



Council's Long-Term Plan **Submission Form**

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Your details

First name:

Last name: HUBBARD

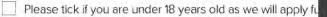
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Organisation you represent:

(If applicable. Please only answer this question if you're speaking on behalf of an organisation)

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Note. I am a PNCC employee, but making this submission as a citizen and ratepayer of palmeston North.

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Rates Review Questions

View your proposed rates at pncc.govt.nz/ratesreview

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- Ratepayer who lives in their Palmerston North home, which is classified as 'Rural' or known as a lifestyle block
- Business owner who pays rates in Palmerston North (Commercial/Industrial classification')

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 Seems fairest. At present the CV option would be cheapest for my property, but the CV will soon rise due to renovations. So yes to hybrid option from me. 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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Community facilities questions

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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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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

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

Please share any feedback regarding proposed transport projects

As both a cyclist and a motorist I support actue transport projects in p.N.

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

Support seeking external funding to make the necessary changes as per Nature Calls. Disappointed that central Gout will not fund this work as originally proposed.

Please share any feedback regarding our proposed plans for housing

More social housing - support this.

Please share any feedback regarding our proposed plans for growing our city.

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We're also consulting on our Waste Management and Minimisation plan, please make a submission at pncc.govt.nz/wasteplan Please share any feedback regarding proposed rates over the next ten years

Support hybrid rates option. Rates will need to orse to found the options I have supported!

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

Cycle path from Te Matai Road to Ashhurst. (Shared pathway). Wish to see this pathway actioned in the short term Not clear what the is cansing the delay -presumably the existing land owner? Ha How about a compulsory purchase order. This section of the river should be something all residents - and ulsitors to the region - con enjoy. Apologies for the poor handwhiting. Strant M. 9/5/24.

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Pasifika Centre Expand and refurb	
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Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?

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- multicultural Centre: why do council have to provide for that? It would be like me having a party or enjecting the council to provide a special venue.

- Pas tika community centre. If the community desire a fale they could tundraise then that would not need council on the fatare to fund this.

Applopuni Community Library Hab. Per square notice a house say is \$5,000/m². This building at 1,500 m² would cost \$7.5 million on these pqures. Where does the figure of 27.1 million come from? I know there are, services to connect, particity, e undscaping.

Council needs to live within their means. Putting vates up to do some non-essential projects is like me asking for a significant payrose so I can put in a deck - swamming pool. It is a want not a need. My employer is not going to pandar to my when !!

people in gerlexal need to live within there means and not spend money they have not got on privolous things.

Consultants grondy over charge for there services and yet one could app people working on the ground to give there perspecture from there experience on the gourd.

Architects also are highly paid & do grandious designs when a building fit for purpose - functionality. is all that is needed.

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.

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

It already costs enough " surely with the strengthening there would need to be all the external " internal coverings cosmetics done to restore the building back to functionality & its forman glory.

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

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Please share any feedback regarding proposed transport projects

- There is no need for cycleways in the city. It does not get more people out of their cars and onto a bike! - There is no need for a new Bus terminal. What is using with the Main St one? - City Centre Transformation - des this really read to be done??

- City Centre Transformation - des this really need to be done?? - How does replacing bridges apound Burnythore support growth? - All these projects come with exportant price tags !!! - How many people would use a shared path-PN to Feilding?

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

- I agree it would be beneficial to join with other councils to share costs in dealing with waste water. - Are there interested parties who have hand they are growing trees on for timber to get waste water puped to that may be close to the proposed waste to land areas: as this will provide Nevenue towards paying by this project

Please share any feedback regarding our proposed plans for housing

-Can council sell off hand to developer; to bring in finance instead of developing the land themselves? - Can council get the Gwenment to sell land to developers where state houses were, that are now lacant so these areas can have houses built families housed?

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- Great you are working with the construction sector to reused Louses - buildings. - Does having a new site for greenworte - recycling drop them adding to what already earsts? Myse another cite on the northern side of the city of Kelvin Grove? - How to get people to not put contaminants lats bens?! - what other ways are there to sort recycling at the Resource Reparty Park nothout expensive machinerry - Food scrap collection is great to keep more out of lands

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

It rates go up too much it could drue people away to live in a town or city with reasonable rates . les enpensive rouping.

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

On housing - with more & more infilling happening, this brings more rates in for council plus with more houses being built by developers on sites where these motimer of houses were in corner of Ruchine ~ Gey Streets where 4 houses were removed and now 15 houses are being built. This will bring in more rates collectually than before.

- Savely with Potaement Villages and Resthounds being extractioned a so brangs in nore rates plus the providing more homes on smaller parcels of land.

- What is happening with houses no longer fit to live in around the city taking up space where new or moved on houses could then house families?

- There is also varcant land around the aty either on streets of industrial land etc that does not seen to be used, one in particular on Tremaine Ave on left going from Highbury are to botanical / Gillespies line It has long grass & surely could be finced off and grased by cours of sheep.

* City Centre Transformation, - having less parking for ears around the Square only takes people (especially the more elderly) away from beards able to park closer to the shops they intend to visit. This affects the money spent in these. shops and could potentially see baseness close a empty buildings, like on Broadway (though that was by another reason).

It on Natore Calls

I disagree with another entity collecting a levy to fund Nature Calls. They would charge more to manage this than say it being done within council even if it was separate to the normal vates and afew people to run it if existing staff were not able to.

* storm Water. (Residential & commercial) What would happen if more property easness pit in Ar good sized water tanks to collect root water & thereby relieve the pressure on storm water channels. If council subsidised these nater tanks would that cost less than upgrading intrastructure ~ Motential theoding? water from said tanks could be used to flash todets, water the garden, work the car she thas relieving the drain on as much treated water from council supply.



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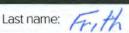
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First name: Malcolm



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Submission to Price Longterm plan 2024 - 2034 Ith May 2024 Submitter Malcolm Frith 66 Florence Ave Palmerston North Palmerston North City Will never achive the Four key Goals listed if this proposed Ten your Plan is adopted. The plan is based on growth and the ability for Householders, Land and Buisness Owners to be able to generate increased Income to cover the cost of the proposed Rate increases, plus the added effect of three periods of revaluations of property assests. as you know most flople are already trying to lope with increasing costs in all areas of living, massive rate increases, will only add more pressure on household and buisness Budgets Kotes have been recorded as being one of Three Main drivers of inflation. To Debt load the City from 260 Million to 623 Million and then Transfer that Borrowing into Rate increases of 100 percent from 124Million to 253 Million is just unsustainable for All Rate Payers. It is started of increasing Debt repayment, that is good, But the bestway of Debt repayment is not to borrow the Money to begin with. A lifelong Lesson taught was, always live within your Means'. Living is about making wise Choices, Future generations should not pay the Price for Poor decisions of Today. I don't Support Most of the MA Capital projects proposed Most could be offset by other approaches , Delayed or Cancelled I Do Support Looking after What we have Now and maintain it to a high Standard. As an exsample Broadway Ave and King St need Some Servous Maintance Maintenance : Maintenance is not about removing and Changing, its about looking what is already in place PTO

I do Support required work and Solutions to upgrading our Waste Wate treatment plant, also Maintaining the Supply of freash Clean Water, This should be the humber One focus as Water as is the Most Valueable assest in the World. I also Support Debt repayment as fast as it is affordable to do and that the city Stops Borrowing Vast Sums of Money for nice to have projects. Less Borrowings and Quicker repayments well provide more Cash flow in the Future, metaad of Coppling Debt. True Sustainability is Based on Affordability, it people cannot afford to live here, there is no Future for this City. To make informed decisions on all the proposed projects, There needs to be alot more information presented and provided for exsample. How was the Purchase of the St Pavids Church Site in Awapani funded, why didn't the Council provide the internation of the cost of that parchase to the public in this plan?

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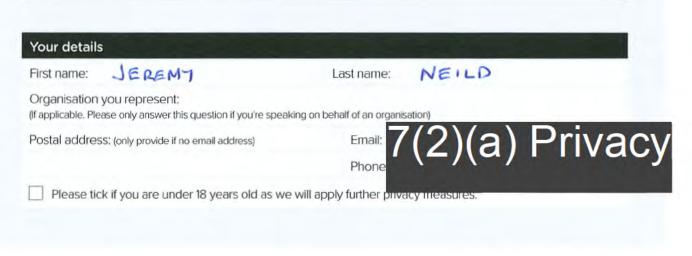
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	Resident, b	out not a ratepayer	(e.g. you	rent or may	live with	family/friends)
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Ratepayer who lives in their home in the Palmerston North urban area

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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.

- 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

I would prefer a 50:50 mix of copied volve and Lord Jelve. I believe that it will be more stable are time than LV clone.

In my case, My last retease valuation - my lod Value invessed from \$365 k is 2018 to \$890 k is 2021 While the value of improvements deamed from \$355 k to \$240 k despite spendy \$270,000 on housing imposed The capital value invessed by \$720 k to \$1.13 m. My reles invessed by \$720 k to \$1.13 m. My reles invessed 30% is are get from \$3616 to \$4704. My income due to retiremed fell \$30% ove the Same period.

Land vote 4 143% vi #-32% copile vote +56%

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

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Do you have any other comments you'd like to make regarding the rates review? A spirt LV / CV should be disadvantage to . everyone. (for a residential purposes) but my have implications for connected purposes) but my have patientaly as their owners may face as persone up grades for earliquete strengthening.

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No 🔽

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	new Awapuni Community Library Hub, which includes
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Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?

It is not that these facilities don't have some went but to rease you borrowy when the cost men is wrong - you should decrease debt as the lost increases,

The proposed netry increases of 11.3%. is way too high and when you and \$1000 for per properly for pathone Calls is Exceptive

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do the save - control expediture.

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City centre transformation – landmark facilities and seismic upgrades

Which option do you prefer? (select one)	
Option one (Preferred Option)	Option two
Build on our existing planning and continue work to look at the buildings as a collective project and explore co-funding opportunities.	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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to be financial prudent	n
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Do you have any other comments?	

Development Contributions

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Yes 🔽	No	Don't know / no opinion
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Yes	No	Don't know / no opinion
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Yes	No	Don't know / no opinion
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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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Please share any feedback regarding proposed transport projects

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- what were the cost benefit only sis show?

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

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Please share any feedback regarding our proposed plans for housing

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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

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

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

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Your details	
First name: Grant	Last name: Stevenson
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If applicable. Please only answer this question if you're speak	king on behalf of an organisation)
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1 Preferred Option - Hybrid (a mixture of land value and capital value)

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Please tell us why you prefer that option

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

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Multicultural Centre Lease space for multiculturate events and services.	l communities to use for activities,
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 There are plenty of asserts that the	feedback you'd like to provide about the project
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Awapuni Community Library Hub Build a new a expanded community space within a new librar	Awapuni Community Library Hub, which includes y
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Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?

I would like to know the usage af Community foralition. What is the mantener costs and one the Current forality able to be extended.

City centre transformation – landmark facilities and seismic upgrades

Option two
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Do you agree with this change	?		e cost of growth.
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for the project.	er projec	r, que lo Councirs propos	sal to seek external funding
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and the calculation of developm	ent con	cribution fees. Most other	councils around New Zealand
Do you agree with this change?		4	
Yes V	No		Don't know / no opinion
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		vastewaler 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.

Developers need to pay tourd the up keep alf existing informations as the couldn't develop without it. New stuff gets old so this weads to be taken into account. Council after yets Lemons handed to if from some developments confinitions / bonds need to reflect this.

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Please share any feedback regarding proposed transport projects Fix the featherster Estreet debarele The the electric busins windst.

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

I do voit think it is fair that rund properties will be asked to fund this Council do not help in with sever with stormwith issues only when properties.

Please share any feedback regarding our proposed plans for housing

The rate payor did not cause this issue so be fair in what you ask to look after our community.

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without raining bigger issues.

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**

Dond get much for my rates Througe fainly for iterop.

Please share any feedback regarding proposed rates over the next ten years Stop borrowie money - use our retes undy

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

If Council would to grow the City then developens weed to pay a way higher levy, as it is they who are reaping the benefils. Council weed to ensure their staff are fit for the growth and capable of diligent solution/problem solving with an eye to the fature Why can't council just manage the assets it already owns properly and consolidate what it has before some big dream projects are considered.

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Long-Term Plan submission form



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Your contact details

First name	Sarah-Paige
Last name	Sturm
Email	
Phone	
Hearing	
Do you want to speak to Council in support of your	Yes

submission?	
	I am flexible on days and times
How would you prefer to give your feedback?	In person

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

Community facilities questions

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	The organisation brings a lot to our city, and shows the value that we place on our multicultural population
Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support as proposed
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any	Our Pasifika populations deserve an updated and adapted for-purpose

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	n/a
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	I don't support building from scratch a new building. More research into finding an appropriate building to adapt and expand
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	The history of that Pa is such that we aught to support a reestablishment of the mana of that space for Rangitāne and an asset to our city, beyond what it is now which is essentially just a car park.
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	n/a

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	There are more buildings than those proposed that need strengthening. Focus on them all getting up to standards and then cosmetics and the rest should follow
Please tell us what you don't like about the other option	I believe all council buildings should be brought up to minimum standards first. All of them.

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 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

Please see below where i have uploaded my audio statement

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

Other: Through my mahi

Supporting information

1164 Long-Term Plan submission form



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Phone

Hearing

Which option do you prefer?

Please tell us why you prefer this option

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	Yes
Please let us know if you'd like a language interpreter	No interpreter required
Preferred hearing dates	Wednesday 15 May: 9am to 12.30pm Thursday 16 May: 9am to 12.30pm Friday 17 May: 9am to 12.30pm
	I am flexible on days and times
How would you prefer to give your feedback?	In person
Rates review questions	
Which of these describes you?	Resident but not a ratepayer (eg, rent or live with family or friends) Other: Buisness-subleases business location

Capital valuation of properties provides a more accurate reflection as to the properties value as a whole, as such should bear its own share of

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?	Yes
Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Support as proposed
Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Prefer not to say
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	Prefer not to say
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	Central Energy Trust Arena offers opportunites both for community sport but also attracts national events, with high economic impacts to the city. The funding to support the facility is not only needed to meet current demands, but provide access to active lifestyles throughout the growth in our community.
Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?	Currently the facility plan needs more specific drafting with the needs of the consistent venue users. Transparency in the process and funding decisions around this project needs to be done in collaboration with the regional sport organizations and Sport Manawatu.

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?	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

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Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans	Funding priories need to reflect the values of Palmerston North as a vibrant and active community. More transparency around the breakdown of how these costs are factored into separate areas within those values is needed.
Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects	As this submission is only to reflect that of our association all other feedback from our board and staff will be submitted through personal submissions.
Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for water and how we will fund Nature Calls	As this submission is only to reflect that of our association all other feedback from our board and staff will be submitted through personal submissions.
Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing	As this submission is only to reflect that of our association all other feedback from our board and staff will be submitted through personal submissions.
Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for growing our city	As this submission is only to reflect that of our association all other feedback from our board and staff will be submitted through personal submissions.
Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services	As this submission is only to reflect that of our association all other feedback from our board and staff will be submitted through personal submissions.
Please share any feedback regarding proposed rates over the next 10 years	As this submission is only to reflect that of our association all other feedback from our board and staff will be submitted through personal submissions.
Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider	With the increase to rates, we strongly support prioritization of projects that can provide means of direct revenue into the facilities and generate economic impact, so that there is more financial sustainability to support other projects within the 10 year plan.
How did you find out about our long-term plan?	City Councillor Other: PNCC and Sport Manawatu hosted an information session for our regional sport partners.

1165 Long-Term Plan submission form



Submitted on	9 May 2024, 1:48PM
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Your contact details

First name	Ute
Last name	Walker
Organisation you represent	Multicultural Council (former president)
Email	
Phone	

Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	Yes
Please let us know if you'd like a language interpreter	No interpreter required
Preferred hearing dates	Wednesday 15 May: Thursday 16 May: Friday 17 May: 9am to 12.30pm
	I am flexible on days and times
How would you prefer to give your feedback?	In person

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?	4. Prefer not to say

Community facilities questions

Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural

Support as proposed

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any I am a founding member of the MMC (past president of the former Ethnic feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre Council) and initiator of the original Multicultural Centre. It's growth over project the last 2 decades demonstrates the role it has played in the settlement and inclusion of ethnic communities, enhanced further by its role as a sector lead organisation. In view of the wide range of services and activities provided, the current MC location is no longer fit for purpose and there is an urgent need for a larger, multi-purpose space which will also accommodate community organsiations' events, both those the MMC represents, but also other community groups which would help create connections. It is important for a future venue to be close to the city centre to ensure visibility and inclusion and demonstrate our city's vibrant ethnic and cultural diversity to both local and visiting people. Palmerston North was the first city in New Zealand to support what was called a Migrant Resource Centre; now, more than 20 years later, it is time to commit to developing a venue and location that is fit for purpose now and in the longer-term. This will be a crucial investment in the city's social cohesion and economic development too, making it attractive for people and businesses to settle and grow the community. 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 Support as proposed includes expanded community space within a new library Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park Support as proposed Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new Prefer not to say turfs, toilets and changing blocks

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?	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?	Yes

General comment areas

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

Family or friends

1166 Long-Term Plan submission form



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Your contact details

First name	Isla
Last name	
Organisation you represent	Palmerston North Youth Council
Email	
Phone	

I am under 18

Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	Yes
Please let us know if you'd like a language interpreter	No interpreter required
Preferred hearing dates	Wednesday 15 May: Thursday 16 May: 1.30pm to 5pm Friday 17 May:
How would you prefer to give your feedback?	In person

Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Prefer not to say
Which option do you prefer?	4. Prefer not to say

Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which

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	The Palmerston North Youth Council supports the Multicultural Centre project because it aligns with feedback from Palmy's rangitahi. Of 43 young people surveyed, 100% would like to see more community facilities that can be used by young people. We believe the project aligns with a common goal of the PNCC and the PNYC: to make Palmerston North a creative and exciting city for our diverse population.
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	The Palmerston North Youth Council supports the Pacifika Centre project, with several surveyees stating that they would like to see a space that young people can use at the Bill Brown Centre. Some youth councillors, however, believe that \$3.6 million is an excessive amount of money to spend on the project, and suggest that costs should be cut where possible.
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	The Palmerston North Youth Council support the Te Pātikitiki Library project as it will provide a space for young people to use while seismic upgrades are made to the city library. Numerous respondents to our survey would like to see spaces for young people to utilise in Highbury and other low-income suburbs.
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 Palmerston North Youth Council support the Awapuni Community Library Hub for the same reasons as stated above: another library will provide a space for youth while seismic upgrades are made to the city library. Several respondents to our survey would like to see spaces for young people to utilise in Awapuni.
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	The Palmerston North Youth Council support the Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park project for the cultural value it will provide to the city, with many survey respondents commenting that a more thriving arts and cultural scene will attract young people to the city.
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	The Palmerston North Youth Council generally support improvements being made to the arena, with several survey respondents commenting that they would like to see more safe, well-maintained, well-lit sporting areas. However, the PNYC collectively agreed that the renovations proposed to the Central Energy Trust Arena were targeted at the aesthetics of the building rather than addressing the functionality issues such as leaks within the buildings. The PNYC would suggest modifications to these plans that would focus on the integrity and standard of the current facilities rather than building new ones at high costs.

City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Prefer not to say

Development contributions questions

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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
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 housing

The PNYC asserts their opinion that the PNCC should prioritise the allocation of resources towards the development and maintenance of adequate social housing within our city. In response to housing, 76.5% of surveyed applicants recognised a need for more social housing and 59% of people surveyed agreed with the conversion of unused areas into housing. In light of these results, the PNYC supports the investigation into a social housing development on Summerhays Street. It is imperative that everyone in Palmerston North has access to dignified housing options. As our city's population is expected to increase notably across this 10 year period, we believe more housing is crucial in order to sustain and stimulate this growth. Therefore, we support the PNCC's efforts to ensure this in Papaioea Place and Tamakuku Terrace and the rezoning of land at Aokautere, Ashhurst, Roxburgh Crescent and Kākātangiata. In order to achieve the housing objectives which will support all of Palmerston North residents, we agree with the PNCC's consideration of medium-density housing in our urban areas. These initiatives reinforce the progress towards the PNCC's goal of a 'safe and connected community' of which 'access to healthy and affordable housing' is an outcome. However, we believe that proposals such as the development of the Central Energy Trust Arena limit the capacity of the PNCC to promote this goal. The PNYC holds the opinion that more financial investment should be placed in providing housing for all Palmerston North residents. The PNYC also sees the most value, in terms of housing, in Option 1 of the PNCC's Long Term Plan draft.

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

Growing our City:

We think that efforts from the PNCC are on the right track to ensuring the expected, 103,980, Palmy residents in 2034 are provided with a fair and enjoyable experience. An important consideration is youth activities in Palmy. Often, we see youth roaming the Plaza, in lout of activities to be involved in. While we think Palmy caters well for the 5 - 12 age bracket, more can be done for those aged between 13 - 24. An alternate youth space for Uni students/young adults could provide a safe space and serve as a place for meeting new people. The only real alternative for young adults is visiting a liquor licensed establishment, which should not be the first port of call. The vision to build a multicultural centre, a new library, and a centre at ANZAC park, in conjunction with Rangitane,

	are all positive and we encourage it highly. It aims for more engagement in the city and that is something the Palmy Youth Council inherently supports.
Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider	Environment/infrastructure: The Palmerston North Youth Council believe that maintaining and protecting our green spaces and natural environment is a high priority. Many youth responded to say that recycling bins are not easily accessible in town. Nearly every response agreed that Palmy's recycling system needs to be improved. The most popular suggestion was to create more awareness around what can and can't be recycled. As well as recycling bins, implementing a public composting system encourages waste reduction, and encourages sustainable practices while reducing waste.
	In regard to public bathrooms, Palmy youth would like to see improved maintenance to ensure these facilities have an upheld hygiene standard and to prevent vandalism. This is crucial to ensure accessibility of outdoor spaces for both Palmy residents, and our visitors.
	There has been a strong response to increasing the frequency of rubbish bins and water fountains in the green spaces around Palmy. There is also push for more green spaces around Palmy to improve the student appeal of our city to encourage healthy lifestyles and as a platform for socialising with peers. This would enhance the aesthetic appeal of our city as well as the improving air quality and the mental health of our residents.
	 Safety On behalf of the PNYC, our Media Team conducted a series of surveys on our Instagram page from 22/3/24 - 16/3/24. PNYC also hosted a networking event with head students from schools all around our city on 1/5/24 to discuss the most prominent changes to our youth. Here are the results relating to general safety: 33/65 respondents on our Instagram survey declared they did not feel safe in our city – just over half of youth surveyed feeling unsafe in Palmerston North – a nicknamed 'student city'. With the question: What safety features are most effective? 32/64 following respondents stated that more streetlights are the most effective safety measure, followed by open spaces with 19/64. Only 7 respondents found cycle lanes the most effective safety facto, in addition to 6 respondents felt lower speed limits were the most effective in helping them feel safe. Suggested areas for more lighting included: The Square, George St, Cuba St and other central areas such as Broadway Ave – a majority of the cities classified CBD. Furthermore, youth felt that there needed to be more lighting down by the river, especially from the Fitzherbert Bridge to the Albert St entrance. Expansion of community spaces and centres, especially those targeted at youth which would also be open later at night till around 6pm Monday-Thursday. A later closing time on Friday-Sunday is suggested to be 9:30pm. This could look like Youth Space being open for longer (till 6:00pm) from Monday-Thursday and open until 9pm from Friday-Sunday. An increased number of security cameras around the CBD were also suggested as an additional safety measure. Other measures bought to
	our attention were more evening events in The Square, increased police patrol. A few youth felt a sense of uneasiness about being in The Sqaure due to the number of homeless people present. Road Safety Regarding Road Safety, these are the responses we received via our Instagram survey:
	56/60 respondents regularly used our roads, with only 4/60 respondents never using the roads in our city. 33 respondents used them every day, with 13 using them most days, followed by 11 participants using our roads a few times per week (occasionally) Of 58 respondents, 48 believed the roads in our city needed improving in some way, with many of those respondents' citing potholes as the main issue

issue

Suggestions of ways to improve roads from our survey and networking event are as follows:

Implementation of speed bumps outside of establishments that sell alcoholic beverages.

Increased safety of our cyclists by making cycle ways wider, reducing speed limits and modelling cycle lanes similar to that on Pioneer Highway which will hopefully encourage more Palmy residents to cycle. A large majority thinks the roads in the city need to be improved, specifically Featherston St, Roberts line, the streets surrounding the Square, the bridge to Railway Road, the Te Awe Awe st and Fitzherbert intersection by girls high, Vogel Street, Botanical Road and potholes in general.

Vogel St was a big topic of discussion, with many youth believing that a right-hand turning bay was needed for motorists turning onto Hayden St from Vogel St, as well as one for motorists turning onto Featherston St from Vogel St

A big issue for PNGHS students was the need for a pedestrian crossing further down Huia St, with many students crossing the pavement in front of oncoming turning cars, who cannot see the students. To suggest that students use the crossing, it was recommended that bushes be grown on the sides of the entrance to Huia St. This allows does not detract from the visual appeal of the road.

A concern for Awatapu students was the lack of available crossings for students where Park Road meets Botanical Road. Many students result to crossing the road up at the Lido, or at the College St/Botanical Road intersection. This is a concern particularly for those students walking to Awatapu down Park Road, as the only safe place to cross is1 kilometere up the road at the Lido.

Student Appeal:

From our survey, the PNYC have concluded that Palmerston North is not an enticing city for young people and students. We campaign for projects that make the young people in our city enjoy their life and benefit from every chance they can get, which are necessary for a working future. With the information received from our survey, these are matters we need to attend to, in order to improve the student appeal in Palmerston North:

- Youth Events and Activities

According to our survey, young people have expressed their wish to take part in more exciting activities. The most preferred options were live music performances, sport tournaments, cultural festivals and formal gatherings such as a proposed Palmy youth ball. Apart from offering entertainment, more youth events would allow for socialisation among people from different backgrounds, a celebration of the diversity that Palmerston North has to offer. Just picture how vibrant street festivals showcasing local talent, bustling sports tournaments that promote healthy competition, and cultural showcases celebrating the diversity of our community would look like in this city. If Palmerston North invests in a rich calendar of youth events each weekend it will create the right atmosphere that appeals to students who seek for vibrant and in thing at the same time.

- Creation of Opportunities

A key reason that many young people choose to leave Palmerston North is the lack of educational and career opportunities which could be addressed by the city council in the following ways. Internship and Apprenticeship Programs: Collaborate with businesses to develop internship and apprenticeship opportunities. Hands-on experiences can fill the gap between education and employment, retaining human resources with exceptional skills at workplaces. Support Entrepreneurship: Establish innovation hubs and provide resources to young entrepreneurs. Encourage startups and small businesses by offering grants or funding opportunities. Promote Career Growth: Invest in career development services within schools and universities, offering guidance on job prospects, networking, and professional skills development. Cultivate Arts: Promote arts and cultural initiatives that showcase and support young talent. Create platforms for artists, musicians, and performers to exhibit their work and engage with the community. Improving Nightlife: Collaborate with local businesses to extend operating hours for cafes, restaurants, and entertainment venues. Develop policies that support a diverse range of nightlife establishments, from music venues to late-night eateries.

Youth Services and Participation:

The Palmy Youth Council believes that Palmerston North City requires more youth services and spaces where the youth can engage with one another and local events. It is important to consider how the youth are going to feel included and recognised in Palmerston North, and how the council is going to ensure youth engagement over the next decade.

An important step to ensuring that young people feel included in Palmerston North, and ensuring that they wish to remain in Palmerston North, is to make sure that the services young people require are available to them. Young people need safe spaces where they can be themselves and interact with other young people in a meaningful way. They also require services to assist them throughout their day to day lives. Many young people have expressed interest in more services such as the Youth Space being opened in more places across the city. These spaces allow for a welcoming atmosphere and places that meet the above criteria. These spaces should be designed with input from young people.

With the expansion of youth facilities such as youth space, an expansion of services within these spaces would also help improve life for young people within Palmerston North. Making it easier for young people to access facilities such as career counselling, local events and even mental health support groups within these spaces would be an incredible step towards improving Palmy for young people.

Youth participation is also a key aspect of keeping youth involved and happy within Palmerston North. It is imperative that an effort is made to ensure that young people feel that their voice is being heard, and that changes are being made with young people in mind. The youth council plays a key role in this, but so does the PNCC. Making sure that the council reaches out to young people for their opinion on changes that are being made – whether that be directly or (preferably) through consultations with the PNYC – is a key step to engaging young people in Palmy.

Additionally, young people in Palmy have expressed the fact that they feel there are not enough events in Palmerston North catered or advertised to youth aged between 14 and 24. Palmy tends towards events for very young people or adults, with very little for the youth.

Overall, it is very shocking to the PNYC that in the proposed long-term plan there is no mention of youth, young people, or students. For a city with almost a third of its population aged between 12 and 24, it is strange that there are few plans over the next ten years to improve life for them here in the city.

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

Council website

Social media

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?	Yes
Please let us know if you'd like a language interpreter	No interpreter required
Preferred hearing dates	Wednesday 15 May: 1.30pm to 5pm Thursday 16 May: 1.30pm to 5pm Friday 17 May: 1.30pm to 5pm
How would you prefer to give your feedback?	Via an online live video

General comment areas

Supporting information



9 May 2024

To: Palmerston North City Council By online submission

Submission on the Palmerston North City Council's Draft Development Contributions Policy 2024 on behalf of the Retirement Villages Association of New Zealand

- The Retirement Villages Association of New Zealand (RVA) is a voluntary industry organisation that represents the interests of the owners, developers and managers of registered retirement villages throughout New Zealand. The RVA was incorporated in 1989 by a group of entrepreneurs to:
 - 1.1. represent the interests of retirement village owners, developers and managers;
 - 1.2. develop operating standards for the day-to-day management of retirement villages; and
 - 1.3. protect their residents' wellbeing.
- 2. New Zealand has more than 460 registered retirement villages and 96% by unit number are members of the RVA. The RVA's members include all five publicly-listed companies (Summerset Group, Ryman Healthcare, Arvida Group, Oceania Healthcare, and Radius Residential Care Ltd), other corporate groups (such as Metlifecare, Bupa Healthcare, Arena Living, independent operators), and not-for-profit operators (such as community trusts, religious and welfare organisations).
- 3. The RVA welcomes the opportunity to provide feedback to the Palmerston North City Council on its Draft Development Contributions Policy 2024.
- 4. Retirement villages play a key role in addressing the housing crisis, and the retirement living and aged care crises. Retirement village developments have a higher population density than traditional residential development. The development of affordable retirement village dwellings, such as those provided by RVA members, reduces land demand pressure and makes further residential housing available as new village residents release their properties to the market.
- 5. This increase in housing supply helps to relieve pressure on the housing market and contributes towards improved housing affordability in the long term. Affordable housing and the realistic prospect of home ownership for younger generations provides the opportunity for more secure accommodation than renting, and long-term investment opportunities.

- 6. Retirement villages also have benefits in reduced transport demand from residents, consequential reductions in the use and demand for infrastructure, and climate benefits resulting from the overall density of villages and the aforementioned transport benefits.
- 7. The RVA wishes to express its support for the submission of Summerset Group Holdings Limited in its entirety. The RVA requests the Palmerston North City Council engages constructively with Summerset in relation to the Draft Development Contributions Policy.

Signed:

On behalf of the Retirement Villages Association of New Zealand

Date: 9 May 2024

Address for Service:

The Retirement Villages Association of New Zealand PO Box 25-022 Wellington 6146

Contact's Details:

Attention: John Collyns - Telephone: 021 952 945 Email: john@retirementvillages.org.nz

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Your contact details

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Organisation you represent	MyBiz
Email	
Phone	

Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	Yes
Please let us know if you'd like a language interpreter	No interpreter required
Preferred hearing dates	Wednesday 15 May: Thursday 16 May: 5.30pm to 7.30pm Friday 17 May:
How would you prefer to give your feedback?	In person

Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area Business owner who rents my business location in Palmerston North
Which option do you prefer?	3. Land value (LV) – current system
Please tell us why you prefer this option	This option has the least impact on me. I am aware of the 30% plus increases coming in the next 3 years plus the extra levy coming for the waste water.
Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	Basing rates calculations with a capital value component raises

	significant concerns, as it can potentially impose an unsustainable financial burden on both residents and businesses within our community. Higher rates bills resulting from escalating capital values can strain household budgets to the point where affording essential living expenses becomes a challenge, particularly for those on fixed or limited incomes. It is crucial to acknowledge that capital value increases can be substantial over time, outpacing income growth for many families. This would have been experienced over the past 10 years. This disconnect between rising property values and stagnant wages can create a regressive taxation model, where the rates burden becomes disproportionately heavy for those least able to absorb the additional costs. Furthermore, a concern potentially is that a land and/or capital based value-based rating system may actively discourage new construction and development within our city. As property values rise, so too do the associated rates payments, potentially making the economics of new projects or renovations less viable. Worse case scenarios is this unintended consequence could hinder growth and investment, ultimately impeding our city's long-term economic prosperity. Moreover, the impact of escalating rates based on capital value is particularly detrimental to the business community. Unlike government entities, which can adjust pricing or revenue streams to offset increased costs, businesses often lack the flexibility to immediately pass on higher rates to their customers, especially in the current economic climate characterised by heightened financial pressures and strained consumer spending. According to a report released by Xero in July 2023, an alarming 46% of business owners and 60% of sole traders in New Zealand are forgoing personal compensation in order to keep their businesses afloat. Additionally, more than half of Kiwi small businesses (52%) have been forced to increase prices to address cash flow challenges, while a similar proportion (48%) have sought to review
	Imposing higher rates based on having capital valuations components would only exacerbate these challenges, effectively handicapping our local businesses and jeopardising their ability to thrive and contribute. It is imperative that we carefully consider the far-reaching implications of our rating system and avoid policies that disproportionately burden our most vulnerable residents or stifle business growth and development.
Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review?	This is a significant change to the way PNCC collects revenue and has been poorly communicated to rate payers and not many are aware of the

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	See below
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	See below
Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building	Do not support

changes they could be facing.

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Te Pātikitiki Library project	See Below
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	While I appreciate the goals behind the proposed building projects - the \$750k Multicultural Centre, \$3.9m Pacifika Centre, \$3.6m Te Patikitiki Library, and \$27m Awapuni Library - I have concerns about the significant costs associated with these individual projects. I personally believe that these are not a necessity in the current economic climate. If PNCC still thinks these facilitates are really needed, I believe that the council should explore more cost-effective solutions that could potentially consolidate or streamline these initiatives into a single, multi-purpose facility or strategic approach rather than pursuing several separate, costly building projects. Perhaps a thoughtfully designed, centralised community hub or multi-use complex could accommodate the various cultural, library, and community needs in a more economical manner. Maybe this should all be included in the plan for the central library, Te Manawa plan that would bring the whole community into the city. While I support efforts to enhance community resources and facilities, I feel the currently proposed projects represent an excessive financial burden on ratepayers and will stop future infrastructure spending on much more needed facilities that will future proof our city. I urge the council to carefully re-evaluate the plans and explore more fiscally projects when more efficient solutions may be viable.
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	I appreciate the council's proposal to create a civic marae with public facilities and visitor/education attractions at Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park in collaboration with Rangitāne. This initiative has the potential to enrich our community's culture and will be a great asset to our city.
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	After attending stakeholder meetings with Sport Manawatu and other community sports organisations, I have significant concerns regarding the lack of meaningful consultation and engagement on the Central Energy Trust Arena project and related facilities planning. Talking with a number of these these indoor user groups, there is a strong sentiment that the voice and expertise of the their particular sports community have not been adequately heard or incorporated into the conceptual plans thus far. There are apprehensions that previous discussions and functional requirements highlighted by those directly involved in facilitating community sports have gone unheeded. Notably, there is a palpable fear that this perceived lack of active engagement and failure to truly listen to the needs of sports stakeholder will persist as the project transitions from concept to design phase. The sports community feels they possess vital insights into the functionality requirements that should be central to the planning process, yet there is concern that their input will once again be marginalised. Furthermore, stakeholders have raised questions about the prioritisation of investment in sporting facilities, expressing concerns that the current indoor sports infrastructure is inadequate to meet existing demand, let alone accommodate projected population growth. There is a prevailing sense that sports and recreational activities that directly promote physical activity within the community are not receiving their fair share o the allocated funding and resources. In the interest of developing facilities that truly serve the needs of our

	community, I urge the council to prioritise proactive, substantive consultation and collaboration with the sporting organisations and stakeholders who possess invaluable expertise in this domain. Our insights are crucial to ensuring that the final plans for the Arena and aquatic facilities are optimally functional, accessible, and capable of fostering an active, healthy community both now and in the future. I can certainly speak from experience from the recent Aquatics needs assessment.
Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?	In my role with MAFUG (Manawatu Aquatics Facilities Users Group) I have a passion for aquatics sports. The Aquatics Feasibility Study in Year 2 of the Long Term Plan is a crucial initiative that deserves the utmost urgency and priority. Palmerston North is facing a concerning shortage of adequate aquatic facilities, exacerbated by aging infrastructure that is rapidly becoming obsolete. Just a refresher of our current facilities: There is no Water Polo pool in Palmerston North. Our outdoor Lido 50mtr pool is 65 years old. It is past its use by date. Being an outdoor pool heated by a boiler- it certainly is not a green way to operate. The 25mtr John Bolt indoor pool was build in 1981- 43 years ago. The Freyberg 25mtr pool was built approx. 30 years ago. Canoe Polo has no winter training facilities. There has been little investment in Aquatics facilities since for the sports community. This lack of resources poses significant risks to our community's ability to learn and engage in essential water safety and swimming skills. An indoor aquatics facility designed to cater to all aquatic sports and activities is not a luxury, but rather a vital investment in the well-being and preparedness of our citizens. Swimming proficiency and water safety awareness are fundamental life skills that should be accessible to everyone, regardless of age, background, or ability. The current lack of lane space and suitable facilities within our city limits is a glaring impediment to achieving this goal. During school swimming sports events, it becomes painfully evident that many of our children lack confidence and competence in the water – a concerning reality that threatens their safety and limits their potential for personal growth and enjoyment of aquatic activities. We have a duty of care to ensure that no member of our community is deprived of the opportunity to learn these critical skills. Failure to address this need not only puts lives at risk but also perpetuates a cycle of exclusion from the numerous physical, mental, and soci

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	Regarding the proposed seismic upgrades of landmark facilities in the city centre, I generally support this initiative conceptually. Ensuring the structural integrity and safety of our iconic buildings is undoubtedly important, not only for preserving our architectural heritage but also for maintaining a vibrant and inviting city core. However, my support is contingent upon the project adhering to reasonable cost parameters and design considerations. While I understand the imperative for seismic reinforcement, any upgrades or renovations must be approached with fiscal prudence and a commitment to preserving the essence and character of these landmark structures. I am eager to understand how these upgrades are expected to be the catalyst of the reinvigoration of the city centre and enhance its appeal to residents and visitors alike. In essence, I am supportive of the concept but would appreciate further

transparency and stakeholder engagement to ensure that the execution of these upgrades strikes the right balance between preservation, fiscal responsibility, and the overarching goal of breathing new life into the heart of our city.

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

To not invest now will only end up costing the city more in later years and you will be spending a large amount of money to basically look the same. We already have these assets, so lets set them up to last for the next 50 years.

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
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 have not answered any of these as I have not had the time to study these and therefore make an informed decision.

General comment areas

Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects

I do not favor any continuation of roading projects similar to the recent changes on Featherston Street. This has been an unwelcomed alteration, not favored by the majority of residents, but the marginal few. I am also concerned about the lack of transparency surrounding the project's funding. Originally presented as funded by Waka Kotahi, we later discovered an additional \$490,000 would be required from ratepayers. This type of approach, where projects are not fully disclosed upfront, only serves to erode the trust residents have in their council. Furthermore, I oppose any suggested idea of parking availability more difficult in the city center, and making it harder to mover around our city center. Palmerston North is a regional hub, and ensuring easy access is crucial for attracting visitors and supporting local businesses. The harder it becomes to access the city, the less likely people will be inclined to visit, directly impacting our economic vitality. While traffic management is essential, it should prioritize facilitating smooth movement and promoting a thriving city center, not creating additional barriers. I remember as a child growing up in a small town, There was an obsession with putting malls in small towns. These had such a negative impact on the center of the town, that it made it difficult for businesses to operate. The town I grew up in, it split the business area in two. Residents made a choice as to which side of town they chose to go. The ideology was they could walk everywhere, but the reality is they didn't. It took 20 years, but the Council finally came to its senses and removed the mall.

I favour an approach that prioritises the efficient movement of people and vehicles through the city while actively promoting business growth and accessibility.

I do fully support the ring road development and what this will bring to the city. I urge PNCC to make this a priority.

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Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	Yes
Please let us know if you'd like a language interpreter	No interpreter required
Preferred hearing dates	Wednesday 15 May: 1.30pm to 5pm Thursday 16 May: Friday 17 May:
	I am flexible on days and times
How would you prefer to give your feedback?	In person

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?	3. Land value (LV) – current system
Please tell us why you prefer this option	I see no need to change. Some people will have higher rates under one or both of the two proposed options and some will have a rates reduction. But overall the current system is relatively fair.
Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	People who choose to own a bigger chunk of land should pay their fair

share for that privilege, and the current system provides for that. Hybrid may be an interim towards moving to full CV and that will discriminate against those homeowners who have a smaller piece of land and own a larger home on that land. Land for housing is not finite.

Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the No rates review?

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	We cannot afford it. We've done without this until now and I see no need to spend rates money on it now.
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	We cannot afford it at present. Defer until the economy recovers. And is there a Pakeha Centre?
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 cannot afford it at present. Defer until the economy recovers. I use the library and I am very happy as it currently is. However, if it needs earthquake work and refurbishment then temporarily move the library into the empty retail spaces around PN's CBD. I don't see any need to expand the size of the library.
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 a big NO! We have the new buses, so people can easily get to the CBD to use the central library. And again, we cannot afford this level of spending. Focus on the vital services and please keep rates rises to a minimum.
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	This is a big NO! We cannot afford it, and it seems a pointless thing to do just to satisfy a few egos. Focus on the vital services and please keep rates rises to a minimum.
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	A nice to have - at least defer this until the economy improves and council debt has been significantly reduced. Revisit in six years. In the meantime, focus on the vital services and please keep rates rises to a minimum.
Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?	As you can see, my responses appear to be largely negative. Massive debt is negative, and so too is the high cost of living negative. Our

council needs to learn to live within it means and not be putting this level of financial pressure on all ratepayers just to please a few interest groups, and especially during the very tough economic climate we are currently in.

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	Overall, I think it wiser to do the seismic upgrades on the affected facilities in their current locations wherever possible.
Please tell us what you don't like about the other option	Cost also comes into play here, so find the lowest cost for each upgrade and evaluate each one on its financial merits.
Do you have any other comments?	-

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?	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 about our proposed transport projects	Featherston Street clearly is a disaster, just a Council William Wood said back in September 2023 that it would be. I don't want PN's population to grow, and our city's size is one of the things that makes PN what it is, and what is has been. However, if it is going to carry on growing as predicted then messing up our roads makes even less sense.
Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for water and how we will fund Nature Calls	I understand that a levy of around \$1,000/yr is going to be put on top of our usual rates charges for 30 years. Life is fast becoming far too costly for many folk.
Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing	I don't agree with the volume of medium density housing that is going in. Especially with respect to those projects being built on our busy main streets. They are a recipe for ugly disasters in the future. Look at the on- going decline of Massey University and CBD retail, and the implications of that relative to housing, and then think about Detroit in USA.

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for growing our city	Nothing can grow forever; everything is finite. Humans need to stop this flawed philosophy of constant and endless growth. Sustainably living within our means should be our primary goal.
Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services	My house produces no food waste, and we compost all of our green waste. The current council rubbish waste and recycling collection services work perfectly well for us.
Please share any feedback regarding proposed rates over the next 10 years	Regardless of whoever is in government, NZ's wider economy is clearly not going to recover to a satisfactory level anytime soon. So councils everywhere can best look after their communities by sticking to the provision of vital core services only, and putting ALL nice-to-have 'strategic' initiatives on hold for as long as it takes. And of course, review this every three years, as is already the case. This way, rates rises can be, and as they should be, kept to an absolute minimum during these very tough times. And this also means: DO NOT take on more debt!
How did you find out about our long-term plan?	Council website Booklet in my mailbox Rates letter or email Social media City Councillor

Supporting information



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Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	Yes
Preferred hearing dates	Wednesday 15 May: Thursday 16 May: Friday 17 May: 9am to 12.30pm, 1.30pm to 5pm, 5.30pm to 7.30pm
How would you prefer to give your feedback?	In person
Rates review questions	

Which of these describes you?	Other: Organisation
Which option do you prefer?	4. Prefer not to say

Community facilities questions

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	We support this as part of the proposed budget, increasing cultural capacity means more beauty and understanding in our city as well as cultural growth.
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	Over the past year, we have been advocating for the refurbishment of the Pasifika Centre, known as Bill Brown Park Hall, to accommodate our growing community. The proposed \$3.88M investment in refurbishing and expanding the Pasifika Community Centre signifies the Council's commitment to valuing our Pasifika people and investing in future generations.
Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support as proposed
Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park	Support as proposed

General comment areas

Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans	The Pasifika Reference group presents this submission on behalf of a collective of 14 members from our Pasifika Community. We are busy people that have faced much diversity but this opportunity allows council to see and hear our perspectives.
	We want to express our gratitude to the Council for establishing the Pasifika Reference group, which has enabled us to advocate for ourselves and engage in open discussions with our Local Government representatives. We appreciate the diverse range of investments made by the council, including Arts & Heritage, Festivals, and recreational areas, providing our Pasifika community with accessible and inclusive spaces.
	We urge the Council to consider partnering with our Community to ensure that the social housing developments are accessible, affordable, and provide adequate cultural components for residents. Emphasizing the importance of prioritizing housing needs, we believe that the focus should be on understanding the demographic requirements and catering to those needs effectively. Current houses being built in the Medium Density space are not aged friendly, accessable for disabled people, have little parking which can be difficult for single parents or those with cars that are at risk of being easily stolen in our city.
	Lastly with regards to our Youth, we notice that in your Planning documents the Youth Wellbeing Strategy has been stuck the the bottom right hand corner and we already know that Youth are our future, so why is this not taking centre stage in the Planning documents. Our succession planning should be clear, not just by paper but through Actions and we urge Council to prioritise this strategy so that we can continue to build strong Local Governance and political leaders for our Nation. Other than the Youth Council, we see huge value in the Youth Wellbeing Forum as well as a strategic plan from council that focuses on the future sustainability of diverse rangatahi voices.

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Your contact details

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Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	Yes
Please let us know if you'd like a language interpreter	No interpreter required
Preferred hearing dates	Wednesday 15 May: 5.30pm to 7.30pm Thursday 16 May: 5.30pm to 7.30pm
	Friday 17 May:
How would you prefer to give your feedback?	Via an online live video

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?	4. Prefer not to say
Please tell us why you prefer this option	None of the options are favoured.
Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	All are poorly balanced and provide unfair and increases to rural ratepayers.
Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the	Yes, why are the rates increasing for rural households with the

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%discount removed in one lump rather than staggered over a number of years? Given the current cost of living crisis, this is an unfair increase which is not reflective of the statements as to the increases anticipated printed in the information documentation.

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	We should be focusing on essential requirements to make the city work better and future-proof rather than nice to have's which we can fund when the city has less demand on its financial budgets.
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	We should be focusing on essential requirements to make the city work better and future-proof rather than nice to have's which we can fund when the city has less demand on its financial budgets.
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 should be focusing on essential requirements to make the city work better and future-proof rather than nice to have's which we can fund when the city has less demand on its financial budgets.
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 should be focusing on essential requirements to make the city work better and future-proof rather than nice to have's which we can fund when the city has less demand on its financial budgets.
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	We should be focusing on essential requirements to make the city work better and future-proof rather than nice to have's which we can fund when the city has less demand on its financial budgets.
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	We should be focusing on essential requirements to make the city work better and future-proof rather than nice to have's which we can fund when the city has less demand on its financial budgets.
Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?	We should be focusing on essential requirements to make the city work better and future-proof rather than nice to have's which we can fund when the city has less demand on its financial budgets.

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	We should be focusing on essential requirements to make the city work better and future-proof rather than nice to have's which we can fund when the city has less demand on its financial budgets.
Please tell us what you don't like about the other option	We should be focusing on essential requirements to make the city work better and future-proof rather than nice to have's which we can fund when the city has less demand on its financial budgets.
Do you have any other comments?	We should be focusing on essential requirements to make the city work better and future-proof rather than nice to have's which we can fund when the city has less demand on its financial budgets.

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
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 have enough information to make a decision. I feel that PNCC should be focusing on essential requirements to make the city work better and future-proof rather than nice to have's which we can fund when the city has less demand on its financial budgets.
General comment areas	
Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans	We should be focusing on essential requirements to make the city work better and future-proof rather than nice to have's which we can fund when the city has less demand on its financial budgets.
Please share any feedback about our proposed transport	We should be focusing on essential requirements to make the city work

Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects

better rather than nice to have's. If you are raising rates for rural areas then maybe you should also be providing public transport services to facilitate green transport rather than needing households to have to use their own transport. We should be focusing on essential requirements to make the city work better and future-proof rather than nice to have's which we can fund when the city has less demand on its financial budgets.

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for water

r We should be focusing on essential requirements to make the city work

and how we will fund Nature Calls	better and future-proof rather than nice to have's which we can fund when the city has less demand on its financial budgets.
Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing	We should be focusing on essential requirements to make the city work better and future-proof rather than nice to have's which we can fund when the city has less demand on its financial budgets.
Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for growing our city	We should be focusing on essential requirements to make the city work better rather than nice to have's. If you are raising rates for rural areas then maybe you should allow sections to sub-divide (like urban properties are allowed to do) to help households cope with the costs of living. We should be focusing on essential requirements to make the city work better and future-proof rather than nice to have's which we can fund when the city has less demand on its financial budgets.
Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services	We should be focusing on essential requirements to make the city work better rather than nice to have's. If you are raising rates for rural areas then maybe you should also be providing rubbish and recycling services instead of needing households to do their own. We should be focusing on essential requirements to make the city work better and future-proof rather than nice to have's which we can fund when the city has less demand on its financial budgets.
Please share any feedback regarding proposed rates over the next 10 years	The proposed rates increases do not reflect at all those presented and will be experienced by rural communities. in 2024/25 the proposed increase is a minimum of 37% for households like mine - much more than the 11% stated. If the increase in rates is such, PNCC should also consider allowing subdivision to ease housing requirements and also allow homeowners a way of coping with the rising costs long term.
Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider	More consideration needed for a better balance for the community already under strain. We should be focusing on essential requirements to make the city work better and future-proof rather than nice to have's which we can fund when the city has less demand on its financial budgets.
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Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	Yes
Please let us know if you'd like a language interpreter	No interpreter required
	I am flexible on days and times
How would you prefer to give your feedback?	In person

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	taking account of capital value would make rates less regressive as rich people tend ot have more expensive houses

Community facilities questions

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	Palmerston North will continue to grow in cultural diversity and so needs to make room for new and growing 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	This is a vibrant centre and its growing and is a valuable conduit for local government and health initiatives targeting Pasifika
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	The library building was originally built by buidling-students many years ago and will need replacing.
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
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project	I am unsure what consultation has occurred and how it would link to Rangitane, St Michael's and to Massey
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	If we can get joint funding that would be great.

City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?	 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	Keeps costs down while keeping valued facilities

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?	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

Please tell us why you've selected these answers, and any other feedback you have about the proposed changes to our Development Contributions Policy. Commercial developments lead to increased wear on roads (heavy vehicles cause much more damage than light vehicles) and add to congestion and reduce the attractiveness of active transport. So they need to pay.

The future of Nature Calls is likely to have a few more changes yet, so collecting as much money as possible is only common sense.

General comment areas

Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects	I want to see increased support for active transport. I think the Cycling Masterplan needs to be given greater priority or reviewed so that it is actually implemented in a timely fashion. If we postpone adapting to active transport now, we just make the eventual change bigger and more painful. We note Climate Change commission recommendations (https://www.climatecommission.govt.nz/public/Inaia-tonu-nei-a-low- emissions-future-for-Aotearoa/Recommendations-from-Inaia-tonu-nei- Advice-Report.pdf)which include: 5. Retrofitting existing public spaces and infrastructure to prioritise the use of active and public transport and other low emissions choices. This recommendation should be considered alongside Recommendation 17 for transport and Recommendation 13 for behaviour change. 6. Ensuring regulatory settings allow for increased density and use of existing infrastructure, land and built form to reduce emissions. For new urban areas: 7. Enabling low emissions choices by ensuring services, amenities, facilities and infrastructure are accessible and interconnected. This includes providing safe cycle and walkways and connections to public transport. Recommend that, in the first emissions reduction plan, the Government commit to: Improving mobility options and reduce emissions alternatives to high-emissions vehicle use. This should ned the Government working with local authorities in: 1. Setting targets and implementing plans to substantially increase walking, cycling, public transport and shared transport use to displace vehicle use. This should be delivered through: a. Substantially increasing the share of central government funding dedicated to active and public transport infrastructure. Funding should be aligned with achieving a thriving, climateresilient and low-emissions transport services. c. Reducing public transport fares to encourage greater use of public transport. d. Developing targets, plans and approaches: 8 l. In partnership with NuMaori, giving effect to the principles of T
Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing	I support housing and note the success of the Hamilton homelessness project where wrap-around support has meant a high success rate in helping people sustainably gain a home.
Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for growing our city	I would like greater emphasis on increasing density and mixed usage (of destinations and housing) and less on urban sprawl which increases wear and tear on our pressured roads.

Council website

Family or friends

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Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	Yes
Please let us know if you'd like a language interpreter	No interpreter required
Preferred hearing dates	Wednesday 15 May: 1.30pm to 5pm, 5.30pm to 7.30pm Thursday 16 May: Friday 17 May: 1.30pm to 5pm
How would you prefer to give your feedback?	In person

Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Other: Non-Profit Organisation
Which option do you prefer?	4. Prefer not to say

Community facilities questions

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

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

1. With a growing population of ethnic communities within Manawatu, MMC is an organisation which serves, helps, and welcomes international newcomers. We are well known as a second home to many newcomers who experienced our service and gave their feedback through MMC surveys in 2021-2022. With having our own hub, MMC services can reach out to more people as the information centre for newcomers from ethnic different backgrounds. There are intangible benefits from having a highly visible and accessible hub. Mainly, that the MMC hub could be a first point of contact for citizens of PN travelling overseas for business or leisure.

2. MMC promotes diversity through many activities and initiatives, which lead to better inclusion, education, and cohesion amongst the diverse communities and cultures within Palmerston North. A MMC Hub thus can become a hub for learning, understanding and appreciating the differences between cultures. The hub could be a place to learn about social and cultural conventions in the country they intend to visit but more importantly make contact with individuals or government agencies that could assist in purpose of their visit. Our hope and aim is to create a harmonious society of belongingness.

3. MMC hub can become a point of interest for communities around Manawatu as well as tourists. There are several aspects that highlight the need for such a place. This will enable MMC to promote cultural displays, cooking competitions, cultural fashion shows and many other (ideas) of activities within the hub). This can help with economic growth within our city.

4. With the growing stressors and anxieties across the country, we want to be the leaders to provide a space for care and wellbeing, where people can bring their whole-selves to express, practice and maximise their skills and talents. Such expression of self and sharing of ideas are creative, liberating, and beneficial for individual and communal wellbeing.

5. Since we became one of the sector lead organisations, we have shown the commitment and dedication to listen to community's needs and extend our services to the needs of our communities. We acknowledge that it is becoming increasingly difficult to fulfil the needs of the community in the existing space, and the limited space is becoming a hindrance for MMC to expand our services, as we can only meet the requirements where there is limited attendance/small events only. With the above reasons, we express the need for a MMC Hub.

Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Prefer not to say
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	Prefer not to say
Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park	Prefer not to say
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?

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

Social media

City Councillor

Supporting information



Member Organisations 2024

- 1 Active Learning
- 2 African Connection Aotearoa
- 3 Alliance Francaise de PN
- 4 Bhutanese Society of PN
- 5 Buklurang Pilipino
- 6 Center for Culture-Centered Approach to Research and Evaluation (CARE)
- 7 Central Districts Indian Assn
- 8 Community Indonesian Manawatu (PREMIUM)
- 9 Digits Charitable Trust
- 10 Ethiopian Community
- 11 Europa
- 12 Global Parents Support Group
- 13 Hispanic Organization of Latin Americans NZ (HOLA NZ)
- 14 Indian NZ Socio-Cultural Society
- 15 Interfaith Group
- 16 International Group
- 17 Japanese Community
- 18 Kenya Community
- 19 Kerala Association
- 20 Kerala Association of Manawatu
- 21 Kingdom Ambassadors International Fellowship Manawatu Branch
- 22 Manawatu Afghan Society Inc.
- 23 Manawatu Bangalee Society Inc.
- 24 Manawatu Buddhist Cambodian Society
- 25 Manawatu Chinese Association
- 26 Manawatu Chinese Community Trust
- 27 Manawatu Dutch NZ Society
- 28 Manawatu Fiji Indian Society
- 29 Manawatu Hindu Society
- 30 Manawatu Malaysian Society
- 31 Manawatu Muslim Association
- 32 Manawatu Myanmar Muslims Community.
- 33 Manawatu Rohingya Association Incorporated (MRAI)
- 34 Manawatu Rwandan Community
- 35 Manawatu Telugu Association
- 36 Manawatu Thailand Community
- 37 Massey University Hong Kong Student's Society
- 38 Migrants and Refugees Mental Health
- 39 Multicultural Committee
- 40 MUSA Travel Runways and Entertainment Productions New Zealand

- 41 Network Of Skilled Migrants Manawatu
- 42 Nigerian Community
- 43 NZ Arab Association
- 44 NZ Designers Club
- 45 NZ Karen Association
- 46 Pakistan-NZ Friendship Association
- 47 Palestinian/Syrian Community
- 48 Palmeirinhos, Brazilian Community Group
- 49 Palmy Vietnamese Association (PVA)
- 50 Palmerston North Korean Society
- 51 Palmerston North Iranian Community
- 52 Pamanlahi Cultural Group
- 53 Philippines Central Association
- 54 PN Multicultural Youth Council
- 55 PN Tamil School
- 56 Rotary Club
- 57 Scandinavian Club of Manawatu
- 58 Sikh Community
- 59 South African Community in Palmerston North
- 60 Sri Lankan Community
- 61 Te Tira Ahu Pae Massey University Students' Association Federation
- 62 THINK Hauora
- 63 Ukrainian Educational and Support Trust

CULTURE. TOGETHER. SUCCESS. (2022 - 2027 STRATEGY PLAN)

VISION:

"To grow an interconnected and inclusive society in Manawatu"

Mission:

"To lead, support and celebrate multiculturalism and ethnic diversity through participation and advocacy"



Goal 1. Our Team

1.1 Engage diverse/ethnic communities to promote the benefits and value of a multicultural society. **1.2 Improve our visibility. Embrace and voice our plans** to our community.

1.3 Recruit, nurture and grow staff who are adaptable, empathetic and expert at delivering solutions for our stakeholders

1.4 Show our achievements to our stakeholders and embrace their feedback

1.5 Build and nurture our strategic relationships with Council, Govt. and NGOs

1.6 Become recognised and respected as a champion of multiculturalism across multiple sectors

Goal 3. Our Technology

3.1 Design and implement technology innovation internally and as an outward facing tool to benefit stakeholders

3.2 Increase our presence on social media 3.3 Ensure our technology is used wisely to always add value to our work, and our stakeholders

Goal 2. Our Service

2.1 Build strength in our communities by improving knowledge and understanding, providing training and support to those who need it 2.2 Attract and propose events that spread the Multicultural message 2.3 Educate our communities on how to live their best lives in NZ 2.4 Be the provider of choice to educate and support those who wish to embrace the richness of

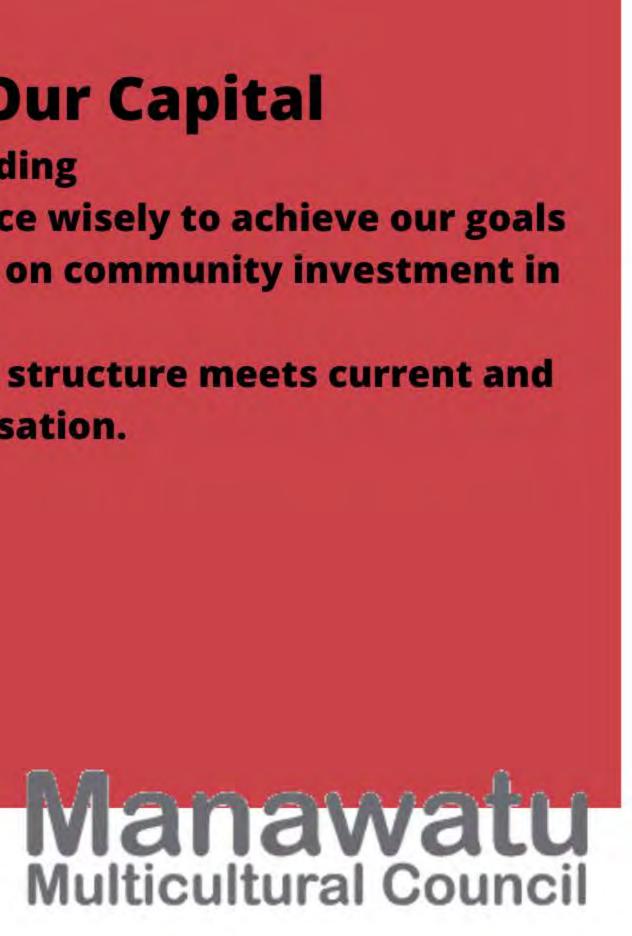
Goal 4. Our Capital

4.1 Secure sustainable funding 4.2 Allocate budget resource wisely to achieve our goals 4.3 Show a tangible return on community investment in our services

multiculturalism in their sector

4.4 Ensure our governance structure meets current and future needs of the organisation.





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Hearing

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How would you prefer to give your feedback?	In person

Community facilities questions

Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which Support as proposed includes expanded community space within a new library Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any This proposal is focussed on meeting real need in Awapuni, both now feedback you'd like to provide about the Awapuni Community and in the future. Awapuni is a suburb which actively participates in it's Library Hub project own community activities and engages well with the city. The proposed facility will strengthen and enhance relationship-building in the community and this in turn will enable good community resilience in any difficult or challenging event or disaster. The current Awapuni Library is an excellent place for people to make connections with neighbours but is too small, and having it in a larger space alongside space for other community activity will improve the ability of this large suburb to function well. I have been an active volunteer for the last 11 years in the Op Shop operating at the St Mark's Church site and I want to advocate for a

space in the hub to cater for a similar activity. The Op Shop began as The Recycled Clothing Centre in 1991, in response to hardship in the Awapuni community caused by the cut in benefits that year. The aim has always been to make clothes available to buy at very affordable prices, and not on trying to raise funds by selling second-hand clothing. Over the years the stock has expanded to include linen, kitchenware, toys and games but clothing remains the main focus.

The Op Shop continues to meet very real needs, especially in the current economic climate. The 'by the people for the people' philosophy means that the Op Shop income is returned to the community through grants to various local community activities.

I believe there is a strong need to continue this not-for-profit enterprise in Awapuni as it contributes a significant service supporting people to live and function well in their own locality. To be located as part of the Awapuni Hub would enable it to remain easily accessible and gives a greater potential to develop alliances with other community support activities.

General comment areas

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

Council website

Rates letter or email

Social media

Newspaper

Other: Pathways Presbyterian Church

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Hearing

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How would you prefer to give your feedback?	In person

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	CV is the option that will increase my rates the most, yet I believe it is the fairest option. It more equally distributes the rates burden and better reflects a homeowner's ability to pay.
	My home was built in 1950. It's by no means fancy. It's small - 2 bedrooms and 85 square metres. An ex-state house in an area of the city that doesn't have much in the way of amenities or charm. My section is 593 square metres, neither tiny nor vast. But I pay way more in rates than the family 2 blocks away in a brand new 3-bedroom, 2 bathroom townhouse with a floor area of 193 square metres and a CV almost

How is that fair? Please tell us what you don't like about the other options LV has a negative impact on homeowners with older homes on larger sections. Many of those homeowners will be in the same position as me. I'd happily give up half my section. I'd loved to have bought a house my size on a smaller section, but when I moved to Palmy 9 years ago that wasn't an option. Those homes simply didn't exist - certainly not in my single income price bracket. Aside from anything else, LV is simply too blunt an instrument. It's a calculation based on the size of the land alone, not whether the land is actually fit to build on. My cousin lives in Savage Crescent, which is protected as a heritage area under the District Plan. Even if she wanted to subdivide her section, she couldn't. My property is on a slope, shaped like a triangle, with the house smack bang in the middle - no developer would want to take it on. My lovely neighbours are an even better example of how unfair the LV system is: They're both in their 80s and worked super hard to buy their wee house. They live frugally. They're wonderful gardeners and eat largely from the fruit and vegetables they grow in their back garden. Their home, like mine, is small, but their section is bigger - about 850 square metres. Like mine, their section is triangular and on a slope. If we stayed with LV their rates would increase to 3,631.39 a year - that's a big rates bill for a couple living on a pension. Way more than that family in the brand new 4-bedroom house. The hybrid option would soften the blow a little. It would keep their rates similar to what they are now, \$3,389.78. But under CV, they'd drop to \$2.864.62. I believe there will be many people across the city in a similar position. These are the types of homes typically available to those of us with lower household incomes, who can least afford to be carrying a comparatively larger share of the city's rates. I don't like the hybrid option because almost three-quarters of it is made up of land value. It does little to ease the burden on ratepayers negatively impacted by LV. It's a copout. Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the CV would be phased in, so just do it. You say the hybrid option lessens rates review? the impact on some ratepayers who would be negatively impacted by a move to CV, but surely phasing achieves the same goal? I fully support the move to reduce the discount for lifestyle blocks. I was staggered to find out how much less these homeowners are paying. We are all citizens and should be paying more equitably for the many services the council provides.

double mine, because their section is just 241 square metres.

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	Cultural diversity enriches our city. Palmy prides itself on being multicultural. We should put our money where our mouth is. Plus this is a relatively small spend for what looks to benefit many locals.

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	There seems to be a huge community need for an expanded centre.
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	I support expanding the library and including the play areas that aren't currently budgeted for. I recently went to a community library in Nelson with a play area outside and it seemed a great use of the surrounding space, making it an even better destination for families.
	If the council is installing a commercial kitchen in the Pasifika Centre, also in Highbury, does the library also need a kitchen? I'm not averse to it, just putting the question out there.
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	I support developing a new library and community hub but question the cost. \$27 million seems a lot. I'd like the council to look again at the scope of this project to see if there are opportunities to decrease or recoup costs, eg, if it's a community hub, could it include spaces that the council leases out, for a GP practice, cafe etc?
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 could be a glorious civic facility in a marvellous location if the council can secure the external funding for it to go ahead.
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	This facility has already had millions of dollars spent on it. Barber Hall needs replacing but the current hall is pretty basic. Surely its replacement could be lower cost than what is scoped? It's just a big shed, after all. If the council is keen to invest in new turfs and sporting amenities for the city, why not somewhere like the rapidly growing Kelvin Grove?
Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?	It seems as if many (not all) of the community centres are realising their full potential. Some of these city assets sit empty for large parts of the day. There's clearly room for improvement: streamlined (centralised?) management etc. Could they be multi-purpose? Pop-up libraries, perhaps? Or if our libraries are our primary community spaces, do we need separate community centres at all? Could some be sold or the land used for building homes instead?

City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?	 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	Well designed, purpose-built spaces could be cheaper for ratepayers in the long run, with more benefits.

General comment areas

Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans	Small city benefits. Big city ambition. It's a lovely aspiration, but without action it's simply words on paper. I urge you to be bold. I've lived in many places of many sizes: Small towns like Middlemarch, Taumaranui and Queenstown. Small cities like Rotorua and Wellington. And big cities, like London. Palmy is the awkward middle child. It's just a bit meh. Please have the courage of your convictions to carry out what you say you will. Reach for the stars.
Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects	Roads roads roads roads. So many roads. So few cycleways. Still. And my god, the outcry when you try to build one. Please just hurry up and get it done. Palmy could be great if it had a network of connected cycleways separating people on bikes from cars, and I really want to be able to ride my bike safely to work before I retire. I was. I stopped. It's terrifying. I've had too many near misses from people driving badly who appear unfamiliar with road rules and are unwilling to share the road. And I've read too many nasty Facebook comments from the anti-biking brigade - or as I call them, "cyclopaths".
Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for water and how we will fund Nature Calls	Water is a taonga. I'm constantly surprised by people thinking they can continue to use as much of it as they like without taking any personal responsibility. It should be metered and I'd happily support this.
Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing	Everyone should have a home. I support anything that encourages more homes and more types of homes to suit people of different ages and stages.
Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for growing our city	Growth requires infrastructure - including safe ways for people to get around the city and out to our villages and new housing areas. Please build more cycleways and put the connection into community.
Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services	I applaud the council's continued investment in recycling initiatives, including funding projects like the Repair Cafe and groups such as Environment Network Manawatū. I'm delighted a food scraps collection is finally in the works, though disappointed it's taken so long to get to this point. I also support a kerbside greenwaste collection. I currently pay for my own but anything the council can do to make it easier for others will be a win. The volume of food scraps and green waste going to landfill is staggering. If even half of that could be diverted through a collection service it'd be a huge win.
	I understand why the council continues to promote rubbish bags instead of providing a bin. The stats clearly show that bin users get rid of larger volumes of divertible material. But despite an increase in the number of households using the council's rubbish bag service, it's still low in comparison to people using private bin companies. A lot of people I speak to say it's simply more convenient for them to have a bin. If the council introduced green waste as well as a food scraps collection service, perhaps people wouldn't need their big bins any more. But I suspect many of them will still keep using them because of the convenience. My 79-year-old mum is rarely up in time in the morning to put out her rubbish bag. She'd love a small bin she could put out the night before - even one collected fortnightly. Perhaps it's time to seriously consider it. It doesn't seem that forcing people to use bags is really making a lot of difference to what's going into landfill, after all.
Please share any feedback regarding proposed rates over the next 10 years	The proposed increases are eye-watering. They'll put a huge strain on many people, particularly those on low and fixed incomes. Moving to CV

	could help by more equitably spreading the rates burden.
	Ultimately, the system is broken. I don't believe ratepayers can keep on shouldering increased costs year on year, so I have some sympathy for those asking the council to stop spending. But if you stop spending our city goes backwards. I don't want that.
	I want you to keep spending. I want you to be more ambitious. I want Palmy to be somewhere I'm proud to call home.
Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider	Be bold. Think about the legacy you're leaving. But also, please think about the city we're living in now. Don't shave money off maintenance. Spend more on the basics. Get on and fix those footpaths, trim the trees, sweep the streets. Increased spending in these simple areas would make an immediate, visible impact and a huge difference to people's day-to-day lives. Think of it as an investment in the city's wellbeing.
How did you find out about our long-term plan?	Council website
	Booklet in my mailbox
	Rates letter or email
	Social media
	Other: Work

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Hearing

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Preferred hearing dates	Wednesday 15 May:
	Thursday 16 May: 9am to 12.30pm
	Friday 17 May:
How would you prefer to give your feedback?	In person

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?	3. Land value (LV) – current system
Please tell us why you prefer this option	It is time honoured Land values are increasing ahead of the improvements. Also the cost of creating new sections is increasing lots because of inflationary forces plus for new greenfield section the cost of infrastructure is also, now, very costly. Particularly for new areas that are upstream of existing infrastructure that will require upgrading to take the increases from the new developments. See my comment later for a possible solution to this dilemma.
Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	I understand that a hybrid option is not allowed for in the current law.

	This, to me, is a nonsense and would increase the bureaucracy to manage it - we are supposed to be decreasing costs not increasing them. Capital valuation is likely to cause more problems that it would solve.
Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review?	A few years ago I noticed that a subdivision at the north end of Auckland (near Ardmore) had some problems with cost of new sections coming out at above what the market valued them at. This was because of the distance to the services - same as talked about for the new greenfield developments for PN. The solution was what you are calling IFF. This meant that anyone buying one of these sections bought it a market value would also incur an extra 'mortgage' for the section cost shortfall. And extra 'rates' to pay off over 30 years. I do not know if any of these sections have been sold. After all, who would buy an encumbrance like that! Bit of a problem eh? The following QV assessment for the property I had at that time in PN , 6 years ago, show a large increase in LV verses percentage of the CV - the improved value decreased (see, a problem with hybrid and CV rating systems due to market values) I put in an objection based on what I had seen in Auckland but it was not accepted. And, the following QV assessment did the same thing and with a comparison between the 2 properties I own in PN now I made a successful objection and had the LV reduced. What I am getting at here is this bigger picture. Land values for new section are increasing a lot. As an aside, I was in Germany in 1985. At that time sections for housing were approx \$1M to build a house of \$60K - we have a way to go in NZ! The thing is this: it seems to me that existing sections are somewhat undervalued and need to be revised to a lot closer to the new section cost, but as you can probably tell this could put some improved values into the negative because of market value constraints Yes, this is headache territory. But does show that the hybrid and CV models have viability issues.

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
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	As I understand PN is one of the preferred places for refugees etc. and the LTP points out the numbers of the various nationalities that are already living in PN' I consider that it is necessary to encourage all these new people fully integrate into our society (become NZers) and not become an enclave of where they came from - may be easier said than done! I have not been able to inspect the current venue and so accept what you have said about it in the LTP. Having said the above, The \$750K upgrade of the proposed new venue seems very reasonable. I would presume that the users of this facility would pay to hire it as per the various community venues across PN and thus mitigate the \$100K lease cost. If that is the case then I am happy with this proposal
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	I used to live in Havelock Avenue when the Bill Brown Park facility was renovated and expanded about 6 years ago. The construction progress

	was rather slow! \$3.9M suggests a rather significant upgrade after a not very long period since the last one. What went wrong last time for this being required now? Would it, p[perhaps, not be more appropriate to work this in with Multicultural Centre??
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	Another \$3.6M - is this a NEED or a WANT?
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	Yes, if a building is substandard, something may be required to fix this. The data in the LTP does not tell us what is proposed for the site over the road (which I note connects to the land with the Girl Guides Hall). Does this involve complete demolition of the existing buildings as a price tag of \$27.1M would suggest? Again 'as NEEDS (not WANTS) be.
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	Absolutely NO! It seems to me this is more for a certain group than for the greater number of people in PN. A good principle to abide by is that costs be apportioned prorata to those who want something more that the others. I understand that the land in this vicinity is rather unstable. We have seen the effects of this type instability on the Pahiatua Track road on the slope above the 'S' bend and do not to have this anywhere else.
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	Yes, these building seemed to have passed their use by date 40 years ago when I was still in the sporting field.
Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?	COSTS, NEEDS, WANTS. NO for wants. The term 'future proof' is mentioned in the LTP. Dangerous ground here. I have much 'future proofing' become obsolete in short periods of time over the years simply due to new technology. New technology is growing at a faster rate than ever, today and with the advent of AI I see the rate increasing even faster. Yes you have to do as much as you can with the current tech, but expect obsolescence - it is inevitable!

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	The LTP mentions that many of the buildings are not up to the current code, but are of a standard that allows continuing use.

	Also I se that Government has announced an extension of another 4 years, which will be helpful. What happened to the Museum rebuild? It seems to me strengthening the current building is really a waste of the money and you end up with the same 'sows ear'! A new building would present a much more inviting reason for people to visit. However the new building would not want to be some architects 'castle in the sky'!
Please tell us what you don't like about the other option	Too quick (now) too costly!
Do you have any other comments?	I see that the crematorium, waste water plant and the water treatment facility works are under way - and that is all very nice, thank you. With what I have learned about the fluoride compound that is put in the water at this plant, I ask that during this upgrade the fluoride system be removed. I have learned that the form of fluoride put in the water is a very toxic poison and has no health benefits whatsoever. In fact quite the opposite. It scavenges calcium out of bones and teeth and also is responsible for lowering the IQ levels of new bornes by up to 5 per cent. These effects are well documented in scientific literature - go see. If we want this country to be able to compete on the world stage our young people need all the advantage they can get.

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.	It does not really matter what you do all the costs can only fall on the rate payer at the end of the day - because we are the only one available to pay!! It come down to working in a way that minimises how these costs arise. One way to do this is increase the productivity within all the facets of PNCC, which you should be doing every even now. This is shown through the Natures Calls concept of the IFF. Yes, sure, the PNCC rates in themselves are kept lower but with the levee/tax imposed by the IFF the ratepayer has to find the extra cash in any case! So overall the 'rates' are increased unsustainably. Come on - it is as plain as day.

General comment areas

Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans	Years of neglect have brought this state of PNCC to this stage. Somehow the current council have to admit this and find ways to get these things done without bankrupting the residents. There have been too many wants vs needs dished up to us. This has to stop.
Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects	I give the PNCC a BBB rating. That is Bumps, Bikes Buses. What nonsense. I am told that the Featherston/Rangitiei streets debacle was not even known to council - Huh? How did that happen. I also heard that bullies from Auckland visited to insist that this unseen plan be completed. What have Aucklander's got to do with what PNCC is doing? Shame on you. It is very apparent that this project is unwelcome in PN and needs to be stopped and immediately reversed. has anyone counted the number of bikes on the roads and the number of people riding the buses and who is pay for the damage to vehicles because of the bumps?
Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for water and how we will fund Nature Calls	Water water everywhere and we should be able to drink it. In the space station, all the water is recycled - the technology is available. So, what about spending the money to do that, with appropriate safeguards, and perhaps reuse it for many things that are increasing the take on the potable water? And any excess can go in the river. Is there a problem with that. Maybe some people will have to come up to speed on some modern ways of doing things. It is not rocket science! Or quantum physics.
Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing	With careful planing and productivity increases the greenfield projects should work out alright. The growing up and growing in will need careful planing to prevent ghettos and problems associated with unsocial people.
Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for growing our city	Got to go somewhere!
Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services	From what I see of these services they seem to be working reasonably well. But I do not see what happens after the collection! I approve of the composting as much as possible. I am also a fan of the very high temperature combustion of suitable materials in an appropriate facility to generate electricity. The so called carbon crisis (there is no proof) is a nonsense and is causing much of the stuff in the LTP.
Please share any feedback regarding proposed rates over the next 10 years	PNCC will have to work a lot 'smarter' to keep rate increases down.
Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider	What happened to the transport projects section? The major ring roads - yes with 4 lanes. 4 lane Tremaine Ave ASAP The bitumen that has been put into bumps would have been better used to fill potholes! The 3 bridges combined path - is not at least some of that part of the cost of the new road replacing the gorge road? PNCC transgressed the statutory requirement to have paper copies of the plans readily available to give to those who wanted one. I asked for a copy of the LTP and the PNCC office and was promised that one would be posted - I am still waiting for it! These include the Future Development Strategy 2024 Which had to demand to get a copy. but with that I got a copy of the PNCC 2024 Development Contributions Policy which I did not even existed.

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

Rates letter or email

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Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	Yes
	I am flexible on days and times
How would you prefer to give your feedback?	In person

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	My rates are extremely high, I realise that I have one hectare, but having land doesn't raise my income, in fact I have a very low income. A quarter of my income goes on rates. I will always chose the option that lowers my rates, which is CV
Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	Under the present system I will be paying almost 10,000 and under the hybrid version, close to \$9000.

Community facilities questions

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

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	I agree that the multicultural community need space, but I am concerned about the amount of spending pour council is proposing, not just for this, but for everything.
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	Again, I like the idea of the project, but we are heavily in debt, and really shouldn't be doing anything except trying to pay off debt.
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	Same again, pay off debt first, then do nice to have projects
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 have great libraries in Palmerston, so don't think we need an upgrade, and again, we need to pay off debt before we do anything
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	This i absolutely ,totally disagree with. We do not need a function centre of this size. I am foreseeing a huge increase in the construction, with issues of land stability and design issues. We have a great visitor centre, right in the middle of town, far more accessible then where this will be. this is a huge wish list item that simply should not even be considered because of the huge debt burden that we have.
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	Again, nice to have, but pay off debt first
Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?	Show your rate payers that you have control over the finances, rather then increasing our rates to pay for dream projects. this is how we were brought up. If I am in need of something I save up, not endlessly borrow money, and then make other people pay. The council needs to be responsible stewards of our very hard earned money.

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	There should be a button for neither options.
Please tell us what you don't like about the other option	Just more money wasted, till they change the standards again, and we

go through the same saga.

Do you have any other comments?

There should be a button for neither options.

No council can afford to bring up all their building to the approved standard - a standard that changes regularly. I think approaching the Government and advocating for the council to bring about change is a better option. Simply accepting the earthquake upgrades as a done deal does nothing but force us into needlessly doing upgrades that will most probably never be tested (after all, has All Saints ever lost a brick?...and the IRD building is standing strong, with assessments from 30% to 60%. This shows how flawed the system is.

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

General comment areas

Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans	Regardless of the goals we need to get debt down. There is no point having a innovative, growing, creative, exciting, connected, safe, sustainable and resilient city if people can't afford to live here. A lot of stress is caused by adding so much to the rates bill. Stop spending, sit on you hands for a few years and get the debt down. Manage the city well, which means living within your means.
Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects	I agree with improving the road quality in some of our streets, the pot holes are pretty awful. \$55 for the Manawatu to Ashhurst and Feilding to Palmerston pathway is too extreme. A lime pathway would be sufficient. I am a cyclist, so would appreciate a path to Ashhurst, but not at that cost. i do not agree with \$31M for cycleways in the city. There simply aren't enough cyclists in Palmerston to use them! the vast majority of people travel by car. Cater for car users, not he imagined cyclists. Our city is made up of families, young people, the elderly, disabled. Not everyone can hop on a bike, in fact most people can't bike due to physical limitations, the number and age of children in the family, having items to carry/deliver around town, time restrictions, wind and rain. Spending money on an empty bike lane is false economy. \$22M – our City Centre Transformation – Street upgrade programme- again, nice idea, but do it when we aren't in debt. Our bus hub is perfectly sufficient, and does not need upgrading.
	We do not need to make it safer and easier for people to choose to walk, cycle or catch a bus"- the majority of people drive cars. Look after the

people we have rather then imagine that if you create bike lanes, people will flood in with their bikes. We also do not need to slow speeds below 50ks. That just causes congestion and frustration for people.
I strongly disagree with the idea of using viable heritage farmland for waste water dispersion. There must be another way. Advocate for the farmers in the area.
There are some empty house/sections doted around town. Why can't these be used? I really don't like the housing that is popping up around the city. They all look the same, and could easily have the feel of a ghetto in a few years time. Are garages in these houses? Is there off street parking?
Whatever we do, we must first not go into greater debt. Decreasing debt should be our first priority
kerbside waste collection is great. The system works well. it's good to be able to take larger items to the transfer station on Matthews Ave. Very helpful, friendly staff. Great service.
I'd like to know how you think people are going to afford a 106% increase? How is that possible. With the values of houses decreasing significantly, and rates rising very steeply, people will have no other choice but to sell their properties and move into a small apartment. This feels like social conditioning, which really shouldn't be councils (or anyone's) job.
The Featherson St "upgrades" are abysmal. You have created huge traffic congestion, frustrated people and I hate to think of how many accidents will occur there. Removing car parks near a school and having buses park in the middle of the road is a simple fiasco. Thenit is paused, but only for a few days, and now it's continuing again, despite the public being very much against it. It's even going to be extended from Botanical road to Ruahine street. We need to trust our council. This doesn't inspire trust.
City Councillor

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Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	Yes
Preferred hearing dates	Wednesday 15 May:
	Thursday 16 May:
	Friday 17 May: 9am to 12.30pm, 1.30pm to 5pm
How would you prefer to give your feedback?	In person
Rates review questions	
Which of these describes you?	Other: Charity

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 an active Cultural Dance academy, the Pasifika Centre has been one we have used and outgrown in both faculty size but also in the facility technology. We need this invested into for our future generations to have more capacity to connect, discover cultural norms and to have a safe space for themselves to find their authentic beings. We support the \$3.88m investment and humbly ask councillors to vote for this.

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
General comment areas	
Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans	Niusina A le Pasefika has been around for three years and has been supported through multiple funding rounds from PNCC.
	The funding we have received and support through the Community development team and Anton Carter has been immense.
	We propose that all Arts and Cultural Heritage funding continue as groups like our who work with minority and marginalised communities can continue to get support to bridge the gap and support our young people.
	We know being proactive with our young people allows them to find their authentic selves and belonging and our group nurtures this mindset. We keep our kids involved and busy through cultural competancy and dance and this allows them to be proud of who they are and thrive in all areas of their lives because of it.
	We urge council to continue to invest in the Arts as this will continue to support groups like our who support the community directly.
How did you find out about our long-term plan?	Family or friends

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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Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	Yes
Please let us know if you'd like a language interpreter	No interpreter required
	I am flexible on days and times
How would you prefer to give your feedback?	In person

General comment areas

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for growing our city	As Palmerston North experiences urban densification as part of its growth, it's crucial to consider the preservation and promotion of live music venues. We urge the council to develop appropriate regulatory protections to ensure the sustainability and vitality of live music in our city. By doing so, we can cultivate a vibrant cultural scene that enriches our community and contributes to the overall growth and identity of Palmerston North.
How did you find out about our long-term plan?	Other: We were asked to submit after presenting our annual report to council at the Art and Culture Committee.

Community Outreach Coordinator Role Business Case

This report sets out the case for the Community Outreach Coordinator role at the Stomach and funding options considered for continuing the role along with the preferred option - continuing the Community Outreach Coordinator role through increased funding from Palmerston North City Council.

Please refer to our initial letter to Palmerston North City Council provided while presenting our annual report to the Culture and Sport Committee on 27 March 2024 (Appendix 1).

About us

Creative Sounds Society Incorporated ('Creative Sounds' or 'CSSI') is an independent charitable trust dedicated to the encouragement of creative musical, artistic, and performance activities. We run an all-ages venue, recording studio and rehearsal space known as **The Stomach** in Palmerston North. We have been supporting local and original music in Te Papaioea for over 30 years.

Accessibility and affordability are key goals of CSSI. We aim to ensure all people are able to access music, regardless of their ability or circumstances.

Problem statement

Following the challenges posed by COVID-19, in 2021 we were fortunate to secure a three-year funding agreement with Manatū Taonga Ministry for Culture and Heritage (MCH) to employ a Community Outreach Coordinator ('CoC'). The purpose of the Community Outreach Coordinator role is to focus on engaging Maori and Pasifika users, strengthen connections with the disability sector, and upskill the organisation's cultural competencies to ensure accessibility.

For the duration of this grant, we have been able to significantly develop and strengthen engagement with our local disability communities, as well as forging new connections and engagements with local iwi and Pasifika groups.

Over the past three years, we've observed a significant increase in users facing various challenges such as intellectual disability, physical disability, mental distress, and at-risk youth. Establishing a dedicated and safe space for these individuals is crucial to fostering inclusivity.



Additionally, our efforts in integrating accessibility across all aspects of the organisation have led to a broader reach and increased impact.

The contract was a one-off funding agreement without the opportunity for renewal and ends 30 June 2024, but we believe the Community Outreach Coordinator's mahi is vital to the continuing success of The Stomach's long term goals – including accessibility for all those living in Te Papaioea and surrounds. Funding of **\$68,000 per annum** from another source is required for the continuation of the Community Outreach Coordinator's role.

The job description for the role is attached as Appendix 2.

A note on the current state of the role

We've already advised the current Community Outreach Coordinator that unfortunately their contract won't be extended/renewed, as any extra funding we secure would be arranged after the existing 30 June 2024 end date. If we successfully obtain funding from PNCC or another funder, we'll need to advertise and recruit for the role again.

Because it would be a new contract, it's worth noting we can reshape the position description to adhere more closely to PNCC and CSSI's shared objectives, rather than those specifically set with MCH initially.

The business case for the role

Note: The only **cost of the role** is a financial one - \$68,000 per annum, which includes the coordinator's salary and operational costs of the role such as workshops in the communities.

Benefits of the role

1. Supporting the operational objectives of the Stomach. The table below outlines the relevant objectives in our most recently adopted strategic plan (the 2024-2027 strategic plan is pending, depending on whether we can fund this role) along with the contribution the role makes to achieving each objective.

Operational object	ives	How the CoC role supports
We will support our users by	keeping well-resourced facilities low cost and accessible	Building relationships with diverse community groups to improve access CoC seeks out and maintains ties with local disability groups and other



	vulnerable communities - inviting them in and making them welcome.
providing performance opportunities	• The Community Outreach role actively engages with diverse community groups, such as youth, at-risk individuals, and those with disabilities, to promote participation in our arts programs.
	Karaoke club showcase (x6): All abilities showcase for our users who face extra challenges (physical, intellectual or mental disabilities) to have the experience of performing on the big stage with lights, fog machine and full PA system in front of an audience of whanau, friends and peers.
	To The Front Te Papaioea (x2): To The Front Te Papaioea is a series of youth music programmes open to youth aged 12-17 years who are women, transgender, intersex, takatāpui, and gender diverse. At the programme they learn instruments, form bands, write original songs, and perform at a showcase, all guided by musicians and industry professionals. Alongside collaborative learning, participants take part in workshops about DIY merchandise, mindfulness, and performance skills. Each day they enjoy lunchtime performances from local artists.
	YouthSpace Open Mic nights - For The Culture (x4): A youth led talent quest based event, aimed towards connecting young people to a platform that allowed them to express themselves however they see fit. In collaboration with YouthSpace.
	Under The Lamp (x9): Under The Lamp is an opportunity for children up to Year 8 to perform songs to a supportive audience.
	Intermediate and Secondary school band

		day + Performance (x3): Ross Intermediate, Monrad, Freyberg High School, Feilding High School.
	providing information and event promotion opportunities	 The Community Outreach role utilizes social media platforms like TikTok and Threads to reach a broader audience and engage with younger demographics, as evidenced by our increased social media presence and collaborations with other community organizations such as PN YouthSpace and Te Ha o Hine-ahu-one PN Women's Health Collective. Additionally, their involvement in local events like the PNCC Pacific Arts Fonotaga showcases our visible and active presence in the community.
	providing regular workshops to develop new skills	• The Community Outreach role identifies skill development needs within the community, facilitating workshops like Professional Respect Training and AMPS Workshop to address these needs. Their collaboration with local schools and engagement with youth, as seen in our participation in School Holiday Sessions and presentations to music classes, ensures that our workshops are tailored to enrich the understanding and skills of participants, empowering them to pursue careers in the music industry.
	fostering a specific regional voice.	• Our music, our voice CoC role outreach encourages and supports locals in many diverse groups to engage with the local music scene and express themselves creatively through music - to bring them into the world we've been building since 1988. This support and encouragement, and the opportunities found at CoC-led events and initiatives, is essential to foster our unique Manawatū musical identity.

We will contribute to our stakeholders' aims by	sharing expertise and collaborating with other community groups	• The Community Outreach role actively seeks collaborations with organizations like Girls Rock Aotearoa to amplify underrepresented voices. By coordinating initiatives like To The Front Te Papaioea and facilitating the involvement of diverse community groups, such as those facing extra challenges or youth aged 12-17 years who are women, transgender, intersex, takatāpui, and gender diverse, they ensure that our programs and initiatives are inclusive and reflective of the diverse voices within our community.
	growing the arts in Palmerston North and surrounds by growing and developing artists and their practice	 Youth and Music Programs (e.g., To The Front Te Papaioea, School Band Days): These programs focus on nurturing young talent by providing education in music and performance, growing the next generation of artists in the region. Workshops and Training Sessions: Regularly offering workshops that develop technical skills and creative practices - at low or no cost. Support for Original Creations: Initiatives like helping young bands with filming music videos demonstrate a commitment to helping local artists develop their unique artistic outputs.
	enabling community events	 Event Coordination (e.g., Open Mic Nights, Local Music Festivals): Managing diverse events such as karaoke showcases, open mic nights, and music festivals directly contributes to a vibrant community arts scene. Venue Provision: Offering The Stomach as a venue for various community events enables a wide range of artistic and cultural activities, supporting the local arts ecosystem.
	having a strong and stable management committee.	N/A

We will assure our relevance by	developing our staff capability and capacity	 Training and Professional Development: Implemented training sessions on Te Tiriti O Waitangi and governance fundamentals, enhancing the management skills and cultural competence of our team. Specialised Workshops: Hosted Professional Respect Training and participated in the Enabling Good Lives initiative, directly contributing to the professional growth and ethical standards of our staff.
	maintaining industry-relevant studio equipment in good condition	 Capital investment CoC provides general capacity that allows the manager to pursue funding for capital investment, which we've been very successful with over the period of the role. Their activities also support and strengthen our applications, as we can show excellent examples of how we'll use whatever we're seeking to fund. Studio utilisation The extra staff resource also allows the sound engineer to focus on the studio, which is heavily booked and very well-utilised.
	maintaining and developing relationships within the music sector locally and nationally	 Collaborative Programs: Fostered national ties through collaborations with organizations like Girls Rock Aotearoa and the New Zealand Music Commission, enhancing our network and influence. Community Engagement: Strengthened local relationships by partnering with schools, community care providers, and local music educators to promote music education and participation.
	giving effect to bi-cultural aspirations.	Cultural Training: Staff participation in Te Tiriti O Waitangi training helps ensure

		 our operations honor and integrate bicultural principles. Engagement with Local Mana Whenua: Building meaningful connections with local mana whenua Rangitāne o Manawatū.
These processes will support our	providing an easy way for sponsors to donate	N/A
activities by	making targeted funding applications	N/A
	tracking and invoicing service provision	N/A
	maintaining our profile and attracting new users through outreach activities	 Social Media Engagement: Increased overall social media presence, using platforms like TikTok and Threads to reach a broader audience and engage with younger demographics. Community Outreach: Participated in local events and panels, such as the PNCC Pacific Arts Fonotaga, to maintain a visible and active presence in the community, thereby attracting new users.
	managing volunteers to support operations and administration.	 Volunteer Recruitment and Training: Developed a structured volunteer program that includes recruitment, training, and retention strategies to ensure volunteers are well-prepared and motivated. Volunteer Utilization: Effectively deployed volunteers across various programs and events, optimizing their skills and contributions to support operations and enhance administrative efficiency.

2. Supporting the performance of CSSI against agreed activities and outcomes included in the Palmerston North City Council and CSSI Sector Lead Partnership Agreement structure memorandum.



This is further discussed in our recent SPG Sector Leads - Creative Sounds - The Stomach Reporting period – January 2023 - December 2023 (attached as Appendix 3).

Agreed activities and outcomes	How the CoC role supports
Delivering regular gigs, education and mentoring opportunities, and high-quality facilities (including an industry-standard recording studio) in an affordable and accessible way.	CoC organises events independently, supports those organised by the manager, and frees up capacity for the manager to maintain and build our resources.
Bringing gigs to the city that otherwise wouldn't have an appropriate venue, thereby supporting positive promotion of Palmerston North to both locals (by bringing visiting artists, and supporting our own) and visitors.	The social media work our outreach coordinator does expands our reach nationally and internationally - anyone can follow what we're up to, and see what a vibrant music community Te Papaioea has.

 Contribution to Council's achievement of priorities within the Council's Creative and Exciting strategic direction. This content is quoted directly from our recent annual report (attached as Appendix 3). Please refer to that document for further details and supporting content (like images).

Agreed activities and outcomes	How the CoC role supports	
Priority 1: Create a city that has great places for all people	 CoC provides general capacity that supports baseline activities such as rehearsal, performance, equipment hire and recording. CoC regularly collaborates with PNCC's Youth Space and helps us host To The Front, which supports young women and gender diverse youth to make music. 	
Priority 2: Celebrate the city's history and diversity, building on the strength of being a multicultural and multilingual city	 CoC liaises with Creative Journeys, Freyberg High School, and Supported Lifestyle Services to provide rehearsal and performance space. CoC helps support a variety of cultural groups to use our recording studio. 	

Priority 3: Be a creative city that nurtures and celebrates the arts	 CoC provides general capacity that supports baseline activities such as rehearsal, performance, equipment hire and recording. CoC has worked to strengthen our ties with youth spaces, hosting open mic nights to showcase multi-Pacific talents. CoC supports "To the Front" band camp specifically targets young women and gender-diverse youth, encouraging their involvement in music. <i>"It feels like The Stomach has become even more community-facing and welcoming. & I've loved seeing the Tummy staff getting out to wider community events." - SwampFest 2024 attendee</i> <i>"I loved being in a crowd with other live music lovers from multiple generations, some many years younger than me and some a few years older." - SwampFest 2024 attendee</i> CoC promotes local artists on our social media platforms constantly and also record and release a podcast through Manawatu People's Radio showcasing
Priority 4: Develop a national reputation as an exciting city with plenty to do at night and on weekends	 local acts and 'what's on' at The Stomach. CoC-led engagement through social media has expanded our reach and elevated our national profile. In 2022, we received He Tohu Kahurangi (Outstanding Achievement Award) at the Student Radio Network awards, an award sponsored by the NZ Music Commission. NZ Musician magazine profiled us in 2023. CoC provides general capacity that allows our manager to attend national events such as the Going Global and Save Our

	Venues summits, ensuring a Manawatū perspective is shared.
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- 4. Increased show attendance and rehearsal room usage, reaching new and existing audiences through our revitalised social media presence. Over the past year, we've observed a 36% increase in show attendance, a surge in people visiting The Stomach to learn more and request tours, fully booked rehearsal rooms during evening sessions which sees a 3.95% increase. These statistics clearly demonstrate the community's growing love and engagement with The Stomach and the local music scene.
- 5. Active outreach and promotion supports and grows all our baseline activities it increases attendance and usage of our facilities, builds new connections, diversifies our user base, and enhances our reputation (and in turn, Palmerston North's) in the Aotearoa music community.

Secondary benefits of the role

Some secondary benefits of the CoC role, which have been transformative for how the Stomach operates are:

- **enabling our manager to dedicate attention to critical areas** such as reporting, funding applications, stakeholder relationship management, bookkeeping, and venue bookings
- our gig space, recording studio and instrument library are up to an unprecedented standard thanks to the funding we've sourced for capital investment over this time (a result of extra managerial capacity), which is fuelling demand for these services.
- **we've maximised studio usage** because our sound engineer can work uninterrupted, helping to mitigate losing an engineer when our previous manager moved on.
- we're booking more gigs than ever, as our manager has capacity to focus on venue bookings and strengthening relationships with booking agents and musicians themselves. This keeps Palmerston North on touring schedules and brings more acts to town a direct contribution to priority 4 of the Creative and Liveable City Strategy. This consistency is crucial to shifting the perception of Palmerston North as a place tours can skip over!

Statistics to support benefits

Note: we've used 2019 figures as COVID skews the 2020 figures.

	2019 figures (pre-CoC)	2023 figures
Gigs	20 Gigs	31 Gigs



Gig attendance	400 attendees	1381 attendees
Events (workshops etc)	1 Event	8 Events
Recording Studio Hours	447.5 Hours	1049 Hours
Rehearsal Room Hours	1283 Hours	2145 Hours
How likely are you to recommend The Stomach (NPS)	42	80

Options considered

The section sets out the options considered.

1. Disestablish the Community Outreach Coordinator role

Disestablishing the role at the time the funding agreement ends (30 June 2024) is an option considered, but **is not the preferred option** as doing so would mean a significant cut back in resources to deliver the benefits described above including meeting operational objectives and operations. It would also result in the secondary benefits, as described above, from the role being lost.

The importance of sustaining this level of engagement and growth cannot be overstated. The prospect of losing the progress we have made is distressing, as we've all been really inspired by the renewed interest in our services through outreach. Palmy is full of diverse little pockets of creativity. Maintaining a well-promoted and accessible space ensures that even those with little knowledge of what's available in our town will know where to come when they want to get creative. As a sector lead, we take pride in offering the best quality service and connecting people to each other.

2. Fund the Community Outreach Coordinator role via another funding source Funding the role via another funding source was considered including seeking funding from existing funders New Zealand Music Commission, Department of Internal Affairs Lottery Grants, Eastern and Central Community Trust and other funders.

We've already entered a more constrained funding environment, with the cost of living and other economic concerns driving more organisations to seek funding, and reducing the amount of funding available. As part of exploring this option, Creative Sounds have had difficulty in finding enough funding to continue the role beyond June 2024.



Many grants available to us only cover small or short-term projects, for example capital investments or projects (such as a gig series or workshop). Finding funds for long-term wage costs such as this is more difficult.

Creative New Zealand (CNZ) funding

This is a new fund, CNZ has recently restructured their funding options. We expect it to be highly contested as it's a national fund, and open to any arts organisations or groups. We'd fall under the 'General arts funding pool' which be especially very popular (the other pools are for Maori and Pacific arts specifically). We would be small fish in a very large pond for this funding, as the new structure has been highly awaited and many groups are interested in the long-term focus CNZ now has.

The funding applications are open from April 29 to May 29, with results due on 7 August to fund activities taking place from 1 September 2024. We would be requesting \$63,000 per year from a fund that awards grants of \$50,000 to \$125,000 per year for 1 or 2 years.

Eastern & Central Community Trust (ECCT)

ECCT have larger funds contestable for projects, but the amount (we've been told \$10,000 as a possible figure we could apply for) would not be sufficient to fund the outreach role for a reasonable contract term, even if we were successful. We will explore longer term opportunities, but

Given the different streams of funding and uncertainty around obtaining them, and balancing the fact that the funding is for a salary plus the operational costs of the role, this option **is not the preferred option**.

3. Fund the Community Outreach Coordinator role via Stomach income

Funding the role via the Stomach's income was considered, but is not practicable given the current financial incoming and outgoings of the Stomach. At the Culture & Sport Committee meeting we presented our annual report at, we were asked whether part of the role could be paid from Creative Sound's funds as a surplus/profit was perceived from our accounts. This is because we're in the process of spending funding that's been granted for specific capital investments - it can't be diverted to this role. Our regular income would not sustain this role, and as mentioned it is difficult to find funding opportunities to support ongoing costs like a salary.

We hold a cash reserve to ensure core operations don't suffer in the event any of our primary funding sources (PNCC, DIA) are lost or significantly reduced. We don't consider it appropriate to use this reserve for the role as it would only be a short-term solution, without any security for the person taking the role. For this reason this option is **not the preferred option**.



1. Fund the Community Outreach Coordinator role via Palmerston North City Council funding increase

Given the contribution the role makes to Council's strategic direction, and the stability this would provide both the CoC and the organisation as a whole, this is the preferred option. We're committed to securing job stability for our staff and believe folding this role into the existing sector lead agreement with PNCC would support and reinforce our existing goals by giving us the certainty to plan ahead.

A long-term funding solution would ensure we can build on capacity in this area and maintain the existing relationships the initial 3-year run of the role has made. For this reason, this option **is the preferred option**.

Final notes

We urge the council to consider this proposal not just as a funding request, but as an investment in the future of our city. Supporting this role means nurturing a community that is engaged, informed, and motivated to contribute positively to its own development.

We appreciate your consideration of our request and thank you for your time. We're happy to answer any questions you may have and keen to discuss our request further. (Appendix 4 - *Fig.*)



Creative Sounds Society - The Stomach 84 Lombard Street Palmerston North

27 February 2024

Palmerston North City Council Submission to Long Term Plan

Tēnā koutou katoa,

Subject: Submission for Increased Baseline Funding - Creative Sounds Society Incorporated

We're writing on behalf of the Creative Sounds Society Incorporated (CSSI), to express our gratitude for the opportunity to present our annual report, and to request an increase in our current baseline funding. The management committee and staff have collaboratively developed a comprehensive budget and a forward-looking strategic plan aimed at ensuring CSSI - The Stomach continues to thrive in serving the Palmerston North creative community.

Following the challenges posed by COVID-19, we were fortunate to secure a three-year funding agreement with Manatū Taonga to employ a Community Outreach Coordinator. This funding has covered start-up expenses, the coordinator's salary, and provided additional support for operational costs. It's significantly enhanced our event and workshop capabilities, marking a period of robust growth and impact.

What the outreach role has allowed us to achieve

Over the past three years, we've seen a massive increase in users with extra challenges such as intellectual disability, physical disability, mental distress, and at risk youth. Having a dedicated and safe space for these people to come to is critical to create great places for all. The continuation of a full-time Community Outreach Coordinator at The Stomach is essential for maintaining our momentum and furthering our mission.

- Having an additional full-time staff member over the past three years has been transformative, enabling our manager to dedicate attention to critical areas such as reporting, funding applications, stakeholder relationship management, bookkeeping, and venue bookings.
- The funding we've sourced for capital investment over this time has brought our gig space, recording studio and instrument library up to an unprecedented standard fuelling demand for these services. Because our sound engineer can work uninterrupted, we've been able to maximise studio usage.

- We are booking more gigs than ever, ensuring we keep Palmerston North on touring schedules and bring more acts to town. This consistency is crucial to shifting the perception of Palmerston North as a place tours can skip over! This relies on strong relationships we build with booking agents and musicians themselves.
- With a staff member dedicated to outreach, we've increased show attendance and rehearsal room usage, reaching new and existing audiences through our revitalised social media presence.

Why we need to retain this role

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The importance of sustaining this level of engagement and growth cannot be overstated. The prospect of losing the progress we have made is distressing, as we've all been really inspired by the renewed interest in our services through outreach.

Palmy is full of diverse little pockets of creativity. Maintaining a well-promoted and accessible space ensures that even those with little knowledge of what's available in our town will know where to come when they want to get creative. As a sector lead, we take pride in offering the best quality service and connecting people to each other.

The funding increase we're seeking

We respectfully ask Council to consider a funding increase of \$68,000 per annum.

Despite the well-documented challenges related to the cost of living and associated price increases, we believe our funding request is both modest and realistic, aimed at sustaining the high standards of service and community support we have established over the last three years. Maintaining this crucial role not only serves the communities most impacted by the current economic conditions but also ensures the longevity and vibrancy of the creative arts in Palmerston North.

Why we're seeking funding from PNCC

We're deeply committed to securing job stability for our staff, recognizing the importance of sustainable funding for these positions. The ongoing search for funding has been a source of significant stress, given the critical role these positions play in supporting the wider community, particularly minority groups. As you're well aware, funding pools are over-subscribed and often restrictive in what they will fund.

As an organisation, we've researched and planned how to continue funding this position, but the ever-changing funding landscape has made this difficult. Our original plan was to apply to Eastern & Central Trust however, they've recently announced they're closing any further funding applications due to a change in their funding structure. Another option is Creative NZ as last year they released their new funding layout, which could still be an option for us (although competition will be stiff, since it's a nationwide funding body).

We would prefer to have this position and the projects that come from it funded by the PNCC, because we know they go hand in hand with the city's priorities – furthering our strategic alignment. We'll be able to go above and beyond our agreed activities, as we are already



tracking positively towards that. We want to build longevity and stability in this position for not only our employees, but the programs they start and ultimately, the people they connect with.

Thank you for your consideration

We're immensely grateful for your consideration of our request and for your ongoing support of the arts. We believe that with your partnership, we can continue to make a significant and lasting impact on the creative landscape of our community.

Ngā mihi nui,

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Abi Symes Manager

Harry Fraser Creative Sounds Society Convenor

Creative Sounds Society Inc.

Community Outreach Coordinator Job Description

Position:	Community Outreach Coordinator
Reports to:	Manager (& CSSI Management Committee)
Term:	Full-time Fixed-term until 30/6/24
Primary place of work:	The Stomach, 84 Lombard St Palmerston North
Hours of work:	40hrs between Monday – Sunday.

Overall purpose of job:

To support the operational objectives and activities of Creative Sounds Society Incorporated (CSSI) through a focus on leading coordination and facilitation of community development, outreach initiatives, education activities and administrative tasks. This role includes responsibilities for office and administrative systems, public liaison, communications, financial and administrative systems, surveying and reporting, and the implementation of the Society's policies and procedures.

To perform the tasks set out below in a positive, professional and responsible manner to realise the strategic goals of CSSI.

This position has been established to fulfil the strategic aims and outcomes pursuant to Creative Sounds Society's CSP1-18 funding agreement with Manatū Taonga Ministry for Culture & Heritage (MCH) through the CARE Creative Spaces Round One Funding Scheme.

"This funding is to recruit one FTE to focus on engaging Māori and Pasifika users, strengthen connections with the disability sector, and upskill the organisation's cultural competencies to ensure accessibility."

This Community Outreach Coordinator role has been funded exclusively through this agreement. This role is offered on a limited fixed-term basis for a maximum period of three years in order to fulfil the requirements and expected outcomes of this specific initiative. CSSI's funding agreement with MCH terminates in June 2024.

Accountabilities:

1. To coordinate outreach activities and programmes to maximise the use of CSSI's facilities and fulfil CSSI's strategic goals.

Key Tasks:

• To lead community development and outreach activities for Creative Sounds Society.

• To engage, coordinate with and develop relationships with stakeholders such as local community care organisations, cultural organisations, community organisation, well-being focused organisations, and education providers.

• To improve accessibility and coordinate access to The Stomach & CSSI services for people and communities with greater or diverse needs (e.g. physically or intellectually disabled).

- To strengthen relationships with Tangata Whenua and Tangata Moana.
- To strengthen relationships with all other local ethnic & cultural communities.
- To undertake other specific relationship-building and stakeholder management tasks as assigned by the Manager.
- To be aware of & responsive to changing community needs (e.g. disabled, youth, ethnic and cultural groups, gender diverse, diverse sexuality).

• To develop, deliver & evaluate new outreach, accessibility, and programmes on the above basis.

- To coordinate regular email newsletters and social media communications for CSSI.
- To maintain The Stomach's facilities to a fit-for-purpose and fully operational standard.
- To facilitate bookings for, practises/rehearsal, recording, events and workshops (including education activities); respond to client/user queries.
- To perform other duties as assigned by the Manager.

2. To undertake operational administration of Creative Sounds Society

Key Tasks:

• To work with the Manager in preparing and administering reports to Arts Access Aotearoa and Manatū Taonga Ministry for Culture & Heritage.

- To work with the Manager to prepare reports and information pursuant to other funding agreements and stakeholders.
- To coordinate the collection of data and other information required for reporting to CSSI's funders, management or membership.
- To operate CSSI's financial systems including: incoming and outgoing payments, banking, account overdue statements, petty cash in accordance with the Society's stipulated policies and procedures.
- To operate and grow CSSI's digital online presence; including social media.

3. To liase with and report to Creative Sounds Society Incorporated.

Key Tasks:

- To liaise with, and report to CSSI's Manager.
- To report as required to the CSSI Management Committee.
- To report on CSSI strategic priorities as required.

• To be familiar with, contribute to the development of and compliance with, all of CSSI's policies and operating procedures.

4. To contribute to the achievement of Creative Sounds strategic goals.

Key Tasks:

• To identify, propose, and implement opportunities for CSSI to improve accessibility to our services, resources and facilities.

- To identity and coordinate the application to potential sources of funding.
- To lead the development CSSI's programmes including education and engagement opportunities through the coordination and delivery of activities such as workshops and events.
- To work as an integral member of the team.
- To represent CSSI and The Stomach professional and positive manner.

Person Specification

The following personal attributes are sought for this position.

Qualifications / skills

• Ability to interact respectfully and effectively with a wide cross section of the public, including people with diverse backgrounds, abilities, cultures, social groups, and needs.

- Strong oral and written communication skills. Effective communication.
- Passion for, and active interest in contemporary music and/or music therapy.
- High level of musicianship and/or experience in music education or music therapy.
- Experience and knowledge of audio-technology suitable to support CSSI's operational activities.
- Event management
- Proficient computer skills including Microsoft Office (i.e. Word, Excel) and MacOS.
- Effective operation of administrative and financial systems.
- Ability to manage client expectations.

Personal attributes

- Professional
- Outgoing
- Self-motivated
- Punctual, excellent time management
- Attention to detail
- Works effectively in a team or independently
- Able to work under pressure
- Well-developed sense of personal responsibility and management
- Culturally competent
- Sense of humour

Agreement number:	CSP1-18
Title:	Creative Sounds Society Inc. (The Stomach)
	Creative Sounds' charitable purpose is to nurture and support creative music, providing affordable access to music facilities and services.
Summary of funded activity:	Creative Sounds operates The Stomach which is an all- ages affordable recording studio, rehearsal space, and music venue in Palmerston North. The Stomach has a strong focus on extending accessibility to music for higher need communities in the Manawatū - Wanganui region. This funding is to recruit one FTE to focus on engaging Māori and Pasifika
	users, strengthen connections with the disability sector, and upskill the organisation's cultural competencies to ensure accessibility.
Location(s):	Manawatū - Wanganui
Agreement start date:	The Agreement commences on the date the Ministry signs this Agreement.
Agreement end date:	30 June 2024
Focus artform(s), if applicable:	Music and recording studio facilities

Key Outcomes for this Position (Schedule 1 – Agreement Summary CSP1-18)



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Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	Yes
Preferred hearing dates	Wednesday 15 May:
	Thursday 16 May:
	Friday 17 May: 9am to 12.30pm, 1.30pm to 5pm
How would you prefer to give your feedback?	In person
Rates review questions	
Which of these describes you?	Other: Organisation
Community facilities questions	
Pasifika Centre: 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

General comment areas

Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans	As a youth focused organisation we believe in the goals for the city around building the capability of our Rangatahi. We want the council to fund the youth strategy, to continue to build future leaders in our city.
Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects	Support Rangatahi projects within the city.
How did you find out about our long-term plan?	Social media

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Your contact details

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Phone	

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Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	Yes
Please let us know if you'd like a language interpreter	No interpreter required
Preferred hearing dates	Wednesday 15 May:
	Thursday 16 May:
	Friday 17 May: 1.30pm to 5pm, 5.30pm to 7.30pm
How would you prefer to give your feedback?	In person

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's a good step in a sensible direction.
Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	I do not believe that LV is as equitable across the Community as CV.
	Some decades ago I thought that LV was the most sensible system, but my position has gradually shifted as the economics of our world have shifted.

Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the Ideally, PNCC should resolve to move to the CV system of rating

valuation, and set a (say) 14 Year transition period, and adjust the 70.30 apportionment by 5% each year, to 65/35, then 60.40, and so on until 100% CV is reached.

This hybrid sequence will allow those ratepayers who perceive adverse effects to arrange their affairs to minimise their downside risks. People with (say) a small, old house on a large section seem to be as unhappy as those with a new expensive house on a small section, when it comes to feeling that the rating system is fair to them.

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	Palmerston North tells the world it is a multicultural city - we have to put our money where our mouth is!
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	I think that the Pasifika Centre redevelopment should be in the LTP at about years 9-10 to signal that the City intends to further develop the site rather than only developing it. The 6% of city population of Pasifika people, as a non-trivial proportion, easily justifies this expenditure before too long.
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	It seems OK as the case is stated.
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	A sensible development for a sizable segment of the city.
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	I'm generally supportive but am concerned that the proposed/possible cafe will get inadequate casual business to become financially viable.
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	Apart from the main sports field/stock cars/grandstand for large crowds (worthwhile) the remaining sports fields and associated facilities should score no higher that the equivalent facilities in other parts of the city. (I cannot find enough information to Justify parts of the proposed expenditure.)

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	If we don't do these things we set on a course to become a third-rate urban backwater. We must prepare for both seismic and climate-change- related changes.

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?	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.	My 'no' to the first item is because "more equitably" is a value judgement for which no argument is presented, and I have no way to agree with it. My 'no' to the fourth item is because PNCC should collect Development Contributions in every possible legal way until good evidence requires a change in policy. I cannot find the evidence, or even a poor argument for change. I have looked at the proposed Policy (of 96 pages) and found 'the water change at page 26, and wastewater at page 30, but no hint of why the change is a good idea.

General comment areas

Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects	The map on pp16-17 of the Consultation booklet is very helpful again this year. However, I notice that the proposed 'downstream' bridge appears to go to Camp Road, which will be really good if the NZ Defense Force signs up for it. Otherwise this bridge should be a bit further downstream.
Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for water and how we will fund Nature Calls	The media have provided comment that Nature Calls will be likely to need \$1000 pa per household for 30 years to repay the capital funding. Given that 20 years ago we were working on Wastewater 2006 (to last until about 2034 until the 'law' changed) it seems probable that Nature Calls will not be paid for prior to a further redevelopment being required, with further capital costs. Whatever central governments decide from time-to-time about this critical 'waters area', this seems to be an area with further implications. It is not clear to me that the matter has been

Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider	I find it difficult to discern whether Palmerston North City Council wants its LTP consultation to be superficial or that it is interested to risk receiving detailed, carefully argued views from some thoughtful citizens. Many aspects of this year's consultation process have been disappointingly focused on deterring serious engagement in the process. For example, in the Supporting Information book the pagination seems unsatisfactory.
How did you find out about our long-term plan?	Council website
	Booklet in my mailbox
	Rates letter or email
	Newspaper

adequately covered in the LTP.

Other: I have submitted on several LTPs and have been a Councillor.

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Your contact details

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Hearing

Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	Yes
Please let us know if you'd like a language interpreter	No interpreter required
Preferred hearing dates	Wednesday 15 May: Thursday 16 May: 9am to 12.30pm
	Friday 17 May:
How would you prefer to give your feedback?	In person
Rates review questions	
Which of these describes you?	Other: Race Training Zone

Which option do you prefer?

4. Prefer not to say

Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities? 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?	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 you have about our vision, goals and plans	Please refer to my written submission that is attached.
Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects	Please refer to my written submission that is attached.
Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing	Please refer to my written submission that is attached.
Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for growing our city	Please refer to my written submission for both the FDS and LTP that is attached.
Supporting information	Submission for Long Term Plan Version 9 May 24 .pdf

Neil Wright Submission|Palmerston North City Council Long Term Plan 202409 May 2024

This submission regarding the PNCC Long Term Plan 2024 (Section A below) should be read in conjunction with a copy of our submission regarding the draft Future Development Strategy 2024 (Section B below). These two documents work together to form our overall submission.

Section A

A1. I would like to focus this Long Term Plan 2024 submission on the future development of East and West Te Wanaka Road (the Race Training Zone). In particular, to ensure that there is <u>adequate budgeting</u>, <u>staging and</u> <u>infrastructure allocations</u>, within the Long Term Plan, that enable the **COMPLETION** of rezoning District Plan <u>"Unit 21: Race Training Zone" to residential zoning in 2024.</u>

A2. While I do understand that there are complexities of Kikiwhenua's future development that fall outside of PNCC decision-making power (i.e intersection upgrades). I would like to urge PNCC to take a forward thinking approach that enables for smart and effective infrastructure planning that are within PNCC's responsibility. For example, the Awapuni Racecourse has already been dug up and re-turfed twice in the last 4 years and this could have been an excellent opportunity for PNCC to install pipes under the Racecourse for wastewater to service the Kākātangiata Plan Change. This being at a lower overall cost if it were actioned in conjunction with other works.

A3. West Te Wanaka Road residents have "swallowed dead rats" so that Awapuni Racecourse could have their all-weather synthetic track to benefit the Palmerston North community. This compromise has come at the expense of devaluing our own Te Wanaka Road land due to the highly restrictive nature of the Race Training Zone. This was agreed to by Residents despite PNCC putting forward an entirely inadequate and unfair Kikiwhenua plan change in 2019. These compromises have been made by West Te Wanaka Residents as part of the Consent Order already mentioned in Section B; yet Council have still not allocated adequate resourcing to ensure they deliver their part of this agreement in a timely manner.

A4. Instead of half starting plan changes throughout the entirety of the city *without any actual houses* built; it would be a smarter choice to follow through on plan changes and allocate realistic budgeting at the same time to ensure that results are delivered for the City.

A5. I am absolutely fatigued trying to explain to Palmerston North City Council Elected Members that the Te Wanaka Road development is in a zone that is unique, niche and restrictive in functioning and therefore requires adequate infrastructure upfront to service the entirety of Te Wanaka Road. Kākātangiata is a massive undertaking, it's virtually a whole city in itself, and must have realistic goals, micro-staging and resources allocated in order to achieve this in a resource effective way. I beg Council to honour the promises to the remnant Race Training Zone and ensure that East and West Te Wanaka Road are together 'Part A of Kikiwhenua Stage 1" that falls under the first stage of Kākātangiata. This means that it is economically and financially essential that Part A of Kākātangiata has infrastructure approved now to avoid wasted resourcing and enable development.

A6. I encourage Elected Members to do their own homework on Te Wanaka Road; rather than take for granted information presented by PNCC Planning Officers whom did not put forward a quality Kikiwhenua Plan Change.

A7. I would like to re-iterate that PNCC have already agreed through the Environment Court that:

"[6] In addition to amendments to the provisions of Plan Change C, the mediated agreement includes a series statements and commitments given by the Council in relation to the development of its proposed Kākātangiata plan change in consideration of the agreement by the Te Wanaka Road Residents to the Plan Change C amendments. The Council's statements are recorded at Appendix B of this Memorandum."

A8. I would like to re-iterate that PNCC actually signed documents acknowledging:

"[10] The parties are satisfied the consent order:

- (a) Is within scope of the appeal;
- (b) Falls within the Court's jurisdiction;
- (c) Conforms with the requirements of the RMA and, in particular, achieves the purpose the RMA under Part 2."

A9. I would like to re-iterate that PNCC have already accepted that:

"(a) PNCC agrees that there are good planning reasons to support the inclusion of the remaining race training zone land at Te Wanaka Road and Pioneer Highway"... "to enable urban development as part of the first stage of Kākātangiata."

- A10. And importantly, PNCC have written themselves (A7-A10) and therefore already agreed that: *"(e) Development of the Te Wanaka Road land will resolve issues as to how the current zoning provisions align with the development aspirations…"*
- A11. I/We agree with the statements documented in Heritage Estate 2000 Limited's submission to the draft Future Development Strategy 2024 that:

"25.All indications point to a significant gap in short-term infrastructure readiness and capacity."

And,

"26. Accelerated capacity is needed to achieve the NPS-UD requirements. The FDS is deficient in its goal setting to meet these requirements."

A12. To enable "Residential" zoning of the Race Training Zone (that has already been agreed to) it is therefore imperative that PNCC prudently attends to budgeting matters through the 2024 Long Term Plan. This is the most effective use of ratepayer's money and would also open up a much wider scope for cost effectively resourcing the wider Kākātangiata area.

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A13. I would like decision-makers of the 2024 Long Term Plan Budget to approve sufficient infrastructure funding to service East and West Te Wanaka Road development as "Part A" of Kikiwhenua Stage 1 (that falls under the first stage of Kākātangiata); this approach is sensible and will save time, money and sanity for all parties involved to ensure that PNCC meets their obligations under the UDC-NPS.

Section B

Neil Wright Submission|Regarding the draft Future Development Strategy 2024Submitted 03 May 2024

B1) As a result of Environment Court Mediation and the subsequent signing (by PNCC) of an Environment Court <u>Consent Order</u>, dated 1st day of October 2020, I wish to convey utter disbelief that PNCC continues to disregard the very statements and commitments they made in *Appendix B* of this Consent Order. Come 2024, it is clear that PNCC were merely paying lip service to the appellants and s274 parties; whom, actively participated in the Environment Court mediation process in good faith. The attitude of the Council is not good enough.

Nb. At mediation in 2020, I represented myself personally and was also the spokesperson for "Residents Group West Te Wanaka Road [2020]" that I continue to advocate for.

B2) What now adds "utter disbelief" to my latest vocabulary to describe how PNCC operates, is that even given the opportunity to *'right the wrong'*, PNCC cannot even follow though on their commitment when it's written in an Environment Court Consent Order.

B3) My concerns relate to what is named "Kikiwhenua" by PNCC within the draft Future Development Strategy 2024 document. To eliminate further confusion, historically, this has also been labelled Palmerston North City "Plan Change C" (PC C) Kākātangiata – Stage 1 Kikiwhenua". In real life, the "Kikiwhenua" area represents PNCCs "District Plan *Section 21: Race Training Zone*". This District Plan unit covers Eastern and Western Te Wanaka Road AND the entire zone agrees that District Plan Unit 21 is completely unworkable.

B4) The reason for my concern and initial involvement with Kikiwhenua stems from PNCC persisting with a plan change that would see 'dead land' created through a remnant Race Training Zone. At a time where Palmerston North City is looking for a planning solution that can actually ensure houses are built with 100% stakeholder agreement in order to ease the growing housing crisis and fulfil its requirements under the UDC-NPS, it remains insane that PNCC are incapable of collaborating with our community and setting realistic goals and budgets to produce results for the City.

B5) Had PNCC bothered to put forward robust planning changes, behaved with the slightest bit of integrity, and put any effort into their RMA Section 32 mandate *to identify, examine and assess the benefits and costs* of the Kikiwhenua Plan then the whole Race Training Zone Unit would already be residential and have houses ready for occupation. PNCCs attitude and practices fall a long way short of 'quality planning' and it's making

building houses far more complicated than is needed - in the meantime PNCC is continuing to half start planning projects, waste money and still not understand the mess they have created. This is unacceptable to our community.

B6) On my latest list of frustrations PNCC cannot even competently explain the 'high level' planning detail that is outlined on page 24 of the draft Future Development Strategy 2024, *"Figure 2: Growth Capacity and locations over the short, medium, and long term"*.

I believe Figure 2 represents the *"high level"* growth picture of our City. As at the time of writing this submission, I have already asked Council what the number "591" actually means on page 24 of the draft Future Development Strategy and I am still waiting for a response over a week later. This is a point of significance as:

a) it is difficult for me to provide feedback on numbers that PNCC cannot explain to me; and

b) assume the numbers on page 24, (high level "Kikiwhenua" information projecting 92 homes in 2025, 188 homes spread across 2026/2027 and 591 homes spanning 2032/2033) are a massive blunder because it is nonsensical and a massive waste of Palmerston North's land resources.

B7) I have been invited *on page 6 of this draft strategy* to give my views on the things that I think are most important for the future of Palmerston North. Fundamentally, my views would begin with Council taking responsibility, honouring commitments, and leading our community with two-way mutual respect. At the end of this, I hope we create not only a quality planned 'physical city' that we can be proud, but also know that we have knitted together a better collaborative fabric that we are proud of passing on to our mokopuna.

In Conclusion

C1) There is an army of support from the West Te Wanaka Road Group that wants to *work with* Council to ensure East and West Te Wanaka Road ("Kikiwhenua") proceeds from 2024 with infrastructure that enables houses to be built. This also comes with the full backing of R.A.C.E (East Te Wanaka Road, Kikiwhenua).

I am happy to discuss this submission in more detail. I wish to speak at the upcoming LTP Public Meeting and will also bring a support person whom is a signatory to the Consent Order document. We will be happy to answer questions regarding this submission. We are available to attend the meeting on Thursday 16^{th} May 2024 during the 9am – 12:30pm timeslot.

Regards, Neil Wright Page **5** of **5**

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	I am flexible on days and times
How would you prefer to give your feedback?	In person

Rates review questions

Which option do you prefer?	4. Prefer not to say
	Landlord of a business/commercial property in Palmerston North who doesn't live here
	Landlord of a business/commercial property in Palmerston North who lives here
	Landlord of a home in Palmerston North who lives here
	Business owner who pays commercial/industrial rates in Palmerston North
Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area

No comment. I don't have time to do the necessary research.

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	This falls into the 'nice to have ' category.
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	This falls into the 'nice to have ' category.
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	This falls into the 'nice to have ' category.
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 live near this proposed Library. I am an avid book reader. I have never been to this library and very rarely use the main library. If I need a book to read I will either buy it, borrow it from a friend, or buy it from Red Cross or other opmshop. The current library is scruffy, has a poor selection of technical books, and a poor collection of fiction and non- fiction. Not many people read these days, and most use the net -you tube for example, and their phones. The proposed expense on this project is a 'nice to have' project and we (the ratepayers) can't afford the luxury.
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	The proposed expense on this project is a 'nice to have' project and we (the ratepayers) can' t afford the luxury.
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	Support with a sharper pencil.

City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Please tell us why you prefer this option

You do not have the option " Do only those upgrades that are absolutely necessary and defer where possible". [

I note that the \$200 million estimated is mostly on Council 'assets' but these are not really assets, but are better termed liabilities surely? An asset generates an income or can be sold or disposed of to repay borrowings. Council 'assets' such as buildings, roads, water & other necessary infrastructure can hardly be disposed of, and income generation is minor.]

Seismic upgrade is a knee jerk reaction to what happened in Christchurch, and any seismic upgrade needs a sensible risk assessment. There is an old church next to Square Edge. its been there since 1928, and has survived a number of shakes. Sure it will fall down one day when the big shake arrives, but there's a very good chance that that won't happen on a Sunday morning, and the church will be empty. That's a risk that can easily be calculated. If we assume the one fatal shake that destroys the church happens in the next 20 years, the risk is 0.000015 that someone would be killed. A rates increase due to the cost of seismic strengthening will cause an increase in ratepayer suicide. Care to do the sums?

General comment areas

Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans	This vision and goals section makes one feel really nice and cosy. We cant afford it. You say (section 6.4 of strategy document) that there will be costs in flood events (I thought this is why we paid Horizon rates?), and that Council has set its own greenhouse emission targets, but no costs have been projected taht I can see in the LTP. The Govt has made it clear that it cannot afford this luxury right now – Minister Jones has announced renewed efforts to increase our mining of coal and gas as of yesterday – so Council should delay ANY projected further costs in this climate arena. (I am a firm advocate of climate protection, but there is much evidence that CO2 is not the enemy). If the NZG cannot afford the luxury of reducing gas and coal, Palmy ratepayers cannot either.
Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects	I hope the 'transport plans' are better than the recent bus stop fiasco in Featherston Street.[or the city buses that currently stop illegally in the middle of the northbound lane in Pioneer highway every day. It is illegal (road code) to park on a yellow dotted line on the road edge but this happens many times every day in Palmy.]
	I am a regular cyclist and I enjoy the rural cycle lanes to Longburn, Feilding, Te Matai road, but cramming cycle lanes into Featherston Street, Pioneer highway to name a few, I do not agree with. They are unsafe for cyclists annoy motorists, and cause congestion. Two cycle lanes down Pioneer for example is overkill, when one would do. Why on earth would you cycle on the east side cycle lane and risk getting hit by a car, when the duplicate west side lane is safer and much better? The \$300 million list of projects in your plan needs pruning. You say " By creating a system that allows for all transport modes, we can reduce the congestion on our roads and reduce the wear and tear of the road surfaces." The new heavy electric buses that stop in the middle of the road contribute to extreme congestion.
Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for water and how we will fund Nature Calls	Providing clean water, and waste water disposal are two of the core responsibilities of Council, and I wish Council would stick to the core basics and not get sidetracked into feel good projects. PNCC has known about the future costs associated with water supply and waste water for at least 30 years. Some provision during those years would have been nice. You said "This could mean reducing the Nature Calls project and/or reducing our other projects and services." I agree. The intended borrowing plan along with all of the other 'nice to have' projects will send the city broke in the future. I don't have time or space for more details, but the proposed \$623 million debt in 10 years is silly. I do understand that Council is facing big costs with water supply and waste & stormwater disposal. You say "There's also \$2 million in operational costs for investigations

	and modelling to ensure we're allowing development in the right place." That does seem a trifle excessive. Can we see a breakdown?
	You said "Whatever happens, we do need to make sure we maintain our infrastructure for our community and meet all legal requirements for our wastewater treatment and discharge." What happens if a Council simply cannot afford to do what the Govt mandates?. Tararua DC, MDC for example with a small ratepayee base mustfail innthis regard. What happens if a Council defaults? Let us concentrate on what needs to be done, and not on what would be nice.
Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing	The draft Social housing pdf and draft housing plan pdf are great works of art, but I could not be bothered trying to interpret the pretty pictures. You said "Our city needs 400 new homes each year to make sure everyone has a home" I purchased my first house 50 years ago, sold my car to fund a 12% interest loan and biked to work, and got 3 jobs. Why is the ratepayer being asked to fund social housing?
Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for growing our city	Its easy to spend someone else's money.
Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services	I have no complaints about the rubbish collection services. Please note that my business pays separately for its own rubbish collection because PNCC doesnt collect rubbish or recycling for businesses.
Please share any feedback regarding proposed rates over the next 10 years	You say in the strategy document "The Council believes that, based on its current asset information, the amounts sought from current ratepayers are appropriate." This is based on a \$1000 IFF levy every year for 30 years and an annual two digit increase in rates – my response is that its easy to spend someone else's money, and I'm also sure that 95% of ratepayers would have a different view. In the graph on page ?? (page numbers would help) you project rate increases over the next 10 years, as well as a \$1000 IFF levy. This is unsustainable for most rate payers. You say that rates will increase by 11.3%,10%,9% in the next 3 rating years. We all know that this is an estimate and if left unfettered, rates will increase by significantly more than this. And this does not include the \$1000 IFF levies which will most likely be more than the estimate, and will grow year year.
	You say that Council has a good S&P rating and that fees and rates are comparable with other like Councils. How dare you use that as an excuse for unwise un-necessary expenditure. You say that the LT financial position is sustainable – it is not; the burden on loan interest and unrestrained expenditure now and in the future, falls fairly and squarely on the ratepayer. If the borrowing continues at the current rate, the city will at some time reach te point where the ratepayer cannot meet the debt. Properties will be owned by thiose that can afford the rates, and lower income families will be forced to sell – thios is happenimng now. I have spoken with several families in this position that today spend over \$100 per week on rates, and say that with the projected rate increases over the next 3 years, and the IFF levies, will be forced to sell.
Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider	My submission looks all negative, but that is not the intent. I understand that Council has a difficult job, that there are significant costs coming up, and ratepayers will complain at anything, especially if it costs more. But it irks me and everyone else when we see expenditure on un-necessary projects, wasted money and feel good projects that are nice to have but not part of Councils core business. The pretty green and yellow planter boxes that appeared in the city last year, at significant cost no doubt, then suddenly all mysteriously disappeared overnight. The > \$700,000 gifted to Toyota a few years ago has been conveniently forgotten. The sunk cost of the Featherston Street balls up.

Now is the time to look at the economic situation of the ratepayers and the average citizen and only spend on what is necessary.

Now is the time to step back and look at what is absolutely necessary, and put the nice to have projects on the back burner. NZ is in a debt crisis situation right now, and many if not most ratepayers and households are struggling to meet costs. Now is not the time to spend up large on libraries, new sports fields.

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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	Our CV is \$1.3 M but even at \$1.1 M the house did not sell because KO is putting 139 people into high density housing shortly (Crewe Cres)) The CV takes no account of neighbours but we would be unfairly penalised if improvements are included
Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	As anive
Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review?	No

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General comment areas

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

Tens of thousands are spent on developing zones of housing density but with the KO development these were ignored. Don't waste money!

No

KO, Council and government refuse to take cognisance of the probability of developing Ghettos like in the 1950s. 139 people on 0.8 ha is a disaster waiting to happen. Please stand up to these organisations and refuse to allow this too happen