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Kia ora

We act for Kiwi Property Holdings Limited.

Please find **attached** Kiwi Property's submission on the draft Long-Term Plan 2024-34.

We would appreciate if you could please confirm receipt by way of return email.

Kind regards | Ngā mihi mahana

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## SUBMISSION ON PALMERSTON NORTH CITY COUNCIL'S LONG TERM PLAN 2024-34

To: Palmerston North City Council ("**Council**")  
Submission on: The Draft Long Term Plan 2024-34 ("**Draft LTP**")  
Name: Kiwi Property Holdings Limited ("**Kiwi Property**")  
Address: C/- Russell McVeagh, at the address for service specified below.

### 1. SUMMARY

- 1.1 Kiwi Property owns and operates The Plaza, and welcomes the opportunity to provide feedback on the Draft LTP. It acknowledges the challenges faced by the Council in continuing to deliver on its responsibilities in cost effective and efficient way that minimises the burden on ratepayers.
- 1.2 Kiwi Property is concerned that the Draft LTP as currently proposed will deter investment in Palmerston North and will decrease Council revenue in the long term, by eroding rather than growing the ratepayer base. Under the hybrid rates calculation option<sup>1</sup> proposed for the Draft LTP, The Plaza's annual rates bill is predicted to increase by 35.7% (\$233,326.40) to \$886,811.40 compared to 2024/24 rates.<sup>2</sup> This is a crippling increase that will hurt Kiwi Property and its tenant businesses. Many other businesses in Palmerston North will also suffer as a result of these increases, and some may not even be able to survive these increases.
- 1.3 Kiwi Property seeks the following changes to the Draft LTP:
- (a) retention of the existing rating system; or
  - (b) alternatively, if a new rating system is introduced, a longer transition period for its introduction of at least three years.
- 1.4 The reasons for Kiwi Property's submission are set out in detail below.

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<sup>1</sup> In accordance with the proposed calculation of general rates being based on 70% land value and 30% on capital value.

<sup>2</sup> Palmerston North City Council website rates search tool (accessed 1 May 2024) <[www.pncc.govt.nz](http://www.pncc.govt.nz)>. The proposed 2024/25 rates figures are based on property values as at 19 March 2024.

## **2. BACKGROUND**

### **Kiwi Property in Palmerston North**

- 2.1 Kiwi Property owns and manages some of New Zealand's best and largest shopping centres, large format retail and office buildings. In Palmerston North, Kiwi Property owns and operates The Plaza, located at 81/84 The Square, Palmerston North Central.
- 2.2 Shopping centres form an important part of the commercial infrastructure of a modern society and are important to the success and vitality of wider city centres. Beyond commercial opportunities, shopping centres are also a community space for local residents, families and youth alike to meet.
- 2.3 Kiwi Property already makes a significant contribution to the Palmerston North economy. Over the last 15 years, it has invested in excess of \$140+ million in the development of The Plaza.
- 2.4 The Plaza provides employment for Palmerston North locals, including in a range of trainee and apprenticeship roles. The Plaza generates approximately 470 retail / service full-time and part-time jobs, which is a significant proportion of the retail, service and management employment opportunities in Palmerston North.
- 2.5 The Plaza has nearly 100 speciality retail stores, with 24% of businesses owned or operated locally. These operate alongside major retail businesses such as the James Pascoe Group (including Farmers), Kmart, JB Hi-Fi and Woolworths. The shopping centre aims to make shopping convenient and enjoyable for the whole of the Palmerston North community, and as part of this provides:
- (a) over 1,200 car parks;
  - (b) well-resourced parents' rooms;
  - (c) accessible facilities;
  - (d) free EV charging and eBike lock dock and recharge stations; and
  - (e) city-wide information and directory for customers and tourists.
- 2.6 Kiwi Property invests into The Plaza every year by way of continual reconfiguration and refurbishment of the premises, vital to ensuring high quality, attractive shopping centres. Continual annual capital expenditure ensures the revitalisation of the assets and common areas including amenities such as parents' rooms, toilet facilities, customer car parking and health and safety improvements that ensure amenity and safety for employees and visitors. These ongoing investments are critical to a vibrant, safe and secure shopping environment for

the communities of Palmerston North and visitors to the region, and an attractive place for businesses to locate.

### **The impacts of COVID-19 and recession**

- 2.7 New Zealand has entered its second recession within the past 18 months. This "double-dip" recession was driven by weak consumer spending and wholesale trade.
- 2.8 The retail sector has been adversely affected by the present recession and the continued impacts of COVID-19. COVID-19 resulted in reductions in retail spending and continues to impact consumer trends in this post-pandemic era. Even without lockdown restrictions in place, more people are working from home. This has resulted in a greater proportion of retail spending through online shopping.<sup>3</sup>
- 2.9 During the COVID-19 lockdowns, Kiwi Property spent approximately \$20 million on rent relief for its tenants and continues to work with its tenants through the pandemic. This has come at significant cost to Kiwi Property, and not every cost can be absorbed.
- 2.10 The Plaza provides other services such as restaurants, cafes and hair and beauty services. In addition to retail, these are some of the worst hit sectors and continue to struggle from the current recession and the long-term impacts of COVID-19.<sup>4</sup> Businesses in Palmerston North have a heightened sensitivity to rates increases in this climate.

## **3. PROPOSED CHANGE TO RATING SYSTEM**

- 3.1 In light of drafting the Draft LTP, the Council proposes the following options for Palmerston North's ratings system:<sup>5</sup>
- (a) Propose a change to the rating system that involves the use of a "hybrid" system where part of the rates is set using land value as the base and the remainder the capital value as the base ("**Hybrid Option**");
  - (b) Propose a change to the rating system that means the capital value will replace land value as the basis for setting the general rate; or
  - (c) Retain the status quo with the land value being the base for setting the general rate.

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<sup>3</sup> NZPost (16 February 2024) "How online shoppers navigated 2023's rough economic seas" Issue 22: Q4 23 <[www.nzpostbusinessiq.co.nz](http://www.nzpostbusinessiq.co.nz)>.

<sup>4</sup> Brad Olsen (23 March 2023) "How have industries performed over the pandemic?" <[www.infometrics.co.nz](http://www.infometrics.co.nz)>; StatsNZ "Electronic card transactions: March 2024" (12 April 2024) <[www.stats.govt.nz](http://www.stats.govt.nz)>.

<sup>5</sup> Draft Long-term Plan Consultation Document 2024-34; Council Meeting "Rating System Review" (18 December 2023).

- 3.2 The Council has indicated that its preferred option is the Hybrid Option with 70% of the general rate being based on land value and the remaining 30% being based on the capital value (ie 70/30 split).<sup>6</sup>
- 3.3 If the Hybrid Option with the 70/30 split is progressed, the Council proposes to incorporate this from 1 July 2024.<sup>7</sup> In the event that other proportions of the Hybrid Option are agreed (eg 60/40, 50/50, 40/60 or 30/70 split), the Council has signalled that the rating system change will occur as a transition over two years.<sup>8</sup>
- 3.4 The proposed 70/30 change would mean the following increase for The Plaza 2024/25:

2024/25 CURRENT RATES SYSTEM <i>Land Value</i>		2024/2025 PROPOSED RATES <i>Hybrid Option 70 LV / 30 CV</i>	DIFFERENCE (\$)	DIFFERENCE (%)
81 The Square	\$692,885.40	\$832,019.35	+\$139,133.95	+20.08%
Ashley Street	\$39,830.53	\$45,025.65	+\$5,195.12	+13.04%
Ferguson Street	\$11,421.07	\$9,766.40	-\$1,654.67	-14.49%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$744,137</b>	<b>\$886,811.40</b>	<b>+\$142,674.40</b>	<b>+19.17%</b>

2023/24 CURRENT RATES SYSTEM <i>Land Value</i>		2024/2025 PROPOSED RATES <i>Hybrid Option 70 LV / 30 CV</i>	DIFFERENCE (\$)	DIFFERENCE (%)
81 The Square	\$608,425.88	\$832,019.35	+\$223,593.47	+36.74%
Ashley Street	\$35,034.85	\$45,025.65	+\$9,990.80	+28.52%
Ferguson Street	\$10,024.27	\$9,766.40	-\$257.87	-2.57%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$653,485</b>	<b>\$886,811.40</b>	<b>+\$233,326.40</b>	<b>+35.70%</b>

- 3.5 In summary, the proposed rates for 2024/25 are predicted to increase by 19.17% from \$744,137 (under the current system) to \$886,811.40 (under the Hybrid Option). This would also be a 35.70% increase from the previous year's rates of \$653,485.

<sup>6</sup> Draft Long-term Plan Consultation Document 2024-34 at 31; Council Meeting "Rating System Review" (18 December 2023).

<sup>7</sup> Ibid.

<sup>8</sup> Council Meeting "Rating System Review" (18 December 2023).

3.6 The Council will also be well aware of its statutory obligations under both the Local Government Act 2002 ("**LGA**") and the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 ("**LGRA**").<sup>9</sup> In particular, section 13(3) of the LGRA requires a Council to use either annual value, capital value or land value as the rateable value of the land. The Courts have been clear that a council must not use a mix of capital value and land value as the rateable value when setting rates.<sup>10</sup> Kiwi Property has concerns with the legal basis on which the Hybrid Option can be implemented, although for the reasons outlined above it would support a hybrid approach over one that solely utilises capital value. Kiwi Property strongly opposes a rating system solely based on capital value.

**4. IMPACTS ON RATEPAYERS**

4.1 This increase will have a significant impact on Kiwi Property and its tenants, many of which are small businesses. Its tenants pay the majority of the rates through operating expenditure. Kiwi Property prides itself on having good relationships with its tenants, and we have worked closely with our retailers during these difficult times by providing many with rent relief. Not every cost can be absorbed however, and these rates increases will have a direct flow on effect on Kiwi Property's tenants. Council identifies that 8% of the proposed rate increase for 2024/25 is attributed to costs including interest rates on Council debt, inflation, insurance, electricity and software.<sup>11</sup> Like Council, many ratepayers will be experiencing these cost increases in addition to the proposed rate increase and proposed rating system change.

4.2 The most common approach used by councils is to stage any major change, such as a rating system change, over a period of years to provide more certainty for the community. The Council's recent report undertaken by Steve Paterson reviewing its rating system<sup>12</sup> identified that, should a hybrid model be adopted, a lower proportion of capital value should be introduced in the first year of implementation. This was because the Council may be faced with the need to increase total rates by a very significant percentage for 2024/25 meaning this increase, plus the effect of the system change, would hit ratepayers at the same time. Mr Paterson also warned there would likely be "unforeseen situations" encountered through the introduction of a new rating system.<sup>13</sup> While Mr Paterson's review does not elaborate on what unforeseen situations may arise, these are clearly the matters of concern outlined in Kiwi Property submission (in terms of deterrence of investment, financial impacts on businesses and individuals and erosion of ratepayer base).

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<sup>9</sup> Controller and Auditor-General "Setting rates: Potential issues for councils to watch for" <[www.oag.parliament.nz](http://www.oag.parliament.nz)> at 1.  
<sup>10</sup> Local Government Act (Rating) 2002, s 13(3); Controller and Auditor-General "Setting rates: Potential issues for councils to watch for" <[www.oag.parliament.nz](http://www.oag.parliament.nz)> at 4; *Bushmere Trust v Gisborne District Council* [2023] NZCA 290 at [8]-[9].  
<sup>11</sup> at 3.  
<sup>12</sup> Steven Paterson (11 December 2023) "Review of Rating System" at [11].  
<sup>13</sup> at [11].



- 4.3 Kiwi Property shares the concerns outlined in Mr Paterson's review. The introduction of a new rating system (increasing rates for many ratepayers) in addition to a substantial numerical increase in rates payable over a short period exacerbates the impact on the local economy, such as the long term implications of the system change disincentivising investment/industrial development.
- 4.4 Kiwi Property acknowledges that Council has considered various options related to the rates system and other financial measures. However, individual incomes are not growing at the same pace as Council rates. Affordability of rates is paramount to safeguarding the sustainability of Palmerston North. Given the currently uncertain economic situation, it is prudent to consider the ability of all ratepayers to fund Council plans.<sup>14</sup>

#### **Disproportionate impacts on non-residential ratepayers**

- 4.5 The Council has suggested that a capital value system (or a mixed system involving capital value) better reflects "ability to pay" or "equitable liability". However, empirical evidence indicates that a land value base may, in practice, be more equitable and that land value systems are more progressive.<sup>15</sup> A land value based system provides a strong incentive for ratepayers to optimise land use as efficiently as possible, and to undertake land development.
- 4.6 By contrast, a capital value system penalises such developments. Taking The Plaza as an example, shopping malls inherently require a substantial amount of capital investment and land development to enable these activities. This in turn means a much higher capital value for these developments that does not recognise the significant up front and ongoing costs to construct and operate shopping malls (or other similar, more intensive commercial development).
- 4.7 The non-residential ratepayers not only already pay higher rates under the existing rating system, but will experience a disproportionately higher increase in rates to residential ratepayers under the Hybrid Option. For example, the proposed Hybrid Option results in a rate increase (on average) of 7-9% from the previous year for single and two unit residential properties.<sup>16</sup> Whereas for non-residential properties, there would be an increase (on average) of 14% from the previous year and, as provided above, Kiwi Property will experience a 35.7% increase in the first year following adoption of the Hybrid Option. Over time the differences in these increases are material.

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<sup>14</sup> Measures like the Consumer Price Index can be useful for understanding the current economic situation.

<sup>15</sup> F Colegrave, "CV-Based Rates Benefit the Rich at the Expense of the Poor" (Auckland, Covec, 2002); S Kerr, A Aitken and A Grimes, Land Taxes and Revenue Needs as Communities Grow and Decline: Evidence from New Zealand, (Wellington, Motu Economic and Public Policy Research, 2004) at 28; "Equity in Local Government Rating" (2007) 13 NZJTL 621 at [2.3].

<sup>16</sup> Draft Long-Term Plan 2024-34 Consultation Document at 57.

## **Misalignment with strategic growth strategies**

- 4.8 A rating system that involves capital value (either in a hybrid form or wholly) is also misaligned with, and actively undermines, the Council's broader strategic growth objectives, which consistent with other parts of the country, seek to increase density of urban form in key growth areas. This can be seen by the Council's Draft Future Development Strategy currently out for consultation, which sets a clear direction for higher density residential, commercial and industrial land use as a core component of meeting demand for new growth.<sup>17</sup> Local and Central Government Investment recognises Palmerston North's unique position in the Central Lower North Island as a growing commercial and industrial hub, which is well connected by road and rail infrastructure.<sup>18</sup> It is also evidenced in Goal 1 of the Draft LTP, which focusses on having the land, infrastructure and transport capacity to foster investment, economic innovation and business growth (in the short, medium and long term).<sup>19</sup>

## **5. CONCLUSION**

- 5.1 Kiwi Property recognises the difficult operating conditions and significant increases in many operating costs, including interest on borrowings, faced by the Council. It also recognises there is a need to increase rates, regardless of whether a new rating system is introduced. However, these changes are so substantial that they will deter investment in Palmerston North. If fewer businesses seek to invest in Palmerston North, and fewer people decide to live there, this will erode the rating base and undermine any revenue gains realised from such rate increases. By retaining the current rating system, rates increases of the kind proposed by the Council will be at a more manageable level, particularly if they can be spread over a longer period of time.
- 5.2 Kiwi Property wishes to be heard in support of this submission.

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<sup>17</sup> Draft Palmerston North Future Development Strategy 2024 at 25 and 30.

<sup>18</sup> Central New Zealand Distribution Hub "Te Utanganui Strategy" <[www.ceda.nz](http://www.ceda.nz)> at 7; Draft Future Development Strategy <[www.pncc.govt.nz](http://www.pncc.govt.nz)> at 12.

<sup>19</sup> Draft Long-Term Plan 2024-34 Consultation Document at 7.

**Signature:** **KIWI PROPERTY HOLDINGS LIMITED** by its solicitors and authorised agents Russell McVeagh:



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To whom, it may concern

Attached please find our submission to the above Plan.

We would be keen to speak to our submission and present to the Council.

**Kia piki te ora me te kaha**  
Let's be strong and healthy

Ngā mihi nui

Yours off the bench.

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Basketball Manawātū Submission to the PNCC Long Term Plan

While there are parts within the Council's LTP that as a community programme servicing the wider Palmerston North, that we agree with; our Basketball Manawātū submission to council is primarily based around the sections of the LTP relating to sport & play in Palmerston North and its flow on affect to the wider Manawatu, Regional and National areas.

We commend and encourage the Council to continue to play its advocacy role in bringing about positive outcomes through our community being more connected and physically active, and through its advocacy providing safe places for our Tamariki and Rangatahi to just play, and through play learn life skills.

The importance of play for our community cannot be underestimated as this is the grounding for building a positive future for all, as well as having a healthier community.

As the jewel in the crown, the Energy Trust (CET) Arena is the city's (& region's) sporting hub for all things sport.

And while we acknowledge that there is a need for the Arena to operate at a control neutral model, we believe there are a number of ways and means to make it more fiscally viable.

Just some of these include: -

1. A greater emphasis needs to be placed on the 9-00am to 3-00pm market. At the moment the Indoor spaces are completely empty. The "Pay to Play" programme is not being marketed as much it could, to encourage users to come and have a hit/shoot around, or just play, during the day-time.
2. Market itself more to promote the multi-purpose/multi-use facilities, e.g. its corporate lounges for meetings, gatherings and hui.
3. Reduce the cost of hiring of some of its facilities, to make it more affordable and ultimately allow more casual users of its spaces. An example of this the hireage cost of the Arena 2 makes it unviable for any causal users to hire out. Bringing some money in, is far better than no money at all.



We are excited to read the Central Energy Trust Arena Master Plan and commend the council for its investment in this project; however we do feel that there are some projects within the plan that need revisiting. Especially the potential big spend on fitting roof over the Southern Grandstand.

The probable huge cost to provide covered seating for an area that is only ever full for three or four nights a year (i.e. Super Stock Team Champs and maybe one large Rugby game) we would question is this really needed, or just a nice to have. And while it may provide some comfort to the Rugby patrons: if it is raining that hard on a stock car night, the event is cancelled anyway and everyone goes home. Not to mention that having a covered grandstand on the South side will potentially create an unhealthy place to sit on Stockcar nights as the area will become a dust trap (as happens to the current main Grandstand).

We are very keen to see the Needs Analysis undertaken to justify the cost of the Grandstand Roof.

Other areas of concern we have with the Arena plan, is “conceptual plans” provided to council and the public.

It is fantastic that there is a new multi-purpose/codes (four court) facility planned for the Pascal/Cuba Streets corner, to semi-address the growing demand for basketball and the growth of this sport.

Currently we cannot physically fit any more basketball games into the Arena complex, unless we want to look at offering Midnight basketball to our community.

The flip side to the increase court numbers is the actual reduction of at least one court and surrounding space within Arena 4 and removal of virtually all seating in this complex to allow for *“new shared entrance to Arenas 2,3,4 and improvements to Arena 4”*.

The proposed new internal walkway within Arena 4 will not *“provide a clear and safe connection from Pascal Street into the centre of the site & wider amenities”*. If anything, it will be more dangerous for users and it certainly will not *“resolve existing runoff deficiencies”* with the proposed glassed wall walkway being so close to the end of Courts space. And to further state in the Plan that *“any court loss is re-provided within the new Arena 5”* means that the new Arena will only increase Court numbers on site by three.

Like a number of other codes, we are challenged with sideline behaviour and the removal of seating will only further encourage spectators to accumulate closer to & on the Courts.

And finally we believe that there is flawed logic behind the proposed shared space at the current entrance to Arena Four (presently used for carparks to both Arena Four and the Artificial Turf patrons), that is going to be changed into a place filled with trees, planters and canopies *“to provide shelter and reinforce intuitive wayfinding, signalling the building entrance”*.

How will Arena staff move their equipment and vehicular access to Arena’s 2, 3, 4 and 6; not to mention the staff carparks for Sport Manawatū and other tenants. Maybe the Council & its planners should come down to Arena on a Wednesday, Thursday or Friday night and see just how this space is currently used.

We want to continue to work in partnership with the CET Arena management, PNCC and Sport Manawatū to ensure that any proposed changes, or new or upgraded sports facilities are practical for users; rather than “looks nice”.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mike Ryan', written over a light grey circular stamp.

Mike Ryan

General Manager  
Basketball Manawatū

# 1232

TO PNCC RE rates Increases

1. 10 year rates increase:

This is a massive increase. Families will struggle. Property investors I will increase rents.

The council **should not** be considering major projects such as the Awapuni library or a new Marae while also looking at a near doubling of rates over 10 years.

We need cost cutting austerity measures, not vanity building projects. There seems to be NO will by council to save money buy **not spending on non-essential projects**.

land value appears to be a fairer system.

It doesn't penalise people who develop their property and make improvements. It is likely simpler and less subjective to calculate.

My concern with including a CV based calculation is that it discourages development and growth. I expect there are people who will decide against renovations that may add a bedroom to their house because they don't want their rates to increase. When Palmerston North already has a housing crisis with many homeless and overcrowded homes, changing to CV is likely to encourage new builds to have fewer rooms and reduce renovations to 'beat the system'.

Staying with land value (and not even calculating CV) would avoid this.

**I oppose the suggested increase in rates fee's for rural properties** (it was mentioned at the PNCC Rates Expo). Rural properties get far fewer amenities. They don't get footpaths, easy access to parks, street sweeping, rubbish collections, and rural families are much less likely to use public services such as parks, playgrounds and libraries.

Before any rural fee is increased, I would like to see evidence of service utilisation and the cost burden on the council of rural properties compared to urban properties. For example, library cards could be audited to see what percentage of library users are rural vs urban, and then compare that to the population. Likewise survey users at parks, playgrounds, and other council supported events and facilities. If it turns out that the services are used by the rural property owners the same as urban, then it may be fair to increase the costs born by rural properties.

The cost of this is not massively burdensome to ratepayers and is likely beneficial.

3.9 million (with the chance of going overbudget) is a lot for us ratepayers to have to pay.



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3.6 million (with the chance of going overbudget) is a lot for us ratepayers to have to pay. If refurbishments are needed to maintain the property from degrading (which is what I was told at the rates expo) then I would support that.

27 million dollars (likely more) is an incredible amount for each income earning rate payer to have to cover.

With around 45,000 working ratepayers. That means that each working ratepayer is being asked to pay around \$600 for a library that isn't even in the city centre and is unlikely to be used by all ratepayers.

I would support the council covering the cost of the road up to the site. The additional \$10,000,000 being funded to the project is too expensive, especially given the other projects the council is proposing. We need to be cutting costs and discretionary spending.

I would only support this if the costs were ring-fenced to the Arena, and the income from leasing the Arena covered the costs, including any interest for borrowing.

Why is council anti car parks. ? At every development of a community area the council appears to remove car parks which makes the area less usable. Around the square car parks were removed. Along Cuba and George Street more car parks were removed.

The council says they want people to use community facilities, but make access to those facilities worse. The number of car parks within walking distance of the central library appears less now than 5 years ago, despite our city growing.

Re transport:

A key requirement for every transport project should be to maintain or increase the number of car parks usable by residents and the public.

Re vision and goal statement:

**There is no mention of minimising costs and keeping rates as low as practical. That should be a key aspect of the goals.**

Transport:

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A key requirement for every transport project should be to maintain or increase the number of carparks usable by residents and the public.

Housing:

Simplify the process of subdivision of properties, including lifestyle properties.

Kind regards

Martin and Wilma Minnee

Rate Payers

Rural property owner

Land Lords

Business owner

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**From:** Submission  
**Subject:** FW: Submission to PNCC Long Term Plan 2024/2034

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**From:** Kerry Park **7(2)(a) Privacy**  
**Sent:** Thursday, 9 May 2024 2:11 pm  
**To:** Submission <submission@pncc.govt.nz>  
**Subject:** Submission to PNCC Long Term Plan 2024/2034

To whom it may concern

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to communicate my views on the PNCC draft LTP.

My suggestion is for council to reconsider the amounts allocated to some of the bigger projects being proposed over the next 3 years.

The projects that are driving the double-digit rates increases Palmerston North is facing.

I draw your attention to Audit New Zealand's warning that this draft LTP might not be realistic because there is too much uncertainty about whether it can possibly be done.

In the same Manawatu Standard article, mayor Grant Smith was reported to say rates would need to increase 6.7% to simply stand still.

The draft LTP indicates a rates increase of 11.3% in the coming financial year. That's an increase of 4.6% over the 6.7% rise, to simply stand still. Is this correct? Our rates this financial year have to go up by an additional 68%. Of which, much of that additional 68% is to fund non-essential projects.

In particular, according to Audit New Zealand, PNCC is unlikely to be able to raise up to \$647 million for the Nature Calls overhaul, without an additional \$1000 per year, per ratepayer, for the next 30 years.

Over the next 3 years, one report suggests \$17.5 million is allocated for the Nature Calls project. Can this not be reduced somewhat? Considering work has not started on the new treatment plant. I would like to see council reduce this amount to support a lower rates increase.

Also, PNCC's capital programme of \$2.3 billion over the next 10 years, in light of not all past projects being delivered, seems too high, especially since this plan's capital programme has increased.

Palmerston North has an adequate visitor centre in the city, yet \$19.1 million over the next 3 years is allocated to a new visitor centre on the outskirts of town. Is there a pressing need for this, in the current 3 year timeline? That's a large portion of ratepayers funds for the benefit of visitors to Palmerston North.

Council has allocated \$750K for the multicultural community, and \$19.1 million for visitors. Please consider raising the amount for the multicultural community and deferring for 3 years, the enormous spending being suggested for a non-essential project, which is for visitors.

\$10.4 million is set aside for the CET Arena development over the next 3 years, which could also be deferred or reduced. This is not essential and maybe shouldn't be a priority.

Deferring funding for non-essential projects for 3 years is not asking too much. Then revisit them for affordability in the next 3 year cycle.

Please reconsider how many millions of dollars of ratepayers funds are being spent, perhaps unnecessarily. Palmerston North resident's are already suffering with increasing cost of living expenses. Grocery items are going up on an almost weekly basis.

\$36.5 million on new community hubs, \$15.4 million on new shared pathways, \$15.4 million on seismic strengthening of council buildings and \$10.4 million on the bus hub/depot, all within the next 3 years are projects that can either be deferred, reprioritised or trimmed. In consideration of the looming rates increases, these amounts could be seen as unreasonable and unnecessary.

The amounts I refer to are from a council projection.

Attention also is drawn to a recent request from Simeon Brown, the Local Government Minister, asking for council's to prioritise delivery of important essential services, over nice-to-have non-essential ones.

In the current economic climate, this shouldn't have to be raised by central government. PNCC should be all over trying to reduce its spending, instead of increasing its capital programme and assigning millions upon millions of ratepayers money to projects that are not urgent.

Thank you for your consideration.

Kerry Park

PNCC ratepayer

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PNCC Long-Term Plan 2024 -2034

Submission from:  
Rosemary Watson

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Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?

No thank you.

Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?

Ratepayer who lives in their home in the Palmerston North urban area.

Which option do you prefer?

Option 2, capital value (CV)

Please tell us why you prefer that option

Well the simplest and most honest initial answer is that I would eventually stand to benefit fairly considerably by the change, with an over \$1000 annual reduction between the present LV system amount and the possible fully implemented CV system amount as per the calculator on your website. I happen to have a reasonably large section and a largely unimproved ex-state house as old as I am, and don't foresee that situation being changeable in future.

I also think that a CV-based system would be generally easy to understand, as basically CV equates to the overall 'current' market value of a person's property. It would also be less affected than the other systems by the relative volatility over time of land prices.

The value of improvements, which contributes to the CV, does likely have a considerable correlation with overall wealth, which in itself is a good indication of the ability to pay taxes such as rates, and probably also reasonably reflects the extent of that rateable unit's use of rate-funded resources. So for that reason the CV-based system would seem to be more equitable.

The consultation information states that the CV-based system is used in many other towns and cities in the country, so adopting it here would make it easier for you as Council to compare your system efficiency etc. with other Councils.

Though I would get a big benefit from a direct change from the LV system to the full CV system, I'm not greedy enough to not care about those ratepayers who could be adversely affected by the change. So I agree that it should be phased in over a few (say 3) years. If adopted this coming rates year (starting mid-2024), then amount of rates in the first year of the transition to CV system would probably look very similar to that of the hybrid option for individual ratepayers; but the CV transition system also allows for further gradual movement towards the full CV without the need to go back to Council to change again, and go out to consultation again... I understand the next property revaluation is due in 2025. I would expect that land values might not be quite so inflated at that next valuation as they are now. So, if as a variation to the above, the transition to a CV-based system was not started until after such expected and anticipated revaluation, then the adverse shock to those facing rates rises due to such a transition would be reduced. Assuming of course that I am interpreting all this correctly?? Those of us with high land values now wouldn't stand to gain so much either, but as I said before, I try not to be greedy.

Another advantage of not starting the transition until the '25/'26 rates year, after the scheduled revaluation, rather than in the '24/'25 rates year is that it is one less complicating factor for the community to understand when faced with all the other things that are influencing their rates bills for the coming months.



### Please tell us what you don't like about the other options

#### Option 1 - hybrid

I think this may be confusing to many. Some people I have spoken to cannot get their heads around this and think that the two parts of the hybrid, both of which include land value, mean that their land value is getting 'billed' twice. And then there is the bit where the 70% portion goes towards general funding while the 30% contributes to targeted funding. I'm not sure that I properly understand that myself. I watched the relevant Council meeting video, and even some of the Councillors seemed confused about the hybrid system. Adopting this system would mean more Council deliberation and consultation, with associated costs, if further progress towards the full CV system were desired in future.

#### Option 3 - maintain LV

This would mean I keep contributing what could be regarded as "more than my fair share" towards the total rates levy. It would be good to change this...

### Do you have any other comments you'd like to make regarding the rates review?

- 1) The valuation system for rates purposes is what it is, but it's a strange world when the listed value of the improvements, in my case at least, is so way out of kilter with their valuation as required/specified for insurance purposes. I understand that 'improvements' in the current re-valuation system are not 'valued' as such, but are just the monetary difference between the total capital value that the market might be prepared to pay for the property at the time of valuation, and the stand-alone best use value of the land area. It would seem to me that the value/cost of the improvements themselves would be relatively easy to determine, and to then include in the rate revaluation system calculations. But what do I know...?
- 2) I haven't considered effects on businesses much in my reasoning. Some say they will be badly affected by going to the CV system. I say if most cities/towns in NZ are using this system, then the businesses in those locations are coping with that system, and the businesses here would cope too, thus it would seem to be the transition to the CV system that's the issue rather than the CV system itself. So maybe supporting businesses that need help through the transition needs to be considered further? Is this something that needs to be addressed in the rates remission policy?
- 3) Council's consultation document lists lower incentive to develop housing as a 'con' for the CV system. I agree more housing is needed, but believe that slower more considered development is better than 'growth' for 'growth's' sake in terms of sustainability for our city. Thus I see a 'pro' rather than a 'con'.
- 4) Whichever option is adopted, the rates remission policy then needs to be reviewed accordingly to ensure it is appropriate to cover any ramifications of changes to the rating system itself, as well as the actual amounts of rates levied under the chosen system.

### Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?

No.

We'd like to ask you separately about these projects, whether you support it, support it with changes/comments, or don't support it, and to explain why you picked that option.

#### Multicultural Centre - Lease space

Do not support.

Basic reason is leasing and refurbishing a third party building is just pure financial outgoing of ratepayer money. Agree in principle that, although 'one size may not fit all' within this diverse sector of the community, a central city multicultural centre would enhance the vibrancy of the central city and should be considered for the future; but (free) car parking or lack of it could affect the use of any such central facility by people that will be travelling in from the suburbs.

In the short term, what options are there for better facilitation/co-ordination by Council of bookings for suitable existing venues (both Council-owned and otherwise) to assist the various ethnic groups? How fully are some of the existing venues used?  
See also further comments below.

#### Pasifika Centre - Expand and refurbish

Support with changes/comments.

Agree not to proceed with Fale in plans. That's an unnecessary nice-to-have at this time, perhaps the Pasifika community could contribute/raise funds for it in future?

A quick look at the plans suggests various flexible meeting spaces are included in the redevelopment. Your supporting information re use of the new spaces states the possibility for 'agencies' to use them, implying this facility would also be available for non-Pasifika use. Perhaps these meeting spaces could be made available for multicultural community use? As that seems to be a current problem, then maybe bring the Pasifika Centre development forward from Year 2 to Year 1?

More radically, since the Pasifika community is part of the wider multicultural community, might it be feasible to consider rethinking /widening the scope of the development as the multicultural centre and not just as the Pasifika Centre? OK, not central, but seemingly plenty of space for free parking, and expansion if required.

#### Te Patikitiki Library - Expand and refurbish

Support with changes/comments.

Agree not to proceed with play areas in plans at this time.

The plans show meeting rooms and kitchen, and again, if meeting places are in such short supply for the multicultural community, then maybe this expansion would help them in the short term and could be brought forward from Year 2 to Year 1? Again, seemingly plenty of free parking.

#### Awapuni Community Library Hub - New build with expanded community space

Do not support as is.

Way too much money at this time. New capital project too large.

The plans for this substantial development are as yet only very much early stage concepts, and I would like to see more detail before accepting the 'need' rather than the 'want' associated with the scale of this project. You say the library is too small and currently leased in a problematic building, so I agree with the general idea of replacing it in future and PNCC owning the next building it is in. You say Awapuni will soon be the suburb with the highest population in our city. I'm not sure what you are basing that on, but if it includes proposed 'growth' areas of Kikiwhenua and Kakatangiata, then I would suggest that those areas might benefit from their own suburban libraries instead. And with the issues re funding for infrastructure etc. associated with those areas, their development might not be as rapid as some seem to anticipate.

The whole project just seems rushed. Council have only very recently purchased the St Marks Church land and buildings, and I believe reclassification of the adjacent Panako Park reserve has only just happened or is still underway now - I remember it going out to public consultation just last year, though I am unsure about the status of the Guide Hall on that land. And yet the proposal is to start building in Year 2. Whilst the intention to co-ordinate with the Central library seismic work is admirable, that reason alone surely doesn't justify hurrying into this big project. You say a goal is for the site to 'continue to grow with us in the future' - but your concept implies a fully fledged development straightaway...

I understand the Presbyterian Church chose to stop using St Marks because of earthquake risk issues, but wonder what options there may be in the short term (whilst central library is refurbished) to use that building space for a library, and in the longer term what costs might be required to do appropriate seismic work and suitable upgrades for ongoing community use of that building instead? Has that been investigated/costed, i.e. working with what we already have? If not, why not? Ditto the Guide Hall. We can't always justify brand new and shiny...

I see another alternative, which is to start smaller with a new 'larger than current' library with some additional community space, with a design that allows for appropriate extension(s) and expansion(s) at a later date, if justifiable then. That would also meet the goal of having a 'large' library available whilst the central library is closed, and would also spread the cost over several years and allow for further needs assessment and appropriate future design work. Perhaps the site could retain and refurbish existing buildings, whilst also

building some new? Then there could be on-site storage of surplus central city books in the church or guide Hall buildings whilst still having a 'newly-built' library space... which could be expanded on as necessary in future, spreading the rates burden.

Re 'built to high building standards', I would presume that any publicly owned building, for public use, would be built to suitably high building standards, as required by the current legislation. Re possible use as a Civil Defence centre, that is admirable, but seems to me to be a bit of a red herring. Does it really need any 'extra' level of 'high building standards' to enable this? Other sites such as schools and existing community halls etc. are currently used as Civil Defence centres as they are, and that will continue well into the future...

#### Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park - Creation of civic marae with public facilities etc.

Do not support as is.

New capital project too large.

This might be a nice-to-have for the city and for Rangitane **in future**, but the timing right now in the cost of living crisis is completely wrong in terms of effect on city ratepayers, including Maori. I might think differently if Rangitane or externally-sourced funding were covering considerably more of the costs. The site is important, and should be respected more than it currently is, and the views of the city and further afield from there are beautiful. But the timing is just wrong for ratepayers right now. Even if the timing were right, I'd consider a scaled-back version of the plans could be more appropriate.

We already have a civic marae, it's Te Marae o Hine - The Square. Does the city really need another one? You want to enhance the vibrancy of the city centre? Perhaps then Te Marae o Hine - The Square could be better developed for civic events and to welcome dignitaries etc., though it is already used for that anyway. As it does not yet include an indoor area, perhaps one could be developed there, possibly considering the opportunity for redesign offered by the seismic work needed on the Council buildings. Likely talking right off my head and out of turn here, but with no disrespect intended, I understand that Rangitane own the old police station building, so perhaps, not knowing of any other plans for that building, there could be consideration of using part of that as an indoor area 'extension' of Te Marae o Hine - The Square.

We do need to recognise 'Pork Chop Hill' more publicly both as a sacred place for Maori and as an Anzac memorial site, but we already have a major city memorial to the fallen, it's in the centre of Te Marae o Hine - The Square, and it's the perfectly adequate centre of the city's Anzac commemorations already.

It would be desirable to educate people more widely about this place, but that can be done in schools now anyway, and by other means such as brochures in the information centre or exhibitions in Te Manawa, with perhaps some suitable explanatory signage at the site itself. A suitably located toilet block nearby would be appropriate in anticipation of extra visitors to the site that this publicity could generate. I'd go for that now, and I'd be happy for some more design work to take place in year 1 and year 2 as per your LTP blurb, but maybe for a scaled back version of the current aspirations. I wonder about the cultural need for a shop and a gallery for instance. And perhaps a coffee cart and a mobile kai concession would be possible, rather than a dedicated café? So, do some more of the basic homework this time around, and put some more details into a more realistic design proposal, then go out for more funding, and come back to the community with something more tangible and affordable when you consult for the next long term plan in 2027.

#### Central Energy Trust Arena - Replace Arena 5, build new turfs and facilities

Do not support.

New capital project too large. Way too much money to spend at this time. Not enough specific details given in consultation document.

I agree the sporting sector is an important part of the city community, and participation in sport is good for physical health and personal development. In a perfect world, I'd love to support this proposal, but we ain't there, unfortunately. Make do and mend instead maybe?

What would be the cost of any seismic work needed for Barber Hall? What other work is needed rather than wanted on the existing complex, and at what cost? Remember, as you state, that these facilities have hireage fees which help contribute to the maintenance of the facility, so user-pays should help keep the current facility operable.

What really is the demand for more sports turfs? I see sports field in parks around town that are empty way more often than not. Could existing facilities be used more efficiently, or maybe differently? Inter-school sports seem to be on Saturday mornings in term time, club rugby is busy in season on Saturday afternoons. Are there



alternative scheduling options that could be considered? What role could the Council have in co-ordinating this to help the different sporting codes?

Prioritise and progress the work with Massey to create the new artificial turf there.

**Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?**

I'd really like to have said an overall 'Option 3 - Do not proceed with any of the projects' in the current cost of living crisis, to avoid ratepayers being burdened with the costs of borrowing to fund these projects. I truly believe the people of this city need as much help as possible to keep their money for essentials rather than nice-to-haves, and it would be great if the Council could also live within its own means as most of the community are trying hard to do. Plus, my own household is unlikely to use any of the facilities concerned, or only very rarely, so they would not be amenities we would truly value.

However I'm not a complete Grinch and realise that life also needs to be enjoyable, not just affordable, for the good of the community.

City centre transformation - landmark facilities and seismic upgrades

**Which option do you prefer?**

Option 1. Build on existing planning and explore co-funding opportunities

**Please tell us why you prefer that option?**

Hopefully a better chance of getting significant co-funding and not crippling ratepayers by central government-imposed requirements.

Another chance for public consultation and feedback on more developed plans.

A chance to consider incorporating some additional possibilities if doing rebuilds rather than 'simply' seismic work - as long as this rebuild work is actually at similar cost to the seismic upgrade work alone. This is no time for a *carte blanche* approach.

**Please tell us what you don't like about the other option**

Actually, option 2 would likely be a fine solution as long as co-funding were guaranteed... the library and Te Manawa are seemingly perfectly adequate as they are, in their current locations. The brutalist battleship will always be a battleship, you can't successfully put lipstick on a pig, so just respect the pig for what it is.

**Do you have any other comments?**

I support option 1, but am concerned about the the likelihood of higher costs of waiting longer, and the possibility of still not getting the co-funding, which leaves the ratepayers and the city in an even worse situation than going ahead with Option 2.

I find it incredibly sad that so much money and new building work was put into the City Library and Te Manawa as recently as the 1990's, but both now require such expensive 'reworks', but *que sera sera* I guess.

The library's tag-line is 'the living room of the city', and I think it should remain as a living room, and not as a bedroom. I'm not in favour of residential accommodation being incorporated into any of the 3 key city-owned buildings on The Square as part of the 'rethinks' about their futures. My concerns would be around security and safekeeping of civic property and information/records from theft, vandalism, fire or flooding initiated accidentally or otherwise etc., by third parties related to that accommodation. I'm also not sure I support PNCC taking on this sort of 'landlord' role.

'Rethinks', if any, of these 'iconic cultural institutions' should be more about increasing their cultural relevance for the city as a whole.

Suggestion 1) - if a dedicated central city multicultural centre is required, what better place for it than in the central library which already recognises and works to promote all the ethnicities in our city?

Suggestion 2) - could any rework of the civic administration building include an indoor whare area to enhance the mana and effective uses of our current civic marae, Te Marae o Hine - The Square? Not only practical for

welcoming dignitaries etc., but also a true acknowledgment of the working relationship between Rangitane and PNCC in managing our city. We paddle this waka (battleship) together...

I don't see any co-funding currently mentioned for work on this building. Perhaps this suggestion could offer possibilities for such?

Suggestion 3) - would a dedicated 'gallery' for Rangitane in any rework of Te Manawa be acceptable as an alternative to the one proposed for Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park?

Caccia Birch is the oddball here, not a central city landmark facility, but a treasure in its own right, worthy of retention but not major reworks which would destroy its existing historical and heritage value. What opportunities for help with seismic work costs might exist from heritage trusts or similar? No co-funding currently mentioned here, but are there options still to be explored?

### Development Contributions

We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth.

Do you agree with this change?

Yes.

If higher residential development contributions help to make potential developers slow down and better consider/plan suburban infill, it will hopefully have better outcomes for the overall look of the city, neighbouring property owners, and overall sustainability, as well as taking some of the burden of associated infrastructure costs off general ratepayers.

We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project.

Do you agree with this change?

No.

The wastewater project is so huge, and the external funding is yet unconfirmed. So why would developers not be expected to contribute a one-off amount, when ratepayers are potentially facing bills for the next 30 years for the same project?

We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this.

Do you agree with this change?

Yes.

If I understand correctly, this would appear to be a user-pays type situation which would save some of the debt-servicing costs from being passed on to the general ratepayer.

Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?

No.

There should be some sort of fee unless there truly are also no further infrastructure costs like roading, or works associated with supply of power/gas/telecommunications etc.

Please tell us why you've selected these answers, and any other feedback you have about the proposed changes to our Development Contributions Policy.

See answers to specific questions as above. This is not my field of expertise and I am unlikely to ever become a property developer, not even to subdivide my own suburban residential land lot.

## General comment areas

### Please share any feedback you have about our **vision, goals and plans**

Vision: 'Small city benefits.'

These will be lost if the big city ambition is 'growth' for growth's sake. We will lose our identity and just become another city with big city problems, both infrastructural and societal. We will become unaffordable and unpopular.

Goal 1: 'Growing'

Do we really want 'growth'? Or do we want 'development'? Development is about getting better, while growth is just about getting bigger...

Goal 3: Community outcomes

You say that 'your wellbeing is at the heart of all we do'

I think we need to incorporate the concept of happiness and/or contentment into this goal. Happiness is a major contributor to wellbeing. There are a lot of citizens out here right now who are 'unhappy' for a variety of reasons.

Goal 4: Sustainability and resilience

There is no specific reference here to greenspace and adequate provision of such in appropriate quantity and quality, and yet this is key to true sustainability and resilience. BIG omission!

14 plans

Sorry haven't had time to look into all these individually in detail yet. The circles diagram is pretty though! Maybe 14 plans is too many to merge effectively, yet that is what is required for true synergy.

### Please share any feedback regarding proposed **transport projects**

Fix the potholes, do the genuine safety improvements, and keep up with scheduled maintenance.

Look very carefully at the rest of those listed please. And maybe give us more information about each so we can make more informed calls...

WTF does '88M on low cost measures to meet government direction' actually mean? That's just fuel to the fire for the conspiracy theorists out there, without further explanation. (Or maybe there really is a hidden agenda...?) A big NO to this one simply because of that.

Do we really need a new bus hub when the current one is only around 20 years old? Where are the more detailed plans of what this would look like and how it would achieve aspirations? Maybe hold off a bit while the current new buses and routes are already so controversial...

City Centre Transformation - let's just get used to and hopefully enjoy what has recently been done already before forging ahead with this...

New roading for new residential 'growth' areas - once again, does the current community really want the 'growth' of the city in this way? And even if they do, if external funding is not available to help fund the infrastructure required, don't spend our money now too readily on 'if we build it they will come' type projects. Proceeding with new roading projects that support Te Utanganui might be most appropriate, since the central distribution hub concept and proposal has been around for such a long time and makes some sense for our city's business success because of our location. Plus, development of the regional freight ring road would help keep heavy vehicles off existing city roads, reducing traffic on them and consequent wear and tear.

In general, choice is great, but removing choice from others in the process is not so good. Palmerston North is nice and flat for cycling, and with e-bikes, the wind is no longer a deterrent. Walking is totally appropriate for those who have the time and physical ability, and e-scooters are a popular option for some too. Public transport is great, as long as it is an appropriate and affordable option, especially for those who have no other means of getting from A to B. But a mass transit public transport system in Palmerston North will never be attainable or appropriate. So don't get rid of all the car parks, and don't make parking fees too extortionate either. Acknowledge that many people's situations, occupations, schedules, family commitments, destinations etc. don't allow them to take public transport and plan accordingly. Many people just won't come to the city centre or other areas if car use and parking is just made too difficult and/or expensive. This from a person who used to cycle or walk everywhere in the city and out to Massey and the science centres almost all of the time,

but now cannot cycle and struggles to walk long distances, but refuses where at all possible to pay for car parking...

**Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for Water and how we will fund Nature Calls**

A clean and sufficient supply of drinking and other water for all of the current community is a no-brainer. Stormwater upgrades for the current community are probably necessary too, on the basis of prevention is better than cure. Supply work for the north-east industrial area supports the progress of Te Utanganui. But hold off on work on any of the other 'growth' areas, for reasons re 'growth' outlined elsewhere in this submission.

And because of the Nature Calls wastewater project!

No-one can surely deny the desirability of not polluting our river, but \$647 M for this scheme is eye-watering. How, Three Waters or otherwise, did things ever reach this point and cost? Sorting this out and getting some certainty about the financing of this is surely paramount of all the water projects. And arguably all of the total projects. The \$1000 a year levy for 30 years for each ratepayer is at best challenging, at worst unworkable. And this is for 'some of the highest quality treated wastewater in New Zealand'. Yes, we have some legal obligations to cover, but are there other options that could be (re-)considered? Just what is meant by "If Council is unable to proceed with funding... the programme would unlikely be able to proceed in its current form"? What are the alternatives please? And should we be considering them now, rather than if funding is unavailable? Absolute priority to get this sorted out before committing to anything other than necessary projects as above.

**Please share any feedback regarding our proposed plans for housing**

It doesn't seem appropriate at this time of a cost of living crisis to cut back on Council-owned social housing projects, even though housing provision is no longer seen by many as core Council business. I'm also happy to support initiatives which help address issues around homelessness. And, somewhat tongue in cheek, if you keep putting up rates, you will have even more demand for these services from people who can no longer afford to live in their own home, possibly myself included.

As for the rest, it comes back to 'growth' for growth's sake, versus sustainable development. See my Future Development Strategy submission. Developments such as Kakatangiata should not go ahead without external infrastructure funding. Infill and medium density housing, if done, should be done with utmost care and regard for their various effects on the existing neighbourhood. All future developments should have strict rules for including generous green space quantity and quality, including public green space for community gardens and orchards, foraging areas etc. in the new 'greenfield' areas.

**Please share any feedback regarding our proposed plans for growing our city / Future Development Strategy**

I have already made a separate submission on the Future Development Strategy. I am attaching that submission document to the e-mail which is sending you this LTP submission, so that you can read it in conjunction with this submission, and so that I don't have to repeat myself here...

Key points:

- is the community on board with the 'growth' vision, or happy as is, as a small city
- do we want 'growth' anyway? - or truly sustainable development?
- slow down 'progress' to ensure it's well thought out and really necessary
- consider public and private green space of various types to be essential in development plans
- listen to and engage with your community
- maximise external funding for any development, minimise debt burden to Council and rates burden to community

**Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services / Waste Management and Minimisation Plan**

I have already made a separate submission on the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan. I am attaching that submission document to the e-mail which is sending you this LTP submission, so that you can read it in conjunction with this submission, and so that I don't have to repeat myself here...

**Please share any feedback regarding proposed rates over the next ten years**

Well of course I'm going to say keep them as low as possible...

Potential double digit increases over the next few years are simply untenable, as well as unaffordable. If that is even contemplated, the 'system' is well and truly broken.

And that's before the predicted additional targeted \$1000 (approx. 25% of my '23/'24 total annual rate) per year for 30 years per ratepayer for the Nature Calls wastewater. UNTENABLE and UNAFFORDABLE. How could this possibly have been approved?

I've heard that auditors may have some doubt about the Council's own ability to pay for its plans, and simply taking on more debt is not the answer. Paying more interest on Council debt is just ratepayer's money going down the plughole, literally seen as waste.

I am totally debt averse. If I can't afford it now, I do without if at all possible. Whilst this may not be completely practical for Council operations, please consider that if you press for unaffordable and unrealistic 'legacy projects', however desirable they may seem, you may also end up with a very undesirable 'legacy reputation'... and break the back and spirit of your community in the process.

Please prioritise accordingly. If we legally have to pay for the wastewater and seismic upgrades, then prioritise them and be as frugal as you can with spending on everything else, at least until you can confirm finding different sources of funding for these. Just maintain the current infrastructure, maybe even for the next 30 years! No big new capital projects! We have to live within our means, look after and be content with what we have. 'Big city ambition' is not for us if it results in unaffordability and unhappiness. Endless plans for 'growth' are not sustainable in a world of finite resources.

**Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider**

A lot of things came up for public consultation all at once this month! Might have been a bit daunting, overwhelming, confusing etc. for some people... but might also have got attentions focussed on local issues. Hopefully this consultation and all the efforts you have gone to to promote it are not just because of your legal obligations, and they really will have a role in revision or confirmation of parts of your plans and strategies. There are diligent people who put in submissions as they feel it's their civic duty, to help their city. There are those who put them in because they have great ideas to share. There are those who 'submit' because they have particularly strong views about certain issues. There are those who won't 'submit' as they feel they just won't be listened to. There are those who might like to submit but cannot for various reasons. There are those who simply don't care and can't be bothered. And there are those who don't even know that these consultations are even happening right now, or comprehend what they are about. (I know this, as all those types are represented by myself and my friends and/or neighbours.)

PNCC and Councillors, you have a daunting job trying to satisfy all of those people, especially those who don't engage with you. But that is somehow what you must do. So please at least do 'listen' to and consider those who do make the effort to share their views with you; and don't forget that those who don't, don't necessarily have no opinion...

Best wishes!

Thanks for taking the time to read and consider all my submissions.

## PNCC/Horizons Future Development Strategy 2024

Submission from:

Rosemary Watson

7(2)(a) Privacy

### [General comment on this consultation](#)

It is nice to be asked... but the whole process does give the appearance of lip-service to the legal requirement for consultation.

Obviously many hours/months/years of work by many dedicated and professional people have gone into the production of the Future Development Strategy. This strategy, albeit called a draft, seems to be so very detailed and advanced that it is set in stone anyway (apart from the few uncertainties you have mentioned). The document reads as if decisions have already been made, both major (p.25 "we will grow up" ... "we will grow in" ... "we will grow out") as well as more local - and close to my own home - (p.71 "soon-to- be-zoned land at Roxburgh Crescent").

Being so detailed and advanced already, it is difficult to see how submissions such as mine could really make any difference or change to the 'draft'. Plus most of us don't have the detailed technical knowledge for any input that trained planners or similar would likely consider to be valid anyway. I would be prepared to wager that many (?most) people in this city have no idea of the locations most of the 'new' names mentioned in the strategy (Braeburn, Kikiwhenua, Kakatangiata, Matangi, Te Utanganui, Tamamuku Terrace etc.) actually relate to - I certainly didn't until the expo at the Convention Centre two weeks ago. So why only now are you doing this big ask for input, except because you legally need to?

The timing of the consultation is also difficult from the submitter end, coming as it does at the same time as all the PNCC 10 year LTP and rates review etc. consultations. Such a lot of information to be given and to assimilate and process and respond to in such a short time, so how is one really supposed to give well-considered responses? Or is it maybe the intention just to get a whole load of one-liner gut opinions that could possibly justifiably be 'ignored' by the Councils?

Having an earlier date for the closing of submissions (5/5/24 for this one instead of 9/5/24 for the LTP etc.) is also confusing. And with the single day date for the hearing set as 13/5/24, being little over a week after close of submissions, does this give any insight into how many submissions (and how much prior reading by those listening at the hearing) are expected (?hoped for)? Just one day set aside for a hearing on the next 30 years' worth of proposed growth, and just one day (20/5/24) set aside after that for deliberations, and only a little over a month after that (26/6/24) for the strategy to be adopted - surely that is all a joke if Councils were genuinely hoping to incorporate a decent amount of the feedback obtained from submissions into the strategy? With this seemingly rushed process, how well will this FDS and the current Palmerston North LTP consultation/submissions/hearing/deliberations actually be integrated for best overall outcomes?

Well in spite of all the above, I have tried to read and study the draft strategy, all 178 pages of it, and here are my best answers at this time to your questions...

### [Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?](#)

No thank you.

### [Well-functioning urban environments](#)

#### [1. Is there anything else you think should be part of our urban areas to make them well-functioning?](#)

Happy people!

People who can actually afford to live comfortably here.

People who are healthy, physically and mentally. (Green space to look out on and access from every dwelling.)

People of all nationalities, not just our Maori citizens, who feel they have a say and are listened to and truly considered, and have a buy-in into what happens in their community/city/area.

## Opportunities

### 2. Do you know of any opportunities we've missed?

A) More thought about what is actually going on here!

Your opportunities are all stated to be about 'growth'.

Your strategy is called future development, and 'development' is about getting better - improvement; whereas 'growth' is just about getting bigger.

In your own words, "government requires all local authorities to have a strategy for future development" - not for future growth.

Perhaps we need to push back a bit more against central government policies that dictate how our region is supposed to 'develop'? Perhaps we want more stability from left/right policy swings? (Think Three Waters...)

"Small city benefits, big city ambition" is our city vision. 'Growth' means we do not remain a small city with its inherent benefits. Bigger is not always better.

Perhaps we do not want to 'grow'? Perhaps we just want to be happy in our own skin, look after what we already have, and live within our means? Did you ask the people already here what they want before developing the strategy to its current level of presumed *fait accompli*?

B) There seems to be relatively little mention of how surrounding towns/villages, notably Feilding, fit into the strategy. Apart from having 'strong ties to' and offering a 'comfortable commute to' Palmerston North, these areas are not specifically considered much (apart from the Palmerston North to Feilding shared pathway, and the Wairarapa - Wellington - Horowhenua FDS plans mentioned on p36.) Perhaps better integration/collaboration with Manawatu District Council, Rangitikei District Council and Tararua District Council could give a better plan/insight on development of the whole area, and could influence the Palmy/Horizons FDS accordingly?

## Constraints

### 3. Do you think there are any constraints we've missed?

A) True sustainability.

We are a country, a region, a city, with fine but finite resources. The current economic model of endless growth does not meld well with properly treasuring what we already have. Nothing I know of (with the possible exception of silverbeet!) can continue to grow exponentially forever, we need to recognise and respect this.

Borrowing by and debt burden to local authorities, and increases to rates for current ratepayers, to fund future projects, are not the answer. If it can't be funded now, then either it doesn't happen, or it doesn't happen until it can be funded.

B) Water supply

Palmerston North is currently relatively well off in terms of water supply compared to other cities, and the strategy does mention new bores to support new growth. But most years we already have water restrictions to some degree in summer, and right now in mid-late autumn we are still being asked to conserve water due to low rainfall. I think available water supply should be most conservatively estimated in view of the uncertainties of climate and climate change. Whilst some unknowns are mentioned on p40, there doesn't seem to be much more about water supply and its constraints in Appendix 1 as indicated on that page. Don't forget good quality (and quantity) water for all!

C) Waste

No apparent mention of extra provisions for extra 'waste' coming from 'growth', both the 'waste' from the 'growth' construction phase and the 'waste' from the additional homes/businesses created. I understand the current landfill used for Palmerston North waste, Bonny Glen at Marton, only has consents until 2050, which is within the long term 10 -30 year definition in the future development strategy. Surely some recognition should be made in the FDS as to what will happen after that? And that's assuming that the current arrangement with EnviroWaste/EnviroNZ to transfer all Palmy's waste to Bonny Glen at Marton lasts that long (which I do not

know). It can't be truly sustainable anyway to truck all the city waste that far, so maybe in reality if the city is to 'grow', it also needs to mature and take responsibility for its own waste, and use some of the proposed new industrial-zoned land for its own landfill? No longer P.C. to ship various NZ 'waste' offshore, why should it be P.C. in future to truck it to another regional location? If we generate it, we should also 'own' it, and deal with it ourselves (which may also open up the opportunity for better resource recovery). Won't be popular, but might be realistic to consider. (Please see also my separate submission on the Draft Waste Management and Minimisation Plan.)

D) The Linton - Longburn leg of the proposed regional freight ring road, which appears to include the long-awaited 'second bridge' over the Manawatu River, is not scheduled until the long term part of the FDS. In view of all the other government-introduced seismic strengthening requirements etc. following the Christchurch earthquakes, it seems incongruous for the city's earthquake resilience that the bridge does not appear earlier in the strategy's time frame.

E) Schools. The Ministry of Education says that no more schools are required within the timespan of this FDS. But as well as longer commutes for school pupils from proposed 'growing out' areas, larger school rolls/classes would appear to mean additional strain on already stretched teachers and teaching resources, with poorer outcomes for the community. Is that what this city wants?

F) Health resources. So Te Whatu Ora will upgrade and redevelop the hospital over time to meet growth, but will it be able to staff and resource it adequately, when the health system is already struggling? If the city is to be healthy, the people need to be healthy too.

G) Air New Zealand monopoly on passenger flights in and out of Palmerston North airport. High costs of tickets may limit demand/affordability for public air access in and out of the city.

#### [Growing in](#)

#### 4. Do you agree or disagree with the extent we've shown for 'growing in'?

Both agree and disagree. See previous comments about whether 'growth' is really needed/wanted by Palmerstonians...

Depends on individual case. No particular opinion on some of the proposed sites.

In general terms, use of upper levels of commercial buildings in city centre for housing units for apartment living would work for residents who want that lifestyle. But why are upper levels currently empty anyway, and how does putting homes there balance with getting businesses back into the central city, if business 'growth' is also 'required'?

The Albert Street PNCC depot is mentioned in the FDS (p25, 35), but its dot on the maps is not specifically labelled. It seems to be a possibility for homes in the 10-30 year time frame, and is apparently already residential-zoned. Despite this, I believe strongly it should be kept as a relatively central facility location for PNCC. The recycling centre is very accessible and well used by the public where it is, and maybe could become more so. Don't make it more difficult for people to recycle! Also, it seems more efficient for various PNCC service vehicles etc. to be based centrally, and for the works staff to have a central work base to commute to, than to relocate to somewhere possibly way out in the new industrial areas.

The Roxburgh Crescent development seems logical in principle, but the presence of 'bespoke' site rules giving it medium density status, whilst not meeting the parameters/requirements for other proposed medium density zones in the city, is disturbing. I think the 3-storey 'boxes' overlooking the river along the stopbank completely ruin the openness and countryside feel of that part of the river park. And please don't forget the reserve land exchange that will take valued green space with community orchard potential away from current Hokowhitu residents, for the benefit of the new development.

#### 5. Do you have any other thoughts about 'growing in'?

Do it well. Don't ruin the existing feel of the city. Don't create raised 'pimples' of new housing which tower over and clash with existing housing stock in the area. Don't create ghettos. Allow for plenty of green space where possible, not just grass but canopy cover. Allow for people who want to garden. Allow at least for green vistas and ready access to green and natural spaces - so important for mental well-being.



#### 6. Are there any other 'growing in' opportunities you think we've missed?

No. You've taken Huia Street Reserve and Summerhays Street bowling club already. Please don't even consider trying to take away any more city reserve land for housing. Once public reserve / green space is gone, it can never be regained.

#### Growing up

#### 7. Do you agree or disagree with the extent we've shown for 'growing up'?

Disagree in general terms for residential.

The details for this in the orange zones on the FDS maps and in the text of the document are not specified adequately. Medium density zones are mentioned in the FDS, and there was a pre-consultation on them at the end of 2022, but they are not shown on the FDS maps. What are the differences in 'growing up' rules for the medium density zones and the rest of the orange zone please? Tell me that and then I might have a more favourable (and informed) opinion.

#### 8. Do you have any thoughts about 'growing up'?

I know some 'growing up' will happen.

3-storey generally too high, 150 m<sup>2</sup> generally too small. See my thoughts above about 'growing in', all those apply equally here. Consider especially existing residents and properties who currently don't, and don't want, to live surrounded and overlooked by infill subdivision. Don't make 'growing up' an automatic right for potential developers, retain an adequate consent process. Allow for individual family unit space and privacy.

#### 9. Are there any areas we've missed to 'grow up'? If so, where?

No specific thoughts on this.

#### Growing out

#### 10. Do you agree or disagree with the extent we've shown for 'growing out'?

Both agree and disagree.

The regional freight hub and the associated industrial development have been 'in the works' for a reasonable time and seems part of a sensible plan for development of the lower North Island, bearing in mind the current road and rail links and the new road to replace the Manawatu Gorge route east.

Not so sure at all that the 'growing out' of residential areas is needed/wanted to the extent shown, especially when some of it appears to be on good quality soils and some on moderate to very high liquefaction risk land.

#### 11. Do you have any other thoughts about 'growing out'?

Don't do it without external funding for the required infrastructure development. We cannot afford it!

Don't be too strict on limiting lifestyle block development. Local small-scale niche land-based businesses seem to be on an upward trajectory right now. Support rather than quash 'grow local', so that people can 'buy local'.

#### Anything else?

#### 12. What other information could be useful for considering the next 30 years of growth in the district?

As stated above in 'opportunities', some better knowledge about, and integration with, the FDS plans of other local authorities in the immediate region.

#### 13. Do you have any other comments you'd like to make on the future development of Palmerston North City and district?

Reiterating - does the city really need all this 'growth', and do the people of the city really want it?

Reiterating - don't get the city or the ratepayers into (more) debt to forge ahead with all this. Live within our means. External investment only.

Questioning - though the campus is mentioned as a possibility for partial 'repurposing', has the recent 'demise' of Massey University in terms of on-site teaching been factored into the model for population growth that this FDS is based on? If not, it probably should be...

Don't forget the vegetation framework, currently under review, in any plans. Quantity of green space important, but also quality, notably mature canopy plantings to help with temperature control and slow down potential erosion/run-off in rain storm events, and for human enjoyment/wellbeing. Mature canopy takes years to establish, don't lose it in development plans and then call a patch of grass equivalent green space... you are cheating us all if you do.

#### Te Utanganui

#### 14. What are your thoughts on the opportunities or challenges that Te Utanganui presents for Bunnythorpe, the city, and the economy?

A good opportunity for the region and the city for jobs, but I have absolute empathy for those in the immediate vicinity who feel, probably rightly, that their country/village/rural lifestyle will be changed forever by this development.

The proposed freight ring road would be great for keeping heavy vehicles out of the city streets, and the 'second bridge' over the Manawatu River would give the region greater resilience against earthquakes/floods, but again I feel for those living along or near the current roads that are planned to be part of that route.

#### 15. What are the implications for your property in this masterplan?

Few for current property, though I would expect more general traffic noise and engine braking noise by large vehicles across the river, on the Aokautere - Ashhurst road, if the proposed regional freight ring road goes ahead. Maybe more rail freight noise channelling along the Manawatu River valley, maybe more freight aircraft noise at night?

#### 16. What additional local knowledge or other information are you aware of that could help us refine our master plan?

None, sorry...

#### 17. What further information could we investigate or provide to better inform future stages?

No opinion

Would you like us to keep you informed for Te Utanganui in the future?

Yes please. 7(2)(a) Privacy

## PNCC Draft Waste Management and Minimisation Plan 2024

Submission from:

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7(2)(a) Privacy

### Food scraps and green waste

Do you support our plan to introduce a food scraps kerbside collection service?

Both yes and no.

Why do you say that?

- 1) I support absolutely minimisation of true 'waste' and the principles of the waste hierarchy.
- 2) I support the scoping assessment to fully identify practicalities, opportunities and constraints of this 'service'.
- 3) I support this in general in situations like high-rise apartment living where there may currently be limited other options for disposal of food scraps. However most of this city is not like that...yet...
- 4) Statement from PNCC - "All Councils are ... required to introduce a kerbside food scraps collection by 2030" - so what is the point in not supporting 'your' 'plan'? 'You' will do it anyway... unless our city develops the balls to stand up to central government and comes up with a different individualised approach/solution to food waste management.  
But:  
5) The 'plan' is as yet not fully defined so difficult to properly assess.
- 6) For example as per 5, there is as yet no food scraps processing facility near Palmerston North - if built would this be ratepayer funded new infrastructure, or will central government (or another agency) fund it, since the need for it has been 'imposed' from 'above'?
- 7) Many people already garden, and, like me, compost food scraps as part of that activity. Those people will likely not use the proposed new service as they value keeping their 'resource' on their property. However I assume that kerbside food scraps collection is presently intended to be charged generally to all rateable units, rather than as a user-pays system. So those people already 'doing the right thing' would be effectively penalised for doing just that.
- 8) More people are learning to garden through school activities, community gardens, various ENM and other activities like Growing Gardens and Communities, and local food resilience is becoming more important in the city. Composting is an important part of all that activity, so in future there will hopefully be more people 'doing the right thing' as above and thus less food waste being put out to landfill (in spite of shrinking section sizes...).
- 9) Users of 'insinkerators' would likely also not use the food scraps collection service. What options may exist or be possible for environmentally friendly and sustainable central processing of 'insinkered' food waste at our wastewater treatment plant, as an alternative to kerbside collection and separate processing in an as yet non-existent facility, for those who cannot/choose not to compost? Maybe install more 'insinkerators' in new builds and promote this food waste disposal method if energy/fertilizer etc. could be produced this way? The wastewater plant is up for a considerable upgrade anyway - could two birds with one stone be possible here?
- 10) Focus on continuing/augmenting education re food waste and composting etc. should not be forgotten in the overall waste minimisation 'plan'. How about more promotion/facilitation of Love Food Hate Waste to minimise food waste (and help people stretch their budgets at the same time) in the first place (e.g. via SuperGrans and community/cultural groups), as well as ShareWaste/Composting Collective community compost collection activities?
- 11) I know of people who (despite my best efforts to help them) do not use their current glass or recycling bins as it is just too complicated to work out what goes in what and which collection day is when... they prefer to use one (or more) smelly rubbish bag(s) on the back step to take everything. Such people will never use yet another service...
- 12) Remember one size does not often fit all? Well I don't believe a universal 'service' system for food scrap collection properly fits our city. Please consider a (possibly incentivized) 'opt-in' service alternative for food

scraps collection as part of the wider investigation of models for kerbside waste collection service delivery. Also please recognise the possibility of negative consequences for existing valid food scraps disposal systems as mentioned above.

### Should the kerbside collection service include food scraps only, or food scraps and green waste?

If a single container food scraps kerbside collection were to be introduced, then, without further specific details of what is proposed, I think it should be just that, food scraps only.

### Why do you say that?

1) Where food scraps collection would be most useful, such as apartment buildings, is likely where least green waste would be generated. Any extra size for the collection container to be useful for green waste would likely prevent the container being able to be used/stored in kitchens where the food scraps are generated. If it isn't handy to the kitchen, then the food scraps will go into the general rubbish anyway.

2) I assume food scraps kerbside collection would be a weekly service for hygiene reasons, and the amount generated per individual household probably wouldn't vary that much from week to week. 'Green waste', depending on what that definition includes, is not likely to be that constant - and it can come in large quantities when it is generated. Hedges don't get trimmed weekly, shrubs get pruned generally seasonally, trees only occasionally get trimmed/felled, even lawns don't get mown weekly for much of the year. So appropriate container capacity might be difficult to correctly determine - a 'small' container for food scraps might not be appropriate for green waste other than a few dead-headed flowers on a weekly basis, a 'large' container would maybe be underused most weeks.

3) Many people already garden and value their green 'waste' as a commodity to be processed and kept on their property as compost/mulch etc. See all points re gardening/composting as per above section. The larger amounts they might not be able to process themselves are likely too large for a weekly collection service container and already go to other green waste handling options like resource recovery drop-off locations, mulching by arborist companies, or firewood etc.

4) Those who do garden but don't compost often have a green waste collection already, collected fortnightly, monthly or as required.

5) Many households use commercial lawnmowing /gardening services which remove the lawn clippings/prunings etc. as part of their service, a kerbside collection would be largely superfluous for these households.

6) I believe there are currently no options for greenwaste processing for flax, cabbage tree leaves, bamboo, palm fronds etc. Neither are there current options available for other compostable waste like doggie-dos, cat litter tray contents and dead animals. I suspect that any green waste kerbside collection being considered here would not include these items either. I'm sure these items contribute to some of the organic 'waste' that goes into the general rubbish, so maybe some consideration needs to be given to this part of the current situation too.

7) What if any differences in processing facility capacity/cost/operation/resource recovery for the collection service would there be if 'green waste' were included as well as food scraps? We already have composting facilities suitable for green waste at Awapuni, I believe - would there be unnecessary duplication?

8) Or, would there be 2 separate containers for the kerbside food scraps and green waste, possibly with different collection schedules? In which case, would ratepayers end up paying 2 more fixed charges instead of just one? And would commercial green waste bin companies be disadvantaged by this? All this and more needs to be covered in the scoping assessment...

### Review of services

### Do you support our plan to investigate different ways of delivering kerbside collection services?

Yes, in general terms, a review of services and service delivery, with considerations of efficiency and cost is a good thing, and part of good business practice. And it appears to almost be another central government requirement... but "investigate different ways of delivering kerbside collection services" almost implies that changes are already afoot, regardless of the outcome of the review of current services. Do the review by all means, but don't please assume that by doing the review you can just change the services without further consultation...

### Why do you say that?

Take time to consider all the factors involved, and what is truly best for our city and all the people in it. Plan and predict for the future as much as possible, be innovative and don't just follow the herd for the sake of it, but also don't just impose those plans on the citizenry as a *fait accompli*. Please!

### Waste minimisation target

#### Do you support our plan to include stated performance standards as our waste minimisation target?

Unsure.

### Why do you say that?

- 1) Central government says you will likely have to have these in future.
- 2) S.M.A.R.T. mnemonic says if you are going to have goals/targets then they need to be specific etc.
- 3) You state the standards could be amended if necessary.  
but
- 4) I don't have the knowledge to decide if these are the right standards or whether they are actually achievable, or what the % units are - weight or volume?
- 5) The standards definitely need to be amendable in view of central government changing goalposts such as the recent 'no lids in recycling bins' ultimatum. It would be interesting to see how much the stated %s of divertable material in the kerbside rubbish collection from your previous research have decreased as a result of this, and subsequently how this might influence targets!
- 6) Do the standards account for the proposed 'growth' in the city and the increased number of households contributing to the kerbside waste in 2030 compared to now? The rounded nature of the 30, 40 and 50% numbers almost seems like they have been picked a bit out of 'somewhere in the ballpark' rather than carefully calculated.

#### If you don't support these stated performance standards as our waste minimisation target, what target should we set instead?

No way am I able to set specific numbers /targets for this.

What I can say is surely it would be better/more appropriate/more environmentally significant to consider waste to landfill from all waste streams and not just households? Or might there be a 'too-hard basket' reason for conveniently omitting other waste streams such as that from construction waste during all the proposed 'growth' mooted for the city? True accountability and sustainability here please, people.

### General or other comments

#### A) Review of services

It sounds like Council is wanting to 'opt out' of doing the kerbside waste collection itself...

- 1) With larger volumes/weights/proportions of 'divertable' waste going to landfill in the big 240L bins supplied by commercial services compared to the smaller PNCC bags, it is difficult to understand why Council seemingly feel that "Council acting as direct provider of waste collection services is negatively impacting on the operation of the waste sector". From that respect it appears to be a good thing... I must be missing something here?? Or... does it mean you would put stricter standards in place if you as Council did not also have to follow the waste collection standards you set? Because by crikey that does seem to be the implication, and surely that is just not acceptable!
- 2) If 'small is good', then would all commercial 'rubbish' collections after potential Council 'opt out' be limited to similar bags or to the smaller 80L bins? How would this smaller bin size influence the extent of rubbish fly-tipping?
- 3) If Council does 'opt out' for the remaining 22% of kerbside waste, I hope there would be some arrangements with the 'new' collector(s) for those still using Council rubbish bags to use up their supply and still have their rubbish picked up in them without being penalised, since they have already paid for those bags either via direct purchase or, previously, through their rates. These people are the ones that are minimising their waste already, some for many years, and as such should not be adversely affected because they have been 'doing the right

thing' all along. I myself only put out one bag every couple of months or so (though this will go up since the new central government directive re no more lids in recycling...), and likely still have a lifetime supply of the old brown paper sacks, as well as some annual bundles of the green plastic ones! What message would it send if these bags were no longer allowed to be used, or their equivalent value in future rubbish services not adequately recognised?

#### B) Resource recovery

1) I note that the upgrade of the Materials Recovery Facility proposed 2025/26 is to be rates funded (but can't find any costs for this mentioned in the draft waste plan or the LTP). Since central government is standardising kerbside recycling nationwide, does that not also include standardisation of the processing of any such collection? And as a consequence of that, what central or external funding might be available to upgrade recycling processing plants as alternative or supplement to rates? If none is currently available shouldn't there be? Maybe there should be some push-back from local to central government on this?

2) 'Investigation of opportunities for ... "hard -to-recycle" materials' is also rates funded. Again central government have 'pulled the plug' on accepting certain plastics (2021) and more recently all sorts of plastic caps/lids and aerosols etc. (2024), so shouldn't some of the funding for this be available from central government, since central government have effectively now 'condemned' these items to landfill? What opportunities for external government grants etc.? Again if none, then lobby for such - it's what we as citizens have to do if we want to see change from local Council, why don't you as local Councils group together and give it a try?

3) I see none of the planned actions p25-27 are funded by the Waste Minimisation Fund (WMF) p28. I only see "we may make an application for contestable ... funds from the ...Fund" p29. Why only "may"? Surely projects as above and others are worth making a case for to source this external funding to help with or replace rates?

4) There is a soft plastic recycling scheme in New Zealand, but currently no options for drop-off in Palmerston North as in many other locations. The only, and expensive, option is paying for the privilege of a (plastic) NZ Post bag to collect your plastic in and then courier it away... Soft plastics may not weigh much but they contribute a lot to environmental problems if they go out as waste. (Until the recent 'lids directive', almost all the contents of the rubbish sacks I put out for collection is soft plastics.) What is PNCC doing /can PNCC do towards persuading/incentivising/legislating for local businesses to have drop-off points for soft plastics to minimise what goes out to landfill?

5) Plastic number 6 is still regularly used by some NZ producers e.g. for yoghurt/sour cream/cottage cheese etc., but this cannot be recycled. What pressure can local government put on central government to disallow this type of plastic from being used by NZ companies in the first place, so that is simply not available to become potential waste in the first place?

6) I understand the Albert Street depot site may be under consideration for housing in the future (though maybe not in the 6-year timeframe of the current plan). The relatively central location of the recycling centre at this depot is important for easy access by many city residents, and that easy access to recycling drop-off facilities is key to promoting use and optimal resource recovery. I use this facility regularly, and it is pretty much always busy, so I strongly believe it should be retained where it is.

7) Thinking outside the loop of current 'resource recovery':

i) I love what Reclaimed Timber Traders do at Awapuni, and what Jason Ramsay (Rusty Nail) does at Longburn. How much more could be done with saving resources such as those that currently are picked up by kerbside collection and go via EnviroNZ to landfill without sorting? Is having a third party or parties involved a constraint to better resource recovery?

ii) Would there be any options for a 'tip shop' at the transfer station, where potentially useful but unwanted options could be dropped off by the public, and saleable items in the waste from kerbside collections could be diverted to, for resale, as done in conjunction with landfills in other parts of the country?

iii) What consideration if any is being given to regular (annual/6-monthly) inorganic collection schemes, as happens in some other NZ cities? The days of piles of 'stuff' on grass verges and pavements for fossickers to go through are likely over (unfortunately for those who appreciate a 'bargain'), but this could help stop fly-tipping of sofas, mattresses, old beds, whiteware etc. Sale of salvageable items could part-fund this activity, and breaking down of various items into separate recyclable components could provide jobs as well as recovering resources and minimising actual waste to landfill.

iv) I loved the inorganic 'swap meets' that were a regular (six-monthly?) occurrence on Saturday mornings in Palmerston North a while back. For a gold coin donation, people could drop their unwanted inorganic 'stuff' off at one of several locations throughout the suburbs (Milverton Park, Terrace End School, Barber Hall carpark I

remember, among others), and for a gold coin donation others could take away what was dropped off. The Council collected the 'leftovers' at the end of the morning, and presumably sorted them appropriately (scrap metal/timber/household goods/bikes etc.) for dispersal. Sometimes before that sorting there was a 'second chance' garage sale type event at a central location where all the 'leftovers' from the various sites had been gathered. What possibilities are there for similar events again now?

v) I understand the Bonny Glen landfill at Marton has consents for use until 2050. I do not know how long PNCC's contract with EnviroNZ for taking Palmy's waste to Bonny Glen runs for. I see no mention of this in the draft plan. In my Future Development Strategy submission I mentioned the possibility of needing to consider a new, and closer, landfill option for the future, to deal with our own waste as we develop as a city instead of trucking it to 'someone else's backyard'. It won't be popular and likely will take ages to sort out and consent, so should there be any consideration in these plans for considering/scoping the possibility/need for a future new landfill, maybe located near Te Utanganui industrial development area where relevant resource recovery and distribution industries and a 'tip shop' could also be located?

#### C) Final thoughts... or thoughts on finality

Human waste - not just sewage or wastewater, but human bodies too.

There is no current option for natural burials in the Palmerston North area, yet more and more people are wanting to avoid the costs, wastefulness and environmental downsides of embalming, normal burial and cremations. Those who favour natural burial are content with the concept of returning to the land and becoming compost for future tree and shrub plantings, to help the circular economy and the future environment in the most basic 'down-to-earth' way. Resource recovery and waste minimisation at its best, but nowhere near this city has yet been deemed suitable.

So... the Nature Calls project involves purchase/lease of up to 700 ha of land for high quality wastewater discharge in summer. Presumably tree and shrub plantings would help prevent any remaining 'contaminants' in this discharge from leaching back into the river or groundwater etc. Put aside any squeamish thoughts - those wanting the natural burial likely won't have any - and consider is there any way these 2 'waste' streams could be successfully integrated? Could at least part of the area set aside for wastewater discharge also be used for natural burials? How could at least part of the area be designated as a natural/woodland 'park' for relatives to visit their loved ones' resting places?

Goal 1 of the city strategy states 'innovative'.

Come on Palmerston North, let's see what we can do!

Thank you for reading and considering this submission.

# Long-Term Plan submission form



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## Your contact details

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## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Other: GROUP
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## Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	Yes
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Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Prefer not to say
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Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support as proposed
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Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Pasifika Centre project	As a member of a local community dedicated to amplifying the voices of our Pasifika community, I am deeply invested in this cause. The Pasifika Community Hub has served as an essential space for both our Pasifika and wider community for many years. It promotes collaboration among different ethnicities, sectors, and service providers while also providing opportunities for cultural exchange, education and economic growth.
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The Long-Term Plan proposes an investment of 3.88M into the



development of this hub - marking the most significant investment in over a decade. However, we believe that such an investment should have been made long ago by our Council here in Palmerston North, New Zealand.

This is not just about building infrastructure; it's about nurturing our communities' potential to thrive and contribute back to society. This hub is more than just a place - it's where gaps are closed and opportunities are created for everyone regardless of their cultural background.

We urge you to support this petition because if not now, then when? The time has come for us to stand together as one community demanding equal access to resources and opportunities that will benefit us all. Please sign this petition urging Council to invest in the development of the Pasifika Community Hub now!

## General comment areas

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How did you find out about our long-term plan?

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Supporting information

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Kia Orana and Bula,

Please see our attached petition for the Long Term Plan 2024. We will no be speaking to this submission but want it noted as received.

**Support the \$3.88M Investment for the Refurbishment and Expansion of the Pasifika Community Centre. 174 signatures @2.40pm**

The Pasifika Community Centre in Palmerston North holds a special place in my heart, and in the hearts of many others within our community. It is a place where our diverse cultures intertwine, creating a vibrant tapestry that represents all of us. This centre is more than just a building; it's where we gather to celebrate, learn, and support each other to grow, thrive and flourish. However, our beloved centre needs help. We are advocating for a proposed \$3.88M investment into its refurbishment and expansion to ensure it can continue serving as an inclusive space for everyone in our community. Investing in this project will not only preserve this cultural hub but also enhance its capacity to cater to more people and events. According to data from Statistics New Zealand (2018), there has been significant growth in the Pasifika population over recent years which further underscores the need for this investment. This isn't just about bricks and mortar - it's about investing in people, culture, unity, and future generations of Pasifika people and other surrounding communities who deserve a space that embodies their rich heritage while accommodating their growing needs. Let's stand together as one voice calling on decision-makers to approve this much-needed funding for our Community Centre's refurbishment and expansion project. Please sign this petition today!

Vinaka,

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Bertha Sifa	North	New Zealand	20/04/2024
Madison Hodgson		New Zealand	20/04/2024
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Johnny Leota	north	M41 New Zealand	20/04/2024



Ligi Mokole	Palmerston North	New Zealand	20/04/2024
Koeravaerua Tua	Palmerston North	New Zealand	20/04/2024
Heather Mataora-Mackay	Palmerston North	New Zealand	20/04/2024
Tiatoa Temata-Frost		New Zealand	20/04/2024
Rosie Lyons	Dunedin	New Zealand	20/04/2024
Poxy Tutu		New Zealand	20/04/2024
Tori Ratima	Tauranga	New Zealand	20/04/2024
Patricia Moebus		3049 Australia	20/04/2024
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Rebecca Beatson		New Zealand	21/04/2024
Danielle Olsen	Wellington	New Zealand	21/04/2024
Kopu Malu	Auckland	New Zealand	21/04/2024
Mohammed Sayeem	Auckland	1071 New Zealand	21/04/2024
Sajid Alam		New Zealand	22/04/2024
Hanzalah Siddiqi		New Zealand	22/04/2024
Weylin Wilford		New Zealand	22/04/2024
Paul Titud	Palmerston North	New Zealand	22/04/2024
Nikki Rowbotham	Christchurch	New Zealand	23/04/2024
Corben Cairncross		New Zealand	23/04/2024
Gustav Schwind		New Zealand	24/04/2024
Folole Fai		New Zealand	25/04/2024
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Grant Kauri		New Zealand	26/04/2024
Soane Telefoni	Perth	6000 New Zealand	27/04/2024
Garry Reilly		2795 New Zealand	27/04/2024
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Cardi Stephen	Sydney	1001 Australia	28/04/2024
Ashleigh Manks	Wellington	New Zealand	29/04/2024
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Aroha Griffiths		New Zealand	8/05/2024
Vaine Samuels		New Zealand	8/05/2024
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Leith Teipo			New Zealand	8/05/2024
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Vickie Anesbury	Adelaide	5112	Australia	8/05/2024
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Submission to: City Councillors, Palmerston North

From: Richard & Pauline O'Hagan

## **Overall Expenditure in the Long-Term Plan**

Due to the broken economic conditions of the country, this is not the time to be spending vast sums of money on completely unnecessary projects.

All large-scale projects that you have listed in your long-term draft need to be cancelled, and the city should not be borrowing anything further except to conduct important necessary work such as the waste-water plant and other imperative jobs.

## **Rating System**

Of the options offered, we prefer to maintain the current rating system, however other options are available to an imaginative council that would be far more equitable.

The current value of a property has nothing to do with someone's "ability to pay".

In our case, we are two pensioners living in a property that was low value when we purchased it over 45 years ago. However, due to inflation the property is now valued at a price that is far too high and the rates are now prohibitive compared to our income.

## **Featherston Street Work**

We, as residents of Featherston Street for over 45 years, strongly object to the work that has been done along the street. This has impacted us by making it so difficult to travel around that we now divert to a different, and longer route.

The new cycle lanes that have been installed have caused frustration and annoyance in our everyday life. It is very difficult to navigate around our once-convenient neighbourhood.

We wish for this work to stop immediately, and the street be returned to the safe, clear, sensible thoroughfare it once was.

RM O'Hagan  
PJ O'Hagan  
Palmerston North

# 1237

**From:** Glenn Young <7(2)(a) Privacy>  
**Sent:** Thursday, 9 May 2024 3:03 pm  
**To:** Submission  
**Subject:** LTP Submission Rates increases 38-74%!!!

Hi,

We write with extreme concern on both the methodology and philosophy now being proposed as part of the rating review. Currently we live on a lifestyle block on the outskirts of the city. The Council rating definition semi-serviced describes it as "not connected to wastewater". However we are also independent for water and stormwater as well. Yes we have a roadway at our gate but no footpaths or streetlighting. We have no ability to access the bus services and/or shelters provided by Horizons/PNCC which we understand we also subsidise. We are also charged additional Horizons rates due to the size of the property for Stormwater which we also manage ourselves being hydraulically neutral with a series of SW ponds.

Of the three rating options Council propose: the existing system is proposed to increase by 38%, the Council preferred system Option 1 increases by 49% and Option 2 by 74% !!! None of which is even remotely sustainable. It does appear that Council's proposed wish list is disproportionately being subsidised by ratepayers living outside the city urban area.

We believe there should be no differentiation between categories "Rural & Semi serviced FM" and "Rural and semi serviced FL" and the multiplying factor of 0.00138 should apply to both FL & FM. We are all independent of Council services. It is only the size of our property that differs ie the smaller you are the more you pay.

Two analogy's: We would all like a new designer kitchen however when you have a hole in the roof this is a luxury you cannot afford; you may avoid repainting your house one or two years but leave it much longer and you will be rebuilding the entire wall. This is what has been happening with Council assets and we think Council needs to refocus its priorities. Now is most definitely not the time to be creating additional nice to have assets that will incur additional maintenance costs. It was only last week that Council went on record as saying they had run out of money for their street cleaning/leave pickup at the beginning of Autumn this year!!!

We do not support any of the new major rates funded works as proposed. The community simply cannot afford these. Council need to be saving money and reducing overheads to fund the replacement and renewals of the critical public assets being Roading, the 3-waters and the Parks. The rest will simply have to wait until we can rebuild our ratepayer base to support any extras. New libraries, community facilities and "Council cafes" will not attract new ratepayers to the city. It is the cost of development that is preventing the city's growth and this is where Council are best to refocus its efforts.

In summary:

Please do not change the methodology of the rating calculation.

Please consider retaining the Rural & Semi serviced category with the multiplying factor FL (0.00138) for all unserviced rural properties.

Please consider refocusing Council priorities on the essential basics on Roading, 3 waters and Parks maintenance and renewals.

Please do not create more white elephants that the city cannot afford. This is a no to all new major ratepayer funded projects in the 2024-2027 LTP

Thank you for your consideration.

Glenn Young

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Regards,

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**From:** 7(2)(a) Privacy  
**Sent:** Thursday, 9 May 2024 3:04 pm  
**To:** Submission  
**Subject:** Submission

Hi there

Thanks for providing the opportunity to give feedback on the draft plan. I am happy to do this by email but don't wish to make a submission in person.

## **Budget**

I love seeing Palmerston North develop as a City, but am of the opinion in our current financial situation some restraint on spending is necessary. There has been some publicity around ways the council could save some money and agree that it would be wise to consider putting these on the backburner.

Pathway to Ashurst and Fielding

Cycleways in the City

Streets for people

Cuba Street upgrade

Awapuni Library Hub

## **Roads/Cycleways**

There has been much debate about the way the cycleways project have progressed, probably beginning with the Pioneer Highway planter box experiment, and culminating in the Featherstone Street intersection. I have no doubt the projects are well intentioned, but the outcomes have caused concern.

In particular the Featherston Street intersection has shaken my confidence in council's ability to make sound and sensible decisions. The current intersection now feels somewhat like an obstacle course which both hinders traffic flow and increases safety concerns. I would consider it money well spent if the intersection was returned to something similar to the previous design.

Kind regards  
Alan Frost

9 May 2024

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E te Koromatua, ngā Kaikaunihera mā, tēnā koutou katoa

**Submission to:** Palmerston North City Council  
**Subject:** Draft Long-Term Plan 2024–2034  
**From:** Arts Council of New Zealand Toi Aotearoa (Creative New Zealand)

1. Creative New Zealand welcomes the opportunity to submit feedback on Palmerston North City Council's draft Long-Term Plan (LTP) 2024–2034.
2. We thank Council for its ongoing support of arts, culture, creativity and ngā toi, and commend Council's focus on making Palmerston North a great place to live, work, visit, play and do business.
3. Arts, culture, creativity and ngā toi are vital parts of the communities and identity of Palmerston North. They make valuable contributions to the city's social, economic, environmental, and cultural wellbeing by connecting people to place, shaping community identity and building social cohesion.
4. We acknowledge Council's current challenges, including maintaining infrastructure and funding, while supporting a growing population. As a central government organisation weathering our own pressures and financial constraints, we understand the need to sharpen focus to effectively respond to dynamic times.
5. Secure and stable investment in arts and cultural infrastructure, services and activities by Council, through the LTP, is crucial for a strong, vibrant and resilient arts and culture ecosystem in Palmerston North.

6. The LTP presents a valuable opportunity for Council to effectively **invest in arts, culture, creativity and ngā toi**, to support the wellbeing of Palmerston North's communities and ensure the city can thrive.

### Key points

7. We commend Council's commitment to supporting and investing in arts, culture and creativity in Palmerston North, and the inclusion of '*He tāone whakaihihi, tapatapahi ana | A creative and exciting city*' as a goal in the LTP. **To deliver this outcome, we strongly encourage Council to continue investing in the creative sector, and to recognise the important contributions of ngā toi Māori, Asian and Pacific arts, to the wellbeing of the city's residents.**
8. **It's fantastic to see Council's proposals to invest in community facilities and upgrade cultural facilities in the city centre**, and we encourage Council to work closely with the city's creative communities to ensure these projects meet the needs of Palmerston North's diverse arts and cultural groups.
9. **We encourage Council to work with artists and creatives to achieve greater community outcomes in other prioritised work across the city**, including city centre upgrades, infrastructure development and climate change adaptation. As connectors and innovators, creative communities are uniquely positioned to help Council communicate and deliver on these projects and can play a vital role in helping Palmerston North thrive.
10. Under Creative New Zealand's Pacific Arts Strategy, we invested in a Pacific arts regional fono in 2023 and piloted the first annual Pacific Arts Regional Residency in Palmerston North. We've also funded the annual Pasifika Fusion cultural festivals for schools, for many years. **We thank Council and your wonderful staff for our positive collaborations for shared outcomes, and we're proud to have partnered with Council to support the development of Council's *Creative and Liveable Strategy*.** We encourage Council to ensure the LTP aligns with the vision and directions of the strategy, along with the [Te Mahere Toi, Taonga Tuku Iho—Arts and Heritage Plan 2021–31](#).

### Response to draft Long-Term Plan 2023-2024

#### *Vision, goals and outcomes*

11. We welcome Council's commitment to community wellbeing by delivering its '*Small city benefits, big city ambition*' vision for the city, and encourage you to work closely with the creative sector as valuable partners for delivering meaningful community outcomes to Palmerston North's diverse communities.





12. Investment in arts, culture, creativity and ngā toi is investment in social, cultural, environmental and economic wellbeing. There is substantial evidence that the creative sector can support Council to deliver impactful outcomes in its LTP. For example:
- engagement with arts, culture and creativity positively enhances wellbeing, and means communities are more likely to have strong connections to community, land and place<sup>1</sup>
  - 61 percent of New Zealanders agree that the arts make an important contribution to community resilience and wellbeing<sup>2</sup>
  - 59 percent of New Zealanders agree that ngā toi Māori helps define who we are as New Zealanders (78 percent of Māori), with 31 percent of New Zealanders agreeing that ngā toi Māori improves how they feel about life in general<sup>3</sup>
  - the creative sector contributed \$16.3 billion to New Zealand's GDP in 2023.<sup>4</sup>
13. From our most recent *New Zealanders and the Arts—Ko Aotearoa me ōna Toi* research in 2023, we know that New Zealanders' personal connection with the arts continues to grow, and many feel the arts contribute strongly to their mental health and wellbeing. New Zealanders are also increasingly recognising the economic benefits of the arts, and support for public funding of the arts (including funding from local councils) is higher than ever.
14. We commend Council's clear recognition of the value of arts, culture and creativity in the LTP, and inclusion of '**He tāone whakaihiihi, tapatapahi ana | A creative and exciting city**' as a goal in the LTP. It's fantastic to see Council's commitment to supporting the creative sector through this outcome, including creating a vibrant city with creativity built into the cityscape, ensuring the arts community and cultural facilities are well supported and invested in, and celebrating the city's many cultures. We note that the LTP presents opportunities to activate focus areas of its *Creative and Liveable Strategy 2021–2031*, and we encourage Council to ensure the vision and direction of the strategy informs decisions on the LTP.
15. **To deliver the goal of a 'creative and exciting city', we strongly encourage Council to recognise the important contributions of ngā toi Māori, Asian and Pacific arts to the wellbeing of the city's residents**, as Council's support for these artforms is a crucial part of ensuring they are being produced, enjoyed and celebrated.
16. Ngā toi Māori has ritualistic, cultural, historical, communal and spiritual significance for Māori and is deeply rooted in mātauranga Māori for the benefit of the community. Seven out of ten Māori agree that ngā toi are an important way of connecting with their culture and identity.

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<sup>1</sup> Wellbeing and Arts, Culture and Creativity in the Waikato: Understanding the impact of arts, culture and creativity on the people of the Waikato region. (2022).

<sup>2</sup> *New Zealanders and the Arts—Ko Aotearoa me ōna Toi* (2023). Creative New Zealand.

<sup>3</sup> *New Zealanders and the Arts—Ko Aotearoa me ōna Toi* (2023). Creative New Zealand.

<sup>4</sup> *Infometrics sector profiles 2023*. Manatū Taonga Ministry for Culture & Heritage.



Ngā toi ā rohe (the arts of a particular region, iwi, hapū) play a significant role in the protection, preservation and transmission of language, culture, and mātauranga, and express the mana motuhake and unique identity of people of an area, such as iwi and hapū in Palmerston North.

17. Investment in ngā toi Māori also supports the revitalisation of te reo Māori and te ao Māori. It grows knowledge and value of the stories, values and places of importance to tangata whenua. Art making activities connect participants to their whakapapa, tīpuna, manga and awa, aiding wellbeing and a deep sense of belonging.<sup>5</sup>
18. **Young people, Deaf and disabled, Māori and Pacific peoples participate in the arts most frequently.** Pacific peoples are more likely to feel the arts are an important way of connecting with their culture, and that the arts support their identity. Pacific communities also participate in the arts more often, with 23 percent participating more than 12 times a year (compared to the national average of 19 percent).
19. Pacific arts, culture and creativity are a major feature of the arts environment and contribute to the cultural, social, economic and environmental wellbeing of Aotearoa New Zealand, covering a wide range of contemporary and heritage artforms. Pacific arts and culture are a major feature of the creative environment in Palmerston North and investing in Pacific arts increases understanding of Pasifika communities and the place of Aotearoa in Te Moana-nui-a-Kiva.
20. As the third largest population by ethnicity in Palmerston North, we encourage Council to continue to support the provision of cultural activities and services that support its Asian communities. We know from our latest *New Zealanders and the Arts* research that:
  - the arts provide opportunities to socialise and connect with others (61 percent of Asian New Zealanders agree with this statement, compared to 54 percent of all New Zealanders)
  - the arts help improve New Zealand society (63 percent of Asian New Zealanders agree with this statement, compared to 60 percent of all New Zealanders)
21. We encourage Council to also recognise the strong contribution investment in arts, culture, creativity and ngā toi makes to **the LTP's other key goals**:
  - *An innovative and growing city*
    - Artistic and cultural activity equips people with the skills needed to create a more highly skilled workforce.
    - The creative industries – including advertising, tech, publishing, television, radio, film, design, music and performing arts – are rapidly growing in Aotearoa and will support Palmerston North to diversify its economy.

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<sup>5</sup> Ōtautahi Creative Spaces Trust (2017).



- Artistic, cultural and creative activity has a strong ‘multiplier effect’ and attracts economic activity, innovation and investment into our cities.
- *A connected and safe city*
  - Artistic, cultural and creative activity is a powerful way to connect communities and amplify diverse voices.
  - Creative industries strengthen community cohesion and enhance local democracy.
  - Arts participation helps individuals to find support, develop networks and gain a sense of belonging, as well as increasing community cooperation.
- *A sustainable and resilient city*
  - Arts and culture can lead change in our response to climate change, which requires action from people across all levels of society.<sup>6</sup>

### *Community facilities*

22. We welcome Council’s commitment to have a connected community and **support the proposals to invest in community facilities**, to future proof facilities for community needs in the long-term while creating a vibrant and welcoming city.
23. It’s exciting to see the proposals to support communities’ access to **cultural facilities in the LTP**, including the Multicultural Centre, Pasifika Centre, Awapuni Community Library Hub and Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park. We welcome Council’s focus on cultural infrastructure and facilities to ensure art, culture and creativity have a place in the city centre, and meet the growing needs of the city. These facilities not only provide vital space for arts communities to make, share and present their work, but they also foster exchanges of knowledge and shared creativity.
24. In planning for investment in community facilities, we strongly encourage Council to **actively engage with Palmerston North’s creative communities**, as there are opportunities for Council to work with artists and creatives in this prioritised infrastructure spending. Working with artists and creative communities in the design and implementation of these projects can encourage a sense of community ownership and pride. This work can also build capacity into the creative ecosystem and play a key part in creative workers’ income. Collaboration and consultation with arts practitioners and arts organisations will be especially important to deliver the expansion and refurbishment of the Pasifika Community Centre and creation of a civic marae at Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park.
25. We also encourage Council to ensure these projects are meeting the needs of the city’s arts and cultural communities, such as by ensuring the facilities offer spaces for the sector to connect, collaborate and coordinate work. Making arts and cultural experiences more

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<sup>6</sup> Manatū Taonga Ministry for Culture & Heritage (2022).



affordable and accessible through access to space in community facilities to gather for events and activities will deliver vital cultural and social wellbeing outcomes to residents and visitors. Upgrading community and cultural infrastructure will also enable Palmerston North to secure and host national touring work, build audiences and attract investment.

26. The Council's investment in the 'soft' infrastructure that supports these cultural facilities is equally as important as the physical infrastructure. This includes ensuring these facilities resource and support staff who have the skills, knowledge, and experience to successfully deliver services and activities to Palmerston North's diverse communities and visitors. Strengthening the city's network of community facilities will also provide valuable opportunities for strategic shared programming across the facilities, including the cultural centres and libraries.

#### *City Centre landmarks*

27. We support Council's proposal to approach required seismic upgrades as an opportunity to transform the city centre. It's great to see Council's intention to draw in more people and businesses through the city's cultural institutions, tell the history of the city, better connect residents, and make the city centre more vibrant.
28. As Council plans for the revitalisation of city centre spaces, we strongly encourage you to consider the ways that arts, culture, creativity and ngā toi will achieve these goals, and to ensure that the project meets the needs of the creative sector and the city's residents.
29. Arts, culture and creativity benefit place-making and enhancing city spaces by bringing a sense of vibrancy, identity and optimism to city centres. They make our towns and cities, vibrant, attractive places to live, work and play. We note Council's intention to investigate partnerships and funding opportunities for this work in the LTP, and **strongly encourage Council to work in partnership with the creative community** to deliver on this work – artists and creatives are our storytellers, our educators and our place-makers.
30. Take for example, the Pacific Arts Regional Residency Pilot 2023 (supported by Council and Creative New Zealand) which has helped to nurture and strengthen Pacific-led arts in the Manawatū region. Local artist Jenn Farrell-Taylor was supported to produce a body of artworks for the exhibition *NAFANUA A Savage Star Seed*, shared with the Palmerston North community. The Pilot and partnership supported Council's *Creative and Liveable Strategy* by celebrating the city's history and identity in showcasing the contributions of the Pasifika community to Palmerston North and furthering the city's aim to be an arts incubator. Through the residency, Taylor has mentored and supported other Pasifika and local artists to engage in arts, including through facilitating a Pasifika Art Workshop at Square Edge Community Arts.



31. Through connection, empowerment and placemaking, arts communities and artists are uniquely positioned to help the Council realise and implement its LTP. Artists and creatives are particularly skilled at designing and delivering innovative, strategic, and cost-effective solutions to challenges, and bringing communities together.
32. **Public art and ngā toi Māori design can further encourage a sense of ownership and community pride, create landmarks in the urban landscape and increase the use of public spaces.**<sup>7</sup> We encourage Council to explore incorporating arts, creativity and cultural elements into these outcomes, and to work with the creative community and mana whenua to develop this work.
33. To ensure adequate planning and resource allocation for Council's wellbeing outcomes, we strongly recommend the **development and adoption of a 'percent for art' funding mechanism** by Council, where typically 0.5–1 percent of the total budgets for infrastructure projects are spent on artistic or creative components. Dunedin City Council's [Art and Creativity in Infrastructure Policy](#), and Rotorua Lakes District Council's [Percent for the Arts Policy](#) are great examples of this kind of initiative in action.
34. We strongly encourage the Council to **incorporate toi Māori design principles** in its cultural wellbeing work, to profile important local cultural and historical narratives. Dedicated funding and leadership of ngā toi Māori in Council staff would also support building cultural capability, and decision-makers should consider partnerships with iwi and hapū to build well-resourced, thriving, and visible ngā toi Māori practice and Māori cultural institutions.
35. **Close engagement and consultation with local arts and cultural organisations on revitalisation of the city centre** will be essential to ensure the planning produces a project that is fit-for-purpose in meeting the needs of the city's diverse communities. Involving artists, creatives and designers and including artistic elements into new built infrastructure can shift projects from being pure amenity, to something more. Something that grounds us – in place – while lifting our spirits!

#### **Council is a crucial investor in arts, culture and ngā toi Māori**

36. We acknowledge the Council is facing several key challenges in drafting its LTP and needs to balance prudent fiscal management alongside investment in critical infrastructure and the needs of a growing community.
37. Palmerston North District Council is a major, and crucial, investor and partner in arts and culture. Many arts organisations receive core investment from the Council, often in partnership with central government and private funders. Palmerston North's arts and



culture services are reliant on local government contributions, as this support is not guaranteed from other sources.

38. Creative New Zealand's own ability to support the sector is under strain, and we have materially less funding to invest from 2024-24 (around 30 percent) than for the previous five years.
39. Shared investment is vital for a resilient and supported arts and cultural sector. **To maintain this collective approach, we encourage the Council to ensure funding support for arts, culture, creativity and ngā toi Māori is a core part of its long-term plan.**
40. The Council's investment in arts and culture is vital for creating a strong, autonomous and resilient local arts, culture and ngā toi infrastructure. Strong cultural infrastructure will support Council to respond to current challenges. As we face a less certain future, the arts have a crucial role in improving social wellbeing by building and regenerating strong, connected and healthy communities.

#### **Creative New Zealand's interest and investment in the arts in Palmerston North**

41. Creative New Zealand is the national arts development agency of Aotearoa New Zealand, responsible for delivering government support for the arts. We're an autonomous Crown entity under the [Arts Council of New Zealand Toi Aotearoa Act 2014](#).
42. Our legislative purpose is to *encourage, promote, and support the arts in New Zealand for the benefit of all New Zealanders*. We do this by *Investing in the arts, Developing the arts, Advocating for the arts, providing Leadership in the arts, and by Partnering for the arts*.
43. Creative New Zealand receives funding through Vote: Arts, Culture and Heritage and the New Zealand Lottery Grants Board Te Puna Tāhū. In 2022/23, Creative New Zealand **invested nearly \$74 million in the arts**.
44. We recognise the importance of Palmerston North to arts, culture, creativity and ngā toi in Aotearoa. For arts that are delivered in the Manawatu-Whanganui region, **\$1.6 million** of direct financial support was provided by Creative New Zealand in 2022/23. Of this, **\$670,000** in funding went directly to Palmerston North, supporting individual arts projects and arts and cultural organisations.
45. Under the Creative Communities Scheme, we also fund all 67 territorial authorities directly to support local arts activities. In 2022/23, funding of **\$251,407** was provided to the Manawatu-Whanganui region, which included **\$68,220** to Palmerston North City Council and your creative communities.



## Final thoughts

46. Thank you again for the opportunity to comment on the LTP. We understand there is considerable pressure on all local councils' budgets, and it is heartening to see your continued commitment to investing in arts, culture and creativity as part of the overall investment in your community's wellbeing.
47. We share your aspirations for the city and look forward to working with you to realise the potential of arts, culture, creativity and ngā toi to support your community to thrive. Our collective approach will ensure arts, culture and creativity can deliver value to all New Zealanders and to communities throughout Aotearoa.
48. While we do not wish to address Council in person in support of our submission, please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or if you wish to discuss it further. The key contact person is:

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Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou katoa, nā



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# Long-Term Plan submission form



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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	<input type="checkbox"/> Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area <input type="checkbox"/> Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North rural area <input type="checkbox"/> Business owner who pays commercial/industrial rates in Palmerston North
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Which option do you prefer?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1. Preferred option: Hybrid (a mixture of land and capital value)
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Please tell us why you prefer this option	Majority of our members would prefer this option - suit different circumstances
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Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	Not applicable
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Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review?	Not applicable
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## Community facilities questions

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Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?

Yes

**Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services**

Support as proposed

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project

Our organization supports the Multicultural Communities' proposal for a new space. They have outgrown their current location, which is no longer suitable for their needs. Providing a new, larger, and functional space would be highly beneficial for them.

**Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building**

Support as proposed

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Pasifika Centre project

Our organization advocates for the expansion and renovation of the current Pacific Centre. Recognizing the rapid growth of our Pacific community, our long-term vision includes the establishment of a permanent Pacific Fale in a spacious, street-front location, rather than behind or beside the existing Pacific Centre as currently proposed. These changes are essential to meet the needs of the Pacific communities. Additionally, it is crucial to ensure proper management and upkeep of the Pasifika center, making it accessible and beneficial for the wider community.

**Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building**

Support as proposed

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Te Pātikitiki Library project

We fully support the proposed changes or upgrades to Te Patikitiki library because it serves as a unique gathering space for our elders (some consider it their weekly outing) and is heavily utilized by local children and schools. Enhancing Te Patikitiki to be more functional, including the addition of meeting rooms, would further increase its community engagement. This library will also play a vital role during times when the City Library is unavailable.

Looking ahead, we envision the space next to Te Patikitiki Library as ideal for a street-front Pacific Fale in the near future. Te Patikitiki could then house Pacific collections and a gallery dedicated to Pacific arts. This location is strategically situated near the proposed urban marae and kohanga at Opie Reserve by Ngati Hineaute, this area would become a central hub for various cultural and community activities on multiple levels.

**Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library**

Do not support

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Awapuni Community Library Hub project

The cost factor is concerning. More work and ongoing discussion needs to happen with the wider community, including cost effective design option.

**Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park**

Support as proposed

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

Our organization support this project, to attract more visitors to our city and for local iwi to tell and share their stories. Beautiful location. Create more jobs and opportunities - prosperous community.

**Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks**

Support as proposed

**Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?**

Some of our members have inquired about the possibility of implementing a "vacant fee" for buildings in the city that remain unoccupied for extended periods. They suggest that landlords or owners should be encouraged to lease out these spaces for commercial or community purposes after a certain duration of vacancy.

For instance, one member highlighted the building above Subway on the square, which has reportedly been vacant for over 11 years. As residents and workers in the city, we value a vibrant and thriving urban environment. Prolonged vacancies can detract from the liveliness of our city and pose challenges for community groups seeking space to lease.

Implementing measures such as a vacant fee could incentivize property owners to actively utilize their spaces, benefiting both the city's aesthetic appeal and the availability of suitable locations for businesses and community organizations.

## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

**Which option do you prefer?**

1. Preferred option: Build on our existing planning and continue work to look at the buildings as a collective project and explore co-funding opportunities

## Development contributions questions

**We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?**

Don't know / no opinion

**We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change?**

Don't know / no opinion

**We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?**

Yes

**Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?**

Yes

## General comment areas

**Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans**

Our organization support this. We recognize GOAL 3: Connected and safe communities. Please see attached document

**Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing**

It is good to see more housing are going up around our city and outer areas. Our Pacific population would benefit from larger homes for big families - intergenerational families. So 3,4,or 5 bedroom homes are ideal for these families to stay together.

**Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for growing our city**

In response to the Long Term Plan, our organization has drafted a Pacific Peoples Strategy Plan to assist Council with Pacific engagement in improving inclusion and support for Pacific residents in Palmerston North. It will also encourage greater participation in local council

programs, discussions and events.

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**How did you find out about our long-term plan?**

Council website

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**Supporting information**

# PACIFIC PEOPLES STRATEGY PLAN

## TE PAPAIOEA PALMERSTON NORTH

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### PURPOSE

*Talofa lava, Mālō e lelei, Kia orana, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Mālō ni, Ni sa bula vinaka, Noa'ia, Fakatalofa, Kam na mauri, Kia ora.*

The Pacific Peoples Strategy Plan was created in response to Palmerston North City Council (PNCC)'s Long-Term Plan (LTP) to assist PNCC in improving inclusion and support for Pacific residents by:

1. Strengthening engagement with Pacific communities
2. Enhancing awareness and understanding of the role of the local council while enhancing access to its services.
3. Enhancing accessibility to facilities and parks
4. Encouraging greater participation in local council programs and events tailored for Pacific residents.

The Pacific Peoples Strategy Plan will improve the Council's already-strong relationship with Pacific communities. Additionally, the plan offers recommendations to enhance Pacific inclusion, engagement, awareness, and accessibility to the local council's services, as well as to facilities and future space, parks, events, programs, and local services within the area.

The plan is put together with the shared vision that aligns with the Ministry for Pacific Peoples' Pacific Aotearoa – Lalanga Fou report for all Pacific peoples in Aotearoa New Zealand.

- **Goal 1** Thriving Pacific language, cultures, and identities.
- **Goal 2** Prosperous Pacific communities
- **Goal 3** Resilient and healthy Pacific peoples
- **Goal 4** Confident and thriving Pacific young people.

### Key Recommendations

#### Short-Term Recommendations (Year 1)

- Conduct culturally responsive engagement with Pacific communities.
- Establish regular Pacific Fono/forums.
- Compile a register of Pacific groups and their initiatives.
- Establish a Pacific youth leadership Fono/forum.
- Create a Pacific leadership Fono/forum.
- Review of the Pacific Reference group to fit for purpose.
- Facilitate a grants workshop.

#### Mid-Term Recommendations (1 – 2 Years)

- Conduct a needs assessment for open spaces and public facilities catering to Pacific peoples.
- Develop programs that are inclusive of diverse community ages and genders.

#### Long-Term Recommendations

- Pacific Fale
- Support the implementation of a content plan for a Pan-Pacific festival.
- Conduct a post-implementation plan review.

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## BACKGROUND

Palmerston North is home to about 91,800<sup>1</sup> in 2023, with over 5,000 individuals identifying as Pacific. The Pacific population in Palmerston North represents a rich tapestry of cultures from various Pacific Islands, including Samoan, Cook Island Māori, Tongan, Niuean, Fijian, Rotuman, Tokelauan, Tuvalu, Papua New Guinea, and Kiribati.

According to Statistics New Zealand projections, Palmerston North is expected to experience a notable increase in ethnic diversity in the coming years. Among the various ethnic groups, the Pacific community is projected to undergo the most rapid growth. Their proportion of the city's population is anticipated to rise from 5.2 percent in 2018 to 7.8 percent by 2038.

Council's Connected Communities Strategy 2021-2031, outlines numerous aspirations for our city, and the Pacific Peoples Strategy Plan (Pacific plan) stands as a direct offshoot, focusing specifically on Palmerston North City Council's Connected Communities Strategy Goal 3:

***He Hapori Tūhonohono, He Hapori Haumarū - A Connected and Safe Community.***

***"For Palmerston North to be a city where everyone feels connected and included. A safe city, where people have access to the housing they need and opportunities to connect with others. We want communities to have access to accessible and appropriate social support."***<sup>2</sup>

PACIFICA Inc. was established as an incorporated society in Auckland in 1977, with the *Palmerston North PACIFICA* branch, a non-profit organization founded in 1978. This organization is dedicated to fostering opportunities for Pasifika women and youth to actively contribute to the cultural, social, economic, and political advancement of Palmerston North and Aotearoa New Zealand.

PACIFICA Inc. was granted special consultative status by the United Nations ECOSOC in 2021. The Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) deals with economic, social, cultural, and health matters, human rights, and fundamental freedoms. It also coordinates the work of the UN and the specialized agencies.



<sup>1</sup> <https://rep.infometrics.co.nz/palmerston-north-city/population/growth>

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.pncc.govt.nz/files/assets/public/v/1/documents/council/strategic-direction/connected-communities-strategy-2021-31.pdf>

Between March 2023 and March 2024, *Palmerston North PACIFICA* conducted a series of programs and workshops aimed at collecting community feedback, insights, fostering connections, and addressing concerns. The most recent community event was our National PACIFICA Inc. Conference and AGM held in February 2024, generously supported by stakeholders and sponsors including the Palmerston North City Council. The conference drew significant attendance, with over 130 women and youth participating per day for three days.

The results from the gathered information agreed on the four primary shared values connected to the Pacific plan's key focus areas. These values significantly shape their lifestyle and interactions within the community.

**Pacific Value:**

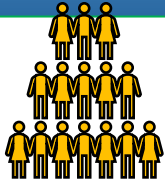
- Engaging in **meaningful dialogue** to foster relationships and trust.
- Participating in **communal church gatherings**
- **Celebrating** and **preserving** our **cultural and traditional** arts, crafts, music, and languages
- **Serving** and cultivating **leadership** skills

The outcomes of the results strongly echo these core values, and the ensuing suggestions demonstrate a robust harmony with the goals and endeavors outlined in the Pacific Peoples Strategy Plan. Pacific communities endorse collaboration between different ethnic groups and Māori, except in cases where events and programs are specifically tailored for church-related purposes.

# FEATURES OF THE PACIFIC PEOPLES STRATEGY PLAN

## STRENGTHENING ENGAGEMENT WITH PACIFIC COMMUNITIES:

- Face-to-face engagement
- Create a Pacific leadership Fono/forum
- Compile a register of Pacific groups and their initiatives
- Establish a Pacific youth leadership Fono/forum



## PALMERSTON NORTH CITY COUNCIL 5 GOALS AND STRATEGIES:

## AWARENESS AND UNDERSTANDING OF THE ROLE OF THE LOCAL COUNCIL WHILE ENHANCING ACCESS TO ITS SERVICES.

- Establish regular Pacific Fono/forums
- Review of the Pacific Reference group to fit for purpose.
- Facilitate a grants workshop



# Pacific Peoples Strategy Plan

## ENHANCING ACCESSIBILITY TO FACILITIES AND PARKS

- Develop open spaces that cater to diverse communities of different ages and genders.
- Open spaces are designed to be elderly-friendly.
- Construct additional large facilities such as Pacific Fales for cultural events.



- GOAL 1:** An innovative Growing City
- GOAL 2:** A Creative and Exciting City
- GOAL 3:** A Connected and Safe Community
- GOAL 4:** An Eco City
- GOAL 5:** A Driven and Enabling Council

## ENCOURAGING GREATER PARTICIPATION IN LOCAL COUNCIL PROGRAMS AND EVENTS TAILORED FOR PACIFIC RESIDENTS

- Pan-Pacific Festival
- Health and Wellbeing Programs for Everyone
- Leadership and sports events for youth



The Pacific plan recognizes the contributions of its diverse communities in creating a quality, well-balanced, and lively city that prioritizes creativity, and well-being alongside safety. The Pacific plan is also in harmony with the principles and objectives of the Palmerston North City Council's *Goals and Strategies* and aligns with the *Pacific People's vision* by the Ministry for Pacific Peoples.



# 1. Strengthening Engagement with Pacific Communities

## Palmerston North Pacific finds the current engagement process ineffective.

The issue of low engagement is not specific to Palmerston North; it is a widespread challenge across our region in Manawatū-Whanganui, particularly pronounced in areas with the highest Pacific population. The predominant methods of engagement include online surveys, "have your say" forms available in libraries and council customer service offices, and information booths at community events or markets, among others. These methods are chosen for their practicality, broad reach, and cost efficiency. However, they are unfortunately not the most effective means of engaging Pacific communities.

Effective engagement from a Pacific viewpoint involves building relationships through talanoa or face-to-face conversations and ongoing interactions. This concept is known as "tausi le va," a Samoan proverb that emphasizes nurturing the space between us to cultivate authentic and transparent relationships.

Frequent mentions were made of utilizing Pacific radio stations and print media, along with forming partnerships with churches, sports organizations, and community groups.

The Ministry for Pacific People's engagement framework serves as a valuable starting point for the council to develop its approach to engaging with Pacific peoples. Language plays a crucial role in the engagement process, and efforts should be made to translate or communicate information in the respective languages of diverse groups, ensuring meaningful conversations and exchanges take place in spaces that are accessible and culturally relevant.

Pacific youth, on the other hand, showed a preference for innovative online methods of engagement. However, many expressed that they would never check the council's website for information. Connecting through church youth groups proved to be the most effective way to capture their views.

## " Community feedback... "

- **Face-to-face conversations are the most effective way to engage with Pacific peoples.**
- **Utilize Pacific community radio stations for communication (Radio 531pi, Niu FM, Samoa Capital Radio, Planet FM, Radio Tarana)**
- **Partner with churches to disseminate information.**
- **Our language is important; provide translations where possible.**
- **Arrange regular meet-and-greet sessions via Pacific Fono with elected members.**

## 2. Awareness and understanding of the role of the local council while enhancing access to its services.

There is a lack of understanding and awareness regarding the Council's functions, its elected members, as well as their respective roles and responsibilities.

Only a small number of individuals engaged in council meetings or understood how and when to offer feedback on significant matters. Similarly, there is limited awareness about the Council Grants process and other services. Some have raised concerns about potential conflicts of interest and breaches of trust in council processes if the Pacific Reference group is involved in the Grants process.

While there is a slightly better grasp of Council operations, with some individuals directly engaging for matters such as rates, resource consents, facility bookings, rubbish collection, and neighborhood safety issues, the majority of Pacific peoples that we connect with were unaware of existing local council grants. They either had never heard of it or found the process too cumbersome to pursue.

An effective engagement strategy should focus on enhancing Pacific people's understanding of the local council and its services. People want to see their elected members involved in community groups, attending churches, and participating in group activities. For example, there are sixteen active registered Pacific organizations and churches (with Charitable status) in Palmerston North, being physically present and engaging with them during their activities and events is crucial in capturing their attention and informing them about the council and available support services.

### " Community feedback..."

- **We would like to see council members more actively involved in our community.**
  - **Attend our churches and our group gatherings.**
  - **Visit our local hubs or community centers.**
  - **Distribute information about our council members through letter drops.**
- Who has the Pacific Community portfolio?**
- **Many of us are familiar with the Council but have little to no knowledge about the elected members and their roles and responsibilities.**

### 3. Accessibility to Facilities and Parks

Pacific communities highly value communal gatherings for religious purposes and cultural activities. Unfortunately, there is a lack of Council-owned facilities that can accommodate large group meetings for these purposes, either due to cost constraints or the inability to cater to Pacific food requirements.

Elderly members find the venue booking system restrictive, as one of the issues mentioned. One suggested solution is to provide resources at community centers and/or libraries to assist with making bookings.

Cost and early closing times at certain community centers and council facilities were identified as issues. Feedback on the current Pacific Community Center is seen as tired, not fit for purpose, and poorly managed, including hard to secure a booking. Interestingly, the majority of the feedback expressed a desire to have a Pacific Fale constructed in an open space, with street frontal. This Fale would serve as a venue for cultural Pacific meetings and gatherings, including celebrations of Pacific festivals, formal meetings with council and other events, an art gallery displaying Pacific artists, a library with a Pacific collection, and resources and programs specifically for Pacific elderly individuals. Importantly, the facility would also be open for use by the broader community.

The overall feedback for Parks saw some facilities designed for diverse use by people of all ages, genders, and abilities. For instance, some parents and elderly individuals mentioned they enjoy Memorial Park and Skatepark being close to the town center with their children and grandchildren but often find the parks near where they live with insufficient seating and shaded areas. Additionally, there was feedback that more open spaces should be designed to be "elderly-friendly," with groups having experienced challenges with their walking route due to uneven pavements and pathways, resulting in falls and injury, some inadequate toilet facilities, and resting areas along the way.

Young people noted that insufficient lighting in certain parks discourages both casual and extended use of the parks at night. The likelihood of parks being utilized more frequently by Pacific communities hinges on providing activities that appeal to all family members and groups for enjoyable social gatherings. This includes amenities such as barbecue facilities, well-maintained toilets, and accessible water fountains, which are crucial for ensuring a positive experience.

#### " Community feedback..."

- **Many of our current community centers require significant upgrades.**
- **There is a shortage of large community facilities available for community use.**
- **It is essential to incorporate Pacific arts and design into our buildings, by introducing an open-design Pacific fale. This space could serve traditional**

**celebrations and meetings for Pacific communities, while also providing a resting area for matuas (seniors) and the public.**

- **We need a Pacific Fale. Our people are growing. We have lots of children. The Pacific Fale needs space close by that holds our Pacific arts and library with a Pacific collection.**
- **The current booking system is both restrictive and costly.**
- **Clean restroom facilities and accessible water fountains are necessary in our parks.**
- **We need to equip our parks for family gatherings and events such as barbecues, seating areas, and appropriate shade.**
- **Lights should remain on at night until a designated time for safety reasons and to facilitate extended casual use of the parks.**
- **Provision of seating and shade options is imperative.**

## 4. Greater Participation in Local Council Programs and Events

The majority of Pacific groups finance their programs through their fundraising initiatives.

Recent findings indicate that Pacific communities often operate independently from the local council, with minimal recognition or interaction with council members or council-established groups such as the Pacific Reference Group.

Pacific groups offer programs aimed at preserving cultural and spiritual ties while promoting healthy living and well-being through activities such as sports, walking, and fitness classes.

Many church groups offer Zumba and fitness programs, along with social services and community initiatives. However, local youth have highlighted the absence of programs and events tailored specifically for them, such as mental health services, sports activities, language, and arts programs, including youth-led events, not just a Pacific Youth festival, and leadership development opportunities.

A significant factor contributing to this lack of engagement is the limited awareness among youth about the non-existence of council programs, like the Mayors Taskforce program for Pacific youth, and how to access funding for existing initiatives. Furthermore, awareness of events and programs in the area does not seem to effectively reach Pacific communities. This is evidenced by the low participation of Pacific residents in local discussions, including discussion regarding the consultation for a Pacific fale and Pacific hub, with only a few individuals becoming aware of these events through word of mouth via the council's community advisor.

### " Community feedback... "

- **We want to develop programs that align with the preservation of our languages, culture, and traditional arts, crafts, and music.**
- **We need additional health-related programs and support.**
- **Are there any funding opportunities available to assist us with our programs?**
- **We would like to establish more gardening programs to cultivate our vegetables, among other initiatives.**
- **There is a noticeable absence of programs catering to youth, such as well-being, employment, and leadership programs.**
- **As a young person I would like to see multiple youth-led events, not just a Pacific Youth festival where we just perform and eat.**

## KEY RECOMMENDATIONS

The recommendations presented will not only facilitate the execution of the Pacific Peoples Strategy Plan but also serve as a roadmap for Council staff to address the evolving needs of the diverse Pacific community. Although the request for Pacific leadership capability was not explicitly stated, participants expressed their willingness to collaborate with Council in bringing this plan to fruition.

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### Short-Term (Year 1)

#### Conduct Culturally Responsive Engagement with Pacific Communities

Develop a tailored engagement strategy aimed at fostering continuous dialogue between Pacific communities and Council. This strategy should include:

1. Face-to-face engagement
2. Create a Pacific leadership Fono/forum
3. Compile a register of Pacific groups and their initiatives
4. Establish a Pacific youth leadership Fono/forum

#### Establish regular Pacific Fono/forums

This will involve inviting groups and individuals who gave feedback and those recently contacted for Council's Long-Term Plan to receive updates on the plan's findings, engage with the Council, and collectively discuss and agree on the next steps. Regularly hosting these gatherings (fono) is strongly recommended for ongoing community involvement and collaboration.

#### Create a Pacific leadership Fono/forum

Establishing a Pacific leadership fono would significantly enhance the Council's endeavors in implementing the Pacific plan by facilitating engagement and disseminating information within Pacific communities. Participants who were engaged and provided feedback expressed their readiness to participate in such a forum, recognizing the importance of Pacific individuals driving initiatives that will benefit their communities in collaboration with the Council and other stakeholders. This approach is exemplified by existing groups like Palmerston North PACIFICA.

#### Facilitate a grants workshop

The majority of groups and individuals feedback on having little to no prior experience with grant applications. To address this, it is recommended to conduct regular workshops in the future. These workshops would aim to enhance awareness and understanding of the grant application process among Pacific communities.

### **Establish a Pacific youth leadership forum**

The youth have emphasized the importance of having leadership, arts, and sports programs. It is suggested that the youth take the initiative in spearheading their programs while maintaining a connection to the overarching Pacific leadership fono/forum. This approach ensures that the youth-led initiatives align with the broader focus of the Pacific community.

### **Compile a register of Pacific groups and their initiatives.**

Developing a comprehensive register of all Pacific groups in Palmerston North, including their leaders and the programs they offer, would enhance the execution of the plan, and strengthen engagement with Pacific communities.

This register would offer transparency into the wide array of programs provided by diverse groups, enabling better coordination and support from the Council. It would serve as a crucial tool for aligning efforts, pinpointing opportunities for collaboration, and ensuring that the Council effectively meets the needs and aspirations of Pacific communities.

### **Review of Council's Pacific Reference group to fit for purpose.**

The Pacific Reference Group faces significant challenges, including a lack of confidence from the Pacific community, limited understanding of governance fundamentals among its members, and the overshadowing of broader community perspectives by individual agendas. Moreover, inconsistent meeting attendance and a lack of commitment have further hindered its effectiveness.

To address these issues, proposed solutions include conducting a comprehensive review to identify shortcomings and calling for expressions of interest to reformat the group with a focus on the Pacific sector rather than individual representation. These reforms aim to establish a more effective and representative Pacific Reference Group aligned with the governance needs of the new Pacific hub project.

## **Mid-Term (Year 1 – 2 years)**

### **Conduct a needs assessment for open spaces and public facilities catering to Pacific peoples**

Feedback emphasized the importance of health and wellbeing, indicating a strong interest in activities and opportunities for exercise and enjoying the environment. However, the limited use of parks stems primarily from the current state of park facilities and designs that are not conducive to group or family gatherings. To address this, parks should be designed to accommodate diverse ages and genders, making them more accessible for families to enjoy. The elderly also highlighted the need for town centers or open spaces to be "elderly-friendly," with walking groups facing challenges due to the lack of toilet facilities and resting areas along walking routes. The data collected will contribute significantly to producing a needs assessment for Pacific communities, guiding future initiatives in this area.

The council should prioritize designing and constructing large facilities that can attract and accommodate multiple users from diverse communities, encouraging accessibility and participation. Specifically, the plans for another extension to the Pacific community center that is fit for purpose for all community groups to utilize and a long-term vision to develop a Pacific Fale.

### **Develop programs that are inclusive of diverse community ages and genders.**

Participants emphasized the necessity for increased health and wellbeing programs, along with cultural and traditional events and activities. Equally important is the development of programs and events that cater to the whole family, providing opportunities for enjoyment and participation together. Additionally, there is a critical need for facilities that are accessible to the elderly year-round, ensuring inclusivity and support for older community members. This comprehensive approach aims to enhance community engagement and overall wellbeing across diverse age groups and interests.

## **Long-Term (2 – 5 years)**

### **Pacific Fale**

Pacific Fale—a traditional meeting house. Community feedback on open space location, street frontal, and accessibility for our matuas (elders/senior), disability, and young children. It can host various Pacific events and activities and accept Pacific food and their traditional preparations (umu pit), with the Pacific Fale to be accessible for use by the general public. This initiative would serve as a central hub for community engagement and cultural activities, fostering inclusivity and interaction among diverse groups within the population.

### **Support the implementation of a content plan for a Pan-Pacific festival**

The celebration of Pacific cultures, languages, traditional dances, music, arts, and crafts holds significant importance for Pacific communities. Therefore, it is essential to review the current format or proposed plans for a Pacific festival to ensure its relevance and active participation by Pacific peoples.

Additionally, it would be beneficial to integrate cultural and traditional programs, such as language classes, dance workshops, and arts/music demonstrations, into yearly community programs, including but not limited to events like the Festival of Cultures. This approach aims to promote cultural appreciation and engagement while fostering inclusivity and representation within community festivities and initiatives.

### **Conduct a post-implementation plan review.**

A post-implementation review is important to assess the effectiveness and achievement of the recommendations and initiatives outlined in the Pacific Peoples Strategy Plan. To ensure a thorough evaluation, a post-implementation review framework should be developed and agreed upon through consultation with both the Palmerston North City Council and the Pacific communities from which the data and information originated.

The framework for post-implementation review should prioritize collaboration, transparency, and adaptability, emphasizing learning, accountability, and ongoing improvement to better address the needs of both Palmerston North City Council and the Pacific communities.



## SUMMARY

The development of the Pacific Peoples Strategy Plan aims to address the lack of a tailored foundational strategy specifically for the Pacific Peoples of Palmerston North. In collaboration with the Palmerston North PACIFICA Women's group and informed by gathered data and information, including recent discussions regarding the Council's Long-Term Plan, it is clear that Pacific peoples place a high value on face-to-face discussions conducted in their languages and interactions held in culturally significant locations. This approach underscores the significance of cultural context and community engagement in shaping initiatives that effectively address the unique needs and preferences of Pacific communities in Palmerston North.

Initiating face-to-face consultations is the first step in fostering relationships and building bridges between Pacific communities and the local council. This engagement paves the way for improved access to and understanding of the council's services.

The practice and celebration of Pacific arts, crafts, songs, stories, and languages are highly valued and esteemed within Pacific communities. These cultural elements serve as significant reasons for Pacific people to gather together, aside from religious purposes such as attending church.

Health and well-being, the celebration of cultural practices, and church gatherings play significant roles in influencing why and how Pacific people access and utilize Council facilities and participate in programs, events, and local services. These factors are integral to the social fabric of Pacific communities, impacting their choices and preferences for engagement with community resources. The promotion of health and wellness aligns with cultural values that prioritize holistic well-being, while the celebration of cultural practices fosters a sense of identity and belonging. Additionally, church gatherings serve as important community hubs for spiritual and social connections, often influencing community members' involvement in civic activities and services provided by local authorities. Pacific communities view churches as their malae/marae, a place to gather and share knowledge. Understanding and accommodating these influences are crucial for designing inclusive and effective programs and services that resonate with Pacific communities in their engagement with Council facilities and initiatives.

The recommendations gathered offer valuable insights that will serve as a foundation for building the next phase of partnership and valued relationship between the Council and Pacific communities. These recommendations provide a roadmap for developing collaborative initiatives and fostering meaningful engagement that addresses the needs and priorities of Pacific people. By leveraging this feedback, the Council can work towards establishing a stronger, more inclusive partnership that empowers Pacific communities and promotes their active participation in decision-making processes and community development efforts.

The information and data gathered from the Pacific communities during the series of programs and workshops, their efforts will not be in vain. Palmerston North PACIFICA views this as an opportunity to voice the visions and aspirations of the Pacific communities they work with. We look forward to collaborating with the Council in implementing the Pacific Peoples Strategy Plan. Fa'afetai.

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*Mafatia Folole Fai*  
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## Your contact details

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Last name	Hope
Email	
Phone	

## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
Which option do you prefer?	2. Capital value (CV)
Please tell us why you prefer this option	I think this is the fairest option, my second option is hybrid.

## Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Support as proposed
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project	We are a multicultural community and need to ensure there is space for everyone.
Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support as proposed

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Pasifika Centre project

It's well utilized and needs an upgrade.

Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building

Support as proposed

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Te Pātikitiki Library project

Libraries are the hubs of communities and have many amazing programmes.

Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library

Support as proposed

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Awapuni Community Library Hub project

Libraries are the hubs of communities and have many amazing programmes. Will enable continuation of services when Central Library closes for earthquake strengthening.

Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park

Support as proposed

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

This would be an incredible facility for our community.

Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks

Support as proposed

## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?

1. Preferred option: Build on our existing planning and continue work to look at the buildings as a collective project and explore co-funding opportunities

## Development contributions questions

We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?

Don't know / no opinion

We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change?

Don't know / no opinion

We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?

Don't know / no opinion

Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?

Don't know / no opinion

## General comment areas

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for

I support continued Council investment in community housing.

## housing

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**Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services**

I support food scraps collection.

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**How did you find out about our long-term plan?**

Booklet in my mailbox

Rates letter or email

Social media

City Councillor

Family or friends

# 1242

## Long-Term Plan submission form



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### Your contact details

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Last name gear

Email

Phone

### Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission? No

### Rates review questions

Which of these describes you? Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area  
Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North rural area

Which option do you prefer? 3. Land value (LV) – current system

Please tell us why you prefer this option We live in Rural residential and do not have the ability to use public transport or have any of the normal city facilities, sewerage etc. As we are further from the city centre we also seldom visit town, preferring to use the Summerhill shops for all we need.

Please tell us what you don't like about the other options The current system makes sense. Increasing our rates could be considerable and will make budgeting very difficult for families already struggling with their finances.

### Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities? No

Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services Support as proposed

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project	Make it easier and more inviting for people to socialise in a safe place and form strong communities
Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support as proposed
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Pasifika Centre project	The more people are encouraged to get involved with communities the better for their welfare
Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support as proposed
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Te Pātikitiki Library project	Encourages people, particularly the old and young, to enjoy a safe area where they can read and be with other people.
Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library	Support as proposed
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Awapuni Community Library Hub project	To create a safe and inviting place for people to congregate will benefit not only this community but PN as a whole.
Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park	Support with changes/comments
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project	Whilst I support the concept, it is an isolated site and will inevitably attract vandalism. I am very concerned that all the hard work to make this a beautiful place could/will be targeted.
Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks	Support as proposed
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Central Energy Trust Arena project	Encouraging people to enjoy events and take part in events, particularly sport, can only be good for the community of PN

## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?	1. Preferred option: Build on our existing planning and continue work to look at the buildings as a collective project and explore co-funding opportunities
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## Development contributions questions

We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?	Yes
We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?	Yes
Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater	No

network?

Please tell us why you've selected these answers, and any other feedback you have about the proposed changes to our Development Contributions Policy.

They will still use our roading system. They need to contribute to this and any new roading required. They also need to contribute to stormwater systems installed for them. Particularly important with our increased rain events.

## General comment areas

Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans

Increase our commitment to reduction in light pollution. Council are already replacing street lighting which reduces light pollution but they need to educate companies and private properties to the value of turning off lights. Saves money and helps the struggling electricity suppliers, particularly in winter. Well documented that light pollution is detrimental to humans, not only birds and animals and insects.

Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects

We need a second bridge if we are to have the Plan change G in Aokautere to take effect. The roading system on the Tararua Range side of the Manawatu River is already under stress. How on earth will it cope with more development that side and the Council, whilst hoping to increase roads, need to do so BEFORE the development, not during or after.

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for water and how we will fund Nature Calls

We have no alternative but to sort this as soon as possible and make sure we do not discharge substandard water into our river. It will cost but we have no alternative.

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing

Increased housing across the River towards the Tararua Range is ill conceived. The advocating of medium density so far from the centre of the city lacks insight into what people want. Increasing public transport might help some but it will not be convenient for most and result in unacceptable congestion on already overwhelmed roading. The cost of improving this roading system is prohibitive, not to mention the cost of sorting stormwater systems without damaging already overwhelmed fragile gully systems with the inevitable silt pouring down the streams into the Manawatu River.

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for growing our city

As above, the plan to allow a massive development on the Tararua Range side of the Manawatu River is ill conceived. The increased roading, wastewater, stormwater are all challenges we cannot afford. Development nearer the city centre helps with all that. We see sites being developed in town with yet another single storey building taking up valuable ground when a two and three storey building would be much more sensible. Double storey housing needs to be encouraged to reduce the impermeable footprint which is increasing in all developments and exacerbating storm water issues. Three and higher storied commercial buildings should now be a requirement.

Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services

Recycling of absolutely everything one can needs to be a priority. The cost of this is large but the cost of dumping and finding sites to dump is large too. In our throw away society education must become a priority

Please share any feedback regarding proposed rates over the next 10 years

Rates increases are inevitable but wastage of budgets is all around us.

Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider

Rules are put in place by Council for percentage of permeable to impermeable areas on residential sites but many are ignored. Compliance officers do their best but are largely ignored. Council MUST enforce their rules if we are to cope with the increasing challenge of climate change and rain events. In addition we see developers ignoring their consent conditions and when neighbours lodge a complaint Council



say their Officers are monitoring it. What is the point of consent conditions when monitoring is done but NO enforcement takes place.

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Booklet in my mailbox

# Long-Term Plan submission form



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## Your contact details

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## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
Which option do you prefer?	1. Preferred option: Hybrid (a mixture of land and capital value)
Please tell us why you prefer this option	I think it's a fairer way of calculating rates that won't harm businesses in the area too much.

## Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
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Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Do not support
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Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Do not support
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Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building	Do not support
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Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which	Do not support
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includes expanded community space within a new library

Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park

Do not support

Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks

Support as proposed

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Central Energy Trust Arena project

Central Energy Trust Arena provides economic benefit to the city.

## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?

1. Preferred option: Build on our existing planning and continue work to look at the buildings as a collective project and explore co-funding opportunities

Please tell us why you prefer this option

It would be cool to see changes to our existing buildings to make them more interesting.

## Development contributions questions

We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?

Don't know / no opinion

We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change?

Yes

We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?

Yes

Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?

Don't know / no opinion

## General comment areas

Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans

I think there needs to be more to do in the city for young adults. In particular, the city feel and vibe at night is sad. There is no night life and I feel the Council should be doing more to help with this. More night markets and activations of the Square would help to bring some life back into the city.

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for water and how we will fund Nature Calls

I'm concerned about the possibility of a \$1000 water levy being added to our rates. I'd love to see options for how we can mitigate this.

Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services

I'd love to see the introduction of a food scraps and green waste bins.

How did you find out about our long-term plan?

Social media

1244

# Long-Term Plan submission form



Submitted on	9 May 2024, 8:22AM
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Related form version	5

## Your contact details

First name	Ash
Last name	Dahya
Email	
Phone	

## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Other: I am a ratepayer on 2 properties but not a resident
Which option do you prefer?	1. Preferred option: Hybrid (a mixture of land and capital value)
Please tell us why you prefer this option	Incorporates a fair combination of land value and capital improvements
Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	Land value can be very variable

## Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
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## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?	1. Preferred option: Build on our existing planning and continue work to look at the buildings as a collective project and explore co-funding opportunities
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## Development contributions questions

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We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?

No

We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change?

Yes

We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?

No

Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?

Yes

## General comment areas

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How did you find out about our long-term plan?

Rates letter or email

1245

# Long-Term Plan submission form



Submitted on	9 May 2024, 8:24AM
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## Your contact details

First name	Paul
Last name	Cole
Email	
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## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North rural area
Which option do you prefer?	3. Land value (LV) – current system
Please tell us why you prefer this option	The existing system works and is easily understood. In any system there will be anomalies, but on the whole this system has stood the test of time.
Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	There does not seem to be any good reason to move away from the existing system. In any system there will be anomalies, but on the whole this system has stood the test of time.

## Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Do not support
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any	I feel that this is nice to have. I think that it is important for Council to

<b>feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project</b>	focus on providing core services of roading, water, sewer and stormwater before focusing on other matters.
<b>Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building</b>	Do not support
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Pasifika Centre project</b>	I feel that this is nice to have. I think that it is important for Council to focus on providing core services of roading, water, sewer and stormwater before focusing on other matters.
<b>Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building</b>	Do not support
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Te Pātikitiki Library project</b>	I feel that this is nice to have. I think that it is important for Council to focus on providing core services of roading, water, sewer and stormwater before focusing on other matters.
<b>Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library</b>	Do not support
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Awapuni Community Library Hub project</b>	I feel that this is nice to have. I think that it is important for Council to focus on providing core services of roading, water, sewer and stormwater before focusing on other matters.
<b>Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park</b>	Do not support
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project</b>	I feel that this is nice to have. I think that it is important for Council to focus on providing core services of roading, water, sewer and stormwater before focusing on other matters.
<b>Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks</b>	Do not support
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Central Energy Trust Arena project</b>	I feel that this is nice to have. I think that it is important for Council to focus on providing core services of roading, water, sewer and stormwater before focusing on other matters.
<b>Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?</b>	I think that it is important for Council to focus on providing core services of roading, water, sewer and stormwater before focusing on other matters.

## Development contributions questions

<b>We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?</b>	No
<b>We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change?</b>	Yes
<b>We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?</b>	Yes
<b>Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential</b>	Yes



development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?

## | General comment areas

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How did you find out about our long-term plan?

Council website

Social media

# Long-Term Plan submission form



Submitted on	9 May 2024, 8:51AM
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## Your contact details

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Last name	McIntosh
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## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
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Which option do you prefer?	2. Capital value (CV)
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Please tell us why you prefer this option	Capital value recognises difference in land values as well as value of improvements. As there is a move to smaller residential section sizes, smaller sections do not necessarily reflect the type of dwelling. Many executive level homes are on smaller sections but if rated on land value are not paying their share. The land value component should rise at approximately the same rate but the value of improvements can dramatically change and should be reflected in the apportionment of rates.
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Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	LV: The land value component should rise at approximately the same rate but the value of improvements can dramatically change and should be reflected in the apportionment of rates. Hybrid: Don't see the advantage of a hybrid system except as a way to convert to CV method to ease dramatic change. CV is more straight forward but could be phased in to avoid sharp increases for some ratepayers.
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Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review?	One of the cons stated for the CV system is less incentive to develop land. But the increased rates of the developed sections would/should only come into play when the property is titled and sold to first owner.
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That does not disadvantage the developer.

## Community facilities questions

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Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?

No

Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?

Due to the tough economic times, it would be good if some/all of these projects could be done in stages over a longer period of time without comprising the vision.

## General comment areas

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Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for growing our city

Avoid piecemeal/individual developments that do not consider wider amenity planning. So important to balance denser housing with attractive common areas, wider streets, shopping needs etc. Many examples of good and bad design exist around the world to learn from.

How did you find out about our long-term plan?

Council website

Newspaper

1247

# Long-Term Plan submission form



Submitted on	9 May 2024, 8:53AM
Receipt number	1000
Related form version	5

## Your contact details

First name	fiona
Last name	macdermid
Email	
Phone	

## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
Which option do you prefer?	1. Preferred option: Hybrid (a mixture of land and capital value)
Please tell us why you prefer this option	I think it is fairest

## Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Support as proposed
Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support as proposed
Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support as proposed
Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library	Support as proposed

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Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park

Support as proposed

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Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks

Support as proposed

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## Development contributions questions

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We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?

Don't know / no opinion

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We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change?

Don't know / no opinion

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## General comment areas

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Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects

More priority needs to be put in place for active transport. - The full cycleways on Featherston St and Summerhill Dr to be completed as designed  
- The Urban Cycle Network Plan to be revised to be fit for the current need for mode shift and able to be carried out within a reasonable time span

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Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider

Council needs to make and carry out an emissions reduction plan that achieves their goal of cutting emissions citywide 30% by 2030.

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How did you find out about our long-term plan?

Booklet in my mailbox

Family or friends

# 1248

## Long-Term Plan submission form



Submitted on	9 May 2024, 9:00AM
Receipt number	1001
Related form version	5

### Your contact details

First name	Keely
Last name	Harridge
Email	
Phone	

### Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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### Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
Which option do you prefer?	1. Preferred option: Hybrid (a mixture of land and capital value)

### Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Prefer not to say
Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Prefer not to say
Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support as proposed
Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library	Support as proposed
Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park	Prefer not to say

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Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks

Prefer not to say

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## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

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Which option do you prefer?

1. Preferred option: Build on our existing planning and continue work to look at the buildings as a collective project and explore co-funding opportunities

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## Development contributions questions

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We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?

Don't know / no opinion

We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change?

Don't know / no opinion

We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?

Don't know / no opinion

Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?

Don't know / no opinion

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## General comment areas

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Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider

The proposed increase to the dog adoption cost is unjustified. Cost acts as a real deterrent to families who would adopt but can't afford the initial cost.

I would prefer PNCC adoption cost be aligned with other councils, significantly lower. Result will be more dogs successfully adopted to families.

How did you find out about our long-term plan?

Social media

Family or friends

1249

# Long-Term Plan submission form



Submitted on	9 May 2024, 9:02AM
Receipt number	1002
Related form version	5

## Your contact details

First name	Nick
Last name	Whisker
Organisation you represent	Rangitikei Racing Club
Email	
Phone	

## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Business owner who pays commercial/industrial rates in Palmerston North
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## General comment areas

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for growing our city	As per attached submission
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Supporting information





5 May 2024

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Dear Elected Members

**2024-34 LONG TERM PLAN SUBMISSION: KIKIWHENUA**

This submission is in relation to the growth plans for Housing and Development as indicated in both the PNCC Long Term Plan (LTP) and PNCC and Horizons Future Development Strategy (FDS). These plans indicate a requirement across Palmerston North of 400 new homes per year for the next 10 years and beyond.

The council have indicated a strong commitment to provide for residential development to the west of the city. This commitment was backed up by the rezoning of approx. 22 hectares of land in 2019 to residential. This land is known as Kikiwhenua.

Further support of the development of Kikiwhenua was provided in the councils 2021 document, Palmy 2021 – 2031 Te Mahere Whakatipu Tāone – City Growth Plan, which specifically mentions the development of Kikiwhenua. It is also understood that budgets were allocated for the provision of infrastructure (water supply and sewer) to support the development within the 2021-2031 LTP. It does not appear that this funding has been utilised as planned for the provision of infrastructure to enable development of the residential subdivision. The 2021-2031 LTP included budget lines of \$250,000 in 2021/22 and \$460,000 in 2022/23 for the supply of water. And \$368,000 for the installation of a wastewater system as the first stage of the wider Kakatangiata.

The current proposed LTP and the FDS show the number of homes expected specifically within the Kikiwhenua development of 92 lots within the 2025/2026 years and a further 188 lots by 2029.

Figure x: Future Residential Development Timing Summary (homes)

	Short term   within the next 3 years			Medium term   between 3 and 10 years							Long term   between 10 and 30 years																				
	2024	2025	2026	2026/2027	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	2036	2037	2038	2039	2040	2041	2042	2043	2044	2045	2046	2047	2048	2049	2050	2051	2052	2053
Existing Urban Environments	307			1,078							1,618																				
Mohawheta Lagoon Residential Area	116																														
Whakarongo Residential Area	88			421																											
Napier Road Residential Extension Area	1			94																											
Māngere Residential Area	57			100																											
Rosburgh Crescent Residential Area	1			81																											
Kakātangiata Urban Growth Areas (Ext. Stage 1)											1,348																				
Kikiwhenua (Stage 1 of Kūhata @area)	92			188																											
Kakātangiata (beyond the next 30 years a further 4,241 homes)																															
Ashburst Urban Growth Areas											172																				
Aokautere Residential Area				300							300																				



This appears to be in conflict with the funding proposed to provide the required infrastructure to service the development, even if staged. This is evident in the proposed budget for the supply of drinking water to the development where a budget of only \$550,000 is included in the 2024/25 year and then a further \$513,000 in the 2025/26 financial year. This by the Council's own estimates is insufficient for the proposed stage one, of only 30 lots.

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NICK WHISKER

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# Long-Term Plan submission form



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## Hearing

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Phone	

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Dear Elected Members

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The council have indicated a strong commitment to provide for residential development to the west of the city. This commitment was backed up by the rezoning of approx. 22 hectares of land in 2019 to residential. This land is known as Kikiwhenua.

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Existing Urban Environment	180																																2,200
Hokowhitu Lagoon Residential Area	130																																
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Kāhūlangata Urban Growth Areas (East Stage 1)																																	1,500
Kāhūlangata (Stage 2 of Kāhūlangata)																																	
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RICHARD SIMPSON  
PRESIDENT

MARION JOCKEY CLUB INC

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# Long-Term Plan submission form



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## Your contact details

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Last name	Nottage
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Phone	

## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
Which option do you prefer?	1. Preferred option: Hybrid (a mixture of land and capital value)
Please tell us why you prefer this option	appears to be the fairest system for all ratepayers
Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	both other options either penalise or incentivise different ratepayers

## Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Do not support
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre	We should be running a user pays system where those that use the facilities pay for the use. The ratepayer should not be subsidising

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<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Pasifika Centre project</b>	If a group needs access to a building or service they should be purchasing or renting one off their own back. Just like any other group, RSA, churches, bowling clubs ect.
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<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project</b>	As long as NO ratepayers money is used and funding is 100% from the parties using the service and external services. Again, I believe that those that use the service should fund the service.
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## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

<b>Which option do you prefer?</b>	2. Only do the required seismic upgrades of these facilities in their current locations
<b>Please tell us why you prefer this option</b>	we are not in a financial position at this stage, interest rates (govt) are high and this should be postponed.
<b>Please tell us what you don't like about the other option</b>	cost prohibitive,

## Development contributions questions

<b>We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential</b>	No
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development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?

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We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change?

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We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?

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Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?

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Please tell us why you've selected these answers, and any other feedback you have about the proposed changes to our Development Contributions Policy.

No

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Yes

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No

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1. there should be no differential between residential and non-residential.
2. there is no guarantee that external funding would be beneficial or favorable and until that is secured we should continue to fund as is.
4. if the service (connection water/waste) is potentially available in Non residential development the charge should be included as well as there is still use other services

## General comment areas

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Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans

We need to proceed with austerity as our country, citizens and rate payers are in financial crisis, we need to fund ONLY the essentials and NOT borrow. We must live with in our means and increasing rates only be the LAST resort. If we can not afford it in the current environment then we can not have it, until such times as the economic environment improves.

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Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for water and how we will fund Nature Calls

All properties to have water meters installed and we should run a user pays system rather than a flat fee

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Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing

Social housing is a Government issue not a council issue. We have a dedicated Governmental department for this and as a tax payer we are already funding this. The rate payer should not be subsidising a government issue.

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Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for growing our city

increase cost of development should be front footed by the developers

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How did you find out about our long-term plan?

Booklet in my mailbox

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# Long-Term Plan submission form



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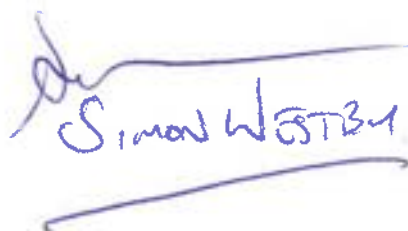
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# 1255

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Last name	Kenny
Email	
Phone	

### Hearing

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Which option do you prefer?	3. Land value (LV) – current system
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Please tell us why you prefer this option	My rates have consistently gone up over the last few years at an incredibly high rate. This is making it not only difficult for families with the current economy and high living costs but is now making owning a home unreachable for many people. I personally see very little benefit towards myself with these proposed increases. Why should my rates increase when most of the so called improvement are happening in Palmerston North city? You need to release the spending that you are proposing, including the salary's that all the city council employees are being paid.
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Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	It will cost more with no benefit
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Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review?	Keep the rates the same or only marginally increase them, people are struggling and you are trying to increase their expenses. You also waste a substantial amount of money on stupid projects like Featherston Street, I have not spoken to anybody who thinks that new layout is working.
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### Community facilities questions

<b>Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services</b>	Support with changes/comments
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project</b>	Waste of money, not necessary
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<b>Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?</b>	Nothing is needed urgently. People need to eat rather than have any of those facilities improved. Maintain the roads and do the basic maintenance. We don't need huge expenses, fix your mistakes and keep the status quo.

## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

<b>Which option do you prefer?</b>	2. Only do the required seismic upgrades of these facilities in their current locations
<b>Please tell us why you prefer this option</b>	Why do you keep spending money you don't have and we don't have. New Zealand as a population are struggling with basic amenities, let us have the basics like food before you go increase rates for stupid things.
<b>Please tell us what you don't like about the other option</b>	As above
<b>Do you have any other comments?</b>	Stop wasting money



## Development contributions questions

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We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?

Yes

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No

We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?

Yes

Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?

Yes

Please tell us why you've selected these answers, and any other feedback you have about the proposed changes to our Development Contributions Policy.

Make life easier for everyone, not harder

## General comment areas

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Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans

Your visions, goals and plans are not necessary, lower your expectations and be realistic.

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Your increase in rates is beyond unreasonable. People can't afford to live as it is. Don't make it worse for the people living in the Palmerston North area.

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Dear Elected Members

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Existing Urban Environments	302			1,078																									2,481
Holloway Lagoon Residential Area	138																												
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Kakātangiata Urban Growth Areas (Ext.) Stage 1:										180																			2,308
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Yours sincerely,



Tom MacLeod  
VICE PRESIDENT  
FIELDING JOCKEY CWB

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# Long-Term Plan submission form



Submitted on	9 May 2024, 9:16AM
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## Your contact details

First name Yvonne

Last name MacPherson

Email

Phone

## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission? No

## Rates review questions

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Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for growing our city As per attached submission

Supporting information



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Yours sincerely,

  
 Yuone Macpherson  
 6 May 2024

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# Long-Term Plan submission form



Submitted on	9 May 2024, 9:18AM
Receipt number	1012
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## Your contact details

First name	Tim
Last name	Savell
Organisation you represent	Racing at Awapuni and Trentham Combined Enterprises Inc
Email	
Phone	

## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Business owner who pays commercial/industrial rates in Palmerston North
Which option do you prefer?	3. Land value (LV) – current system

## General comment areas

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Yours sincerely,



**Tim Savell**  
Chief Executive Officer  
**RACE INCORPORATED**

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# Long-Term Plan submission form



Submitted on	9 May 2024, 9:20AM
Receipt number	1013
Related form version	5

## Your contact details

First name	John
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Last name	van Duin
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Email

Phone

## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North rural area
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Which option do you prefer?	3. Land value (LV) – current system
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Please tell us why you prefer this option	Seems as if it doesn't make any difference which option is chosen, as the property is classed as a lifestyle block, we get an increase regardless. So would opt for the current system. See other comments.
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Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	Need examples as to how they would work, but if it decreases the amount then perhaps one of them. See other comments.
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Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review?	I am against all because it states in the letter: "For every option, we are proposing .....often referred to as lifestyle blocks. These ratepayers will have a larger rate increase than most other property owners". I OBJECT to this as we already don't get any services here i.e. sewage, water, even the internet is still via copper line, and we are in the boundary at Shirriffs Road. So we should only pay more if we get more. Is that going to happen?
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## Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Support with changes/comments
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project	If it encourages integration into NZ culture.
Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Do not support
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Pasifika Centre project	Only suits one culture.
Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building	Do not support
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Te Pātikitiki Library project	We already have enough libraries.
Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library	Do not support
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Awapuni Community Library Hub project	We already have enough libraries.
Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park	Support as proposed
Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks	Support with changes/comments
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Central Energy Trust Arena project	Only if we get some international activity, like All Blacks or Black Caps.
Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?	We should be encouraging tourism, develop some things to attract people to visit, like upgrade tramping options, tracks and cabins.

## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?	Prefer not to say
Please tell us why you prefer this option	Regent Theatre and Caccia Birch only one worth saving. If it's cheaper build new ones for the others.
Do you have any other comments?	Most of PN buildings in the square are quite ugly, including the Council Offices.

## Development contributions questions

We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential	No
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development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?

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We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change? Yes

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We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change? Yes

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Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network? Yes

## General comment areas

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Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans Infrastructure should be the main goal.

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Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects Some of the road changes are terrible, recent Featherston Street changes does nothing but slow traffic. bus stop in the middle of the road is ridiculous. Try thinking flow, not slow.

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Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for water and how we will fund Nature Calls Seems okay.

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Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing Not sure about aspects of this

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Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for growing our city Need more details on the plans

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Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services Okay

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Please share any feedback regarding proposed rates over the next 10 years Increase seems excessive.

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How did you find out about our long-term plan? Booklet in my mailbox  
Rates letter or email

# Long-Term Plan submission form



Submitted on	9 May 2024, 9:42AM
Receipt number	1017
Related form version	5

## Your contact details

First name	Tomora
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Last name	
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Organisation you represent	Animal Fostering Hub NZ
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Email	
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Phone	
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I am under 18

## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Prefer not to say
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Which option do you prefer?	4. Prefer not to say
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## Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
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Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Prefer not to say
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Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Prefer not to say
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Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building	Prefer not to say
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## General comment areas

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### Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider

The Oranga Papaioea Strategy makes only three mentions of animals, which is insufficient. While a connected and secure community (Goal 3) is a worthy objective, it cannot be accomplished without acknowledging that pet management and care are essential components.

We have been horrified by the conditions of the local pound and while we appreciate that the issue is being addressed, but am yet to see how any meaningful change is being made to ensure that our community is safe for every member of every family – including our family pets. It appears that in certain underprivileged regions of our city, there is a concerning lack of responsible pet ownership practices. This includes the presence of potentially dangerous animals that have not been desexed, the unregulated breeding of domestic pets for financial gain, and the cruel treatment of animals as a means of intimidation or as guard dogs kept in confinement. These practices not only pose a risk to public safety but also reflect a disregard for animal welfare and responsible pet ownership.

The recent review of animal control bylaws failed to address critical issues and lacked ambition, as observed firsthand on multiple occasions during my residency in Palmerston North. Furthermore, the current bylaw is not being fully enforced, with evidence suggesting that legally permissible fines are seldom, if ever, imposed. Meanwhile, registration and animal adoption fees remain excessively high for responsible pet owners. A recent study conducted by Hutt City Council regarding their snipping and chipping regulations demonstrates the feasibility of adopting ambitious animal management policies. However, Palmerston North appears to be lagging behind in this regard.

It is evident that our city harbors a concerning culture surrounding the treatment of animals, which is deeply intertwined with the manner in which we care for one another.

In light of this, I propose that our annual plan incorporate at least one specific outcome directly related to the well-being of animals residing within our city. The welfare of our animals serves as a crucial indicator of our citizens' overall well-being and should be accorded due importance. Furthermore, the 2,000 voluntary organizations mentioned in the strategy encompass animal welfare groups. Without their contributions, the resources of Animal Management could face even greater strain. It is recommended that at least one of these organizations be designated as a Sector Lead. This would enable them to offer guidance and accountability to PNCC in the realm of Animal Management. We would also welcome and accept any support that PNCC would provide to us independent animal rescues and currently we receive none. This would allow us to further collaborate with the PNCC to reduce backyard and accidental breeding, which is straining not only our city and its surroundings but also New Zealand as a whole.

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How did you find out about our long-term plan?

Family or friends

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# Long-Term Plan submission form



Submitted on	9 May 2024, 9:43AM
Receipt number	947
Related form version	5

## Your contact details

First name Durham

Last name Mossman

Email

Phone

## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission? No

## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you? Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North rural area  
Landlord of a business/commercial property in Palmerston North who lives here

Which option do you prefer? 3. Land value (LV) – current system

## Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities? No

# Long-Term Plan submission form



Submitted on	9 May 2024, 9:48AM
Receipt number	925
Related form version	5

## Your contact details

First name	Richard
Last name	Hunter
Email	
Phone	

## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
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Which option do you prefer?	2. Capital value (CV)
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Please tell us why you prefer this option	The rates are a property based tax and I see little reason for complicating the issue by applying parameters to the land and to the improvements separately. Keep it simple and just use the CV to determine the rates. It sounds much fairer to me. Because of the current LV system my rates increased around 30% at the last evaluation and are now over \$5003 pa.
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Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	My friend's rates for her property at the top end of Pacific Drive and whose CV is roughly the same as mine has rates of almost \$3192pa. That is approximately \$1800 lower than mine. That is not fair when the CV values are almost identical. Moving to the CV system would certainly help normalise the differences in the two rating levels and make it fairer.
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Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review?	I would like to see the CV system implemented as soon as possible. I can however see why the Council would want to implement the move to CV over three years. The 30% jump in my rates was instantaneous, and there was no gentle move to the new level to soften the blow on my rate bill. Could the Council bite the bullet and move directly to the CV system, I think not.
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## Community facilities questions

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No

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Prefer not to say

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Prefer not to say

Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks

Prefer not to say

Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?

Good community facilities are beneficial but costs need to be kept down. Increasing debt is not always the best solution as the monies have to be paid back and with inflation above optimum it is wise to sometimes hold back on expenditure.

## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

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Which option do you prefer?

1. Preferred option: Build on our existing planning and continue work to look at the buildings as a collective project and explore co-funding opportunities

## Development contributions questions

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Yes

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Yes

Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?

Yes

## General comment areas

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**Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans**

My strong views on the Council's plans relate almost entirely on the Rating System. The CV system has to be the correct way forward albeit maybe over a period of time. I also agree that water systems require updating to cater for the ages of the current systems along with projected growth for the city. Finally, please look after The Regent Theatre, maintain our green open spaces, improve the condition of the roads, get the cycle way to Ashhurst finished to avoid using the main road, and encourage more use for traders using Broadway.

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**How did you find out about our long-term plan?**

Booklet in my mailbox

Rates letter or email

Social media

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# Long-Term Plan submission form



Submitted on	9 May 2024, 9:54AM
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Related form version	5

## Your contact details

First name Jill

Last name Spicer

Email

Phone

## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission? No

## General comment areas

Please share any feedback regarding proposed rates over the next 10 years Natural burials site.  
PN needs a natural burials site. It's environmentally positive, responds to need for diversity of options, need not be a drain on rates.

Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider See natural burials above.

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Newspaper

# 1265

## Long-Term Plan submission form



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### Your contact details

First name	Clare
Last name	Wismans
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### Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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### Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
Which option do you prefer?	1. Preferred option: Hybrid (a mixture of land and capital value)
Please tell us why you prefer this option	From my reading this seems like a fairer way.
Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	Current option does not take into account fluctuations of property
Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review?	No

### Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Support as proposed
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any	I think it is so important that all cultures have a purposeful space to use.

feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project	I am a kindergarten teacher and have first hand experience about how diverse our city is they need space.
Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support as proposed
Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support as proposed
Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library	Support as proposed
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Awapuni Community Library Hub project	We live in the area and do not use the library here enough we tend to go to the main library. I think we would use it more if it was a more user friendly space
Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park	Support as proposed
Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks	Do not support

## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?	1. Preferred option: Build on our existing planning and continue work to look at the buildings as a collective project and explore co-funding opportunities
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## Development contributions questions

We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?	Yes
We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change?	Yes
We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?	Yes
Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?	Yes
Please tell us why you've selected these answers, and any other feedback you have about the proposed changes to our Development Contributions Policy.	I agree with the people and developers building paying. User pays should be the case

## General comment areas

Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services	Rubbish services need to be improved. We desperately need to get rid of the bags and change to bins. We already pay for waste in our rates but for families fortnightly collection in bags is not user friendly at all.
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With nappies and food scraps etc we have to pay for a weekly bin for an external services this paying twice. We need bins not bags!! I would also love to see the food scraps project rolled out

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**How did you find out about our long-term plan?**

Social media

# 1266

## Long-Term Plan submission form



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### Your contact details

First name

Last name

Email

Phone

I am under 18

### Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?

### General comment areas

Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans

We fail to understand the costs being charged by Palmerston North, especially considering that councils across NZ have good working relationships with local veterinary to help keep adoption costs down, and Palmerston North have Massey - a great teaching university as well as many local practices of good value to choose from, but the PNCC prices fail to reflect this

Many councils work successfully hand in hand with local rescues, supporting their desex and community efforts - we desex our animals as part of adoption procedure and help with community desex, community microchipping and vaccinations, yet we like many rescues receive no council support, which can and does make it hard.

Add that local independent Manawatu rescues were not invited to join the recent Oranga Papaioea strategy discussions, in which animals are only mentioned a total of 3 times, is also unfortunate.

We hope the PNCC will reconsider their adoption prices, in order to become more affordable to the community, and to reduce their time in the pound, thus minimizing any physical, mental and psychological negative effects on the animal during their time there. One thing that should never be reduced, is the quality of care given to each animal in PNCC pound.

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Family or friends



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# Long-Term Plan submission form



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## Your contact details

First name	Thomas
Last name	Sowersby
Email	
Phone	

## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
Which option do you prefer?	1. Preferred option: Hybrid (a mixture of land and capital value)
Please tell us why you prefer this option	Seems like a balanced approach

## Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Support as proposed
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project	Seems reasonably costed and should provide useful impact
Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support with changes/comments

<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Pasifika Centre project</b>	The costs are too high. Need to reduce scope and make sure it is not duplicating the services of facilities in other areas.
<b>Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building</b>	Support with changes/comments
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Te Pātikitiki Library project</b>	The costs are too high. Need to reduce scope and make sure it is not duplicating the services of facilities in other areas.
<b>Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library</b>	Do not support
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Awapuni Community Library Hub project</b>	No, too expensive and I doubt it will be used to the level the council predicts. Better to keep our central library up to a high standard.
<b>Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park</b>	Do not support
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project</b>	This idea needs to be scaled back drastically. I don't think a 19 million build cost, or the ongoing running costs are justified. Just build a nice outdoor area with sheltered seating and gardens.
<b>Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks</b>	Support with changes/comments
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Central Energy Trust Arena project</b>	Ok with the new turfs and changing rooms, these types of facilities are used a lot. For the Arena 5, are there ways to reduce scope to reduce the 36m spend? Can this facility be used to provide some of the services proposed in the other proposed facilities?
<b>Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?</b>	The Council needs to be focused more on reducing spending and keeping rates as low as possible. New facilities need to be of critical need before investing in them, and I think many of the proposals do not reach this threshold.

## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

<b>Which option do you prefer?</b>	1. Preferred option: Build on our existing planning and continue work to look at the buildings as a collective project and explore co-funding opportunities
<b>Please tell us why you prefer this option</b>	The costs for strengthening are eye watering. Is there more work that could be done to get more competitive pricing for these projects?
<b>Do you have any other comments?</b>	The facilities are important and should be maintained.

## Development contributions questions

<b>We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?</b>	Don't know / no opinion
<b>We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater</b>	Don't know / no opinion

project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change?

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We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?

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Don't know / no opinion

Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?

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Don't know / no opinion

## General comment areas

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Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects

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Why do we need a new bus terminal? Seems like a wasteful spend.

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for water and how we will fund Nature Calls

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Why is there not a full survey page dedicated to this topic? It is the biggest investment the council is looking at! It feels like this project is not being advertised/communicated well. The costs being proposed are way too high and I don't understand how a wastewater upgrade can cost 657M. I don't think an additional levy of \$1000 a year is fair on ratepayers. Scope review is required.

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Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services

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I like the idea for replacing our recycling processing plant. Kerbside waste pick up should be maintained.

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Please share any feedback regarding proposed rates over the next 10 years

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Do more to limit rates increases by reducing council costs for non-essential services.

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Booklet in my mailbox

# Long-Term Plan submission form



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## Your contact details

First name	Lynne
Last name	Phillips
Email	
Phone	

## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
Which option do you prefer?	3. Land value (LV) – current system
Please tell us why you prefer this option	Cheapest option for homeowners. The Council needs to raise funds from other means as landowners contribute enough to the city.
Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	Too expensive and not comparative across land that has more developments than others. Land size is a fair comparison for the distribution of rates.

## Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Support with changes/comments
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre	Need to consider the percentage of multicultural people in the city and determine if this is a fair spend of all ratepayers money.

project

**Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building**

Do not support

**Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Pasifika Centre project**

More non-pasifika people in the city.

**Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building**

Support as proposed

**Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Te Pātikitiki Library project**

Library learning for children is always a good spend in this low decile area of the city.

**Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library**

Do not support

**Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Awapuni Community Library Hub project**

Not enough money to support this.

**Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park**

Do not support

**Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project**

More important infrastructure spends in the city to concentrate on short term.

**Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks**

Do not support

**Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Central Energy Trust Arena project**

More important infrastructure spends in the city to concentrate on short term like water pipes and storm water.

## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Do you have any other comments?

No

## Development contributions questions

**We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?**

Yes

**We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change?**

No

**We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?**

No

**Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater**

Yes

network?

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**Please tell us why you've selected these answers, and any other feedback you have about the proposed changes to our Development Contributions Policy.**

Common sense - user pays

## General comment areas

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**Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects**

The recent introduction of more buses in PN and resulting bus stops has not been well planned. Most buses have 1 - 2 passengers and the buses created congestion and safety issues on Palmerston North streets. Waste of money at this time when the city infrastructure requires more spending - i..e. waste water

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**Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for growing our city**

Get the basics right before looking at too much growth going forward.

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**Please share any feedback regarding proposed rates over the next 10 years**

Keep rates increases to a minimum - do not use rates to fund major asset funding.

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**How did you find out about our long-term plan?**

Booklet in my mailbox

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# Long-Term Plan submission form



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## Your contact details

First name	Kevin
Last name	Pedley
Email	
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## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North rural area
Which option do you prefer?	3. Land value (LV) – current system
Please tell us why you prefer this option	Many of the PNCC services and infrastructure are not available in rural residential zones like ours, so why should the rates be increased based on land value?
Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	They penalize rural residential owners excessively.
Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review?	These rates rise increases have prompted us to consider moving out of Palmerston North.

## Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Support as proposed

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project

Need to re-assess cost-effectiveness of proposed options.

Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building

Support as proposed

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Pasifika Centre project

Need to re-assess cost-effectiveness of proposed options.

Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building

Support as proposed

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Te Pātikitiki Library project

Need to re-assess cost-effectiveness of proposed options.

Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library

Do not support

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Awapuni Community Library Hub project

Expensive option. Use of the building as a library appears to be a minor component of planned expenditure on a new building on land already purchased prior to confirmation of the plans mentioned. Times are hard financially. Should be postponed.

Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park

Do not support

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

Too expensive.

Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks

Do not support

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Central Energy Trust Arena project

Too expensive. This facility is misplaced and causes very significant noise pollution in the middle of Palmerston North. It should not receive further investment from rates payers including those in the local area whose children are kept awake by the incredible noise.

## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?

2. Only do the required seismic upgrades of these facilities in their current locations

## Development contributions questions

We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?

Don't know / no opinion

We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change?

Don't know / no opinion

We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of

Don't know / no opinion



development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?

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Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?

Don't know / no opinion

## General comment areas

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Rates letter or email

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# Long-Term Plan submission form



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## Your contact details

First name	Dawn
Last name	BELL
Email	
Phone	

## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
Which option do you prefer?	3. Land value (LV) – current system
Please tell us why you prefer this option	The land value is the fairest option for all.
Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	Capital value would penalise residents that have made improvements of their homes as we have. A person that let's their houses run down and doesn't upgrade is advantaged over rate payers who go the extra mile.
Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review?	Landlords are less likely to upgrade or improve dwellings if they get taxed on improvements.

## Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Do not support

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**Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project**

I have attended events in public places we all use. I don't believe in segregation with different cultures as we can learn to live together and bond as one people  
We can't afford our wastewater so we can't afford this.

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**Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building**

Do not support

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**Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Pasifika Centre project**

Where Pasifika groups share buildings with others they tend to integrate better  
There are plenty of community spaces big enough the Pascal Street Stadium, Barber Hall they could use if their current premises are too small

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**Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building**

Do not support

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**Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Te Pātikitiki Library project**

The Prime Minister has told you to focus on needs, not wants.  
The current financial situation where you can't afford the Nature Call wastewater don't expand anything. If there is routine maintenance to keep the library open do it but anything else needs to stop.

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**Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library**

Do not support

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**Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Awapuni Community Library Hub project**

If the main central library needs to close for upgrades then rent a space in the central city. This would be a waste of rate payers money at a time when the central government have told the Council to focus on needs not wants.  
Again you can't afford the waste water so don't do this.

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**Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park**

Do not support

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**Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project**

This is an area that People can visit and reflect on the women and men that sacrificed their lives to give us the freedom we have.  
It is a place to contemplate it is, green and quiet.  
Again the Prime Minister stated to focus on needs not wants and we don't need it and can't afford it.

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**Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks**

Do not support

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**Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Central Energy Trust Arena project**

We can't afford it and it would be financially irresponsible.

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**Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?**

Stop borrowing money for these types of projects. If we weren't in debt and didn't need to borrow things might be different.

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## **City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities**

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**Which option do you prefer?**

2. Only do the required seismic upgrades of these facilities in their current locations

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**Please tell us why you prefer this option**

We can't afford the Nature Calls wastewater project and this would be the cheapest option

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**Please tell us what you don't like about the other option**

The explanation of option 1 is not clear but have been told it may include

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selling assets and trading back buildings. You are about to borrow 250% of your income and then you are looking at selling some of your assets you are borrowing against.

Do you have any other comments?

Selling assets never works in the long term. We the rate payers paid for them and you the Council are expected to manage them properly. We can't afford to do anything more than the required seismic upgrades.

## Development contributions questions

We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?

No

We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change?

No

We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?

No

Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?

No

Please tell us why you've selected these answers, and any other feedback you have about the proposed changes to our Development Contributions Policy.

1. ( As this section is not clear) The cost should be fairly spread.
2. I believe you can fund without this for going off the book for funding. I oppose off book funding so don't agree with this suggestion.
3. You haven't explained enough of what this means so it is a no from me until more information is available.
4. They will use more infrastructure than just water or wastewater so should pay the fee.

## General comment areas

Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans

For financial reasons and because the Prime Minister has told you to focus on needs.  
We don't need the central city redevelopment. We don't need a transit hub. We don't need the Cuba Street upgrade.  
Start doing what is needed like filling potholes and clearing leaves from gutters and stop spending money we don't have on projects we don't need.  
I Don't like the 250% of borrowing on revenue  
You have left us no buffer if anything goes wrong like a natural disaster.

Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects

We don't want or need anymore inner city cycle ways. One of the best things about living in Palmy is free flowing traffic. You are ruining one of the best things about living in this city.  
Cyclists I know hate the new upgrade in Featherston Street and worry about hitting people getting off or on the bus.  
Stop trying to reduce traffic and leave our roads alone.  
The cycle path between Feilding and Ashhurst are extravagant. Put in limestone and see how use it then Tarseal it when you can afford it.  
I want access to the square in a car.  
My husband has a work related injury and can only walk short distances. You are making the square inaccessible to us.

Stop the city centre and the intersection upgrades. I don't trust these will be an improvement considering Featherston Street.

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**Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for water and how we will fund Nature Calls**

Do not discharge onto good farm land. 700 ha of prime farmland will be ruined and never be able to be productive again. Against the government request you retain farmland. This will also cost 250 million more than it needs to. We can't afford it.

This should not be funded off books. If you don't discharge onto land thats a saving of 250 million dollars

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**Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing**

The social housing should not be a rate payers issue. Why is the council not petitioning the government to take these costs?

Funding the wastewater off book is lazy, irresponsible and unnecessary and the social housing budget is one of the major causes at present.

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**Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for growing our city**

While I support retaining farmland only growing out a small amount is short sighted. A city needs to spread and it takes hubris to say this far and no further. The plan to go up and in will create urban slum. Less gardens, more noise, pollution, crime and where will the children play on the streets?

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**Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services**

Again you have chosen the most expensive option of planning to collect green waste.

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**Please share any feedback regarding proposed rates over the next 10 years**

The plan seems unworkable and yiu need to get our debt down. You stated that the interest payments are a reason rates are rising, why don't you focus on paying down the debt?

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**Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider**

Pay down the debt.

Put the borrowing back to 200% and realise the situation by increasing debt to income ratio and planning off book funding. Face the situation and steer the city out of high interest debt.

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Family or friends

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# Long-Term Plan submission form



Submitted on	9 May 2024, 10:34AM
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## Your contact details

First name	Angie
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Last name	Crabtree
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Email

Phone

## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North rural area Landlord of a home in Palmerston North who doesn't live here
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Which option do you prefer?	4. Prefer not to say
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## Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
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Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Prefer not to say
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Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Prefer not to say
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Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building	Prefer not to say
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Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library	Support as proposed
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Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park

Support as proposed

Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks

Prefer not to say

## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?

1. Preferred option: Build on our existing planning and continue work to look at the buildings as a collective project and explore co-funding opportunities

## Development contributions questions

We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?

Yes

We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change?

Don't know / no opinion

We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?

Yes

Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?

Don't know / no opinion

## General comment areas

Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider

I am very keen to see the council work to establish a natural burial site. It is my understanding that there is strong support within the community for this and that previous attempts have failed. I would like to see the council make a concerted effort to have this completed.

How did you find out about our long-term plan?

Rates letter or email

Family or friends

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# Long-Term Plan submission form



Submitted on	9 May 2024, 10:35AM
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## Your contact details

First name	Jane
Last name	Coad
Email	
Phone	

## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North rural area Landlord of a home in Palmerston North who doesn't live here
Which option do you prefer?	3. Land value (LV) – current system
Please tell us why you prefer this option	Many of the PNCC services and infrastructure are not available in rural-residential regions so an increase based on land value is inappropriate.
Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	They penalise residents of rural-residential areas unfairly. The rates were an important factor in my decision to live in a rural-residential area.

## Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Support with changes/comments
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any	I hope there is a range of options being considered to achieve the



<b>feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project</b>	desired outcomes to ensure the best return on the ratepayers' dollar. I cannot see this in the material provided.
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Pasifika Centre project</b>	I hope there is a range of options being considered to achieve the desired outcomes to ensure the best return on the ratepayers' dollar. I cannot see this in the material provided.
<b>Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building</b>	Support with changes/comments
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Te Pātikitiki Library project</b>	I hope there is a range of options being considered to achieve the desired outcomes to ensure the best return on the ratepayers' dollar. I cannot see this in the material provided.
<b>Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library</b>	Support with changes/comments
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Awapuni Community Library Hub project</b>	I hope there is a range of options being considered to achieve the desired outcomes to ensure the best return on the ratepayers' dollar. I cannot see this in the material provided. The site seems to have been purchased ahead of the "consultation" about the decision being made about the future of the library. The proposed cost seems very high particularly given the metrics about library visits combine visits to the library and the building in which the library is housed. The definition of consultation is not the same as informing ratepayers about what has already been decided.
<b>Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park</b>	Do not support
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project</b>	Too expensive. The implications of the current government's policies hit the population too hard for projects like this to be considered.
<b>Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks</b>	Do not support
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Central Energy Trust Arena project</b>	Much too expensive. Importantly, speedway should not be located in an urban residential area. It is cruel to local residents and unnecessary. It is evident that most attendees drive to speedway events and could easily drive to an location away from the town centre. It is astonishing that locating speedway in its current location was ever considered or approved.

## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

<b>Which option do you prefer?</b>	2. Only do the required seismic upgrades of these facilities in their current locations
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## Development contributions questions

<b>We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?</b>	Don't know / no opinion
<b>We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater</b>	Don't know / no opinion

project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change?

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We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?

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Don't know / no opinion

Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?

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Don't know / no opinion

Please tell us why you've selected these answers, and any other feedback you have about the proposed changes to our Development Contributions Policy.

I am concerned that PNCC is not independent and it is strongly influenced by local property developers who are driving these projects and proposals.  
It seems possible that "small players", e.g. a family wanting to subdivide a property, will bear the brunt of the costs and large property development companies will not.  
I would like open meetings for discussion so I can hear what my fellow ratepayers are saying.

## General comment areas

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Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects

The priority should be safety. There is a need for more safe crossings for pedestrians and cyclists. Electric scooters on pavements are dangerous - much more dangerous than a pedal cycle which has to be on the road. Electric scooters need to be off the pavement and helmet use enforced.

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How did you find out about our long-term plan?

Council website  
Rates letter or email

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# Long-Term Plan submission form



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## Your contact details

First name	Sue
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Last name	Shirriffs
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## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North rural area
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Which option do you prefer?	4. Prefer not to say
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Please tell us why you prefer this option	Pros and cons for each. Rates will increase under whichever method you choose. Interesting choice of words - "reduce the discount". Whoever said we received a "discount", we just don't get the services like the city, so should be rated less. If going to charge more because we are considered a "lifestyle block", then please rezone us so we can SUBDIVIDE our property. Stick with the status quo. Likely my property value will decrease if you put a bridge at the end of my road as my house is within the setback zone.
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Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	Capital value - we don't have much of a say on the valuation you calculate the rates on. However, see above.
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Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review?	Question. Are you proposing to charge ALL ratepayers \$1000/yr/30 years for the new Wastewater system, or only those who benefit from the use of the system?
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## Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Support as proposed
Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support as proposed
Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support as proposed
Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library	Support as proposed
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Awapuni Community Library Hub project	Suburban libraries more accessible to residents. Backup for time when central library may be out of action. Proceed slowly and in conjunction with population increase in Awapuni and the development of Kikiwhenua (and maybe one day Kakatangiata).
Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park	Do not support
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project	Save \$10M plus. City can't afford in current economic climate. Have doubts about need/use/tourist attraction. Time to stick to the knitting/cut your cloth. Put it in the "nice to have pile".
Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks	Support as proposed
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Central Energy Trust Arena project	You say these facilities are required, so must be done. Would there be space in Pascal Street stadiums for the Waldegrave Street activities if not done?  PNCC should've bought the Izadium 50 years ago!

## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?	2. Only do the required seismic upgrades of these facilities in their current locations
Please tell us why you prefer this option	Economics
Please tell us what you don't like about the other option	Another one for the "nice to have" pile.

## Development contributions questions

We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?	No
We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change?	Don't know / no opinion

We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?

Don't know / no opinion

Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?

Yes

Please tell us why you've selected these answers, and any other feedback you have about the proposed changes to our Development Contributions Policy.

Non-residential (businesses) will recoup in whatever they charge for their goods/services.  
What happens if you don't get external funding?  
Exhausted just trying to understand all of the above.  
Don't make it too difficult for residential development.  
One supports the other.  
Shouldn't charge a fee for RESIDENTIAL development not connected to water or wastewater network. Please confirm this is the position.

## General comment areas

Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans

Stick to your knitting  
Cut your cloth.....  
Don't rate us out of existence.

Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects

PNITI. Rethink the southern bridge. Way too close to the city if you're proposing subdivision in Kakatangiata.  
Whatever the decision - make it. Very off-putting not knowing what's happening. Do I put up my white picket fence or not?

Thanks for the oldies parking permit, not that I go to town very often. My favourite shops have closed down, so shop on line or out of town.

Bus service - I'm sure you've heard it all. I am not a user.

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for water and how we will fund Nature Calls

Now this is a big ambition! Get your funding sorted before proceeding any further. Lot of ifs and buts - where are you going to find 700 hectares of land to spray effluent?

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing

Leave the housing developments to the developers.  
Tamakuku is a failure - PNCC should not be involved in this type of development. Ideology not reality. We now live in the real world. We're all broke.  
Provide the infrastructure (charge for) - leave the rest to the developers.  
Forget Whiskey Creek. Too risky.  
Not sure that PNCC should be in the business of social housing. Do you make a profit?

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for growing our city

Proceed with caution

Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services

Current system works fine.

NO to food waste collection. Will not use. Encourage as many as possible to have their own compost bins. If you must, food waste collection should be optional and same day as rubbish collection.

Please share any feedback regarding proposed rates over the next 10 years

They're going to go up!

**Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider**

Improve southern entry to city by removing trees on left roadside Amberley Ave to Botanical Road and fix the road surface. Never going to improve while the trees are there. Keegan, if you want a tree to hug, I've got a few :)

Fix the street lights. Should have a supply on hand. If not, revert to the old system.

If your roading maintenance contractor can't deliver on all aspects, get a new contractor, (ie leaf collection)

Keep up the maintenance of council-owned buildings, eg Regent Theatre, Library. Have my doubts on value of science centre - not very exciting. When you've been once can't think of reason to go again except to ride the merry-go-round at Collinson & Cunningham's Christmas Cave!!

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**How did you find out about our long-term plan?**

Council website

Rates letter or email

Newspaper

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# Long-Term Plan submission form



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## Your contact details

First name	Jena
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Last name	Ivamy
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Email

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## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North rural area
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Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review?	The increase is excessive and unnecessary.
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## Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
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Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Do not support
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Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project	Revisit at a later date. Unnecessary at this current time. Referencing your own statements where the mayor asserts that council "certainly didn't plan for a global pandemic, soaring inflation and interest rates, supply shortages, and much more. Some of these things continue to impact how we plan for our city for the next decade" ... the logical conclusion being to get rid of the 'nice-to-haves'! There are plenty of suitable existing facilities to utilise.
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Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Do not support
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**Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Pasifika Centre project**

Revisit at a later date. Unnecessary at this current time. Referencing your own statements where the mayor asserts that council "certainly didn't plan for a global pandemic, soaring inflation and interest rates, supply shortages, and much more. Some of these things continue to impact how we plan for our city for the next decade" ... the logical conclusion being to get rid of the 'nice-to-haves'!  
There are plenty of suitable existing facilities to utilise.

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**Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building**

Do not support

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**Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Te Pātikitiki Library project**

Utilise the existing library as is, or the very well-equipped central library. With the excessive new buses – there's plenty of accessible transport to access this if location is an issue for some residents.

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**Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library**

Do not support

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**Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Awapuni Community Library Hub project**

New build such as this is definitely outside of current means and should NOT be a priority.

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**Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park**

Do not support

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**Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project**

Again, this is definitely outside of current means and should NOT be a priority.

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**Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?**

Stop with the excessive spending; stop the personal / green /cultural agendas of council/councillors, and prioritise maintaining, tidying and increasing the cleanliness of our existing facilities.

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## Development contributions questions

**We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change?**

No

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## General comment areas

**Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans**

Get rid of the nice-to-haves and stop unnecessarily wasting rate-payers money!

As you well know, all these pie-in-the-sky projects cannot be funded through normal means, so we will be borrowing in excess from external sources. We cannot afford this debt! The costs of these projects are absurd! Even if (some) are a nice idea, the costing is simply insane. \$21m for a bus depot?! – You could build 50 houses for that!!

Given the many opposed to these ridiculous proposals of excessive spending, as well audits stating there is "uncertainty and risk about whether our plan is fundable or deliverable", it is essential to stop the excess immediately, and focus solely now on the fundamental.

This needs to stop immediately. Your current approach is causing substantial stress and debt and is literally driving people out and away from our city. Council need to come back with a realistic and affordable plan.



**Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects**

Invest sensibly. Focus needs to be on safety and maintenance/road clean-ups, not absurd, wasteful, unsafe renovations like the monstrosity that is now Featherston St, Cuba St and the likes.

- Stop with pushing the ideological 'wants' of council/councilors for a car-free society –

By undertaking these idiotic projects (that many rate-payers oppose), you have achieved a reduction of business growth in these areas, deterred visitors from the area and town all-together, created unsafe and unusable areas, as well as creating additional hazardous traffic areas. Not to mention the monumental waste of money spent here, and frankly, infuriating many of your community.

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**Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for water and how we will fund Nature Calls**

This is an absolute outrage and should be stopped immediately!

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**Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing**

Source much better management (it seems there is currently none) of those who are homeless and/or 'on the street'. Manage local criminal activity and filthy streets – these are significant deterrents when it feels dirty and unsafe to walk through our city in broad daylight.

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**Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider**

- It would be useful in future to make submission questions visible/easily accessible, so responses can be prepared prior to the time of submitting online

- It's a very 'woes me' vibe/messaging council has been putting out there in regards to the push back you've been hearing from community, particularly from the mayor. Continually stating that in order to give feedback, we must provide solutions for anything we take issue with, is not appropriate. It is not the community's responsibility to source solutions, although we are providing sensible alternatives, to which you continually disregard.

- Wildly disappointing comments and attitudes from councilors throughout, particularly the smugness from Brent Barrett and the likes. A significant level of arrogance comes across, with a substantial lack of concern for rate-payer's viewpoints, proposed solutions and financial struggles.

- Mayor states priority is to meet legal requirements, maintaining our infrastructure, and "continuing to look after the needs of our community." Featherston St (in-lane bus stops), excessive cycleways, new builds - marae/cultural centres etc etc etc are NOT 'needs'.

- There needs to be much more accountability from council/councilors for the disgraceful wasteful spending and implications being imposed.

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# Long-Term Plan submission form



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## Your contact details

First name	Roy
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Last name	Meeking
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Email

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## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
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Which option do you prefer?	1. Preferred option: Hybrid (a mixture of land and capital value)
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Please tell us why you prefer this option	Seems fairer for everyone. However, if there are any changes to the proposed 70/30 split in the future then all ratepayers would need to be involved in that decision.
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## Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
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Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Support as proposed
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Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project	I believe its important to support our multicultural communities
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Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support as proposed
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Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Pasifika Centre project

As above

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**Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building**

Support as proposed

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Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Te Pātikitiki Library project

Libraries are important because they serve as community hubs - especially in lower socioeconomic areas.

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**Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library**

Support with changes/comments

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**Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park**

Support as proposed

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Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

Support only if cofunding and external funding was confirmed

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**Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks**

Support as proposed

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Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Central Energy Trust Arena project

This is an important community asset that needs to be maintained

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## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

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Which option do you prefer?

1. Preferred option: Build on our existing planning and continue work to look at the buildings as a collective project and explore co-funding opportunities

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Please tell us why you prefer this option

The work has to be done and this seems like a systematic way of approaching it.

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Please tell us what you don't like about the other option

No point in shutting down options at this stage

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## Development contributions questions

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We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?

Yes

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We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change?

Yes

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We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?

Don't know / no opinion

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Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater

No

network?

## General comment areas

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**Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans**

I want to thank the City Council for the excellent draft long-term plan that has been provided to ratepayers. Its a challenging read but its informative without being too overwhelming.

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**How did you find out about our long-term plan?**

Booklet in my mailbox

# 1276

## Long-Term Plan submission form



Submitted on	9 May 2024, 10:45AM
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### Your contact details

First name	Jessica
Last name	Thompson
Email	
Phone	

### Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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### Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Resident but not a ratepayer (eg, rent or live with family or friends)
Which option do you prefer?	4. Prefer not to say
Please tell us why you prefer this option	I'm not a rate payer so have no opinion on this.

### Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
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Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Support with changes/comments
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Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project	I would like to see the lease fee for these groups reasonable. I organise a community knitting group that is not a charity and therefore has no money and we found it incredibly difficult to find a place to meet because all leaseable public spaces (like halls and the leisure centre) charge a fee.
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Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support as proposed
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Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Pasifika Centre project	Love the support to the Pasifika community. Just wondering if they might be able to try and fundraise part of the cost for the Fale as well.
Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support as proposed
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Te Pātikitiki Library project	Love the support show to Highbury area.
Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library	Support as proposed
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Awapuni Community Library Hub project	Sounds like a great initiative
Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park	Support as proposed
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project	Sounds good but less of a priority so glad to see it with a more distant start date and reliant on external funding.
Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks	Support with changes/comments
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Central Energy Trust Arena project	Definitely support the upgrades but would like to see Barber Hall etc upgraded sooner.

## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?	1. Preferred option: Build on our existing planning and continue work to look at the buildings as a collective project and explore co-funding opportunities
Please tell us why you prefer this option	Seems like a better long term plan and future focused thinking that just doing a simple upgrade.
Please tell us what you don't like about the other option	Option 2 seems limited and is a fix for now instead of being flexible for the future - whatever that might bring.

## Development contributions questions

We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?	Don't know / no opinion
We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change?	No
We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of	Yes

development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?

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Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network? No

## General comment areas

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Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services

Would definitely like to see more options for rubbish and recycling, particularly around green waste and food waste. We were part of the food waste trial and support it but also have problems with what to do with lawn clippings. While our household is in a position to pay for its collection, other households will not be able to, so they will dump it unhelpfully. The council should look to remove barriers to all waste collection, particularly as it is an environmental issue. It would also be nice if a compost scheme was in place, that each household was entitled to one bag of compost a year for free from the scheme that they are contributing to. Not everyone will want to collect their bag, which could then be sold as it currently is.

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Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider

A natural burial site. It's time the council got on board with this and took it out of the too hard basket. For the environment, it is the best thing to do and I would strongly encourage the council to do some independent research on the impact of bodies (traditionally buried as well as naturally buried) themselves rather than relying on heresay and fear mongering by the general public. Many other councils around NZ have found a way to make it work and there really is no good reason why PNCC can't do the same. What to do with our bodies after death is becoming an increasingly important issue, particularly as our death rates increase and the boomers start to die. Every one dies. This issue is not going to go away. Natural burials offer a lot more benefits than traditional cemeteries, and not just for the environment.

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How did you find out about our long-term plan?

Social media  
Other: Community group event

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# Long-Term Plan submission form



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## Your contact details

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Email	
Phone	

## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
Which option do you prefer?	1. Preferred option: Hybrid (a mixture of land and capital value)
Please tell us why you prefer this option	I have heard it's fairer but don't really understand the difference.

## Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
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Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Support as proposed
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Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project	I support any contribution to a Multicultural Centre
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Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support as proposed
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Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Pasifika Centre project

I support contribution to a Pasifika Centre

Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building

Support as proposed

Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library

Support as proposed

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Awapuni Community Library Hub project

I am EXTREMELY supportive of this. I believe that this area of town is growing and provides a very convenient out-post for the library. I also note that some of the local schools here rely on the library.

Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park

Support as proposed

Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks

Do not support

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Central Energy Trust Arena project

The existing building and facilities seem good enough.

## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?

1. Preferred option: Build on our existing planning and continue work to look at the buildings as a collective project and explore co-funding opportunities

## Development contributions questions

We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?

Don't know / no opinion

We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change?

Don't know / no opinion

We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?

Yes

Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?

Yes

## General comment areas

Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans

I am extremely supportive of the creative and exciting city goal. I believe that increasing funding for sector leaders like CSSI The Stomach, and other arts organisations like Square Edge, Snails, etc. provides VERY GOOD value for money for PNCC. It would be a missed opportunity to not support these organisations that effectively deliver on council goals

on their behalf.

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**Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects**

All the work with cycle ways is great.

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**Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider**

I would like you to consider increasing the funding to Creative Sounds Society Inc, The Stomach. This music institution and venue is a national leader and have only improved their outreach and services in recent years. The organisation is very self sufficient in it's governance and operational activities and does a LOT of work with not a massive amount of funding. I believe there are economic imperatives for supporting The Stomach. Personally I am a highly skilled worker in the field of Software Development and work remotely for an Australian company. I could have relocated to anywhere in the country but I chose to return to Palmerston North due to the supportive music community of which The Stomach is at the heart.

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**How did you find out about our long-term plan?**

Social media

Family or friends

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# Long-Term Plan submission form



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## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
Which option do you prefer?	3. Land value (LV) – current system
Please tell us why you prefer this option	The reasoning for change is not clearly identified.
Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	Not too sure who will gain or lose here, certainly older folk on a pension in what would have been a comfortable retirement will no be forced to assess if the increase in average rates is affordable.
Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review?	The council has indicated a preferred option. I doubt, given recent history, that that option will happen irrespective of ratepayers opinions.

## Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Do not support

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project

How about Community Centres - it's an honest concept and doesn't need to be cultural.

Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building

Do not support

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Pasifika Centre project

Refer previous.

Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building

Support with changes/comments

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Te Pātikitiki Library project

Limited facts provided, patronage levels not really quantified. Refurbishment is on-going maintenance so no issue with that.

Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library

Support with changes/comments

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Awapuni Community Library Hub project

Refer previous questions.

Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park

Do not support

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

Vanity project. Wait until genuine council budget surpluses are available.

Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks

Do not support

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Central Energy Trust Arena project

Why.  
More playing fields? Arena 5 not paying it's way? Or rundown and needs major work?

Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?

Make community based facilities neutral. That way no one will get offended and everyone will feel equally welcome.

## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?

2. Only do the required seismic upgrades of these facilities in their current locations

Please tell us why you prefer this option

Mixed thoughts here, the historical buildings stay where they are and get the necessary seismic upgrades, budgeting for refurbishments etc as a separate project and accomplish if practical.  
For the other buildings, keep them where they are unless there are compelling reasons to move the operation. Seismic upgrades - yes.

Please tell us what you don't like about the other option

Don't fully understand what option 1 entails so disregarded that option entirely

## Development contributions questions

We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more

Yes

equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?

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We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change?

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We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?

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Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?

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Please tell us why you've selected these answers, and any other feedback you have about the proposed changes to our Development Contributions Policy.

Development of land is primarily a business decision and subsidizing commercial operations is not a core council function. The fees should represent actual costs for development to piggy back on existing systems. Non-residential land does impact on council - access/roads, environmental (land, water and air) so the council does have to evaluate and budget accordingly. Fee levels to be adjusted according to the impact.

## General comment areas

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Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans

Refer attachment

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Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects

Refer attachment

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Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing

Refer attachment

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Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for growing our city

Infrastructure needs to be paid for before development. Whether it's swapping 6 houses for one or adding a new suburb, water, electricity, roading, access, amenities have to be part of the cost of that development and as most are commercial developments, the cost should fall to the developer. The ratepayer generally has little to say about the matter and the council needs to act on their behalf - nobody else.

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Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services

Please start a collection for organic materials and get someone to commercially use it -turn it into compost.  
Investigate setting up a recycling facility or organization

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Please share any feedback regarding proposed rates over the next 10 years

See attachment

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Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider

Refer attachment.

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How did you find out about our long-term plan?

Council website

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Supporting information

## Long Term Planning for Palmerston North

**Consultation and working with the community** needs a major upgrade. This latest process is typical, one month to digest and comment on major changes when it is obvious that the council has already had a significant amount of research and has narrowed down options to a preferred path and a couple of throwaway options. It is not good enough.

To get things rolling and the ratepayers better involved, start a weekly newsletter (or emails) from Councillors and the Council Management team that we can subscribe to containing facts, options and events without the glossy PR hype that we get whenever “consultation” is mandated.

The council streaming videos do help but are all too often boring because the real decisions seem to be made off camera and debate is tedious without relevant paperwork available.

I attended a meeting on the long term plan, did not get presented with details or options and the only outcome was that I had to make submissions to the council for consideration so here goes.

- 1. The budget** - money, ie rates, or the lack of seemed to be a big talking point. Apart from the annual report which is probably accurate and the documents associated with this consultation there are few regular updates or even any detail on proposals. Must do better and more often. As it is I, like others I know, are still trying to cross reference and material identify a practical response.
- 2. Planning domestic** – ad-hoc, uncontrolled planning for medium density/height housing is fundamentally flawed without local input. What’s missing is long term infrastructure, community amenities and services, and lifestyle factors like peace and quiet, sunlight, and decent neighbours. The council should set enforceable non-negotiable requirements for developments and keep the ratepayers fully informed.

High density housing and apartments won’t stay like the glossy brochures for long as is evident in many larger cities. Palmerston North needs to knuckle down, decide where schools, shopping precincts and leisure areas are required and enforce community requirements on planning processes so that existing systems don’t get overwhelmed and so that ratepayers don’t subsidise business activities with little return.

**Example** The 15 minute city concept which was used to turn large chunks of the city into developer friendly free-for-all should be revisited and a review of what qualifies as essential services in each area. My bottom line would be within 800metres (by footpath) of any dwelling in the selected area, there should be a supermarket or superette, medical facilities, hairdresser, food outlets and dining, library, bar, police, schools, and any other facility relevant to that neighbourhood all at affordable prices. The 800 metres was chosen as that is the pace of the very young and pensioners, both living restricted lifestyles and in real need of close amenities.

**Example** The introduction of mainly electric scooters and similar devices to footpaths. Done without any meaningful oversight. I have personally witnessed excessive speed on the footpath, no safety equipment, more than one person per device, devices parked in the middle of a footpath, persons much younger than 16 riding on the road and the footpath, road manners that easily reach the definition of dangerous, off road activity in parks and the occasional bullying activity. I also doubt that anyone has insurance to cover any accident and

there isn't any quick method of identifying the device. So in the process to allow such activity where in council is the oversight, monitoring and enforcement department?

3. **Planning - commercial** As above, commercial areas have not been planned well in the past and transport corridors are not fit for purpose. A major rethink is required, rationalising industrial areas and keeping heavy traffic out of residential areas.  
The Railway Road development may provide some relief but needs to be paid for somehow without ratepayers fronting up with the costs.
4. **Planning – transport.** The city was originally planned for traffic to flow through the central city in four directions and until there is comprehensive public transport and a decent set of ring roads, **stop** all the current add-ons like cycleways and raised crossings. To date they have done nothing but inconvenience the folk paying for the changes and proving to all and sundry that transport planning staff are not up to par.  
Those who dreamed up the Featherston Street debacle along with senior staff and councillors who allowed it to start should be made to account for the shambles.  
Ditto, the proposed heavy traffic bypass going through the middle of a town – thought that the idea was to remove that problem, not shove it into someone else's domain.

The city needs a couple of inner multi-lane ring roads. My suggestion is a one-way using Princess/Ferguson/Pitt/Walding streets, the other further out. Featherston/Ruahine/Park/Botanical would have been an option until part of that route got turned into a car park. Even without the bus stops impeding traffic flow, traffic turning right from Featherstone create roadblocks and are really dangerous for cyclists performing the manoeuvre. So much for making life better and safer! The energy wastage from start/stop traffic alone should warrant consideration in this day and age.

That would have left Tremaine to the truck drivers who seem to delight in double parking or reversing into places holding everyone to ransom while they perform “their essential” services.

Main/Fitzherbert/Rangitikei/Pioneer can remain the major external feeds to the city network.

**Buses/public transport** – a Horizons problem but part of the city so must be included in the long term plan. Irrespective of the motive power for the current fleet and the value in buying into new tech, the need to change routes within the city has been problematic. Looking at the map, it has obviously disadvantaged some areas for no notable reason. To compensate, there does need to be feeder vans/small buses to the major routes or even feeding directly to the Square - particularly during the wet and cold seasons. Needing a warm shower and a change clothes after a commute is **not** a sign of progress. The same logic applies to year round cycling.

5. **Water** – This is not only a local problem, drinking water and waste water has been under funded and badly planned for decades across the country. Drilling bores will only work until the run-off pollution starts filtering into the aquifers. Alternative sources need to be planned for and developed. Another dam may be the way to go?

**Sewage and waste** a consultation that was briefly taken by council and before we knew what was really happening, the 30 year plan is to soak \$1000 per annum from each household with no guarantees that it will stay at that level.

6. **Vanity projects** – Cuba street springs to mind as one of the all-time great disappointments as does the area around the square between the Plaza and Main Street. Classic hodgepodge of half baked ideas and designs with little concern for users and ratepayers. There are a number of examples around the city that benefit only those who constructed them and generally pander to pressure groups.  
**STOP** all vanity projects unless they can be funded from genuine end of year surpluses. I don't know how much that will reduce the budget but it will reduce the impression of squandering rates significantly.

**The Esplanade/Lido/River walk** – without a doubt, the gem area of Palmerston North. Keeping the birds, native and introduced flora in a family friendly environment was genius in its development and the upkeep is essential.

**City Central** – The flip side of the coin. It has a dreary, run-down look most places. Colour is absent and there is no vitality left.

How to fix? My suggestion may have already been considered, would be a budget buster but is worth putting on paper.

Turn Broadway between the square and Princess Street into a covered all-weather eatery/ arts/boutique shopping centre with a couple of department style stores. Covered walkways from the bus terminal and from a new multi-story car park between King and Queen Streets. Encourage shop owners to spend some money tarding up their frontages, remove all car transport from that section of Broadway and limit deliveries and pickups to particular hours. If need be, extend that coverage to the library corner.

The square remains as-is until traffic is sorted, then developed into something that compliments the original planting, walking based shopping/leisure activities.

The alternative is the bleak look remains and nothing changes.

7. **To Councillors and all Senior Staff.** Above all, acknowledge that the people who are paying for all this “progress”, and who are voting in representatives to act on their behalf have a right to be fully informed and involved at the very early stages.  
Don't feed us PR generated blurbs and do not assume that we will take what you say or promote as fact. We see too many missteps and unexpected expenses made on our behalf. The local newspaper is not the “conscience of the community” anymore and it is up to the elected and paid management leaders to promote ideas and options to the ratepayers as they occur so that fully informed support can be given by the community.

Feedback on the consultations: I give a 2 on a 1 to 5 scale with 1 being a non-event. Seemed to be dominated by “caring” PR people and with very little practical input.



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## Long-Term Plan submission form



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### Your contact details

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### Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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### Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area Landlord of a home in Palmerston North who lives here
Which option do you prefer?	1. Preferred option: Hybrid (a mixture of land and capital value)
Please tell us why you prefer this option	It's important the value of the improvements/home on the property be considered in the calculation of rates so a combination of LV and CV seems to be a fair balance. It takes into account large valuable houses on smaller, less valuable blocks of land and smaller humble dwellings on large valuable sections
Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	Rates based solely on LV disadvantages people who don't have a large new and expensive house on a large valuable section.
Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review?	Not all large sections need to be subdivided - a city with a balance of high density and lower density housing is valuable for things such as storm water. Large sections soak up rain during heavy rain putting less pressure on the storm water facilities. High density housing will increase the volume of water into the storm water during heavy rain.

### Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Support with changes/comments
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project	A nice to have but not a priority
Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support with changes/comments
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Pasifika Centre project	Nice to have but not a priority
Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support with changes/comments
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Te Pātikitiki Library project	Nice to have but have to avoid over capitalisation to get a want rather than a need. Keep investment to needs not wants.
Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library	Support with changes/comments
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Awapuni Community Library Hub project	C
Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park	Support with changes/comments
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project	Nice to have but have to avoid over capitalisation to get a want rather than a need. Keep investment to needs not wants.
Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks	Support as proposed
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Central Energy Trust Arena project	Important facility in city - needs to be maintained. Again don't over capitalise to get a want rather than a need.
Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?	Community facilities are important but do not over capitalise to get a want rather than a need.

## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?	1. Preferred option: Build on our existing planning and continue work to look at the buildings as a collective project and explore co-funding opportunities
Do you have any other comments?	Palmerston North will experience a severe earthquake at some time in the future but knowing when is impossible. It seems to me seismic upgrades are an ongoing issue at huge cost and my concern is now essential are they for public safety. A buildings function is to preserve life in a major event - the building may not be savable after the event. I see seismic strengthening and planning can be a black hole for money and I'm not sure they city can afford that. The central city library, for example,

was build to a seismic code - is it really that unsafe. If so why are we keeping it? Likewise with the Regent Theatre. Upgrading these facilities is extremely expensive and the wisdom of pouring money into retaining them needs to be addressed.

## Development contributions questions

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We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?

Yes

We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change?

Yes

We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?

Yes

Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?

Yes

Please tell us why you've selected these answers, and any other feedback you have about the proposed changes to our Development Contributions Policy.

Residential development puts pressure on city infrastructure, in particular wastewater, storm water and water connections - it's important that developments/developers contribute to the increasing demands being put on these facilities.

## General comment areas

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Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for water and how we will fund Nature Calls

This is one of the big issues that needs addressing. I have owned and resided in Palmerston North for 40 years and how to deal with waste water has been on the PNCC agenda all that time. The "best" options are expensive and so don't get ratepayer support. The time has come to commit to a long term solution - it will cost and that will be hard to many living in our city but it needs to be done and not delayed any longer.

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing

Firstly, keep new housing off flood prone areas. Flooding is an ever present risk in this city and while we have the stop banks I feel too much reliance is being placed on them to protect the city and residents. The important thing to keep in mind is that water courses off the higher terraces can be prone to gulying and so all developments need to be kept well away from edges of gullies. Infilling gullies needs to be stopped. The Summerhill plantings of gullies have been successful and this is the best way to stabilise them.

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for growing our city

City growth and housing go hand in hand. Located on the flood plain of the Manawatu River and its tributaries the city and surrounding areas are flood prone and in parts of the city flood at least once most years. DO NOT develop flood plain land for housing or infrastructure. This land is typically Class 1 and 2 so should be protected and retained for agriculture, horticulture and recreation. For example avoid housing/infrastructure developments in Aokautere adjacent to the Manawatu River, Turitea Valley adjacent to the Turitea Stream and areas in Cloverlea adjacent to the Mangaone Stream. There is room for expansion onto the terraces out towards Ashhurst, Bunnythorpe and Turitea-Aokautere that are located on Class 3 land that

would be best suited to development.

I think the city urgently needs a policy that protect Class 1 and 2 soils for the future including not permitting infrastructure developments such as solar farms and wind farms on these soils. These are the same soil types impacted most by flooding during Cyclone Gabrielle in Hawkes Bay last year. Class 1 and 2 soils are mostly found in low lying aspects of the landscape so they are unsuitable for both solar farms and wind turbines, both of which require either maximum sunshine hours or plenty of wind. The propensity of these soils to flooding places a risk on PNCC should they give consent for any development on them. These soils need to be preserved in an unmodified state for the benefit of future generations.

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**Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services**

Rubbish and recycling services are always required in cities. How to educate residents is the problem as contamination of the recycling is an ongoing problem. I can accept reducing the frequency of collections but many residents don't seem to be able to. Care needs to be taken to avoid people being tempted to fly dump their rubbish.

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**Please share any feedback regarding proposed rates over the next 10 years**

PNCC needs concentrate on providing and maintaining services, such as the water and waste infrastructure. I believe the council needs to concentrate on services and see nice to haves as a lower priority. Perhaps we need more user pays for the nice to haves.

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**Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider**

I have chosen not to address the council meeting but am happy to do so if that would be beneficial - please email or call if more information/detail is required

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Booklet in my mailbox  
Social media

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# Long-Term Plan submission form



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## Your contact details

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## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North rural area
Which option do you prefer?	3. Land value (LV) – current system
Please tell us why you prefer this option	It is the fairest system for all rate payers to pay equally for all council services. As all rate payers equally use services provided by council ie Roads etc
Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	By charging more for CV this will penalize people which have invested in higher class developments on there properties ( improving city looks from the boxes built in Kelvin Grove and Highbury) People that have worked harder are subsidizing the lower class city dwellers
Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review?	Adopt Nationals policy ie. Cutting waste in Council, stop developing not used cycle ways. Start a sinking fund for future development.

## Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
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<b>Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services</b>	Do not support
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project</b>	The show ground facilities arena's could be used for this purpose as they grossly under used
<b>Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building</b>	Do not support
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Pasifika Centre project</b>	Not known where this is and what use it has. As stated above could be used at the arena's
<b>Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building</b>	Do not support
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Te Pātikitiki Library project</b>	We spend a huge amount of money strengthening a while ago why wasn't it done to a standard that will stand the test of time. It is too large for the way the technical is advancing as all info and books are available on the internet
<b>Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library</b>	Do not support
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Awapuni Community Library Hub project</b>	While we have the under used main library in town this is not necessary unless a scale back of city library and costs is done. A small shop could be used in the shopping centre and books ordered for pick up there from main library. Needs a 10 year plan for technical advancement
<b>Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park</b>	Do not support
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project</b>	We have a Marae and full services for Māori in Maxwells Line so it is a definite no. This is a nice have for the Māori which the city cannot afford.
<b>Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks</b>	Do not support
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Central Energy Trust Arena project</b>	What is wrong with the present building as it is not that old and council has maintained it a good state
<b>Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?</b>	Most of these facilities are nice to have but with all our rising costs Council needs to have a fund put aside and when there is sufficient money then carry out these have projects. Money should be used for what rates were levied for. Roads and general services.

## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

<b>Which option do you prefer?</b>	1. Preferred option: Build on our existing planning and continue work to look at the buildings as a collective project and explore co-funding opportunities
<b>Please tell us why you prefer this option</b>	Regent Theatre too costly to upgrade, demolish and have a new theatre included Arena's Pascal Street. Library should be scaled back to a single level building within the City to reflect changing use due to technology
<b>Please tell us what you don't like about the other option</b>	Full details needed

## Development contributions questions

We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change? Yes

We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change? No

We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change? Yes

Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network? Yes

Please tell us why you've selected these answers, and any other feedback you have about the proposed changes to our Development Contributions Policy.

Existing rate payers should not pay for the extra cost of developments. Sub-divisions should pay for connecting to the main city roads ie developments in Railway Road, and city Ashhurst road were not done at development stage and now we have a great traffic problem with deaths on Railway Road due to this not been done. Will rate payers have to pay for these road improvements now.

## General comment areas

Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans Set up a fund to have the nice to do projects

Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects As stated developers were not charged to do sub division main road access. Cycle ways were a Green Party initiative if National not paying (NZTA) they should be stopped as they are being used. (I have constantly observed non use)

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for water and how we will fund Nature Calls As already planned carry out calling on Government for funding

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing City planning is in the wrong place with global warming should be changed for Sub-divisions to be on Railway Road to Bunnythorpe area. The Bunnythorpe water supply and waste water is already there.

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for growing our city As above for housing Rooding could be pushed ahead for a better ring road for large trucks to get out to the new industrial sites. Planning for new roading with the new road opening to the Hawkes Bay

Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services It was proposed to build a high temperature furnace to dispose of rubbish in Feilding Council should work with this proposal and Regional council to further push this modern system of disposal it is used in Denmark and Sweden now

Please share any feedback regarding proposed rates over the next 10 years Rural properties should still have the exceptions for non services provided by council ie rubbish, water, sewage connection, As large land use for agriculture should be left at a rate levied that reflects the cost of

farming and allows it to remain profitable

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**Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider**

I agree that up to 1 hectare should be classed as a life style block as all they do is mow the lawns and land is not farmed. Just used for large house and many sheds.

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**How did you find out about our long-term plan?**

Rates letter or email



# Long-Term Plan submission form



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## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
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Which option do you prefer?	1. Preferred option: Hybrid (a mixture of land and capital value)
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## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?	1. Preferred option: Build on our existing planning and continue work to look at the buildings as a collective project and explore co-funding opportunities
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## General comment areas

Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects	
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Currently, the urban cycleway network on the main city streets in Palmerston North is shared with cars, trucks, busses and parked vehicles. At busy times of the day, cycling on an on-road shared cycleway increases the level of risk to cyclists' safety. On busy roads in the urban area, prioritising dedicated off road cycleways that are not shared with parked cars, busses, and other vehicles would improve the safety of cycling in the urban area.

How did you find out about our long-term plan?	Booklet in my mailbox
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# 1282

## Long-Term Plan submission form



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### Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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### Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
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Which option do you prefer?	2. Capital value (CV)
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Please tell us why you prefer this option	I believe my rates are currently unjustifiably high compared to neighbouring properties, due to the size of my property. My house is old, pretty average sized, and therefore not high value compared to the value of my quarter-acre section, but other than having the privilege of enough space to grow almost all my own food, the services I receive from my rates are no different to those of my neighbours.
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Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	I feel the other options are unfair.
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### General comment areas

How did you find out about our long-term plan?	Council website Rates letter or email Social media
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# Long-Term Plan submission form



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## Your contact details

First name	Crystal
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Last name	Yu
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Email	
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Phone	
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## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Resident but not a ratepayer (eg, rent or live with family or friends)
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Which option do you prefer?	4. Prefer not to say
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## Community facilities questions

Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Support as proposed
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Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support as proposed
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Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support as proposed
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Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library	Support as proposed
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Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park	Support as proposed
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Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks	Do not support
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## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

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Which option do you prefer?

2. Only do the required seismic upgrades of these facilities in their current locations

## Development contributions questions

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We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?

Don't know / no opinion

We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change?

No

We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?

Don't know / no opinion

Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?

Don't know / no opinion

## General comment areas

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Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services

We need to start seeing soft plastic recycling drop offs in supermarkets like the other cities already have!

How did you find out about our long-term plan?

Social media

# 1284

## Long-Term Plan submission form



Submitted on	9 May 2024, 11:10AM
Receipt number	1040
Related form version	5

### Your contact details

First name	Carla
Last name	Wickham
Email	
Phone	

### Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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### Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
Which option do you prefer?	1. Preferred option: Hybrid (a mixture of land and capital value)
Please tell us why you prefer this option	Seems to be the fairer option

### Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
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Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Support with changes/comments
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Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project	While I think this is a great idea and if there was enough money to give everyone what they want and need, I think we need to concentrate on Māori and Pasifika cultural centres as the priority. I'd prefer to see as much money as possible spent on water and taking care of our homeless.
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Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support as proposed
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<b>Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building</b>	Support as proposed
<b>Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library</b>	Do not support
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Awapuni Community Library Hub project</b>	I don't think we need a new 'hub' . As stated above, this is a nice to have but not a necessity. I'd prefer to see as much money as possible spent on water and taking care of our homeless.
<b>Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park</b>	Support as proposed
<b>Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks</b>	Do not support
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Central Energy Trust Arena project</b>	Again, is this a necessity like water is?
<b>Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?</b>	While having all these things are a good thing and I do agree with the importance of having these facilities, I think we need to look carefully at where and how we are using what funds we have. In an ideal world there would be enough to do everything but in this cost of living crisis we just can't have it all. Priority to water, people and the environment should be given.

## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer? Prefer not to say

## Development contributions questions

We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change? No

We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change? Yes

We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change? No

Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network? No

## General comment areas

Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans There needs to be at least a mention of te tiriti into the vision and goals. Besides a few translations I don't see how the council are planning on

upholding their te tiriti obligations.

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**Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider**

Please keep Māori wards. It is imperative that Māori have a voice at the table and are represented.

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**How did you find out about our long-term plan?**

Council website



# 1285

## Long-Term Plan submission form



Submitted on	9 May 2024, 11:12AM
Receipt number	266
Related form version	5

### Your contact details

First name	Tania
Last name	Allanson
Email	
Phone	

### Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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### Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Other: A ratepayer who lives within Ashhurst.
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Which option do you prefer?	3. Land value (LV) – current system
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Please tell us why you prefer this option	I do not have access to any capital value on my property given my personal finances.
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Are your commercial properties paying only capital value?

Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	Financially I am on minimum wage and am the sole person paying off my mortgage, the current system is the only one affordable to me and my family.
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Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review?	<p>Long term plans are too ambitious given the current transport difficulties you've made and the general cost of living.</p> <p>You're creating cultural/race/religion division by seeking rate payers to fund builds for particular buildings that can be used by only certain types of people.</p> <p>As far as the Marae goes, the cost should be downgraded extremely because your proposal shouts it will be something used once in a blue moon and it really is just a wish for the City's grandure than an actual need that will be utilised weekly making the cost worthwhile.</p> <p>I would actually prefer alot of your proposal money to be used now to upgrade and maintain the current issues your rate payers are pretty</p>
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much screaming at you to fix. If you're not going to listen to your rate payers now your long term proposal is going to fail.

## Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?

No

Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services

Support with changes/comments

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project

Creating cultural division - it should be available for any groups/clubs/organizations to lease.

Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building

Do not support

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Pasifika Centre project

Why do we need your proposal for a multicultural centre if you want to expand and refurbish the existing Pasifika Centre - why can't the upgrades to the Pasifika Centre include rooms for others to lease out?

Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building

Support as proposed

Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library

Support as proposed

Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park

Support with changes/comments

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

Building anything shouldn't impact on the views whether buildings open or closed. That's the reason why Rangitāne settled there so you should do everything you can to preserve the view and certainly not restrict viewing to open hours only.

Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks

Support as proposed

## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?

1. Preferred option: Build on our existing planning and continue work to look at the buildings as a collective project and explore co-funding opportunities

Please tell us why you prefer this option

You had a plan back in 2019 - why hasn't there been more progress to date? How much rate payer funds have already gone into

I don't believe street art should actually interfere with street road markings. Street art should be installed only the footpaths.

Do you have any other comments?

The masterplan wasn't proof checked at all - see civic-and-cultural-precinct-masterplan-2019 page 14 - there is no building on the map on for #15 that is marked for the Theosophical Hall. But there's two numbers 16 if that counts.

Small details like that make me wonder about the rest of the document. Why wasn't the ex Police Station on Church Street identified as a heritage site?

## Development contributions questions

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We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?

No

We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change?

No

We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?

Yes

Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?

No

Please tell us why you've selected these answers, and any other feedback you have about the proposed changes to our Development Contributions Policy.

It's not future proofing land use. What is non residential development that has no connection to water or wastewater going to do with their toilet needs?

## General comment areas

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Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans

Why weren't these goals used before you cut bus stops and created traffic congestion both in the Square and Featherston Streets. Go to Havelock North they don't have traffic issues in their CBD. Go visit the school building at Te Manawa and see what the Square looked like back in the early 1900s then compare it to what mess it is like now.

Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects

Why is the completion of the Ashhurst to Palmerston North shared river pathway in year 3 but you have develop the Feilding to Palmerston North shared pathway in year 2?  
You should finish what you start first. Because you never know when funds will need to be put elsewhere (e.g Ashhurst metal entrance structure - still missing signs as to what it's meant to represent).  
Ashhurst to Palmerston North shared river pathway should be completed in year 2.  
Given the amount of people biking double width up Colyton Road from Oxford Street, Ashhurst causing problems for vehicles trying to use the road - you should look at extending a shared pathway that way to Feilding in year 3.  
Re Te-Utanganui  
I don't see where this project joins up with the new - Te Ahu a Turanga - Manawatū Tararua Highway. There should be a clear main transport route between the two that does not effect residents in Kelvin Grove and Ashhurst as the Gorge's closure has caused on our residential roads in Ashhurst. That would be very important to consider as the closure of the Manawatu Gorge, effected our regional transport network greatly. It would be a waste of resources if the Te-Utanganui project did not join up with Te Ahu A Turanga - Manawatu Tararua Highway.

Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services

If you will not accept items for recycling then they should not be allowed to be sold eg soft plastics.

How did you find out about our long-term plan?

Rates letter or email



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# Long-Term Plan submission form



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Receipt number	1042
Related form version	5

## Your contact details

First name	Heinz
Last name	Fellerhoff
Email	
Phone	

## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area Landlord of a home in Palmerston North who lives here
Which option do you prefer?	1. Preferred option: Hybrid (a mixture of land and capital value)

## Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Support as proposed
Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support as proposed
Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support as proposed
Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library	Support as proposed

Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park

Support as proposed

Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks

Support as proposed

## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?

1. Preferred option: Build on our existing planning and continue work to look at the buildings as a collective project and explore co-funding opportunities

## Development contributions questions

We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?

Yes

We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change?

Yes

We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?

Yes

Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?

Yes

## General comment areas

How did you find out about our long-term plan?

Council website

Booklet in my mailbox

Social media

Family or friends

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# Long-Term Plan submission form



Submitted on	9 May 2024, 11:16AM
Receipt number	839
Related form version	5

## Your contact details

First name	Kathryn
Last name	Dench
Organisation you represent	Individual
Email	
Phone	

## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North rural area
Which option do you prefer?	1. Preferred option: Hybrid (a mixture of land and capital value)
Please tell us why you prefer this option	It gives the best balanced increase for rate payers

## Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Do not support
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre	Spaces in the city should be used for all groups who can have a booking system for their requirements

project

Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building

Do not support

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Pasifika Centre project

As above have one city space that is leased from the multitude of large venues, halls and function centers that can be booked when a space is required.

Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library

Do not support

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Awapuni Community Library Hub project

Make use of existing library space and improve access via the bus system for access to them.

Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park

Do not support

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

Spaces that all cultures can use is a better use of funding.

Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks

Support as proposed

## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?

Prefer not to say

## Development contributions questions

We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?

Yes

Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?

Yes

## General comment areas

Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects

Please refer to attachment re funding of development for Kikwhenua.

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for growing our city

Please refer to the attachment on the Kikwhenua development.

Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider

Funding for the Palmerston North Surf Life Saving has been included in the LTP for one year only.  
Funding for the life guard service at Himatangi Beach should be included for a 3 year term. It is a shared cost with Manawatu District council and the Club requires certainty over the medium term to supply this service.  
In the current season 4 guards were employed from December for 6 weeks to cover the Monday to Friday patrolling on the beach. The cost for this service is approx \$30,000 per year shared with Manawatu District Council.



For the current season there was 696 hours of patrolled lifeguards over the 6 week period by the lifeguards.

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## Supporting information



This appears to be in conflict with the funding proposed to provide the required infrastructure to service the development, even if staged. This is evident in the proposed budget for the supply of drinking water to the development where a budget of only \$550,000 is included in the 2024/25 year and then a further \$513,000 in the 2025/26 financial year. This by the Councils own estimates is insufficient for the proposed stage one, of only 30 lots.

Wastewater budget projections do not see any funding being provided until 2025/26 with a budget of \$308,000. The previous LTP had a budget of \$344,000 in 2024/25 and a further \$337,000 in 2025/26 in addition to the previously mentioned \$368,000 in 2021/22.

The current budgeted expenditure is timed for after the expected first 92 sections have been developed. Further funding is budgeted for 2026/27 of \$3,158,000, 2027/28 of \$2,160,000 and 2028/29 of \$2,214,000. It is understood that timing of expenditure can be moved, as advised by senior Council Officers.

Both the timing and quantum of budgeted infrastructure spending does not appear to match the proposed development expectations for the Kikiwhenua development to achieve the cities growth expectations.

As one of the owners of the land we have been asked to fund the water infrastructure under an interest free loan arrangement to a total of \$1,300,000 with expected repayment from Council in the 2025/26 financial year. This amount varies from the funding allocated in the LTP which is a total of \$1,063,000 as shown above.

Given Councils strong commitment to develop Kakatangiata as the next major residential growth area for the city. Kikiwhenua is the initial component of this, and the development will be watched with interest by the current landowners, within the proposed Kakatangiata development zone, as to how easy it will be to be able to undertake a sizable development.

Councils current 2024 Development Contribution Policy document, which is also currently out for consultation, includes under the Transport section the following:

New Programme 1681 Kikiwhenua (\$21.7m): this programme includes:

- Land purchase of Te Wanaka Road to facilitate additional road reserve to meet a connector road standard.
- Intersection development of Te Wanaka and Pioneer Highway.
- Land purchase for new collector route from Te Wanaka to Grand Oaks.
- New bridge to facilitate access across the Mangaone stream for the connection of Te Wanaka and Grand Oaks.

There do not appear to be corresponding budget lines within the LTP that match this proposed expenditure, or other infrastructure budgets that would support this work being completed. Clarification around this would be appreciated.

Currently the Kikiwhenua development is stalled due to a number of factors including:

- Three years of delays in the issuance of a Resource Consent for an initial 30 lot subdivision that can be serviced off the current wastewater infrastructure. Fresh water supply as indicated has not been addressed.
- Urban design considerations with numerous iterations to meet urban design requirements of an external Urban Design Consultancy employed by Council, at a significant cost, that appear to be over and above the general requirements of the operative District Plan and relevant structure plan.
- The requirements of the Council's regulatory planning team are to provide a full civil engineering design for the proposed 300 lot subdivision, not just the initial 30 lots that the resource consent has been applied for. This comes at significant cost and time especially when trying to meet overzealous urban design requirements, and no real commitment that a resource consent that is workable will actually be approved.
- Urban design requirements that place significant design constraints on the design of stormwater solutions and the development of economically viable sections that are considered marketable based on the location of the development. And the timing of the release of sections to the open market.

- Traffic safety issues related to the exit and entrance from the state highway on to Te Wanaka Road, the feeder road to the development.
- Required pedestrian, cyclist and mobility user linkages across the state highway

Through the delay in the getting the subdivision out of the ground Council are foregoing significant short term and future perpetual income.

Under the proposed updated Development Contributions (DC's) policy that is also currently out for consultation. The proposed Kikiwhenua development would see DC's at an estimated \$20,000 per lot. Which on Councils projections would provide \$1,840,000 of DC's on the first 92 lots within the first two years and an additional \$3,760,000 for the remaining 188 lots by 2029. Current plans prepared for the site indicate an additional 20 lots could be achieved making an additional \$400,000 of DC's.

The additional rates that would be able to be collected once lots are available and then built on will provide ongoing future income. Based on the proposed hybrid rating system for an average 500 square metre section. With a ratable value of \$400,000, based on a comparable section in the recently completed Council developed Tamakuku subdivision. This would see \$2,500 per lot, per annum, added to the Councils rates. An additional \$750,000 per annum for the proposed 300 lots. This would be prior to building any homes which would see a further increase in the annual rates especially with the hybrid rating system taking into account land value and improvements value.

The further delays in not having funding allocated in the LTP to both the appropriate timeframes, but more importantly to the provision of the required infrastructure could see the Kikiwhenua and other developments not progressing.

The Council have made commitments to support the development of a certain level of housing across both the 2021-2031 and the 2024-2034 LTP timeframes, but also in the Development Future Strategy.

However, the budgeted financial support does not seem to match that. Councils desire to provide additional facilities across the city at a considerable capital cost could be redirected to the provision of much needed infrastructure to enable the future housing development that the city needs.

While putting pipes in the ground may not appear to generate an immediate return, the future income streams from providing new sections for development of much needed housing will provide income for proposed *future* projects, like the provision of an additional library at the cost of \$20,000 a square metre, or the development at ANZAC park at a cost of \$12 million to the rate payers.

The legacy of the current Council may then be seen as that of a progressive Council that had the foresight to invest in much needed infrastructure that engendered confidence in developers to undertake large scale developments in the city rather than look elsewhere for easier opportunities. That would then allow the Council to provide cultural and community facilities through an increased rating base, rather than just increasing rates.

In summary we ask that that in order to give effect to the City Growth Plan forecasts:

- 1) That Council aligns the funding forecasts required over the next ten years in the LTP to provide for the required roading upgrades and services extensions for Kikiwhenua, to enable development to progress in line with your projections.
- 2) That Council dedicate a program/fund to provide for the completion of the speed limit review of Te Wanaka Road and Pioneer Highway to a 50kph residential environment.

Yours sincerely,



KATE DENCH  
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER  
RACE W.C.

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# Long-Term Plan submission form



Submitted on	9 May 2024, 11:21AM
Receipt number	956
Related form version	5

## Your contact details

First name	Naoko
Last name	Hopkinson
Email	
Phone	

## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
Which option do you prefer?	3. Land value (LV) – current system

## Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
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Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Do not support
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Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Do not support
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Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building	Do not support
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Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library	Do not support
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Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park	Do not support
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Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks

Do not support

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Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?

Those plans are not urgent. As Palmerston North has a huge debt I would like the plans to be postponed for some years. After the city paying off the debt.

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## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

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Which option do you prefer?

2. Only do the required seismic upgrades of these facilities in their current locations

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## Development contributions questions

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We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?

No

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We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change?

Yes

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We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?

No

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Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?

No

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## General comment areas

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Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for water and how we will fund Nature Calls

I think everyone living in Palmerston North should pay for the water, because they drink and produce waste water. Please decrease the rates for the home owners and make the water charge for the residents.

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How did you find out about our long-term plan?

Booklet in my mailbox

Family or friends

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# Long-Term Plan submission form



Submitted on	9 May 2024, 11:38AM
Receipt number	1043
Related form version	5

## Your contact details

First name	Tahi
Last name	Kato
Email	
Phone	

## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
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Which option do you prefer?	3. Land value (LV) – current system
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Please tell us why you prefer this option	this seems to be the most affordable option for me currently. Our area is generally has higher LV compared to most parts of Palmy so it makes sense and fair to be in the status quo of the rate system.
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Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review?	I don't get why there is an increase in the water and wastewater connection charge on the other two options as great numbers of developments happened in our area (our property included) and I understand that there were associated development contributions paid to council which quite a significant amount and it has taken into account the three waters maintenance.
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## Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
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Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services Support as proposed

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Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building Support as proposed

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Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building Support as proposed

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Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library Support as proposed

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Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park Support as proposed

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Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks Support as proposed

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## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

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Which option do you prefer? Prefer not to say

## Development contributions questions

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We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change? Don't know / no opinion

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We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change? Don't know / no opinion

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We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change? Don't know / no opinion

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Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network? Don't know / no opinion

## General comment areas

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How did you find out about our long-term plan? Council website  
Family or friends



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# Long-Term Plan submission form



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Related form version	5

## Your contact details

First name	Michael and Dawn
Last name	EDNEY
Email	
Phone	

## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
Which option do you prefer?	1. Preferred option: Hybrid (a mixture of land and capital value)
Please tell us why you prefer this option	From the information that we have seen, it seems the fairest option, although a zero rates increase would be the preferable option.
Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	Have no comment to make.
Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review?	No.

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Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Support as proposed

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project

There is a need for this type of centre - long overdue.

Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building

Support as proposed

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Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building

Support as proposed

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Definitely needs the upgrade.

Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library

Support as proposed

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Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park

Support as proposed

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Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks

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There is a need for this type of centre - long overdue.

Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?

None.

## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?

1. Preferred option: Build on our existing planning and continue work to look at the buildings as a collective project and explore co-funding opportunities

Please tell us why you prefer this option

There is a need for safer buildings for staff who work in them and general public that visit them. We assume that the Council will spend money upgrading the workshop in Albert Street, that has a low standard of earthquake strength.

Please tell us what you don't like about the other option

No comment.

Do you have any other comments?

None.

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We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?	Yes
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We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?	Yes
Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?	Yes
Please tell us why you've selected these answers, and any other feedback you have about the proposed changes to our Development Contributions Policy.	Common sense.

## General comment areas

Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans	Looks like a long term investment that is needed.
Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects	The bus service needs to be looked at again - many parts of the city do not see a bus service, which is a huge disadvantage for many ratepayers, who will be expected to pay for these changes. If the Council spends \$13M on road repairs, etc. why are there potholes in many roads that have been there for months? Vogel Street is like a ploughed field and is avoided by many for the rough condition. The footpaths, especially in the Square need a lot of attention.
Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for water and how we will fund Nature Calls	Don't know enough about it.
Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing	Housing is urgently needed, but some areas proposed are flood plains which will cause more problems for the Council. Speak to the locals that know the area, not the 'whiz' kids with degrees, without any experience before making any decisions. Or it could become a costly blunder now that we have 'global warming' issues.
Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for growing our city	As above.
Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services	Need for soft plastic recycling in the city. Need for a way to recycle the plastic that now ends up in the landfill.
Please share any feedback regarding proposed rates over the next 10 years	Hopefully, they will not go up more than the cost of inflation. Remember, many ratepayers are senior citizens receiving only super and many cut back on food and heating to pay for their rates.
Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider	Nothing to add.
How did you find out about our long-term plan?	Council website

Booklet in my mailbox

Rates letter or email

Radio

Newspaper



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say by  
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Last name: **CORNFORD**

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Postal address: (only provide if no email address)

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Phone:

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- Business owner who rents their business location in Palmerston North
- A developer of residential properties
- A developer of commercial properties
- Landlord of a home in Palmerston North who lives here
- Landlord of a home/s but do not live in Palmerston North
- Landlord of a business/commercial property in Palmerston North who lives here
- Landlord of a business/commercial property who does not live in our city
- Other (please state)
- Prefer not to say

Please tick which option you prefer.

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- 2 Capital Value (CV)
- 3 Land Value (LV) – current system
- 4 Prefer not to say

Please tell us why you prefer that option

Some houses are worth more than others, even though the sections may be of the same value - eg. more "desirable" neighbourhood. Rates should be based on ability to pay and value of land (more expensive homes are owned by wealthier people - my assumption)

Please tell us what you don't like about the other options

Why change what we have, unless wealthier neighbourhoods are intended to pay more.



Do you have any other comments you'd like to make regarding the rates review?

The council needs austerity. Ratepayers have ever increasing Cost-of-Living, Insurances yet many are on fixed incomes. Maybe the Council needs to budget itself to a fixed income instead of always assuming some statutory "right" to keep on increasing rates

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**Multicultural Centre** Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services.

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

Please tell us why you've selected that option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

What we have now is okay by me, but don't assume such centres are a necessity that need building upon. Said communities have the same access to all current PACC facilities.

**Pasifika Centre** Expand and refurbish existing building

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

Please tell us why you've selected that option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

Refurbish within limits.

or build their own.

**Te Pātikitiki Library** Expand and refurbish existing building

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

Please tell us why you've selected that option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

Present facility is amply big enough and seems to be able to afford new books all the time. Austerity

**Awapuni Community Library Hub** Build a new Awapuni Community Library Hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

Please tell us why you've selected that option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

\$27 M need not be spent on just "a good idea" Austerity.

**Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park** Creation of a civic marae with public facilities and visitor and education attractions at Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park (co-funded with Rangitāne and external funding)

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

Please tell us why you've selected that option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

PN has a marae (or two). No more needed. Austerity.

**Central Energy Trust Arena** Replace Arena 5 at the Central Energy Trust Arena, as well as build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks.

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

Please tell us why you've selected that option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

A good idea but why more turfs?

Austerity.

Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?

Many ideas seem good and noble, but PNCC needs to cut down/back on Capital Expenditure for the sake of those who fund it, and not just go ahead with more projects for a select few.  
Austerity.

# City centre transformation - landmark facilities and seismic upgrades

Which option do you prefer? (select one)

**Option one (Preferred Option)**

Build on our existing planning and continue work to look at the buildings as a collective project and explore co-funding opportunities.

**Prefer not to say**

**Option two**

Only do the required seismic upgrades of these facilities in their current location

What does this mean? With whom?

Please tell us why you prefer that option

"Heritage" landmarks should not have millions spent on them just to preserve the past, at the expense of our futures. Keep expenses down.

Please tell us what you don't like about the other option

Cost - hidden and manifest.

Do you have any other comments?

Christchurch Cathedral - a good example of a building past its use-by date, and way too expensive to restore.

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Developers + subsequent users should NOT be subsidised by

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ONLY IF that funding can be found

non-users

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Yes

No

Don't know / no opinion

**Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?**

Yes

No

Don't know / no opinion

↳ so long as there are no hidden costs to ratepayers

Please tell us why you've selected these answers, and any other feedback you have about the proposed changes to our Development Contributions Policy.

Let the user/benefit-group/house-owners pay  
for development.

# General comment areas

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Please share any feedback you have about our **vision, goals and plans**

Your vision may be grand, but costs too much to implement.

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Horizons buses could not survive as a stand alone business; don't expect rate payers to keep subsidising a few users

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for **Water and how we will fund Nature Calls**

→ Why expand the city when we don't have guaranteed supply from present source (we have water shortages dependent on summer rain).  
Cap the city size to match its resources.



Please share any feedback regarding our proposed plans for **housing**

Do not assume Ratepayers are happy with an ever increasing number of "refugee" migrants, when there is apparently not enough housing for PN existing population. Immigrants push kiwis out of houses?

Please share any feedback regarding our proposed plans for **growing our city**.

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Why is bigger better? More people put more demands on water/wastewater/rubbish collection & disposal. How does increasing population (as in all of New Zealand) help the economy when poor kiwis are further displaced into poorer housing?

Please share any feedback about **rubbish and recycling services**.

We're also consulting on our Waste Management and Minimisation plan, please make a submission at [pncc.govt.nz/wasteplan](http://pncc.govt.nz/wasteplan)

→ You are doing well. Tell Central Govt to shove off with an expected, proposed (and therefore expensive) collection of food wastes. Another expense we don't need.

Please share any feedback regarding proposed rates over the next ten years

• You want a \$1000 p.a. extra payment for wastewater. You want to double rates also in 10 years. Do you suppose "pensioners" incomes will rise accordingly? What of those who can't afford

Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider

⇒ Rate increases. Sell up and more to Rehabilitation? Austerity is needed by PNCC, just as "pensioners" need to show-to survive.





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Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

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Lease space should be paid for by specific groups. Not funded by the rate payer.

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This should be funded by this specific group. Rate payers shouldn't be paying.

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Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

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Refurbish current library, earthquake strengthen.

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Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

Please tell us why you've selected that option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

Refurbish main library.

We have enough libraries already in P.N + Ashhurst and Kinton

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I do not support this.  
We are going through a recession. Stop  
OVER SPENDING.

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Support with changes/comments

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Prefer not to say

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Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?

We are in a recession.

Council should not be over spending by proposing all these new facilities.

The Auditors have warned against this frivolous spending.



# City centre transformation – landmark facilities and seismic upgrades

Which option do you prefer? (select one)

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**Option two**

Only do the required seismic upgrades of these facilities in their current location

**Prefer not to say**

Please tell us why you prefer that option

Rate Payers are struggling.  
Rent is also way to high for families.  
Need to reduce expenditure.

Please tell us what you don't like about the other option

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Yes

No

Don't know / no opinion

**Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?**

Yes

No

Don't know / no opinion

Please tell us why you've selected these answers, and any other feedback you have about the proposed changes to our Development Contributions Policy.

Any extra money Council has from rates should be going on the bare essentials, not developments, that don't benefit all people from our community.

These facilities also have ongoing charges. I always believed that they paid for themselves. Not in them being topped up yearly for running costs.

Stick to the basics, ie roading (potholes etc) not the debacle like Featherston Street. Sort out the sewerage.



# General comment areas

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Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans

Should be maintaining/upgrading existing services. Maintaining Council buildings Working within budget,

Please share any feedback regarding proposed transport projects

Featherston St was opposed, but PNCC went ahead with the debacle. It is a waste of money.  
I have seen one cyclist on this stretch of road + they were riding on the footpath. (Speaks volumes for their safety) Halt the continuation of changes to this street.

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for Water and how we will fund Nature Calls



Please share any feedback regarding our proposed plans for **housing**

Infrastructure can't cope with our current population. Why would you be creating 8k more properties?

Please share any feedback regarding our proposed plans for **growing our city**.

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Do not support.

Please share any feedback about **rubbish and recycling services**.

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Listen to the "Auditors."

Listen to the People.

Keep costs down + STOP with the Frivolous spending.

Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider

### Parking Tickets.

- \* I have received a parking ticket which I shouldn't have received. I had paid parking until 11:28am, I received a parking ticket on my car windscreen, fining me as apparently at 11:10am I was 30 mins over my park time.

I was expected to fill in a form to dispute this, even though I had the proof of a printed ticket from the machine.

I was not happy to say the least that I received a ticket.

This is a regular occurrence. Please SORT it.

\* Buses

Bus stops shouldn't be in the middle of the Car lane.

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- Business owner who rents their business location in Palmerston North
- A developer of residential properties
- A developer of commercial properties
- Landlord of a home in Palmerston North who lives here
- Landlord of a home/s but do not live in Palmerston North
- Landlord of a business/commercial property in Palmerston North who lives here
- Landlord of a business/commercial property who does not live in our city
- Other (please state)
- Prefer not to say

Please tick which option you prefer.

- 1 Preferred Option - Hybrid (a mixture of land value and capital value)
- 2 Capital Value (CV)
- 3 Land Value (LV) – current system
- 4 Prefer not to say

Please tell us why you prefer that option

Because to be penalised through Rate increases for any improvements to your home or outbuildings that you may carry out (at great cost) isn't fair, which is what will occur under either of the two proposed new Rating options.

Keep things as they are and cut out all unnecessary spending on fluffy show-off projects including Politically Correct ones: - like making our streets anti-car and going overboard on Maori elements everywhere when there are so many more Cultures represented here, over and above those with Maori ancestry. With this president continuing we'll end up with insistence from many groups that their original language and cultural elements be put everywhere too, at Ratepayers' expense

Please tell us what you don't like about the other options

The two new Options will end up Rating people out of their homes. Whether they are owned by the Ratepayers or are rented. Renters are indirect ratepayers who will have their rents rise to unacceptable levels and they will be forced into poverty or completely out also

Why is the PNCC planning on becoming an unaffordable city creator?

Why do you want to drive people into hardship and poverty? Or drive people out of PN altogether?



If the PNCC became more fiscally responsible instead of planning expensive optional projects constantly, there wouldn't be the need for exorbitant Rates rises.

- Council should return to doing the basics right:
- \* Streets for easy use and travel (NOT MAD CYCLEWAYS IN THE WRONG PLACES, UNUSED BUS SERVICES WHICH DON'T GO TO WHERE PEOPLE WANT TO GET TO, AND OF COURSE, BUS STOPS "in the middle" OF TRAFFIC LANES !!!), for motor vehicles large and small to be able to get to their destinations without hindrance.
  - \* Good parking on either side of streets and roads, especially outside businesses and shops and homes.
  - \* Lighting, libraries, cemeteries, parks and existing sports grounds.
  - \* Water and wastewater infrastructure.

Council should start paying off debt (not just interest then re-borrowing). This City is NOT in the black, it's in the RED!

Stop wasting our hard earned and saved money on vanity projects to attract votes and approval from certain quarters of the population.

Grow up and get real and fiscally responsible.

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**Multicultural Centre** Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services.

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

Please tell us why you've selected that option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

This is not spending that should be Ratepayer funded. In the past in NZ, if a group from a particular nationality wished to organise and have a building, they worked hard, fundraised and built such a place themselves, taking pride and full ownership.

**Pasifika Centre** Expand and refurbish existing building

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

Please tell us why you've selected that option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

Comment as above. If something such as this is important and needed by a group – they should work together and create it without expecting Ratepayers in general to pay.

This City is in the RED – this spending is not a core City responsibility.



**Te Pātikitiki Library** Expand and refurbish existing building

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

Please tell us why you've selected that option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

This is a crazy idea. If the Central Library has to move for a period for Earthquake strengthening, an empty City building should be leased and outfitted until repairs complete. This will be much cheaper for the City and support a City landlord in these tough times

**Awapuni Community Library Hub** Build a new Awapuni Community Library Hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

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This proposed expenditure is a waste of "borrowed and expensive" money we do not have!

**Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park** Creation of a civic marae with public facilities and visitor and education attractions at Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park (co-funded with Rangitāne and external funding)

Support as proposed

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Another unnecessary money-wasting idea. We have plenty of parks already - look after them please.

**Central Energy Trust Arena** Replace Arena 5 at the Central Energy Trust Arena, as well as build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks.

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

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A ton of borrowed money has been spent on the Arena already, we cannot afford this either. Ratepayers are not the PNCC's cash cows for out of control spending.

You'll drive people away and destroy the City residents have loved with crippling Rates rises.

Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?

Let Community Groups who value their origins fundraise for themselves as has always been the case in NZ. This leads to responsibility and pride in the group concerned if they want something special which is their own.

Otherwise, the City of PN already has enough Community facilities available to rent for Meetings and holding events. These continue to serve us well.



# City centre transformation – landmark facilities and seismic upgrades

Which option do you prefer? (select one)

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Build on our existing planning and continue work to look at the buildings as a collective project and explore co-funding opportunities.

**Option two**

Only do the required seismic upgrades of these facilities in their current location

**Prefer not to say**

Please tell us why you prefer that option

We don't have money for anything other than this. When it comes to the Central Library, site it in a City empty building until the strengthening is done. Support a City Landlord for that time with a lease. He or she pays Rates and pays your wages already.

Please tell us what you don't like about the other option

The mucking round the PNCC has been doing with our central city has already progressed well beyond what is sensible or required.

Enough is enough now – STOP !!!

Do you have any other comments?

Everything is Politically Correct, Over-the-Top Maorification on the one hand, which is creating resentment and alienation. On the other hand it is anti-motorist and anti freedom of movement. PN was the most accessible and easy to navigate town – convenient for all, cyclists as well as streets lovely and wide. Now all the PNCC can do is moan about lack of revenue from Parking Meters while at the same time, removing car parks everywhere! This amounts to short-sighted decision making.

# Development Contributions

We're also proposing some changes to our Development Contributions Policy.

If you're subdividing land or building a new home or business, it's likely you'll need to pay development contributions. These are paid on any development that generates extra demand on infrastructure in our city. Our policy is currently being reviewed and we'd like to hear your thoughts on these proposed changes.

We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth.

**Do you agree with this change?**

Yes

No

Don't know / no opinion

We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project.

**Do you agree with this change?**

Yes

No

Don't know / no opinion

We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this.

**Do you agree with this change?**

Yes

No

Don't know / no opinion

*Work to stop unnecessary spending and REDUCE DEBT !!! This will help everything.*

**Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?**

Yes

No

Don't know / no opinion

*This is only sensible and fair.*



The money woes this Council has stem from wrong decisions in the past and that the Council is still continuing to make.

Run up debt - fleece the Ratepayer and Resident, rinse and repeat !!!

You think people have bottomless pockets?

Call a halt to spending outside of basic infrastructure and existing cemeteries, parks, reserves and amenities (library, lido) and start eliminating debt and its crippling interest.

Re-think the Wastewater to land idea, it's Maori "spiritual beliefs based" fear of upsetting the Manawatu River God, Tamiwhas etc.

This craziness has to stop.

Deal with actual "real" environmental conditions in the River as and if they arise in real time, remembering PN has the best, cleanest, treated wastewater already and discharging it to the River is fine for almost the entire year.

Our good agricultural land cannot be re-created once it is lost, nor the lives, livelihoods and homes of those displaced.

# General comment areas

Information about these topics is available in our consultation document

Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans

All Vision, goals and plans the PNCC has need to be pared back to necessities rather than enticing "frills" we cannot afford. We have to face the fact that this City is operating firmly in the RED. PNCC's answer is to "raise debt ceilings"?! This is irresponsible and unfair to everyone in these cash strapped times. It's your choice to either destroy lives and businesses through Rates and charges increases or get control and be sensible.

Please share any feedback regarding proposed transport projects

Bring a total halt to "Transforming" our City Centre. Save \$22 million immediately - there's been enough "improvements" making our City more and more motorist unfriendly (and Taxi and Mobility Transport unfriendly) and Emergency Services blocking. Businesses are suffering as well as their "would be" customers if only it was not so inconvenient for them. If the PNCC destroys small businesses, less revenue comes in. Please think things through and drop kooky policy.

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for Water and how we will fund Nature Calls

Re-think the treated wastewater to land idea. This is unnecessary. We have NZ's top (and World top) quality treated wastewater which is only going to improve in quality. It is fine to discharge to the River except for tiny periods of time which can be tested for then and there.

Taking on Mythic ancient religious ideas of a River God becoming upset should not rule decisions in a modern science based Society.

This will save a ton of "borrowed" money!



Please share any feedback regarding our proposed plans for **housing**

Stop allowing the construction (and encouraging the construction) of 2 storey intensive developments which have no private space, gardens, adequate parking or privacy. These ghettos in the making will, in time, become crime and violence hubs and hells to live in for decent people who end up being forced to live there. Look at all such "intensification of housing" projects overseas since WWII and what has happened. The UK and USA being prime examples. Don't let PN fall further into the trap.

Please share any feedback regarding our proposed plans for **growing our city**.

You can also provide feedback on our Future Development Strategy which we're consulting on at the same time. You can read about that at [pncc.govt.nz/FDS](http://pncc.govt.nz/FDS)

The City should grow but sensibly and with space and beauty in mind and be citizen led and supported NOT driven by Council-manipulated "bright ideas" with a religious-like philosophy behind them or a certain Political set of ideas, most of which do not originate here, but in the discredited United Nations and other Bodies overseas.  
Let's be a beacon of common sense and liberty in NZ.

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Recycling is good - our family (going back to my parents time and before) have always re-used and recycled when only newsprint, paper and glass was.  
People out there are still confused though as they've not grown up thinking that way. The Ferguson St Recycling Centre is doing a great job as they always have. The Awapuni Resource Recovery machinery was badly designed from the start (I have a working knowledge of this) so it must be fixed.  
Be aware, if Rubbish bags cost too much, more waste will end up in Recycling Wheelie Bins and just dumped around the City and district.  
More home composting should be encouraged (allow all people to garden + compost including renters).



Please share any feedback regarding proposed rates over the next ten years

Cut all unnecessary strategic spending and work to really bring down debt. This will automatically reduce the forecast % Rates increases. You can't just keep treating people as cash cows with bottomless reserves just because you can; as Rates (which are Taxes) are compulsory.

Councils should help and serve - not hinder and bleed dry.

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\* The Featherston Street Debarcle!!

This should NEVER have been allowed to start. Only the NZ general taxpayers' pockets being raided via NZTA to the tune of 80-90% of the cost got it approved. Common sense was discarded. Everyone is furious who is affected including the Schools which PNCC was supposedly "helping".

The "Safety" case as presented was fraudulent and manipulatory of public and Councillors.

The PNCC Online Survey on the cyclelane and "safety" on Featherston St has questions worded in such a way as to get the "fearful" answers the Council wished to receive. The Stats obtained from this "Survey" helped push this project. The speeded up "scary cycling trip" video produced by the Council Staff (at what exhorbitant cost, who knows) also did its successful manipulation work on the emotions of Cycleway planning meeting attendees and Councillors alike. We have a corrupt and misguided City which is now even more of a nationwide laughing stock than it was before. Embarrassing!

Is this what the PNCC wants?



Another alienating thing being done by this Council (and this is NOT controlled by Central Govt - I've checked) is putting Maori wording above English in more and more instances.

It is only a minority % of people who understand it (this is an English speaking country and most of the rest of the world also routinely speak versions of it) so it is rude and unnecessary to do this.

The PNCC must stop doing Politically Correct things to please noisy minorities with political agendas.

Does the PNCC want to foster division, mistrust and anger in our diverse communities? Or does the PNCC intend cohesion and New Zealandness, as was always worked toward, up until recent decades?

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Support with changes/comments

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Prefer not to say

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for everyone.

**Pasifika Centre** Expand and refurbish existing building

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**Te Pātikitiki Library** Expand and refurbish existing building

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Do not support

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Please tell us why you've selected that option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

- Refurbish existing building
- House contents in empty buildings round the square if necessary during refurbishments.

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Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

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Put the money towards refurbishing the main library on the square.

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Not required. This will only be used by a small fraction of rate-payers and is not a good use of our money. Maintain the facilities we already have. We need the water services

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Prefer not to say

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~~Same reasons as above.~~

Users should pay - IF it is necessary.

and infrastructure maintained in the city - not things to 'fill the boxes' of inclusiveness.



Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?

This is not the time to be building new venues. Borrowing even more money for unnecessary things during a cost of living crisis is very unprofessional and not good future-planning.

Maintain what we already have!

# City centre transformation - landmark facilities and seismic upgrades

Which option do you prefer? (select one)

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**Option two**

Only do the required seismic upgrades of these facilities in their current location

**Prefer not to say**

Please tell us why you prefer that option

Less cost involved for the already-struggling rate-payers.

Please tell us what you don't like about the other option

More unnecessary expenditure.

Do you have any other comments?

There are many empty buildings in the Square and around town, Broadway, Rangitikei Line etc. Use them. Rent them if necessary.

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Please tell us why you've selected these answers, and any other feedback you have about the proposed changes to our Development Contributions Policy.

- Developers make an enormous amount of money from their developments so they should definitely fund any necessary upgrading to existing sewage, water, infrastructure etc.
- The general public should not have these costs added to their rates. This is the developers' responsibility.
- 'Future-proofing' costs should be passed on to developers at the time of developing.



# General comment areas

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- This is not the time to be building new venues.
- PNCC should focus on maintaining and upgrading existing services, buildings etc.
- If these services can't cope with the population now, how will it be if the 'building up + out' eventuates? People need to be spread out not crammed in.

Please share any feedback regarding proposed transport projects

- Restore Featherston St to how it was before the complete shambles ~~that~~ that's been created. This debacle is a complete waste of tax-payers money. It is a danger to all who use it, and of no benefit to residents, business owners, school families, ~~at least~~ at least of all to emergency vehicles. What were you thinking?

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for Water and how we will fund Nature Calls

- Rural properties who pay for, but do not receive these services should be exempt from funding ~~or~~ them via their rates.
- PNCC does not contribute to repairs etc. to rural sewage + water facilities so why should it expect rural rate-payers to contribute to something they receive no benefit from whatsoever?



Please share any feedback regarding our proposed plans for **housing**

- To cater for the current population of P.W. we need all the 'green space' we can get.
- Cramping people into multi-storey buildings will only put a strain on the already poorly-functioning water services, roading + carparking.
- If the council is (supposedly) concerned about being environmentally-friendly they shouldn't be cutting into existing reserves + green-spaces.

Please share any feedback regarding our proposed plans for **growing our city**.

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Our city should not grow up or out until wastewater facilities and all other infrastructure requirements can accommodate the current population. And even then - not up! Maintaining current libraries, pods etc. is necessary - new multi-cultural / pasifika / marae type venues are not.

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Being rural rate-payers  
We are not provided with a rubbish and recycling service + instead have to pay dump fees.  
Rural properties should NOT have to contribute to rubbish collection services when we have none. This is completely unfair.  
Users should pay - or we should get free dump fees to compensate for no collection service.



Please share any feedback regarding proposed rates over the next ten years

- "Live within your means"
- Be realistic with your goals instead of putting PNCC into more debt - which the rate-payers ultimately bear the brunt of.
- Make sensible decisions with your spending before borrowing even more.

Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider

- Car parking in and around central Palmerston North is very inconvenient for people who work in town.

Limited time frames of 60 mins / 2 - 4 hours etc. is not helpful and does not encourage people to spend a lot of time shopping. ~~and~~ This does nothing to boost the economy.

- Parking meters around the square have been faulty for over a year. This fact is known by the parking staff at the council, but still they relentlessly issue parking tickets.  
→ Is it legal to issue parking tickets and fines when you know the meters are faulty? (I would like this question answered.)

\* unjustified

- Dog registration fees have been increased considerably which is unfair to responsible owners. This does not encourage people to register their dogs. What do dog owners actually get for this fee? The fees need to be decreased and made affordable for everyone.



- Restore Featherston Street and do not make this mistake again.
- Palmerston North is ~~just~~ too spread out to be suitable for the frail, elderly, disabled etc. to walk or cycle everywhere + not have plenty of convenient car parks available in the central city and surrounds.
- Roads should be user-friendly for all users. Cyclists do not pay road user charges or registration fees. Slow moving traffic clogging up one-lane roads to accommodate a few cyclists is definitely not good for the environment - the exhaust fumes being pumped out are hazardous in concentrated volumes.
- The majority of the new electric buses I see passing by every few minutes in town, are usually empty apart from 1 to 3 people. Bus routes have changed and there are elderly people who live in Brightwater Terrace who now have to take multiple buses to get to their destinations. Are these buses a good use of rate payers money? Paying wages to bus drivers with empty buses is not what I want to pay rates for. Residents of Brightwater Terrace have approached the council about this on several occasions but just get fobbed off.



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Please tell us why you prefer that option

As soon as you make it about  
→ CV people will stop looking after  
or developing homes and then you  
have a slum city.

Please tell us what you don't like about the other options

\* Stops people land banking as  
if you have bareland you have  
no CV therefore no rates.

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- Stop adding services that are not require like food waste bins.
- encourage people to ~~use~~ use all food and compost.

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# City centre transformation – landmark facilities and seismic upgrades

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Only do the required seismic upgrades of these facilities in their current location

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\* Be careful not to over capitalize properties.

\* Who's standards are we testing the buildings to ..... ?? !!



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- \* service / upkeep what we have but stop new until you can afford it.
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- Encourage carpooling
- Public transport (was great when free, if a low cost would use it).
- Get trucks off the road & goods back on rail.

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- \* Why is it the rate~~er~~ payers job to house people.
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If you keep putting them up less and less will be able to pay them meaning your ~~fees~~ income is down.

Stop putting them up as people only have so much money to spend.

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Passage way from Milson to town for pedestrians, scooters, prams and like.

Over head bridge like other places (city) or ~~sub~~ subway. - over motorways.

Between Milson and Tremaine Ave.

Somewhere between the two car bridge (Rangitikei & Milson Ramps).

This would mean less traffic on roads commuting backwards and forwards getting children to school & themselves to work.









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Because any improvements that you make to your house or land will cause the value of your property to go up - that will increase your rates and you will be paying in your rates more for the improvements you have made at your own expense.

Please tell us what you don't like about the other options

The first 2 options will end up increasing your rates because the value of your property will go up and you will not only pay for the improvements in your house and property but also pay increased rates for the improvements you have made to your house and property.



Do you have any other comments you'd like to make regarding the rates review?

PNCC should be looking after the long term future of Palmerston North residents. Not putting the residents of Palmerston North into further debt. PNCC should be looking at ways to pay back loans and <sup>not</sup> burden the residents of P/N with more debt that will increase the rates to rate payers.

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Groups from different cultures should be able to raise their own funds for these programs as they have done in the past. We do not want to burden rate payers with debt, that will not benefit them.

**Pasifika Centre** Expand and refurbish existing building

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PNCC wants to spend money on things that further indebt the residents of P/A that is really of no benefit to us.  
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A lot of money has already been spent on the Arena in the last few years and you want to spend more and place residents of P/N in further debt. No. No No.



Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?

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Keeping costs to a minimum and not spending money that will be a burden on P/N residents that will cost us more and put us further into debt.

Please tell us what you don't like about the other option

Taking away ~~near~~ residents from central city and not using what is already available in our city with empty buildings.  
Please don't spend money our City does not have on projects that are of no value.

Do you have any other comments?

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The council has made bad decisions in the past and are still continuing on this path. It's time to rethink & make decisions that keep piling up debt on P/N residents and ratepayers.

PNCC nets to do basic services as councils in NZ were set up for not to put the residents and ratepayers into more debt each year. Wake up ratepayers do not have bottomless pockets

Rethink the waste water option. P/N has the best, cleanest, treated waste water already and discharging it into the river will not cause pollution. Why us valuable when it is not needed.

Our good agricultural once lost can not ~~be~~ used to please gods that don't exist. We are all one people. Use the agricultural land for what ~~is~~ it's best use and not waste it on things that it should not be used for.

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Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans

Visions and goals and plans need to fit into a budget and not spend money that P/N does not have and place the residents of P/N further in debt.

Rates are to fund essential services not to spend on things that further indebt the residents of P/N

Please share any feedback regarding proposed transport projects

Stop spending money on things that are not needed. Transforming the city centre would save \$22 million immediately. Stop reducing parking in the city centre.

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for Water and how we will fund Nature Calls

Stop the treated wastewater to land project. Clean treated water is of good quality. Why waste good land where the land can be used for agriculture to benefit the residents of P/N



Please share any feedback regarding our proposed plans for **housing**

Stop allowing intensive housing in P/N with 2 storey building cramed on to small sections this only breeds illnesses, as people are clombck to closely together. Also these buildings become slums and crime arises with the population living to close together. Just look at overseas to see ~~the~~ what intensive housing does to communities.

Please share any feedback regarding our proposed plans for **growing our city**.

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We have a good city with space for people to live their lives on land they can grow their own food and have good neighbourly relations because we are not to close to each other, or living on top of each other. Please don't destroy what we have now.

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Recycling is good for the community and the environment. I have been in the past been in involved in recycling for over 45 years. It is good for the community. I have been saddened by the bad planning of PNCC in their recycling center at Awapuni not doing their job correctly ~~explaining~~ by not using or consulting the right people when considering the complex. Recycling is positive for the community and something that builds pride in P/N.

Please share any feedback regarding proposed rates over the next ten years

PNCC should be looking at ways to reduce rates and debt, not spending more and more and increasing rates. Stop all unnecessary spending and only do what is essential services and not spending money on things that are of no real benefit to ratepayers and pay back debt that would reduce rates and not increase them.

Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider

Why did they Featherston<sup>st</sup> changes need to be done. It is a complete failure that should not have happened. I understand that it has been put on hold at present but a lot of the damage has been done, the PNCC must stop ~~trying~~ listening to minority groups and do the will of the majority. After all it is the majority of ratepayers in this city that pay your wages.

Do what city councils were set up for to provide services for the residents and to keep P/N free from debt and to keep rates to a minimum and not to spend rates on non essential services.









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First name: *Marilyn*

Last name: *May*

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- A developer of residential properties
- A developer of commercial properties
- Landlord of a home in Palmerston North who lives here
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- Landlord of a business/commercial property in Palmerston North who lives here
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- Prefer not to say

Please tick which option you prefer.

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- 3 Land Value (LV) – current system
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Please tell us why you prefer that option

This suits our situation.

Please tell us what you don't like about the other options

N/A.



Do you have any other comments you'd like to make regarding the rates review?

Other ways to help ratepayers have not been suggested.

Some Councils have extended the period time in which to pay back loans. Instead of making rate payers finding the increase each year will be \$1000 to go to Councils and Horizons \$1000 for 3 years.

The Council has had the pleasure of 50+ years where people have paid their Rates and now the majority of ratepayers have become senior citizens there is no consideration shown as to this proposed system is going to affect them. (This can also be applied to people with families or have lost their jobs)



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Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

Please tell us why you've selected that option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

This will bring everyone together and to meet people of different nationalities. It would be used all the time rather than an empty space during the working week

**Pasifika Centre** Expand and refurbish existing building

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

Please tell us why you've selected that option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

There is the Multicultural Centre above which will provide for all and the aim for it would be to be fully booked all of the time. A separate building would not be able to do this.

**Te Pātikitiki Library** Expand and refurbish existing building

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

Please tell us why you've selected that option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

Adults and especially children need access to a library in its community. It is a place where everyone can go to expand their knowledge by reading, listening to music and use computers.

**Awapuni Community Library Hub** Build a new Awapuni Community Library Hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

Please tell us why you've selected that option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

Same as above. Everyone person has the right to knowledge and learn how to read. It is essential to children who are being home schooled.

**Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park** Creation of a civic marae with public facilities and visitor and education attractions at Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park (co-funded with Rangitāne and external funding)

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

Please tell us why you've selected that option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

If the Iwi wish to fund this themselves they are welcome to do it.

**Central Energy Trust Arena** Replace Arena 5 at the Central Energy Trust Arena, as well as build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks.

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

Please tell us why you've selected that option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

It is important to have a Sports Centre everyone can use. Sport brings many people from other areas to the city.

Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?

# City centre transformation – landmark facilities and seismic upgrades

Which option do you prefer? (select one)

**Option one (Preferred Option)**

Build on our existing planning and continue work to look at the buildings as a collective project and explore co-funding opportunities.

**Prefer not to say**

**Option two**

Only do the required seismic upgrades of these facilities in their current location

Please tell us why you prefer that option

Please tell us what you don't like about the other option

Do you have any other comments?



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**Do you agree with this change?**

Yes

No

Don't know / no opinion

**Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?**

Yes

No

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Please tell us why you've selected these answers, and any other feedback you have about the proposed changes to our Development Contributions Policy.

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There are too many outcomes and not enough focus on what is needed. No substance to the emotive words used.

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In your Transport Executive Summary you have stated "to ensure people using all modes of transport can move around the city easily and safely." The Urban cycle network master plan is proving to be dangerous, restricts emergency services. with backup of traffic at some intersections, bus stops on the traffic lanes means passengers have to cross the cycle lane to reach the pavement, holds up traffic flow causing congestion. With 'back up of traffic everyone is exposed to danger.

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Dumping a proportion of the processed waste water on to farmland is not a sound way of solving a problem. The cost of the transport to the land and the cost of buying the farmland should be the reason not using this plan. If you are proposing to have a growing busy community bringing in a large increase of the dumping of the will not be sustainable. The full circled waste water will end up having to be used to cope with the proposed population increase.



Please share any feedback regarding our proposed plans for **housing**

We need a balanced plan for housing so we do not get overwhelmed by high density housing and the reduction of section sizes. Living in close proximity creates many social problems such as mental illness, crime, noise. It also adds to being able to have green areas which are safe to play and exercise in

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Is it affordable?  
With interest rates rising and the economic outlook for New Zealand looking grim.

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First name: *Heather*

Last name: *Rayner*

Organisation you represent: *Activate*

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Email: *h.raynernz@gmail.com*

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Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

Please tell us why you've selected that option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

**Pasifika Centre** Expand and refurbish existing building

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

Please tell us why you've selected that option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

We (Activate) like the idea of the possibilities such a development could mean for us as a group being able to potentially access cultural sessions in the future.

**Te Pātikitiki Library** Expand and refurbish existing building

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An amazing asset to the local community, I am keen to see this local library expand and embrace more opportunity. My daughters and I visited here weekly and more upon our return to Aotearoa. It is a special library for us.

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Our community group (Activate) for Adults with Special Needs appreciates the use of library facilities as part of our weekly programme to facilitate useful life skills and enable better lives for our crew. To be seen participating in our local community

is an important part of this.

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We look forward to having this heritage site actively accessible so we can integrate Te Ao Māori into our programme in a way that is inclusive and relatable.

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A lot of our Activate group for adults with special needs participate in various activities at the arena both as competitors and spectators. Having a space that caters to all physical requirements will be a great help in facilitating this part of our community to remain involved and active.

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**Prefer not to say**

Please tell us why you prefer that option

*It makes better use of existing resources including time and money management.*

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*This is a limited narrow lens and the benefits to the community are significantly less.*

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First name: **KAYE & DENIS**

Last name: **ARNOTT**

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Please tick which option you prefer.

- 1 Preferred Option - Hybrid (a mixture of land value and capital value)
- 2 Capital Value (CV)
- 3 Land Value (LV) – current system
- 4 Prefer not to say

Please tell us why you prefer that option

More affordable rates now and looking to the future. The proposed increase with option 3 (LV) is 9.5% on our property.

Never forget that you are proposing an **additional \$1000** per year to pay for water infrastructure (which is desperately needed). This means a **37.4% increase in rates** for us on the cheapest option.

Budgets and long-term planning can only include priority projects (like water), not nice to have, ideology or legacy projects in the first instance until we are on a better economic footing. The city must live within its citizen's means.

Please tell us what you don't like about the other options

The proposed increase for our property using option 1 is 44.6% and 64.6% using option 2 including the proposed water levy. This is not affordable.

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This facility is a proven existing complex that brings revenue into the city and provides recreational facilities for all people of Palmerston North. It is worth investing in this project.





**Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?**

Refurbishing and expanding community facilities has raised questions for us around affordability and duplication of services and spaces. There are additional meeting rooms, community kitchens and workspaces duplicated in five of the six proposed community projects detailed. Just how many extra meeting rooms, kitchens and workspaces does Palmerston North really need. Are all existing spaces really being used fully? Sadly, our economic priorities cannot support this expenditure at this time.

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**Awapuni Community Library Hub – support with changes/comments**

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**Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park – do not support**

This is an expensive project. It is questionable whether the whole community can and would utilise this facility, with yet more meeting rooms, a café, shop and gallery. How many cafes does Palmerston North really need. Who will underwrite the café and shop as they may well struggle to gain sufficient customers with the location. Who is paying for the set up of the café and other facilities in this project. If Rangitane wish to fund and build a facility, then that is fine but the ratepayers of Palmerston North should not be funding this. If the road upgrade is required for the observatory patrons and the public to visit Anac Park for recreational purposes, then that could be a project deferred to later in the planning process. We have sufficient war memorial facilities within our region.



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So, it is concerning when the significant sums to go into transport related projects are thrown around without much detail. The residents of Palmerston North deserve to be able to choose how they travel, and to be able to drive (if that is their choice) smoothly and safely around the city to go about their business. Cycleways within the urban road network should be stopped for now. There are enough. However, we support completion of shared cycle/walkways between Palmerston North and Feilding and Palmerston North to Ashhurst. These could bring in people to the area for recreational purposes.

Maintenance of the existing shared walking/cycle tracks around the city has to be improved. The paths are getting narrower all the time as grass encroaches onto the pathway making it difficult to even pass someone coming the other way and be able to stay on the pathway.

There is mention of a second bridge in the wording of the long term plan consultation document but no mention in the figures. This needs clarifying.

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for Water and how we will fund Nature Calls

You just have to do what has to be done as this is the number 1 priority in our view. It is of major consequence to all residents in the city





Please share any feedback regarding our proposed plans for **housing**

We do not agree that the 3 pilot initiatives @ \$230k per year for 3 years should be spent on homelessness. Even though the problem is growing we think currently available expertise and funding should be used in these economic times.

Any new residential development has to be done in non flood prone areas unlike Flyers Line and Totara Road where developments have been approved. Once subdivisions are signed off it is we, the ratepayers who have to pay when something goes wrong down the track.

Please share any feedback regarding our proposed plans for **growing our city**.

You can also provide feedback on our Future Development Strategy which we're consulting on at the same time. You can read about that at [pncc.govt.nz/FDS](http://pncc.govt.nz/FDS)

We support projects that grow the city and its economic success.

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Do not support food scraps recycling as it is not clear how this waste will be processed once collected. People are not that good at sorting recycling now without having to decide what food scraps can and can't be put into the container.

Green waste would be good to collect. However not everyone would use this regularly so we are not sure if this will be a cost effective process. The cheap green waste drop off at the refuse facility in Maxwells Line is a good solution for example.









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Please tick which option you prefer.

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Please tell us why you prefer that option

I do not want future residential rates increases to be significantly greater than the NZ annual inflation rate. Unfortunately, annual rates increases over recent years have eclipsed NZ inflation rates.

I do not want volatility in rates changes/increases.

I am hopeful that Council can develop a rating system that meets the above criteria.

Please tell us what you don't like about the other options

**Do you have any other comments you'd like to make regarding the rates review?**



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Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

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*Rigorous financial management will be needed to avoid cost over-runs, on a project of this type.*

**Te Pātikitiki Library** Expand and refurbish existing building

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# City centre transformation – landmark facilities and seismic upgrades

Which option do you prefer? (select one)

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Only do the required seismic upgrades of these facilities in their current location

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Address the immediate issues only; however these should be done so that they do not preclude future development.

Please tell us what you don't like about the other option

Future development opportunities should be investigated under a separate process from seismic upgrades, so that remediation work is not derailed by future planning.

Do you have any other comments?

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**Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?**

Yes  No  Don't know / no opinion

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Non-residential development will impact on other infrastructure, such as roading. Development contributions should account for these costs.



# General comment areas

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Please share any feedback regarding proposed transport projects

Keep heavy transport vehicles out of residential streets. Many cycle lanes in PM roadways are not well engineered for cycling; and are poorly used. Are footpaths too wide in many streets, eg Featherston St? Could these wide footpaths/berms be used for shared pedestrian/cycle use?

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for Water and how we will fund Nature Calls

I believe our wastewater plant should meet all statutory requirements, but should not be built to exceed these, if additional costs would be incurred.

Please share any feedback regarding our proposed plans for **housing**

I believe that housing should be provided by Central Government and other specialised housing agencies. Local Government should not be involved in providing housing, nor in subdividing land for housing.

Should ratepayer money be spent on providing cheap housing for some people? Surely, this is the responsibility of Central Government.

Please share any feedback regarding our proposed plans for **growing our city**.

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Please share any feedback about **rubbish and recycling services**.

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Whilst recycling is desirable, it must be cost-effective.

Rubbish disposal should be on a user-pay basis.



Please share any feedback regarding proposed rates over the next ten years

Rates should not be volatile and future increases should be in line with the general inflation rates.

Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider

### Good

I would like to compliment Council on developing the walking/biking trails (Mangrove, Bridesal trails, etc) around the City perimeter. The Hossay - Linton trail is particularly notable and a great example of shared efforts delivering an outstanding result.

PMCC does a good job in condition assessments of key water and wastewater infrastructure.

### Poor

Some of Council's projects have been poorly planned and have either failed to deliver, or have incurred large cost overruns; eg City Library, landwaste gas generation project. Better concept planning is required for future projects.

### Good - continued

Palmy is well endowed with many beautiful parks, reserves and sports grounds. These assets are all well used; the reserves and parks

all make Palmy a beautiful city.  
Credit must be given to Council for  
maintaining these assets to good standards.





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**4pm, 9 May**

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We collect your contact information so we can keep you up to date.

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## Your details

First name:

Murray

Last name:

Leonard-Jones

Organisation you represent:

(if applicable. Please only answer this question if you're speaking on behalf of an organisation)

Postal address: (only provide if no email address)

Email:

Phone:

**7(2)(a) Privacy**

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Please select here if you are flexible on days on times

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Please tell us why you prefer that option

None of the above options have any fair reason to be used for the assessment of Residential Rates.

Please tell us what you don't like about the other options

Residential Rates are for Infrastructure, amenities, services and maintenance thereof.

Residential Rates should be shared equally by all Residential property owners. We all get the same, have access to the same and should pay the same. There is no justification for the term "Average Rates" with some paying low and others paying high. Council knows exactly how many rateable residential properties there are and should base their Rates take equally per property.

Any increase annually should be the exact same amount per property, not a percentage increase on varying values as is currently the practise.

What people paid for their Residential Land and for any Improvements has already been Taxed.

The idea that some owners "seem" to have more does not mean they should pay more for Rates.

Do you have any other comments you'd like to make regarding the rates review?

Having paid rates in this city since 1960's I have seen everything that has been proposed and actioned by our city leaders and can say there have been many good improvements witnessed.

However, on the other hand I have over more recent years seen some of the most ridiculous, complete and utter waste of Ratepayers money <sup>on</sup> projects which have offered no enhancement to the city or benefit to the residents.

This nonsense has used many thousand of dollars in sheer waste and has to stop.

Every 3 years Valuation New Zealand revalue properties in the city.

This revaluation usually shows increase in value to all properties.

This increase does not mean property owners have received a deposit in their Bank Accounts and can therefore pay more rates.

What is written above adds more reason to the argument that Land and Improvements thereon have no justification in being used to assess rates.

Residential property sales are driven by demand and inflation.

A property owner does not benefit until a sale takes place. That benefit is short lived as any perceived benefit is eaten up on the purchase of another property.

There is no monetary gain. Even if another property is not purchased, any perceived gain is nullified quickly by inflation.

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Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

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In my eyes anyone who ~~not~~ wishes to live in NZ should embrace integration and share any existing facility. All users contribute to costs.

**Pasifika Centre** Expand and refurbish existing building

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

Please tell us why you've selected that option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

To be considered in more favourable financial climate

**Te Pātikitiki Library** Expand and refurbish existing building

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

Please tell us why you've selected that option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

Support some refurbishment

Where is the growth in existing Highbury?

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Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

Please tell us why you've selected that option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

Where is parking for this facility?  
Parking is already a problem in this area

**Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park** Creation of a civic marae with public facilities and visitor and education attractions at Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park (co-funded with Rangitāne and external funding)

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

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An interesting project but not high priority  
and should be deferred to a more  
financially viable time.

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Support as proposed

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Prefer not to say

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This facility offers more use opportunity to  
a wide range of interests for a very large  
part of Palmerston North residents and also  
brings money to the city.

Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?

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# City centre transformation – landmark facilities and seismic upgrades

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**Option two**

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Please share any feedback regarding **proposed rates over the next ten years**

With the promise of increased rates which will be an impossibility for most ratepayers who seem to have more, but in absolute fact have no more than anyone else, what is the Council Plan to buy out defaulting payers? Will defaulters be eligible for Social Housing?

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Last name: LEONARD-JONES

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None of the above

Please tell us what you don't like about the other options

All are based on perceived ability to pay rather than the reality and have the potential to create hardship for some (e.g. those with assets but income poor) and underestimating the ability of others to pay (e.g. asset poor, income/cash rich).  
Would like to see a fairer system where rates burden is shared equally among rate payers

Do you have any other comments you'd like to make regarding the rates review?



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Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

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*Feel this should not be a rate payers concern*

**Pasifika Centre** Expand and refurbish existing building

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Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

Please tell us why you've selected that option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

*Defer to more favourable economic climate  
Adopt hireage fees to help offset ongoing costs*

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Support with changes/comments

Do not support

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Defer -

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Support with changes/comments

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Prefer not to say

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Has parking been considered?

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Too much cost to rate payer

Money better spent on infrastructure

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this project is the most beneficial to the city.  
Caters to city residents and visitors and hireage fees ensure users pay.

Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?

Would like to see most deferred and  
funding directed to necessary infrastructure

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**Prefer not to say**

Please tell us why you prefer that option

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**Do you agree with this change?**

Yes



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This will be the cheapest for us. If not this one then hybrid option.  
I actually really don't understand the facts & figures.

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Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

Please tell us why you've selected that option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

Good idea to have a place central and easy to get to.

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Good idea for upgrade and expansion. Leave the fate off the proposal.

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Patronage doesn't warrant this amount of money to be spent. There is another big building next door that could be used for emergencies. Don't need more meeting rooms. There is already a place for cups of tea etc. - don't need a community kitchen.

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Too much money to spend. Great that a new library will be built - I've been using it for 40+ yrs and it needs to be shifted & enlarged - too many chances for problems to building. There are other buildings in the area that can be used for meetings etc. Like the idea of a community kitchen. Like that it could be used as CD centre if needed.

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Don't need place for overnight stays. Cafe would be good for visitors to town. - "Why did you have to emphasize that everyone would be welcome" ??? Keeping the road as it is would keep speedsters down! Don't need buses up there. Some improvement to road would be good as I'm not that keen on biking up there. Maybe development up there would keep "bad eggs" away and less glass scattered everywhere.   
 What's the need to the marae down Mahurangi line to create alternatives to PN?

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Please tell us why you prefer that option

This seismic business is getting out of control and costing too much.

Please tell us what you don't like about the other option

Do you have any other comments?

This is all too much for me! We need the basics - water, sewerage, parks - reserves, transport, rubbish - recycling, social housing, libraries.  
I dread to think as a pensioner how much the rates are going up and what everything is costing.

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*These facilities are dated and rundown thus I support the proposed plans. And the facilities are used by Palmerston North residents.*

Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?

Keeping community facilities up to date is essential for the wellbeing of residents. This is true regardless of political views and socioeconomic status. A city without good community facilities does not attract new residents and businesses and will decline; whereas a city that does make the investment will grow and thrive.

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*The planning is thorough and necessary.*

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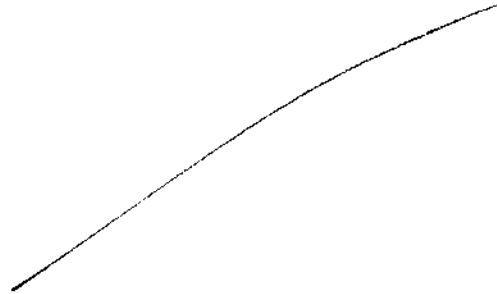
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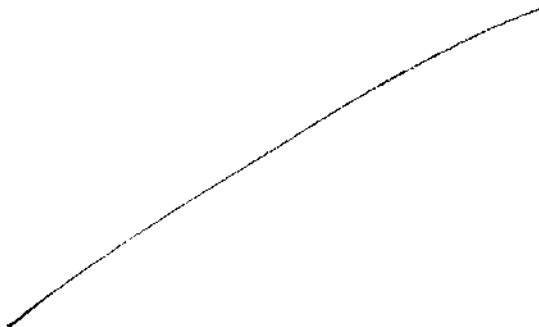
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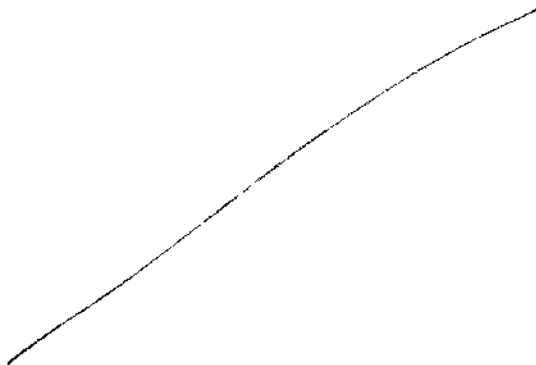
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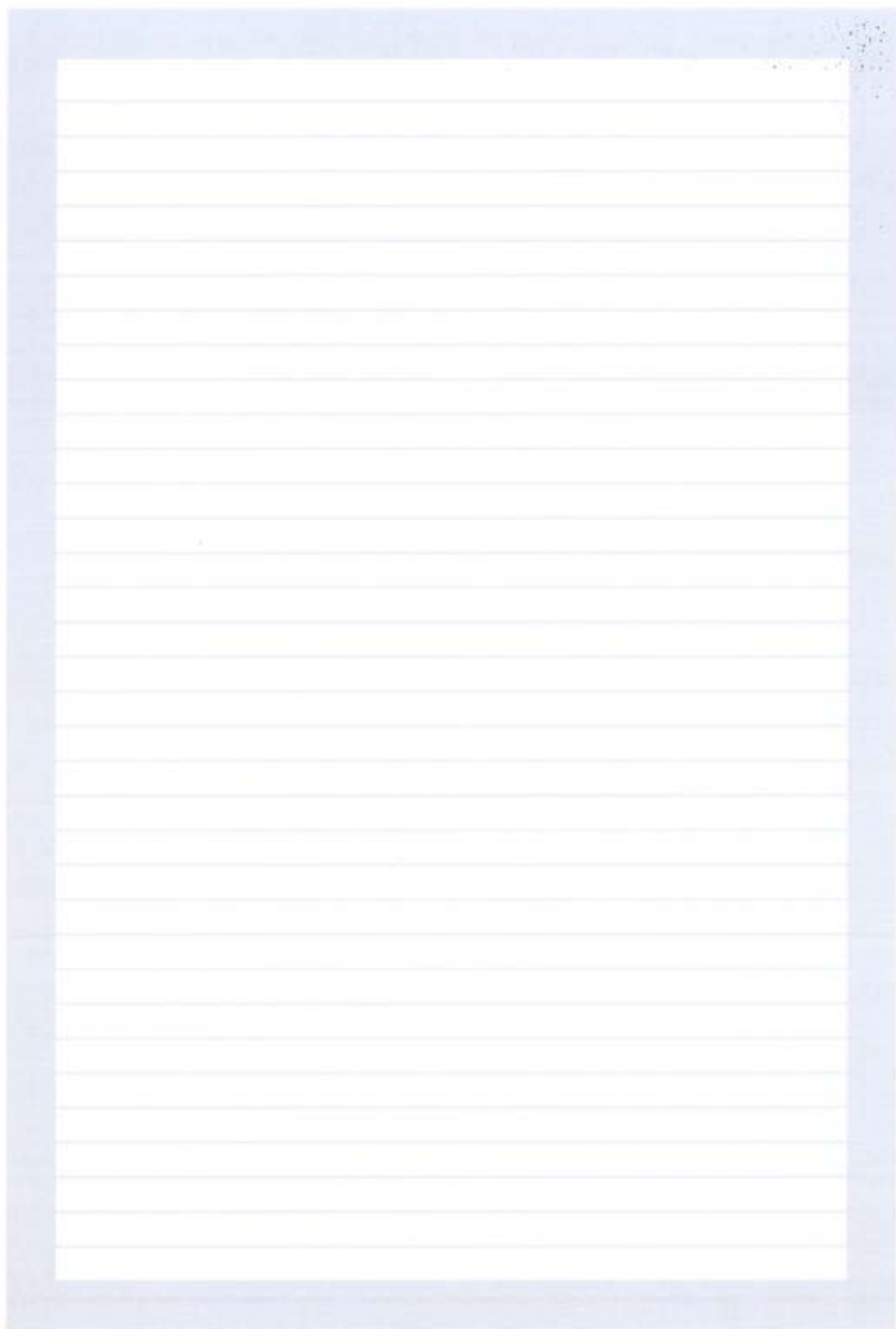








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Last name: *raik*

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(if applicable. Please only answer this question if you're speaking on behalf of an organisation)

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**7(2)(a) Privacy**

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Do you have any other comments you'd like to make regarding the rates review?

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what should the ratepayer pay for a new multicultural centre.  
if that want someone to gather that should pay for it themselves  
why should we have to pay for it.

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can you guarantee that more people will use it after  
the refurbishment because it's a bit of money to spend  
on something that will get little use

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I don't understand what Te Pātikitiki in the refurbishment will be getting a kitchen when central library had a cafe and it was a flop. It will be a good idea to have meeting rooms but not a kitchen

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I fully support building the new library at Awapuni. As a volunteer and a very regular user of the library, I have seen a lot of people use the library for many things and it would be great to have a bigger to hold more events there, and having the meeting room there would be great as well

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I don't understand why we need another marae.

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Regarding new stadium corner Pascoe and what where are you propose to make the on grass parking?

Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?

I think there should be facilities for people with disabilities and toddlers <sup>and preschoolers</sup> to do. You can only go to park so many times and people can't afford to go expensive places all the time.

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Please share any feedback about **rubbish and recycling services**.

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Rubbish bags are too offensive, that what sort of people are using bins or fly-tipping

Please share any feedback regarding **proposed rates over the next ten years**

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## Your contact details

First name	Margi
Last name	Mitcalfe
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## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

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## Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
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Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Support as proposed
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Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project	See note below
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<b>Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building</b>	Support as proposed
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Pasifika Centre project</b>	See note below
<b>Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building</b>	Support as proposed
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Te Pātikitiki Library project</b>	See note below
<b>Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library</b>	Support as proposed
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Awapuni Community Library Hub project</b>	See note below
<b>Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park</b>	Support as proposed
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project</b>	See note below
<b>Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks</b>	Support with changes/comments
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Central Energy Trust Arena project</b>	Defer til later: more pressing areas for funding for now.
<b>Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?</b>	<p>Just a comment on the above Yes/No option, I've chosen No, as I am not submitting on behalf of an organisation, but a number of these facilities I, and groups I am a member of, regularly use. That option wasn't given. An Environment Centre is sorely needed, and not proposed, sadly. Environment Network Manawatū does magic with what premises it has, and what facilities it does use, but could do so much more with an environment centre. It would enhance our profile as a forward-looking, innovative city, one of PNCC's goals. The building, refurbishment, expanding of the above facilities I am in support of, needs to be done with expert care, using all resources available for 'green' methods for this construction work, so that the process is as careful with the natural environment, as is the outcome, eg ongoing maintenance of the changes. Without taking this care, we would be going against desired outcomes from the city's goals: "an economy that embraces innovation and new ideas and uses resources sustainably</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• a resilient, low carbon economy</li> <li>a sustainable, low-emissions city</li> <li>• a resilient city and communities, prepared for the impacts of climate change</li> <li>• a circular economy with more resource recovery and less waste</li> <li>• a healthy, thriving ecosystem, including native biodiversity and food security"</li> </ul>

## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?

1. Preferred option: Build on our existing planning and continue work to look at the buildings as a collective project and explore co-funding opportunities

Do you have any other comments?

These are taonga, and see previous note re the need for Council to always consider those environmental outcomes that are part of its goals, when this kind of work is undertaken.

## Development contributions questions

We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?

Yes

We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change?

Yes

We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?

Yes

Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?

Yes

## General comment areas

Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans

Re the goals: I'm not so keen on growth as a given, generally, and would prefer the effective 'looking after' of what we already have through "innovative", "creative" and "exciting" solutions, giving the "big city" kudos of up-to-the-minute, well-researched thinking to the "small city" feel.

There seems to be a conflict and tension between the goals of "a... growing city" and a "sustainable and resilient city". I think when business and growth are mentioned and considered, acknowledgement of the need for their environmental sustainability needs to be acknowledged, even in fine-grained considerations and decisions, to better mediate this tension.

I think the outcome of "access to relevant information and education to support more sustainable choices" is such an important role for Council and the community environmental groups it supports, who have a significant role in this. Note Featherston Street recently: culture and values of citizens are not ready yet clearly to support buses and cyclists as fully as the changes do. Communication of the realities of climate change and so on really needs to be an important focus and groundwork the council needs to keep concentrating on, with support of and to available community environmental groups.

Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects

I support Environment Network Manawatū's comments re this'

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for water and how we will fund Nature Calls

I support Environment Network Manawatū's comments re this.

**Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing**

I support Environment Network Manawatū's comments re this.

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**Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for growing our city**

I support Environment Network Manawatū's comments re this.

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**Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services**

I support Environment Network Manawatū's comments re this.

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**Please share any feedback regarding proposed rates over the next 10 years**

I support Environment Network Manawatū's comments re this.

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**Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider**

I support Environment Network Manawatū's additional feedback.

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**How did you find out about our long-term plan?**

- Council website
- Booklet in my mailbox
- Social media
- Family or friends

1310

# Long-Term Plan submission form



Submitted on	9 May 2024, 11:42AM
Receipt number	1048
Related form version	5

## Your contact details

First name	Royce
Last name	Mills
Email	
Phone	

## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
Which option do you prefer?	1. Preferred option: Hybrid (a mixture of land and capital value)

## Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Support as proposed
Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support as proposed
Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support as proposed
Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library	Support as proposed
Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park	Support as proposed

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Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

This area is run down and doesn't feel safe at times. A development like this will be a big attraction for locals and visitors.

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Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks

Support as proposed

## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

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Which option do you prefer?

1. Preferred option: Build on our existing planning and continue work to look at the buildings as a collective project and explore co-funding opportunities

## Development contributions questions

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We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?

Don't know / no opinion

We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change?

Yes

We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?

Yes

Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?

Don't know / no opinion

## General comment areas

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Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects

I strongly urge the completion of a safe shared off-road cycling and walking path from Palmerston North to Ashhurst and also linking to Te Ahu a Turanga (Manawatu-Tararua highway). This will be a huge attraction for locals and visitors to the Manawatu. Also a continuation of development of safe cycleways throughout our city. Agree with making it safer and easier for people to choose to walk, cycle or catch a bus And slowing speeds and making it easier for pedestrians to use our city centre safely.

How did you find out about our long-term plan?

Booklet in my mailbox

Newspaper

# Long-Term Plan submission form



Submitted on	9 May 2024, 11:44AM
Receipt number	994
Related form version	5

## Your contact details

First name	Haley
Last name	Albrecht
Email	
Phone	

## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North rural area
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Which option do you prefer?	3. Land value (LV) – current system
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Please tell us why you prefer this option	This feels like the fairest option
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Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	Some of the others will result in a greater increase that many people cannot afford in this economy.
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Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review?	Reducing the discount for some rural properties does not make sense. There are no 'town' supplies and rural residents are less likely to use council facilities, pools, libraries, parks etc unlike town residents who are within 5mins. Also the cycle lanes are not going to benefit rural residents either
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## Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
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Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural	Support as proposed
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communities to use for activities, events and services

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project

I think this would benefit the community and is worth doing

Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building

Support as proposed

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Pasifika Centre project

As above

Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building

Support as proposed

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Te Pātikitiki Library project

As above

Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library

Do not support

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Awapuni Community Library Hub project

I don't think it's the right time for it

Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park

Do not support

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

As above not the right time

Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks

Support with changes/comments

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Central Energy Trust Arena project

I think it's important for some improvements but not to the cost being proposed.

Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?

No

## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?

2. Only do the required seismic upgrades of these facilities in their current locations

Please tell us why you prefer this option

Although it would make sense to do option 1 I don't think it's the right time

## Development contributions questions

We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?

No

We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change?

Yes

We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?

No

Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?

Yes

Please tell us why you've selected these answers, and any other feedback you have about the proposed changes to our Development Contributions Policy.

I don't think there's enough information around the interest piece to understand what that actually means  
I don't think residents who have no way of benefiting from it should contribute, waste water etc for rural residents who don't have town supply services

## General comment areas

Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans

I think it's important to take on feedback submitted, so many times it's done as a tick box activity and not taken on board

Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects

As above, my understanding was a lot of feedback was submitted and not taken on board and there appears to have been a lot of money spent not very wisely

How did you find out about our long-term plan?

Booklet in my mailbox  
Social media

1312

# Long-Term Plan submission form



Submitted on	9 May 2024, 11:47AM
Receipt number	1050
Related form version	5

## Your contact details

First name	Christopher
Last name	Dench
Email	
Phone	

## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North rural area
Which option do you prefer?	1. Preferred option: Hybrid (a mixture of land and capital value)

## Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
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Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Do not support
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Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Do not support
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Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building	Do not support
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Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library	Do not support
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Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park	Do not support
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## General comment areas

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**Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider**

Funding for the Palmerston North Surf Life Saving has been included in the LTP for one year only.

Funding for the life guard service at Himatangi Beach should be included for a 3 year term. It is a shared cost with Manawatu District council and the Club requires certainty over the medium term to supply this service. In the current season 4 guards were employed from December for 6 weeks to cover the Monday to Friday patrolling on the beach. The cost for this service is approx \$30,000 per year shared with Manawatu District Council.

For the current season there was 696 hours of patrolled lifeguards over the 6 week period by the lifeguards.

The purpose of the life guard service is to provide a safer beach for the community to enjoy as they know that they are being patrolled by trained lifeguards when swimming between the flags.

The lifeguard service prevent swimmers getting into difficulty through preventative actions, prevent injury on the beach and provide first aid. The lifeguards also spend time educating and talking to the public about where to swim and the hazards that can occur. This can also help prevent situations and incidents escalating until someone is at risk.

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**How did you find out about our long-term plan?**

Council website

# 1312

## Long-Term Plan submission form



Submitted on	9 May 2024, 11:48AM
Receipt number	1051
Related form version	5

### Your contact details

First name	Margaret Claire
Last name	McKenzie
Email	
Phone	

### Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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### Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
Which option do you prefer?	1. Preferred option: Hybrid (a mixture of land and capital value)
Please tell us why you prefer this option	It is a fairer system

### Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Support as proposed
Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support as proposed
Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building	Prefer not to say
Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library	Support as proposed

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Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park

Prefer not to say

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Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks

Do not support

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## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

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Which option do you prefer?

2. Only do the required seismic upgrades of these facilities in their current locations

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## Development contributions questions

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We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?

Yes

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We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change?

Yes

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We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?

Yes

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Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?

Yes

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## General comment areas

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How did you find out about our long-term plan?

Booklet in my mailbox



# 1314

## Long-Term Plan submission form



Submitted on	9 May 2024, 11:51AM
Receipt number	991
Related form version	5

### Your contact details

First name	Mark
Last name	Holtom
Email	
Phone	

### Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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### Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Resident but not a ratepayer (eg, rent or live with family or friends)
Which option do you prefer?	1. Preferred option: Hybrid (a mixture of land and capital value)
Please tell us why you prefer this option	Allows those with a greater ability to pay to pay more
Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	Pass
Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review?	Please keep in mind to get the balance right with commercial properties so as not to drive away some businesses. Rate relief for newly developed properties??

### Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Support as proposed

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project	Pass
<b>Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building</b>	Support as proposed
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Pasifika Centre project	Pass
<b>Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building</b>	Support as proposed
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Te Pātikitiki Library project	Pass
<b>Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library</b>	Support as proposed
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Awapuni Community Library Hub project	Pass
<b>Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park</b>	Support with changes/comments
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project	A little concerned that the location of this will see it under-utilised. Love the idea, could perhaps start with marking the Pā site with some sculpture and creating an area to visit or picnic, toilets and look to push out any buildings further into the future?? Otherwise happy with as proposed
<b>Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks</b>	Support as proposed
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Central Energy Trust Arena project	Gotta get those sporting events!!
Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?	Pass

## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?	1. Preferred option: Build on our existing planning and continue work to look at the buildings as a collective project and explore co-funding opportunities
Please tell us why you prefer this option	Pass
Please tell us what you don't like about the other option	Pass
Do you have any other comments?	Pass

## Development contributions questions

We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?

Yes

We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change?

Yes

We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?

Yes

Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?

Yes

Please tell us why you've selected these answers, and any other feedback you have about the proposed changes to our Development Contributions Policy.

Pass

## General comment areas

Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans

It's great to see more vibrancy added to the city centre, through arts and events. Please make sure that noise restrictions do not hold back the development of more music venues or hosting of events. It would be a shame to see what has happened in other cities around New Zealand where even established entertainment venues are shut out as population density increases

Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects

Like the idea of the ring road.  
Need to keep providing smart infrastructure for alternative transport methods.  
The new bus network is fantastic, but could be further supported with improved bus stops. HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH INLANE BUS STOPS. Excluding private vehicles from the square, main st to church st and having bus priority light signals could further enhance the service's speed and reliability.

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for water and how we will fund Nature Calls

The funding model seems to be acceptable. You can only work within the parameters given by central government and you must meet the consent set by hrc.  
Possibly front loading the repayments so future rate payers are impacted less than current rate payers.

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing

No issues with the plans overall. However I do think as the city expands outwards new thinking is need around the way suburbs are designed. The new developments I see are still the same car centric type we have been seeing for for the last 30 years or more. Developers need to be made to allow for future public transport and also be adding in separated cycling and pedestrian paths, not only along roads as an afterthought but completely separate networks.  
Greater housing density within the central city would be great and hopefully encouraging investors to building high or low rise buildings with multiple uses.

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for

Targeting the transport industry is great for growth. How about

**growing our city**

investigating try to get the tech sector here too??  
Overall support the growth plan, but as mentioned in the housing section, would like to see more innovation in how suburbs are designed, to see a less car centric model

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**Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services**

Separated waste at the point of collection is the ideal. Please progress food waste collection as soon as possible. Perhaps council green waste collection bags of various sizes could be sold to try keep green waste out of landfills also, as combining with food waste may prove to be costly.

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**Please share any feedback regarding proposed rates over the next 10 years**

Raise rates as needed. People will always complain so just do what is required

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**Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider**

Keep the city moving forward!!  
You're doing a great job so far keep it up

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**How did you find out about our long-term plan?**

Booklet in my mailbox  
Social media

# 1315

## Long-Term Plan submission form



Submitted on	9 May 2024, 11:59AM
Receipt number	1053
Related form version	5

### Your contact details

First name	Braedon
Last name	Filleul
Organisation you represent	GReen Built
Email	
Phone	

### Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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### Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area Business owner who pays commercial/industrial rates in Palmerston North A developer of residential properties A developer of commercial properties
Which option do you prefer?	3. Land value (LV) – current system

### Development contributions questions

We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?	Yes
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We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change?	Yes
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**We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?**

Yes

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**Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?**

Yes

## **General comment areas**

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**Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for growing our city**

I support Te Utanganui commercial/Industrial proposal. One area of concern is why in the new industrial area on richardsons line which has just been upgraded with water and sewer put in was a stormwater system not put in. Storm water to an open roadside drain is not a good look or in fact good practice when we are trying to attract commercial investors to the city.

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**How did you find out about our long-term plan?**

City Councillor



# 1316

## Long-Term Plan submission form



Submitted on	9 May 2024, 12:00PM
Receipt number	590
Related form version	5

### Your contact details

First name	Anna
Last name	Blackwell
Email	
Phone	

### Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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### Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North rural area Business owner who pays commercial/industrial rates in Palmerston North
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Which option do you prefer?	3. Land value (LV) – current system
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Please tell us why you prefer this option	There is currently so much change going on that the timing for this seems off. There are some people, particularly the elderly who have high CV on their property, but that value will only be realised at point of sale. They can not afford a huge jump in their rates. I think to solve one unfairness there is an unintended consequence of seeing a part of our population (who are already vulnerable) being unfairly impacted. I think there needs to be much more lead in time and maybe some 'levers' to address the huge increases on the edges. I ovrk with the elderly and there is a huge level of anxiety about this.
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Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	Hybrid: as above. Big change and unintended consequences of massive unfairness to older adults who have lived all their lives in their home and the CV has increased by virtue of time. Their income or wealth has not. CV: even worse consequences than above statement.
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Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review?

I don't understand why this is important this year, with a cost of living crisis going on and trying to maintain some sense of joy in living in Palmy.

## Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?

No

**Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services**

Do not support

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project

When our budgets are so stretched I beleive we should be looking as a city at what facilities we already have and could they be better utilised and better booked so as to accommodate this group when they require space to use, rather than having dedicated building 24/7. eg Convention centre, Arena Manawatu, the Globe

**Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building**

Do not support

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Pasifika Centre project

Can this programme be deferred into year 3 to assist with Captial Spend. \$3.9M seems like a huge amount of money for a refurb. What sort of quoting system is used for this work. I can not imagine a private job ever costing the sort of money we see in this document. It seems like if council or govt are paying then prices are massivley higher than in the private sector. Can our councillors become involved in monitoring this?

**Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building**

Do not support

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Te Pātikitiki Library project

In principal I would love to support this, however, \$3.6M is a staggering amount of money to spend on another stand alone facility, I think we need to put off all these nice to have projects. The Awapuni project is only around the corner. Couldn't these projects be combined in some way? There is all this increased public transport - can't we get smarter about how we think about our future instead of massive capital builds all over the place and then have to manage staffing, graffitti, under use. I'd like to see all these capital projects rethought, utilise what we already have and get smarter.

**Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library**

Do not support

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Awapuni Community Library Hub project

This is another staggering amount of money to spend on another stand alone facility, I think we need to put off all these nice to have projects. The Te Patikitiki project is only around the corner. Couldn't these projects be combined in some way? There is all this increased public transport - can't we get smarter about how we think about our future instead of massive capital builds all over the place and then have to manage staffing, graffitti, under use. I'd like to see all these capital projects rethought, utilise what we already have and get smarter. It seems like we are doing what we've always done in an environment where building new is almost unaffordable. Office workers hot desk to better utilise space, can't we look at this as a principle instead of every community group having 'their own space'? I think we are trying to live well above our means in a backwards looking vision.

**Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park**

Do not support

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any

This looks like an amazing project and I love the concept. However I

feedback you'd like to provide about the project

think this is another project that needs to be rethought. If we are going to support this can it meet any of the other project's needs in the LTP eg multicultural group, alternative library space. I would like to see the Council re think our builds what can be combined, I think a project partnering with Rangitane and on this significant piece of land is a fabulous idea, but I just can not see how we can afford it while ensuring we see to the core components our rates are needed for.

Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks

Support with changes/comments

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Central Energy Trust Arena project

Do this space up as required, again \$36M is a huge amount of money that I fail to beleive would be proposed as a cost in the private sector - they simply wouldn't get the contract. But if this project is to go ahead, look at how this space can be better utilised by other groups in the commnity needing space.

Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?

As I have already said: couldn't these projects be combined in some way? There is all this increased public transport - can't we get smarter about how we think about our future instead of massive capital builds all over the place and then have to manage staffing, graffitti, under use, security and ammenities. I'd like to see all these capital projects rethought, utilise what we already have and get smarter. It seems like we are doing what we've always done in an environment where building new is almost unaffordable. Office workers hot desk to better utilise space, can't we look at this as a principle instead of every community group having 'their own space'? I think we are trying to live well above our means in a backwards looking vision ie we've always done it like this so that must be the way forward.

## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?

1. Preferred option: Build on our existing planning and continue work to look at the buildings as a collective project and explore co-funding opportunities

Please tell us why you prefer this option

I think co-funding and partnering is a potential way forward to have the expertise of the private sector and the community focus and values of the PNCC. New eyes may also come up with some forward thinking that hasn't been explored yet. Our city is not big enough, doesn't have the rate payer base to have facilities of this price and design. I don't support the current plan. We can not do it all.

Please tell us what you don't like about the other option

I actually don't like either option as stand alone options, but there isn't a choice of neither. I think there should be push up on the upgrade standards as other places are doing. Do we need all these buildings - why does PNCC own Accacia Birch? Is this part of council's core business?

## Development contributions questions

We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?

Don't know / no opinion

We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change?

Don't know / no opinion

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**We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?**

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Don't know / no opinion

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**Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?**

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Yes

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**Please tell us why you've selected these answers, and any other feedback you have about the proposed changes to our Development Contributions Policy.**

I don't understand this area enough to select an option, but I would like it noted that I believe the council should work with developers to ensure growth and expansion in the city. The lived experience I have to date is that developers are not seen as the partners to growth for Palmy that they could be. The amount of capital risk involved in doing a development is huge, and it seems rather than working with council that some developers are successful is in spite of council. This seems counterproductive to a partnering model. When these developments are done the developer pays for all the infrastructure, roading, planning, storm water etc then gifts it to council. Council earn new rates etc from the development. I don't fully understand what is being proposed here, but I would like you to ensure it doesn't further discourage private developers to invest in our city.

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## General comment areas

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**Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans**

I think the vision and goals are sound and I support the vision. I don't think the plan fits with the goals. We are spending too much money on capital projects, I don't believe there is enough new thinking outlined in the plan. Just a lot of how it's always been done. You can not propose sustainable and resilient and then build so many buildings to do the same thing.

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**Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects**

I fully support anything that is safety first, while ensuring easy and effective ways of moving through the city. We have a business on College Street - the 'upgrades' done there have meant reduced parking for our elderly to visit loved ones in care. The footpaths are so badly damaged with incomplete construction, tree roots bursting through the footpaths etc we can not take residents out in wheelchairs as they risk being catapulted out. The walk to the esplanade often means having the wheel chair and resindet out on the road. There seems to be no linked up thinking going on. We fix the road, add a wider cycle lane and forget about the footpaths. College street rattles with all the huge trucks from PNCC, Downers, Hirock, Fultons etc using it as a main highway as the parking's been removed and cyclists put their life in their hands using it. Of course all this was raised at community 'consultation' but everything proceeds as per the original plans. It's like the communities actual daily lives, and local expertise are given to weighting what so ever. The Featherston Street debacle is point in case and I am appalled at how once again sensible community feedback was given far less weighting than theoretical 'experts' with no long term consequences for their plan. It seems neglectful with no duty of care. It's great to have Waka Kotahi money for projects, but it shouldn't be considered like - it's gifted money so we have to use it. We should be able to say, we'd like funding help, but this plan is not going to work because we've seen it not work around the city to date and we've been overwhelmed with concerns from the community that use it everyday.

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**Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for water and how we will fund Nature Calls**

I don't know enough about this but please do something innovative, there are some overseas models where land is at a premium where things are done very differently. Involve actual experts (not theoretical ones) to advise and maybe partner. We need water, we have a lot of it falling from the sky, work out how to collect more of it, treat it and not damage the

environment. The most expensive plan is rarely the best one.

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**Please share any feedback regarding proposed rates over the next 10 years**

We have voted you in to manage our rates sensibly and with accountability. You do not have a mandate to create legacies for yourselves and say yes to every group with disregard to future generations and debt levels. I expect increases in my rates, but I also expect to see clever options for development and innovative ways of achieving goals. I'd like to see more credence taken of what the community is saying

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**Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider**

This has been a monumentally big task to complete this feedback. It is no wonder year on year there isn't much feedback! This would be beyond a lot of peoples resources both in time and technical skill. There must be a more user freindly way of getting valuable feedback. Could it be submitted in sections? Could feedback be saught through the 3 years as these plans are worked up? I'm not sure. I hope this submission is read, considered and my typos excused. There is too much to go back and spell check it (also no spell check is active). Thank you for all the hard work that goes on behind the scenes to make our city function. Please now listen to what your community is saying and don't dismiss challenging feedback as ill informed or that you know better. I will be watching the outcomes of the LTP and council meetings with interest.

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**How did you find out about our long-term plan?**

Council website  
Social media  
Radio  
Newspaper  
City Councillor  
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# Long-Term Plan submission form



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## Your contact details

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## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area Landlord of a home in Palmerston North who doesn't live here
Which option do you prefer?	1. Preferred option: Hybrid (a mixture of land and capital value)
Please tell us why you prefer this option	Seems fair for more people

## Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
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Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Support as proposed
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Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project	Agree. low cost and higher benefit
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Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Do not support
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<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Pasifika Centre project</b>	Decrease spending at this difficult financial time with such uncertainty at present. Don't want to increase the cities debt.
<b>Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building</b>	Do not support
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Te Pātikitiki Library project</b>	Decrease spending at this difficult financial time with such uncertainty at present. Don't want to increase the cities debt.
<b>Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library</b>	Do not support
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Awapuni Community Library Hub project</b>	Decrease spending at this difficult financial time with such uncertainty at present. Don't want to increase the cities debt.
<b>Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park</b>	Do not support
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project</b>	This is not a good idea, and the work is too costly. Not much benefit to the city, if any?
<b>Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks</b>	Do not support
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Central Energy Trust Arena project</b>	Not at present, in the future possibly.

## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

<b>Which option do you prefer?</b>	1. Preferred option: Build on our existing planning and continue work to look at the buildings as a collective project and explore co-funding opportunities
<b>Please tell us why you prefer this option</b>	Just get it done, but concentrate first on the most important (Library and Regent)

## Development contributions questions

<b>We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?</b>	Don't know / no opinion
<b>We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change?</b>	Don't know / no opinion
<b>We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?</b>	Don't know / no opinion
<b>Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential</b>	Don't know / no opinion

development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?

## General comment areas

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**Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans**

We need to stop all non essential spending. Maintain what the city already has, the green spaces, parks etc are already great. But no more expanding into the things we 'want' - the city can't afford to keep spending on the wants.

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**Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects**

Stop Featherston Street entirely. This has become an abomination. Driving there even when not busy has become a nightmare! Terrible idea - who decided this? This needs to be reassessed.

Maintain and upgrade roading where necessary, but no more large changes for now.

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**Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for water and how we will fund Nature Calls**

Water work as planned sounds good. Essential.

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**Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing**

Fully support the homeless initiatives.

Multi storey housing needs to be in select areas only. It is highly likely these buildings will become ghettos at some stage in the future, with the pride in keeping dwellings clean and tidy at an all time low. This is only going to make areas of the city look like the East End of London in years to come.

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**Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for growing our city**

City development has to proceed of course, but I think developers need to pay for more up front - their profits are enormous, get them to pay for more at the beginning.

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**Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services**

Happy with this service.

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**Please share any feedback regarding proposed rates over the next 10 years**

I don't mind rate increases to service current maintenance programs and essential spending, but a firm no to pie in the sky dreaming to 'progress' the city because idealistic thinking. Green agenda thinking is a big no from me. Cycle lanes that very few use, trying to force people cycling - no that's never going to work. I'm all for beautiful green spaces and parks, particularly our Esplanade - but NZ is in a recession, we need to go easy on spending (essential only).

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**How did you find out about our long-term plan?**

Family or friends

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# Long-Term Plan submission form



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## Your contact details

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Phone	

## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
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Which option do you prefer?	3. Land value (LV) – current system
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Please tell us why you prefer this option	Only gone for this option as is cheapest for my situation. But alot unknown as with the valuations on properties will the land value increase significantly or your house improvements. Nothing that can let us know which is best long term to pick.
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Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	Water & wastewater connected prices are all different in the 3 options. You do not say anything why in this section. Also your house/improvements does not reflect the ability to pay as your circumstances change over the years you live in your house - some for the better, some you are worst off. Lots of variables.
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Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review?	I do not think ratepayers should pay more if you have a higher valued house/improvements as many have worked hard, gone without, sure others haven't but you should not be penalized for it. I do not fall in this category but what alarms me is how much our valuations have gone up in 9yrs over 250% - others more PNCC get more money for it from rates - but in the future as wages etc do not go up that much our ability to pay is alot harder. Is the Council going to consider in long term that all houses will be metered?
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## Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
<b>Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services</b>	Support with changes/comments
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project</b>	As long as costs are realistic & no over the top design features that are of no use to the users - eg outside of building designs that cost thousands & cheaper options available we have people in our community who can design & do not cost the earth like these consultants. Better to spend the money that is contributing to a building that all users benefit by. Proper accessibility & facilities
<b>Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building</b>	Support with changes/comments
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Pasifika Centre project</b>	Cut down on expensive designs from the ones who are paid too much to create it. Our Pasifika community will have some people that can do this and be paid but don't charge outrageous \$\$ for it. Money better spent to actually have a facility that works for everyone long term & not having to add/alter because it was not included. That the cost blowouts do not happen.
<b>Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building</b>	Support with changes/comments
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Te Pātikitiki Library project</b>	Do not need \$3.6m - Does not say how many meeting rooms? 1 or 2 would be enough. Kitchen for public use - is that for everyday use? What is been done for other areas?
<b>Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library</b>	Support with changes/comments
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Awapuni Community Library Hub project</b>	Using the strengthening of the main library - no excuse for the \$27.1 million price tag. When this is happening buses routes are a joke if using public transport to get there. When is Kelvin Grove/ Milson/ Roslyn/ Terrace End going to have facilities like these & like Highbury no mention in long term plan. Spend the money wisely no outrageous designs outside that do little to shelter you etc & will be maintained. We have lots of consultants that do not charge the high \$\$\$. Good community people that use common sense not to have the top fancy work that is there only for looks inside & out of no value to the users. That contractors are held accountable to costs & timeframes - no blowouts.
<b>Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park</b>	Support as proposed
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project</b>	Make sure we have assurance the costs will not blow out big time. Whoever does these that they are held accountable to costs & timeframes.
<b>Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks</b>	Support with changes/comments
<b>Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Central Energy Trust Arena project</b>	Must keep to costs - be completed when they say it will be done unless extraordinary circumstances. No decent footpath path accesses to get on & off to cross streets around the Arena. Too steep, to big a lip to get over etc.

## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?

1. Preferred option: Build on our existing planning and continue work to look at the buildings as a collective project and explore co-funding opportunities

Please tell us why you prefer this option

You need to find/get people/ firms that do not need 3 yrs investigating partnerships etc as written in report - only going to make it more expensive to build as costs are not going down. Whoever you are paying to do this, make sure it is their sole focus as getting paid to do it & a smaller time frame. They are not losing out only us as ratepayers.

Do you have any other comments?

The Council really need to find people/ firms that can commit to and stick to a cost & timeline unless extraordinary circumstances arise - no need for cost blowouts. All details should be well & truly hashed out beforehand. They get paid big money so get them to deliver.

## Development contributions questions

We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?

Don't know / no opinion

We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change?

Yes

We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?

Don't know / no opinion

Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?

Don't know / no opinion

Please tell us why you've selected these answers, and any other feedback you have about the proposed changes to our Development Contributions Policy.

Add cost of interest - how much? What non-residential development that has no connection to water or wastewater network?  
Do they have their own supply of water that does not affect our water sources. Do they have another way for wastewater disposal?  
If so no charge, but a fee while building if these are only required at that stage.  
If the development generates extra demand on infrastructure to our city - what about roads etc?

## General comment areas

Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans

Waste of money the glossy Consultation plan booklets - some pages a waste - could have added more info - No plan to our city as a whole only certain areas. Some Photos not required or a much smaller version could have been used. A more cost effective way for the consultation document would have been better

Please share any feedback about our proposed transport

Who ever designs some of these need to be not to be used again, as no

projects	thought to how transport moves from bikes/ cars/ buses etc. Big slabs of wasted concrete etc. Get designers/ consultants that use there common sense and produce something worthwhile for our city.
<b>Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for water and how we will fund Nature Calls</b>	Wastewater - if you go with the 30yrs approx cost \$1000 for each ratepayers. Do all the buildings/ houses to be build over the 30 yrs help with a proportion of the cost on these rates from the time they build?
<b>Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing</b>	Make sure some if these houses, the green areas are to be kept tidy & that the residents are able to help to maintain as they do not need equipment like hedge trimmers etc. Also compact grasses not the ones you let get out of hand. Yes providing houses at a reasonable cost to build & residents to afford rent is good
<b>Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for growing our city</b>	Featherston St when are the getting of the footpath onto the road going to have a lips smoothed down as too high for wheelchairs on alot of the streets either side of Rangitkei st as wheelchairs cannot get up them & use to have to go along the street quite safely. Cannot di now because you have to actually use the roadway mitre 10 way & far too dangerous.
<b>Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services</b>	Household food waste bins - only offer to people that will use them as not everyone will so we are not wasting money. Some do not have waste as they do there own compost etc. Or hopefully we could encourage Residents to use a bigger green waste bin put in streets that would use them. We need to encourage residents to actually do this and recycle better as they need to realise if everyone did it, it is so much better for our city & dumps
<b>Please share any feedback regarding proposed rates over the next 10 years</b>	Also every year with the leaves that fall from the council trees on streets - especially the ones that are bad & are left for months as Church St was & flooding occurred as not done. Perhaps could bins be put to help encourage residents to help pick up & put in bin or rubbish bags so no cost to them, just a bit of effort that will help everyone. Also as there is so many Council vehicles use the streets - why can they not spend a minute to take a photo of a problem area & let you know. I had seen so many Council vehicles go along church st for months & nothing done.
<b>Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider</b>	I have a major gripe nothing done for over 18months now are sending Send, Snap talking to Council etc. - since Fitroy st/ Church St was done in Dec 2022 - we have the big dipper crossings for pedestrians etc. If vehicles are parked along Memorial Park side they do not see you as you go done a big dips & when rains well unuseable. There are 3 of them - how come Broadway Ave / Vogel st shops had nice level pedestrian crossings put in. This area is used by lots of residents with disabilities/ school kids/ Memorial Park users etc. I approach the contractors & Council before completed as the big dips - the gradients are to steep & my wheelchair gets stuck, alot of people do not use them a too steep they feel safer stepping of the footpath & not using , also too steep for mobility scooter, as have talked to some and there tyres go airborne as to steep, also one who use walkers, also if baby/ child not strapped in would slip forward or out and not enough flat in gutter so have to use a house driveway to cross over to cycle lane. They told me they knew & still nothing has been done for safety or why they cannot put in level crossing onto road instead of the steep slope & down into the gutter you go - this is not a small drop from footpath to street. Cars coming from Main st do not see you when you are down in the gutter. Do all these other excellent crossings & this one is a disgrace more so they knew it was not fit for purpose to use. One was reconcrete but no yellow on it & took a year to have Bush cut back that mobility scooters user ran into each time using it.
<b>How did you find out about our long-term plan?</b>	Rates letter or email





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# Long-Term Plan submission form



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## Your contact details

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Organisation you represent	MaLGRA
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Phone	

## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Other: Non - profit community Group
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Which option do you prefer?	2. Capital value (CV)
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Please tell us why you prefer this option	We support a system that allows for the distribution based on the value of your property rather than the value of land. as land size does not turley refelect the value and size of your house etc
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## Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	Yes
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Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Support as proposed
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Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project	This project should be funded as capital debt rather than operational funding.
Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support as proposed
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Pasifika Centre project	This is needed, we want to support and engage in a community at its core then we need this,
Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support with changes/comments
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Te Pātikitiki Library project	This needs to be community and user lead
Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library	Support with changes/comments
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Awapuni Community Library Hub project	How can we get a more cost effective model or service for this.
Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park	Support with changes/comments
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project	as long as the same financial standards that are applied to this project and on going running costs as other council venues and services.
Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks	Do not support
Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?	I would like to see an increase funding to our rainbow communities. and also like to see a dedicated Rainbow reference group established.

## City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?	1. Preferred option: Build on our existing planning and continue work to look at the buildings as a collective project and explore co-funding opportunities
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## Development contributions questions

We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change?	No
We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change?	No
We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around	Yes

New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?

Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?

Yes

Please tell us why you've selected these answers, and any other feedback you have about the proposed changes to our Development Contributions Policy.

just because we get infrastructure funding does not mean developments should not contribute to the growing needs any contributions made should be going back to pay of that debt that we incur to expand

## General comment areas

Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans

it great that we will have community buildings but if there is no community to use those buildings then what good is it, we need to invest in our social capital, the people doing the work as much as the buildings they are in.

Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects

get rid of parking meters and wardens, we have seen more tickets been issues and then cancelled because your system is poorly run and managed. why not save on the admin cost.

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for water and how we will fund Nature Calls

We need to make this a priority, We really cant be pumping crap and untreated water in to our beautiful water ways. It needs to be funded in the most cost effective way so the rate payers have the least burden.

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing

We need to expand social housing, We fully support the cost for the housing first and homelessness supports.  
I would like to see medium density housing applied to council social housing.  
I think PNCC needs to add an additional 1/4 of its current funding as additional funding

I think the Flexifund needs to increase to \$60K per year so that we can have more meaning full impact.

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for growing our city

We support MTU submission on the future development strategy

Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services

We need to have green waste collection service - this will actually reduce the amount of waste going to landfill - the only reason i have a wheely bin service

Please share any feedback regarding proposed rates over the next 10 years

Rates actually need to be actively increasing with inflation, we also need to stop pushing projects down the road in order to keep rates low, as we will get to the point that we cant put them off any more, and as you know from current and recent increases, the longer you leave a project the more it will cost in general but also with inflation adjusted costs etc.

Maybe we could accept high rates if we knew that your staff were being paid a living wage and the council took up the living wage campaign,

Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider

I would like to see the increase in the community funding, specifically the SPG funding, sector lead funding and small grants fund increase - i think these funds need to be increase by 100% which will reflect the actual increase need of the community sectors and take in to account population growths. and the growing demand our community sector faces on a daily and weekly basis

How did you find out about our long-term plan?

Council website

Booklet in my mailbox

Rates letter or email

Social media

Radio

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Family or friends

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# Long-Term Plan submission form



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## Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
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## Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
Which option do you prefer?	3. Land value (LV) – current system
Please tell us why you prefer this option	The current one suitable my financial situation.
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Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network? No

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Please tell us why you prefer that option

rates charge would come from both  
LV and CV. This would make it  
fairer for people with higher than average  
LV or CV

Please tell us what you don't like about the other options

People with larger sections who do not  
wish to subdivide would pay a lot more  
rates based on a LV scheme.

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Support with changes/comments

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It is an old building with a sloping floor. A new larger library would serve the community better. Also will need extra space when the central library is closed.

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Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

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Awapuni is a large area with no building for community activities. Can be used as a evacuation centre in a disaster. Extra book space when central library is closed.

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If outside funding is available use that and not our rates

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This has been in the pipeline for years. It can't wait longer.



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**Prefer not to say**

Please tell us why you prefer that option

Co-funding is a good idea. ~~Does~~ Does not put all the strain on the <sup>local</sup> rates while buildings are having seismic upgrades it would be cheaper to do the extra necessary work ~~then~~.

Please tell us what you don't like about the other option

Cheaper to do all work on buildings while doing seismic upgrades.

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Have no idea or thoughts on this policy

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Concentrate on core services not what could be nice

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new bus service is not serving the needs of the suburbs. Featherston Street by Rangitikei Street is a disaster waiting to happen. No thought has been given to emergency vehicles travelling.

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for **Water and how we will fund Nature Calls**

A core service, so is needed. Pipe problems should have been addressed years ago



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Either local or central government has to make low cost homes to seniors who need a home and are on low incomes.

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Food scrap rubbish <sup>collection</sup> would be good and take some away from land fill.

Please share any feedback regarding proposed rates over the next ten years

take GST off rates.  
keep rate rises as low as possible  
while still managing core activities.

Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider







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Please tell us why you prefer that option

Being pensioners on a  
fixed income - rates  
increases are a constant  
source of worry.

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Library is a valuable city asset and needs to be retained for all citizens to access.

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Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

Please tell us why you've selected that option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project.

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A community space would be useful in severe events.

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Present building + facilities need an upgrade to support events and sporting fixtures to attract visitors & generate income.





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Only do the required seismic upgrades of these facilities in their current location

**Prefer not to say**

Please tell us why you prefer that option

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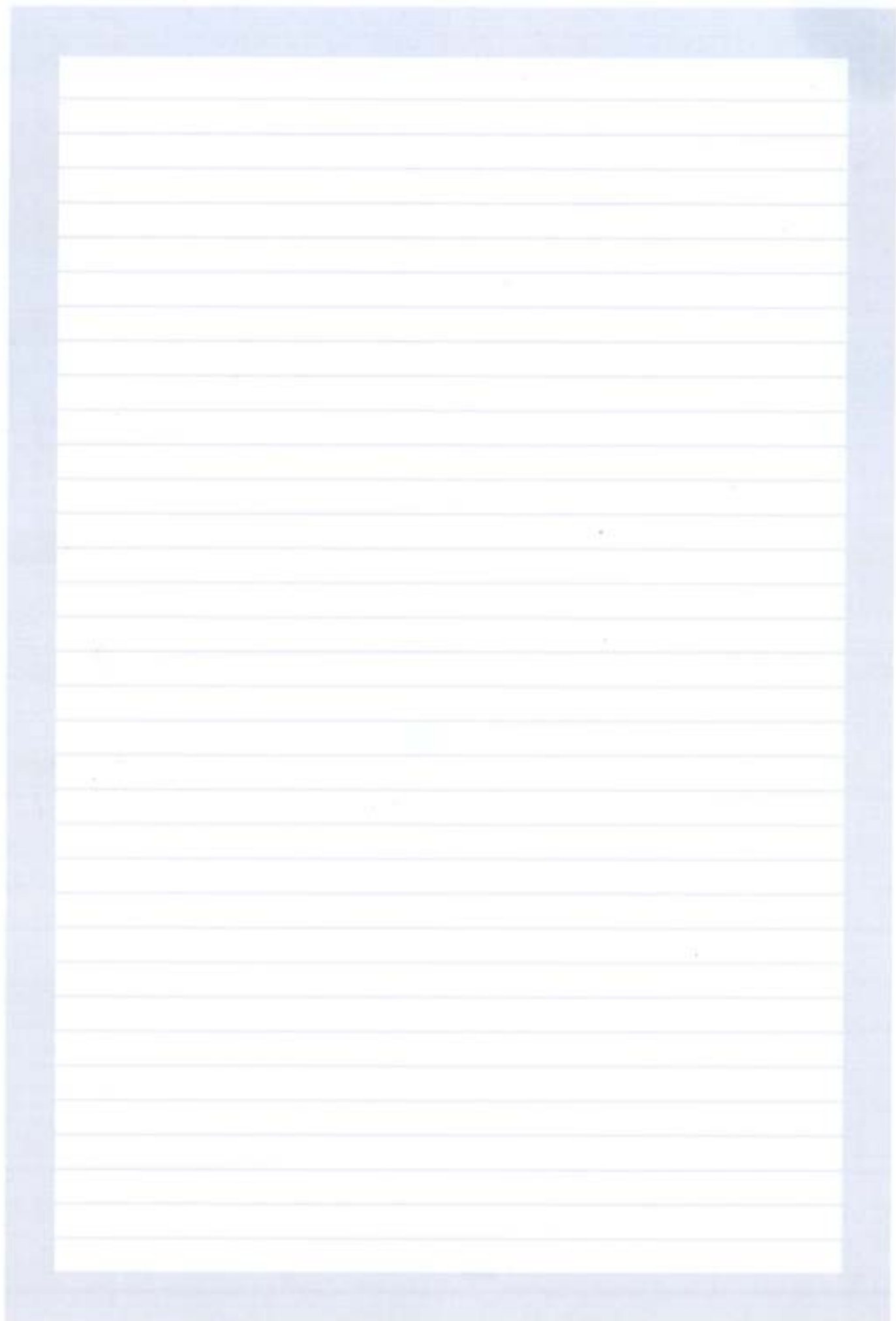
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If food waste bins are to be collected at roadside of houses - it should not be an extra charge on rates as many households are responsible and do not have waste food. Buy food responsibly, compost any small veggie peelings etc.



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- Landlord of a home in Palmerston North who lives here
- Landlord of a home/s but do not live in Palmerston North
- Landlord of a business/commercial property in Palmerston North who lives here
- Landlord of a business/commercial property who does not live in our city
- Other (please state)
- Prefer not to say

**Please tick which option you prefer.**

- 1 Preferred Option - Hybrid (a mixture of land value and capital value)
- 2 Capital Value (CV)
- 3 Land Value (LV) – current system
- 4 Prefer not to say

**Please tell us why you prefer that option**

**Please tell us what you don't like about the other options**

Do you have any other comments you'd like to make regarding the rates review?



# Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?

Yes

No

If you are submitting on behalf of an organisation, please ensure that you have written the organisation's name and contact details on the top of this submission form, and you have their permission to make a submission on their behalf.

We'd like to ask you about these projects separately in case you have different thoughts on different projects.

We're asking you to select whether you support each project as proposed, whether you support it with some suggested changes or comments, or you do not support it. We'll ask you to explain why you've picked the option you have. Suggested changes or comments could include things like the scope of the project, the timeline proposed, the location, the cost, how we're planning on funding it – or any other feedback.

**Multicultural Centre** Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services.

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

Please tell us why you've selected that option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

**Pasifika Centre** Expand and refurbish existing building

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

Please tell us why you've selected that option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project



**Te Pātikitiki Library** Expand and refurbish existing building

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

Please tell us why you've selected that option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

It is a small space like Awapuni library and there is nowhere for community groups to meet.

**Awapuni Community Library Hub** Build a new Awapuni Community Library Hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

Please tell us why you've selected that option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

This is badly needed by the Awapuni Community. As a former Awapuni librarian there was nowhere for groups to meet in a quiet environment.

see over

**Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park** Creation of a civic marae with public facilities and visitor and education attractions at Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park (co-funded with Rangitāne and external funding)

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

Please tell us why you've selected that option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

**Central Energy Trust Arena** Replace Arena 5 at the Central Energy Trust Arena, as well as build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks.

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

Please tell us why you've selected that option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project

Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?

For the first time this is an opportunity in starting to build something for community resilience.

- ① There is land ready
- ② Able to plan a facility that is a resource for the whole community and the city.
- ③ A blueprint for other like facilities badly needed in each sector of the city
- ④ A community disaster Hub - Civil defence centre once built.
- ⑤ Able to support the central library earthquake strengthening project
- ⑥ Meeting spaces vital
- ⑦ Community Kitchen vital.

# City centre transformation – landmark facilities and seismic upgrades

Which option do you prefer? (select one)

**Option one (Preferred Option)**

Build on our existing planning and continue work to look at the buildings as a collective project and explore co-funding opportunities.

**Prefer not to say**

**Option two**

Only do the required seismic upgrades of these facilities in their current location

Please tell us why you prefer that option

Please tell us what you don't like about the other option

Do you have any other comments?

# Development Contributions

We're also proposing some changes to our Development Contributions Policy.

If you're subdividing land or building a new home or business, it's likely you'll need to pay development contributions. These are paid on any development that generates extra demand on infrastructure in our city. Our policy is currently being reviewed and we'd like to hear your thoughts on these proposed changes.

We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth.

**Do you agree with this change?**

Yes

No

Don't know / no opinion

We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project.

**Do you agree with this change?**

Yes

No

Don't know / no opinion

We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this.

**Do you agree with this change?**

Yes

No

Don't know / no opinion

**Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?**

Yes

No

Don't know / no opinion

Please tell us why you've selected these answers, and any other feedback you have about the proposed changes to our Development Contributions Policy.

# General comment areas

Information about these topics is available in our consultation document

Please share any feedback you have about our **vision, goals and plans**

Please share any feedback regarding proposed **transport projects**

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for **Water and how we will fund Nature Calls**



Please share any feedback regarding our proposed plans for **housing**

Please share any feedback regarding our proposed plans for **growing our city**.

You can also provide feedback on our Future Development Strategy which we're consulting on at the same time. You can read about that at [pncc.govt.nz/FDS](https://pncc.govt.nz/FDS)

Please share any feedback about **rubbish and recycling services**.

We're also consulting on our Waste Management and Minimisation plan, please make a submission at [pncc.govt.nz/wasteplan](https://pncc.govt.nz/wasteplan)

Please share any feedback regarding **proposed rates over the next ten years**

Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider



