, 17 April 2021 8:42 PM
To: Brent Harvey <BrentH@horowhenua.govt.nz>
Subject: Re: Foxton Pool - Growing Our Future Together

Hi,

Thank you for your email.
Below is my response.

Name: Tracy Stanley

Address: 17 Story Street, Foxton Beach

Topic One – Foxton Pool

Preferred Option: Option 1

Comments: While Option 1 is the most expensive, it provides the most fun for the children (and adults). Foxton/Foxton Beach is growing and weekends and holidays are very busy and with the pool been inviting, it could be well utilised if it was the right design. Personally, we would use it year-round, so whatever you do, making it year-round would be great. And I hope that you don't choose to close the pool. Thank you.

Thank you,
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Name: Jane Sandilands

Address: 4 Carter Crescent Foxton Beach

Topic One – Foxton Pool

Preferred Option: Option 1 Indoor and Outdoor Leisure Pool

Comments: This is an important part of this community. With a growing population and a beach location close by there is a need for a swimming pool for all ages. This helps prepare children when they are in a beach situation. From learn to swim for young children up to older ages. The lessons at Foxton pool are very convenient. As driving to Levin takes more time and petrol. The elder local residents can walk or bike to the pool for there swim time be it lengths or for exercise classes. Swimming is a low impact exercise and helps everyone's fitness. As rates are very high and Foxton beach residents have to pay water rates this is important for it to stay in Foxton. My family use this facility every week when it is open. Hope the submissions are closely looked at . As there was a great response in favour of option 1.

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To: Records Processing
Subject: FW: Horowhenua District Council Long-Term Plan - WSNZ submission
Attachments: Horowhenua District Council submission due 19 April.docx

From: Sally Walker <Sally@watersafety.org.nz>
Sent: Monday, 19 April 2021 12:31 PM
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Subject: Horowhenua District Council Long-Term Plan - WSNZ submission

Kia ora

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comment on your long-term plan. Please find attached our submission.

Many thanks

Sally

Ngā mihi

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Submission to Horowhenua District Council District Council

Executive Summary

1. Preventable drowning fatalities costs the NZ economy around \$320 million per year. WSNZ wants to reduce the number of preventable drownings in the Horowhenua District and believes this can be achieved by ensuring more drowning prevention activity is undertaken, and there is better coordination and direction of the water safety effort. Ultimately, WSNZ wants residents of the Horowhenua District to be safe in, on and around water.
2. The focus of the first part of this submission is to draw to the Horowhenua District Council District Council's attention the need for drowning prevention and water safety and highlight the relevant legislation and strategy.
3. This submission then comments on some of the key issues in the 10-year Consultation Document including the:
 - relevance of water safety and drowning prevention to the Horowhenua communities well-being – social, economic, cultural and environmental;
 - need to invest in the on-going maintenance of waste and storm water infrastructure to ensure water quality (swimmability and manoeuvrability) in the Horowhenua District Council aquatic environments;
 - need to adapt and mitigate the impacts of climate change on aquatic environments in the Horowhenua District Council; and
 - possibility of working with Council (and other stakeholders) to expand the awareness of Māori water safety issues, and potential ways to reduce the Māori drowning toll in the Horowhenua District Council.
4. What WSNZ wants to achieve from this submission is:
 - to work with the Horowhenua District Council to help broaden Council's approach for reducing drowning fatalities and improving water safety awareness – a broader approach that is focused on community well-being;
 - Horowhenua District Council to consider water safety and drowning prevention a key component of maintaining the community well-being of its residents;
 - Horowhenua District Council to continue to invest in water safety and drowning prevention activities;
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Introduction

5. Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Horowhenua District Council's Long Term Plan Consultation Document 2021-31.
6. Water Safety New Zealand (WSNZ) is the leadership agency for the water safety sector and wants to reduce the number of preventable drownings in the region. We believe this can be achieved by ensuring more drowning prevention activity is undertaken, and better coordination and direction of the water safety effort by all responsible parties.
7. It is towards these objectives that the following submission is made. Further information about WSNZ can be found in *attachment 1*.

Context

8. The World Health Organisation characterises drowning as a serious and neglected public health threat and a highly preventable public health challenge.
9. Drowning is a growing public health and well-being problem with drowning being the number one cause of recreational death and the third highest cause of accidental death (behind road accidents and falls) in New Zealand. ¹ From 2010 to 2019 there were 965 preventable drowning fatalities in New Zealand and injuries are increasing sharply; in 2018 alone there were over 36,000 claims for water related injuries (an average of around 100 a day).²
10. It has been estimated that preventable drowning costs the NZ economy around \$320 million per year. (Based on an average of 80 fatalities per year at \$4.0 million per fatality). In 2016 the economic cost of water related hospitalisations was \$83.6 million. In addition, a drowning incident may require a response from several agencies including: Police, NZ Search and Rescue responders or ambulance and medical service. Intervening early, or preventing the need to respond to a drowning, will provide cost savings to the New Zealand economy.
11. In 2019 the Government-appointed Water Safety Working Group concluded the responsibility for water safety, drowning prevention and frontline rescue services is shared between central and local government, the community, and water safety NGOs. In essence, their message was that central government has a partial responsibility for water safety and further effort is required to ensure all responsible parties are actively involved in the prevention of drowning.
12. In response, through Budget 2020 the Government provided multi-year funding for frontline rescue services, and to grow WSNZ's capability to lead and support the wider water safety sector. The Government is now looking to other parties responsible for water safety, such as local government, to see what role they can play. To this end WSNZ recently briefed the Minister of Local Government on the state of the water safety sector, Wai Ora Aotearoa (our new Water Safety Sector Strategy 2025), and our intentions to work with local government to improve water safety and prevent drownings.

Wai Ora Aotearoa – Water Safety Sector Strategy 2025

13. WSNZ recently launched Wai Ora Aotearoa which is the result of a year's collaborative work by water safety sector leaders. The strategy represents a consensual view of the best way forward for drowning prevention in New Zealand. Moreover, the strategy reflects the need for a step change in the way the sector operates. This change will enable the sector to meet the major challenges it is facing over the next few years.

¹ WSNZ Drowning Report, 2018.

² ACC, 2020

14. Key actions for the sector to implement over the term of the strategy include:

Develop a water safety sector local government engagement strategy that focuses on relationship building and engaging with local government planning.

Complete the Implementation of the Regional Strategy pilots and develop a Freshwater Strategy for the sector.

15. Both these actions are relevant to WSNZ's relationship with Horowhenua District Council and are reflected in the content of this submission.

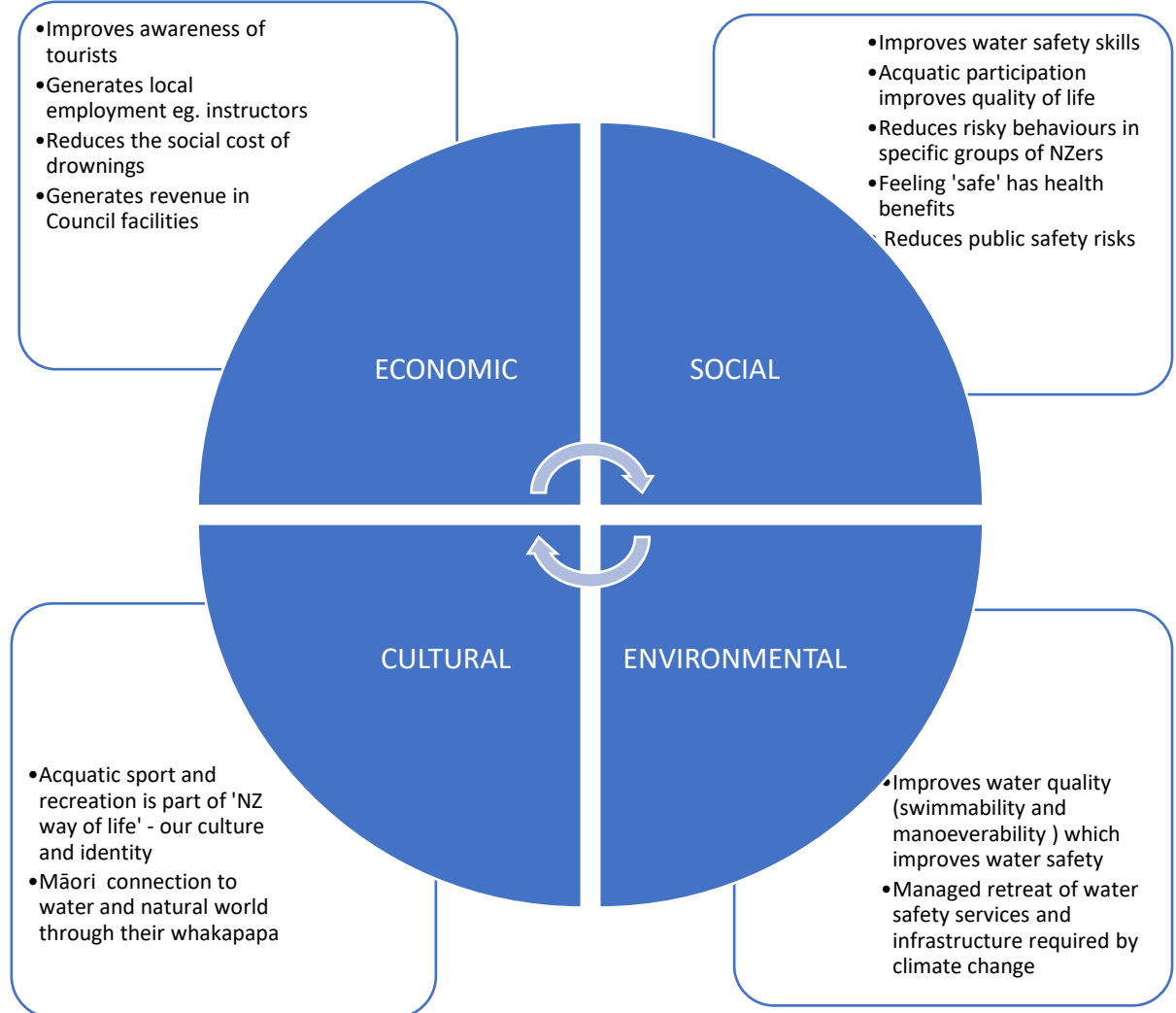
Community well-being

16. The Local Government (Community Well-being) Amendment Act 2019 restored the promotion of social, economic, environmental, and cultural well-being to the purpose of local government.
17. The amendments to the Act are intended to enable local authorities, and ensure local authorities are responsible for, playing a broad role in promoting and improving the social, economic, environmental, and cultural well-being of their communities-the four aspects of well-being.³
18. The Minister for local Government, Nanaia Mahuta, stated that this emphasis on well-being will engage councils and communities in an intergenerational approach to improving quality of life outcomes in towns and cities.⁴
19. As shown in figure 1 below, water safety and drowning prevention connects with all four components of community well-being – economic, social, cultural and environment.
20. A fuller discussion of the connections between well-being and water safety, that is consistent with the SOLGM Community Well-being indicator framework, is included in *attachment 1*.
21. What this means is to fully contribute to the well-being of their community, local authorities must place greater importance on, and dedicate resources to, a wider range of initiatives relating to water safety and drowning prevention in all aquatic environments (pools, beaches, rivers, lakes, and the sea).
22. Local government needs to broaden its approach of providing community facilities and infrastructure, such as swimming pools, to a focus on community well-being. For example, focusing on providing and supporting water safety services to help reduce the social cost of drowning and allow New Zealanders to develop skills to feel safe in, on, and around the water. Other examples include a focus on managing the retreat of water safety services and infrastructure from the foreshore (required by climate change), and reducing public safety risks, particularly for high-risk groups and environments (under-fives; underwater activities; males aged 15-35 Years; Asians and male boaties aged 50+).
23. WSNZ wants to work with the Horowhenua District Council (and its partners and stakeholders) to help broaden their approach and reduce drowning fatalities and improve water safety awareness in the Horowhenua region.

³ SOLGM, 2020

⁴ Mahuta, 2018

Figure 1: Water safety and community well-being



Key issues and opportunities WSNZ would like Council to address in their 2021-2031 long term plan

24. Reducing preventable drownings, and improving water safety, will improve the well-being of Horowhenua residents. WSNZ wants Council to consider the following points in the development of its long-term plan.

Water safety and drowning prevention - ensuring your communities well-being

25. The Horowhenua’s aquatic environment is diverse with an abundance of rivers and streams, lakes and tarns, and coastline for residents and visitors to enjoy for sport and recreation purposes. This varied environment means Council’s water safety risk profile is also variable as users carry out various activities including swimming, kayaking, boating, fishing, diving or surfing.

26. This means to ensure your communities well-being (which as shown in figure 1 includes the concept of water safety and drowning prevention) a broad approach to water safety and drowning prevention is required. An approach beyond the provision of aquatic facilities such as swimming pools and the enforcement of swimming pool bylaws. This approach must address water safety and drowning prevention in freshwater (pools, lakes, rivers and streams), coastal waters (beaches, inlets, harbours) and in, on and around vessels (boats, yachts, surf skies, kayaks etc). This broader approach also needs to reflect the needs of your local community and provide local solutions that suit local needs.

27. In addition to a broader and deeper approach, WSNZ wants Council's approach to compliment the investment we make into sector partner organisations (like Surf Life Saving NZ), or the funding we give to other providers through our contestable funding process.
28. WSNZ supports Council's existing investment in water safety and drowning prevention, and wants Council to continue to work with WSNZ (and the broader water safety sector) on the broader and deeper approach needed to ensure the community well-being of the Horowhenua district residents.

Water quality – maintaining waste and storm water infrastructure

29. Water quality, whether it be in pools, beaches, rivers, lakes, or the sea has a direct relationship with recreation and sport activities. This is because contaminated water, or water filled with weed or floating objects impacts on both the 'swimmability' and 'manoeuvrability' of people and vessels in various aquatic environments. This in turn may cause or impact on water safety risks and/or drownings.
30. WSNZ wants to see Council investment in the maintenance and upgrading of waste and storm water infrastructure. This investment is essential to help maintain the quality of water quality for recreation and sport users.

Adapting and mitigating climate change

31. Climate change may result in rising temperatures and sea levels, changes in wind patterns, storm tracks, and droughts and the frequent heavy rainfall events. These changes may require:
 - an increasing demand on water safety services (rescues, medical support) from higher temperatures;
 - a requirement to replace, move or protected the sector's physical assets located on the coastline (as a result of sea level rise);
 - a need for better monitoring of river conditions to identify changes in water safety risks attributable to climate change-related phenomenon; and
 - an increasing requirement for the effective communication of the risks to the public from the changing conditions.
32. WSNZ believes preparing for climate change requires a collaborative effort and we (and the broader water safety sector) would like to be kept informed about (and participate as appropriate) in relevant climate change initiatives.

Māori Water Safety strategy

33. Drowning rates for Māori are high and reducing and preventing Māori drownings are one of WSNZ's strategic priorities.
34. Working with a group of key Māori stakeholders, we recently refreshed *Kia Manu, Kia Ora* strategy. Our new sector strategy (Wai Ora Aotearoa) also includes a focus on improving the connection to water for Māori as well as supporting greater use of a kaupapa Māori approach to water safety for tangata whenua.
35. WSNZ wants to work with Council, and your other stakeholders to expand the awareness of Māori water safety issues, and potential ways to reduce the Māori drowning toll in Horowhenua community.

Paul Verić

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Interim Chief Executive
Water Safety New Zealand

Attachment 1: About Water Safety New Zealand

Water Safety New Zealand (WSNZ) is the water safety sector leadership organisation for Aotearoa, New Zealand. We work with water safety sector organisations, individuals, and the public to reduce the incidence of drowning and injury. Our work contributes to the reduction in drownings by ensuring evidence-based water safety policies, investment funding, initiatives and aquatic education are delivered throughout the country.

WSNZ is an incorporated society with charitable status that was established in 1949. Our membership structure comprises 37 general members, 3 core members (Surf Life Saving New Zealand, Coastguard New Zealand, and Swimming New Zealand), and a partially elected board. The WSNZ Board includes delegates from each of our core members.

The WSNZ annual operating budget is funded by Sport New Zealand and ACC. We provide both agencies with accountability reports half-yearly. Thus, while we are an incorporated society, Sport New Zealand is the 'government home' for water safety policy and our reporting agency. Sport New Zealand oversees our governance appointments.

The New Zealand Lotteries Grants Board, via Sport New Zealand, provides WSNZ with funds to distribute to water safety providers through our annual funding round. We also provide funds received from charitable trusts and foundations, commercial sponsorship, and other funding partnerships.

In 2020/21 we distributed \$2.5 million across New Zealand to water safety providers. These providers included: drowning prevention and rescue NGOs, professional and national sport and recreation organisations, child and youth support organisations, Māori organisations, swim schools, local authorities, and regional sports trusts.

This partnership funding is focused on two main areas - water survival skills training and water safety awareness raising and behaviour change. Water Skills for Life (WSFL) is WSNZ's flagship water survival skills program and it reaches over 200,000 primary school children each year. A range of water safety behaviour change initiatives are funded by WSNZ with emphasis placed on reaching demographic groups with high drowning risk (eg. males aged 15-34).

Attachment 2: Community well-being and water safety and drowning prevention

WSNZ community well-being statement

WSNZ has, at the heart of its operations, a commitment to enabling the community well-being of all New Zealanders participating in aquatic sport and recreation or living near bodies of water. Our leadership, advocacy, policies, initiatives, and funding of programmes work to reduce the incidence of preventable drowning and injury in Aotearoa, New Zealand. Our work strives to contribute to a thriving society for individuals, families, and communities. A society where local communities inter-connecting economic, social, cultural, and environmental well-being needs are all met.

The Four Well-beings in the Local Government Act

Most definitions of well-being focus on the quality of life, a healthy human condition as well as happiness and prosperity. Social science research suggests that well integrated individuals with shared community goals have better health and well-being outcomes. Research also indicates the four domains of well-being are all interconnected, and all connect in some way with water safety.



The following outlines how water safety and drowning prevention infrastructure, services and activities provide local government with several opportunities to improve the community well-being of their community.

Cultural Well-being and Water Safety

Cultural well-being is defined by the Ministry for Culture and Heritage as:

'The vitality that communities and individuals enjoy through:

- *Participation in recreation, creative and cultural activities; and*
- *The freedom to retain, interpret and express their arts, history, heritage, and traditions*⁵.

Water is at the heart of our culture and identity as New Zealanders. New Zealanders have important connections to water through their history, experiences and practices that are important to them. Whether it is a connection to places that people swim, or swam as children, regular camping spots or mountain streams that people have encountered on tramps or hikes, many people have particular bodies of water that are important to them. These bodies of water can be important to a person's sense of identity, and from a Māori perspective, people are connected to water and to the natural world through their whakapapa. Aquatic recreation is a large part of the kiwi culture with many

⁵ Te Manatu Taonga Ministry for Culture and Heritage (date unknown)

families and individuals enjoying spending time at their local beach, river, or lake and being able to safely enjoy taking part in aquatic activities such as, swimming, fishing, jet skiing, or boating is hugely important to New Zealanders.⁶

Water safety knowledge and skills, gained from WSNZ's aquatic education programs, promote New Zealanders cultural well-being by allowing individuals to participate in aquatic recreation in a safe, enjoyable, and culturally sensitive way. This sense of feeling 'safe' is also relevant to New Zealanders social well-being in that it benefits our physical and mental health.

Environmental Well-being and Water safety

Environmental well-being promotes interactions with nature; for New Zealanders to be able to enjoy and maintain their connections with water throughout New Zealand it is important that the quality of the water is maintained. The benefits of improving water quality of lakes and rivers throughout New Zealand benefit many activities from swimming to kayaking to mahinga kai. Environmental wellness can inspire individuals to live a lifestyle that is respectful of their surroundings and this in turn results in them assisting in maintaining and caring for waterway.⁷

Protection of mauri (life force or essence) is a principal issue for freshwater management, Māori throughout New Zealand are increasingly concerned with the integrity of waterways. A healthy body of water that has healthy mauri sustains healthy eco systems and supports a range of cultural environmental activities (mahinga kai or waka ama for example) and reinforces the cultural identity of the people.⁸

Aquatic water, free from hazards such as bacteria, weeds, and floating objects, benefits New Zealanders well-being as it allows them to safely swim, dive, boat and gather food. Environmental well-being and water safety are interrelated, one does not exist in isolation of the other. Environmental well-being also re-enforces New Zealanders cultural identity.

Economic Well-being and Water Safety

Over the past ten years preventable drownings and injuries have incurred social and economic costs of over \$5 Billion. However, this financial figure does not illustrate the real cost in pain and suffering and disruption to families and work.

Social costs of fatal preventable drownings and water related injuries can be difficult to isolate and measure. The individual victim is usually the person most directly affected; however, accidents can potentially impact on family members, coworkers, medical care providers and a host of other individuals. Socio demographic differences potentially modify the type and extent of a fatal preventable drowning or injury's social costs. An individual's age, gender, race, ethnicity, nationality, education, and their socioeconomic status all can influence the responses of the individual as well as others in their social circle. Multifarious impacts are possible and may include vocational, psychological, behavioral, social, economic, and functional effects. These costs and their impacts are varied, wide reaching and include both direct and indirect costs, costs at the micro and macro levels.⁹

Water safety and drowning prevention services, activities and infrastructure reduce the social cost of drowning. Preventable drownings save the economy costs in terms of reduced hospitalisations, ongoing medical attention, and the attendance of police, ambulance etc. at events. Preventable

⁶ Ministry for the Environment, Manatu Mo Te Taiao, 2020

⁷ U C Davis, 2020

⁸ Tipa and Tierney, 2006

⁹ Dembe, 2001

drownings also reduce family and whanau economic, social, and cultural costs resulting from loss of household income, a primary care giver, and that person's broader contribution to their community. Reduced social costs benefit the economic well-being of local communities.

WSNZ's awareness and behavioral change programs also provide economic well-being benefits to international visitors, who unaware of the risks in some of our popular aquatic environments, are often included in New Zealand's drowning statistics.

Water safety and drowning prevention services, activities and infrastructure also benefit the economic well-being of local communities. These benefits can be seen in the revenue generated through fees and local employment (which has an economic multiplier effect).

Social Well-being and Water Safety

*Social connections play an important role across many aspects of people's lives, from employment opportunities and advice on important life decisions, to receiving support during hard times and having someone to enjoy life and relax with. There is a growing body of evidence supporting the notion that healthy social networks are important for health and well-being.*¹⁰

*Aquatic activities are often undertaken as social activities and allow for social connections to be formed and maintained. Aquatic recreation is both a means to an end (contributes to health and fitness) and an end in itself (enjoyment and satisfaction). Recreation is a useful tool for social connection and social well-being.*¹¹

WSNZ's awareness and behavioral change programs allow individuals (and their families) to be able to safely partake in aquatic recreation activities. These programs equip them with water safety skills to ensure they can keep themselves and their families safe in, on, and around the water. Community education, and the use of safety/warning signage, also promotes awareness of the risks and dangers inherent at popular aquatic recreation spots.

Social well-being can also be enabled through the concept of safe communities. Safe communities are a World Health Organisation (WHO) concept that recognises safety as a universal concern and a responsibility for all. A safe community is a livable community where people can go about their activities in an environment that is without fear, risk of harm, or injury. Twenty-two communities in New Zealand are accredited as Safe Communities by the Safe Communities Foundation New Zealand (SCFNZ). A further five are currently working towards accreditation which is based on the WHO endorsed Safe Communities model. The safe community's website states:

*Community safety is not only about reducing and preventing injury and violence. It is about well-being, building strong, cohesive, vibrant, participatory communities. Homes, the roads, public spaces and the workplace are safe for everyone to enjoy. This is exactly what the Safe Communities Foundation New Zealand (SCFNZ) does for community development, through leadership and collaboration, to create safer communities to work, play and live. The majority of community-based injuries and accidents are preventable and predictable – it is this premise that forms the basis for everyone's safety. Each community or local area is different - each safety approach meets the unique needs of the people, their goals, and the community values, working together for better outcomes. SCFNZ specifically supports communities to adopt the Safe Community model to increase well-being and become effective advocates and enablers of injury and violence prevention*¹².

¹⁰ Frieling, Krasso, & Cording, 2018

¹¹ Recreation Aotearoa, 2019

¹² Safe Communities Foundation NZ, 2020

This approach to community safety encourages greater co-operation and collaboration between non-government organisations, the business sector, and local and central government agencies. It increases community well-being by creating an infrastructure in local communities to increase action by building local partnerships and collaborative relationships. Currently, some Councils in New Zealand incorporate water safety and injury prevention into ensuring the well-being of the community. WSNZ encourages all councils to consider the benefits to the well-being of their communities of becoming an accredited safe community. WSNZ also encourages all existing accredited communities to place greater emphasis on water safety in their regions.

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From: Brent Harvey
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From: Tiana Reid <tianar74@gmail.com>
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To: Brent Harvey <BrentH@horowhenua.govt.nz>
Subject: Re: FW: Foxton Pool - Growing Our Future Together

Please refer to the below that option 1 is preferred

On Fri, 16 Apr 2021, 11:04 am Brent Harvey, <BrentH@horowhenua.govt.nz> wrote:

Good morning all,

We are approaching the end of the Long Term Plan consultation period with the official period concluding at 4pm on Monday 19 April. I know that a lot of you have submitted and provided your thoughts on Foxton Pool which is fantastic – thank you.

For those who haven't, I encourage you to take the time to make a submission, there is still time to do so.

The simplest way to reply to me with the following information and I will ensure it is included with the submissions.

Name: Tiana Reid

Address: 64 Cook Street Foxton

Topic One – Foxton Pool

Preferred Option: 1

Comments: I agree with the findings in the feasibility study.

Thank you for your time. If you have any last minute questions about the options please don't hesitate to give me a call.

Regards

Brent

Brent Harvey

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From: Brent Harvey <BrentH@horowhenua.govt.nz>

Sent: Thursday, 8 April 2021 4:16 PM

To: Brent Harvey <BrentH@horowhenua.govt.nz>

Subject: Foxton Pool - Growing Our Future Together

Good afternoon,

Thank you to those of you that have submitted to the 2021-41 Long Term Plan, we are just over halfway through the consultation period and have received a number of submissions. For those of you that haven't submitted, there is still time to do so as consultation period closes 4pm Monday 19 April.

As outlined in my prior email there are five options presented for consideration with regards to Foxton Pool, including the option of permanent closure. I strongly encourage you to have your say if you wish to help shape the future of Foxton Pool. It's critically important that we receive submissions and hear from the community as this helps inform Councillors when it comes to decision making time.

More information on the five options and can be found here - www.horowhenua.govt.nz/GrowingOurFutureTogether

You are able to make a submission via email provided it includes the following information – These can be sent directly to me or to ltp@horowhenua.govt.nz

Name:

Address:

Topic One – Foxton Pool

Preferred Option:

Comments:

We have a free swim and sausage sizzle this Friday at Foxton Pool (3.30pm – 6.30pm) and will have staff onsite to answer any questions about the options being considered. If you don't have any questions, you are most welcome to come along and enjoy the facility and an evening at the pool – we will also have the dunk tank operating for those that are extra keen!

Kind regards

Brent

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From: Brent Harvey <BrentH@horowhenua.govt.nz>
Sent: Tuesday, 30 March 2021 8:50 AM
To: Brent Harvey <BrentH@horowhenua.govt.nz>
Subject: FW: Foxton Pool - Growing Our Future Together

Good Morning,

In November last year, you provided feedback on various concepts as part of a Feasibility Study on Foxton Pool. The feedback received demonstrated the importance that the community places on aquatic provision in Foxton with 676 responses to the proposed concepts.

On Wednesday 16th March, Councillors adopted the draft Long Term Plan Consultation Document. The purpose of the Long Term Plan 2021-2041 Consultation Document is to get your feedback to help Council set out what we are going to do over the next 20 years.

One of the key topics in the 2021-41 Long Term Plan is the future of Foxton Pool. Your feedback provided in November last year has directly help shape the options for consideration. The Consultation Document asks the community to consider five options. All of the options have been quantity surveyed and operational modelling completed to help inform future decision making. The options are:

- Option 1: Indoor and Outdoor Leisure Pool
- Option 2: Basic All-year pool
- Option 3: Seasonal Outdoor Leisure Pool
- Option 4: Seasonal Outdoor Basic Pool
- Option 5: Permanently Close Facility

The purpose of the email today is to let you know that the submission period is now open and to encourage you to have your say – the submissions received through this period will assist

Council when it comes to making a decision on the future of the facility. It's important that the community is heard when considering the pools future and I encourage as many people as possible to take the time to complete a submission.

The full LTP Consultation Document, including supporting information and how to make a submission can be found here: [Long Term Plan 2021 - 2041, Growing Our Future Together](#).
Submissions close at 4pm on Monday 19 April 2021.

Please join us on Friday 09 April for a free swim and sausage at Foxton Pool from 3.30pm – 6.30pm. We'll have staff on hand to answer any questions you may have in relation to Foxton Pool. Alternatively, if you have any questions feel free to contact me by replying to this email.

Kind regards

Brent

Brent Harvey

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Did you provide feedback as part of pre-engagement on **Yes**
the Long Term Plan?

Hearing of Submissions

Do you wish to present your submission to Council at a **Yes**
Hearing?

If yes, please specify below: **In person**

Do you require a sign language interpreter? **No**

Do you require a translator? **No**

If yes, please specify translation details below:

Topic One - Foxtan Pool

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 2: Basic All-year pool

Comments:

It will give the Foxtan people access to a pool 12 months of the year but we have concerns about what additional costs may not have been factored into this proposed additional rates impact in the areas of wages, maintenance and running costs.

Topic Two - Infrastructure Funding: Development Contributions

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Using development contributions as the key source of funding for growth infrastructure, in combination with other sources.

Comments:

The Development Contribution Levy needs to be uniform charge over the whole district something along the lines of \$10K for new sections with water, sewage and stormwater connections, \$7K for sections with connection to 2 of the 3 services, only one service connection \$5K and \$2K for sections that have to supply all their own services and only use the roading.

Draft Development Contributions Policy

Do you wish to speak to the Development Contributions Policy at a hearing? **Yes**

What activities do you think development contributions should be collected for as a source of funding growth infrastructure?

Roading
Water supply
Wastewater treatment
Stormwater

Comments:

Which approach do you think should be used?

Harmonisation: all required contributions are the same across the district.

Comments on Catchments:

Do you agree with this approach?

No

Comments on Time of payment:

The Levy needs to be charged at the time that a Building Consent is applied for

Do you agree with the proposed scope for reducing development contributions?

No

Comments on Reductions:

As soon as you start making dispensations then the policy will be unworkable and subject to different levels of interpretation

Topic 3 - Changes to the Land Transport Targeted Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Remove Differential - All ratepayers pay the Land Transport Targeted Rate based on capital value.

Comments:

Topic Four - Changes to the General Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Creating a Farming differential - Differential that only applies to Farming properties with a differential factor of 0.5 (Farming) to 1 (District Wide)

Comments:

We agree in principal but the issue of Vacant Lifestyle rating units which are part of farming as either part of the main farm block or used as support blocks being moved to District Wide group needs to be addressed first, therefore the differential factor may need to be amended in light of the outcome of the above

Draft Revenue and Financing Policy

Do you have any other comments about the draft Revenue and Financing Policy?

Yes

If yes, please provide comments:

Yes refer comments at Topics 3 and 4

Draft Rates Remission Policy

Do you have any comments or suggested changes on the Rates Remission Policy?

As the district continues to grow and goes through ongoing re-zoning lands to accommodate the growth then it is important that this policy is maintained and extended to cover the situations where the land use has not changed but the zoning has and that change of zoning has impacted on the rating charge.

Financial Strategy

Have we got the balance right between rates increases and debt levels?

No

Comments:

DO NOT increase the net debt limit from the current 195%. Do not waste money on the feel good projects like Donnelly Park. We are concerned about the huge proposed spending without the additional rate payers to support the additional proposed lending levels. These projects should not be envisaged until Levin has the critical mass to support financially the projects.

Community Outcomes

Do you think the proposed Community Outcomes reflect the aspirations of the Horowhenua community?

Are we missing something, or focusing on something we shouldn't be?

Additional Comments

Please identify any additional comments you have on what is proposed as part of Council's Draft Long Term Plan 2021-2041.

Attach any other comments:

Long Term Plan 2021-2041 - Submission Form



Submission date: **18 April 2021, 9:38PM**
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Did you provide feedback as part of pre-engagement on the Long Term Plan? **No**

Hearing of Submissions

Do you wish to present your submission to Council at a Hearing? **Yes**

If yes, please specify below: **In person**

Do you require a sign language interpreter? **No**

Do you require a translator? **No**

If yes, please specify translation details below:

Topic One - Foxtan Pool

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Comments:

No comment

Topic Two - Infrastructure Funding: Development Contributions

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Using development contributions as the key source of funding for growth infrastructure, in combination with other sources.

Comments:

Draft Development Contributions Policy

Do you wish to speak to the Development Contributions Policy at a hearing? **No**

What activities do you think development contributions should be collected for as a source of funding growth infrastructure?

**Roading
Water supply
Wastewater treatment
Stormwater
Community infrastructure such as parks, sportsfields, activity centres, playgrounds and more.**

Comments:

These contributions should be considered against all of these areas of expenditure.

Which approach do you think should be used?

Harmonisation: all required contributions are the same across the district.

Comments on Catchments:

It seems that a more simple to administer model is worthwhile

Do you agree with this approach?

Yes

Comments on Time of payment:

I agree with this option if there is protection in the case of a developer winding up their business and leaving outstanding debt.

If this protection can't be ensured then time of payment should be considered earlier in the process.

Do you agree with the proposed scope for reducing development contributions?

Yes

Comments on Reductions:

I agree with this if the benefits are for better environmental, wellbeing, or Te Tiriti o Waitangi outcomes - economic outcomes alone should not be used to meet these criteria

Topic 3 - Changes to the Land Transport Targeted Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 2: Status Quo - Differential where businesses pay 35% of the Land Transport Targeted Rate and District Wide properties pay 65%.

Comments:

Leave it as it is for now and review again in 3 years - the community is changing quickly. As more business also choose to be based in the Horowhenua we may see more movement in this ratio.

Topic Four - Changes to the General Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Creating a Farming differential - Differential that only applies to Farming properties with a differential factor of 0.5 (Farming) to 1 (District Wide)

Comments:

Draft Revenue and Financing Policy

Do you have any other comments about the draft Revenue and Financing Policy? **No**

If yes, please provide comments:

Draft Rates Remission Policy

Do you have any comments or suggested changes on the Rates Remission Policy?

Financial Strategy

Have we got the balance right between rates increases and debt levels? **Yes**

Comments:

In the current climate of regional growth and a number of complex issues facing the region (3 waters, climate change, housing crises) I think it is appropriate to ensure the appropriate investment in the district through rates and borrowing.

Community Outcomes

Do you think the proposed Community Outcomes reflect the aspirations of the Horowhenua community? **Yes**

Are we missing something, or focusing on something we shouldn't be?

I'm sure these have been debated well amongst the team. In general I can agree with these, but would offer some suggestions.

Re economy - sustainable may be a better word than vibrant - diversity and resilience are important, which sustainable better encapsulates.

Re Environment - perhaps focusing more on the connection of people and environment - 'Appreciated Environment' or 'Accessible Environment'

Tangata Whenua - great to see that there

Additional Comments

Please identify any additional comments you have on what is proposed as part of Council's Draft Long Term Plan 2021-2041.

Waste

1. I note that the waste management and minimisation plan has targets for activities that have not been completed - is there adequate funding allocated within the budgets to allow the outstanding actions to be completed and the plan implemented as originally consulted on.

2. Activities such as green waste being diverted from landfill (49% of kerbside waste is green waste) needs focus, as per the waste minimisation and management plan.

Cycleways

1. It's great to see an increase in cycleway funding - I've observed the cost to build new cycleways is expensive, compared to the cost of converting existing roadspace to cycleways. Many more km of cycleways can be delivered if existing road corridor is converted to cycling.

2. I also note the approach of shared pathways - in semi rural, low foot traffic areas these seem to be suitable. However in developed urban areas these cause a conflict between people on foot and people on bikes - people on foot may have kids, wheelchairs, prams, dogs on a lead. These forms of transport do not mix and shared pathways will introduce more conflict between the modes - as per point 1 - I suggest converting road space to bike lanes.

3. Delivering cycleways for recreation and cycleways for transport are two different objectives. Transport corridors where cycleways will provide viable transport options deserves more focus - e.g. focusing on getting children to school safely on bike. In Levin key transport corridors are Queen St, Bath St, Liverpool, Oxford, Cambridge, Tiro Tiro, Weraroa, Mako Mako, etc... these corridors take people from a to b and they need safe cycling infrastructure to enable cycling as a viable transport option

Urban form:

1. Our growing district is spreading out very quickly through greenfield development - this introduces a range of challenges, including many environmental issues. Our urban communities have very low density and there is a lot of opportunity to grow the population within the existing urban footprint. Encouraging high quality medium density housing where infrastructure exists makes a lot of sense. Concepts such as a '20 minute town' have been implemented in other cities with success. Our current approach of urban sprawl has us following cities and towns like Paraparaumu, Palmerston North and Hamilton with loss of land and a town dependent on private vehicles to do anything.

2. The current approach to urban form perpetuates car dependency, which introduces a significant

environmental impact and loss of wellbeing. We loose connections with people and the environment and it is a much more expensive way of building our towns.

3. Stormwater is a growing issue with the sensitive receiving environments in our district - and growing the urban footprint will exasperate this issue more than intensification.

Attach any other comments:

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Did you provide feedback as part of pre-engagement on the Long Term Plan? **No**

Hearing of Submissions

Do you wish to present your submission to Council at a Hearing? **Yes**

If yes, please specify below: **In person**

Do you require a sign language interpreter? **No**

Do you require a translator?

No

If yes, please specify translation details below:

Topic One - Foxton Pool

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Indoor and Outdoor Leisure Pool

Comments:

I realise that this is the most expensive option and adds additional increase to rate payers more than any other option. However, after personal research on this specific topic: reading the full feasibility study and recommendations and reasoning behind them, discussion with various people knowledgeable about both the feasibility study process and residents connected with the Foxton community and their desires, also considering the potential for increased revenue for both such a leisure pool operating and associated income coming into the local community and benefitting the township of Foxton, also considering a major decision needing to be made in 2027 about the Levin Aquatic Centre and future redevelopment there. I carefully considered a wide range of factors before coming to the conclusion that, despite the huge build cost, Option 1 would provide the better medium and longer term benefit to both Foxton and the wider district. I am hoping that the significant build cost could be offset by saving elsewhere with nonessential upgrades delayed or reduced in project size.

Topic Two - Infrastructure Funding: Development Contributions

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Using development contributions as the key source of funding for growth infrastructure, in combination with other sources.

Comments:

Option 1 for reasons outlined in the consultation document and the Draft Development Contributions Policy. I also note that that HDC 'A Community Driven Housing Action Plan' Our Vision: 'Home For All' p.17 notes that 'one proposal, based on the Developers' Working Group was that any levies needed to be at a level of around \$3,000-\$5,000 per lot to enable Council to advance infrastructure necessary to support infrastructure development'.

Draft Development Contributions Policy

Do you wish to speak to the Development Contributions Policy at a hearing? **No**

What activities do you think development contributions should be collected for as a source of funding growth infrastructure?

Roading
Water supply
Wastewater treatment
Stormwater
Community infrastructure such as parks, sportsfields, activity centres, playgrounds and more.

Comments:

Which approach do you think should be used?

Harmonisation: all required contributions are the same across the district.

Comments on Catchments:

Logically, I think harmonisation seems a fairer process, otherwise how would the very smallest towns ever afford the huge costs of significant capital water projects?

However, in the interest of equity, it would be good to know if harmonisation has been the practice in the past, or if in the past, previous water associated schemes / projects (Stormwater, supply or wastewater) have been paid for disproportionately by the residents in those locations: specifically Shannon / Mangaore, Tokomaru, plus Foxton specifically for Stormwater?

I understand that in Shannon rate payers used to pay a 'water levy' many years ago (which had a foundation for the Shannon Community Development Trust Fund currently in place).

If harmonisation has not occurred in the past or has occurred in a partial way then it would seem inequitable and indeed unethical if HDC now introduced full harmonisation. Maybe there is a middle way that considers all factors outlined, with weighting depending on the population of the location.

Do you agree with this approach?

Yes

Comments on Time of payment:

To enable better cash flow management for developers.

Do you agree with the proposed scope for reducing development contributions?

Yes

Comments on Reductions:

Both principals seem highly relevant; as if developments expected to provide a significant public benefit or address significant affordability issues then remission, reductions or postponement on a case-by-case basis would seem ideal.

Topic 3 - Changes to the Land Transport Targeted Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Remove Differential - All ratepayers pay the Land Transport Targeted Rate based on capital value.

Comments:

Option 1, for reasons outlined in consultation document.

Topic Four - Changes to the General Rate

Tick below to identify your preferred option:

Option 1: Creating a Farming differential - Differential that only applies to Farming properties with a differential factor of 0.5 (Farming) to 1 (District Wide)

Comments:

Option 1, for reasons outlined in the consultation document.

Draft Revenue and Financing Policy

Do you have any other comments about the draft Revenue and Financing Policy?

Yes

If yes, please provide comments:

I am very mindful of the proposed rates increases; with the recent increase in minimum wage being just 5.8% in comparison, benefits by 3.1%, coupled with steep rising rent costs or mortgage expenditure. Costs of housing increasing by 67.5% in Horowhenua from 2016-2019 and seemingly still keeps rising since then. The property market in Shannon (probably like elsewhere) seems almost unbelievable, houses are selling for way above their assessed market value (mostly to people migrating to Shannon from other districts being able to afford such prices, as beyond affordability of local population). Anecdotally, some rent increases are astronomical, for example a 5 bed house in central Shannon town on a medium size section for currently \$650 a week, seriously, this would have be unheard of in the past. This leaves me wondering, with the fractional increases in cost of living but substantial increases in accommodation costs how some people are going to be able to afford the proposed increases in rates. I really wish (as I submitted to in last year's Annual Plan) we had received a small rates increase last year, instead of the bigger ones planned for 2021/2022 and 2022/2023 in particular. I acknowledge this percentage tapers off somewhat after 2023. I respectfully request that Council look at all possible ways of reducing the proposed percentage increase of rates by undertaking a similar process to last year, with the thorough exploration of expenditure: what is essential, non-essential, what can be reduced, postponed or even discarded. I appreciate this is challenging in such a time of growth and hopefully external funding, like that for Tara-Ika, will eventuate.

Do you have any comments or suggested changes on the Rates Remission Policy? **No, no suggested changes.**

Financial Strategy

Have we got the balance right between rates increases and debt levels? **No**

Comments:

Not quite, I think up to 7.5% is too high and too much for some people living in impoverished circumstances to afford. I am not financially savvy but wondering if it would be possible to increase the average for that following 10 years and spread over a longer period? I see how Council need to use increased debt funding for associated growth costs, like new infrastructure due to current population growth circumstances and although not ideal hopefully funding for Tara-Ika will come externally.

Community Outcomes

Do you think the proposed Community Outcomes reflect the aspirations of the Horowhenua community? **Yes**

Are we missing something, or focusing on something we shouldn't be? **Yes, most of them.**

Looking at the last LPT consultation document community outcomes, maybe missing something specific about access to health, social and recreational facilities, plus all communities having opportunities to participate in community development.

Additional Comments

Please identify any additional comments you have on what is proposed as part of Council's Draft Long Term Plan 2021-2041.

Regarding the consultation documentation, does it have to be so glossy and expensive, could it be produced cheaper and in paper format please, with

less and smaller photos?

Also, gone from being 31 pages to 59 pages. This is a lot for some people to read and understand. It has taken me hours and hours to dig deeper for information to inform my own feedback.

I am wondering if the Council could produce two versions, one more detailed and one simpler in a summarised easy to read language. For example, I tried my best to summarise issues covered for the Shannon Youth Group, to ascertain the feelings of the youth about LTP and their feedback but, to be honest, it was challenging and they were struggling to understand the issues and impact on their lives. It would be great to have a 'youth friendly' booklet for consultation about the LTP in future years, not just 'one size fits all'.

For the supplementary documentation found online, such as the Feasibility Report for the Foxton Pool, which was a specific topic feedback was requested about, then, in the interest of equity and for those who do not use online versions, there needs to be a paper copy in each library / service centre for reference (not one in Shannon, I checked and informed staff, despite the huge file of supplementary information w.r.t. the LTP). This feasibility study was significant in influencing my preference for Option 1 and when the Council note a preference for Option 2 then it seems suspect not to have all the supplementary information, available in all formats, in all locations. Also, I have no doubt the timeframe would have been legally acceptable and even typical but it seemed to be such a rushed process of consultation, would it be possible to start the process earlier, say in February or even start of March? or, alternatively close the consultation process a week or to later?

Information dissemination can take a while in communities and if groups or organisations wish to discuss submissions and their views together then they have little time to do so, especially if they are

scheduled at the end of the drop in sessions (as Shannon was originally on the 12th April; but fortunately Shannon had a couple of other information sessions set up with HDC staff earlier also, which helped).

Finally, I want to note how impressive I find the array of feedback options, various ways online, in person or on paper; also, the increased number of drop in sessions and events, thank you.

Attach any other comments: