

Long-Term Plan submission form



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Rates review questions

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

Why should someone who has a small section, worth \$200,000 and a million dollar house pay 1/4 what someone who has an \$800,000 section and an old falling down house worth nothing pays? If anything the valuable house uses more council facilities like sewer and the like? The newer house probably has 3 or 4 bathrooms and more roof so more stormwater runoff etc. The current system penalizes those who have the least ability to pay and who probably live in poorer quality housing, and rewards those who are wealthy enough to be able to afford a new expensive home.

The only fair approach is to base rates on the total value of the property, yes rates will go up for some but they will come down for those who are least able to afford them. Typically older people who have lived in their older homes for many years (typically on bigger sections) or properties which are rented out (again older homes on larger sections) which can only increase rents in an already unaffordable market.

CV is the only fair and reasonable approach and could be phased in over a number of years the ease the transition.

Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	See above
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Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review?

It's about time this was done
CV is the only fair and reasonable approach and could be phased in over a number of years the ease the transition. Perhaps a 50% CV/50% Land Value to start with the ratio
of CV increasing at 10% per year over a 5 year period until it's 100% CV

Community facilities questions

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

No

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

Support with changes/comments

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

I think there is a need for more and flexible community spaces and I feel the best option would be to use some of the vast amounts of empty space in our CBD and refurbish it to suit.

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

Is there a way this could be incorporated in the Multicultural centre or vice versa?

Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building

Support as proposed

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

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

For a city of its size Palmerston already has substantial library resources, and the Central Library is only a few minutes away. Sadly libraries are fast becoming a thing of the past and if existing staff are not sufficient, will require more and over time more expensive staffing. I would urge council to not just look at the capital cost but also the ongoing annual cost of maintaining a service for which demand is rapidly diminishing and going online. A day spent in the city library and a count of patrons, really tells you all you need to know.

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

I'd like to be sure that public access to Anzac Park be maintained, and that it would still be available for general parking for those who just want to walk the trails or enjoy the view.

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

Support with changes/comments

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

Do what needs to be done, quake upgrades, toilets but Palmerston already has a huge variety of sport facilities, many of them underused or even empty.
Yes various groups will always want more, that will never end, Artificial turf is not acceptable, it is essentially covering the ground with plastic. Many countries are ripping up artificial turf and it's impossible to dispose of except in landfill.

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

I think the city is contemplating too much and with a very slow growing population, will require substantial and unaffordable rates increases to fund.
I would like to see rate increases tied to the annual inflation rate, plus perhaps 1%
There is a real danger that rates will rise much faster than incomes, and

will have the opposite effect from that desired. If rates rise too fast it will only make poverty worse (rents will rise too) leading to more homelessness, and greater demand for city services. It's all very well to have new libraries etc, but if it comes at the expense of the community's financial wellbeing it's a price too high to pay. Money spent on rates is money they is not going to support local businesses, build sorely needed housing etc.

City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?

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

Please tell us why you prefer this option

These things need to be done.
The council's primary and most important task is to provide safe and secure public spaces for its citizens.

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?

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.

Development contributions in NZ generally are extremely low by international standards. In most countries, developers not only contribute to the costs of development services like water, sewer, roads etc but they also pay a separate fee that provides the city with much needed funds to upgrade community facilities to accommodate the increasing population . In some cities in Canada (they call it a Development Cost Charge) that I know of the fee is usually around \$30,000 per single family housing unit, and less per unit for multi family housing like semi-detached or apartments. If a city like Palmerston had a similar system and there were 500 new homes built a year that would give council an additional \$15m per year to spend on community facilities. Even if a facility doesn't use water or wastewater there is still a cost to the city, it needs to be connected to services like power and internet, it needs public transport, road access, etc etc. These all cost ratepayers and it's unfair that the owners shouldn't have to pay. As numerous studies have shown development normally does NOT pay for itself, these kinds of charges can help offset some of the hidden costs that cities bear that right now are essentially subsidies to developers.

General comment areas

Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects

The quality of road surfaces in the city is poor. There are many roads that carry lots of heavy vehicles that are surfaced in chip seal that should have been done in asphalt. Chip seal is noisy, doesn't last and wears out tyres (the material of which ends up in our storm drains) And yet here are other streets that rarely get heavy traffic that are surfaced in asphalt. There needs to be consideration not just of the number of vehicles but also the type of vehicles when considering surfacing options.

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

Palmerston needs to do what is needed, but there needs to be far better costing and option pricing. The numbers that are thrown around for what is a relatively small project are outrageous. Much bigger cities have built far more comprehensive and advanced facilities for much less. The rural community contributes much more to the poor health of the Manawatu River than Palmerston does but basically gets a free ride. Extending the proposed system to places like Foxton, Feilding, and other areas would help offset some of the costs.

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing

The best way to make our CBD more attractive vibrant and alive and deal with the housing crisis, is very simple ... get more people living in the CBD. This is not rocket science, and is a proven solution around the world. Right now Palmerston has a few hundred people at most living in the CBD, if that was to increase to a few thousand, it would have huge benefits. There are also hundreds of potential living spaces above street level already in Palmy's CBD on top of retail at ground level. These need to be encouraged, and utilized. Right now many of them are used to store things or are empty. An empty space tax, as used in much of the world should be considered.

Benefits of this approach include

Local businesses would thrive, cafes, restaurants, entertainment, as people who live in the CBD generally are greater consumers of these things.

The city would be alive, with many more people walking and enjoying our facilities.

There is huge potential to utilize some of the dozens of empty retail spaces and convert them to housing.

It would mean much less of the expensive infrastructure required to create urban sprawl that will provide a perpetual drain on city funds. In many cases there would be no need for any additional infrastructure at all.

It would attract more young people who are typically more focussed on entertainment and experiences.

Policies can be put in place that require this approach, and zoning the CBD as an area requiring high density housing would be a good place to start, along with waiving development charges in the CBD, where the infrastructure is already fully developed.

Until there is a substantial population in the CBD it will continue to be a ghost town at night, Broadway will stay a desert of empty shops, and businesses will continue to fail. This is the biggest thing the city needs to do, and efforts should be focussed on how to make it happen. There are countless examples all around the world as to how to do this successfully, in cities big and small. Many places have created an urban growth boundary that limits sprawl and drives growth within it. They have become interesting vibrant, exciting places to live, and their populations have soared. It works.

Places like Whanganui are doing much better than Palmerston in that regard,

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

See above

Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling

Yes, the restrictions on faux, cabbage trees etc in the green waste is a

services

problem that needs to be dealt with
While I appreciate that they cannot easily be processed into compost thatre is absolutely no reason that they can't be used as landfill. They break down quickly and the only alternative is to include them with general rubbish ... which they aren't.
Just set aside a space for them like there is for lawn clippings at Awapuni and treat them separately.
Tt beats having people just dump them at the roadside.

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

Rates need to be kept at or near the rate of inflation, people simply can't afford to be paying double digit increases year after year. It's unsustainable and ultimately counterproductive.
If we want to attract the best and the brightest, the innovators and the entrepreneurs Palmerston has to offer something special, it needs to become a place that people talk about and envy.
I'm sure most people would say 'I can live with a few less facilities, but I can't live with huge rate increases that is driving up the price of housing, rentals, and that just sends me further and further into poverty'
Spend what needs to be spent on the 'have to haves' but hold off on the 'nice to haves' until people can afford them.

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

Palmerston needs to stop spraying footpaths walking paths and verges with toxic chemicals like Glyphosate. You have young children, many of them barefoot, walking along these paths and absorbing these toxins into their bodies on a daily basis.
In much of the world applying these dangerous chemicals requires a full hazmat suit, complete with respirators and it seems that the EU will soon ban or severely restrict their use. In Palmerstion we spray the stuff like it's water and it needs to stop.

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

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
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Which option do you prefer?	1. Preferred option: Hybrid (a mixture of land and capital value)
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Please tell us why you prefer this option	Good balance between shared cost for all ratepayers, and slightly higher rates for those with higher value properties,
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Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	CV is too punitive on high-value homeowners (who may have proportionately higher mortgage commitments to meet) & plan has highlighted disadvantages of current system.
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Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review?	Has the Council considered separating out water rates for residential & lifestyle properties (under a user pays system)? Some households use a LOT more water than others, depending on occupancy, section size etc. and this approach would encourage water conservation.
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Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
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Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Support with changes/comments
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project	A large portion of the costs needs to be worn by those that utilise the facilities (under a user pays model where fees cover maintenance & operating costs). A large portion of PN population may never use the facilities so ratepayers should not have to bear all of the cost. Maybe ratepayers could subsidise some of the costs (10-20%)?
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	A large portion of the costs needs to be worn by those that utilise the facilities (under a user pays model where fees cover maintenance & operating costs). A large portion of PN population may never use the facilities so ratepayers should not have to bear all of the cost. Maybe ratepayers could subsidise some of the costs (10-20%)?
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	With improved transport links, the central library & proposed Awapuni Community Library Hub should amply cater for this community. It would also encourage greater engagement with the central city. Instead of committing more funding to this location, I would prefer to this service to cease altogether, freeing up funding for other key projects.
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	Supported, subject to cessation of the Te Patikitiki location, which would free up funds for this/other projects.
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	Supported, subject to charges for use of facilities (such as fees for venue hire and overnight stays) being reflective of operation and maintenance costs. Also wondering if it would be culturally appropriate to seek part of the funding from an organisation such as the Wheua Maori Fund (or similar).
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	Supported, subject to Council ensuring that all potential sources of sponsorship funding (local and national) have been explored to minimise costs.
Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?	In a very constrained economic environment, 'essential services' should always be prioritised ahead of 'nice to haves', and councilors need to consider which projects can be funded from a 'user pays' model or grants. For example, having several library locations is a 'nice to have', but is not essential, and if ratepayers are asked to spend millions on new facilities, we should reasonably expect venue charges to be sufficient to cover operation and maintenance costs.

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	Do what is necessary, & leave the 'nice to haves' for a better economic environment.
Please tell us what you don't like about the other option	Unnecessary spending.

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?	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.	Increasing the contributions for residential development may dampen demand for new build housing which is essential for population growth.

General comment areas

Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects	Unless it is necessary for safety or compliance reasons, is replacement of the Main St bus terminal required? Is this a costs that could be avoided?
Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for water and how we will fund Nature Calls	Based on the extremely high costs involved, could the Council start collecting separate annual levies NOW based on the number of persons in a household (occupancy), instead of hitting ratepayers with a \$1,000 per year bill on top of rates each year in approx. 4 years time. Again this would be fairer as it would better reflect a user-pays scenario for these services (based on the number of people in a household).
Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing	Plans are supported. With regard to increased density housing, it would be important to ensure building consent requirements are tightened to ensure that existing home owners are not adversely affected by multi-storey dwellings (i.e. preservation of private enjoyment of property and north-facing sun aspect, for existing property owners should be paramount).
Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services	A greenwaste & vege scrap collection service will be great!

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

At the risk of being a broken record, essential services should be priorities, and any non-essential 'nice-to-haves' should be deferred or reconsidered.

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

Please consider:

- Soft plastics recycling options - this would help divert waste from land fill.
 - What can be done with plastic lids, now that NZ Govt has vetoed including them in ordinary recycling - this is a disappointing setback for our environment.
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Booklet in my mailbox

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

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North rural area
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Which option do you prefer?	3. Land value (LV) – current system
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Please tell us why you prefer this option	<p>Values have no relationship to equity All homes are expensive and applying Rates based on Capital Value distorts councils role. Rates should be consistently applied on a user pays basis. This assumes services are equally delivered to all. Which they absolutely are not. We live rural PNCC where no water or sewage services are provided. Under the Capital and Hybrid options, the added value of our Capital includes us proving what the council do not. Any form of Capital Rating system doubly impacts us by charging us on a higher Capital Value, that is higher because we have to provide our own services. On top of PNCC Rates are Horizon Rates. The option 1 and 2 make rates unaffordable for many including pensioners. Already PNCC does a terrible job looking after roads. Already PNCC Rates money on traffic calming aka road rage initiatives. The only equitable method is land Value. Just ask any home owner in negative equity as a result of government fiscal management and gouging by the Banks.</p>
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Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	Refer above
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Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review?	Stop messing up the city! So much money wated on unnecessary roading changes eg Featherston Street extra 500K
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Community facilities questions

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

No

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

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

Each group can provide for themselves

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

As above

Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building

Support 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

Stimulates knowledge. Leads to greater talent

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

How many libraries are needed

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

Catering to a small percentage of population. All facilities should be for all New Zealanders

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

Brings visitors and supports local economy

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

All facilities should be for all ratepayers. Expecting all ratepayers to fund facilities for specific ethnic/religious/special character groups is not what I voted for in council

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

Central government has a role here

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

Diluted resource

Development contributions questions

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

No

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

Yes

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

No

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

No

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

People live in houses. Legal entities operate businesses. People can not get a tax break for this. Businesses can . Businesses also place a greater demand on roading infrastructure. Why would you not have them contribute

General comment areas

Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects

Too little.. Too late

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

We provide our own water. Nothing in your plans addresses rural users need for clean, potable water

Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services

We do not get/use PNCC rubbish or recycling services. PNCC recycling is a joke as so limited items can actually be recycled

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

Look at public private partnerships like many others do. For decades the cry has been user pays, not everyone pays and the higher value others place on my assets, the more I have to pay

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

Your values are not real. They are overstated from pre real estate crash. You control the values then you want to rate on that value. No one from PNCC has ever been here to value my property yet you 100% want to rate us based on your valuation

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

Council website

Social media

Family or friends

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

Community facilities questions

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

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 should be a Library not a Community Hub. There are enough community facilities in the area.

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

There are many community facilities throughout Palmerston North available for groups to use/hire including marae, halls, churches, and clubrooms. We need to encourage groups to use existing facilities, not build new ones. (I have attached some of these locations on a map to see just how many facilities we have in Highbury/Awapuni) Any new buildings must be available to everyone (not just for one purpose/group) In the past groups such as gardening groups were run by their own committees and hired a venue. Why are the libraries now running these clubs? When these groups are on, people do not feel comfortable going to the library to get a book. These groups need to meet elsewhere run by their own people, not taking up the librarian's time. The librarians should be focused on book interactions not planning and running clubs that others in the community can do. If the libraries focused on their core role - there is no need to redevelop as there is plenty of space in the existing facilities.

General comment areas

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

These are okay (a bit "fluffy") as long as no extra money is spent on them.

Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects

Stop spending money on making things look pretty e.g. King Street. This street was functional and had great parking until it was "redeveloped". Just maintain the current roads, do not change them unnecessarily, please.

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing

We're also proposing spending \$230,000 a year for 3 years, on 3 pilot initiatives to respond to homelessness
This includes: an outreach service to connect rough sleepers with appropriate support
trial of a local Housing First wrap-around support programme
a Flexifund people could apply to for support with small costs if they were at risk of losing their tenancy due to unforeseen circumstances.
Question - I thought that there were already community groups such as Legacy, Vision Church, Salvation Army already doing this in the community. Why do we need the council to do this? Why not just support those already doing it?

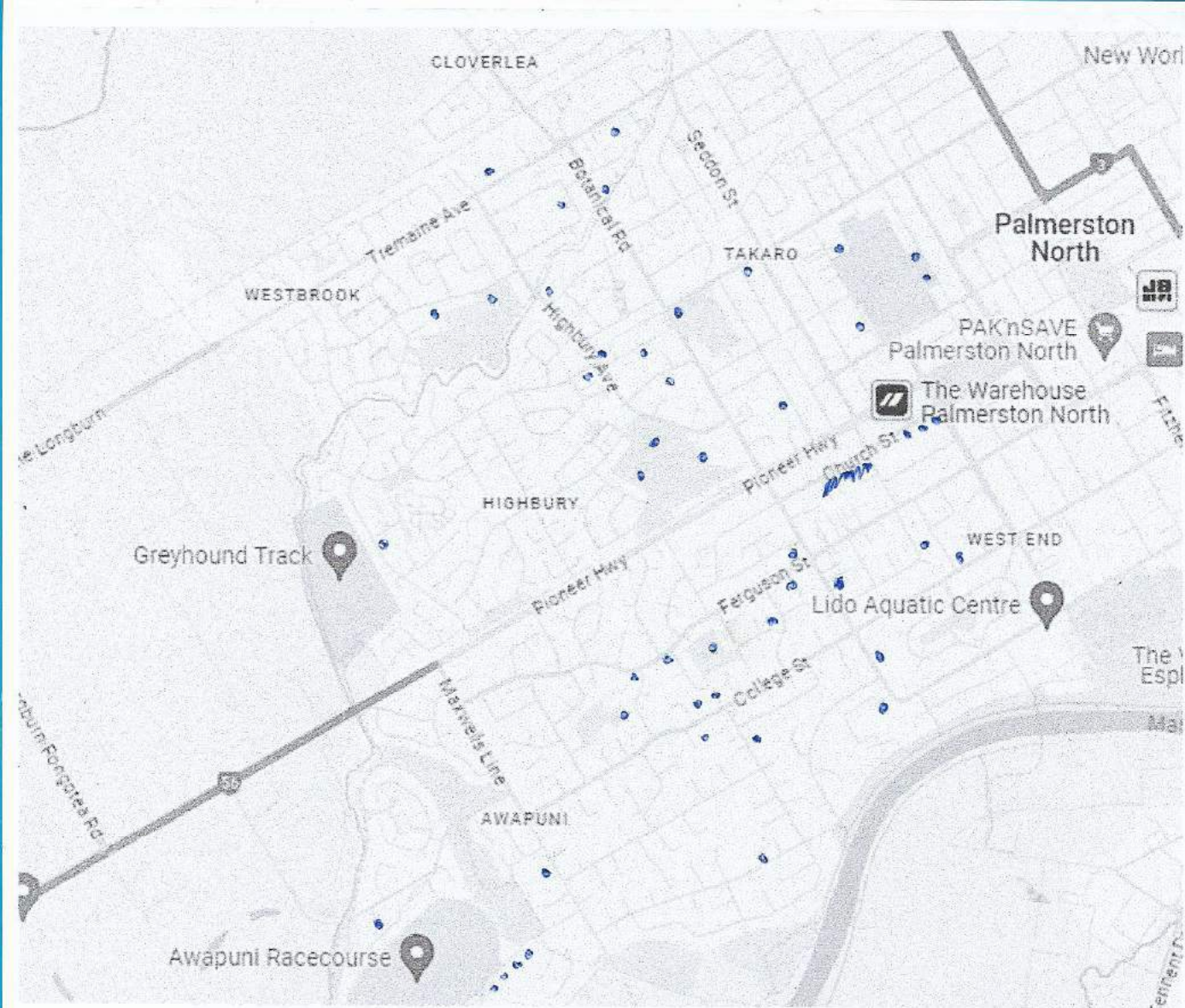
Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for growing our city

Investigating a medium density zone in our urban area to allow people more housing options
- I do not agree with this. We need to keep as many homes as single dwelling as possible. Problems occur when people live too close to each other.

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Supporting information



This is just a quick list (from memory) of the facilities available in the Highbury / Awapuni area. Many of these have kitchens + are able to be hired to community groups for meetings. We do not need to spend money on more!

- Sports clubs.
- Scout Clubs.
- Church halls
- marae

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

Rates review questions

Which of these describes you? Other: i live in whanganui but want palmy to be better

Community facilities questions

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

Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building Support as proposed

Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building Support as proposed

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

Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park Support as proposed

Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new Support as proposed

turfs, toilets and changing blocks

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

i think the council should maintain its funding of The Stomach because as a musician it's really cool to have a proper recording space in the manawatu region and having resources like that helps kids to stick with music and that's great

City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

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Yes

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

Yes

General comment areas

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

support the music industry!! places like snails and the stomach are so important to so many people and if these places are maintained and promoted then that'll bring way more people to the city, whether that's performers coming to play or audience members coming to watch. me and my friends have made a special trip to palmy all the way from whanganui before to see our favourite band (dartz) perform in snails, and my former band has also made the special trip to palmy to perform at the stomach in support of their girls rock programme, which i think is the coolest thing ever. fund the stomach it rules!!!

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

Social media

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

Rates review questions

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

Which option do you prefer? 1. Preferred option: Hybrid (a mixture of land and capital value)

Please tell us why you prefer this option I would prefer a 50/50 option though, as the proposed 70/30 doesn't actually change much at all. LV doesn't account enough for resources used by improvements upon the land.

Please tell us what you don't like about the other options I agree that a full CV option would scare away potential developers. LV doesn't account enough for what is on that land. I currently pay more in rates than a new build because my house is on a slightly (and I mean slightly) larger plot.

Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review? Please consider making it a true hybrid 50/50 option or at least, 60/40. 70/30 is barely a change.

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	There is plenty of halls and centers people can lease already that aren't being used around the district - why do we need a dedicated center? IF upgrading the Pasifika centre, can we not double up and make it a multicultural center?
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	IF upgrading the Pasifika centre, can we not double up and make it a multicultural center?
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	If you were looking to make it more about upgrading the learning and book area, I would be more supportive but I think a large meeting area would attract gang meetings and hang outs and turn the library into a unsafe escape for people in the area. Also a rate paid kitchen in a library?
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 like the idea and agree that the current one is too small. I don't understand why, if lease, so much was spent repairing current space? I would prefer this plan pushed back so more time could be spent on community feedback as the area is tight on space. Things like car parking in that area is already a nightmare.
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 have no opinion on this project. Seems like a nice idea but I worry how much will be spend going back and fourth on cultural designs till all parties are happy. It's tricky and expensive for something you want to do in year 1-2.
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 want, not a need.

City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?	1. Preferred option: Build on our existing planning and continue work to look at the buildings as a collective project and explore co-funding opportunities
Please tell us why you prefer this option	Collective project which could benefit the community though what the co-funding partner requires would be on community interest. The council building is barely used set office spaces. Only do the required seismic upgrades no this, quite frankly, ugly building.

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

I prefer there was a mixed option here as some of these building used regularly by the community I do agree could be partly co-funded but the council building doesn't require this. Most work from home/ off site so do the earthquake repairs and leave it.

Do you have any other comments?

I prefer there was a mixed option here as some of these building used regularly by the community I do agree could be partly co-funded but the council building doesn't require this. Most work from home/ off site so do the earthquake repairs and leave it.

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?

Don't know / no opinion

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

Yes

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

With the demand for more residential housing, I don't see how charging more to develop the land to do this will help.

General comment areas

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

Most of these visions will be great...in 10 years. But you are wanting to do them in year 1-5. The next few years are going to be harsh on people already struggling, you might get more support if you pushed back with these projects till the economy stabilized and perhaps the PNCC got on top of its already existing loans.

Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects

I don't use the bus system as it the timetable don't work for me. I support cycle ways but would like to see more education on people using them in a way that doesn't have them pushing into traffic lanes. (like biking 3-4 people across into the road))

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

I don't want a levy that you have no idea of cost on. I fear this will be abused.

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

Wasn't enough information to have an opinion on this. Very vague.

Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services

Love it.

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

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Radio

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

Rates review questions

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

Which option do you prefer? 2. Capital value (CV)

Community facilities questions

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

Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building Support as proposed

Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building Support as proposed

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

Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park Support as proposed

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project Our commitment to mana whenua is vital.

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

Support as proposed

City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?

2. Only do the required seismic upgrades of these facilities in their current locations

Development contributions questions

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

Yes

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

Yes

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

Yes

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

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.

A low non residential fee would pay for use of resources- eg roading, while build is being done.

General comment areas

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

Other: Awapuni library

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

Which of these describes you?	Prefer not to say
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Which option do you prefer?	3. Land value (LV) – current system
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Please tell us why you prefer this option	I don't have a strong preference for any option but want to keep rates as low as possible. My household uses relatively very little in the way of city services.
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Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	Cost.
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Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review?	Like many other residents I feel somewhat cynical re outcomes as I doubt submissions will change mindsets.
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Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
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Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Do not support
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Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project	Many groups fund their own spaces i.e. hire a school hall for a meeting/s and therefore support the wider community. Relatively inexpensive.
Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Do not support
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Pasifika Centre project	As above.
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	Times are hard for many residents and while I believe a good library is very important I wonder if there are other ways to improve what we have. Also I think 'budget blowouts' would be likely. Little faith in the process.
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	Definitely not in favour of this right now. Not essential.
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	I think there is enough funding without PNCC contributing.
Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks	Prefer not to say
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Central Energy Trust Arena project	No opinion but I never use these facilities.
Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?	I don't use many if any.

City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?	Prefer not to say
Do you have any other comments?	I cannot believe the estimated costs for some of these buildings. How do we know they are accurate and would anyone believe they could come in under budget? Most likely a budget blowout. I have little faith in council getting it right.

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	Yes

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

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

No

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

Yes

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

The last one is obvious. I have observed some questionable subdividing that PNCC has permitted. Owners breaking 'rules' and council employees turning a blind eye.

It is very poor judgement allowing the Whiskey Creek area to be used for homes. My understanding from my own experience in wanting to build on some land a few decades ago, and this was advice from the regional council at the time, was that area falls under the 100 year flood zone and just not suitable for building. Less than a 100 years now though! My opinion is that powers that be in council are possibly 'influenced' by some developers to give a green light when it should be not up for consideration at all. In another case the PNCC seem to be very happy to spend considerable sums in legal cases to prevent another developer. I would like to know how this can be. My point is PNCC seem inconsistent with their spending around 'development' in the wider context. Slightly off topic I know but related.

General comment areas

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

PN has always been a nice city to live in and growing up here I have the knowledge about what has changed, some for the better, some not.

1. Talk about a green city but there are fewer and fewer people cycling now and our roads are not safer. Far from it.
2. The second bridge at the end of Albert Street should have been enabled. Too late now.
3. Love the Wildlife Recovery Centre at the Esplanade.
4. Dislike ratepayers money contributing toward sculptures which we have no choice over as far as I am aware.
5. As far as 'small city benefits, big city vision': why big city vision? The concept seems bizarre when we are a small city but a great little city where living is so much better than a Wellington or Auckland but with the advantage of being within easy reach of those big cities. We also have a well educated population so quality rather than quantity. That's my opinion.

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Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects

What PNCC have done to Featherston Street is simply awful. I had the misfortune to go that way yesterday and have to say the bus shelters are in the wrong space and will provide no shelter from the prevailing westerly weather. Same with the area between Main Street and the Plaza, traffic is always backing up. The 'planning' involved seems poor and narrow minded. I remember when PNCC had its own bus service that was used very well as it was so efficient. No bus service were I am.

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing

1. Re Aokautere: the land is clay soil and largely hilly and some parts are not ideal for housing in my opinion like the former cliff area, a unique local geological feature, which was sadly ruined.
3. Whiskey Creek: flood zone so utterly unsuitable for housing in my

opinion. How can PNCC say it is?

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

It's disappointing that rates just go up every year whereas I believe this is perhaps not necessary. Easy access to PNCC spending would be helpful to have a judicious opinion overall so it would be good to have independent journalists assess this. I refer to costs we don't generally consider such as expenditure re legal action, managers taking overseas trips, consultants, budet blowouts and so on.

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

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
Which option do you prefer?	3. Land value (LV) – current system

Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
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Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Do not support
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Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project	Do not support. Many cultural communities already have their own facilities or use their churches. And there are already so many council-run cultural events in Te Marae o Hine - The Square, which is already paid for through our rates.
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Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Do not support
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Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Pasifika Centre project	We don't have the money. This is a nice to have.
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Our pasifika community here in Palmy is small. And the amount of people who use this centre is even smaller.

If anything, spend a little bit of money on refurbishments, but there's no need to expand it.

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

Do not support. Absolutely no need for it. It's a library. No need for meeting rooms and absolutely no need to put in a shared kitchen. Think of the hassle and strain this would put on staff when people don't clean up after themselves. There are already community facilities in highbury. There is NO need to spend 4 million dollars on the library when we are so much in debt.

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

What a joke. There is NO need to spend 29 million dollars on this. Awapuni already have a community centre. If anything, work with the landlord of the awapuni library to do a facelift of the library.

Do not support this at all.

And who would even go over there if you're not already in Awapuni?

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 think this could be really great for our city. If it's done well, this could get more visitors to the city. I love what you've done with the river walk way and star path and te motu o poutoa and this would be a lovely addition, if done right. (Open to bookings/ the public...if there was a cafe up there?)

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

Are you kidding me. More wasteful spending. Don't support it.

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

In an ideal world where we weren't so incredibly in debt, then looking at these projects would be good. But in reality we are so broke and it would be extremely careless for the council to indulge in these vanity projects while so many people in Palmy are already struggling with paying their rates.

If we are going to focus on any of these proposed community facilities - it should be the marae. We owe it to iwi. We don't need to go above and beyond for small communities who take take take.

General comment areas

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing

Councils should not be responsible for social housing. Please cut this out. It's ridiculous how we're essentially taxed twice for this.

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

Family or friends

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Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
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Which option do you prefer?	3. Land value (LV) – current system
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Please tell us why you prefer this option	<p>This is the cheapest option available to me and given the increases forecast over the next 10 years, I will still pay a considerable amount more in years to come regardless of what the Council decides to spend the rate revenue on.</p> <p>I don't feel like I personally see enough value from the services provided to consider wanting to pay more through the other options presented and I've not seen evidence of exactly why PNCC feels the hybrid option is best. Simply saying that is the mix other councils in NZ use is not a good enough response.</p>
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Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	Both of them are significantly higher in cost to me as the rate payer, and I have no visibility of the incremental value delivered from council's projects each year aligning to that much of an increase.
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Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review?	<p>I would like to know more about why the Hybrid option is Council's preferred option exactly?</p> <p>I'd like to know how the additional revenue will be attributed, and to which projects as I've seen first hand how little governance is enforced across council projects and how little visibility and alignment is present. How confident is council with their own reconciliation of spend against</p>
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current projects and predicted future costs?
How will any changes to the rating system help improve this?

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

I am supportive of a Multicultural Centre for all cultures to share between them.

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

I do not see why with the proposal for the Multicultural Centre above, there needs to be further money spent on the Pasifika Building? Why can't all cultures share the same 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

I am not a user of the Library personally and if my Rates are to be spent on such projects, I would like to see more evidence of the amount of existing use to justify the spend.

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

As mentioned above I am not a user of the Library and again, would like to see more analysis of current use to justify the spend.

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 significant amount of money for Council to spend, so I would like to know who would administer and have operating governance over the Marae when completed? Rangitāne or Rangitāne and the Council in partnership? Or is Council just providing half the funding? Realistically, exactly how open and how welcoming would it be to members of the public if it is to be civic in nature?
I am not aware of any Maraes that are simply open to the public based on protocols observed. How will this be run differently? Who will actually be the primary users of it day to day? Should those who will actually be using it not be paying for the majority of it and Council just providing the infrastructure such as the road?

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

Support with changes/comments

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

I am not a visitor to or user of the Trusts Arena, and it is a significant amount of money, but I believe this project brings more value to the community as a whole than some of the others being proposed. How much are Speedway and other current inhabitants who make a profit contributing? I think an increase on user pays needs to be included to help reduce costs.
I agree with the need for the redevelopment but with more of a view into

user pays.

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

Yes, overall I would like to see a public voting system established on how the funding is to be prioritised and spent. All these initiatives should be put to public vote to see what the community would like to see the money spent on. Asking for feedback is not the same as giving a vote in the way of what is prioritised. A vote in what is delivered gives the community more of a voice and council more understanding of what its constituents want to see.

If we are being asked to fund these initiatives over 10 years or so, it seems fair to give us a vote on what and when.

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

Council should only continue the planning part of things to gain a better understanding of costs involved and in order to secure the co-funding needed. If council progresses with the strengthening activity without confirmed funding partners, how much extra are rate payers going to be expected to pay in extended project scope and cost in years to come?

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

There are too many Unknowns in terms of how these projects will be funded at present. More planning is needed before funds are poured into their redevelopment.

Do you have any other comments?

Council has looked at occupancy as part of it, so where can we see the numbers of users for all of these buildings and how the costs align to use?

Given the workforce in general is moving to more remote working environments in a lot of instances, does council really need to plan to expand, or would refurbishment and potential downsizing be sufficient?

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?

Yes

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

Non-residential have more of an ability to generate revenue to cover development fees than residential do, so I think it needs to be equitably

Development Contributions Policy.

distributed.

What confidence do council have in obtaining funding for Nature Calls or could this come back to still needing to be funded by rate payers?

| General comment areas

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

Rates review questions

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

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

Please tell us why you prefer this option I prefer land value only because this would be the cheapest of the 3 options for me. However, I accept that it isn't fair on owners of older properties on larger sections and isn't necessarily proportionate to wealth. The hybrid option is fairer and would be my second preference.

Please tell us what you don't like about the other options I consider that the Capital Value option would over-weight the value of the house itself and be a discouragement to development of more intensive building on smaller sections, which I believe PNCC wishes to encourage. It would lead to a significant increase in rates for my property (300 sq m section).

Community facilities questions

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

Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services Prefer not to say

Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building Prefer not to say

Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building 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 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 Barber Hall has been a great venue for shows such as RAIL X, which I was involved with for over 20 years, but needs renewal.

City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer? 2. Only do the required seismic upgrades of these facilities in their current locations

Development contributions questions

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

We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change? Don't know / no opinion

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

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

General comment areas

Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services kerbside green waste / food scraps collection is long overdue.

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

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North rural area
Which option do you prefer?	3. Land value (LV) – current system

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 is an incredibly indulgent proposal during the current economic environment.
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 is an incredibly indulgent proposal during the current economic environment.

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 is an incredibly indulgent proposal during the current economic environment.

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 an incredibly indulgent proposal during the current economic environment.

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 an incredibly indulgent proposal during the current economic environment.

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 is an incredibly indulgent proposal during the current economic environment.

Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider? Stick to your knitting. This is certainly not the time to impose such significant rates increases on this community. I have lived in this city for 56 years and have never seen so many people struggling to make ends meet and here we see a set of six proposed "nice to have" non-critical multi-million dollar projects.

City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer? 2. Only do the required seismic upgrades of these facilities in their current locations

Development contributions questions

We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change? Don't know / no opinion

We're proposing to stop collecting development contributions for growth costs associated with the Nature Calls wastewater project, due to Council's proposal to seek external funding for the project. Do you agree with this change? Don't know / no opinion

We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of 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

The PNCC is proposing in its Long Term Plan that the current level of discount for rural/semi-serviced properties between 0.2 and 5 hectares will be reduced. These ratepayers will have a larger rate increase than most other property owners.

We fall into this category and estimates have been made that the increases we might expect could well be 35% and in some cases even more. Given the PNCC statement in the LTP that the average rates rise will be about 11.3%, it appears that we are being unfairly targeted, with no justification provided.

In my view this is an unacceptable proposition, given that we provide our own water supply and waste disposal systems, which we are responsible for maintaining at our cost on an ongoing basis.

Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects

If the incredibly bad decisions of how to best manage the cycle lanes / bus lane and other motor vehicles on Featherston Street and Pioneer Highway is an indicator of how this council intends "To be able to move people and goods around efficiently and safely", I would strongly suggest that the team who created and approved these changes remove themselves from any transport related projects going forward. They are not increasing efficiency or safety. Passenger car doors opening into cycle lanes and busses stopping in the road near one of Palmerston North's busiest intersections is totally counter intuitive to safety.

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing

I was born in Highbury. I believe the only most effective way of removing yourself from poverty is personal responsibility. Yes, there will always be those in our community who require short term assistance and I fully support that, no matter what the economic environment.

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

Booklet in my mailbox

Rates letter or email

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

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
Which option do you prefer?	3. Land value (LV) – current system
Please tell us why you prefer this option	This is a tried a true method that reflect true value of properties at the current market
Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	Cost any any increase is not a option for current payers and Pncc should be holding rates at current levels and putting off all measures to save costs being past on like all government departments
Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review?	Na

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	Pncc should be halting all projects except all essential items to save costs
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	Pncc should be halting all projects except all essential items to save costs
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	Pncc should be halting all projects except all essential items to save costs
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	Pncc should be halting all projects except all essential items to save costs
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	Pncc should be halting all projects except all essential items to save costs
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	Pncc should be halting all projects except all essential items to save costs
Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?	Current projects are not managed well in manawatu and all cost cutting measures should be implemented to cut costs to ratepayers where possible

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	Pncc should be halting all projects except all essential items to save costs
Please tell us what you don't like about the other option	Pncc should be halting all projects except all essential items to save costs
Do you have any other comments?	Pncc should be halting all projects except all essential items to save costs

Development contributions questions

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

No

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

Yes

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

No

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

Yes

General comment areas

Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects

The current transport electric busies is a joke I see empty busies around manawatu what an absolute waste of funds

Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services

Our rubbish collection is a joke compared to other centres who have all three green/rubbish and recycling bins as part of rates in areas where rates were much lower (Ashburton for example)

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

Need to implement a user pays (total cost) for facilities libraries/lido etc and keep rates as low as possible faith in our mayor is wintering in this respect

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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: 1.30pm to 5pm
Thursday 16 May: 1.30pm to 5pm
Friday 17 May: 1.30pm to 5pm

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? 1. Preferred option: Hybrid (a mixture of land and capital value)

Please tell us why you prefer this option Fair pricing and great commercial is priced accordingly

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

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

Community facilities questions

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

No

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

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 have sufficient facilities at present, there are higher priorities

Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building

Do not support

Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building

Do not support

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

Do not support

Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park

Do not support

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

Do not support

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

There are currently more important priorities

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

higher priorities elsewhere

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

higher priorities elsewhere

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?

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.

We need to increase funds intake, a non-residential no water connectio etc can change in time, build this cost in for future expansion

General comment areas

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

Nil as the consultation process is flawed

Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects

The regional freight ring road will assist with this by redirecting heavy traffic away from residential streets and help enable the development of identified growth areas. How can that be if its being directed through Bunnythorpe? arent we residential?

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

We as rate payers could not afford an additional \$1000 per household as proposed

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing

Nil

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

We need to be more informed of options available instead of pushing industry out to Bunnythorpe which will separate us from the City

Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services

Nil

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

Needs to be fair and proportioned on priorities across the whole of the city and not just the wealthy areas

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

Booklet in my mailbox

Social media

Radio

City Councillor

Family or friends

Other: public meeting

Supporting information

Number 1 Priority For Bunnythorpe Community:

Water Pump Station

water pressure

fire pump

system is inefficient

No Power = No Water

So if power is off in the middle of the night who knows to notify PNCC we have no power thus no water, PNCC staff then have to travel to the pump station to manually switch the backup generator on. This must be Automated, and must be completed urgently.

Timelines: info received between Bunnythorpe Community and PNCC

18th October 2018

PNCC (Dora Luo - Water Asset Engineer) were notified by Ian Penn (FENZ - Assistant Area Commander acting)

Area Commander visited Bunnythorpe Community on the 15th Oct and ran a couple of tests on hydrants for more than eight minutes, and was only able to get 130 litres per minute, and stated that with this type of flow it would be insufficient water to put out a house fire.

This same hydrant now releases 888 litres per minute. This is only potentially sufficient for one fire fighting delivery. For a standard house fire usually two or three deliveries are required depending on the seat of the fire and what exposures need to be protected.

15th January 2021

Structure fire, old Glaxo building, Black thick smoke

Potential for escalation was considered and from the station a second alarm was transmitted which requested additional support.

Based on the local knowledge and factors below

area of the building

business operations in the building

denseness/colour of smoke

Current Bunnythorpe Fire truck can deliver a maximum of 1941 litres per minute. (if water is available)

15th September 2023

PNCC were to Follow up and liaise with Fire Brigade re Booster pump, and water pressure issues

19 September 2023

- PNCC notified the community that hopefully they will have a flowchart to help, but PNCC's intention is that the generator will start automatically when power goes out, and the fire pump booster at the bore site will react to low pressure in the network. On this second point, I have followed up with the team, they have confirmed that the fire pump is working on auto. I will get some pressure set points and ask them to run a test.

NOTE:

It appears that the line pressure has to drop considerably before it activates

20 September 2023

- Bunnythorpe Community sent an email to PNCC: Enquiring that in case of a fire in our community how does the brigade get extra water so we can have 500 kpa at the branch? Does the fire pump have to be manually activated? Will it automatically kick in?
- Mike Monaghan understood the Bunnythorpe Water pump has a backup generator that kicks in when power is disrupted.
- The generator was installed and hard wired to the site, however, the technical equipment required to automate the **switch over on power failure is a stage two project.**
- **The current set up still requires an operator to attend site, start the generator and ensure supply is back on.**
- The second stage is well advanced. The new electrical panel is now fabricated and the team are planning how to complete the install while continuing to supply treated water. We expect this to be progressed this financial year.
- Power went off Sunday night in some areas of Bunnythorpe, some residents had no water or very little water pressure but these residents still had power.
- After ringing PNCC the water issue was rectified after a technician attended and manually turned on the pump.

4 October 2023

Subject: RE: Fire Brigade Water Pump

Hi, brief update

Engineers tested the fire booster pump and it is working on pressure demand. However, we have identified a wider issue. The pipe size and design creates network friction losses the further from the bore you are. **If a hydrant is exercised close by, then the fire booster pump starts on pressure drop as expected. If a hydrant at the outer reaches of the network is opened, the pressure drop is not recognised by the fire booster pump and therefore the pump does not start**, however, other supply pumps will pick up and limit this impact on the network. We understand from our meeting that there may be issues with water availability for the fire brigade.

We have included this in a list of issues to be addressed via the LTP process, in the first instance we will need to run this through our network model to identify options to resolve.

30th October 2023

Bunnythorpe Fire Brigade carried out pressure testing on four hydrants, running two hydrants simultaneously with varying results and these were submitted to the PNCC. One of the hydrants was run on its own and these results were also submitted to the PNCC - this hydrant was located outside the school. It showed that we did not have critical water for fire fighting capabilities.

22 December 2023

An update from the water team.

Fire Flows

We have compiled existing fire flow data as taken by our Depot Team (refer attached). They will be testing the remainder of Fire Hydrants in the Bunnythorpe reticulated area – expected to be completed January 2024.

Any data your teams have would be greatly appreciated. From this, we will update our hydraulic model and hence optional solutions.

Note that we expect the above process to result in short, medium and longer term options. These will be openly discussed with the BT Community Committee. Funding requirements and availability will also be discussed, to inform decisions around prioritisation of various projects.

15th March 2024

Updates from 3 Waters as per following BPs:

- **Fire fighting tests have been completed on all Fire Hydrants in Bunnythorpe (results attached to Table). Results to be Tabled. PNCC Modelling Team using results to optimise upgrades to improve network performance.**
- **Water supply standby generator to maintain water pressure during power cuts will be installed this calendar year.**
- **Design is underway on:**
 - **Fire-fighting upgrades (multiple locations) – budget provided to improve Redmayne St as priority (currently in design).**
 - **Potential for firefighting to connect tanker at dedicated Fire Hydrant supply point at Treatment Plant site in Raymond St**

Last information Bunnythorpe Community have received at the quarterly meetings with PNCC and Bunnythorpe Community, parts are with PNCC waiting to fit

New Actions	By who	By when	Completed
Flushing – weekly – no notifications coming through and locals haven't seen evidence of this happening. Follow up and provide information.	Wayne	25/03	
Update on issue with Fire Brigade booster pump	Debbie	28/3	
Pump switchover when power is out not happening	Mike	28/3	
Time of day hydrants were checked	Wayne	28/3	
Updates provided to community on water on an ongoing basis – Mike and team provide to Debbie to send to group	Mike/ Debbie	Ongoing	

April 9, 2024

- 1. The latest update is, that the parts have arrived, however these still need to be fitted. (for switchover for generator)**
- 2.**

The Bunnythorpe Volunteer Fire Brigade have put in place for the community:

- **Structure fire - automatic two pump response plus a water tanker to assist with water needs at a structure fire**

The delay could be 10 minutes for arrival during the daytime, the fire in the house can be fully involved in three minutes.

Summary!!!

No Power = No Water

So if power is off in the middle of the night who knows to notify PNCC we have no power thus no water for homes or fire fighting

Fire Pump

The Fire pump activation is of concern. It appears that the line pressure has to drop considerably before it kicks in.

A house fire can become a K99 (fully involved) within 3 minutes, then a response time of a further 5-6 minutes would mean that we would demand up to 1800 litres a minute immediately which our current system cannot handle.

We must get this sorted!

This has to be a Priority for PNCC to address

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

Rates review questions

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

Which option do you prefer? 2. Capital value (CV)

Please tell us why you prefer this option Fairest and best method to collect rates for a Council with growth aspirations to make the most of the capital growth gains that come from growth. Ensures that high value properties pay more. Acknowledge there is no perfect rating system but this method would be the closest method to reflect the ability of ratepayers to pay.

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

It would be important for Officers to provide Council with a breakdown of the proportion of other Councils in NZ that are Capital Value. Most that are on Capital Value will tell you that after the initial adjustment of changing rating systems the associated noise about the change quickly quietens down. It does require the Council to have the fortitude and ambition to go ahead with Capital Values. There are examples of other nearby Councils that have consulted on a change to Capital Value that have failed to fully commit to it and have ended up with a hybrid system, that can be both confusing, more difficult for ratepayers to understand, doesn't really address the issues of equity and fairness and leaves a sense of regret of having gone through the effort of consulting on the change but ended up with an outcome that will continue to fail to address the key issues. The biggest opposition to Capital Value is usually the significant shift in the way the rates are distributed if it is a one time hit, however there are ways open to Council for how this can be managed to

spread the effects with phasing as identified in the Consultation Document this over several years being one example. A change to Capital value will typically attract submissions in opposition from those that are well off and in a position to be able to cleverly articulate their views in a compelling way or that will use their status as a key business or landowner within the city to hold that over Council and try to deter Council from making such a change. Those that are not in the same position of having the access or the ability to make a submission in support of Capital Value are not heard. Council needs to consider the voices that are not heard in this process when the number of submissions received will be such a small representation of the city's population. The Consultation Document is generally a well presented document, however the commentary associated with the rating system options was in our opinion not balanced and the Capital Value option reads that Council is most concerned about upsetting the commercial or industrial sector rather than sparing a thought for the city's ratepayers, many of which are currently struggling in the current financial climate with rates being one their biggest annual household expenses. We strongly hope this is not how Council really feels and I would encourage Elected members to ask Officers for a breakdown of the number of rate payers in the city that are not commercial/industrial to ensure that they identify who is the majority ratepayers. The con identified for Capital Value that this rating system would deter people from investing or developing their property is not a strong argument and is seldom the question that people ask Council when they enquire about developing their property. The reality is that the valuation of their property won't change immediately until the next round of valuations have been completed. If they were the only person in the city to develop then the cost of that would be felt, but the development across the city will share this cost. People will typically develop/extend their property when there is a need. In the case of commercial/industrial properties this will often enable expansion or greater productivity and access increased profitability. When the Council should be looking at a system that reflects the ability of ratepayers to pay this seems fair. Really want to encourage Council to be bold and brave and to make the move now to Capital Value rather than put it off to a further Council. A hybrid of 30/70 split is a cop out, it is not even a half step in the right direction. This Council has done the hard work of assessing and outlining the options, why settle for the hybrid option when there are ways of managing the initial impact of change and getting a fairer rating system for the whole community..

Community facilities questions

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

Current facility is not fit for purpose, has a distinctly different vibe and feel to the main Library which acts as the Living room of the city. Would be great to have a smaller version of this in Awapuni that would mean local residents could access the same sort of experience as the City library without having to drive into the city centre, providing the added environmental benefit of less vehicle movements. It would also provide the rangitahi of Awapuni the opportunity to be able to access this experience without necessarily needing to be dependent on having access into the city centre. Beyond the obvious of encouraging more people to read and have access to reading material, libraries are incredibly important parts of our community fabric. As the city continues to grow it is important that facilities that are fit for purpose are embedded in the local community centres and become a focal point for the local community. We encourage Council to commit to going ahead with this project.

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

Many of these buildings are highly important in the context of the city and have attracted significant investment over the years. Council needs to ensure many of these buildings can continue to be used. A programme approach hopefully will identify some cost efficiencies that can help reduce the overall cost of this work.

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

Please ensure that there is a clear prioritisation of which buildings undergone strengthening. Some buildings such as Caccia Birch House may not have the same level of usage and therefore should be further down the priority list.

General comment areas

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

Support Council fully funding this project through the Crown Infrastructure Partners (or whatever the new equivalent is under the new Government) to keep the costs of this multi-intergeneration project down for current ratepayers, who could otherwise feel they are being penalised by being the rate payers living here at the exact time that Council finally commits to delivering this project.

Elected Members need to lobby and advocate to Ministers to ensure that the project is identified in the 30 year Infrastructure Plan that the National Infrastructure Agency will be developing at a sector by sector and region by region level. Inclusion in here will help the project survives changes of government and the funding mechanisms can also be signaled.

Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services

Support Introducing a city-wide kerbside food scraps collection service. Support Upgrading important machinery in the Recycling Centres to keep processing the city's recycling.

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

Fully support Council investing in a new community artificial sports turf at Massey University. For a city the size of Palmerston North it is remarkable that it is 2024 and the city only has one full sized multi sport turf. The current one has very limited community usage with it being locked up when not booked really limiting this as a community asset. Developing a new facility at Massey would enable this to be used as a community asset when not booked in the same way that the community athletics track and the hockey turf do. It would complement the hub of sporting facilities that have been invested there.

At a time when it is becoming more and more evident that our rangitahi are spending longer and longer on screens and devices, they do not need the excuse of poor weather and ground conditions to stop them being active and being able to have their sports training or games. A sports turf would create a further opportunity to overcome the times when game and training grounds are closed due to the weather and still enable young players the chance to play and train.

With artificial turfs now common in many of the other city centres, our local players can be at a disadvantage when it comes to being able to practice on turf in advance of playing games and tournaments on turf in other centres. When we have talented young football players with high aspirations we are putting them at a disadvantage by not having the opportunity for them to prepare and practice on turf in a way that can help their performance when they do play outside Palmerston North. If provided with suitable floodlights then this facility can reduce the demand on the grass surfaces when these may need to be protected/rested. It would also increase the opportunity that people would have to access and use this facility as well as open up new opportunities for hosting tournaments and games that can benefit the

city economy.

For younger players the ability to learn their skills on turf can be much more effective for their development as the surface is more even/regular and supports the repetitive nature of learning skills, as does not having to worry about the length of the grass or the dangerous items smashed glass, cans that have been shredded by the lawn mower, dog poo etc that can often be found on the playing and training surfaces of the community sports grounds such as Monrad Park because of the way it also acts as a public thoroughfare. All challenges that would not be the case with a new artificial turf.

A new multisport turf at Massey would be a great addition to the city's sporting assets and would have a wide range of benefits. We encourage the Council to commit to building the new turf and to doing it as early as possible. It is requested that Elected members mandate officers to prioritise during 2024/25 securing the external funding necessary to make this. It feels like this is already been delayed by previous Council decision making so hope this work can be prioritised and fast tracked by the current Council.

Please also ensure that an associated maintenance budget is included in the LTP, as it is a misconception that the modern artificial turf is a once and done cost. There is ongoing maintenance needed to preserve the life of the turf and the use of the facility.

(In case anyone was going to argue there is already a turf at Massey, that is a hockey turf. Please also note there is a distinct difference to playing on a hockey turf to playing on a multisport turf, they are designed for their intended sports and are not suitable to be used for both.)

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

Rates letter or email

Social media

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

Rates review questions

Which of these describes you? Resident but not a ratepayer (eg, rent or live with family or friends)

Which option do you prefer? 1. Preferred option: Hybrid (a mixture of land and capital value)

Community facilities questions

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

Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services Support with changes/comments

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project I think combining the multicultural centre project with another project makes more financial sense long term ie a space in the pasifika centre, central library or arena 5.

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 outlined upgrade for the highbury library and pasifika centre are very similar in the same area. I don't think that upgrading both is in the best interest when cutting the drinking and wastewater network upgrades.

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	The outlined upgrade for the highbury library and pasifika centre are very similar in the same area. I don't think that upgrading both is in the best interest when cutting the drinking and wastewater network upgrades.
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	Funding would be better used elsewhere. Upgrades to arena 5 or central library could be used for civil defense.
Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park	Support as proposed
Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks	Support as proposed

City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

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

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

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

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North rural area
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Which option do you prefer?	2. Capital value (CV)
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Please tell us why you prefer this option	For us this seems to be the cheapest option and if the council is going to use value of the property as an only way to calculate the rates I prefer this option.
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Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	I don't like any of the options as they are all based on the value of the property and not on how much it uses council facilities. For example there are only two people living in our property with big garden and not a family of 5. Surely we use less facilities: water, produce less wastewater and waste than a family of 5.
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Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review?	Please see above.
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Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
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Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Prefer not to say
Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Prefer not to say
Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support as proposed
Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library	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? 2. Only do the required seismic upgrades of these facilities in their current locations

Development contributions questions

We're proposing to increase the contributions for residential development and decrease the non-residential fee to more equitably distribute the cost of growth. Do you agree with this change? Don't know / no opinion

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

We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change? Don't know / no opinion

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

General comment areas

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

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

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North rural area
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Which option do you prefer?	3. Land value (LV) – current system
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Please tell us why you prefer this option	Your proposed rate hike for lifestyle properties is wholly unacceptable. We live just outside Ashhurst and receive little in the way of service from our council. I heard the argument in one of the forums in which affluent lifestyle blocks on the fringes of the city were used as an example. If you must raise rates, then re-zone these to urban. We are one of many around Ashhurst who cannot even get our bins emptied by our council and yet you want to put up our rates between 38-68%. Not on!
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Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	Hybrid - our rates go up 47% CV - our rates go up 68% I don't like my preferred option at 38% and think it unfair and not representative of the service we get from our council.
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Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review?	Reconsider hitting 'true' lifestyle block properties and stop trying to use us to bolster your coffers. I think your proposal unfair and ill considered.
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Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	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	Financially imprudent at this time
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	Financially imprudent at this time
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	Financially imprudent at this time
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	Financially imprudent at this time
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	Financially imprudent at this time
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	Financially imprudent at this time
Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?	If we were in a strong financial position I would be in favour of some of these projects, however it is obvious we are not. As a council you are not being prudent and I believe out of step with the electorate. Do not bankrupt this city and think about long term debt and how we are supposed to pay this. I know many who are really struggling at this moment and yet you want to increase the burden on us all by a significant margin. Not acceptable.

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	Again this comes down to cost. I am not convinced the preferred council option will come in at a reasonable cost. Most projects council are involved in seem to come in way over budget

Please tell us what you don't like about the other option	As above
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Do you have any other comments?	As above
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Development contributions questions

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

Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans	Too ambitious at this time.
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Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects	Yes to the ring road. Sensible planning for cycle and pedestrian ways, however no repeat of Featherston street please.
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Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for water and how we will fund Nature Calls	I am concerned you expect me to pay for Nature Calls - it should be user pays. Lifestyle block residents and those on tank water/septic systems should not have to pay. I want assurances this will be the case.
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Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing	I'm all for more housing as long as infrastructure is in place to support the expansion, in particular schooling.
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Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for growing our city	We should only expand if we have the money needed for infrastructure requirements. If we don't then we need to curtail expansion until such times as we are more financially secure.
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Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services	Recycling is at an acceptable level however difficult to comment on rubbish collection when we have to get the Manawatu council to pick up our rubbish
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Please share any feedback regarding proposed rates over the next 10 years	I think you understand my position with rates, however just in case you're not sure I believe the proposed rates increase for lifestyle block residents is grossly inflated. I would accept a modest increase which
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brings us closer to our urban neighbours of 5-6% which I see as fair representation and commensurate with the service we receive from this council.

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

Family or friends

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

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

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
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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 currently we pay exorbitant rates on our property because of the land area. the land is not easily subdividable and the current system seems so unfair to us. the new CV system seems a lot fairer to us. we have been paying more than our share over the years and it's about time everyone else paid their share.

Please tell us what you don't like about the other options they would mean little change to making things fairer for everyone .

Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review? we just want a system where some people are not unduly disadvantaged.

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 Prefer not to say

communities to use for activities, events and services

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

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

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
Which option do you prefer?	3. Land value (LV) – current system

Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
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Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Do not support
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Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project

Maybe come back to this idea in 10 years' time when we are not in a recession and times might not be so tough. Rates quadrupling over 10 years' time is not good for anyone (and renters, whose LL's will most likely shove this increase onto, will not be able to cope).
You plan on putting this centre in the middle of the city centre to help support local businesses, where is everyone going to park to attend this centre and its events in the future when you want to remove car parks?

There are enough spaces around to utilize now (or in the meantime).
"multicultural community groups are trying to use locations around the

city for events, but there aren't enough facilities of the right size." Where is the data showing this? I think there are plenty of facilities around the area to use for events, you just need to be proactive and ask around. For one, I work for a not-for-profit organisation and we have a conference room (with kitchen) that can cater for a hundred or more people, with a hall right next door that can hold another couple hundred people. You just need to do some research as spaces are out there. If you want spaces for thousands of people, then I'm sure the Arena or many function centres around would suffice.

Ask the people to fundraise over the next 3-6 years for the facility and see how much is raised and then reevaluate. We can't always have nice things just handed to us.

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

Maybe come back to this idea in 10 years' time when we are not in a recession and times might not be so tough. Rates quadrupling over 10 years' time is not good for anyone (and renters, whose LL's will most likely shove this increase onto, will not be able to cope).

Again, ask the people to fundraise over the next 3-6 years for the facility and see how much is raised and then reevaluate. We can't always have nice things just handed to us.

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

You're planning to spend 3.6 million on making this look fancy. The money isn't going to go towards refurbishment of the main library area inside. And why do the community need a kitchen to use at the facility?

"The concept images in the draft plan below show the potential for future play areas around the facility but these are not proposed or budgeted for in this long-term plan."

The proposed 3.6 million in the LTP does not include future play areas so why even mention this? This is just going to be an extra added cost on top of this later down the track.

Get the community to fundraise and offer their services for minor work around the place.

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

It's nice and fancy but expensive! Is it really needed right now in these tough times for all?

You're proposing (whether upgraded or new) 2 libraries within a few hundred metres of each other. Why aren't you thinking about other parts of Palmerston North? That doesn't seem fair.

If anything, don't get so fancy and bring it down in costs a fair few million.

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 don't need this in this current 10 year plan. Look at it again in a few years' time when funds allow.

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 I had to put my money somewhere, I would support money going into this over the other projects at this stage.

Do you have any general feedback about community facilities

Where did you pull these 6 proposed projects from? The public? I don't

for us to consider?

remember being asked to give my feedback on where money might be better spent in the city. Where is money being spent for teenagers and for the elderly in this city?

I don't see any projects proposing to help the youth in our city. How about spending money on places like Youth Space and expanding that, or upgrading the Observatory, wouldn't that be fun! (that's just a couple of examples). How are the proposed projects in any way supporting our elderly? What about refurbishing buildings for them and giving back to them? Out of these proposed projects it seems all they are getting is a boot out of their homes as they will no longer be able to pay for them due to the extreme rise in rates costs. You're going to push a lot of people into extreme hardship with these high rates increases from all these projects.

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

Seismic upgrades to our landmark facilities should be our priority over the next 10 years.
You say it's "essential we spread these costs out for our ratepayers", and it is, but it's also money better spent than on the 'nice to have' and 'fancy' projects you have proposed. The seismic strengthening should be paramount.

"We expect the costs for Te Manawa and the library will be similar for seismic, or rebuilds that maintain heritage features. This level of detail will be worked through over the coming years. It's essential we spread these costs out for our ratepayers. These first 8 facilities are essential services for our community so we have assumed they will all be replaced/upgraded in some shape or form."

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?

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.

"Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?" I answered 'no'.
I think there should be some sort of fee. What non-residential facilities are there that don't have some kind of connection to the water or wastewater network?

General comment areas

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

Feel free to make the city 'vibrant and exciting' but don't take easy access away from it with your 'low emissions' plan.

Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects

Featherston St is not an improvement to our roads, and I'm sure you have heard this a lot. The fact the whole concept does not work, is ridiculous. Absolutely nothing wrong with shared bike/pedestrian paths, so why not go with that option? On the other hand, since you've done it and most likely will not reverse it, why did you not seal the WHOLE road? It is absolutely terrible looking at a half sealed road where you have these nice bike lanes and then the middle is all cut up; lines are etched out and repainted, but you can still see the indents, and it is very confusing and an eyesore. The crossing outside CNS is dangerous with its old lines still showing. It deters your view of what you're actually supposed to be looking out for. Twice I have not stopped for a child crossing the road because I didn't see them until I was just passing the crossing. There's too much going on at it.

You put a nice new road in Pitt St/Fergusson St (Fergusson being 5 lanes across) yet you did not incorporate a bicycle lane into those plans. WHY NOT? I would actually like a response to this question (email is fine) because I am completely dumbfounded why you didn't put one in there, but you've put one in along Featherston St.

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

Water.. It's life. Let's spend the money here.

We have sufficient amounts of playgrounds/activity centres to keep us (meaning younger community) occupied for the next 10 years. Money is better spent where actually needed right now.

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing

Your plans for housing are fine and are good to keep up with demand.

You mention homelessness 'We're also proposing spending \$230,000 a year for 3 years, on 3 pilot initiatives to respond to homelessness'. Just keep in the back of your mind that if rates go up exponentially you are going to end up with a whole lot more homeless people. How is anyone (besides the rich, but maybe not even them) going to afford triple and quadruple rate increases in years to come? A homeowner (young or old) cannot afford that, and Landlords are just going to pass on these extra costs to renters, and then renters are not going to be able to afford this. You may have to double this proposed spending in 3 years' time.

Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services

The kerbside food scraps collection sounds like a good plan.

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

I think I've said enough throughout my submission :)

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

Where is the contingency fund for unforeseen circumstances? We are spending at the top of the range, where does it stop? If a disaster strikes where are the funds to help that, or is it then where you might be halfway through a project and then a large earthquake hits and then no longer have money to finish that project because you didn't have a contingency fund.. think about the future.

We have around 20,000 elderly people over the age of 60. What does this city do for them? Besides the negatives of upping their rates; giving them roads that are dangerous (i.e. Featherston St); starting to make them have to walk a block before they can get to where they need to go in town (that one goes for families with small children, as well). I think

you need to start asking the locals what they want before just going ahead with projects. It is 'our' city after all.

If council happen to approve all 6 projects you have proposed, you are going to end up with a lot more people in poverty, maybe even forcing elderly (and low income earners) out of their homes and you will soon get an uproar from the people. I suggest, that after getting feedback from everyone this 10 yr plan, that you still consult the public when going ahead with each project.

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

Booklet in my mailbox

Social media

Other: Residents meeting

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

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North rural area
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Which option do you prefer?	3. Land value (LV) – current system
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Please tell us why you prefer this option	Someone with an expensive house is unfairly taxed on the proposed system when they do not get any further benefit than someone in a cheaper rundown house. LV is the fairest way in my opinion. Also going to a hybrid or CV model would give all rural ratepayers an excessive increase in rates and we benefit the least from them
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Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
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Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Prefer not to say
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Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support as proposed
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Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support as proposed
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Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library	Do not support
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Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park	Support as proposed
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Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks	Do not support
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City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?

2. Only do the required seismic upgrades of these facilities in their current locations

Development contributions questions

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

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?	No
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Rates review questions

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

Tēnā koutou.
Overall the CV option seems to be a fairer system and I'm supportive of reducing the level of discount on general rates for lifestyle blocks. The value of improvements for our property is low but the land is now highly valued and is four times greater than the improvements. We moved from New Plymouth to Palmerston North in 2011 for work reasons. Almost nine years ago we bought an old 1950's home in the once affordable suburb of Takaro, but since then, the land value has increased significantly. During our period of home ownership, we haven't nor do we plan to make any major improvements that would add to its value.
My partner will attain retirement age in July, and he has always been the sole income earner for our family & household. Last year we made a lifetime decision to retire here by selling our rental property in New Plymouth. We had originally planned to return to our home province of Taranaki upon retirement, but we've come to love Palmerston North and the Manawatū district - it's a great place to live.
Despite now owning a freehold property, I worry about our ability to afford the rates when my partner retires with only one of us qualifying for government superannuation.
Ngā mihi.

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

Option 1.
The hybrid concept would not be beneficial to our present circumstances.

Option 3.
Some land values such as our own have increased significantly, whereby the value of our land is now four times greater than the value of improvements.

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

The proposed rates increases over the next 10 years, along with the levy for Nature Calls is very concerning.

Community facilities questions

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

No

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

Support with changes/comments

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

I'm supportive of a Multicultural Centre that's inclusive of the Pasifika community and all ethnicities. In doing so, this will truly create a more connected community.

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

If the city is to have a multicultural centre of which I support, then I question the need for a standalone pasifika community 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

The Highbury town centre has recently received a lovely makeover. I feel that this neighbouring suburb to the suburb that we live in, already has sufficient facilities and play areas available for community use, such as the Highbury Whanau Centre, etc.

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

It seems Council may already have committed, in principle, to building a new library hub by purchasing nearby land. I don't feel it necessary to have suburban library's in Awapuni and/or Highbury, which are mainly beneficial to local residents. We already have our central library and a mobile library service for everyone's use.

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'm 100% supportive of this project, Rāngitane being tangata whenua and mana whenua.

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

Prefer not to say

City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?

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

Development contributions questions

We're proposing to 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

General comment areas

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

The estimated annual levy of up to 1,000 dollars per year over 30 years, ontop of the proposed rates is alarming. Unfortunately landlords will most likely pass these costs onto tenants.

Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services

Thank you. I have previously submitted feedback on the Waste Management & Minimisation Plan.

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

Council website

Social media

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

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
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Which option do you prefer?	2. Capital value (CV)
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Please tell us why you prefer this option	CV is much fairer system as for example at the moment three properties on the same area of land as a neighbour with just one will be paying less per house but using more council facilities such as water, sewage, and recycling.
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Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	The hybrid would be an acceptable compromise. I have to admit that moving to CV would save me \$1500 in rates pa, which is not insignificant.
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Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review?	I wonder how many people in areas with larger sections but average sized homes will be considering the possible savings made by moving to CV. I suspect that many of them will be too busy worrying about the cost of living, but I would urge the council to take them under consideration when making the final decision.
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Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which	No
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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	Great idea The depth of experience brought to Palmy by such events as the Cultural Festival, sports day setc is invaluable, and having a place where the community can feel at home is great .
Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support as proposed
Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support as proposed
Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library	Support as proposed
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Awapuni Community Library Hub project	This is a vital part of teh Awapuni comunity. The library there is very well utilised and expansion would be welcome. Also the availability of a safe place in that area in case of emergency (evacuations etc) is a no-brainer.
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	Very reluctant to see the road widened for buses, but inclusion of a footpath would make waling safer. Cafe and viewing area would add to the amenities of Palmy. I hope thorough geotech surveys of the site would be conducted before any work was even thought of. I believe those cliffs are not stable.
Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks	Do not support
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Central Energy Trust Arena project	Too much work has been done on this area in previous years. Time to look to other areas of the coimmunity.
Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?	Investigate an off road path along Old West Rd between Massey entrance and where the Bledisoe walkway exiits onto Old West Road. This would make it safer for people to circuit back to Bledisloe Park entrance through MAssey.

City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?	1. Preferred option: Build on our existing planning and continue work to look at the buildings as a collective project and explore co-funding opportunities
Please tell us why you prefer this option	It is a much wiser proposal to enrich the use of these buildings while at the same time strenthening them. Many were built with only one purpose, and perhaps that purpose is no longer valid in today's environment. Strenthening and making the buildings more useful to 21st C life is the best option. Requirements from Historic Places should not be prioritised over safety
Do you have any other comments?	Would the council be considering any public safety requirements around these buildings while the 3 years of consultation etc were taking place? Is all that is needed a warning notice in the buildings?

Development contributions questions

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

Yes

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

Yes

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

Yes

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

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.

Properties that have more than a certain percentage of their land covered on concrete should be charged at a higher rate as run off from such properties will be having a greater contribution to the wastewater system than in other cases. This is especially true for any proposed high density infill developments. Quite apart from the positive environmental effect of greenery, areas left untouched by concrete are excellent water soaks.

General comment areas

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

I totally support the vibrancy plans and hope these don't end up on the cutting floor when the final rates costings are done. Free libraries, art galleries, parks etc will enable even people who are struggling financially to have some amenities. These are not "nice to haves", but what can make life more vibrant.

Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects

Remove parking from the Square apart from a few car parks near the I centre. It has been so frustrating to see part of the original green area cut into just to accommodate cars. Use of smaller buses on runs such as during off peak in Awapuni, and Roslyn and other areas that are no longer on the main routes, might solve a few headaches for less mobile people and still cut costs. I know this is Horizons' territory, but please use your influence.

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

Such a shame the Three Waters was abandoned. I can see it puts PN council in a very difficult position and trust you will make the best decisions.

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing

It seems unfortunate that you are promoting the building of "dream homes" on the James Line area, but are risking the loss of such homes in the search for medium density housing in other areas. Dream Homes surely include their environment, and having the nicest home spoilt by three storey clusters on neighbouring properties seems rather unfair. Medium density may be the way to go, but at least have the buildings constructed in such a way that they do not impede on the sunlight of neighbouring properties. When infill is considered I think it highly important that all neighbours are able to have input. Also when infill is considered or where buildings are removed to make way for more

development, any mature trees on the boundaries should be protected. They provide shade and allow for the movement of birds through the city.

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

When considering future growth please allow for pockets of greenery -- trees along streets etc. It is a well research fact that the natural environment has a significant impact on people and their lives. Avoid using areas where food can be grown for housing development. Also consider the extra costs of mitigation against flooding or liquifaction in choosing areas for development. Ideally we should NOT be expanding into green areas at all.

Could more consideration be given to converting some of the empty or under-utilised properties within the city into apartments. This, with the cafe and restaurants in the city, could make the city centre an attractive place to live. Massey appears to be selling off some of its student accommodation, is there a possibility of the council either using these as social housing, or encouraging developers to do so.

Two storey dwellings should be preferred to single ones, NOT in order to squash more buildings per unit area, but to allow for small gardens or areas of green around each house. This could also be done by including a shared garden within the development. Covering linking areas with concrete should be actively discouraged.

Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services

Food waste recycling is an excellent idea, but please make it opt in rather than compulsory - many people have their own composts . Work with Soft Plastics Recycling company to have collection points in Palmerston North. At the moment the nearest points are in Whanganui or Waikanae

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

No comments - but hope the rating is fairer in the future.

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

Palmerston North is a great place to live, but financial restraints on the council need to be balanced with the need to allow PN to continue to be a relaxing and vibrant city.

One question we should be asking is: Do we really want to grow much more? At what point do we say Palmy is big enough?

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

Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?

Which option do you prefer?

Please tell us why you prefer this option

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

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

Community facilities questions

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

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	Not core business.
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 are all of the pacific. If we follow the Council demographic - 6% make up the designated group. It is difficult to see how spending money on 6% is justifiable when the previous section refers to multicultural space. This continued division by race/culture is hurting us, and consuming resource that most of the PNCC population will not benefit from.
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	Having wasted lots of money on new climate change friendly buses, how about using them to head to the central library and make that world class. A city this size cant afford multiple small libraries.
Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library	Do not support
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Awapuni Community Library Hub project	Unless this is a private/public partnership where Council is not on the sole contributor, this ranks alongside all of the other social spends.
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	A vanity project. As someone who lives in the area, this may dissuade the bogans from tearing the place up, but that will be all. It is hard to justify this being anything but a money soak. Hundertwasser Gallery should be front of mind.
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 buildings make sense, but the turf etc can wait.
Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?	80 mil of public money in a time when budgets need tightening not expanding. Accumulating more debt for "nice to haves" not need to have's is appalling management. If I ran my home in this manner, I should well expect the bank to say no to lending, and more over, demand I reign it in. The council should do the same, given the "benefits" of these vanity projects impact a small subset of the overall population.

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	Seismic strengthening, while legislated, must be balanced against the building use case. In this case I would argue the council building falling over may in fact improve the lives of PNC residents as we would likely

have a significant decrease in the level of stupid currently on display.

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

Risk is about likelihood and consequence - the buildings have been standing for a while, and survived earthquakes to this point. The consequence of building collapsing is catastrophic - the likelihood of such an event is not laid out in a compelling case to spend the money that PNCC wishes to. As with most council projects going over time and budget - are the figures realistic or are they likely to blow out?

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

PNCC needs to reign in borrowing plans - PNCC is running a Champagne taste on a beer budget. The vision is affordable and makes sense only for those who operate on a program of other peoples money. The ratepayers are not getting value for money and the Council is out of control.

Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects

Climate change is real, but has been real for millions of years. The idea that we can change the weather by doing some of the dumb stuff PNCC has engaged in, along with some very questionable "safety" improvements (Featherston st anyone), suggest the Council is driven by ideologues rather than pragmatists and practitioners. 88 million on low cost measures is not low cost. \$31 mil on cycleways when there is a question on the number of cyclists in play and the over all value for money, some of the roading improvements are not improvements - they are holding the city up and making life impractical at worst, or annoying at best. Doing more of the same with other peoples money is irresponsible.

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

Waste water is probably the only spending I agree with, but I would also question why Council have let the situation get to this and needing to borrow the eye watering amount touted. Who has lost their job to date for allowing this situation to occur? Some of this spend can be offset by deleting the social, nice to have, vanity projects outlined in the plan. Water (all types) is core business.

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing

As above, social housing is not a council responsibility, certainly not with my money as a rate payer. Dont take money of me to fund someone

elses subsidised new house - i would much rather have that available for me to offset my mortgage or attend to things I am currently holding off on because i cant afford it. Council needs to show restraint and ask why is this necessary, and what other options exist.

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

Relying on population growth, which I assume drives rates increases through increased housing seems fairly one dimensional.

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

As already stated I am dead against rates rises to support a Council that has shown rate payers contempt. The obvious spending on crappy projects to date shows PNCC is incapable of managing other peoples money. Start again - show some discipline and go back to the book on what is core Council business - must haves versus nice to haves. Again, if a homeowner took the council approach they would be broke and have the house go to mortgagee sale in a heart beat.

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

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
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Which option do you prefer?	3. Land value (LV) – current system
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Please tell us why you prefer this option	Being a pensioner this option makes it more affordable for me.
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Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	Not affordable for me.
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Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
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Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Do not support
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Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project	These proposals should be put on hold until the finance is available.
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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	Wait for finance to come available.
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 as above.
Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library	Do not support
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Awapuni Community Library Hub project	We need to reduce expenses in these days. Let's just rent unused space for the time being.
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	Let's just defer this type of thing until the money is available.
Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks	Do not support
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Central Energy Trust Arena project	Same reason as above.
Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?	Let's just concentrate on needs rather than once for the time being.

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 what you don't like about the other option	Finances aren't available at the present time.

Development contributions questions

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

Yes

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

Yes

We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of

Yes

development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?

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

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

| General comment areas

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

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From:
To:
Cc:
Subject: Rates Review
Date: Monday, 6 May 2024 9:57:34 AM

Good morning,

In regard to your letter dated 5 April 2024:

It doesn't seem to matter which option PNCC uses to strike its rates, because we are charged unfairly for the supposed benefit we receive from Palmerston North City Council. We note in particular that PNCC intends to further reduce its value to us by reducing the level of discount applied to rates for our rural farmed block.

We received a lift in rates cost of over 60% at the last review to which PNCC is looking to increase this even further! PNCC is also about to rezone property adjacent to us as 'industrial', meaning a likely reduction in value and saleability in future should the area become industrialised and therefore the negative living aspects this change brings with it.

On Tutaki Road where we have lived for almost twenty years:

- we capture and reticulate our own water
- we provide our own waste water processing
- we do not have access to high speed fibre for internet
- we do not receive PNCC recycling pick up (wheely Bin)

Therefore compared to urban property owners in Palmerston North, we receive far less benefit and service from Palmerston North City Council if it is considered that we all equally use the same PNCC roads and services when in the urban part and around the city within council, not central or regional government, jurisdiction. It is a very expensive library card Mr Smith...

While the council will decide what suits itself best from the three options on the table, removing the discount for rural properties is completely unwarranted and when considering how much cost we relieve from council obligation, the discount level should actually be increasing, not decreasing.

Due by 4PM, Tuesday 9 May

Regards

Philip and Andrea Ropiha

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From:
To:
Subject: Kenyon Manderson (resident) submission
Date: Monday, 6 May 2024 11:36:01 AM

Preface: I'm making this submission as a private resident of Palmerston North, not as a PNCC employee.

Summary: We have a lot of unavoidable spending that must happen in the near future. These projects -- 3 Waters, the growth plan and seismic strengthening -- must be carried out. There's no way around it. Financially it's going to be an extremely hard time for all of us and we need to stop spending money as if it isn't. All "nice to have" projects need to be cancelled or deferred.

Community Facilities x6: It's rather baffling that Council is considering undertaking six very large projects at a time where money is very tight. We're proposing taking on even more debt to cover these costs, which seems absolutely illogical and irresponsible. Our parents all taught us that if you don't have the money, you don't buy new toys. These six projects should be deferred until at least the next long-term plan. None of these projects should be signed off to go ahead under this plan.

Transport: We all know that roads must be maintained. But we don't need more cycle lanes. We have enough. Just stop. The shared pathway project should be deferred (paused) until the next long term plan and reconsidered then.

Seismic Strengthening (shine brighter): While it's a very nice thought to have buildings upgraded as the work is done, we simply don't have the money to do this. Please only carry out essential strengthening work and let's save a little more money here.

Rates: I've reviewed the three options and believe rates should remain as they are now. Maintain the present system.

Final Thoughts: According to the infographic, Recreation and Play comes to 14.03% of our rates bill. Again it's baffling to me that the highest ticket item in the rates package, at a time where we need to be very careful with our finances is the "fun stuff". That number needs to be looked at very carefully and brought down below other items like roading and water.

On Featherston Street: I'm really dumbfounded how this happened. How many people were asleep at the wheel here? Other cities around the country are laughing at us because of this.

If you want a safe route for cyclists along this line, why wasn't making use of the quiet side roads considered? I'm no expert but I can draw a line from Botanical Road to Boys High via Liverpool, Clausen and Havill Streets. Then all you need is to upgrade the controlled pedestrian crossing on Rangitikei Street to accommodate bikes and they can then get to Boys High via Edgeware Road. From there if you talk nicely to Boys High they could allow for a short cycleway along the edge of their field to North Street. This could be promoted as Palmy's new safe and scenic cycleway. Was a plan like this ever considered?

Thanks for your time in receiving and reviewing this submission.

Sincerely,
Kenyon Manderson, Palmerston North resident.

P.S. - can I please have a quick receipt to confirm this has been received.

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

on

**Palmerston North City Council
Long-Term Plan 2024-2034**

09 May 2024



Executive Summary

- SPCA is concerned with a recent decrease in the number of companion cats that are desexed, only half of companion cats are microchipped, and very few are kept at home and prevented from roaming.
- Desexing and microchipping companion cats helps protect cat and kitten welfare and are some of the few tools we have for addressing stray cat problems in our communities.
- The cost of the procedures is the most common barrier for companion cat owners to desex and microchip their cats.
- Our Snip 'n' Chip programme offers subsidised desexing and microchipping for people who need help with overcoming the cost of the procedures.
- We have included our Snip 'n' Chip Council Package with more detailed information about how we work with local councils to promote more responsible cat ownership.
- Through this submission, we invite the Palmerston North City Council to help us achieve more responsible cat ownership by supporting our Snip 'n' Chip programme.



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Introduction

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

SPCA is the preeminent animal welfare and advocacy organisation in New Zealand. The Society has been in existence for over 150 years with a supporter base representing more than 100,000 New Zealanders across the nation.

The organisation includes 29 Animal Welfare Centres across New Zealand and approximately 60 inspectors appointed under the Animal Welfare Act 1999.

SPCA welcomes the opportunity to submit on the Palmerston North City Council Long-Term Plan 2024-2034.

Submission

SPCA thanks the Palmerston North City Council for the opportunity to contribute to the Long-Term Plan 2024-2034 consultation. Through this submission, we invite the Palmerston North City Council to help us achieve more responsible cat ownership by supporting our subsidised desexing and microchipping programme, Snip 'n' Chip.

New Zealand needs more responsible cat owners

Cats are one of New Zealand's most popular companion animals. SPCA supports responsible ownership of companion cats to promote cat welfare and reduce problems with cat overpopulation. SPCA is concerned with a recent decrease in the number of companion cats that are desexed, only half of cats are microchipped, and very few are kept at home (Companion Animals New Zealand, 2020).

Each year, on average 20,000 cats and kittens come into our Centres. Many of these animals are directly or indirectly (through stray cat populations) a result of an owner failing to desex their



companion cat. Our SPCA Centres regularly see the welfare problems related to irresponsible companion cat ownership, including:

- the predictable cycle of unplanned litters of kittens born each year because there are too many undesexed companion cats allowed to breed; and
- the number of cats and kittens who are lost or have strayed, and we cannot find their owner because they are not microchipped, or their microchip details are not registered on a national database.

We also know that irresponsible cat ownership can lead to nuisance in communities (e.g., spraying, toileting, fighting), predation on wildlife, and the spread of toxoplasmosis to people and animals including farmed animals and vulnerable native marine mammals (e.g., Hector's and Māui dolphins).

Desexing and microchipping companion cats are some of the few tools we have to address problems with stray cats in our communities. Desexing a companion cat helps prevent unplanned litters of kittens which can end up as stray cats. Having a microchip registered on the New Zealand Companion Animal Register can help us identify an owner to reunite with a lost companion cat that may be living as a stray.

The cost of the procedure is the most common barrier for companion cat owners to desex and microchip their cats (Companion Animals New Zealand, 2020).

Support more responsible cat ownership

Our work in New Zealand communities to increase the number of cats and kittens that are desexed and microchipped is fundamental to our mandate to prevent cruelty and advance animal welfare. We provide more details on the welfare benefits of desexing and microchipping cats in the Background section of this submission.

Our Snip 'n' Chip programme offers subsidised desexing and microchipping for people who need help with overcoming the cost of the procedures. SPCA works closely with local veterinarians to



provide this service. The vouchers 'sell out' quickly once they are available, indicating this is a much sought-after service in communities.

SPCA has worked closely with Whangārei District Council, Auckland Council, Waitaki District Council, Dunedin City Council, and four Auckland Local Boards to address the barriers to desexing and microchipping cats.

We invite the Palmerston North City Council to join us in our efforts to prevent problems before people end up dealing with difficult decisions about unwanted cats and cat behaviour in their communities.

We have included our Snip 'n' Chip Council Package with more detailed information about how we work with local councils to promote more responsible cat ownership.

Background

SPCA advocates for more responsible ownership of companion cats to improve the welfare of cats and to help address the problems with community nuisance, predation, and the overpopulation of stray cats.

Welfare-related benefits of desexing cats

Desexing can reduce the risk of certain diseases, reduce the likelihood of roaming (which can increase risks of harm such as disease and infection, injury, and becoming lost), and increase lifespan. Desexing can also prevent the mortality of unplanned kittens which is often overlooked as a welfare problem.

Table 1: Welfare-related benefits of desexing cats

Decreased risk of reproductive disease
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mammary gland tumours are common in cats:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ 16.3% of all tumours are in the mammary gland in an Italian registry, making this the second most common tumour site (Vascellari et al., 2009).



- 17% of all cancers reported were in the mammary gland in a California registry (1963-1966) making this the third most common cancer (Dorn et al., 1968).
- 8.2% of tumours in a Swiss feline cancer registry (1965-2008) were mammary gland tumours (Graf et al., 2016).
- Japanese and Siamese breeds are at increased risk of mammary tumours (Graf et al., 2016; Ito et al., 1996).

- Mammary tumours in cats have a high risk of being malignant:

- >90% of mammary gland tumours in cats are malignant (Dorn et al., 1968; Hampe & Misdorp, 1974; Hayes et al., 1981).
- A more recent study with a Swiss feline cancer registry found that 83% of mammary tumours were malignant (Graf et al., 2016).

- Desexing is protective against mammary tumours in cats:

- Sexually intact cats have seven times the risk of developing mammary gland neoplasms when they get older compared to spayed female cats (Dorn et al., 1968).
- Ovariectomy was found to protect against mammary carcinomas but not against benign mammary tumours. Intact cats are seven times overrepresented in the population of cats diagnosed with mammary tumours (Misdorp et al., 1991).
- Desexed female cats had significantly lower odds than entire female cats of developing tumour/malignant tumour in the mammary gland (Graf et al., 2016).
- Desexing before one year of age is protective against mammary carcinoma: 91% risk of reduction if desexed before 6 months, 86% reduction if before one year. Desexing after two years increased the risk (likely due to very few cats being desexed after this age) (Overley et al., 2005).

- Pyometra (uterine infection) risk increases significantly with age for female cats (Potter et al., 1991).

Increased lifespan and improved overall health

- Undesexed companion cats have significantly shorter lifespans than desexed companion cats (Hamilton et al., 1969; Kent et al., 2022; O'Neill et al., 2015).



- Being undesexed is a risk factor for cats developing degenerative joint disease (Lascelles et al., 2010; Slingerland et al., 2011), which is considered a leading cause of pain in cats (Robertson et al., 2010).
- Improved health for both male and female cats in managed colonies may be related to reduced reproduction-related aggression in males (Cafazzo et al., 2019; Finkler et al., 2011).
- Desexed male cats live a mean of 62% longer than undesexed male cats, and desexed female cats live a mean of 39% longer than undesexed female cats (Banfield Pet Hospital, 2013).
- For companion cats over five years of age in an English veterinary database, desexed female cats lived .6 months longer than undesexed female cats and desexed male cats lived 1.8 years longer than undesexed male cats (O'Neill et al., 2015).
- For companion cats over 1 year of age in a California teaching hospital database (Kent et al., 2022):
 - desexed females had a median lifespan of 10.48 years, compared to undesexed females that had a median lifespan of 4.68 years.
 - desexed males had a median lifespan of 9.84 years, compared to undesexed males who had a median lifespan of 3.67 years.
- For companion cats over the age of five years of age in a Pennsylvania database (Hamilton et al., 1969):
 - desexed male cats lived a median of 10.8 years compared to undesexed males who lived a median of 8.6 years. Deaths from trauma and infections were less common in desexed males.
 - male cats desexed before the age of five months, had a median lifespan of thirteen years compared to male cats desexed at six to seven months who had a median lifespan of eleven years.
- Cats at least six years of age and not desexed in an English database were twice as likely to have signs related to degenerative joint disease (Maniaki et al., 2021).
- Desexed stray cats were in better welfare condition compared to intact cats likely due to reduced reproduction-related aggression in males (Gunther, et al., 2018).



- Desexed male and female cats in a TNR (Trap Neuter Return) managed colony were less likely to be injured or have impaired health which may be related to decreased risk of infectious disease, nutritional deficiencies, and stress associated with reproduction (Gilhofer et al., 2019).

Decreased roaming risks

- Intact male cats are at higher risk of traffic accidents, injuries, bite wounds, and disease transmission compared to desexed males (Finkler et al., 2011; Gunther et al., 2015; 2018).
- Roaming (and fighting and spraying) reduced or eliminated in 80-90% of cats (Hart & Cooper, 1984).
- Desexing reduces activity related to territorial behaviour. Authors note cats are less active, which they do not specify includes roaming (Cafazzo et al., 2019).

Improved kitten welfare

- Unplanned kittens contribute to high numbers of animals surrendered to shelters. Kittens under the age of six months made up the largest proportion of owner-surrender cats to an animal shelter in Australia; 34% of all owner-surrendered animals were emaciated (Marston & Bennett, 2009).
- Kittens that enter the shelter system because they are from unplanned breeding can often be in a poor state of welfare. This is before shelter entry and not related to shelter stay. An average of 30% of kittens that came into SPCA Centres are categorised as not healthy at intake. Not healthy categories include Dead on Arrival; Unhealthy not treatable; Unhealthy treatable (urgent); Unhealthy treatable (non-urgent) (SPCA Intake Health Data: Jan 2021-Jul 2023)
- Free-roaming kittens had the highest prevalence of emaciation and thinness, lowest BCS (Body Condition Score) scores, and higher prevalence of severe injury or disability than adults. (Gunther et al., 2018).



- There is high variability among kitten mortality in stray cats, however, at least one study showed 75% mortality before six months, with trauma being the most common cause of death (Nutter et al., 2004).

Welfare-related benefits of microchipping cats

SPCA prefers microchipping as the primary form of identification for a cat because the chip cannot be removed, dislodged, or lost without surgical intervention. Once a cat is microchipped, the 15-digit microchip number and the animal and owner’s details can be registered with a microchip registration database, such as the New Zealand Companion Animal Register (Companion Animals New Zealand, 2018). Microchipping helps ensure a lost cat can be reunited with their owner, which can be especially true during emergencies.

Table 2: Welfare-related benefits of microchipping cats.

Welfare-related benefits of microchipping
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• During the 2011 Christchurch earthquake, 85% of owners of microchipped animals were contacted within 3 hours by the New Zealand Companion Animal Register, compared to only 25% of non-microchipped animals reunited with their owners within seven days (Companion Animals New Zealand, 2018).
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 39% of microchipped cats were returned to their owners, compared to 2% returned for un-microchipped cats (Lord et al., 2010).
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 51% of microchipped cats were returned to their owners compared to only 5% of un-microchipped cats (Lancaster et al., 2015).

The addition of a collar and tag for companion or managed stray cats can provide a visual indication of a cat’s ownership/management status and successfully help reunite lost cats with their owners/carers (Alberthsen et al., 2013; Lord et al., 2007, 2010).



Other benefits of responsible cat ownership

More responsible cat ownership can reduce the negative impacts cats can have including nuisance, predation on native wildlife, and spread of toxoplasmosis to both native animals and pastoral animals. Desexing and microchipping are longer-term strategies that will address problems with the overpopulation of cats and keeping cats at home can provide immediate local benefits for reducing nuisance such as spraying and toileting on neighbouring properties and reducing predation. Preventing cats from defecating away from home can also contribute to a reduction in the spread of toxoplasmosis to other animals and people.

Table 3: Other benefits of responsible cat ownership

Benefits of responsible cat ownership
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reduced risk of toxoplasmosis transmission to farmed animals (Aguirre et al., 2019; Stelzer et al., 2019).
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Decreased risk of toxoplasmosis transmission to native wildlife (Aguirre et al., 2019).
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Decreased predation on native wildlife (Bell & Bell, 2003; Bellingham et al., 2010; Dowding & Murphy, 2001; Imber et al., 2003; Veitch et al., 2011).

Conclusion

Supporting more responsible cat ownership by subsidising the cost of desexing and microchipping cats helps protect cat welfare, breaks the cycle of unplanned kittens born each year, and reduces the number of cats and kittens that either end up in our Centres or remain as stray cats in our communities.

SPCA appreciates the opportunity to contribute to the Palmerston North City Council's Long-Term Plan consultation. SPCA is happy to provide further information if needed.



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PROMOTING DESEXING AND MICROCHIPPING IN YOUR COMMUNITY

Snip n Chip is a desexing and microchipping service aimed at reducing the number of unwanted and unowned cats — a humane solution for the feline population and welfare management.

Launched nationally in 2022, SPCA's Snip n Chip offers low-cost, accessible desexing and microchipping for cat owners who need it most.

SPCA values working with local councils to increase the number of desexed and microchipped animals in their area and promote responsible pet ownership.

What is Snip n Chip?

- Available through an online system where owners can obtain a voucher to desex and microchip their cat at a heavily discounted rate.
- Designed to educate and promote responsible companion animal ownership by encouraging owners to desex and microchip their animals.
- Encourages owners to develop positive relationships with their local veterinary clinics.

What are the benefits for Councils?

- Promote compliance with Councils cat bylaws
- Reduction in abandonment and euthanasia of cats
- Reduction of feline behaviour issues in the community – noise, fighting, breeding
- Ability to target specific suburbs within the Councils region
- Reduced complaints from residents
- Positive community relations
- Demonstration of commitment to humane reduction of stray, unowned, or unwanted cats and kittens.
- Please see our desexing website for more benefits to both Councils and members of the public <https://desexing.sPCA.nz/councils>

What does the service cost for Councils?

- A set price for each surgery and microchip
- Run as many campaigns as your budget will allow
- Administration and marketing support included
- Regular reporting to allow for greater transparency and reporting back to constituents and councillors

What have been the results?

Since launching in February 2022

- We have desexed 18,947 cats across numerous campaigns
- We estimate this has prevented 75,788 unwanted offspring
- Campaigns selling out in as little as one day
- Positive feedback from local communities for Councils participation
- Four councils and five local board partners have supported Snip n Chip campaigns in their communities

What has been the feedback?

Dr Imogen Bassett, Principal Advisor Biosecurity, Auckland Council

Desexing and microchipping are an important part of our responsible cat ownership work in Tāmaki Makaurau. As the fence at the top of the cliff, snip and chip is good for cats, wildlife, and people. Working together with the SPCA, we can share responsible pet ownership messages with more Aucklanders. The SPCA's online system and helpful staff have made it really easy for us to prioritise our support towards areas with threatened species in need of protection from cats.

Waitaki District Council

Regulatory Manager Andrew Bardsley said *"As well as the benefits for cat owners, Snip 'n' Chip will have an impact in the community in terms of a reduction in unwanted breeding and the number of orphaned or feral cats. Animal welfare is at the centre of this campaign, with the added benefits of a reduction in nuisance caused by cats and the ability for lost pets to be reunited with their owners through their microchips. The SPCA team's work is extremely challenging and demanding, so it's great that Waitaki District Council has been able to contribute towards this partnership and hopefully to reduce some of the cat welfare issues in Waitaki"*

Communications Team member Sonia Martinez said *"Our residents were really supportive of the campaign and we had lots of positive feedback saying it made a big impact on their ability to get their pet spayed and microchipped. Lots of sharing and engagement on social media not only resulted in the vouchers selling out super quickly but also helped spread the message of responsible cat ownership throughout the district".*

Cat owner feedback:

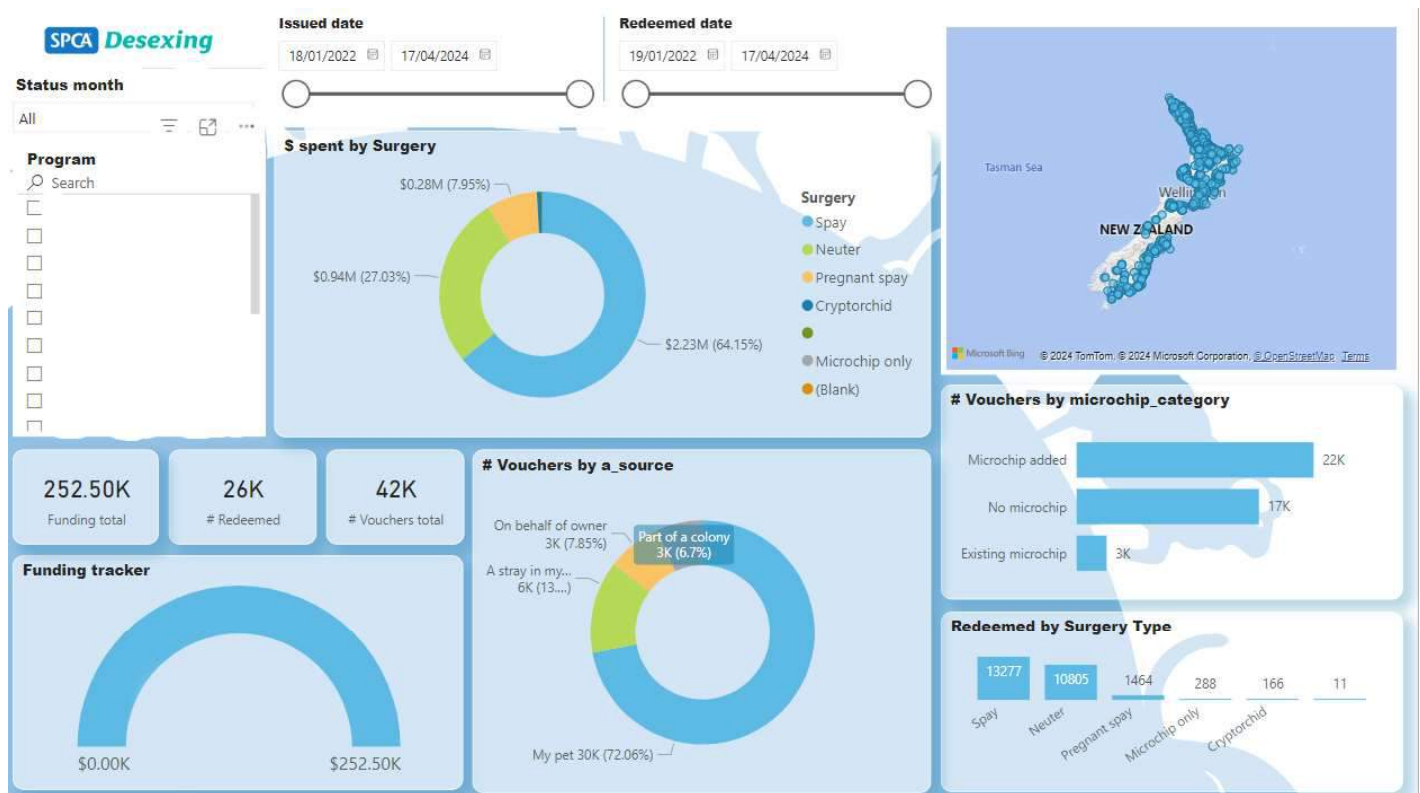
Waitaki resident, Helen, on Facebook said *"Thank you so much for this wonderful initiative. I live on a rural property and got a huge surprise when a little wildie/dumped kitten wandered into my kitchen in late January. S/he (I think he's a 'he') has settled into domestic life perfectly. He's staying in the house with another former wildie until I can build an outside house/enclosure for them. The subsidised spaying/neutering is greatly appreciated."*

Duration:

- Studies have shown that to make effective change, desexing initiatives should be run regularly over a number of years
- A Campaign funded at \$15k per year over 3 years (\$45k total), could desex 350 cats and prevent thousands of unwanted kittens.

Reporting:

An example of the types of reporting available



SPCA Key Contact:

Contact Name	Title	Phone Number	Email Address
Rebecca Dobson	National Desexing Programmes Manager		

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6 May 2024

Palmerston North City Council Senior Reference Group Submission on Draft 2024-2034 Long Term Plan

General comments

The comments in this submission are the opinions of a majority of members of the Council's Senior Reference Group. While these opinions are primarily intended to reflect the views of the senior population of our city, they will also be relevant to other sectors.

We are aware of the uncertainties that exist regarding the future of local government services, and these are set out in the plan. However, we consider our comments should apply regardless of the structural changes that may occur in the future. One obvious example is the way that the wastewater project is treated in this plan. While separating it out highlights the project, as rate payers we consider it to be part of the overall rates we will be required to pay over the term of the plan to receive council services. Our comments reflect that.

Getting the basics right

The starting point for the long-term plan should be about getting the basics right. This means providing for the maintenance and renewal of our city's infrastructure. Infrastructure covers water, wastewater, stormwater, city roads and footpaths plus the buildings and recreational facilities that service our day-to-day needs. We note reference to extending the economic life of certain infrastructure ("changing the timing") and feel concerned about the effect of this. Around the country there have been unfortunate examples of failing infrastructure and we should learn from this.

We support council prioritising funding for renewal and maintenance of infrastructure in accordance with Council's asset management plans.

Affordability of rate increases

This will be a significant issue for ratepayers during the term of this plan. The wastewater project clearly stands out. For a household paying \$4,000 annual rates today the \$1,000 extra represents a 25% increase. In addition, there are all the other cost increases. It is difficult to work out the extent of the real increase of these other costs over the ten years in today's dollars (excluding inflation) however they will be significant.

The plan appears to be based on getting the Council's borrowing ratios correct rather than managing the impact on ratepayers. This is demonstrated by the additional debt repayments of \$149 million in years 4 to 10, excluding the \$1,000 per household per year, to make the books balance. This may balance the books for the Council but does little to help

the city's households balance their budgets. Adopting a long-term approach to this as suggested to the Council 10 years ago was the way to go, however now deferring the additional debt repayment for another four years does not help. This should start in year 1 so that ratepayers can have a more stepped approach to their household budgets on the projected \$1,000 per year increase, rather than must find the money with short notice.

We recommend that Council prioritise early debt repayment to spread the rating impact on household budgets, and bring it forward from year 4 to year 1.

In the context of this discussion several members of our group felt that this Council and others should do more to find alternative ways of funding local government and local projects.

Changes to the Rating System

The plan outlines three options for a future rating system in Palmerston North: land value base (current system), capital value base or a combination of both (hybrid 70/30). The fixed charges under each option would be like the existing system. We are aware that there is no perfect system and there are merits and disadvantages to each option. The group favoured in principle a move to capital value rating. However, it was obvious from the analysis in supporting documents to the plan that there are practical and fairness problems with a pure capital value system. The graphs showing the effects of any change compared to the existing system were helpful to understand these issues. In any change to the system an equitable share of rates between the residential sector and the commercial/industrial sectors should be retained. This can be achieved through rating differentials and should be consistent with historical sharing.

We note that the choice of the Hybrid 70/30 split seems to bring the range of rating variations per property within a more reasonable range and for this reason we favour the Hybrid 70/30 system.

The group supports the Hybrid 70/30 option. The sharing of the rating burden between the residential and commercial/industrial sectors following any change should be consistent with historical sharing.

Wastewater Project

Our main concern about this project is that the cost of \$647 million is not affordable for our community. \$1,000 per household (per year for 30 years) on top of the other increases in rates included in the plan is not sustainable. This is particularly so for senior residents and others on fixed incomes. This costly project puts at risk our ability to afford services and investments that are important for the quality of life of our citizens. In this submission we have supported several investments that we consider important. Based on the cost of this single project these may have to be suspended or eliminated.

Our view is that the whole project is unaffordable in its present form, and should be reconsidered and a much more affordable option chosen.

Transport

As earlier mentioned under “getting the basics right” proper maintenance and renewal of roads and footpaths must be a priority. There are several projects that relate to investment in new roading, cycle ways and pedestrian footpaths. Our view is that the city should be inclusive in the way it invests in transport options.

Every resident of our city has the right to feel safe when moving from one place to another whether they be motorists, cyclists or pedestrians and we would support investments which achieve this.

There is one project which we also see as a priority. We are concerned about the heavy traffic that has become common throughout our city. This has safety issues for our residents, and road maintenance implications for the Council. Many of us can become intimidated by the large trucks that use our city streets as a bypass. We believe that priority should be given to the planned ring road which diverts much of this heavy traffic away from our city roads. Recent publicity has suggested it has become a lower priority than previously.

That Council lobby Horizon’s Land Transport Committee and Waka Kotahi to raise the priority of this project.

Housing

We note the two projects in the plan in connection with social housing at \$17 million and homelessness at \$700k over 3 years.

Our group supports these two projects.

Community Facilities – Seismic upgrades

Our group considered the two options given for the seismic upgrades. For the reasons outlined in the draft plan option one is supported. However, any proposal which comes from the project should be open for public consultation and comment.

The group supports Option 1 and requests further consultation on any proposal.

Community facilities Upgrade - Other

The following facility upgrades are proposed:

- Multicultural Centre \$750k
- Pacifica Centre \$3.9m
- Te Patikitiki Library \$3.6m

- Awapuni Community Library Hub \$27m
- Te Motu Poutoa Anzac Park \$19m
- Central Energy Trust \$36m

The group noted the external funding for some of these projects and encourages the Council to seek to extend this external funding.

We support this list of projects based on the reasons set out in the draft plan.

Age Friendly City

We note that the Council has already committed to implementing this project. The group felt that for all decisions of the Council the needs of an age friendly city should be considered.

We would like to record here our continued support for the Age Friendly program.

Recycling and composting

Our group is generally in favour of introducing food waste collections in Palmerston North. It is recommended that the choice of opting out of the collection be investigated.

We recommend that a waste food collection for composting purposes be introduced in Palmerston North.

Lido Swimming facility

The group believe that the Lido Swimming Complex should be reviewed to ensure it is fit for purpose. The following matters should be considered in the review:

- A wider appreciation of the physical access needs of pool users.
- The use of pools for rehabilitation purposes.
- The need to renovate the changing rooms.
- Considering the fitness for purpose and usage of the gym and other nonaquatic indoor exercise areas.

That a review of the Lido Swimming Complex be undertaken to ensure it is fit for purpose.

Thanks for the opportunity to make this submission.

**Jim Jefferies
Chair
Senior Reference Group**



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Submission on PNCC's Draft 2024-34 Long Term Plan

E kaikaunihera mā, tēnā koutou,

Unuhia te rito o te harakeke, kei hea te kōmako e kō?
Whakatairangitia, rere ki uta, rere ki tai;
Kī mai koe ki au: He aha te mea nui o te ao?
Māku e kī atu: He tangata, he tangata, he tangata;
Tihei mauri ora.

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission on your draft 2024-33 Long Term Plan. Te Pū Harakeke—Community Collective Manawatū has enjoyed a positive and productive relationship with PNCC for more than 50 years. Te Pū Harakeke is a collective body for community and social service organisations in Palmerston North and the Manawatū. We currently have a membership of more than one hundred for-purpose organisations, along with a small number of individuals working in the local community and social sector.

Our vision is to see a strong, vibrant, and connected community sector in the Manawatū, and our mission is to empower community groups to participate in, and contribute to, the community and its wellbeing.

We are extremely grateful for the Council's ongoing support for the community sector, in particular the Council's commitment to financially supporting community groups through a range of funds in the Council's current and previous long-term plans. This enables the community sector to deliver a vast range of services and activities which improve the wellbeing of the people of Palmerston North.

We recognise that everyone has a role in building a strong community, and we understand that the Council's role is particularly important in this regard. We support the Council taking the leadership role in the community as you work towards your obligations to promote the social, cultural, environmental, and economic wellbeing of the residents of Palmerston North.

We endorse the big plans you propose to progress significant projects including water, infrastructure, and community facilities. We don't want to see the Council pushing important projects down the road.

Community facilities

We support your commitment to providing quality community facilities which meet the needs of communities across the city. In particular we support proceeding with funding as proposed for the **Multicultural Centre, Pasifika Community Centre, Te Pātikitiki Library, and Te Motu o Poutoa projects**. While we are supportive of a good quality community facility in Awapuni, we do not feel that we are qualified to comment on the proposed cost.

Housing

We strongly endorse the Council's housing plan. In particular, we support council building more social housing when it has the opportunity to do so. We are also in support of establishing the Community Housing Partnership Fund, implementation of a local Housing First model, and the implementation of a quick-response fund to support tenants facing eviction.

Community support and funding

We note that your proposed plan only allows for inflation adjustments to your community funding pools, without any increase in real terms. An increase in real terms is desperately needed. **We ask for community funding to be doubled**, in particular for the next Strategic Priority Grants round and for the annual budget allowance for Community Development Small Grants.

Not only has demand for services increased over recent years—which has been a theme of countless funding requests, surveys, forums, and reports—but the Council must also plan for growth in its social infrastructure. If the population is going to grow, as the Council itself recognises in other areas of this Long-Term Plan, we also need to resource community services appropriately to ensure that they have sufficient capacity to meet the social welfare needs of a growing population base.

We note that previous discussions with Council have indicated a desire to raise the cap on applications to the Community Development Small Grants fund from \$5,000 to \$10,000. Doubling the available fund would enable this to happen.

Rates

We note that a rates increase of 11% is relatively conservative in comparison to other councils around the country. We also acknowledge that the services delivered by rates are significant and actually represent good value for money for residents.

Our preference is for a rates system based 100% on Capital Value, as we believe this is the fairest way to spread the cost across the community, and we note that this model is used by most councils across the country. We would be supportive of the proposed hybrid model as a stepping stone towards this.

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou,

Te Pū Harakeke—Community Collective Manawatū

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From:
To:
Subject: Palmerston North Public Sculpture Trust
Date: Sunday, 5 May 2024 4:32:16 PM

5 May 2024
Palmerston North City Council
32 The Square
Palmerston North 4410

Tēnā koutou,

I am writing to seek your ongoing support for the Palmerston North Public Sculpture Trust.

The work done by the Sculpture Trust has added enormously to the visual appeal of our city. The 14 sculptures are varied and interesting and some allow interaction. (I'm thinking of Numbers, which often has children playing on it.) Public sculpture generates awareness of art and artists. It also can showcase work by great NZ artists who have strong connection with Palmerston North like Dibble, Parsons, and Jahnke. In these times of rising costs, it is even more important that we invest in assets that foster the well-being and pride of our community. It is equally important to remember that arts and culture make significant contributions to their local economies that make for a return on investment in a city that aspires to be growing, innovative, creative, and exciting

The members of the Sculpture Trust have played an important role in bringing these sculptures to our city. They are dedicated members of local arts and business communities and they volunteer their time to enrich our inner city. Their work began in 2006 and has continued through the years, building up a collection of public sculptures which we can all enjoy and be proud to show off to visitors to our city.

Please enable the Palmerston North Public Sculpture Trust to continue its work of enriching our city.

Sincerely
Winifred Jackson

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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? 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 It's fair for all.

Please tell us what you don't like about the other options
 Option 1 and 2 will be unaffordable for many people. In the last few years of the last government we saw so many kiwis lose businesses, mandated out of jobs and were left with no money to pay the mortgage, rent and leaving some families struggling and were forced to seek help from community agency for food parcel so they can feed their kids etc. Life is still tough for many residents. So the option I have chosen is fair for all.

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

The council is proposing a rate rise of 11.3% and even to some ratepayers this is too high but I understand things do go up and costs of services and products need to be paid for by someone and that someone are us, the ratepayers.

Community facilities questions

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

No

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

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

Welcoming ethnic migrants to our city is a great thing. Supporting them in their adjustment to their new country, new city and new neighbourhood can be a bit scary and adjusting to a new environment for some can be a bit daunting and not knowing where to seek help and support can be upsetting if you don't know where to find them. So, they need a place where they can get information, meet other migrants whether from the same country or elsewhere can only be a good thing. Remember our nation's history was founded on migration our ancestors seeking and looking for a country they can call home and that same vision and need to seek a new country is still happening today. We have around 130 nationalities who have settled in Palmerston North and are contributing to the vibrancy of this city with their cultural identities. For these reasons I support this proposal.

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 a Pasifika person I understand how important it is for Pasifika communities to have these facilities that can cater for events. Pasifika communities are made up of many islands with their own languages, unique cultures, religion etc. and they all celebrate differently. Having facilities that are large enough to cater for various Pasifika groups needs can only be a good thing. Palmerston North is their city and the 'buy in' from these communities can add vibrancy to our city. For these reasons I support this proposal.

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

I remember when I first arrived to New Zealand as a young person speaking no English and I was very shy. I had no concept of understanding this country with its freezing winter weather and with people speaking a foreign language. I discovered the local library with walls lined with books. I opened one book and looked inside looking at the words I had no clue what it says. Yes, I did learn to speak English and taught myself to read and books became my escapee to another world filling my imagination with fantasy and wonders. Community libraries are important services to all community and for this reasons I support this proposal.

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

Support as proposed

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

Libraries are the suppliers and keeper of knowledge. It's a place that serves many needs not just by taking a book out or just sitting and reading. There are many more reasons why people of all walks of life use these facilities. Some could be elderly living alone and are lonely and

just want to be around people not necessarily to talk but just to be around people.
Community connectiveness and libraries offer that role and so much more.
These public facilities are a must for any city and any community from library to theatres, to museums, art galleries and movie theatres all play a huge role in enriching people's lives. For these reasons I support this proposal.

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

Standing proud on this culturally significant proposal with our local iwi and on the memory of ANZAC, the sacrifice of our fallen soldiers and the bravery of our current service men and women. For these reasons I support this proposal.

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

Palmerston North city's sporting and event centre is one of the sporting hubs of our city. Massive economic benefits to the city and for this reasons I support this proposal.

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

Yes. Do it once and do it well.

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

History preservation is a must for any city and our historical buildings tell us about our past and the pioneering spirits of those who built these monuments.
As a city we must do whatever we can to preserve our historical heritage buildings.

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

The other option reminds me of putting on a band aid to cover a wound. When you take off the band aid the wound is still there. So, it will be the same with a semi-upgrade that will waste so much funds but a light breeze might blow by and easily knock the building over. Do it once and do the job well.

Do you have any other comments?

Yes. The All Saints Church - our piece of history.
This beautiful building needs to be restored and preserve and I have some ideas how we can support these required upgrades. Yes, it needs to be a community project.

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

No

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

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

No

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

Yes

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

#1. Why would council increase residential costs when the city needs more housing for people to purchase or rent? The cost will go up.

#2. What happens if council can't find external funding for this project? Who will be funding it then? Will council get the ratepayers to pay for it?

#3. What is a "development contribution fees?"

#4. Yes

General comment areas

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

Vision - It's good to have a vision.

Goals - The goals are great but you need to articulate these goals better to the people.

Not enough time for the community to digest all the information. When we think about the significance of what we feedback are asked and put in to submit and when we feel not listened too, this can be disheartening. Take for example of the Featherston Street cycleway and bus stop in the middle of the road. People voiced their objection to this project and yet they were ignored by council. We all have an opportunity to bring different ideas to the council and expect to be taken seriously. We will invest more in the city and want to be part of the vision.

Plan - Your plan is good but costly in some areas and there are some projects that I propose need to be deleted fro the plan as asking the ratepayers to fund some of these controversial and unpopular and costly project can only create unfair extra costs on households and will outrage residents as these projects are not wanted or welcomed.

Here is the list of projects proposed to reduce spending;

a) \$55mil shared walking and cycling pathway from Palmerston North to Ashhurst and Palmerston North to Feilding.

b) \$31mil for cycleway in the city.

c) Cancel Featherston Street cycleway and bus stop in the middle of the road as deemed unsafe and dangerous for school children, pedestrian, sensory impaired residents, drivers and cyclists.

Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects

There seem to be a focus on buses and cycleways and a move away from cars.

Many members of our society such as the elderly and disabled cannot use either the buses or bicycles but these members of our community are not being considered.

The traffic jam down Featherston Street, created from Urban Cycleway Network Master Plan has made the whole road congested, so taxis will cost a lot more for these vulnerable groups.

Ambulance arrival times will also be negatively impacted, and again there seems to be a blind focus on supporting cycling and buses, without considering the large number of our community that can't use these form of transport.

Some of the reasons people stay in Palmerston North, or move here is because of ease of travel from one side of the city to the other. It is also closer to main amenities and has less-flowing traffic.

The Urban Cycleway Network Master Plan is not working. It restricts emergency services, it puts pedestrians, cyclists and motorists at risk. It is also destroying businesses and one of the best things about Palmy was free flowing traffic. This should not be ignored.

Imposing unnecessary costs on ratepayers is unfair and unaffordable to pay for unsafe and dangerous projects like the Featherston Street cycleway is and will always be controversial unless it is stopped and we go back to commonsense planning.

I proposed reducing spending by cancelling the \$31mil for cycleways in the city and Featherston Street.

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing

Palmerston North city could remain vibrant as we plan new infrastructure -housing to benefit all.

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

Booklet in my mailbox

Rates letter or email

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

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	Yes
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Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Support as proposed
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Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project	This is a great project to support our growing multicultural community with a safe place for them to gather. A true sign the city is welcoming!
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Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support as proposed
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Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Pasifika Centre project	With 6% of the city's population identifying as Pasifika it is long overdue to have a dedicated centre for them.
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Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support as proposed
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Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Te Pātikitiki Library project	One of our poorest areas needs to be supported with good facilities. Our tamariki are the future of the city and access to good well kept facilities proves that we think they are worth investing in!
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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

This project would be of great benefit to SuperGrans Manawatū. It has long been a wish of ours to have a dedicated space in the communities we serve. At present we provide workshops throughout the city taking our equipment with us. By having a space available to us this would mean we would be able to make better use of our time and increase our programme to evenings and weekends to better meet the needs of the community. Our experience has shown that our most vulnerable people do not travel out of their area for workshops but prefer to access things close to home.

It is again a case of providing good quality facilities for all and this project would benefit many people for many years. We would make great use of this facility.

Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park

Support with changes/comments

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

Whilst we support this project eventually if it was instead of the above projects we would prefer this to be deferred for now.

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

We support only the essential new building at present. We feel new sports grounds should be spread around the community instead of centralised.

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

Investment in the community with new facilities has massive ongoing benefits to citizens and visitors alike.

General comment areas

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

Regarding goal 4 A sustainable and resilient city: We feel an outcome that is purely dedicated to food security would add to this goal.

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

Council website

Other: Information from Te Pu Harakeke

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

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
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Which option do you prefer?	2. Capital value (CV)
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Please tell us why you prefer this option	I have a large section so capital value makes more sense
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Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	To costly in long term
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Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review?	Homeowners are struggling enough with inflation without High rate increases
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Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
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Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Do not support
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Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project	Our rate payers cannot afford this
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	The ratepayers cannot afford to support this
Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building	Do not support
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Te Pātikitiki Library project	We have perfectly good facilities as it is without building more
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	What is wrong this our central library. We now have lots of buses on the road, people can catch a bus to central if transport is an issue
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	Again, why borrow money unnecessarily and expect ratepayers to pay for it.
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	What we have is sufficient at this stage
Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?	Why does the council want to have so many new builds etc on the go at one time. What is wrong with what we have got. Not all homeowners can afford huge rates rises and a lot of families are struggling with higher interest rates. Inflation is high. . What a poor sense of judgement by the council to suggest all these builds when we are going thru a recession

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	Cost. Why go into further debt
Please tell us what you don't like about the other option	Increase debt
Do you have any other comments?	Is the current council set on having a legacy left behind when they leave. If so, the only legacy will be what a mess this current council has left us in. Debt, debt, debt. Learn from the cluster of Featherstone Street which I can only presume the council approved

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?

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.

Personal opinion

General comment areas

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

Dont aim for the sky. Aim for what is affordable for ratepayers

Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects

If featherston street is anything to go by. Leave well alone. It is already a cluster if a mess

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

Where the money coming from

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

All these high story houses us making our beautiful city look like a getto. It needs to stop

Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services

Agree with scraps being part of recycling

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

The way council is spending money unnecessarily will force homeowners to sell up and rent. Councils are very unforgiving when rates are not paid

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

I doubt submissions will be of much use to the council. The council has probably already made up their minds what they plan on spending our money on. They are just going thru the motions

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

Council website

Booklet in my mailbox

Rates letter or email

Social media

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Hearing

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

Rates review questions

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

Which option do you prefer? 1. Preferred option: Hybrid (a mixture of land and capital value)

Please tell us why you prefer this option Capital Value is my preference but I here the PNCC argument that this would be too tough on some property owners if implemented.

Community facilities questions

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

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

Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building Do not support

Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Pasifika Centre project Can use the proposed Multicultural Centre. Getting the wastewater sorted is the PNCC main priority. Other capital expenditure needs to be

postponed until this is done.

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

Getting the wastewater sorted is the PNCC main priority. Other capital expenditure needs to be postponed until this is done.

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

Getting the wastewater sorted is the PNCC main priority. Other capital expenditure needs to be postponed until this is done.

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

Getting the wastewater sorted is the PNCC main priority. Other capital expenditure needs to be postponed until this is done.

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

Getting the wastewater sorted is the PNCC main priority. Other capital expenditure needs to be postponed until this is done.

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

Getting the wastewater sorted is the PNCC main priority. Other capital expenditure needs to be postponed until this is done.

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 network?

Yes

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

Non-residential development i.e. business operations can put a big loading on water and wastewater systems.

General comment areas

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

The vision is great - it just needs to be affordable for the people who pay rates.

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

Wastewater needs to be treated to the highest possible standard and returned to the Manawatu River to protect the mauri of the river. With climate change there will be greater takes from the river and hotter summers will reduce river flows. Water levels need to be maintained to protect aquatic life.

Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services

Any kerbside food scraps collection needs to be optional. People who have composted for years have reduced waste going to landfill and should not be penalized by this initiative. They should be able to continue composting going forward. The users of commercial waste bins as you say are the biggest issue and working with this group is where you need to start to reduce waste to landfill.

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

Council website

Booklet in my mailbox

Newspaper

Other: Presentation

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From:
To:
Subject: re walk and bike lanes and water infrastructure
Date: Monday, 6 May 2024 1:01:56 PM

I would like to express my concern at the money you intend to spend on water infrastructure and cycle and walk ways without suitable consultation to the rate payers, many who will not be able to afford your increase. The council could look at there on expense first and review all the employment of staff, cars that are available etc just like the Government has done They should also be looking at savings and a little more consultation with the rate payers Some of the present cycle lanes are quite dangerous and I have yet to see them with a lot of cycles on them Please slow down and consult properly not just with a few people. If you stop doing things that do not need doing you would not have to borrow so much or extend the loan over a longer period look fully at all options Look at who is not paying rates and review this

Thankyou Rewa Robert and Paul Robert

Sent from for Windows

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

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
Which option do you prefer?	1. Preferred option: Hybrid (a mixture of land and capital value)
Please tell us why you prefer this option	using a combination of land and capital value to determine rates would be appropriate for our city at this point in time

Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Support as proposed
Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Do not support
Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support with changes/comments

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

Do not support

Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park

Do not support

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

Support as proposed

City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?

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

Development contributions questions

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

Don't know / no opinion

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

Don't know / no opinion

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

Yes

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

Yes

General comment areas

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

Council website

Submitter: Year 10 Social Sciences students from Palmerston North Girls' High School (2x classes)

This feedback was captured from two separate year xx social sciences classes as part of engagement sessions with Council staff. Most of the session we talked about the LTP and the broke them into small groups to think about what they like about the city, and where they think there is room for improvement.

What we like

- Clocktower
- Police are always friendly
- He Ara Kotahi
- The Esplanade
- Milverton Park
- The hockey turf is nice
- Motorsport
- Walkways near the river
- The Manawatu Golf Club
- Speedway
- The Regent and the shows they put on there
- The Massey athletics track
- Cracker Jacks, Starbucks, 3 McDonalds, Uncle Bills, Plaza, Cinemas/silky otter, kmart, arcades, escape rooms
- The nickname Palmy
- The education/tertiary providers
- The Arena/turfs/sports fields
- Native trails
- Youth Space
- Cultural Festivals
- Great place for exchange students to live and visit
- The events held in the Square
- Public parks
- Electric scooters
- Bike lanes on Pioneer Highway
- Carnival at Railway Park
- Wildbase
- Plants around the city
- Māori artwork
- The ice skating rink
- Cafes
- Manawatu Jets
- Te Manawa
- The libraries

- Lagoon
- Cherry Blossom trees

What we don't like

- Mini golf hours in the Esplanade – always closed when they go and not open during suitable hours for teens
- Don't always feel safe walking around the streets
- Traffic lights outside PNBHS
- Roadworks on Featherston Street outside PNBHS
- The waiting times at the city doctors and the hospital- are way too long
- There's nothing to do
- There's not enough variety of clothing stores
- People stealing
- Things are getting too expensive
- Our roads are unsafe to walk and drive on
- Playgrounds are specifically for younger people- need something for teenagers or younger adults
- A lot of car stealing
- Homeless people sitting on city centre streets
- The change/cancelled bus routes
- Hood rats hang around at night
- Vape stores everywhere
- The Plaza is too small
- Ashhurst is boring/nothing for young people to do there
- No free period products available around town
- Not enough cultural activities
- Not enough street lighting
- Not enough car parks
- Massey University doesn't have enough courses on offer
- Dark alleyways
- Abandoned carpark by Event Cinemas
- Traffic lights in front of girls high won't turn on
- Potholes near Riverdale Schools
- The roadworks on roads that have been started and not finished
- All the traffic cones everywhere
- How they are taking away the playfield down Rugby Street and building houses on the land

Suggestions

- Put on more events to entertain teenagers and prevent drama/crime
- Add more streetlights
- Upgrade Wallace Park
- Didn't know there is a train station- advertise it more or encourage people to use it
- More car parks at Vautier Park for netball

- Increase the crossing times at traffic lights
- Create a bus stop/route to go to Kingsdale Park Drive
- Make the airport bigger
- More books in the library
- More outlet shops
- More shows at The Regent
- Have a drive-in movie theatre
- Upgrade the closed/vacant stores down Broadway
- Have more things to do for young people that are free
- Bring back the bars and nightclubs to prevent drunk people from having unsafe parties and making our streets unsafe
- Have more concerts for young people
- Get a Sky Stadium
- Have more gluten-free shops
- Create a bigger Saturday market and not just the one on Albert St/Church St
- Upgrade the Lido pools/ have a wave pool
- More free wifi
- Don't have road works in rush hours in the morning (8am-9am) as it makes people late for work and school
- Sunday markets in The Square as they have in bigger cities to make it more interesting and fun
- Night markets
- Upgrade and clean public toilets around the city- often unhygienic
- Better roads with no bus stops in the middle of the road
- More sports courts around the city
- More 'touristy' things
- Lower the bus prices/make free for students on weekdays
- Skyscrapers to give New York vibes
- Add more parking around The Plaza
- No roads around the Square or remove parking so people can walk freely similar to hot spots in Europe
- Add more flowers to the City/Square
- Create a theme park/Rainbows End/amusement park/ Disneyland where the circus goes on Railway Land
- Bigger stadium at the arena
- Have a white Christmas in The Square on Christmas Eve
- Have better pet conditions at the animal shelter
- Have more outdoor gym equipment around the city
- More street vendors/food trucks around the city
- Give students discounts at shops/cafes
- Beach volleyball in The Square
- Have balls/events for young people- themed such as Bridgeton
- Fix the football fields at Skogland Park as the ground is very bumpy/has lots of holes
- Create a place for teens to hang out (preferably in The Square)
- Bring back Flip City
- Make the ice-skating rink in The Square permanent
- Re-open Ice Creamy in Downtown Eatery and have more food places in the Eatery
- Bring back the dairy on James Line

- Have more frequent bus timetables
- Clean up the mountain biking paths at Albert Street Forest – frequent rubbish is always there
- Make The Square safer at all times of the day
- Have more lighting along the Manawatu River to make it safer to use at all hours
- A bigger water park (like Splash Planet)
- Bring Raising Canes and Karens Diner to Palmy
- Fix the Milverton Park basketball hoops and nets - always broken or ripped
- Have more 'big' chairs around the city (like the one that was placed in The Square).
- Add more equipment to Linklater Park for the humans
- Bring another Starbucks to town or move it to the Plaza
- Bring Mecca, Sephora, Kookai, Lululemon, JD Sports, Target, Chemist Warehouse, City Beach, Footlocker to The Plaza and surrounding city streets
- More work/internships for teenagers
- Help the homeless- provide them with opportunities to upskill and get back into the workforce
- Create better roads- they're too gravelly or have potholes

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

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North rural area
Which option do you prefer?	3. Land value (LV) – current system
Please tell us why you prefer this option	I don't use your services
Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	Extra payments for what?? You can't even fix the roads out to where I live. The Kelvin Grove road dips!!! No rubbish or recycling & we have our own sewage & water.

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
Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Do not support

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 Do it cheaper.

Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library Do not support

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 Why a marae??

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 We are a big sporting community

City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer? 2. Only do the required seismic upgrades of these facilities in their current locations

Development contributions questions

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

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

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

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

General comment areas

Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider I like how you try to slip changes past people who aren't on FB or other forms of social media. Not everyone knows about the plan & how huge these planned changes are.

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

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

Rates review questions

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

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

Please tell us why you prefer this option It is a more even playing field (providing value of land is not exaggerated).

Please tell us what you don't like about the other options Hybrid and Capital: I think that it is fairer that people are not essentially charged more for building a house of a better quality than some other on the same value land

Community facilities questions

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 It should not be necessary to lease space from a private organisation!! The Council has room available, eg in the upper floors of the Arena5, ground floor of the library, or barber hall.

Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building Prefer not to say

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	There is no need to expand and refurbish this library. Put the cost onto essential repairs needed in the city
Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library	Do not support
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Awapuni Community Library Hub project	I think that the cost of this is astronomical. I agree that the library needs to be bigger, but at \$27.1 million it is ridiculous when there are cheaper options. Does the cost include the cost of purchasing St Marks Church site? I think that the council should look at replacing the library only and this could easily be done by purchasing a couple of adjoining houses (when they become available), and renovating them - one to become children's zone and one for adults. Alternatively, purchase one house and some shipping containers to be connected. I think that there are other areas that the city library can be set up when seismic strengthening is being done. The fact that the St Marks Church has already been purchased could be seen as acceptance that the Awapuni library hub is definitely going ahead, which is a pity because of the opportunity of looking at other options available.
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	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	The Barber Hall and the adjoining halls definitely need to be replaced, an should be given priority. The sooner this happens, the sooner they can start producing revenue and being put to good use.
Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?	I think that the Council need to think seriously about the level of spending they are considering, and whether it is really necessary to increase borrowing. I believe they need to identify the difference between the things that are necessary to happen in Palmerston North and the things they would like. There are alot of things that need to be fixed, like the lighting (or lack of effective lighting), the state of the footpaths and traffic flows around the city since the changes and placement of bus stops. These are essential things that should be done in the short term

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	Both options have merits. It essentially comes down to money. I would, however, like to see a start made on at least one building in the short term, and would choose the Regent or the city library. Information gained at the Convention Center on 20 April was that not the whole library was affected to the same degree, so may not be as expensive as forecast. If something was to happen to the Regent, I imagine it would be very expensive to replace.

Development contributions questions

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

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

Don't know / no opinion

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

Yes

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

Don't know / no opinion

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

Question 1. Businesses can offset costs of fees as expenses. Private homeowners are unable to do this. Businesses are often built in high density environments so other is a higher concentration of infrastructure in that area

General comment areas

Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects

More emphasis needs to be put on the state of the footpaths and lighting in Palmerston North. There is also a safety hazard for people with disabilities using the disability parks. Quite often there is a ramp to get to the footpath on one side of the disability park but not on the other. If the person requires a ramp to access the footpath, they then need to go around the back of the vehicle to get to it. This should be actioned with urgency.

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing

There needs to be some way that people are able to build or purchase houses in the new proposed sites. The cost of the sections alone will prohibit ordinary people from living there. Does this mean that the council will provide more community housing and make it available to people in the middle income bracket?

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

Please consider what is needed and concentrate on basics. Palmerston North rate payers do not want to spend more than necessary on repaying loans used for unnecessary expenditure. Remember Wants versus Needs.

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

Radio

Family or friends

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

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
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Which option do you prefer?	2. Capital value (CV)
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Community facilities questions

Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Support as proposed
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Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support as proposed
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Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support as proposed
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Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library	Support as proposed
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Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park	Support as proposed
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Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks	Support as proposed
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City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?

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

General comment areas

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

Council website

Booklet in my mailbox

Rates letter or email

Social media

Radio

Newspaper

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Hearing

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

Rates review questions

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

Which option do you prefer? 2. Capital value (CV)

Please tell us why you prefer this option I am a pensioner and if you continue to put the rates up with gay abandon along with all the other increases of everything I shall have to sell my house and then what ?

Please tell us what you don't like about the other options the numbers are just getting ridiculous and if I was to sell my house I would get half of what you are trying to tell me my place is worth.

Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review? We obviously want too many fluffy things and having gone to a walk along Cuba street with your council person who said our streets should look like New York then we have an issue. At this time we don't need pretty streets we need practical. And as for bus stops in the middle of the road I ask you.

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 can;t afford it
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 can't afford it
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 can't afford it
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 can't afford it
Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park	Do not support
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the project	we can't afford it
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	better off to cover the open stands
Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?	they are adequate for the moment

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	for one the standard is too high. thats what we should be fighting. Look at all saints, how many bricks have fallen in all that time it has been closed

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	Don't know / no opinion
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change?

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 transport projects

get rid of those huge buses and get something more practical. its embarrassing to see them empty . other councils have seen sense and had a fleet of smaller buses which are of use

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

our drinking water is top class so needs nothing done now we have another dam so it is only the waste water with right science can be recycled.

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing

only rent to clients who look after the place and boot them out if they don't. Let their families look after them

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

whoever agreed to let people build out cloverlea way with lots of history regarding flooding needs their head read.

Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services

do more investigation on new products for the waste as other councils do instead of just bleating

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

have put in a submission on the option 2

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

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

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
Which option do you prefer?	2. Capital value (CV)
Please tell us why you prefer this option	We believe it would be a fairer system

Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Support as proposed
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project	Provided it is not restrictive to any one select group.
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

Do not need this in addition to a Multicultural 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

This is selective.

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

Do not support

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

Not necessary at this time based on financial affordability.

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 again, selective.

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

When it becomes affordable to do so.

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

No.

City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?

2. Only do the required seismic upgrades of these facilities in their current locations

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

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

Follow Auckland example.

General comment areas

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

We are not making a detailed submission on the 10 Year Plan but rather we strongly submit the principle direction the Council should be taking at the present time.

In view of the current economic climate we do not believe it is right to burden Rate Payers with additional Rates hikes when the cost of living is

already severely stretching many (if not most) peoples ability to pay, especially those who are on a fixed income, eg. NZ Superannuation. We believe that the Council should be taking a conservative approach to the immediate future and concentrate expenditure on items of necessity. In other words on needs rather than wants. In addition to this, we also have a specific issue with the valuation used to strike rates. As an example, our property has a Rateable Capital Value of \$850,000 yet the estimated Capital Value from "OneRoof" is \$765,000. This of course means our property is well over-valued by the Council and so also would be the level of our current rates. If property values are used to strike rates, then these should be monitored and be reasonably accurate.

Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects

There are obviously many items of expenditure that could be curtailed. For example, there should be an immediate halt to current or proposed work on cycle and walkways until such time these can be fully justified and classified as necessary and affordable especially the proposed project to extend cycle and walkways to Ashhurst and Feilding. These would only be used by a handful of people.

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

Follow the Auckland example.

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

Booklet in my mailbox

Rates letter or email

Social media

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Your contact details

First name	Scott
Last name	Lewis
Email	
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Hearing

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

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
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Which option do you prefer?	4. Prefer not to say
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Please tell us why you prefer this option	These decisions being made should be deferred until after the new 2024 rating values are approved and released.
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Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	You cannot give people misleading answers to rates for next year when the following year (after 2024 rating values are applied) the answers (rates amount/burden) will change again completely.
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Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review?	Land values may drop 40% across Palmerston North urban areas. Capital values likely 10-15%. These changes greatly skew the results you are showing, which is all people are looking at when they make this decision/submission.
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Community facilities questions

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

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

You need to wait a year so you can fully determine the massive swing that will occur when land values decrease dramatically from 2021 to 2024 levels.

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

Social media

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Last name	Mutch
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Hearing

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

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

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
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Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Do not support
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Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project	Any unnecessary expenditure in the current economic climate.
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Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Do not support
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Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Pasifika Centre project	As above
Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building	Do not support
Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library	Do not support
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 have a marae and should utilise that more and acknowledge the history of this area with something that is not so expensive.
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	The arena being income to the area
Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?	We do not need more debt at the moment.

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
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Development contributions questions

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

General comment areas

Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans	Keep is small and simple - we have a great city with much to offer. Build on what exists rather than try to be bigger and greater.
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Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects

Use contractors that provide the best bang for buck not friends of friends or family.

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

There is no other option presented.

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing

Social housing is essential rather than \$1 mil properties that are going up!

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

Rate payers are struggling and don't have the finances to pay much more, it will cripple some.

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

Council website

Social media

Newspaper

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Your contact details

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Email	
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Hearing

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

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
Which option do you prefer?	3. Land value (LV) – current system

Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
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Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Prefer not to say
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Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Prefer not to say
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Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building	Prefer not to say
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Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library	Do not support
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Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park	Do not support
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Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks

Support as proposed

City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?

Prefer not to say

Development contributions questions

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

Don't know / no opinion

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

Don't know / no opinion

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

Yes

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

Yes

General comment areas

Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects

Do better road work systems

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

Just make things simple for everyone to have our say.

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Booklet in my mailbox

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Hearing

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

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
Which option do you prefer?	1. Preferred option: Hybrid (a mixture of land and capital value)
Please tell us why you prefer this option	Seems fairer to me. I would have preferred 50-50 though
Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	LV and CV are extremes and so both must be unfair for some ratepayers

Community facilities questions

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

Awapuni Community Library Hub: Build a new hub, which includes expanded community space within a new library	Support as proposed
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Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park	Support as proposed
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Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks	Support as proposed
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City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?

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

Development contributions questions

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

Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans	Small city? Really. I don't want to expand until we lose the small city advantages?
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Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects	Will always support more cycleways and a better bus network - anything that helps people use alternative transport instead of cars.
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Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for water and how we will fund Nature Calls	It just has to be done.
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Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing	Very much against using good arable land for housing or industry.
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Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for growing our city	Well lets hope population growth is negative in NZ. Too many people.
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Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services	I would like more frequent checks of kerbside recycling. Bin along our street got blown over (before the safety locks were added) and I was
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appalled at the amount of rubbish and clearly unsuitable material (soft plastics, polystyrene etc) blown along the street. We wash most of our recycling and it infuriates us that it goes into landfill when someone abuses the facility.

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

Booklet in my mailbox

Rates letter or email

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Your contact details

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Last name Baty
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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: 9am to 12.30pm
Thursday 16 May: 1.30pm to 5pm, 5.30pm to 7.30pm
Friday 17 May: 9am to 12.30pm, 1.30pm to 5pm
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? 1. Preferred option: Hybrid (a mixture of land and capital value)
Please tell us why you prefer this option Prefer Hybrid as it is fairer across the board.
Option 2 gives an unfair advantage to ratepayers with multiple dwellings which will significantly reduce their rates. Ratepayers with multiple units on a site have an ability to pay more than a single unit.

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

Staus Quo unfairly penalises ratepayers with a high land value and a basic house.

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

I support implementaion over a 3-5 year period to help transition those that will get above the average rate rise.

Community facilities questions

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

No

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

Support as proposed

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

we have over 130 cultures in the city and certainly need more space for them.

Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building

Support as proposed

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

Already an Asset and needs to be maintained with apropraite funding. Pasifika are a growing Community

Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building

Support as proposed

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

This building for a long time as not been fit for purpose.

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 do not support this project. I am only happy to support \$3-4m to improve the library facilities. Roslyn has a greater need and suppport \$2m to go for there community hub.

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 only support if no work is done on the detailed design until at least 30% of the cofunding has been acheived

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

The Arena brings in serious money to our economy and should be maintained with continual investment and upgrades.

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

We need to maintain what we have and not build new.

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 can get co-funding then support. If we cant get it then we need to defer these projects
Please tell us what you don't like about the other option	Does not allow for growth .

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?	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.	There will still be growth costs outside of the wastewater treatment plant. Pipes etc to the plant for new development should be levied.

General comment areas

Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects	Reduce Cycle projects from \$55m to \$5m
Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for water and how we will fund Nature Calls	Storm water upgrades should be increased from \$25m to \$50m to allow for Climate change.
Please share any feedback regarding proposed rates over the next 10 years	Many ratepayers are unaware that there will be an additional levy of \$1000 targeted rate per year for waste water on top of the rate increase. This has been hidden. 40% of our housing in PN are rentals . These costs are going to be passed on to tenants who will be looking at a \$30 a week rent increase just so landlords can cover costs.
How did you find out about our long-term plan?	Council website Booklet in my mailbox Rates letter or email Radio Newspaper City Councillor

Family or friends

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Your contact details

First name	Mark
Last name	Lai
Organisation you represent	none
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: 1.30pm to 5pm
	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?	Other: an international student from Hong Kong wanting to share some ideas about how to make palmy a more interesting and lively place.
Which option do you prefer?	4. Prefer not to say
Please tell us why you prefer this option	As mentioned above, I am an international student from Hong Kong. I just graduated from Massey University and I hold a Bachelor of Aviation Management degree. This submission focuses on how to make palmy a more interesting and lively place from a international student's

perspective, it does not really address some major issues such as construction, water and housing etc, it is mostly about entertainment.

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

The purpose of this submission is to explore any potential employment opportunities. I have been thinking about pursuing a career here in New Zealand and I have had great times in Palmy. Therefore, I would like to begin my career here. The biggest thing I have noticed is that Palmerston North is a place of diversity. The city is made up of people from diverse international backgrounds, including local people, Japanese, Korean and Chinese people etc, Since I am from Hong Kong, I am able to speak three languages which are Cantonese, Chinese and English, I believe It would be useful for someone who works at the council. I am not sure if I match the profile of what you are searching for but I believe I am capable of working as part of the crew, making meaningful contribution for the council in the future. I am open to any other available opportunities, all I want is a chance and you can believe that I would do my best and not disappoint.

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

I understand that this sounds confusing, aviation management has nothing to do with city planning or other related works. My idea is that, managing an airline is about providing a high level of customer service to customers in order to build and maintain customer loyalty and that is how an airline grows. Being part of the city council is about improving the quality of life of people living in the city in order to develop a stronger bond with them and making them more engaged. I believe these two ideas share similarities, and that is why I decided to make this submission.

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

Like I Said, Palmerston North is a place of diversity. The city is made up of people from diverse international backgrounds. Helping local people to develop a deeper bond with people from around the world is very important, also a great way to cultivate international perspectives.

Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building

Prefer not to say

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

I have never been here before.

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

I have never been here before.

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

Prefer not to say

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 have never been here before.

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 understand that this is a very meaningful day for New Zealand people and the most important goal is to remember those who died and served the country during the war. Hence, I support this.

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

Support as proposed

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

Central Energy Trust Arena is where most of the big events take place such as football game and racing. People in Palmy can definitely benefit from the improved quality of the arena. Besides, improved quality can lead to bigger scale of event, helping the council to make more avenue too.

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

Like I said, this submission focuses on how to make palmy a more interesting and lively place from a international student's perspective, it does not really address some major issues such as construction, water and housing etc, it is mostly about entertainment.

City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?

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

Please tell us why you prefer this option

I understand that earthquake happens quite a lot in New Zealand. When an earthquake takes place, the most important thing is to ensure everyone is safe and minimise the impact of it physically, mentally or economically. Therefore, improvement to our landmark facilities is very important since those are the places people would go everyday, there is nothing more vital than ensuring their safety.

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.

Like I said, this submission focuses on how to make palmy a more interesting and lively place from a international student's perspective, it does not really address some major issues such as construction, water and housing etc. it is mostly about entertainment

General comment areas

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

Palmerston North is a place of diversity. The city is made up of people from diverse international backgrounds, including local people, Japanese, Korean and Chinese people etc. I have been to many places and I believe I am capable of making valuable contributions to those projects. Since more and more people are from around the world choosing to live and work in Palmy, I am eager to become part of the community and make palmy a more healthy and lively place.

Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects

Since I am at student at Massey, I don't need to pay for bus services. Besides, some of my friends have cars, so I never really encounter any problems with transport. But I noticed that people always complain road damage on social media, therefore I believe this is the aspect that requires improvement.

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

I believe my knowledge on this topic is insufficient, therefore there is not much I could say, sorry about that .

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing

Same as above, I believe my knowledge on this topic is insufficient, and I do not own a house so there is not much I could say, sorry about that .

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

I have lived in Palmerston North for a while and the experience so far has been amazing. However, the unfortunate part is that Palmerston North does suffer from insufficiency of leisure activities, people on social media often say that Palmerston North is boring and I believe we can definitely improve on this. I have been to many countries around the world especially Asian countries. When I compare them to Palmerston North, I regularly find myself thinking that it would be wonderful to have these ideas being implemented or events being held in Palmy. All I am trying to express is that I have had these ideas for a long time and some of these events can be held Weekly, monthly, and yearly to make Palmerston North a more Interesting and lively place. Hence, I decided to make this submission, hoping to share those ideas to the council.

Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services

I believe my knowledge on this topic is insufficient, therefore there is not much I could say, sorry about that . However in Hong Kong, there are recycle bins everywhere. For example Blue for paper, green for glass and red for plastic etc. It is believed to be useful for reducing waste.

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

I believe more and more people are from around the world choosing to live and work in Palmy in the future. The communication between them and local people is very important, I hope that I will be given an opportunity to assist the council to develop and maintain a strong relationship with community from around the world, making them more engaged

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

The powerpoint is too big to be attached as a file, therefore I provided a link to my google space, you can download the powerpoint there.

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

Council website

Social media

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Your contact details

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Last name	Dulal
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Email

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Hearing

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

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

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
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Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Support as proposed
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Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project	Palmerston North is a city of multicultural cultural community which includes the migrant international students and =different former refugees group and we don't have a common place. So, I very strongly recommended the Multicultural Hub is a good idea to support these group of people.
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Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Support as proposed
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Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building Support as proposed

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

Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park Support as proposed

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

City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?

2. Only do the required seismic upgrades of these facilities in their current locations

Development contributions questions

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

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

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

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

General comment areas

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

Council website

Booklet in my mailbox

Rates letter or email

City Councillor

Family or friends

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Your contact details

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Last name	Butland
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Hearing

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

Which of these describes you?	Landlord of a home in Palmerston North who lives here
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Which option do you prefer?	3. Land value (LV) – current system
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Please tell us why you prefer this option	Less fluctuations in rating values. Look at what's happened with Horizons, CV doubled and so did rates. Wrong to think a more expensive home on paper means you have more money to pay more. Maybe size of house/section and impact on services?
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Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	Increases our rates more and at the mercy of property increases via computer programs such as core logic. If properties decreased would the rates decrease? Yeah right!
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Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
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Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Do not support
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Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project

Can't afford it as a city of 88k people. Why should I pay for something I don't use. Utilise what we have. Most areas appear to be unused a lot of the year as it is. Makes sense to have a multi use area that everyone can use more often than increased cost of multiple different spaces. We are half the size of Hamilton. Not enough people to fund it.

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 above

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

Too close to the main library, crazy to waste money we don't have. Gets vandalised anyway.

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

Too expensive for our small city. I think you need to go back to the drawing board and give viable options to the ratepayers to decide. We have far too much debt at the moment, this should be a very long term wish list option.

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

Not something critical for our city at the moment. Households are really struggling putting food on the table and making ends meet. Can't see the value of it. Crazy traffic issues??

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

Maybe this should be the space to make something big enough to have the necessary community spaces? Away from city centre, better parking. Especially if you have your way and take out all car parks from the centre city.

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

All the proposed plans are too much. Would overexpose us financially. Especially with the huge waste water issues coming up. Need to do what's important and doable. Likened to designing our dream kitchen, wish list of what we would love but when the quote comes in can only afford bench, sink, tap, 4 cupboards and 3 handles!! Come on council, get real. Ratepayers voted you in to look after our best interest, do the right thing and get responsible.

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

Given current economic climate we need to do what's important to be safe and hold off the dream work.

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.

Haven't really looked into it. Makes sense that the cost of the pressure on sewage/water infrastructure of new development areas should more fairly fall on the developers. Why should they profit from it all and everyday ratepayers fund it?

General comment areas

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

Need to pare it back, particularly around debt. Tighten the budget just like we are all having to do. You acknowledge insurance and all living costs have increased yet I feel you haven't reflected that in the plan. You need to reign in the spending and get real.

Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects

Stop the stupid oversized cycle lanes. We do not live in Amsterdam! We have sideways rain and wind. You are spreading the city out further. Not many have the time to bike 8km to get to work in time. We have up and down roads. We have a lot of wind, hence the wind turbines!! Near impossible to get 4 kids out the door and to daycare, primary, intermediate and high schools then get to work. Then turn around and do it all yo get back home on our bikes or bus!! 15 mins to walk and wait for the bus, drive all around town, wait in the dark and rain?? Unsafe waiting for the bus in town too as increased homeless and emergency housing in cbd .

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

Sounds like we need to go back to the drawing board for more realistic alternative. Too costly . I have no desire to pay \$30k toward it nor be proud to be part of the first council to achieve what you want. Too high a price.

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing

Imports to have some social housing assistance but we can't afford to increase rates so much to pay for what the government should be responsible for.

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

Greedy.

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

Booklet in my mailbox

Newspaper

City Councillor

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Long-Term Plan submission form



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Your contact details

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Last name Crawford

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Hearing

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

Rates review questions

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

Which option do you prefer? 2. Capital value (CV)

Please tell us why you prefer this option Because that is what I prefer and is better for where we are situated

Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review? Values have come down substantially over the past 2yrs and the council should be acting faster to ensure rates paid are fair and not left valued on over-inflated prices!

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 These groups should fund themselves rather than put costs on the entire people which a lot won't use these centres.

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	These groups should fund themselves rather than put costs on the entire people which a lot won't use these centres.
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	Council needs to ensure proper budget spending on projects. A lot of the money is soaked up in planning rather than actually building. Then trades suffer as the budget isn't there when they come to do the job and get screwed down for costs. This happens constantly in projects run by the council.
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	Do not support

Development contributions questions

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

General comment areas

Please share any additional feedback you'd like us to consider	Where's the street sweeper gone that use to come past every week. Drains are just full of dead leaves and blocked. Road side trees are getting out of control and big. A lot are getting potentially dangerous. Road conditions are terrible, is anyone going to fix kelvin grove road or are we just waiting for a serious car accident? Amberley ave needs sorting as well. Tired of just seeing the pathetic band-aid solutions around the City.
How did you find out about our long-term plan?	Booklet in my mailbox

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Long-Term Plan submission form



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Your contact details

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Last name	Baty
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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: 9am to 12.30pm Thursday 16 May: 1.30pm to 5pm, 5.30pm to 7.30pm 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 option do you prefer?	4. Prefer not to say
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Community facilities questions

Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Prefer not to say
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

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

Reduce the Awapuni library Hub from \$27.1m to \$4m to improve their current library.

No thought has been given in the LTP for other areas. Roslyn has the

Roslyn had a population of 2,364 at the 2018 New Zealand census, The median age was 31.6 years (compared with 37.4 years nationally), with 501 people (21.2%) aged under 15 years, 621 (26.3%) aged 15 to 29, 936 (39.6%) aged 30 to 64, and 303 (12.8%) aged 65 or older. Roslyn has the most Youth in the city and this suburb needs urgent facilities. We support Across with a proposal for a Roslyn Hub and would like the council to put in \$2m in year one of the LTP.

Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park

Prefer not to say

City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?

Prefer not to say

General comment areas

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

Please note as Chair of Roslyn REACH I have only been directed to comment on the Awapuni Hub and Roslyn Hub Thankyou

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

Council website

Booklet in my mailbox

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Long-Term Plan submission form



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Your contact details

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Hearing

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

Which of these describes you?	Resident but not a ratepayer (eg, rent or live with family or friends)
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Which option do you prefer?	1. Preferred option: Hybrid (a mixture of land and capital value)
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Please tell us why you prefer this option	Best accommodates the issues of rates not matching the ability to pay, and the concerns about disincentivising development. However, PNCC must play this right to ensure that it does not encourage landbanking as a way to reduce rates.
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Community facilities questions

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

Construction (although I am supportive of) should be mutually exclusive with the Awapuni Community Library Hub in the short term. Both of these projects will be relatively near to each other, so it

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

As above - mutually exclusive with Te Pātikitiki in the short term. I believe this project may be of more utility in the short term due to its ability to also store the city library's collections during seismic work.

Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park

Support as proposed

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

Support as proposed

City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?

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

Please tell us why you prefer this option

I support this option as it is best to be future-focused now than catching up on the initiatives we should've done, in 20 years time. Although I am supportive of the ideas of increased placemaking and connectivity of the civic precinct in the Square, some scope reduction must be brought forward. Adding more and more goals (such as the suggestions of building hotels and such forth as part of the project) dilutes the key issues that are actually needing to be resolved: future-proofing our civic facilities and making a more connective and multipurpose precinct.

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

Existing locations and buildings have immense flaws, which likely will continue to need remedying in the future. Furthermore, possible consolidation of civic buildings may allow more land to become available in the inner CBD for mixed use development, as compared to this option.

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.

I am generally supportive of the changes to development contributions, as they will likely aid in three important areas: mixed-use development, limiting the adverse effects of borrowing, and cutting unnecessary costs for what most people wouldn't consider development, such as merely subdividing a section. However, I disagree with cutting contributions for water/wastewater improvements as ultimately this means that more borrowing will need to occur to acquire non-funded portions of the cost. I agree with the non-charging of contribution fees for water in unconnected sites, but caveat that with the concern that some sort of stormwater contribution may need to be added (at present only certain areas) to these properties due to the increased runoff they may provide.

General comment areas

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

PNCC's plans for city growth concern me immensely as they generally lack any sort of regard for utilising our current urban space effectively and understanding of the future costs of low-density growth, especially onto the relatively unsuitable land in the growth peripheries suggested. Ultimately, the only way that rates increases can be managed is to guide our city toward more dense living. By opening up swathes of greenfield land that far exceed population growth on a percentage basis, all the council is doing is lumping more and more infrastructure costs onto themselves, and by extension ratepayers.

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From:
To:
Subject: Fwd: Natural burial site submission
Date: Monday, 6 May 2024 3:22:01 PM

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From: Kathriona Benvie <>
Date: Sat, 4 May 2024, 09:51
Subject: Natural burial site submission
To: <>

Hi

I went to an ENM seminar just yesterday delivered by Mark Blackham of Natural ?Burials in Wellington. I was shocked to learn there is apparently no site available in Palmy. From what Mark said as well as Councillor Brent Barrett and Chris Teo Sherrell and several members of the public at the meeting this has been an issue not taken up by council in the past 25 or so years. There has been a total lack of interest by this and previous councillors to move the natural burial site along. Part of councils responsibility to me via the Human Rights Act to make sure my ethical beliefs and my rights are being met and not discriminated against. Currently council are not meeting these things.

Currently if I want a natural burial my estate would need to pay an out of town fee to another council to be buried at distance from where I lived. It puts pressure on loved ones in terms of having to travel to visit the site in the longer term as well

Sectioning off part of the Kelvin Grove cemetery was an option discounted supposedly due to poor soil. However burying people naturally in a section of this cemetery is a sound idea for several reasons

1. The soil conditions, even if poor currently, have to immediately improve as a decaying body buried more shallowly and exposed to the soil bacteria adds minerals into the soil from the body quite quickly compared to a regular deeper burial in a coffin and body that will take ages to break down.
2. There will become a nice native plant stand over this section of the cemetery that would be attractive to look at. It also locks the land as a natural habitat in perpetuity
3. The council already owns this land so no financial output required to purchase suitable land. I believe there us another site as well that council have not taken action on that would also be very suitable
4. Based on about \$4000 for a natural burial in Wellington the council could recoup costs for the Sextant crew in digging shallower burial spots without the need for long term maintenance of the site. No mowing or headstone repair costs are required.
5. There is a demand and research indicates natural burials is a preferred choice of at least 1/3 of New Zealanders.
6. Council working with the already well established Natural Burials organisation can learn the best ways of establishing and running this site particularly as there seems to be no useful talent in council in this area.
7. Compared to cremation which turns people into air pollution this is a much more sustainable option. Natural burials don't put carbon dioxide, mercury, carcinogenic hydrocarbons from coffins, Sulfur dioxide etc into the atmosphere or into the ground if ashes are interred or spread over land or water.
8. Regular burials where people have been embalmed also pollute the soil and water table due to leaching of formaldehyde.

I am surprised how strongly I feel about this and expect the council to review natural burials in the near future and make it happen for people like me.

I have not asked for anything from council before in my 17 years as a resident of this city but this is an area I want to see addressed and successfully acted on.

Kathriona Benvie

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Phone	

Hearing

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

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area Other: Chairperson of Neighbourhood Support
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Which option do you prefer?	1. Preferred option: Hybrid (a mixture of land and capital value)
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Please tell us why you prefer this option	It seems to be a good solution for keeping rates increases to a manageable level for as many people as possible
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Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	Higher rate increases especially with capital value only will not be sustainable for many people in the city with less valuable housing. but valuable land. Current system is fine for my househ but not for lower income people
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Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review?	It is a hard job balancing progress with ensuring the basics like water, sewerage and roading are kept on an even keel and are not potentially causing major cost blowouts as in Wellington.
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Community facilities questions

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

Yes

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

Some responsibility for this space needs to lie with the different ethnic communities themselves. The facility in Hancock house was never going to be big enough. Maybe more access to council owned property for a reduced rental to groups would be more reasonable and maximise use of under used facilities in the city. It's about smarter use rather than building more that may not actually meet the needs anyway once built or expanded. It's not about assessing current needs but future needs. A perfect example we hoped to hold Neighbourhood Support (NS) AGM and 40th birthday celebrations at the Convention Centre-we just needed a small room but the costs were outside our budget as we have to fundraise for everything we need to operate. If facilities were promoted better so that there were lots of bookings the hireage costs would not need to be so high.

Although we have asked council previously for a meeting room to hold our monthly meetings there is a lack of interest by council. Instead we meet at the Fire Station at no cost and part of our relationship building between FENZ and NS.

It is important to value the multicultural diversity of our city but each group needs to be able to sustain itself with limited council support.

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

I think the budget is unrealistic to do the job actually needed. It seems to be a token effort and not long term thinking about how the population continues to increase. Pasifika people need to look at the sorts of events they are having and find a suitable venue themselves. Once again some responsibility needs to be handed to different cultural groups and maybe more support to use already available facilities around the city would make more sense. Neighbourhood Support wants to encourage human connections and community resilience within the city both via connections within physical neighbourhoods and also with cultural groupings but it does not get any council funding to support this aim.

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

Meeting rooms need to respond to the size of groups likely to use them and be multi purpose. Has any survey of likely use been asked for by council? Once again a competitive rental rate to use rooms would make them more attractive for groups to hire.

Council should be encouraging the community to develop the playground idea and maybe just supply the materials at cost with some council supervision of the project

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

As a resident in this area this could be a useful resource for the Awapuni community. The cost is very high at \$27 million and the proposed building looks quite fancy. It does not have to be fancy just a basic sustainable weathertight building. Allow the community input into decorating it There is already a community centre in Awapuni that is not fully utilised and that needs more promotion. The new location is very visible but it is already a busy area with the shopping centre so how would that effect parking to use the facility particularly right at a very busy T intersection

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

After 17 years living here I only just visited this area for the first time two weeks ago. I think this area is already a site for undesirables who have no honour or thought about its cultural significance. This space is very out of the way and having buildings here could lead to vandalism. Does Rangitane have a treaty claim on this land?...if so they should fund any development from that-maybe council contribute to upgrading the road and link to Waka Kotahi for better signage?

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 original barber hall etc does look a bit sad so I support its demolition and a new one being built. This new facility could be used by multicultural groups as well as the other groups already using the old Arena 5 buildings. Once again it just needs to be basic structure and sustainable,

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

Maximise use of current facilities with good promotion of facilities at affordable rates to groups using them. It seems many are not being used as much as they could be so getting the message out there in a variety of ways would help. I personally think the city is pretty well supplied with a variety of venues that are under used often for financial reasons for the potential users.

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

Government are imposing crazy criteria for seismic strengthening. Local council need to lobby more at central Govt level to get these reviewed to a more realistic level of the building code. Yes a big quake is expected but even engineers cant be 100% confident what will happen to buildings in a big quake even if building is 100%. We have had some big shakes and those buildings have withstood them so far

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

Central City is very attractive now. The pedestrian area between Main and Church Street is poorly used-we very rarely see anyone sitting out on the park benches. It has disrupted traffic flow and is best avoided at peak times. Yes we do need to get out of our cars but that is a long way off and those facilities will be old by then and in need of a revamp.

Do you have any other comments?

Has anyone done a cost analysis of demolishing and rebuilding the library around the front facade versus refurbishing. Would be fantastic to have central govt pay for it but unlikely.

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

Yes

the project. Do you agree with this change?

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.

High density housing may seem like a bright idea to stop city spread but it comes with social issues of larger families often on lower incomes living in close proximity and with little room for children to play. Too many sections have been subdivided to make a profit for the owner. Any developer needs to realise Council need to cover costs of land use and so should expect to pay.

General comment areas

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

Our organisation's focus is for Palmy to be on a safe and connected city. Providing some financial support to NS to assist us as one of your agencies to do this would be great. Making it easier for neighbourhoods to have events in their area without all the red tape.

Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects

Make good decisions the first time-more consultation about the plan will make people aware of what is going on. Use the Guardian newspaper, radio interviews etc as a way to reach older people who don't do social media.

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

I think we need to be responsible with our water supply and wastewater treatment and removal. Doing what is affordable each year is essential to keeping to this aim.

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing

It is not really the council's job to house people but it is a reality at present. Making sure homes if rented are well maintained is important in terms of keeping the properties valuable. Unfortunately too many people now just expect council to house them. Supporting private owners to rent out property at suitable rents is worth looking at.

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

The city is growing and we would prefer to see more standalone buildings with a small bit of land so people can grow veges if they wish. Planning should ensure all services are ready to be linked up easily and can withstand severe weather events this includes enough green space around housing developments so water can go into the ground rather than down the drain.

Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services

Current system seems to work quite well although there are still too many things that can't be recycled but that is a nationwide issues

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

It is a hard task getting this right. Best not to have increases above 10%.

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

I have answered this on behalf of my own household as well as for Neighbourhood Support Palmerston North.. A happy community that is proud of where they live and feel connected to is one that will thrive . It is hard to keep everyone happy but working with a majority is key.

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

Council website

Rates letter or email

Radio

Newspaper

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Long-Term Plan submission form



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Hearing

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

How would you prefer to give your feedback?	In person
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Rates review questions

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area Prefer not to say
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Which option do you prefer?	4. Prefer not to say
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Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
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Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Do not support
Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building	Do not support
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	If Roslyn Library gets an extension why not use the empty spaces along in the Roslyn shopping area that has spaces. Why has it taken so long to have these amenities such as extension for libraries as needed in the lowest social group based in Roslyn area. Expand and Refurbish to have the empty spaces with the complex that it has and not try and buy land for it when the community needs to look in front of them to have the extended spaces such as the old police space and old op shop to be fixed up and to use this than taking this part of the area away from the children, and the communities that are close by.
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	Support the new the library but not the hub as its not effective and relevant to having more money spent for a hubb. This should be raised through Education Minister to try and facilitate in the school grounds than wasting more money for another idea which will fail.
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 Central Energy Trust Arena project	Should this not be already done. Who wants to start spending more money on toilets and changing blocks when this architecture should be included when desinging these projects. Extra money for this? Fire the achitecture as this should of became the first thing to be incorporated and then now years later that tax payers have to now folk the money for this???? RUBBISH
Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?	Expand Central Energy Trust Arena or have this be located somewhere that has the mass and capacity as currently its small and outdated. GET BIGGER PROJECTS AND BIGGER LAND FOR THIS TO HAPPEN. EVERYTHING IN PALMY IS OUTDATED SO WAS THE DESIGN FOR THIS ARENA

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	UPDATE AND UPGRADE. PALMERSTON NORTH LOOKS AND WILL LOOK AS A GHOST TOWN AND KNOWN BY EVERYONE ITS HIDDEOUS AND NEEDS A FACELIFT
Please tell us what you don't like about the other option	IT SEEMS LIKE MORE WASTED MONEY ON THE FIRST WHEN LOOKING AT THE FUTURE THESE FACILITIES AROUND PALMERSTON NORTH SHOULD BE UPGRADED SUCH AS THE PIPELINES AND WATER INFRASTRUCTURE AS THIS IS MOST COMMON ISSUE AROUND NZ
Do you have any other comments?	FIX THE TOWN AND TRY BE MORE CURRENT AS LACKING TO FALL BEHIND AND NOTHING MORE SPENDING TAX PAYERS MONEY ON WASTED PROJECTS THAT DONT LAST AND THEN

Development contributions questions

<p>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?</p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p>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?</p>	<p>No</p>
<p>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?</p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p>Do you agree that we shouldn't charge a fee for non-residential development that has no connection to the water or wastewater network?</p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p>Please tell us why you've selected these answers, and any other feedback you have about the proposed changes to our Development Contributions Policy.</p>	<p>WHY CANT THIS BE NO CHARGE FEE IN EVERYTHING ESPECIALLY IN SHOPPING</p>

General comment areas

<p>Please share any feedback you have about our vision, goals and plans</p>	<p>PALMERSTON NORTH NEEDS A FACE LIFT. THE WAY ITS GOING THERES NO VISION BUT STAYING BEHIND WITH THE COWS AND SHEEP AND FARMERS THAT LACK THE MOTIVATION TO REDUCE THE AMOUNT IN PRODUCE. GOAL TO MAKE PALMERSTON NORTH MORE ADAPT WITH TIMESNAH THIS TAKES YEARS AND STILL IS TAKING YEARS IN THE MAKING. PLANS TO REALLY FUCK UP EVERYTHING AND TAKING TAX PAYERS MONEY TO REDO MORE WORK. MAN SIT WITH POLITITIANS AND LETS SEE HOW IT GOES AS FAR AS IT IS THERES NOTHING BUT A BROKEN PROMISE AND BROKEN SYSTEM</p>
<p>Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects</p>	<p>DONT USE TAX PAYERS MONEY AS YOU HAD WASTED THIS YEARS AGO WHEN HAVING TO HAVE NEW BUS SHELTER THEN ENDED UP HAVING TO DEMOLISH AS NEW ELECTRIC BUSES CAME IN. WASTED MONEY WHERE IN HIGHBURY THE ROUTE OF THE BUSES ARE NOW PROHIBITED AND THAT MANY HAVE TO WALK AROUND TO A MAIN CENTRAL AREA. WASTED MONEY FOR THESE BUS SHELTER AND THAT HIGHBURY IS THE LOWEST RATE IN HEALTH, EDUCATION, HOUSING PLANS WHICH MEANS WHY TAKE THE FUNDAMENTAL PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION LEADING TO WASTED THEIR TAXES FOR PUBLIC ELECTRIC BUSES LEAVING THEM OUT OF A RELIABLE SOURCE OF TRANSPORTATION IN THEIR AREAS. A FUCKIN SHAMBLE AND DISGRACE. ONCE AGAIN PALMERSTON NORTH GOES BACKWARDS IN THEIR LETDOWN ON THEIR COMMUNITY AND THE PEOPLE THAT VOTED FOR PEOPLE IN COUNCIL. EMBARRASSING AND DISGRACEFUL. BRING THE PLANS FOR THE TIMETABLE AND THE ROUTE TO BE RUNNING IN EACH DISTRICT (IF OLD ROUTE) AS THAT'S THE REASON A TRANSPORT IS RUNNING IF NOT FOR THESE COMMUNITIES.</p>

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for water CALL ON MOTHER NATURE

and how we will fund Nature Calls

Please share any feedback about our proposed plans for housing

HOUSING- WHY NOT RESTART IN BUILDING THE OLD HOUSING BUILDING AND GET THEM UPGRADED INSTEAD OF SPENDING MORE ON LANDS AND REBUILT NEWER MODEL HOUSING INFRACTURER. WHY CANT WE START WITH THE HOMES THAT NEED UPGRADING AND IF ANY THAT CAN NOT BE UPGRADED DUE TO NOT IN-HABITABLE THEN DEMOLISH THEM AND REBUILD. ITS NOT ROCKET SCIENCE TO START WITHIN THE DISTRICT TO LOOK AT THE BUILDINGS THAT NEED IT MORE THAN MAKE MORE. RIGHT NOW ITS LOOKING LIKE MORE OLD BUILDING ARE EITHER ABANDONED OR NEGLECTED WITHOUT TENANTS WHERE HOMELESSNESS IS THE CURRENT ISSUE AROUND NZ INCLUDING PALMERSTON NORTH. START WITHIN THE DISTRICT TO FIX THE MATTER AND REHOME PEOPLE TO THESE HABITABLE OLD HOMES AND WASTING TO REBUILD MORE HOMES THAT PEOPLE CAN NOT AFFORD. RENEW OLDER HOMES AND REPLACE WITH NEWER MEANS OF HEALTHLIER HOUSING AND TARGET TO REDUCE THE HOMELESS ISSUES.

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

HOUSING- RENEW AND REFURNISH AND REHOME PEOPLE AROUND THE PALMERSTON NORTH DISTRICT. FOR THE PALMERSTON NORTH HOSPITAL MIDCENTRAL TO EXTEND AND HAVE THESE AMENITIES SUCH AS WARMER WARDS AND HAVING TO EXTEND THE EMERGENCY THAT IS SMALL AND OUTDATED. FUND THE HOSPITAL AND MAKE IT MORE SAFER AND HEALTHIER FOR ALL. THIS LACKS THE PRINCIPAL OF HAVING TO TARGET THAT IT SHOULD BE A HEALTH AND SAFETY FOR ALL COMMUNITIES WHEN THE EMERGENCY ROOM AUDITORS SHOULD REALISE THAT ITS FULL EVERY WEEK AND NOT ENOUGH ROOM TO FACILITATE FOR PEOPLE USING THIS. WHY ARE WE NOT TRYING TO IMPROVE THE HEALTH FOR ALL WHEN KNOWING THAT THERES LACK OF FUNDING FOR THE COMMON PLACE WHEN GETTING SICK IS NOT UPGRADED TO THE STANDARD THAT WE AS THE COMMUNITIES USE ESPECIALLY THE EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT AND ALL THE WARDS....WHY IS THIS NOT RAISED AS A SERIOUS ISSUE KNOWING WE ALL NEED HOSPITAL UPGRADES AND HAVING TO HAVE THIS TO BE PROPOSED FOR FUTURE PURPOSES??? ASK THE MAYOR WHERE THIS IS GOING???

Please share any feedback about rubbish and recycling services

NO EXTRA COSTS DONT WANT TO BE AUCKLAND BUT WILL NOT PAY MORE WHEN IT COMES TO RECYCLING.

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

DROP THE RATES. DON'T INCREASEPROPOSED THIS AND IF NO HOPE THEN WHAT'S IN THE QUESTION IF FUTURE INCREASES WHY GIVE A FEEDBACK. 10 YEARS WOULD BE THE SAME IN PALMERSTON NORTH AS ITS NEVER REACHING POTENTIAL IN ANY REGARDS TO HAVING CHANGES UNLESS OTHERWISE. PROVE ME WRONG

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

THE HUBB SHOULD NOT BE CONSIDERED AS I BELIEVE THE COMMUNITY IN ROSLYN IS LACKING THE FUNDAMENTAL OF EDUCATION NOT JUST IN ROSLYN BUT OTHER AREAS. EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT SHOULD BE INCORPORATED IN THE SCHOOL SYSTEMS AS TO HAVING TO FUND A HUBB FOR CHILDREN IN THE AREA IS ONLY A FAILURE TO THE EDUCATION SYSTEM. WHY DOES THE TAX PAYER NEED TO HAVE A HUBB TO ALIGN WITH LIBRARY WHEN MAJORITY OF THE CHILDREN ARE SOCIAL MEDIA DRIVEN THAN OPPOSED TO HAVING SOCIAL ACTIVITIES SET TO BE EMPLOYED TO GET BETTER SKILLS READY FOR EMPLOYMENT THAN TO JOIN A HUBB THAT WILL FAIL THE IDEOLOGY FOR PREPARATION FOR THE REALITY THAN THEIR IMAGINARY NON REALITY SOCIAL MEDIA WORLD. ITS FALSE HOPE AND THAT CONSIDERING HAVING A PROPOSED HUB THAT

IS ALIGNED WITH THE CHURCH GROUP AND HAVING TO MAKE MORE SOCIAL WORKERS, COUNSELLORS AND FAMILIES INVOLVEMENT IS SETTING THEM TO THINK THAT THESE ARE THE SUPPORT GROUPS THAT WILL BE WITH THEM FOR THE REST OF THE LIFE WHEN REALITY THAT THEY ARE PARTIAL SUPPORT. IF AT ANY WHERE'S THE FUNDING FOR THESE GROUP WHEN OR IF ANY THAT ARE IN PALMERSTON NORTH. THERE'S A SHORTAGE OF SUPPORT GROUPS BUT HAVING TO HAVE CHILDREN FACE AT SCHOOL AND HAVE CURRICULUM OF EMPLOYMENT AND GETTING THEM THE WORK EXPERIENCE THERE AT SCHOOL IS BETTER THAN HAVING THE EXPENDITURE TO HAVE A BUILD A HUB FOR THE FUTURE. THIS GENERATION NEEDS TO HAVE THE REALITY THAN TO PAMPER WITH THE SUPPORT THAT IS NOT NEEDED. A HUBB IS CREATING NOTHING MORE THAN FALSE HOPES AND IN REALITY THAT CHILDREN NEED A CONCEPT THAT HAVING TO GO OFF TO UNIVERSITY OR GET INTO EMPLOYMENT STARTS WITHIN THE SCHOOLS THAN A SOCIAL GATHERING AT THE HUBB. HOUSING SHOULD BE LOOKED INTO AS NEW BUILDS ARE MORE THAN THE OLD BUILDS THAT CREATE BETTER HEALTHIER HOMES THAT ARE ALREADY NEEDED THAN TO PLAN MORE AROUND PALMY. BUS ROUTE FOR THE POORER AREAS TO BE ADDRESSED HAVING THE BUSES TO GO INTO THE OLD ROUTE ESPECIALLY IN HIGHBURY. IF NOT WHY NOT AND WHY ARE WE NOT TRAINING MORE YOUNGER PEOPLE INTO TRANSPORTATION TO BALANCE THE OLD AND NEW EMPLOYEES OF THE PALMY BUSES. WATER INFRACTURER EVERYWHERE AS ITS JUST THE CURRENT NEWS SO PALMY INCLUDED. SOME BUSINESS SUCH AS MANAWATU COMMUNITY LAW NEEDS TO REDUCE THEIR STAFF AS ITS NOT REALLY BASED AS A COMMUNITY WHEN STAFF NEEDS TO BE CUT AS ITS ALIGNING IN PRACTICE. THIS IS MY OPINION AS SOME LAWYERS ARE NOT THERE TO HELP THE COMMUNITY ITS MORE OF PROFITBUT THATS ALSO IN THE CITY COUNCIL AREA WHERE ITS ABOUT THE MORE MONEY SPENT THAN THE COMMUNITY THAT GOT THEM THERE.

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

Other: REACH

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Long-Term Plan submission form



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Your contact details

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

Rates review questions

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

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

Please tell us why you prefer this option

This is the only fair one for us. The rates should be based on the services we receive, in our case almost none. Whether our house is small or large, old or new, it costs the council no more as we pay for everything ourselves. No matter what is on the land we do not receive home services. To put us in the same category as urban dwellers who do is unfair. If we are not connected to services we do not deserve to pay excessive rates. That is the bottom line. To target self sufficient lifestyle blocks is disgusting.

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

They would cause a massive increase in rates. We pay for our own sewage system, water system, pump system, rubbish disposal, private road maintenance. We have no rubbish collection, sewage, water, cycle lanes, bus services and very basic road maintenance on a limited capability road. So in effect we are paying for all these thing in urban areas which we will never use but not receiving them ourselves.

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

It is fundamentally flawed if it does not take into account services received on the land being targeted. It is therefore a money grab because I suspect the council has already decided and will go with the option which gives them the most revenue. Consider the people who

have to find this extra money! Our pensions do not increase 100% like your proposed rate demands. A massive money grab in a post pandemic cost of living crisis is irresponsible and heartless. With 30% increases in things like insurances a 100% increase in rates is unbelievable. I have reviewed urban properties of about the same value and we would be paying almost as much in rates as a fully serviced house in PN when we receive almost no services. This is ludicrous.

Community facilities questions

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation which regularly uses, or proposes to use, one of these facilities?	No
Multicultural Centre: Lease space for multicultural communities to use for activities, events and services	Do not support
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Multicultural Centre project	When all the basic roading, sewage and water problems of Palmy are sorted this could be considered. In the meantime we find options to lease that already exist.
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	Specific population groups should pay for any facilities they require. We are a multicultural society and cannot afford to provide facilities for each specific group. How do you decide which group to provide facilities for and which to reject? The obligation is on any group to provide facilities for itself as most already do.
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 is a facility that is open to all regardless of age, race or physical health. It is also something that we can personally access through Linton.
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	One library is sufficient for Palmy with small hubs as at present. If ever the rate base increases maybe this could be an option.
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	It is not necessary and we already have education options eg Te Manawa. This does not sound like it would be multicultural.
Central Energy Trust Arena: Replace Arena 5 and build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks	Support with changes/comments
Please tell us why you've selected this option, and any feedback you'd like to provide about the Central Energy Trust Arena project	I am unsure as to what degree this is necessary or just a nice to have.
Do you have any general feedback about community facilities for us to consider?	Funding for specific groups should be funded by those groups. Council funds should be primarily for basic services for all people not vanity projects or facilities for certain groups. Times are tough post pandemic and large rate increases are not fair or helpful.

The council should support things that are basic for all people, sewage, roading, health, clean water, schools, public transport.
Back to basics!!!

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

I suspect these projects could be a sinkhole for endless funds better spent elsewhere.

Do you have any other comments?

Back to basics in these tough times.

Development contributions questions

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

Don't know / no opinion

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

Yes

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

Yes

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

Yes

General comment areas

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

Back to basics at this difficult time. Users of urban services provided by the council should be the ones paying. Targeting those who already fund their own services is dishonest.

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

These need to be fair and based largely on services received. Those of us who do not receive these services should not have to pay for eg cycle lanes, rubbish collection, sewage, water, bus services in urban areas which we will never use. The above projects and plans will not impact me in any way apart from maybe the recycling options.

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

I am assuming that if our rates double (as if we are receiving benefits and services) the council will be reimbursing us for all we spend in a year paying for our own sewage, water, pumps, transport, rubbish disposal etc?? The only thing we have the option of calling the council for if there is a problem is the road. Everything else we already pay for.

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

Council website

Booklet in my mailbox

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Long-Term Plan submission form



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Your contact details

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Hearing

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

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 Overall the CV option seems to me like the fairest option of the three proposed. Certainly it (the CV option) is much fairer than the current LV model and is not only fairer than the Hybrid option it's also much easier to understand. .

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

Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review? Good to see this review taking place, well overdue. Two comments:

(1) Current assumptions often made that residents living in homes built on higher value land (therefore higher annual rates) can more easily afford to pay higher rates than those that live in homes built on lower value land (therefore lower annual rates) is simply not always correct.

(2) Question: Why base annual rates on the value of any property anyway? Whether the property is worth half a million dollars or two million dollars the services provided to the gate, eg rubbish collection, drainage, and the facilities within the city, eg library, recycling centre, water management, ultimately benefit residents the same regardless of the value of the property they happen to live in. Therefore why not

charge rates that is based on a model focussed on the services provided to each property rather than property values as is the way currently. Wouldn't that be the fairest model of them all?

Community facilities questions

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

No

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

Support as proposed

Pasifika Centre: Expand and refurbish existing building

Support as proposed

Te Pātikitiki Library: Expand and refurbish existing building

Support as proposed

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

Support as proposed

Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park

Support as proposed

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

Support as proposed

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

In my view all of the proposed areas for development have merit and will be good for the city.

City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?

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

Please tell us why you prefer this option

This option, prioritising the 8 critical buildings, seems like a very pragmatic approach to a complex situation.

Do you have any other comments?

Potential for budget blowouts on these projects that would result in residential rate increases is concerning.

Development contributions questions

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

Don't know / no opinion

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

Don't know / no opinion

We're proposing to add the cost of interest from borrowing that funds infrastructure growth into the calculation of

Don't know / no opinion

development contribution fees. Most other councils around New Zealand already do this. Do you agree with this change?

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?

Other: Info at PN Library

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Have your say by
4pm, 9 May



Council's Long-Term Plan Submission Form

You can give your feedback on our Long-Term Plan in a variety of ways. If you'd like to speak to our Elected Members about your submission we do need you to fill out the contact details and hearings section of this page. With this submission form you can answer as many questions as you want. You don't need to answer them all if you don't want to! There are no age restrictions to making a submission – we are happy to see submissions from all ages.

The Local Government Act allows you to give feedback in any format. This can include:

- filling out this form or doing it on our website at pncc.govt.nz/LTP
- sharing feedback on our social media channels
- emailing us at submission@pncc.govt.nz
- or drop in to our customer service centre or libraries
- You can give feedback in any format that suits you. That could be a letter, petitions, picture, drawing, song or video (up to 3 minutes) etc.
- Come chat to Elected Members at **Planning Palmy Expo** 20 April, 10am-1pm at the Palmy Conference and Function Centre.

All submissions may be made publicly available on our website, customer service centre and some of our libraries. This means you may want to be more careful about what private information you share in your submissions about your circumstances. Your contact details (but not your name) are confidential and will not be published. Elected Members receive all submissions without contact details so they can consider the views and comments expressed.

We collect your contact information so we can keep you up to date.
For more information, see our privacy statement on our website.

Your details

First name: *Gary* Last name: *MILLIGAN*

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

Postal address: (only provide if no email address)

Email:

Phone:

7(2)(a) Privacy



Please tick if you are under 18 years old as we will apply further privacy measures.

Everyone who makes a submission can speak to our Elected Members about it.

All submissions will be acknowledged by email, or letter and given to Elected Members, who will consider the views and comments expressed when finalising the Long-Term Plan.

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

Yes

No

If you've selected yes, please let us know if you would like a language interpreter

New Zealand Sign Language interpreter

Te Reo Māori interpreter

No interpreter required

Preferred hearing dates. Please select up to 3 preferences.

	9am to 12.30pm	1.30pm to 5pm	5.30pm to 7.30pm	How would you prefer to give your feedback?
Wednesday 15 May	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	In person <input type="checkbox"/>
Thursday 16 May	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Via an online video link <input type="checkbox"/>
Friday 17 May	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Please select here if you are flexible on days on times

We will be in touch with you to confirm the time for you to speak to Council. You will have ten minutes allocated to speak in support of your submission or to answer any questions from the Mayor and other Elected Members. If we receive a large number of submissions we may need additional days for hearings in May. If this occurs, we will be in touch with you.

Your submission

This submission form is broken into sections. First we will ask you to give feedback on some of the topics we have options for. Then towards the end we will ask for general comments on key areas of Council, as well as a general feedback section. Please answer all questions you'd like to provide feedback on.

This submission form is also available on our website at pncc.govt.nz/itp. On our website you will be able to save your submission as you go, and come back to it before choosing to submit.

If at any time you need more space, please write on another piece of paper and clearly state your name, address, phone number and the question your feedback relates to.

Rates Review Questions

If you are submitting on behalf of a business or organisation, please ensure you have stated this in the 'Organisation' category at the top of your submission form and you have permission to submit on the business or organisations behalf. You can submit as both an organisation and individual.

Which of these describes you? (Select as many as apply)

Collecting this information helps us determine whether different groups of people share similar views.

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

I still wonder why there isn't a set rate for the utilities that we are provided with. Why is it that properties of higher CV or LV pay more.

For example - Don't all residential properties get & use the same utilities / services no matter where they are in the city?

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

Community facilities questions

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

Yes

No

If you are submitting on behalf of an organisation, please ensure that you have written the organisation's name and contact details on the top of this submission form, and you have their permission to make a submission on their behalf.

We'd like to ask you about these projects separately in case you have different thoughts on different projects.

We're asking you to select whether you support each project as proposed, whether you support it with some suggested changes or comments, or you do not support it. We'll ask you to explain why you've picked the option you have. Suggested changes or comments could include things like the scope of the project, the timeline proposed, the location, the cost, how we're planning on funding it – or any other feedback.

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

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

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

This could be a good idea to lease an area for this purpose, providing the Council is not charged ridiculous & over the top fees.

Pasifika Centre Expand and refurbish existing building

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

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

A nice to have but in these difficult times perhaps the city should make do with existing facility.

Te Pātikitiki Library Expand and refurbish existing building

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

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

Again a nice to have. The library seems perfectly functional. This is an expense that can wait I believe.

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

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

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

As above

Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park Creation of a civic marae with public facilities and visitor and education attractions at Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park (co-funded with Rangitāne and external funding)

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

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

I understand this is a historic site to build on but my concerns are that it is isolated & would be subjected to mindless & disappointing vandalism.

Central Energy Trust Arena Replace Arena 5 at the Central Energy Trust Arena, as well as build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks.

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

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

I do not think another turf is required. Grass roots sport is shrinking & struggling with numbers reducing every year.

I appreciate these are all just proposals but at the moment, along with everything else, the council just can't keep putting rates up.

I dread to think how some families or elderly persons can pay.

I firmly believe that most people want the city looking great (which I believe it does), that we benefit from the utilities provided & that some of these projects are commenced ~~at~~ when it can be afforded.

I do think they are good ideas but are all nice to have projects that would need to be viewed in order of priority.

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

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

Do you have any other comments?

Not sure that I completely understand the options. I would be disappointed to see historic building demolished. We have lost enough of our character over the years. I do understand it is costly which causes issues. Then again some of these buildings have stood for a

Development Contributions

We're also proposing some changes to our Development Contributions Policy.

If you're subdividing land or building a new home or business, it's likely you'll need to pay development contributions. These are paid on any development that generates extra demand on infrastructure in our city. Our policy is currently being reviewed and we'd like to hear your thoughts on these proposed changes.

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

Do you agree with this change?

Yes

No

Don't know / no opinion

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No

Don't know / no opinion

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Like I say, you just can't keep putting them up consistently every year like this. People will start defaulting on payments which then causes further problems. Please think long & hard about some of these nice to have projects.

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

I fully appreciate the council wanting the city to have great facilities etc. The walking bridge by Dittmer Drive is a fantastic asset. We just simply cannot afford everything that is being proposed.

Like many people in this city I am completely at a loss as to how anyone thought the change to the road lane layout on Featherston St, near Rongitikei was a good idea. The layout simply defies all logic. Again a rush to satisfy the Climate change idealists who think we will all be riding bikes. The layout is now dangerous.

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Support with changes/comments

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Curb spending.
Too much spending

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Not a broadly supported build across Palmerstonians

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Not necessary. It is a very nice facility as is.

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Surely there are enough Marae's

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If it is necessary to maintain these facilities. As revenue is obtained from this facility

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

I'm concerned that this council are all about over supporting cultural centres, Marae, Pasifika etc.

We need complexes that cater for all.

Christchurch are a good example - Stadium, Te Pae Centre.

Facilities that attract international visitors to our region.

All the international artists by pass Palmerston North
Reduce spending on small things and invest in large projects that make Palmerston North attractive

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

Spend money else where. Up grade where necessary.

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

Good money can be lost unnecessarily

Do you have any other comments?

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We have a large amount of private residential investors that provide homes for those in need. Many investors have large sections that could be developed with another one or two houses.

Make subdividing easier and more affordable for those smaller scale property owners to create quality houses.

Large scale developers are building multi housing complexes which in time will create slum style housing.

Educate, streamline, reduce contribution costs for the 'mum & dad' property owner to increase quality housing in Palmerston North.

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Make subdividing information more easily accessible and consider reducing the Reserve contributions.

Many residents have a large section that could be subdivided. This would increase our housing supply.

Much nicer to have infill quality homes than large multi housing complexes.

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Improved landscaping, recreational areas.

Improved welcome to Palmerston North

A state of art Conference centre, that can accommodate large numbers ie 1000.

I recently convened a conference for 350, however two venues needed to be hired as our Conference Centre cannot accommodate quick turn around times between the day & evening functions for getting the rooms ready.

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I believe these services currently offered are very good.

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I'm opposed to the proposed 106% rates increase over 10 years.

The P.N.C.C. rates are expensive enough and unaffordable for many residents currently.

I'm already averaging \$3,500-\$4,000 for residential rates in Palmerston North. Surely per dwelling this is a sufficient contribution for current outgoings & improvements

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Any possibility of merger of Horizons rates with P.N.C.C. rates.

Two departments merged to reduce costs of salaries and building premises.

It is annoying to get rates invoices from two sectors.

I travel to other cities frequently and other cities have a lot more to offer than Palmerston North.

For example Rotorua has amazing walkways and recreational areas with beautiful landscaping for all to enjoy.

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Please tick which option you prefer.

- 1 Preferred Option - Hybrid (a mixture of land value and capital value)
- 2 Capital Value (CV)
- 3 Land Value (LV) – current system
- 4 Prefer not to say

Please tell us why you prefer that option

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

Hybrid - increase very high for some rate payers & they do not know how they can afford to pay rates as they are pensioners & have no surplus income.

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leave as is - status quo

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Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

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Council spending too much money
Need to live within our means not
get into further debt
Times are tough for our rate payers

Pasifika Centre Expand and refurbish existing building

Support as proposed

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Review how much is needed & defer
as much ~~unnecessary~~ spending to 4 to 10 yr Plan
The Arena at least brings revenue
into the city.

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

Councillors to take a hard look
at what is being spent. & try
& reduce debt not increase debt

City centre transformation - landmark facilities and seismic upgrades

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Please tell us why you prefer that option

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Do you have any other comments?

Please look hard at 26 buildings that need upgrading. Are these all necessary? Should some be demolished & spaces rented by council. More research to be done by council. Cost to repair, against cost to replace. Also look at what a complete...

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The developers have the most to gain from the growth of our city & should be paying bulk amount of these fees.

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Featherston St is an abominable mess. This needs to be changed asap.
Re Accident Rates before & after in Featherston St.
This research needs to be wider as people are travelling down lots of other streets & avoiding Featherston St. Response time for ambulances will now also be longer.

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

Community facilities questions

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

Yes

No

If you are submitting on behalf of an organisation, please ensure that you have written the organisation's name and contact details on the top of this submission form, and you have their permission to make a submission on their behalf.

We'd like to ask you about these projects separately in case you have different thoughts on different projects.

We're asking you to select whether you support each project as proposed, whether you support it with some suggested changes or comments, or you do not support it. We'll ask you to explain why you've picked the option you have. Suggested changes or comments could include things like the scope of the project, the timeline proposed, the location, the cost, how we're planning on funding it – or any other feedback.

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

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

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

COUNCIL SPENDING, TO MUCH MONEY
NEED TO LIVE WITHIN OUR MEANS NOT
GET INTO FURTHER DEBT

Pasifika Centre Expand and refurbish existing building

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

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

COUNCIL SPENDING, TO MUCH MONEY
TIMES ARE TOUGH
THIS IS NOT A FACILITIES USED BY EVERYONE
"RATE PAYERS"

Te Pātikitiki Library Expand and refurbish existing building

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

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

COUNCIL SPENDING TO MUCH MONEY
TIMES ARE TOUGH . THERES ENOUGH MEETING
ROOMS IN PALM-NTH

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

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

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

COUNCIL SPENDING TO MUCH MONEY
TIMES ARE TOUGH. NOT RIZQUIRED THERES ALREADY
A NICE LIBRARY IN AWAPUNI THATS JUST BEEN
RIZFURBISHED.

Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park Creation of a civic marae with public facilities and visitor and education attractions at Te Motu o Poutoa Anzac Park (co-funded with Rangitāne and external funding)

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

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

COUNCIL SPENDING TO MUCH MONEY
TIMES ARE TOUGH .
THIS IS NOT A FACILITIES USED BY TEVERYONE
"RATE PAYERS"

Central Energy Trust Arena Replace Arena 5 at the Central Energy Trust Arena, as well as build new turfs, toilets and changing blocks.

Support as proposed

Support with changes/comments

Do not support

Prefer not to say

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

THIS IS A FACILITY THAT BRINGS IN REVENUE
AND CAN BE USED BY EVERYONE

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

STOP SPENDING RATEPAYERS MONEY
ON MULTICULTURAL CENTRES, PASIFIKA CENTRE,
CIVIC MARAE, ETC.

THERE IS ENOUGH EMPTY BUILDINGS
IN THIS CITY FOR THEM TO SET UP FOR
THEIR CULTURE ACTIVITIES & PAY THE
RENT

"NOT THE RATEPAYERS"

Development Contributions

We're also proposing some changes to our Development Contributions Policy.

If you're subdividing land or building a new home or business, it's likely you'll need to pay development contributions. These are paid on any development that generates extra demand on infrastructure in our city. Our policy is currently being reviewed and we'd like to hear your thoughts on these proposed changes.

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

Do you agree with this change?

Yes

No

Don't know / no opinion

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

Do you agree with this change?

Yes

No

Don't know / no opinion

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

Do you agree with this change?

Yes

No

Don't know / no opinion

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

Yes

No

Don't know / no opinion

General comment areas

Information about these topics is available in our consultation document

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

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

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

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

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

PEOPLE THAT WORK FOR COUNCIL SHOULD
STOP HAVING 45 MINUTIZ COFFEE TBREAKS. AT
SOME OF THE COFFEE ISAK AROUND TOWN.
15 MINUTES IS THE NORMA.
TIME IS MONEY

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What do you think Palmy will look like in 2034?

We are working on our Long-Term Plan and we want you to draw or write what you'd love to see Palmy look like in ten years time.



Name

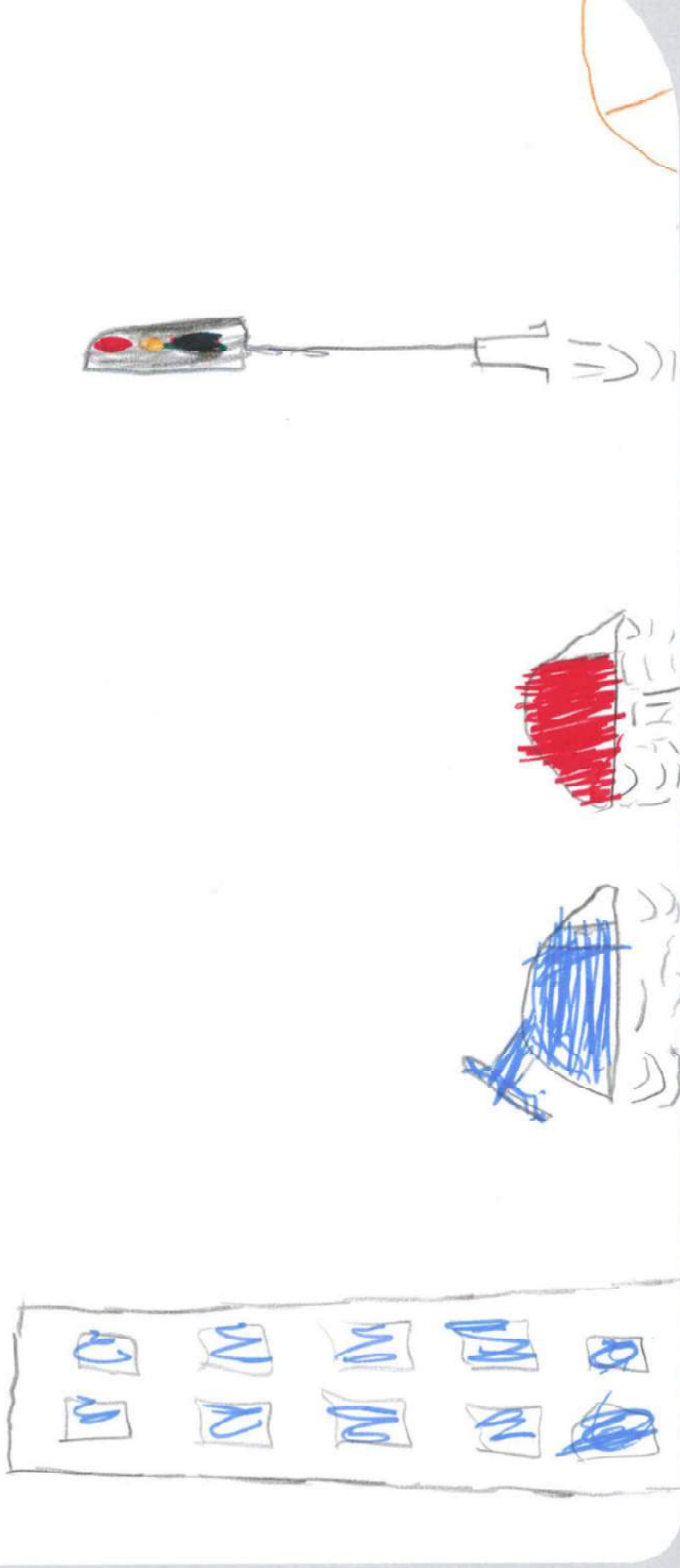
Age

If you'd like your awesome picture or story to be seen on the isite billboard Te Marae o Hine - The Square, as poster art around the city, on Councils social media or used in Council publications please drop it off to our Customer Service Centre or take a photo and send it to us on our Facebook page!

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What do you think Palmy will look like in 2034?

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Name Mati W

Age 8

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WHAT DO YOU THINK PALMY WILL LOOK LIKE

We are working on our long term plan and we want you to draw or write what you'd love to see in Palmy.

- Hopefully not a 15-minute city
- City wide upgrade to sewage & water (clay deck tight pipe replaced)
- Make Palmerston North a Affordable tourist spot in New Zealand
- 0 homelessness
- public education on Mental health, Suicide
- Converting office high risers to Apartments
- Education on water, waterways

If you'd like your awesome picture or story to be seen on the isite billboard in Te Marae o Hine - The Square, as poster art around in Council publications please drop it off to our Customer Service Centre or take a photo and send it to us on our Facebook page

Name: _____

School: _____

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Long-Term Plan submission form



Submitted on 6 May 2024, 5:47PM
Receipt number 762
Related form version 5

Your contact details

First name Vanja
Last name Pavarno
Email
Phone

Hearing

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

Rates review questions

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

Which option do you prefer? 1. Preferred option: Hybrid (a mixture of land and capital value)

Please tell us why you prefer this option Improvements/buildings etc are often a better indicator of the wealth of the owner and therefore their ability to pay. Elderly people in the same home for many years may have a valuable section but suboptimal dwellings and limited means.

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

Community facilities questions

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

City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Do you have any other comments?

I strongly urge the council to consider a natural burial ground in the Manawatu. It is vital for our region to turn to less invasive burial options, that restore the land rather than damage the soil with embalming chemicals.

We are seeing farm land re-zoned for residential development, perhaps the next farm up for redevelopment could be designated to become a natural burial plot, with the aim of it gradually turning to native bush. This would create a burial ground that would beautify the area, increase biodiversity and decrease the maintenance and litter associated with conventional cemeteries.

Suggesting that families who want to inter their loved one in a natural burial site go to another city defeats the purpose; why burn fossil fuels when the aim is as natural and therefore local, a process as possible? Please make this possible right here in the Manawatu.

Many thanks for seriously considering this proposal.

Development contributions questions

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

No

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

Don't know / no opinion

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

Don't know / no opinion

General comment areas

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

Other: email from ENM

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Long-Term Plan submission form



Submitted on 6 May 2024, 6:31PM
Receipt number 763
Related form version 5

Your contact details

First name Naoki

Last name Sakai

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: 9am to 12.30pm
Thursday 16 May:
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
Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North rural area

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

Please tell us why you prefer this option Because it is the cheapest option

Please tell us what you don't like about the other options I don't like any option, why the increase is over 40%? Inflation is around 7% . Please justify this much increase.

Do you have any other comments you'd like to make about the rates review? It is unjustified increasing. I need the answer for this much increase.

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

Because I do not care about it

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

Stop spending money for something that will not benefit minority of rate payer

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

Not many people visit there

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

No money no spend

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

If you are broke. Stop sending money

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

Do not support

City centre transformation questions: seismic upgrades of landmark facilities

Which option do you prefer?

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

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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

What vision. Why spending money for something every one don't wants. Have you seen your rating on google reviews? Do anyone care what people of Palmerston North wants.

Please share any feedback about our proposed transport projects

Total failure.

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

Why life style property owner has such an increase of rates? How do you justify this?

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

Do you really care what people of Palmerston North think about you?

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

Rates letter or email

Family or friends

Long-Term Plan submission form



Submitted on	6 May 2024, 6:40PM
Receipt number	759
Related form version	5

Your contact details

First name	Gillian
Last name	Thornley
Email	
Phone	

Hearing

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

Which of these describes you?	Ratepayer who lives in my home in the Palmerston North urban area
Which option do you prefer?	1. Preferred option: Hybrid (a mixture of land and capital value)
Please tell us why you prefer this option	It provides the first step towards making rates fairer for home owners.
Please tell us what you don't like about the other options	Capital Value alone would be a huge upheaval from the current system. At present a large new house on a tiny section pays a lower rate than a small older house on a quarter acre section. The rate is not related to the ability of the home owner to pay.

Community facilities questions

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

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

This building needs to be upgraded. It must be more than 40 years old and has been very well used by the local community. The expansion and refurbishment will be most welcome

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

This small library space also serves as a homework room for young people who lack a quiet space at home for study. The supervisors answer questions and help students catch up on concepts they have missed out on.

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

Prefer not to say

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 know this part of the city very well. It looks like a "nice to have" at present, but given a 10 year horizon it may be possible.

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

This needs to be planed jointly with Rangitane and any other Maori groups in the city. It is an iconic spot offering great views of the river and city.

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 have poured a lot of money into Arenas. We are not a wealthy city. The earthquake strengthening must be done.

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

It is the essential part.

Development contributions questions

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

Don't know / no opinion

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

Yes

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

Yes

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

Yes

General comment areas

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

Booklet in my mailbox

Rates letter or email

Newspaper

City Councillor

Family or friends