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Annual Plan 2022

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Yes

Would you like to speak to your submission at Council Hearings? You can attend the Hearing in person, or via zoom link. We will contact you to arrange a time. Note: All public Council Meetings are livestreamed for public viewing and recorded.

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Respondent skipped this question

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Ethnicity (optional)

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Are you (optional - tick all that apply):

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Q6

Respondent skipped this question

1. Our Roads Question: Would you be happy to pay more to keep your roads in the current condition? Or would you prefer to pay the same, and accept that we will not be able to maintain the roads as well or as regularly as you are used to? Which option do you prefer?

Q7 Respondent skipped this question

2. DrainageQuestion: Do you support extra funds being set aside to deal with drainage works that are needed?

Q8 Respondent skipped this question

3. 3WatersQuestion: Do you agree with our decision to bring forward 3Waters projects to ensure we have quality water and infrastructure for our future?

Q9 Respondent skipped this question

4. ReformsQuestion: Do you support Waitaki working to be a leading council in ensuring local government in the future is better able to meet our community needs?

Q10 Respondent skipped this question

Your thoughts and ideasIs there anything else you'd like to tell us about?

Q11

If you prefer, you can upload your feedback as a pdf or word document here:

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**A submission to the
Waitaki District Council
Annual Plan 2022-23**



Vanished World Inc.
Faye Ormandy
Chairman
fayeormandy@gmail.com

**This submission is made by Faye Ormandy of Oamaru as Chairman of Vanished World Inc.
We would like to speak to our submission.**

On 8th July 2021, the Mayor Gary Kircher wrote to Vanished World confirming the Council's support for the Vanished World's submission to the 2021-2031 WDC Long Term Plan:

Council appreciates the considerable effort that went into the Vanished World's submission to the Long Term Plan, and we are pleased to confirm:

- *Council will support a full time employee from July 2022-2032 on a reducing amount to start at \$50k and reducing by \$5k per year to \$0 over 10 years (as proposed).*
- *Council will commit \$50k as a seeding grant from Whitestone Dividend to support the refurbishment of the Vanished World Centre in Duntroon.*

Since then, we are pleased to acknowledge the receipt of \$50k (Ref 22131 – Grant to assist with fundraising for the VW Refurbishment Project). Despite COVID setbacks, the Refurbishment Project is progressing through the planning phases.

As we approach the 2022-23 financial year and the associated WDC Annual Plan we are looking forward to:

- Putting together and finalising the Refurbishment Plan which we will be pleased to share with Councillors and Senior Management when it is completed.
- Reducing the reliance upon volunteers by employing staff up to 1.2 FTE of staffing with the financial assistance (\$50k) from Waitaki District Council.
- Vanished Word Inc. is a key partner with the Waitaki Whitestone Gepark and is moving towards sharing governance roles with the Geopark. Attachment 1 – Vanished Word Strategic Plan 2022-2025

Vanished World requests that the Council, through the Annual Plan, confirms the allocation of \$50k for staffing at Vanished World for the financial year 2022-23 as submitted for in the WDC LTP 2021-2031.

We look forward to hearing the outcome of the Annual Plan process and are happy to supply further information if required.

Faye Ormandy
Chairman
Vanished World Inc.
116 Perth Street, Oamaru.

STRATEGIC PLAN (2022-2025)		Vanished World Inc.		
OUR VISION				
To make the Vanished World Centre and Trail a renowned and widely recognised destination focussing on the fossils and geology of the Waitaki District operating under the umbrella of the Waitaki Whitestone Geopark Trust as a charitable company, Vanished World Limited.				
OUR PURPOSE is to:				
Tell a great local story - Encourage learning and discovery – Become more financially self-sufficient.				
OUR OBJECTIVES are to:		OUR OUTCOMES – We will see:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Refurbish the VW Centre, create an interactive Discovery Room, supported with quality merchandise in the retail area. Have excellent interpretation at each of the VW Trail sites. Support Duntroon to become a destination in its own right. 2. Work closely with the University of Otago Geology Dept, local Ngāi Tahu Rūnanga, local Duntroon community and the Waitaki Whitestone Geopark. 3. To become a learning destination for <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School groups to explore earth sciences • Locals and visitors wanting to understand the Zealandia story and the geological development of the Waitaki District 4. To raise the standard of Vanished World's governance, management, planning, merchandising, marketing, operations and financial performance to ensure it is successful, sustainable and able to achieve its goals and targets. 		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A VW organisation that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • better tells the VW Fossil Story • achieves high visitor satisfaction • has increased admission charges and is more sustainable. • employs more staff and is less reliant on volunteers. • fosters Duntroon and district's economic development through collaboration with other local attractions. • Promotes guardianship (<i>kaitiaki</i>) of the land 2. VW as a key partner of the UNESCO Waitaki Whitestone Global Geopark: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With increased national and international recognition • And an ability to balance the science with <i>tangata whenua</i> knowledge 3. A well-resourced Discovery Room at VW Centre <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Geo-educators and trained guides available to present quality programmes for a variety of interest groups • Access to local fossil and geological sites • Self-guided trails with interpretation panels • Waitaki District residents have a growing appreciation of their District's rich geological foundations. 4. Continuous improvement and reviewing of all key performance indicators as VW works towards transition into Vanished World Ltd. and the Waitaki Whitestone Geopark. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VW is meeting targets and goals from its Strategic and Business plans • VW buildings on its Silver Qualmark recognition • The Waitaki Whitestone Aspiring Geopark has attained UNESCO Global Geopark status. 		
We Value				
Knowledge by providing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fresh insights • Discovery opportunities • Enthusiastic/informed guides 	Commitment to Te Tiriti O Waitangi	Relationships with our Visitors and our Community	Our 'whenua' our land and its unique stories	Our role as 'kaitiaki' guardians of the land and its stories.

- Fascinating stories

HOW CAN I HAVE MY SAY?



Do it online

fill in the online form on our website:

www.waitaki.govt.nz/annualplan2022-23



Write it

and post it back to us:
Waitaki District Council,
Private Bag 50058,
Ōamaru 9444



Email it

send your feedback to
consult@waitaki.govt.nz



Drop it

to Council offices in
Ōamaru - 20 Thames St, or
Palmerston - 54 Tiverton St.



Talk to us

You can share your ideas and comments in person at the Council hearings. Be sure to outline your key points in your feedback that you will refer to - and tick the box that you would like to speak to your submission. The dates for hearing submissions and feedback will be Monday 16 May and Tuesday 17 May.

Drop in sessions

We will also be having some community drop-in sessions for you to call in and share your thoughts.

Dates for the drop-in sessions will be up on our website and Facebook page during the feedback period.

Scan for more info and online feedback form



Need a hand?

If you would like help making a submission - either online or hardcopy - our lovely team at the Ōamaru Library are happy to help. Just call in and see them.

ANNUAL PLAN 2022-23 FEEDBACK FORM

If you live in Waitaki, whether you pay rates or not, we would love to hear your thoughts on what we are planning, and any other thoughts or ideas you have to help make Waitaki the best place to be.

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

YOUR DETAILS

Note: your name and feedback will be made public as part of the decision-making process. Other details will remain private. Please get your feedback in to us before 5pm on **Wednesday 4 May 2022**.

Name Helen Jansen Organisation (if applicable) Waitaki Whitestone Geopark Trust
Address 20 Thames Street, Oamaru 9400
Email chair@whitestonegeopark.nz Phone 027 390 1547



Please tick if you would like to speak to your feedback at the Council Hearings

You can attend the Hearing in person, or via a zoom link. We will contact you to arrange a time.
Note: Council Meetings are livestreamed for public viewing and recorded.

We are asking the following questions to understand more about who we are hearing from - these questions are completely optional.

Age (optional) Under 18 18-24 25 - 49 50-64 65+

Ethnicity (optional)

Are you: a Ratepayer and/or a Resident (tick all that apply)

Please find the submission attached.



Waitaki Whitestone
Aspiring Global
Geopark

Submission to the Waitaki District Council

Annual Plan 2022 – 23

This Submission is made by Helen Jansen of Ōamaru, as Chair of the Waitaki Whitestone Geopark Trust ("the Trust"). It requests that the Waitaki District Council ("Council") adopts the support as outlined in the Annual Plan 2022–2023 to further enable the Trust in its mission to establish in the Waitaki District the first UNESCO Global Geopark in New Zealand.

Request for support

Core funding for the Waitaki Whitestone Geopark Trust has been included in the Long Term Plan 2021–31.

2021/22	2022/23 (AP)	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26
\$175,000	\$146,880	\$26,010	\$25,000	\$25,000

The support requested from the Waitaki District Council is that it adopts the assistance for the Trust as outlined in the Annual Plan 2022–2023:

- \$146,880
This includes support for education, signage and salaries

The Trust also wishes to express its support towards Vanished World's funding included in the Annual Plan 2022–2023. Vanished World is core to the Geopark concept. The Trust is currently working on a transition plan jointly with Vanished World Inc that will see the Trust consolidating its activities with the operations of the Vanished World Centre and Trail at Duntroon. A business plan to ensure the Trust's and Vanished World's long-term sustainability is currently being prepared.

At its core, the Waitaki Whitestone Geopark encourages us all to care for our land, our whenua

The Trust released its Strategic Plan 2021–25 in September last year. In its early days, the Geopark had a significant focus on the economic benefit it would bring to the district through increased international visitation. The interruption to international and domestic travel caused by Covid-19 encouraged the Trust to review its direction. The Strategic Plan 2021–25 has pivoted the Geopark focus to providing community benefits through environmental stewardship, education and local story-telling.

In line with the Geopark’s focus on education and protection of our land, the Trust supports the appointment of a Climate Change advisor and the on-going support for Enviro Schools. The Geopark is looking forward to working collaboratively with these roles and programmes.

The Trust is privileged to have two Trustees who are from Te Rūnaka o Moeraki, ensuring that engagement with iwi is constant, respectful, positive and productive. The Geopark is being co-designed with the rūnaka – ensuring that it brings tangata whenua, other residents and visitors into the story telling of our land and way of life.



Interpretative signage



Beach Clean Ups

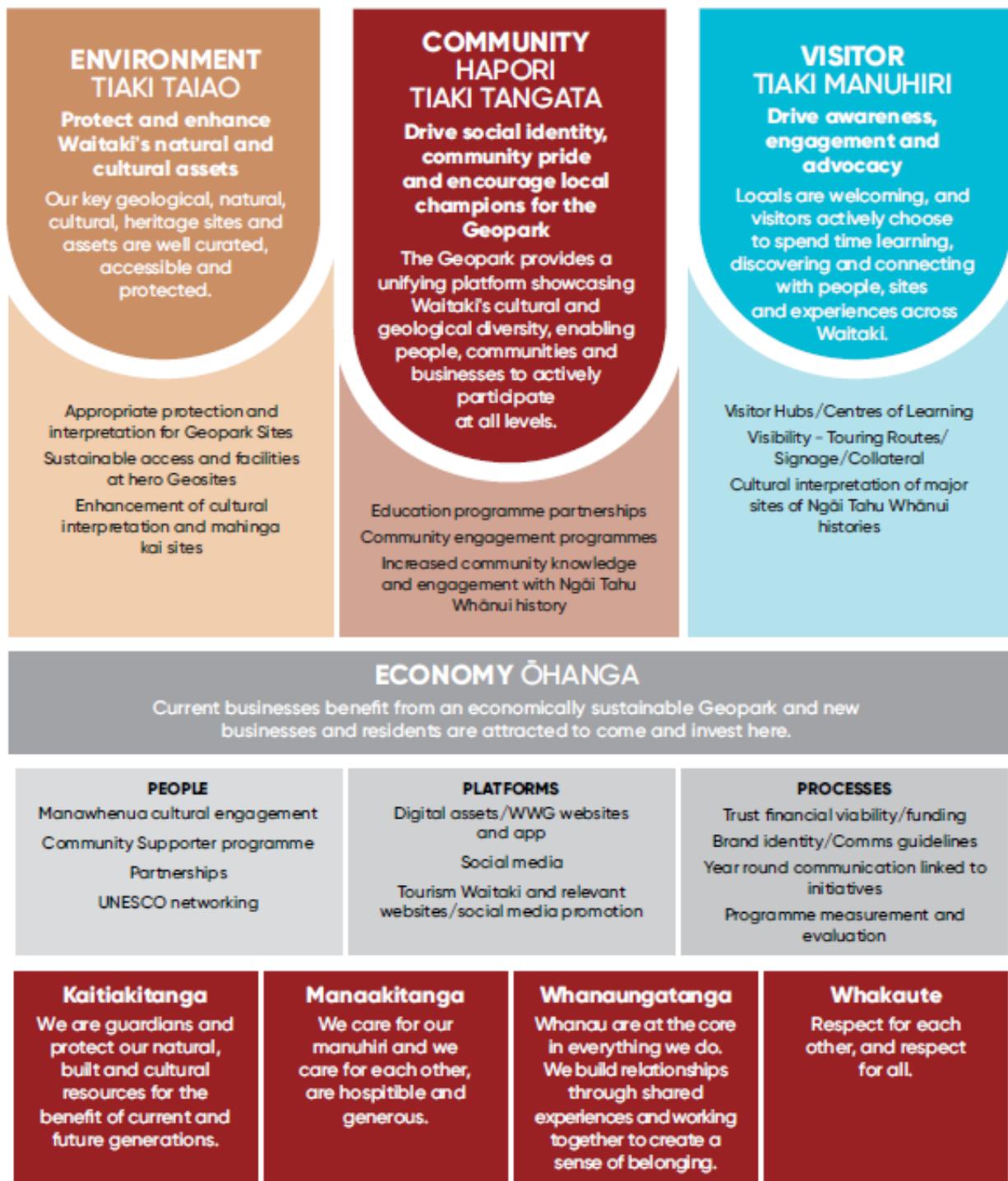


Education Programmes



Exhibition: Earth: caught in stone

The revised strategy reinforces the Trust’s focus on educating our communities and our visitors to appreciate our land, its heritage and its stories.



The Geopark weaves geological, cultural, natural and social stories together

The Trust understands the importance of storytelling as the way in which people can relate and understand our land – from the past, the present and the future.

Telling the Waitaki Story has been highlighted as an opportunity in the Destination Management Strategy as well as in the Economic Development Review. Storytelling was also a key community feedback from the Geopark’s Roadshow in 2021. The Trust recognises that telling the Waitaki story is a significant task that will require a collaborative approach.

The example below is a screenshot of the Geopark Panel that will be installed at the Waihemu Museum in Palmerston. To include a range of different stories, including geological, cultural, natural and social we collaborated with Te Rūnaka o Moeraki, Kati Huirapa Rūnaka ki Puketeraki and the local community group in Palmerston.



Kātiki Point

Take a walk on the peninsula just south of Moeraki village. Formed by local volcanism, this offers spectacular views south towards Kātiki Beach. It is home to a variety of wildlife – including a significant population of Takaraka / Yellow-eyed penguins. The ancient pā Te Raka-a-Hineātea was also located on the point where ancient terraces can still be seen today.

Te Kaihinaki / Moeraki Boulders

Walk amongst these striking round rocks – formed from ancient seafloor muds millions of years ago. Kāi Tahu whānui have long treasured these large and spherical boulders as the remains of the baskets, gourds and kumara washed ashore from the wreck of the famous Ārai-te-uru waka.

Golden Point Battery Reserve

Discover this preserved stamper battery from the early 20th century that will leave you in awe of the determination of the early gold miners. See the contrast between historical and present day gold mining with a large modern gold mine, OceanaGold, located just over the hill.

UNESCO application review imminent

With New Zealand border’s reopening in May, our long-awaited UNESCO evaluation mission is now possible. The evaluation mission is part of the application to become a UNESCO Global Geopark to assess whether the aspiring Geopark fulfils all the UNESCO criteria. The evaluation mission is carried out by two evaluators who have extensive experience in Geopark development.

Building towards long-term sustainability

The Trust wishes to acknowledge the significant support provided by the Council in the past. This support ensured a strong Global Geopark application to UNESCO and enabled other resources for community development and education activities.

The Trust is committed to significantly reduce its financial support received by Council over time. The main avenues to build towards long-term sustainability are:

<p>New value propositions</p>	<p>The Trust will follow and engage with the results of both the Economic Development Review and Destination Management Strategy to identify potential new revenue-generating opportunities.</p> <p>The Trust is committed to working within the overarching direction the district is heading in to add value where appropriate.</p>
<p>Corporate Sponsorship</p>	<p>Our founding partner, OceanaGold, has confirmed its continued support until the end of 2023.</p> <p>New potential sponsors have been identified and are being approached this year.</p> <p>The Trust aims to increase its corporate sponsorship income to assist in our long-term financial sustainability.</p>
<p>Vanished World contribution</p>	<p>A transition plan will see the Trust consolidating its activities with the operations of the Vanished World Centre and Trail in the future.</p> <p>Post-Covid income at Vanished World showed a 33% growth and a renewal of the Centre is also underway to improve the offering.</p> <p>The Trust considers that, over time, the consolidation of the activities of the Trust's and Vanished World's operations will allow both entities to become self-sustaining.</p>

Project fund applications	<p>Several funds for projects have been received and make up 16% of the total financial support received to date. Funds were received from Otago Community Trust, Lottery for Environment and Heritage, Transpower, Network Waitaki, Curious Minds (MBIE), The Lion Foundation and the New Zealand National Commission for UNESCO.</p> <p>Further funding applications are being made to support projects as appropriate.</p>
Merchandise	<p>Profit from merchandise sales has been modest, however our merchandising has increased people's recognition of the Geopark. The merchandising line will be expanded through Vanished World, online sales and additional retail outlets.</p>

Waitaki District Council - Annual Plan 2022/23

SUMMARY

Business South Inc welcomes the opportunity to provide a submission on Waitaki District Council's Annual Plan 2022/23. We are pleased to make a submission on behalf of over 150 members in the Waitaki district.

We consistently work to ensure the business community has a voice in local government and value the positive working relationship we have with Council in several projects to ultimately build on and grow the Waitaki economy, albeit in unprecedented times.

Business South Inc wishes to take part in the hearing process to discuss this submission with the Council. We see ourselves as a collaborative partner with the district from the perspective of maintaining open and transparent communication and engagement with the business sector.

Our Waitaki Advisory Committee have an engagement framework in development and the intent is to create a collaborative work plan that focuses on creating a business environment for businesses to succeed across the district. It will help focus the Council to support the themes that have been identified as important: Retail; Infrastructure and Local Government; Brand Waitaki; and Workforce Development.

Business South Inc has been formed by the recent merger of the Otago Southland Employers Association and the Otago Chamber of Commerce. We are well connected and well-resourced through these organisations and our shareholding in BusinessNZ (see **Appendix 1**). These provide centuries of combined wisdom with access to some of the best policy minds influencing and shaping the future of our nation and is ambitious on behalf of the business community to work with Council on its planning whilst ensuring the business voice is loud, collaborative, influential and heard.

Making the district attractive by having a business-friendly brand is vital for future investment.

We have questions of Council:

1. **What is the Council doing to support small to medium (SMEs) and start-up businesses** to driving our local business economy? Councils can play a role in helping businesses to leverage new opportunities, thrive and being proactive in recognising opportunities.
 - a. Our members want support from Council for attracting and retaining local economic activity to create a business-friendly environment so they can operate effectively and sustainably.
 - b. There are immense pressures on businesses right now – issues with workforce, affordable housing, and supply chains. The price of doing business is going through the roof. How is Council working to retain people in a vibrant district and

attract new talent? How is the Council resourced, organised and is there adequate capacity to assist businesses? Council must be proactive with strategic foresight to ensure this is a compelling place to do business, locally, nationally, and globally across all industries.

2. **What is happening with the Thames Street business district?** Business South Inc would like to see investment in the main street to make it a vibrant place to visit and shop. A thriving downtown Oamaru is critical to the district's economic growth. Many downtown businesses are still grappling with Covid and the aftermath. Businesses are closing and continue to close. Retail, hospitality, and events members are feeling the financial strain and impact on their wellbeing.

Business South Inc wants to build on the positive transparent relationship with Council, and advocates for recognition that retail makes a significant contribution to the business ecosystem. Our members want Thames Street to be a future-focused retail area and would like to be part of working collaboratively with Council to build confidence in the area, ensure appropriate development and retail innovation to occur. We need tenants who are confident to sign ambitious leases. Our members also want a continuation of free parking in Thames Street.

3. **How can we be involved in the new Economic Development Plan?** Business South Inc is supportive of the economic development change initiative being undertaken by Council. We await the results back from the consultation process and specific governance actions for the plan. We look forward to being an active collaborator in the next phase providing input in the outcomes sought and actions required. Our members want transparency and input heard when finetuning the plan. We would welcome active participation in shaping the final plan.

Businesses within localities outside of Oamaru throughout Covid, like all businesses, have had their challenges with demand in hospitality and tourism. They look forward to continued support from the Council. The popularity of the cycleways and towns of Omarama and Kurow have had hospitality and tourism demand coming through since Easter which is positive.

4. **What is happening with infrastructure, planning, consenting** and creative options for **housing** given the recruitment challenges currently being faced by many employers in the district. Business South Inc is working collaboratively with other groups including Workbridge and Mayor's Taskforce for Jobs to find solutions.
 - a. We need to increase the affordability, availability and variety of housing options and types for workers and families across Oamaru (and the wider district). We need land packages opened up; public private partnerships; consideration of housing in commercial areas.
 - b. Businesses are renting and/or buying accommodation to accommodate staff for major employers in the district.

KEY ISSUES

There is no 'one view' of issues with a business lense, as business owners come with diverse ranges of life-skills, life cycles, skill sets, innovations (both technological,

sustainably and a change mindset) making significant contributions to the business and wider community both locally, nationally, and internationally. We do, however, bring together a cross-section of perspectives to collaborate with Council and bring about real positive change for the Waitaki in making it a prosperous district.

SMEs nationally are 97% of the NZ business landscape, the numbers are similar for our regional membership. Small businesses and local entrepreneurs and those that support them are the 'backbone of our economy'. They are the ones growing local jobs, providing stable employment, developing, and strengthening community resilience and fostering opportunity.

Business South Inc's strategic vision is to have a thriving business environment that benefits the whole region, thereby ensuring economic growth is achieved in balance with building cohesive communities. One of our key pillars is to ensure that local government are constructive partners in developing vibrant and sustainable local economies.

While the range of concerns expressed by our business community are varied and often reflect local circumstances, there are several common themes. These are: the challenge around funding, the regulatory and compliance cost burdens, infrastructure requirements, accountability, capacity, and the increase in the range of issues within local government's scope.

A. IMPACTS FOR BUSINESSES

1. **Rates increase** - Why are there such large rate increases overall?

It must be said that the timing of rates rises, as businesses are recovering from Covid-19 is not the best. It is poor timing to introduce rates rises for employers and employees at a time when cost pressures on businesses are extremely tough with businesses recovering from the impact of Covid. The pandemic has cost the country and individuals a great deal. Cost increases have not been matched by increases in revenue. There are members who cannot see the benefit of rate rises under current economic conditions.

Business South Inc would like the council to review the differential between residential and commercial rates. The commercial rate differential is greater than the residential rates. Our members want the Council to look at reducing the differential.

2. **Forrester Heights** - Business South Inc is surveying the membership on the proposal and will share the results with Council when they are available.

3. **South end of Thames and Harbour Street** – Business South Inc would like to see key stakeholders in this area come together to find solutions for the issues identified by businesses in this unique historic area. There is a need for collaboration to address the long-term viability of securing sustainable tenants. In Harbour Street, several businesses have closed and there are supply issues to create spaces new businesses want. As with some old buildings when they change hands, the new owner/tenant have plans to get them redeveloped discover structural issues, and the business plan falls over. Oamaru

then ends up with old buildings with no one in them that needs a lot of work. There needs to be basic standards of development.

4. **Seagulls** – The presence of the seagulls in town is a real issue for business owners with the seagulls using CBD buildings for nesting and shelter away from predators. We understand there are building owners who have worked to dissuade them. We urge the Council to find a balance between their protected status and working with those building owners who have done nothing.

B. FUTURE PLANS FOR THE WAITAKI DISTRICT

There should be provision for businesses to readily engage with Council to co-create projects that are future-focused aiming to attract investment and sustainable business growth in the district, and wider region. The purpose is to make the Waitaki an outstanding, cost effective and compelling place to do business. There is no one answer on how to do this. A key element to do so is through supporting investments and brave actions that will help employers successfully recruit and retain staff with necessary training, skills, and experience.

We encourage positive collaborative action with Council on the following initiatives:

1. **NZ Immigration regional representation** – While it is a central government responsibility, support from Council to get this on the agenda and being present in the Otago region would be a vital outcome for businesses to be competitive in attracting quality migrants. This would make a statement as to the district's status and vitality to people overseas considering where to base their future lives.
2. **Stimulating productivity across all our business sectors** – Productivity is being impacted by labour force shortages, access to supply chains and rapidly rising costs of doing business. We need Council assistance to advocate on behalf of our members to help overcome these problems.
3. **Sustainability** – Business South Inc will drive social, environmental, and financial sustainability as an organisation as well as supporting the businesses of Otago and Southland to embrace sustainable business practices. Collaborating with Council on sustainable projects will be beneficial to our community. BusinessNZ see this as a critical area of focus from a national perspective.
4. **Tourism initiatives and getting the trains running** – Tourism businesses would like to see leadership from the Council in terms of new tourism initiatives. We need new attractions and packages to attract tourists. Our members would like to see the return of day trips between Dunedin and Oamaru (and Christchurch), timed to go with the forthcoming return of cruise ships and an option for tourists generally. Having the trains running on Saturday and Sunday would give individuals the option to stay overnight.

5. **Hosting big events in Oamaru** - Our event, hospitality, accommodation members are looking for proactive sales and marketing of diverse events that will draw visitors to the district. Revitalising the Fire and Steam, and Victorian events will be beneficial for the town.
6. **Waitaki Events Centre and Business Hive**– From business perspective Business South Inc supports the proposed event centre. The current focus appears to be on providing facilities for elite sport. Good business decisions are good community decisions, so it's also important to create a community hub and space to support creative outlets for community groups, older people and volunteers who are part of the business and wider community. The plan is to develop an impressive asset and realise the economic utilisation of this asset and future uses. We welcome participation in building a collaborative plan for the centre. The Business Hive is a fantastic development for Oamaru from a collaboration perspective.
7. **Strengthening Māori and Pasifika business community** – Business South Inc is building long-term partnerships to foster and grow the creative and diverse business communities. We would like the Council to support cultural diversity in the business sector.

On behalf of our members, thank you for considering this submission and we look forward to presenting at the forthcoming hearing in mid-May 2022.

CONTACT FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, contact the Chief Executive Officer, Mike Collins, 03 479 0181.

APPENDIX 1. ABOUT BUSINESS SOUTH INC

Business South Incorporated - Otago Chamber and Southern Employers is a membership-based service organisation. The Chamber and Southern Employers together have a combined history of nearly 300 years' worth of business support, expertise, and representation in the region. The Otago Chamber of Commerce¹ was founded in 1861 and the Otago Southland Employers' Association was founded in 1890.

Comprised of over 1,300 members, Business South Inc actively provides information, advocacy, and support for business:

- connecting members through networking events and functions
- advocacy
- business support
- employment relations
- health and safety
- workforce development
- developing capability and skills through our training workshops and programmes, including the not-for-profit sector.

We also advocate and offer a voice for business concerns and submit on behalf of members on local and national government policy. We represent a broad cross-section of business demographics including, location and industry type, with a full range from small businesses through to large employers and stakeholders in the Otago and Southland region.

We are a member of both the national BusinessNZ and NZ Chamber of Commerce networks.

¹ Business South Inc excludes the chamber organisations in the Queenstown Lakes District – Queenstown Chamber of Commerce and Ignite Wanaka.

Waitaki Resource Recovery Trust (WRRT) Submission to 2022/2023 Annual Plan

MISSION STATEMENT

'To optimise the amount of material diverted from landfill to beneficial uses through Community ownership of our resource streams'

Submission

That the Waitaki District council increases the annual grant provided to WRRT to \$340,000. This is an increase of \$80,000 P/A.

WRRT would like to speak to this submission

Introduction

Firstly, the Waitaki Resource Recovery Trust would like to thank the Waitaki District Council for supporting our operation over the last 19 years.

WRRT has been operating the Waitaki Resource Recovery Park (WRRP) since 2003, where we first opened for 1 day per week, developing to provide recycling and other environmental services to our Community and the WDC. This then moved to 4 days per week. With the encouragement from the community and WDC the recycling, greenwaste and rubbish services were extended to 7 days per week. In 2021 WRRT were granted an extension on the existing resource consent to open the 'Get Sorted' shop to 7 days, this brought all services provided by WRRT able to open 7 days per week (except public holidays). This is reflected in the car count. On average there have been 4578 per month of cars through this calendar year already.

Grant funding was increased 31st of March 2011 to \$60,000 from \$42,000 +GST per quarter. There has not been an increase since this date.

Our operation is viewed around the country as a model for the industry because of the ability to recover an optimum amount of resources, the social benefits it creates by way of employing disadvantaged people and the presentation of the site.

This has come about through a combination of circumstances which includes good governance, good management and the commitment of staff to creating an environment conducive to imparting the vision of optimum resource recovery to the Community.

We therefore, are able to provide the social, environmental and financial benefits to our Community which would only come about through a Community driven, Council supported operation.

Without WRRT offering the below services all our communities waste and recycling would have ended up in the landfill. We are currently diverting \$800,000 of product from Landfill with an aim to reach \$1 million this year.

WRRT have absorbed the increases in operating costs for the last 10 years but are not in position to continue doing so in the current economic crisis. Our contract with WDC now has CPI component for annual increases which has not been previously.

Services

Education
Employment
Environmental
Other Community Groups Assistance
Social Benefit

Reuse

Electrical goods
'Get Sorted' Shop
Garden Corner
Green waste-Mulch
Landscaping products

Recycling-Commercial & Domestic

Cardboard
Ewaste
Foam
Glass
Metal
Paper
Plastics
Polystyrene
Tetra Pak

Social Benefit

The Park has developed into a 'Community hub'. The many benefits of this include:

- ♻️ Buy in from the Community for recycling
- ♻️ Resources available for the Community
- ♻️ 'Get Sorted' Shop
- ♻️ Employment opportunities
- ♻️ A meeting place for people and the sharing of knowledge and resources

Because of the balance of skilled staff, we are able to offer an accommodating environment for workers who would otherwise have difficulty obtaining gainful employment. These include long term unemployed, these people gain a sense of belonging and purpose, and, in several cases this mitigates against unsavoury social behaviour.

We are able to offer a suitable workplace for 'Community Hours' workers as we are the only agency in Oamaru that can currently provide this service for workers who are not suited for the work gangs.

Items which would otherwise have gone to landfill are available for the needy and innovative. We have been able to assist many local groups with resources from the 'Get Sorted' shop.

To date we have had 1000 people we have recovered by offering these services.

“We are not only recycling of resources, we are also recycling people, we just happen to be using the waste stream to do it”.

Community Organisations

Here at WRRT we assist other community groups in providing a place for them to locate. The Menz Shed moved to the Park in 2020. There are 2 local Lions clubs that have their stalls at our site; these were located here to help stop the theft that was happening at their unsecured sites, which this has done. It is also giving them an increase in their funds which helps other community projects throughout the district.

Financial

Although you will see from our profit and loss reports we have tried to cut costs as much as we can, along with developing new income streams. Even though this has helped, due to the cost of living rising, fuel prices, freight and wages this has a dramatic effect on our current cash flow and our ability to at least break even.

WRRT have tried to keep our wages down by not replacing staff when they have left, however this is not reflected in our figures due to the Government minimum wage increase over the past few years, extra sick leave entitlements, domestic violence leave and additional public holidays.

Ideally, we could do with another 3-4 staff to help maintain the level of services we provide; this is not possible in our current economic state. This would need to be reassessed in the future once the cost of living and freight stabilises.

Wages paid stay inside the district.

Funding

We have applied for funding from other sources and been successful on many of these applications. However, we still have needed to contribute to these projects as we haven't been able to get the full amount of funding due to trying times for all funding organisations and so many people in need.

Fire

Due to the loss from the damages from the fire this has also contributed to loss of income and extra expenses as a direct result of the fire, Even though we did have insurance this didn't cover all the costs that we had put into making the products recyclable. The loss from the fire after insurance is \$30,000 which unfortunately will affect our income.

Markets

While we have developed our own markets since the Chinese sword recycling policy was brought in, commodity prices are still very fickle at present. We are recycling 95% of the products within New Zealand markets. The difficulty is getting our quality products to the destinations due to the continued rising of freight costs.

Our freight costs will be doubling on the first of June for glass, which has resulted in us needing to change the way we house and ship the product. We are applying to the Glass Packaging Forum for funding of over \$40,000 to accommodate this change.

As a way of reducing our carbon foot print and freight costs we have been transporting our plastics in 40 ft shipping containers. However, this has produced its own set of issues as we have been unable to get a 40ft shipping container to transport the product to Wellington, this resulted in missing our booking in March. Our new bookings are July we are trying to source the availability of a container now to ensure we do not miss this one.

WRRT were the first to be able to recycle Tetra Pak containers, which has been a success and is now open to other centres and towns in NZ.

Soft plastics are now accepted at the WRRP. Once this was announced we were approached by businesses in Dunedin and organisations in Rangiora to help them getting this set up in their districts.

Some of the products we are recycling are cost neutral due to no rebates currently for these products. We are still accepting these products to avoid them being sent to landfill and any confusion or issues arising from customers not being happy that we cannot take them. They are still being recycled just without the rebates.

Diversion

Below you can see from the spreadsheet that our diversion rates are remaining stable and in the high 80 % range. Other relates to Tetra Pak, Soft plastics, foam and Polystyrene which started in October.

WRRT divert an average of 2500 tonnes per year. This compared to the Clutha District that collects on average of 500 tonnes per year from their kerbside collection service, drop off points at Mt Coovee landfill and rural transfer stations.

Landfill diversion Monthly figures 2021

Month	Cardboard	Ewaste	Glass	Greenwaste	Metal	Paper	Plastic	Shop	Other	Total recycled	Landfill	Total	Diversion %
Jul-21	34.46	4.01	34.64	12.26	7.29	0.00	0.00	50.71		143.36	40.30	183.66	78.06
Aug-21	34.82	1.34	51.62	7.28	4.73	0.00	0.00	27.04		126.83	10.42	137.25	92.41
Sep-21	23.06	3.40	49.56	4.97	4.92	8.11	19.08	41.21		154.31	26.92	181.23	85.15
Oct-21	60.32	2.17	47.16	16.05	11.41	15.54	44.72	36.00	0.03	233.37	24.24	257.61	90.59
Nov-21	41.12	72.14	30.00	24.06	9.73	10.02	5.39	41.64	0.07	234.10	34.50	268.60	87.16
Dec-21	39.94	52.95	51.78	28.44	15.33	8.70	37.53	49.19	0.14	283.86	34.50	318.36	89.16
Jan-22	87.05	15.00	31.54	14.45	8.82	8.24		39.72	0.65	204.82	25.82	230.64	88.80
Feb-22	49.26	10.35	49.42	9.89	7.68	8.98		37.49	0.85	173.07	26.88	199.95	86.56
Mar-22	54.30	18.56	35.78	21.74	2.96	11.56	14.34	44.83	0.84	201.11	22.68	223.79	89.87
Apr-22										0.00		0.00	#DIV/0!
May-22										0.00		0.00	#DIV/0!
Jun-22										0.00		0.00	#DIV/0!
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Total	424.33	179.93	381.50	139.14	69.90	71.14	121.05	367.83	2.57	1754.83	246.26	2001.09	78.06

Conclusion

WRRT is providing a solution for a problem which is a serious issue and will continue to be in the future.

Through WRRT and WDC we are meeting the current obligations under the MfE NZ Waste Strategy and our own WDC Solid Waste Strategy. We look forward to continuing to work alongside the WDC in meeting and exceeding the current and future requirements as developed from Central Government.

Waitaki Resource Recovery Trust
Statement of Financial Performance

For The Year Ended 30 June 2018

	Notes	2018 \$	2017 \$
Revenue			
Donations, Fundraising and Other Similar Revenue	1	342,599	251,287
Revenue From Providing Goods and Services	1	539,064	540,943
Interest, Dividends and Other Investment Revenue	1	1,401	1,275
Total Revenue		883,064	793,505
Expenses			
Volunteer and Employee Related Costs	2	656,350	560,757
Costs Related to Providing Goods or Services	2	220,945	130,076
Other Expenses	2	62,938	75,819
Expenses		940,233	766,652
Net Surplus/(Deficit)		(57,169)	26,853



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Waitaki Resource Recovery Trust

Statement of Financial Performance

For The Year Ended 30 June 2019

	Notes	2019 \$	2018 \$
Revenue			
Donations, Fundraising and Other Similar Revenue	1	613,622	342,599
Revenue From Providing Goods and Services	1	432,111	539,064
Interest, Dividends and Other Investment Revenue	1	347	1,401
Total Revenue		1,046,080	883,064
Expenses			
Volunteer and Employee Related Costs	2	697,741	656,350
Costs Related to Providing Goods or Services	2	256,831	220,945
Other Expenses	2	62,262	62,938
Expenses		1,016,834	940,233
Net Surplus/(Deficit)		29,246	(57,169)

The attached notes and Auditor's Report form an integral part of these financial statements.



Waitaki Resource Recovery Trust

Statement of Financial Performance

For The Year Ended 30 June 2020

	Notes	2020 \$	2019 \$
Revenue			
Donations, Fundraising and Other Similar Revenue	1	525,486	613,622
Revenue From Providing Goods or Services	1	387,039	432,111
Interest, Dividends and Other Investment Income	1	52	347
Other Income	1	198,483	-
Total Revenue		1,111,060	1,046,080
Expenses			
Volunteer and Employee Related Costs	2	721,696	697,741
Costs Related to Providing Goods or Services	2	203,452	256,831
Other Expenses	2	50,565	62,262
Expenses		975,714	1,016,834
Net Surplus		135,346	29,246

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Waitaki Resource Recovery Trust

Statement of Financial Performance

For The Year Ended 30 June 2021

	Notes	2021 \$	2020 \$
Revenue			
Donations, Fundraising and Other Similar Revenue	1	344,525	525,486
Revenue From Providing Goods and Services	1	555,732	387,039
Interest, Dividends and Other Investment Revenue	1	82	52
COVID-19 Wage Subsidy		77,237	198,483
Total Revenue		977,575	1,111,060
Expenses			
Volunteer and Employee Related Costs	2	696,809	721,696
Costs Related to Providing Goods or Services	2	222,155	203,452
Other Expenses	2	79,961	50,565
Expenses		998,925	975,714
Net Surplus/(Deficit)		(21,349)	135,346

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Overall Budget

Budget Summary Waitaki Resource Recovery Trust July 2021 to June 2022

Account	Jul-21	Aug-21	Sep-21	Oct-21	Nov-21	Dec-21	Jan-22	Feb-22	Mar-22	Apr-22	May-22	Jun-22
Income												
Builders Waste Income	100	100	500	500	500	500	500	500	500	500	500	500
Cardboard Income	6,500	6,500	6,500	6,500	6,500	6,500	6,500	6,500	6,500	6,500	6,500	6,500
E Waste Income	850	850	850	850	850	850	850	850	850	850	850	850
Electrical Income	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50
Furniture Income	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200
Garden Corner Income	100	100	3,000	3,000	3,500	3,000	2,000	2,500	2,000	1,200	500	-
Glass Income	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
Green Waste Income	2,000	2,000	1,800	2,000	3,000	4,000	3,500	3,000	2,500	2,500	1,500	1,500
Metal Income	1,250	1,250	1,250	1,250	1,250	1,250	1,250	1,250	1,250	1,250	1,250	1,250
Mulch Income	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350
Pick up and Delivery Income	150	150	150	150	150	150	150	150	150	150	150	150
Plastic Income	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000
Recycling Charge	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000
Refuse Income	8,500	8,500	8,500	8,500	8,500	8,500	8,500	8,500	8,500	8,500	8,500	8,500
Shop Income	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000
Total Income	48,050	48,050	51,150	51,350	52,850	53,350	51,850	51,850	50,850	50,050	48,350	47,850
Less Cost of Sales												
ACC Levies	-	-	-	-	-	10,000	-	-	-	-	-	-

Overall Budget

Account	Jul-21	Aug-21	Sep-21	Oct-21	Nov-21	Dec-21	Jan-22	Feb-22	Mar-22	Apr-22	May-22	Jun-22
Baling	3,800	-	-	3,800	-	-	3,800	-	-	3,800	-	-
Cartage	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800
Electrical Testing & Degassing	-	-	-	-	200	200	-	200	200	200	200	200
Electricity	1,000	550	900	600	500	550	550	550	550	550	550	550
Equipment Leases	150	150	150	150	150	150	150	150	150	150	150	250
Ewaste Consignments	2,000	-	-	1,200	-	1,200	-	-	2,000	-	-	1,200
Fuel	600	600	600	600	600	600	600	600	600	600	600	750
Payroll	58,000	58,000	58,000	58,000	58,000	58,000	58,000	58,000	58,000	58,000	58,000	58,000
Purchases	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350	350
Repairs & Maintenance Plant & Vehicles	750	750	750	750	750	750	750	750	750	750	750	950
Residual Waste Disposal	10,800	10,800	10,800	10,800	10,800	10,800	10,800	10,800	10,800	10,800	10,800	10,800
Total Cost of Sales	80,250	74,000	74,350	79,050	74,150	85,400	77,800	74,200	76,200	78,000	74,200	75,850
Gross Profit	(32,200)	(25,950)	(23,200)	(27,700)	(21,300)	(32,050)	(25,950)	(22,350)	(25,350)	(27,950)	(25,850)	(28,000)
Other Income												
Donations Received	-	750	750	450	450	450	450	450	450	450	450	750
Total Other Income	-	750	750	450	750							
Less Operating Expenses												
Accountancy Fees	-	-	-	-	-	6,000	-	-	-	-	-	500
Advertising	-	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Audit Fee	-	-	-	-	-	3,500	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bank Fees and Charges	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30
Computer Expenses	60	60	60	60	60	60	60	60	60	60	60	60
Conference, Courses and Training	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50

Overall Budget

Account	Jul-21	Aug-21	Sep-21	Oct-21	Nov-21	Dec-21	Jan-22	Feb-22	Mar-22	Apr-22	May-22	Jun-22
Health & Safety	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	250
Insurance	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,000	-	-
Motor Vehicle Expenses	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50
Other Employee Costs	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Postage	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15
Staff Amenities	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	250
Stationary & Office	275	275	275	275	275	275	275	275	275	275	275	275
Subscriptions & Fees	400	400	400	400	400	400	400	400	400	400	400	400
Telephone & Tolls	300	300	300	300	300	300	300	300	300	300	300	300
Total Operating Expenses	1,690	1,790	1,790	1,790	1,790	11,290	1,790	1,790	1,790	11,790	1,790	2,290
Total Expenses	1,690	1,790	1,790	1,790	1,790	11,290	1,790	1,790	1,790	11,790	1,790	2,290
Net Profit	(33,890)	(26,990)	(24,240)	(29,040)	(22,640)	(42,890)	(27,290)	(23,690)	(26,690)	(39,290)	(27,190)	(29,540)

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Q1

Your contact details

Name	Paul Joseph Rutledge
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Q2

Yes

Would you like to speak to your submission at Council Hearings? You can attend the Hearing in person, or via zoom link. We will contact you to arrange a time. Note: All public Council Meetings are livestreamed for public viewing and recorded.

Q3

[REDACTED]

Age (optional)

Q4

Ethnicity (optional)

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Q5

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Are you (optional - tick all that apply): [REDACTED]

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Q6

1. Our RoadsQuestion: Would you be happy to pay more to keep your roads in the current condition? Or would you prefer to pay the same, and accept that we will not be able to maintain the roads as well or as regularly as you are used to? Which option do you prefer?

Pay more to keep your roads in the current condition,

Comments:

Roading infrastructure is a critical component of our district assets. The road network must be maintained to a high standard to enable ease of movement at all times - but especially in times of emergency and other high demand situations. As the planet warms this will become of increasing importance.

Q7

2. DrainageQuestion: Do you support extra funds being set aside to deal with drainage works that are needed?

Yes

Q8

3. 3Waters Question: Do you agree with our decision to bring forward 3Waters projects to ensure we have quality water and infrastructure for our future?

No,

Comments:

Firstly as to what Three Waters is to deal with. In this context I focus only on potable water. It is a truism that potable water is the foundation of our very existence. UNICEF has said that climate change is exacerbating water stress that already exists, leading to increased competition for water, even conflict. I believe that in a warming world supplies of potable water will generally come under ever increasing pressure, and accordingly as it is vital to life it will become a resource of ever increasing priority. The New Zealand public are already being taught that potable water can no longer be taken for granted. So safe, effective, and democratic control of such a resource within our country going forward is a vital issue for me. This council has rolled over on the government's Three Waters program, but there is now ample evidence of widespread public concern regarding it. I believe that concern has arisen with regard to the effective divestment of local bodies of substantial assets; the co-governance model proposed with iwi having half control, and the arrogant refusal of the government to give due and honest attention to valid criticisms of the program. From the outset I have been primarily and greatly concerned by the co-governance proposal (hereafter the proposal) and the attack it represents on our democratic traditions. It is in my view essential that there should firstly be widespread public debate, lead and assisted in the media and otherwise by appropriate experts and academics, and politicians of course. And secondly no such proposal should proceed to implementation without full public participation in the outcome – probably through a referendum. To my mind it is utterly irresponsible of any government to push forward with such a proposal without such debate and participation, and I reject outright the suggestion that this government has any such mandate. Further, it is beyond irresponsibility and indeed it is reprehensible that the government has not even bothered to publicly explain its proposal in any structured and intelligible way. I believe these few comments to be self-evident. Accordingly I have been appalled that not only has there been no such public debate and participation, on the contrary in my view there is clear evidence of attempts to avoid the same and thereby to subvert the democratic system and the rights of the electorate. On top of that, the media, who have a clear duty to the public to report on such matters, have largely failed to do so. It follows that I have similarly been appalled by the failure of my local body to take a leadership stance in opposing this proposal. I have warned Mr Kircher and the Waitaki District Council that there is a strong undercurrent of local dissatisfaction in this regard that you ignore at your peril. Accordingly this Council should immediately reverse its position and

Council should immediately reverse its position and oppose the proposal. Accordingly it is premature to proceed with the projects referred to.

Q9

4. Reforms Question: Do you support Waitaki working to be a leading council in ensuring local government in the future is better able to meet our community needs?

Yes,

Comments:

In the face of so many challenges that will affect us all, and future generations, of course I support such a mission statement. First and foremost climate change is already wreaking havoc worldwide. In addition, our democratic form of government is under attack. There is a real threat of a European war that will affect us if it materializes. And our economy is under threat. But the time for fine words is past - action is required.

Q10

Your thoughts and ideas Is there anything else you'd like to tell us about?

Not here and now.

Q11

Respondent skipped this question

If you prefer, you can upload your feedback as a pdf or word document here:

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Page 2: YOUR DETAILS

Q1

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Q2

Yes

Would you like to speak to your submission at Council Hearings? You can attend the Hearing in person, or via zoom link. We will contact you to arrange a time. Note: All public Council Meetings are livestreamed for public viewing and recorded.

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Respondent skipped this question

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Your thoughts and ideasIs there anything else you'd like to tell us about?

The WDC should become an accredited Living Wage Employer - see: <https://www.livingwage.org.nz/employers>

Q11

If you prefer, you can upload your feedback as a pdf or word document here:

Living Wage Waitaki submission on WDC Annual Plan 2022-23.pdf (157.5KB)

Living Wage Waitaki
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19th April 2022

markofsmith@gmail.com

Dear Alex Parmley
For the Waitaki District Council,

1. Submission on the Annual Plan 2022-2023

The Living Wage Waitaki network makes this submission with respect to the Council's Annual Plan consultation process.

We wish to speak to our submission.

Please communicate with our spokespeople Heather Machin, Linton Winder or Mark Smith at one of the addresses above. Email is our preferred form of written communication.

2. Living Wage Waitaki.

Living Wage Waitaki advocates for employers to pay at least the Living Wage to their staff and the staff of contractors with whom they habitually engage. Our present spokespeople are Heather Machin, Linton Winder and Mark Smith.

Our network is one of many similar networks in New Zealand and part of New Zealand's Living Wage Movement. Living Wage Movement Aotearoa New Zealand brings together community/secular and faith-based groups to campaign for a Living Wage.

The Living Wage movement has emerged as a response to growing poverty and inequality that continues to hold back so many Kiwis, their families and our economy.

3. The Living Wage

The Living Wage concept is simple, yet powerful – it is the hourly wage a worker needs to pay for the necessities of life, live with dignity and participate as an active citizen in the community.

It accurately reflects the basic expenses of workers and their families such as food, transportation, housing and childcare, and is calculated

independently each year by the New Zealand Family Centre Social Policy Unit - an NGO prominent in social policy research.¹

The New Zealand Living Wage hourly rate for 2022/23 is \$23.65. It was announced on April 1 and will come into effect on 1 September 2022.

The Living Wage rate in New Zealand is set at about 68% of the average hourly earnings in New Zealand. That dollar figure is reviewed annually by The Family Centre. At the beginning of each year, it gathers wage and other financial data and in April publishes an updated Living Wage amount which is expressed as an hourly rate that becomes effective from 1st September in that year. The delay between the new rates' release and its implementation gives employers time to plan for the increase.

There is a distinction to be drawn between being an accredited Living Wage employer and an employer paying the Living Wage. An accredited Living Wage employer is one who pays not only its own staff at least the Living Wage but ensures that the staff of those from whom it habitually buys goods and services also pay at least the Living Wage.

4. The Waitaki District Council's situation.

In 2021 Council indicated in response to a LGOIMA request that 25% of WDC workers earned less than the Living Wage. According to that response, the estimated cost in that year to lift all workers to the Living Wage would have been just \$36,110. According to WDC's response, this increase would have represented a very small (0.11%) increase on the rates budgeted for the 2020/2021 year. According to Council's own response, that would have been equivalent to 0.063% of the total expenditure for the Council that year.

While the above figures are no longer timely, the point very likely still holds: WDC can reasonably afford to pay the Living Wage. It is worth noting that it appears that Dunedin City, South Canterbury and Waimate Councils are now all committed to paying at least the Living Wage to their staff.

5. Why pay the Living Wage.

Paying a Living Wage has the potential to provide benefits for the Council, through reduced absenteeism and sick leave, increased staff retention, increased productivity and higher quality of worker output.

In addition, a Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) impact analysis on public service living wage increases noted: 'There are also likely to be benefits to the local economy, as low-wage workers and households tend to spend a higher proportion of wage gains on immediate needs and tend to spend a higher proportion within their local region.'²

¹ <https://www.livingwage.org.nz/>

² Reynolds, D., Pearson, R., and Voortkamp, J., (1999), The impact of the Detroit living wage ordinance. Centre for Urban Studies and Labour Studies Centre, College of Urban, Labour and Metropolitan Affairs, Wayne State University. Cited in Cabinet paper 'Implementing a minimum

Such a course of action would also be in line with Council's four community outcomes and the four well-beings from S3 of the Local Government Act 2002.

So paying the Living Wage would be good for Council, and good for the District. It is also the right thing to do.

More than just improving the economy, making smart businesses more profitable and helping people help themselves, paying the Living Wage helps alleviate poverty.

Poverty is associated with poor health and shorter lifespans, as well as inter-generational unemployment, poor mental health and addiction. Poverty inhibits educational attainment and participation in the kind of recreational opportunities we pride ourselves in having on our doorstep here in the Waitaki.

By paying the Living Wage, WDC would be taking strong action against the scourge of poverty wages. By paying the Living Wage, Council would also be demonstrating leadership in the community, and provide an example for other leaders to take action.

Accordingly Living Wage Waitaki calls on the Waitaki District Council to take a bold step for the good of the Waitaki and become an accredited Living Wage Employer.

Yours faithfully,

Heather Machin, Linton Winder and Mark Smith
Spokespeople for Living Wage Waitaki.

Submission to Council regarding support to repurpose the heritage RSA (Royal New Zealand Returned and Services Association) building located at Itchen Street, Oamaru to a Community Hub

Who are we?

This submission is brought to you by the Waitaki community, represented by the Waitaki Community House Trust, and the Community Hub development group. The Community Hub development group consists out of representatives from the community and social service providers. There is representation from different cultures and races. Together we voice the need for a Community Hub in Oamaru.

What do we want?

We like to see a space that is used by the community to come together, where people come to use social services, where people come to socialize and learn from one another, all in one Hub. In light of the review of Future of Local Government we want to work together with Council to find a premises to deliver those shared services.

The current Community House is no longer fit for this purpose. Its layout is considered rabbit warren, the walls are not soundproofed to provide privacy when talking about sensitive issues, collaboration between social services is not encouraged, there is no useful shared space to encourage interaction, social support or an interactive work environment. The Community House is full and cannot provide space for more social services, even though the demand and need is there. This has led several organisations to house in more expensive commercial buildings. All of this has a big negative impact on the quality of social services provided for clients.

The current community house is limited in space which heavily discourages collaboration between community support groups. With a relocation to a central community Hub, collaboration will be supported and stimulated between support organisations and services. It will also provide more space for more groups and services. Furthermore, a larger facility will be able to accommodate meetings and community group get-togethers at a community-appropriate cost (rather than commercial prices). We have several hundred organisations and groups throughout the district; more than 300 community groups and over 160 community service organisations. Only a purpose-developed Hub will be able to help all of them function more effectively and more cost-effectively. We see some of the obvious requirements as being:

- Clean, warm, sound-proofed and flexible office space and meeting room facilities with modern IT infrastructure
- A need for shared facilities (e.g. bathroom, kitchen, reception, printing etc.) to help reduce costs for agencies, community services and community groups
- A location for shared services (e.g. marketing, finance, auditing) to operate to further mitigate operational costs for individual agencies
- Community space where inter-generational and intercultural mixing can easily take place
- One-step shop for community support and services (e.g. JPs, community services / support agencies)
- A rallying place for community pride and engagement

- Accessible, multi-purpose, multi-use space for community groups
- Create a community culture where services and individuals work together for improved community outcomes

The groups' primary location for the Hub would be the heritage RSA building located at Itchen Street, Oamaru. In 2022 a feasibility study has been conducted by the Dunedin based company Feldspar which has identified several possible sites for a Community Hub. It has also identified key aspects for a successful hub, which the heritage RSA site conforms to. It is uniquely desirable as a community centre.

The Hub must be established in a central part of town, preferably in an empty existing building that the community loves to use. It would be fantastic to bring the building back to its former glory by given it a renewed purpose. We know that the wider community is supportive of this idea by the positive reactions we received when this plan was first announced in the Oamaru Mail.

How can the Council help?

The process to make the Hub a possibility will require time and resources, as the heritage RSA building has several legal obstacles that needs to be challenged. We believe that working together with Council on these challenges is an excellent example of the Future for Local Government review in action. We have identified the following issues:

1. Building status need adjustment
 - a. Currently it is prohibited to use the building for commercial services.
 - b. Services provided within the building can't be charged for.
 - i. It makes sense that this prohibits renting out spaces to social service providers.
2. Land status as a reserve
 - a. The Oamaru Town Hall and Gasworks Sites and Recreation Reserves Act 1875 prohibits any leasing of the land as the land is considered a reserve. We ask Council for capacity to amend this Act in parliament.

There needs to be a clear definition of the land the RSA structure resides on. We ask Council to investigate and put capacity into clearing up the legal uncertainties around the use of the land. It seems that in 2019 it was discovered that the land is not be leased out under any circumstances due to the [Oamaru Town Hall and Gasworks Sites and Recreation Reserves Act 1875](#). We ask Council to collaborate with Ngai Tahu and the Department of Conservation to appeal or amend this Act in parliament, so that it fits our modern and future needs.

If the above is not possible, we want to work together with Council to search for another viable option. Working together to benefit our community. Support from Council is essential to get this done.

Thank you for your consideration.

Written on behalf of the Community Hub development group,

Robert Roodnat

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HOW CAN I HAVE MY SAY?



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fill in the online form on our website:
www.waitaki.govt.nz/annualplan2022-23



Write it

and post it back to us:
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Private Bag 50058,
Ōamaru 9444



Email it

send your feedback to
consult@waitaki.govt.nz



Drop it

to Council offices in
Ōamaru - 20 Thames St, or
Palmerston - 54 Tiverton St.



Talk to us

You can share your ideas and comments in person at the Council hearings. Be sure to outline your key points in your feedback that you will refer to – and tick the box that you would like to speak to your submission. The dates for hearing submissions and feedback will be Monday 16 May and Tuesday 17 May.

Drop in sessions

We will also be having some community drop-in sessions for you to call in and share your thoughts. Dates for the drop-in sessions will be up on our website and Facebook page during the feedback period.

info and online feedback form



Need a hand?

If you would like help making a submission – either online or hardcopy – our lovely team at the Ōamaru Library are happy to help. Just call in and see them.

ANNUAL PLAN 2022-23 FEEDBACK FORM

If you live in Waitaki, whether you pay rates or not, we would love to hear your thoughts on what we are planning, and any other thoughts or ideas you have to help make Waitaki the best place to be.

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

YOUR DETAILS

Note: your name and feedback will be made public as part of the decision-making process. Other details will remain private. Please get your feedback in to us before 5pm on **Wednesday 4 May 2022**.

Name Late White Organisation (if applicable)

Address

Email..... Phone. 123

Please tick if you would like to speak to your feedback at the Council Hearings

You can attend the Hearing in person, or via a zoom link. We will contact you to arrange a time.
Note: Council Meetings are livestreamed for public viewing and recorded.

We are asking the following questions to understand more about who we are hearing from – these questions are completely optional.

Age (optional) 1

Ethnicity (optional)

Are you: a Ratepayer and/or a Resident (tick all that apply)



QUESTIONS

You're welcome to comment on any aspect of the Annual Plan but we are seeking your specific feedback on the four topics below.

1. Our Roads [page 7]

Question: Would you be happy to pay more to keep your roads in the current condition? Or would you prefer to pay the same, and accept that we will not be able to maintain the roads as well or as regularly as you are used to? **Which option do you prefer? (please tick one):**

Pay more to keep your roads in the current condition

Pay the same for reduced service

Comments

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2. Drainage [page 7]

Question: Do you support extra funds being set aside to deal with drainage works that are needed?

Yes No

Comments

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3. 3Waters [page 8]

Question: Do you agree with our decision to bring forward 3Waters projects to ensure we have quality water and infrastructure for our future?

Yes No

Comments

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4. Reforms [page 10]

Question: Do you support Waitaki working to be a leading council in ensuring local government in the future is better able to meet our community needs?

Yes No

Comments

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Your thoughts and ideas

Is there anything else you would like to tell us about?

More support for East Otago tourism
More sensitivity towards Te Reo



Run out of room? Attach more pages if needed.

Please give us your feedback by 5pm Wednesday, 4 May 2022

Mandy McIntosh

From: Kate
Sent: Wednesday, 4 May 2011
To:
Subject: Re: Annual Plan Feedback Acknowledgement



External Email Be careful with links and attachments. Think before clicking – do I know this person and does this person's request make sense?

I just wanted to add some things to my application to speak to the annual plan.

1. I think that the WDC needs to get rid of the name Special School Rd from Otekaieke. Campbell Park was a place where a lot of young men suffered a great deal of trauma and people still come back there today to try and deal with the demons - I know of no one that has said it was a happy time for them attending that school.
2. I also think it is time that the WDC should change the name of Shag Point to the areas correct name which is Matakaea - I don't need to explain about the Shag if people were to refer to the birds that would be fine but they dont!
3. At Matakaea we have a reserve area that is our only community space for meeting as a community but it faces south east and is often bitterly cold. The community would like to ask the council to make a contribution towards a shelter that we could gather in and possibly have a coin operated bbq alongside. As a community we have planted in that area and have tried to make it an attractive space. The Shag Pt Ratepayers Assoc (yes we need to change the name) if we were to have a contribution from WDC could apply for top up funding.
4. For several years now we have been trying to get something done about the trees on public land alongside the road, many of these are large and if they were to fall they would block access in and out of the community, not to mention taking down power lines etc.

I will speak to all these subjects

Ngā mihi,
Kate White

www.waitakibraids.com



WAITAKI BRAIDS LODGE

"When the spirits are low, when the day appears dark, when work becomes monotonous,
when hope hardly seems worth having, just mount a bicycle and go out for a spin down the road,

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Q1

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Q2

Yes

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Are you (optional - tick all that apply):

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Q6

1. Our RoadsQuestion: Would you be happy to pay more to keep your roads in the current condition? Or would you prefer to pay the same, and accept that we will not be able to maintain the roads as well or as regularly as you are used to? Which option do you prefer?

Pay more to keep your roads in the current condition,

Comments:

Pay more to improve roads. The state of Eden Street is an example of our roads that are so poorly maintained.

Q7

2. DrainageQuestion: Do you support extra funds being set aside to deal with drainage works that are needed?

No,

Comments:

Take funds from our strong Balance Sheet asset base.

Q8

3. 3WatersQuestion: Do you agree with our decision to bring forward 3Waters projects to ensure we have quality water and infrastructure for our future?

No,

Comments:

Believe 3 Water should be rejected. We should not use taxpayer funds to purchase our already owned water assets. We have already invested huge amounts via DC's and rates to our own asset, we must retain 100% local ownership.

Q9

4. ReformsQuestion: Do you support Waitaki working to be a leading council in ensuring local government in the future is better able to meet our community needs?

Yes

Q10

Your thoughts and ideasIs there anything else you'd like to tell us about?

As per this ODT article below the Ardgowan School is seeking action to provide a bike path plan.

We will arrange funding of the upgrade, however are requesting WDC to support by providing plans.

We have community support via petition already presented of over 30 signatures and we have a project website which has already provided 10 supportive submissions;

<https://ardgowan-bike-path.yolasite.com/>

We are happy to arrange effected household engagement, once we know where the bike path can run.

There is an annual WDC spend of approx. \$2.5m on consultancy, as indicated the WDC Roding Department is short staffed, so can we have some consultancy budget allocated in order to achieve bike path plans?

We can than begin fundraising.

<https://www.odt.co.nz/regions/north-otago/school-community-backing-path-project>

Q11

Respondent skipped this question

If you prefer, you can upload your feedback as a pdf or word document here:



ARDGOWAN ROAD BIKE PATH

Ardgowan

School 03 433

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HELP PROVIDE A SAFE COMMUNITY EXERCISE PATHWAY

Project is to develop a safe off road bike and foot pathway, providing a community wellbeing asset.

Linking upper Eden Street along Ardgowan Road to Ardgowan School, includes access to the Reservoir Reserve bike tracks in an Alps to Ocean style gravel track. Please email us with your support of this project to assist with our submission the Waitaki District Council's annual plan.

We will fundraise and organise community construction working bees once we have community approved plans.

Please support by emailing us via the below links:

[GET IN TOUCH](#)

[SUBMIT YOUR SUPPORT](#)

COMMUNITY WELLBEING BENEFITS

Provide a safe off road walking and biking track accessing Ardgowan School.





Enable exercise links to the Observatory Hill retirement village



A safe off road trail for exercising dogs.

SUGGESTED ROUTE

We are planning to run the path on the West side of Ardgowan Road from upper Eden Street to the Ardgowan Hall. Then provide a safe

crossing of the Ardgowan road to the East side at the intersection. From the East side of the Hall, the path will then run along Ardgowan Road to the Ardgowan School.

This is just a draft, so please provide feedback for us to submit to Waitaki District Council's annual plan.

Please submit your feedback and support below.

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Wanting to see some action on a planned cycle and walkway along Ardgowan Rd are (from left) Ardgowan School parent Robyn Nind, pupil Will Bamford (10), board of trustees presiding member Simon Berry and principal Ryan Fraser. PHOTO: REBECCA RYAN

Ardgowan School is continuing its push to ensure a planned cycle and walkway along Ardgowan Rd becomes a reality.

Last year, the school's board of trustees made a submission to the Waitaki District Council's 2021-31 long-term plan, asking for plans for a cycle and walkway from the top of Oamaru's Eden St to Ardgowan School to be brought forward.

Since then, there has been an outpouring of support from the school community, including a donation of 200 tonnes of gravel and offers of labour and machinery to get the project under way.

A website has been recently launched to gather more community support, as part of the board's submission to the council's annual plan this year.

Board of trustees presiding member Simon Berry said Ardgowan Rd was becoming increasingly busy and safety was "quite a concern".

The speed limit had been reduced to 60kmh, which was positive, but the roadside was still too dangerous for pupils to bike or walk along to school unsupervised, Mr Berry said.

He expected a cycle and walkway to be "well used" by school pupils and their families, as well as members of the wider community. It would also link mountain bikers to the Oamaru Reservoir tracks.

Principal Ryan Fraser said Ardgowan School had a roll of 113 pupils and about 19 caught a bus from the top of Eden St to the school, a 3km trip, because there was no path along Ardgowan Rd to walk or cycle along.

A lot of parents also chose to drive their children to school, and as a result, there were problems with congestion at the start and end of the school day.

Mr Fraser expected a lot of pupils would bike or walk to school if it was safe to do so.

At present, just one pupil regularly biked to school, but he was always accompanied by his mother due to safety concerns.

Robyn Nind, who lives in Ardgowan Rd and whose son goes to Ardgowan School, said a cycle and walkway would have several benefits, including encouraging exercise, reducing emissions and congestion and improving safety, which was a matter of urgency.

"I just don't know how there hasn't been a serious accident here," Mrs Nind said.

The council had applied for funding through the national land transport programme to help progress the project in the next three years, but was unsuccessful.

Mr Berry said the school community was willing to drive a fundraising campaign, once the council had developed plans approved by the community, to get the project happening sooner.

Roading manager Mike Harrison said the council was "fully behind" Ardgowan School's request.

The project was in the third year (2023-24) of the long-term plan at present, and the council wanted to start planning as early as possible, but had to balance its resources, Mr Harrison said.

There was a vacancy in the roading team at present, and once it was filled, he expected more planning work to be done.

There needed to be consultation with all Ardgowan Rd residents, and a decision made on which side of the road it would run along.

Multiple "beneficial opportunities" had come from Ardgowan School's efforts so far, but the council was restricted by rules around having volunteers working on public projects.

"We're not saying no to them, we're just saying we're going to get things well planned, so we know what we're doing and we're all in agreement, and then we start chipping away at it as quickly as we can."

The Ardgowan Rd cycle and walkway was part of an overall network planned to enable residents to safely commute from the Oamaru town centre to the north end and out to Pukeuri as well as to Weston. It covered Ardgowan and Reservoir Rds, and Buckley's Hill.

"This is one of several stages of that walking and cycling path connecting Weston and Oamaru. They're all equally as important."

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Q1

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Q2 Yes

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4. Reforms Question: Do you support Waitaki working to be a leading council in ensuring local government in the future is better able to meet our community needs?

Q10

Your thoughts and ideas Is there anything else you'd like to tell us about?

NOSLAM and East Otago Catchment would like to present to WDC the possibility of extending current funding arrangements with a longer term focus for both groups. This would allow more certainty around planning and achieving our long term goals for the catchments of the Waitaki District. A focus on water quality, biodiversity, GHG's, and strengthening the understanding between all of our community. Strong catchment groups have proven over the last 7 years to be the right vehicle for getting change on farm and also connecting with wider stakeholders and children.

Q11

Respondent skipped this question

If you prefer, you can upload your feedback as a pdf or word document here:

Waitaki District Council
service@waitaki.govt.nz

Karen Swaine

4 May 2022

RE: Annual Plan 2022-23 submission

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

My partner and I have lived in Oamaru for over ten years and own two properties here. We shifted to the Waitaki from Queenstown Lakes District where subdivision development pressures began in the early 2000s and continue to this day. I bring this perspective to my submission on the Waitaki District Annual Plan 2022-23.

I am concerned with the subdivision infill in the areas between Oamaru Central and Weston. Roads like Parsons Rd, Tutu Hill Rd, Ardgowan Rd, and Homestead Rd are no longer suited to the amount of traffic and types of vehicles that currently use them. The roads are narrow and winding with blind corners, schools and buses, one-way bridges, and virtually no verges. The amount and sizes of the vehicles do not allow for the safe passage of cyclists and pedestrians. With an increase in the number of new houses in this area, there has been an increase in all types of movement on these roads. There are more pedestrians and cyclists trying to navigate these unsafe corridors, including young people riding bikes and walking to schools or bus stops.

I submit that:

- 1) Council should not consent any more new subdivisions in this area until these roads are made safer for everyone by widening roads, creating footpaths and cycleways.
- 2) Council should allocate funds in this annual plan process to begin addressing these roading issues with a goal to providing ratepayers with a comprehensive roading assessment and proposed plan for the area. Given the urgency of these safety issues this consultation should begin immediately.
- 3) Oamaru Creek is a natural boundary between Weston and Oamaru Central. It is a sensitive landscape subject to erosion and flooding. No new roads should be created in the Oamaru Creek catchment area.
- 4) Council should consult with the community about what types of linkages will safely connect Weston and Oamaru Central for all types of users. Right now vehicular traffic is heavily prioritised leaving cyclists and pedestrians exposed to unsafe conditions.
- 5) Council should provide ratepayers with how much development contributions have been received in the last 10 years and a breakdown of where those contributions have been targeted.

It has been frustrating to watch the Waitaki District Council taking the same path Queenstown Council did in the early 2000s. Many opportunities to appropriately and adequately address development of the rural areas were missed and they are paying more now than if they had tackled the issues early on.

I implore this Council to address the issues raised above in order to avoid mistakes made by other Councils.

Kind regards,

Karen

Waitaki District Council Annual Plan 2022-2023

Getting back to the future

Federated Farmers of New Zealand

4 May 2022



SUBMISSION ON WAITAKI DISTRICT COUNCIL ANNUAL PLAN 2022-2023

TO: Waitaki District Council

DATE: 4 May 2022

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We wish to speak at the upcoming hearing.

This submission is on behalf of the 272 North Otago members who live and work in the Waitaki district.

ABOUT FEDERATED FARMERS

Federated Farmers of New Zealand is a membership organisation, which is mandated by its members to advocate on their behalf and ensure representation of their views. Federated Farmers does not collect a compulsory levy under the Commodities Levy Act and is funded from voluntary membership.

Federated Farmers represents rural and farming businesses throughout New Zealand. We have a long and proud history of representing the needs and interests of New Zealand's farmers.

Federated Farmers aims to empower farmers. Our key strategic priorities as an organisation are that we:

- Be the respected voice of farming.
- Foster an inspired leadership network.
- Support vibrant rural communities.

SUBMISSION ON WAITAKI DISTRICT COUNCIL ANNUAL PLAN 2022-2023

Overview

Waitaki is a small district with big aspirations which we support and encourage. However, with a small district it is generally the same people and/or organisations involved in Council business, economic development strategies, Tourism Waitaki, Geopark etc. Something which becomes more apparent when looking at who submits on discussion documents/consultations and participants of working groups.

As Council is involved in all these enterprises, a strategic approach is needed to prevent meeting or consultation fatigue which in turn would result in more meaningful stakeholder engagement. Most people are involved in these ventures due to the positions they hold in various organisations, generally they are unpaid and trying to juggle commitments with their own work and business along with family and personal responsibilities.

The Rural Reference Group appreciates the opportunity to work with Council regarding the draft District Plan. There is a strong interest that this collaboration continues beyond the district plan, from the bigger government issues affecting local government to the local issues - for example those listed above. Hopefully the Council is agreeable to this proposal.

The impact of Covid 19, as it drags on into 2022, is varied across local government. It appears, thus far at least, that the more major financial implications have been felt by city councils with provincial and rural councils relatively unscathed. A large part of the reason for this is that agriculture is almost singlehandedly holding the New Zealand economy together, and you do not find farms in CBDs.

The dire loss of revenue predictions for local government forecast in early 2020 did not fully materialise, although many councils severely trimmed their rate increases in the 2020 Annual Plans. Some postponed capital expenditure while others leant on debt. This resulted in some major rate increases in the 2021 LTPs as councils sought to recover their financial positions.

As the pandemic continues, financial effects will be felt more deeply in local government as councils attempt to navigate three competing tensions:

- Loss of revenue from non-rate sources due to lower investment returns and reduced economic activity leading to reduced fees and charges income.
- Pressure to contain or lower rates in the face of some households and businesses in their communities facing economic hardship; and
- The desire to maintain local employment and infrastructure investment as part of the whole of government response to the pandemic.

Council must bear in mind that the primary industries are facing their own substantial challenges arising from Covid 19, including labour shortages, supply chain problems and increases in farm input costs. Farmers are facing huge costs and mental stress arising from freshwater reforms and drinking water reforms. If councils are at all interested in maintaining the resilience of local economies and communities, lower rates on farms would be a worthwhile step in that direction.

The best thing council can do generally to reduce the pressure of rising costs on all ratepayers is to keep their spending under firm control, focusing on the basics and striving for value for money.

Perhaps the councils suffering most right now are the ones that spent a fortune, some of which was paid for by farmers through rates, on promotion of their cities and towns as international tourist destinations. It has been a source of frustration that council economic development strategies focus on the visitor industry, and often farm businesses making their own significant local economic contribution are rated to help fund those strategies. The net effect of this is to shrink local GDP, not expand it.

Roading

The condition of local roads is a perennial issue for farming communities, with the feeling in recent years that rural roads, which are so essential socially and economically, are being forgotten.

For many farmers the road at the front gate is the main benefit they receive from council, and when set against their substantial rate demands the value-for-money equation does not stack up.

The funding of local roads is shared between local council rates and the National Land Transport Fund, with each council receiving a set percentage of the cost of eligible projects. This percentage varies for each council and is known as the Financial Assistance Rate (FAR).

We always want more attention for rural roads and were alarmed last year that the funding available for local roads was short by \$420m. This became apparent just as councils were finalising their 2021 LTPs and had arisen from lower fuel excise revenue resulting from Covid 19 lockdowns.

Fortunately, Government moved to boost the Fund later in 2021; our press release at the time outlines our views clearly:

Boosting local road funding heads in the right direction, Feds says

News that the government has shifted funding for local road maintenance back up a gear is heartening for rural families dismayed by potholed access and dilapidated bridges, Federated Farmers says.

"What we need now is for district councils all over New Zealand to dedicate a significant portion of this increased funding to dealing with the backlog of repairs to rural roads and bridges," Federated Farmers Vice-President and transport spokesperson Karen Williams says.

Earlier this year, right when the nation's district and city councils were finalising Long-Term Plan budgets, Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency warned it was \$420 million short for the local road subsidies it had already indicatively approved. But today, in announcing final decisions on the 2021-24 National Land Transport Programme (NLTP), the government responded to the outcry this caused with an extra \$2 billion for local road maintenance.

This brings the total amount available for local road and state highway maintenance to \$7 billion over the next three years.

"Federated Farmers compliments the government for recognising that failing to do the necessary maintenance on local roads is false economy in the long run," Karen said. "This should mean that councils can re-dedicate themselves to those roading projects that were under threat from the reduced Waka Kotahi subsidies."

Therefore, the scenario put forward in the Council's discussion document regarding funding does not appear to be accurate.

Water Services Entities

Federated Farmers is opposed to the Government's reforms of water service delivery. While supporting efforts to ensure drinking water is safe, we do not believe this will be achieved by the Government taking water assets from elected councils and putting them into four mega entities very distant from their communities with much weakened accountability.

Nor are we convinced by claims the reforms will reduce costs for ratepayers. A global economic consultancy's review of the Government's model commissioned by the Whangārei District Council, concluded that the model was founded on unsound evidence and faulty analysis. Further, Castalia said that "the promised benefits of reform are unlikely to materialise. There are risks to the Whangārei community from losing control of water services, and accountability of those tasked with governance to local customers.

Federated Farmers notes that 31 councils are members of the group Communities4LocalDemocracy (www.communities4localdemocracy.co.nz) formed to push back on the Government's reforms and to promote a better approach.

Federated Farmers supports the work of Communities4LocalDemocracy, and we urge the Waitaki District Council to join this group.

We recognise that water reforms are controversial and in line with our opening paragraphs we seek to continue to work collaboratively with Council. We support your opposition to the government's mandated approach and the questions you have raised regarding the modelling.

Resource Management Act reforms

Implementing the RMA costs local authorities tremendously, a cost significantly ramped up with changes to freshwater regulations requiring revamps of councils' policies.

On the regional council side farmers experienced some major rate increases last year, with the need to increase policy and technical capacity to meet government's Action for Healthy Waterways regulations featuring among the main reasons. The South Island really stood out with Environment Canterbury proposing a 24% overall increase, later pared to 12.5% with the use of borrowing, and Otago Regional Council forging ahead with a massive 47.5% rates revenue increase.

This year councils and farmers are facing the Natural and Built Environments Bill, with government's determination to get this through signaled by their early branding of the Bill as an Act.

The key relevance of the Natural and Built Environments Bill to Annual Plans is its proposed removal of the district planning function of district councils, moving that role across to regional planning committees. This will make planning less local (same as Three Waters) and remove another activity from district councils, further downsizing their balance sheets.

Importantly, if a function is to be removed from district councils, we would want to see a consequent decrease in rates revenue.

Future for Local Government Review

Given the extensive and controversial changes to Three Waters and the makeover of the resource management system, it is unsurprising that government has commissioned a review of the future of local government.

The most recent system-wide review of local government was the Productivity Commission's in 2019, although the focus was on funding and financing. They came up with some useful findings, for example that rates should reflect the cost of benefits derived from council services, but their recommendations were ignored.

This latest review is much broader in scope. It will consider what local government does, how it does it, and how it pays for it.

The Review's chair is ex-CEO of Waimakariri District Council, Jim Palmer, and the panel members all have backgrounds in local government and/or the public sector. They are experienced but there is not a strong business or ratepayer perspective. Federated Farmers and other business groups met with the Panel in September 2021 to help provide that perspective.

Our view is that any future role, be that social, cultural, or economic, needs a more equitable and appropriate method of funding than property value rates. The limitations of this antiquated form of taxation in turn limits the role and function of local government.

Late last year the Review panel published its interim report to the Local Government Minister signaling the direction of the review and next steps. A draft report is scheduled for release on 30 September 2022 for public consultation.

Uniform Annual General Charge (UAGC)

The UAGC is a general revenue mechanism that sits alongside the general rate in a district. Under section 21 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 the UAGC can be used to collect up to 30% of total rate revenue.

The level and proportion of the UAGC is frequently adjusted in Annual Plan years, as it is generally not fixed at a particular level by the Revenue and Financing Policy in the LTP – rather that policy establishes whether the UAGC will be used or not.

Use of the UAGC strongly influences the distribution of rates across properties in a district or region. Its effect is to reduce property value rates on higher value properties, while ensuring lower value properties pay a little more.

Federated Farmers strongly supports use of the full 30% allowed. The basis of our view is the fact that council services are in large part used by people, and a per property charge at least ensures that all people make some reasonable contribution (whether through rates or rent) toward their cost.

Owning a farm is not a good reason to pay hundreds of dollars towards for example the local library, when urban residents nearby are paying in the tens of dollars. That is not rational, let alone fair, and in no way complies with good taxation principles.

Waitaki is a poor performer regarding its UAGC use - 14.53% in 2020-21. This figure was ascertained from an information request to all councils on behalf of the Local Government Business Forum.

Reducing the UAGC is a very blunt way of addressing affordability concerns. It takes no account of the fact that many low-income households are rented, thus the lower general rates benefit the property owner, and council's knowledge of the true financial situations of their individual ratepayers is limited.

Instead of lowering the UAGC for affordability reasons, Council should consider central Government's rates rebate scheme for low-income ratepayers. This is means tested against income, which is the best measure of affordability.

Or Council can more effectively attend to affordability through a rates remission policy for financial hardship. Use of this policy is more appropriate, logical, and targeted.

Fees and Charges

Overall, Federated Farmers supports a high proportion of fees and charges funding council services to reduce the reliance on rates. In recent years, a few councils have advanced proposals for fees and charges to contribute more of the cost of running council facilities and we have supported them wholeheartedly in this.

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Ethnicity (optional)

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Q6

1. Our Roads Question: Would you be happy to pay more to keep your roads in the current condition? Or would you prefer to pay the same, and accept that we will not be able to maintain the roads as well or as regularly as you are used to? Which option do you prefer?

Pay more to keep your roads in the current condition,

Comments:

Waitaki District Roding is our key asset - More money must be spent to to keep our roads' Fit for Purpose ' - i.e. to allow people to travel Safely to go to work ,shop, sports, schools etc carrying out their daily life activities , and for businesses to operate safely ,efficiently and profitably in our Waitaki District . Our Rural Products need to travel safely by road - to the market place, and many products need to be delivered for rural businesses to thrive and survive. Central Govt must pay out' More \$ 'to local Councils to enable all local communities to function well as we are the primary producers of income for NZ . Wellington, Auckland... - large cities are not the only parts of the country needing safe roads to keep the country functioning.

Q7

2. Drainage Question: Do you support extra funds being set aside to deal with drainage works that are needed?

No,

Comments:

If a lid must be put on spending then reasonable amount of funding on drainage should be adequate. Safe Rural Roads should include drainage work as they are maintained. Town streets need drainage maintained and improved as needed.

Q8

3. 3WatersQuestion: Do you agree with our decision to bring forward 3Waters projects to ensure we have quality water and infrastructure for our future?

No,

Comments:

I totally disagree with the Govt 3 Waters proposed scheme Waitaki District already insures good water quality and infrastructure for our future . Waitaki Council has done very good work on future proofing our water infrastructure. Waitaki District Council and all other Local Councils must keep local control and be directly accountable for Ratepayer spending in our Local Community on Water Infrastructure . Otherwise 'look forward to local Waitaki needs being ignored from 3 Waters HQ in Wellington ' 3 Waters is not based on any factual economic information and it is a sham to steal all Local Councils Infrastructure Assets into the Central Govt Coffers under the 'Guise of a reform.' Oamaru and Waitaki District have been building up our Water Infrastructure assets for over 150 yrs and managing the supply very well to the Ratepayers , Businesses , Farmers and community enabling successful economic , social and community development for over the last 150 yrs, Create Co-Governance and taking away the right of local Councils to control their water infrastructure and delivery to their community is appalling and ' Council must say NO to this Asset Grab of 3 Waters' Further more the 3 Waters will take WDC Water Assets and make our small Local Communities share \$ payment for the big Cities failing Water Infrastructure systems. We will loose out \$\$ in all areas. NZ Govt Must support the Renewal of NZ Big Cities ,-Auckland, Wellington, Chch and Dunedin -Water Infrastructure directly and thereby the \$\$\$pend is traceable and controlled and the Govt and City Councils will be directly accountable for any all results!

Q9

4. ReformsQuestion: Do you support Waitaki working to be a leading council in ensuring local government in the future is better able to meet our community needs?

Yes,

Comments:

Waitaki Council definitely need to ensure local govt. in the future meets community needs but at a price we can afford . But not by sacrificing Local Community Responsibility as per the proposed '3 Waters Plan' Local Councils need local control of the Infrastructure spend in their towns and regions. Central Govt must pay local Councils to improve Infrastructure - and NOT Steal Infrastructure form local Councils and Communities.

Q10

Your thoughts and ideas Is there anything else you'd like to tell us about?

I totally agree with all of the Federated Farmers of New Zealand submission on the WDC Annual Plan 2022-23.

Particularly the overview comment that during the NZ Covid -19 Pandemic 2020-2022- NZ Provincial and Rural Councils have coped better than city Councils because agriculture is almost single handedly holding the NZ economy together , and you dont find farms in the CBD.

Therefore Waitaki District Council needs to protect our District 3 Waters and other Govt Reforms and remain strong and independent in providing for and running our community infrastructure.

Q11

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Comments:
The standard of our roads at present is barely adequate. Maybe we require additional financial contribution from central government.

Q7

Yes

2. Drainage Question: Do you support extra funds being set aside to deal with drainage works that are needed?

Q8

Comments:

3. 3Waters Question: Do you agree with our decision to bring forward 3Waters projects to ensure we have quality water and infrastructure for our future?

I agree on the understanding that the spending is in no way frivolous. I strongly oppose the 3waters reforms and am adamant that these services should remain under local control and ownership.

Q9

Yes

4. Reforms Question: Do you support Waitaki working to be a leading council in ensuring local government in the future is better able to meet our community needs?

Q10

Your thoughts and ideas Is there anything else you'd like to tell us about?

I believe central government is top heavy with public servants in unproductive roles. If the same applies within the WDC please take the scalpel to any non essential roles. To support this thinking I heard Winston Peters say on the radio today that when Graeme Hart took over Carter Holt Harvey he cut the Head office staff from 300 to 3 units. I am not suggesting a similar 99% decrease in your staffing but suggest you think more along costs and efficiency lines.

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Pay more to keep your roads in the current condition,

Comments:

Roading is the life-blood of the Waitaki District Council's vast area of concern!

Q7

2. DrainageQuestion: Do you support extra funds being set aside to deal with drainage works that are needed?

Yes,

Comments:
Drain or Drown..!

Q8

3. 3WatersQuestion: Do you agree with our decision to bring forward 3Waters projects to ensure we have quality water and infrastructure for our future?

No,

Comments:
3WATERS is a bloody con -game being pushed on New Zealand by a bunch of low-life humans.

Q9

4. ReformsQuestion: Do you support Waitaki working to be a leading council in ensuring local government in the future is better able to meet our community needs?

Yes,

Comments:
Lead by Example..always.

Q10

Your thoughts and ideasIs there anything else you'd like to tell us about?

History is "just one damn thing after another " so choose the future wisely.

Q11

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Q10

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Your thoughts and ideasIs there anything else you'd like to tell us about?

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Q2

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Pay more to keep your roads in the current condition,
 Comments:
 Pretty happy with roads in the district More pressure needs to be applied to central government for maintenance of SH1. It's condition is getting worse in our area

Q7

2. Drainage Question: Do you support extra funds being set aside to deal with drainage works that are needed?

Yes,

Comments:

Agree drainage is important. Last few winters have been relatively kind. We will get a winter soon where drainage will be tested Need more communication on where exactly you want to improve it though

Q8

3. 3Waters Question: Do you agree with our decision to bring forward 3Waters projects to ensure we have quality water and infrastructure for our future?

Yes,

Comments:

See the projects through before the new entity takes over and has a slightly different agenda

Q9

4. Reforms Question: Do you support Waitaki working to be a leading council in ensuring local government in the future is better able to meet our community needs?

Yes

Q10

Your thoughts and ideas Is there anything else you'd like to tell us about?

Allocate more time/resources to this indoor sports event centre. It's not a question of can we afford it. It's a must for our community. It's sad that our young women/girls often have their netball games cancelled because of bad weather. Sport is so important for their wellbeing and character building. Especially after this period of covid which has disrupted a lot of our community/family/sports events as it is.

Increase the rates to make this project happen

It'll open up so many opportunities. Don't do a half brained attempt at it. Take ashburton event centre for example, plenty of parking, plenty of space and plenty of courts for games/anything. Events happen every day of the week because of it whether it's netball, volleyball or basketball. I think our town needs a space for at least 4 courts

Wooden floors also will reduce stress/strain and injuries on people compared to concrete

Build it for the town that we will be in 25 years time

Q11

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Pay the same for reduced service,

Comments:

Paying the same may lead to a reduction of service, I wonder if the question should reflect what services would it affect, is it all services, or targetted services? Is this an opportunity to look at what services are nice to have and whether these can be done without? I believe this is an opportunity that allows for an in-depth look at what services are being provided, how much budget is being allocated to those services, and whether that is relevant.

Q7

2. DrainageQuestion: Do you support extra funds being set aside to deal with drainage works that are needed?

No,

Comments:

A description of the term "what is needed" would be of some assistance, as drainage is dealt with within the roading budget through 2 budget allocations, maintenance and renewals.

Q8

3. 3WatersQuestion: Do you agree with our decision to bring forward 3Waters projects to ensure we have quality water and infrastructure for our future?

Yes,

Comments:

As long as the procurement protocols are being followed and the District is getting the best bang for buck in accordance with Council policies and guidelines.

Q9

4. ReformsQuestion: Do you support Waitaki working to be a leading council in ensuring local government in the future is better able to meet our community needs?

Yes,

Comments:

It seems obvious that Reforms are being drafted by entities prior to consultation with local authorities and without regional knowledge, this would be a good proactive move to engage with entities in the Reform process from the start.

Q10

Your thoughts and ideasIs there anything else you'd like to tell us about?

When making decisions on supporting projects, please look at the benefits from the whole of the district's point of view, too many projects and works are being carried out are responding to benefit individuals only.

Q11

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Comments:
Our rural roads are bad enough at the moment

Q7

2. Drainage Question: Do you support extra funds being set aside to deal with drainage works that are needed?

Yes,

Comments:

With global warming more adverse weather events will cause bigger floods

Q8

3. 3Waters Question: Do you agree with our decision to bring forward 3Waters projects to ensure we have quality water and infrastructure for our future?

Yes

Q9

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Yes

Q10

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Pay more to keep your roads in the current condition,

Comments:

I'm not sure "happy" is the correct term, but I accept that maintained roads play an important part in community function.

Q7

2. Drainage Question: Do you support extra funds being set aside to deal with drainage works that are needed?

Yes,

Comments:

Again wording - why "extra"? Surely drainage works are always ongoing.

Q8

3. 3Waters Question: Do you agree with our decision to bring forward 3Waters projects to ensure we have quality water and infrastructure for our future?

Yes,

Comments:

Highly important.

Q9

4. Reforms Question: Do you support Waitaki working to be a leading council in ensuring local government in the future is better able to meet our community needs?

Yes

Q10

Your thoughts and ideas Is there anything else you'd like to tell us about?

Respondent skipped this question

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Pay the same for reduced service

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Q7

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Age (optional)

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Ethnicity (optional)

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Are you (optional - tick all that apply):

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Comments:
Option 2b. pay the same but NOT for reduced service.
This Council along with others MUST lobby Central Government to return to realistic Roding Subsidies

Q7

2. DrainageQuestion: Do you support extra funds being set aside to deal with drainage works that are needed?

Yes,

Comments:

But extra Funds should NOT be a further imposition on Rates. There's meant to be well-managed Depreciation accounts to ensure that this maintenance, whether repair or replacement, is financially viable.

Q8

3. 3WatersQuestion: Do you agree with our decision to bring forward 3Waters projects to ensure we have quality water and infrastructure for our future?

Yes,

Comments:

A conditional "Yes" What happens if 3Waters does not happen? Is this increased Debt taken in advance still covered by current Depreciation Reserves? Should 3Waters fail to eventuate will the Ratepayers be forced to cover Funding shortfalls? This is effectively a double charge as Ratepayers have already contributed to Depreciation accounts for the purpose of maintaining the infrastructure, and other associated Projects.

Q9

4. ReformsQuestion: Do you support Waitaki working to be a leading council in ensuring local government in the future is better able to meet our community needs?

Yes,

Comments:

In recent times, particularly relating to 3Waters, it would appear that LGNZ, (supposedly the Representative of Local Government Councils, and) main lobbyist to Central Government, is making decisions that do not represent the Consensus views of its Members. This Council has to be proactive in censuring such non-consultative decisions. There is the possibility of withdrawing from LGNZ, and dealing with Central Government directly. Or further, forming, and aligning with an alternative body to LGNZ.

Q10

Your thoughts and ideasIs there anything else you'd like to tell us about?

The 'Pandemic environment' has brought with it not only a compromised Health situation, but also has created Financial limitations.

As much as we'd like to 'get back to normal', that's not going to happen.

In a new 'normal' Financial prudence is a must.

Time to trim the fat.

Don't bow down to Central Government forcing new (and often unnecessarily time-wasting) requirements.

This is NOT a time for bells & whistles on every project.

Concentrate on doing the Basics right as best we can with reduced Resources.

This is a time for slowly walking at street-level, not leaping tall buildings.

Q11

Respondent skipped this question

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Q2

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Pay more to keep your roads in the current condition

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Q7

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2. Drainage Question: Do you support extra funds being set aside to deal with drainage works that are needed?

Q8

3. 3WatersQuestion: Do you agree with our decision to bring forward 3Waters projects to ensure we have quality water and infrastructure for our future?

Yes,

Comments:

Re: Wastewater/Stormwater in Hampden I, along with many other residents strongly believe that our Township needs a Wastewater Treatment Plant. Given the fact we are a seaside town, with the best beach in the district it is quite simply, unacceptable that this has been put in the "too expensive" basket for as long as has been the case. Many of you will be aware the ORC have a sign at the Playground area by the beach advising people not to swim in the water after heavy rains. So lets assume we have 20mls of rain one day, followed by a 25degree day thereafter, visitors, residents etc, etc should for their own Health and Safety not enter the water. This is not right, and needs to be rectified and addressed in a way forward to meet the goals of the WDC in terms of Community Outcomes - Quality Service/Valued Environment. The town has a population of approximately 339 as at the 2018 Census, I would predict that this has increased with holiday homes being sold and permanent residents/ratepayers living here. There has also been several new builds that are owner occupied. I was amazed during a visit to the Clutha district to find that Lawrence has a Wastewater Treatment Plant. The town had a population of 447 at the 2018 Census. Lawrence is not a sea side town, however they have managed to install a Treatment plant, which is commendable. The population has also possibly decreased. If we take a look at the amenities in Hampden, which are as follows: Primary School, Bowling club, Skateboard Park, Tennis Courts, Motel, Hotel, Camping ground with Motel units, Community Hall and Library, Church, Garage with Curio Shop, Public Toilets on SH 1, Public Toilets at Beach, 4 Square Supermarket, Fish and Chip Shop, Vanessa's Cafe, and the Recycle/Transfer station and Shop, there are numerous reasons why it should have a Wastewater Plant. We have a fantastic Transfer station for disposing of our Household Rubbish and Recycling, however a very inadequate system for Wastewater/Storm water which aside from being a H&S matter, is also affecting our Environment, and in this day and age is quite simply unacceptable. I do believe there have been discussions in past years on this matter, and it has been deferred for the costs involved. Given the fact this should now be a priority, I, along with many other residents feel it is extremely important to consider our environment and one way or another get a Wastewater Plant installed in the town for the benefit of all concerned. We cannot simply be told that it is too expensive, it will be a very expensive exercise, but it certainly needs to be done. It would be fantastic if the WDC could organize a meeting in the future with the ratepayers/residents on what is planned in this area, for the town. One last thing, if we were to have a treatment plant this could possibly allow for further land

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a treatment plant, this could possibly allow for further rates being available for housing, which inturn will add to the rates return being increased. Many thanks for the opportunity to "Have my Say" and Kind Regards to you all. Theresa Brosnahan

Q9

Yes

4. Reforms Question: Do you support Waitaki working to be a leading council in ensuring local government in the future is better able to meet our community needs?

Q10

Respondent skipped this question

Your thoughts and ideas Is there anything else you'd like to tell us about?

Q11

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Q1

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Q2

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Comments:

Our roads are in appalling condition and your suggesting to pay more to maintain this. Firstly I understand the mayoral vehicle is being upgraded to a Ford Ranger which hints the mayor even looks forward and sees the need for a 4wd to get about town without ruining the suspension in an ordinary frugal to run vehicle! Travelling on Eden st daily you can see the deterioration and bandaid repairs that do nothing to solve the sumps and repairs on repairs. Can we not get the job done one and properly as the current contractor appears unable to fix a simple rut let alone anything more major. We pay rates we shouldnt need to live in a third world town.

Q7

2. Drainage Question: Do you support extra funds being set aside to deal with drainage works that are needed?

Yes,

Comments:

Avoiding flooding and keeping on top of drains is very important.

Q8

3. 3Waters Question: Do you agree with our decision to bring forward 3Waters projects to ensure we have quality water and infrastructure for our future?

No,

Comments:

There is no guarantee that this will still all fall together and if it doesnt then can the ratepayers afford another \$60m plus of debt should the govt not take it over? Do residents really want water meters and more added costs?

Q9

4. Reforms Question: Do you support Waitaki working to be a leading council in ensuring local government in the future is better able to meet our community needs?

Yes,

Comments:

Yes but lets stop employing more staff to operate this. Lets get more from the current workforce and focus the efforts on the challenges and not anything that isnt core council activity.

Q10

Your thoughts and ideas Is there anything else you'd like to tell us about?

Staff numbers need reigned in, costs are escalating and the ratepayers dont have endless buckets of income to meet council dreams and aspirations.

Q11

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Pay the same for reduced service,

Comments:

the roadsy were good before they were tenderd out go back to WSR WE OWN IT

Q7

2. DrainageQuestion: Do you support extra funds being set aside to deal with drainage works that are needed?

No,

Comments:
keep the work in north otago

Q8

3. 3WatersQuestion: Do you agree with our decision to bring forward 3Waters projects to ensure we have quality water and infrastructure for our future?

No,

Comments:
3waters is bulshit and will not go ahead.why should we give our assets away .

Q9

4. ReformsQuestion: Do you support Waitaki working to be a leading council in ensuring local government in the future is better able to meet our community needs?

No,

Comments:
council does every thing behind closed doors and dont take any notice of rate payers.

Q10

Your thoughts and ideasIs there anything else you'd like to tell us about?

we would like to see a balance sheet from the council including wages car free drinks and food. And dont bullshit like the mayor does.

Q11

Respondent skipped this question

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Q1

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Name **Colin Hayes**
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Q2

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Comments:

Are you kidding? We've had massive rates rises over the last 2-3 years, and I gather another one yet to come. So what has become of all the extra money from our rates. All I've seen so far is the council taking on more and more and more staff - all of whom will (and I know this for a fact) will be on a bloody good wicket. We've seen bugger all for the rates rises - so what, apart from paying for extra wages (for what in return???) are the ratepayers ACTUALLY getting??? Why should the council think it right that ratepayers are forced to answer this particular question. I note there is no option for "Pay more and have excellent roads" - the terms of this question suggest that absolutely nothing is planned for our local roads AT ALL! The band-aid repairs are nothing but a joke. One truck and the new "surface" is back to square one. An observation clearly highlighted by the fact that our mayoral car is now going to be a rather chunky double cab ute...we'll all need chunky cars if they are going to vanish in the potholes.

Q7

2. Drainage Question: Do you support extra funds being set aside to deal with drainage works that are needed?

Yes,

Comments:

Having lived in parts of town that have suffered flooding in long periods of rain there is nothing more important that to maintain the drainage, keeping them maintained and cleared regularly. But again - this is what ratepayers pay for in their rates - if a business falls short of customer expectation there is recourse on the part of that business. Same should apply for councils who direct ratepayer funding elsewhere - like the extra staff...the many extra staff.

Q8

3. 3Waters Question: Do you agree with our decision to bring forward 3Waters projects to ensure we have quality water and infrastructure for our future?

No,

Comments:

Absolutely 100% categorically NOT! The kind of money that is being talked about being spent locally (10's of millions) in the hope that the government will pick up the bill shows that the council can not make sound decisions and is prepared to gamble with honest ratepayers money - ratepayers who are powerless to stop this madness. When (not if) there is a change to a proper government in 2023 then the 3 Waters is dead in the water and the ratepayers of Waitaki will find themselves having to foot a bill for all these millions (unwisely) spent. Has the council got reserves in place for when the 3 Waters is repealed because I venture to suggest that ratepayers are not in a position to afford to bail the council out.

Q9

4. Reforms Question: Do you support Waitaki working to be a leading council in ensuring local government in the future is better able to meet our community needs?

Yes,

Comments:

But how is this supposed to happen when the council seems out of control, suggesting, for example, that we pay more to keep roads the way they are, or less for a lesser standard. You can't stand on a pedestal and declare that you're meeting your community's needs when you can't guarantee that the ratepayers are actually happy with where their rates contributions are being appropriated.

Q10

Your thoughts and ideas Is there anything else you'd like to tell us about?

It's time that the ENTIRE council and all subsidiaries were subjected to a time and motion study. Can the CEO stand up and say that all council staff are actually working to capacity?

Do we NEED a multi million dollar events centre? I'm not so sure - I was around when the Recreation Centre was built and that was to be the "be all and end all" of sports facilities in Oamaru - what a waste of time that's turned out to be.

Frankly, as a life long resident of Waitaki, and a rate payer of 20 years I'm mighty hacked off that I have to drive on roads that wouldn't be acceptable even in third world countries. Get your act together, fire half the staff and put a bomb under those left so that we know they are doing some work because there is very little visible to the community - except the occupation of extra buildings to cater for the additional staff

Q11

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Q1

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Phone: [Redacted]

Q2

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Pay more to keep your roads in the current condition,

Comments:

Ongoing general maintenance is vital to prevent large repair bills in the future.

Q7

2. DrainageQuestion: Do you support extra funds being set aside to deal with drainage works that are needed?

Yes,

Comments:

With climate warming and more extreme weather events we need our drainage systems to be able to cope with increase flow.

Q8

3. 3WatersQuestion: Do you agree with our decision to bring forward 3Waters projects to ensure we have quality water and infrastructure for our future?

No,

Comments:

Water supply, treatment and storm water combined is the councils biggest expenditure, To have this taken out of council authority should be looked on favourably. I don't think the council should fast forward projects which may not have been fully thought through or put out to tender just to get them passed before the deadline. The future organisation will have more skill and an overarching mandate to make these decisions with greater effect.

Q9

4. ReformsQuestion: Do you support Waitaki working to be a leading council in ensuring local government in the future is better able to meet our community needs?

No,

Comments:

Not vital, I don't think the council has anything outstanding to contribute

Q10

Your thoughts and ideasIs there anything else you'd like to tell us about?

I am interested in recycling, can we make it any easier for people to recycle as much as their waste as possible? Should there be more drop off points, especially at supermarkets. This is the first time in my life that I have never been able to recycle paper!!! I remember the paper men coming as a child!! Surely we should be able to do this.

I was horrified to see 4 billion dollars were spent on consultations over two years . That money could have been extremely productively spent on the issues which the consultations were looking into.

Q11

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Q1

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Q2

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Q8

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Q9

Yes

4. ReformsQuestion: Do you support Waitaki working to be a leading council in ensuring local government in the future is better able to meet our community needs?

Q10

Your thoughts and ideasIs there anything else you'd like to tell us about?

It is little wonder that feedback is sparse on your LTP, with the plan document exceeding 500 pages, who wants to wade through all of that? Instead, you ask 4 lame questions and expect this somehow counts as valuable feedback.

Q11

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Q1

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Q2

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Pay more to keep your roads in the current condition,

Comments:
Important to maintain existing assets

Q7

Yes

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Q8

Yes

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Q9

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Q10

Respondent skipped this question

Your thoughts and ideasIs there anything else you'd like to tell us about?

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Q1

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 Phone **[REDACTED]**

Q2

No

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Pay more to keep your roads in the current condition,

Comments:

Roads and Streets need to be maintained and improved for the safety and wellbeing of all users

Q7

2. Drainage Question: Do you support extra funds being set aside to deal with drainage works that are needed?

No,

Comments:

Drainage needs to be maintained. We do not appear to have an issue. Developers need to be levied for any additional drainage issues that they may cause

Q8

3. 3Waters Question: Do you agree with our decision to bring forward 3Waters projects to ensure we have quality water and infrastructure for our future?

Yes

Q9

4. Reforms Question: Do you support Waitaki working to be a leading council in ensuring local government in the future is better able to meet our community needs?

Yes

Q10

Your thoughts and ideas Is there anything else you'd like to tell us about?

I wish to bring again to Councils attention the need for the sealing of District Road. As Council will be aware there has been land and business developments in this area along with significant increase in traffic movement between Weston Road and Whiterocks Road. The increased traffic movement causes significant nuisance to existing and new residences. Council had the opportunity to obtain funding from the Subdivision developer at the time of approving the subdivision, failure to do so, in my opinion, was a significant oversight by Council advisors. Council has in recent years appropriated funds for the sealing of Tutu Hill Road. District Road has very similar characteristics to Tutu Hill Road being an interconnection road with significant traffic movement. My request is for council to seal or as a minimum increase the amount of seal at the Eastern and Western ends of District Road to eliminate the dust nuisance that residents experience. When the Road is graded the dust problem is significantly increased.

Q11

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Q1

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Email: [Redacted]

Q2

No

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Pay more to keep your roads in the current condition,
Comments:
Road safety is very important, and in particular the road between Oamaru and Dunedin needs to be maintained better to avoid crashes

Q7**Yes**

2. DrainageQuestion: Do you support extra funds being set aside to deal with drainage works that are needed?

Q8**Yes**

3. 3WatersQuestion: Do you agree with our decision to bring forward 3Waters projects to ensure we have quality water and infrastructure for our future?

Q9**Yes,**

4. ReformsQuestion: Do you support Waitaki working to be a leading council in ensuring local government in the future is better able to meet our community needs?

Comments:

Can we work together as a region ie all councils in the region - ie lower south Island, to pull resources together to maximise results, particularly where areas/assets are shared/ near to each other.

Q10

Your thoughts and ideasIs there anything else you'd like to tell us about?

Can we get commuter transport either by bus/van or train to Dunedin and back for all of us who commute regularly between the two.

Also could we please get lights in the oamaru dog park so this facility can be safely used in winter / when dark all year round.

Q11**Respondent skipped this question**

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Q1

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Q2

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1. Our Roads Question: Would you be happy to pay more to keep your roads in the current condition? Or would you prefer to pay the same, and accept that we will not be able to maintain the roads as well or as regularly as you are used to? Which option do you prefer?

Pay more to keep your roads in the current condition,

Comments:

We do have some good roads so do need to keep them up to a good standard, as well some of the outlying that need work can be brought up to a higher stand.

Q7

2. Drainage Question: Do you support extra funds being set aside to deal with drainage works that are needed?

Yes,

Comments:

There is a big need to get water drainage put in around Test Street and up and around the Look out were there is a new housing development going now. Doing this it will allow more development to go on over the next 20/ 30 years. The way it has been to allow to build 6 / 7 houses there now is an opening for disaster, by pumping water back up the hill to existing drainage is not the best way, as water always run to the lowest point. I am in favour of building up there and around the cape as were ever you go it has the same clay structure all up there, it is volcanic dust that was blowing there thousands years ago. The only problems it has is the drainage, so there is a big need to get the drainage right. The proof is where we have the water sock it has been there for two years and it has just about stopped all clay coming down on us, with a meeting with WDC staff it will need a little adjustment, there will be lots of water with just about no clay there.

Q8

3. 3Waters Question: Do you agree with our decision to bring forward 3Waters projects to ensure we have quality water and infrastructure for our future?

No,

Comments:

I do consider WDC have got our water infrastructure just about right, we do not wont other pates trying to tell us what to do

Q9

4. Reforms Question: Do you support Waitaki working to be a leading council in ensuring local government in the future is better able to meet our community needs?

Yes,

Comments:

This is on some matters as I see we are doing ok at this point of time, we must be always moving forward to keep our community vibrant all of the times

Q10

Your thoughts and ideas Is there anything else you'd like to tell us about?

I would like to see the housing development keep away from the flat farm land as that is were our community food basket and also nation

Q11

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Q2

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Pay the same for reduced service,

Comments:

A value-for-money audit is needed I think. Are you sure that you are getting the best out of the resources you have? I see work done in Oamaru and it is not obvious why it is being done at all. How is the work prioritised?

Q7

2. DrainageQuestion: Do you support extra funds being set aside to deal with drainage works that are needed?

Yes,

Comments:

There seems to be significant problems with surface water drainage in Oamaru town centre at least. Examples are the area in front of hunting and fishing and another area is the street behind Ara (town side). A year or so ago there was a short but heavy shower - I was walking towards the Ara building and a woman (retired I think) was trying to unblock a surface water drain with a broom handle. I asked if I could help and she said "no - I've done this many times before. I keep asking the council but they don't do anything about it. The rain floods my house so I have to unblock the drain" (or words to that effect).

Q8

3. 3WatersQuestion: Do you agree with our decision to bring forward 3Waters projects to ensure we have quality water and infrastructure for our future?

No,

Comments:

I do not agree with what seems to be a reckless decision. If the council had been doing its job properly there would be no need to bring forward projects "to ensure we have quality water and infrastructure for our future"; these should all be planned and costed already. I also do not agree with the way the contracts were tendered. In fact this decision seems to me to be exactly the reason why responsibility for water resources should be taken over by an entity that knows what it is doing.

Q9

4. ReformsQuestion: Do you support Waitaki working to be a leading council in ensuring local government in the future is better able to meet our community needs?

Yes,

Comments:

Wouldn't anyone?

Q10

Your thoughts and ideasIs there anything else you'd like to tell us about?

I think the council urgently needs to review its planning guidance in areas around the heritage area. The regulations clearly don't consider the protection of our heritage town sufficiently. As an example; you just need to look at the new building on Tees Street between the Confectionary and Mason's Hall. Lovely house built in a completely inappropriate location impacting negatively on the heritage area and neighbours. It is clear that the council's own regulations are inadequate.

Q11

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Q1

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Q2

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Yes
*Unavailable to speak on 17 May

Q3

Age (optional)

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Ethnicity (optional)

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Q8 Respondent skipped this question

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Q9 Respondent skipped this question

4. ReformsQuestion: Do you support Waitaki working to be a leading council in ensuring local government in the future is better able to meet our community needs?

Q10

Your thoughts and ideasIs there anything else you'd like to tell us about?

We have recently taken over the Otematata Shop and have holidayed in the area for the past 40 years. The Waitaki District Council manages the campgrounds in the vicinity and the area would benefit from a dumping station within the village - maybe near the public toilets. This would not only benefit the camp users, but also passing tourists.

Q11 Respondent skipped this question

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Pay more to keep your roads in the current condition,

Comments:

With subdivision options you need to consider far more options in the plan than are currently available where your staff expect us to buy land that is not for sale or to get easements from neighbours who lied to gain our consent to a subdivision where our mailbox was moved and a hair dressing salon is now on our boundary. There is no system at WDC in planning with roads other than your now asking for a size of a road you didn't ask for when you allowed a subdivision 40 years ago. I am supposed to force people to give easements who got our consent but did not perform their part (so they lied) and then on sold land. Your traffic and subdivision planners want me to get neighbours to sell me land for passing bays and this is land not for sale is not a WDC system. WDC allowed a hair dressing salon on our boundary and the parties who got our consent were to grant and easement as a condition of our consent, but did not. Again this type of behaviour shows a very flawed WDC system. KEY CONCERN -WDC seems unable to understand that you have created entry ways to properties that are non compliant - then you have absolutely no systems such as allowing convex mirrors and or traffic lights and other safe traffic controls to be permitted as the safest system of entry and exit. I am disappointed that there is no advancement in thinking at WDC in the Planning to allow long term land owners to come up with solutions outside of ridiculous passing bays as the singular option.

Q7

2. DrainageQuestion: Do you support extra funds being set aside to deal with drainage works that are needed?

Yes,

Comments:

Please make sure the work is being done by qualified staff capable of providing the drainage to a top standard and not tenders for cheap quotes that achieves nothing but problems.

Q8

3. 3WatersQuestion: Do you agree with our decision to bring forward 3Waters projects to ensure we have quality water and infrastructure for our future?

Yes

Q9

4. ReformsQuestion: Do you support Waitaki working to be a leading council in ensuring local government in the future is better able to meet our community needs?

Yes,

Comments:

I support the reforms provided ideas repeatedly put forward for years are actually heard rather than the inward thinking currently at council where I am expected to buy land not for sale to have a passing bay at 77 Awamoa Road when I could have a two way mirror or many other far safer traffic entry and exit to our property.

Q10

Respondent skipped this question

Your thoughts and ideas Is there anything else you'd like to tell us about?

Q11

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Q2

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Pay the same for reduced service

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Q7**No**

2. DrainageQuestion: Do you support extra funds being set aside to deal with drainage works that are needed?

Q8**No**

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Q9**Yes**

4. ReformsQuestion: Do you support Waitaki working to be a leading council in ensuring local government in the future is better able to meet our community needs?

Q10

Your thoughts and ideasIs there anything else you'd like to tell us about?

As a first home owner, i have tried my best to make my property energy efficient and dry. It really concerns me that my street: Baker Street has no curb and channel, causing alot of excess water runoff from the road/street to stream down the southside of my home. This is outside 2 of the bedrooms of my home where my family have suffered health complications due to dampness, condensation and black mould. I have used every last dollar of my savings trying to renovate to help this issue so that we can have a healthy home. However the excess water has nowhere to go but sit on the southside of my house. I can't understand why I should have to pay on top of my already gaspingly high rates to provide proper drainage for the storm water off the road for the health of my family. Surely curb and channel would dramatically help us.

I have also had a water pipe blow apart in my back yard, due to it being council property, a 4 day public holiday weekend and having no water toby or means to turn the water off. I had to intervene myself, digging a trench and kinking the pipe until it could be repaired. Is it unreasonable to ask for a water toby to be installed outside of our property?

Other ratepayers have curb and channel, water tobys and even footpaths, why is it such a big ask for my ratepayer money to go towards these necessities for my household?

Another serious concern of mine is the extra houses being built onto meek st which is also a dead end street like baker street, the road is not wide enough for the additional traffic (2 ways on a one lane street) and I have had several near misses with residents and building companys/contractors in my car trying to return to my home. If properties are to expand like this, should it not be considered that the street be widened for the safety of the public. Meek street also has no curb and channel or footpath. It really shocks me that these streets are less than 100m from weston road which is a busy road and yet the maintenance of these streets is so poor.

Q11**Respondent skipped this question**

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Q2

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Pay more to keep your roads in the current condition

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Q8

Yes

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Q9

Yes

4. ReformsQuestion: Do you support Waitaki working to be a leading council in ensuring local government in the future is better able to meet our community needs?

Q10

Respondent skipped this question

Your thoughts and ideasIs there anything else you'd like to tell us about?

Q11

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Pay the same for reduced service,

Comments:

Roads are a significant part of the council rates spend each year. The roads especially in Oamaru itself are very patchy. While spending the same for a reduced level of service should not mean that all areas in Waitaki get the same "reduced level" of service. Appreciate that main roads like SH1 are fully maintained by Waka Kotahi so council faces no roading costs on those roads. Its generally not those roads which are poor. It is more the local roads, Wansbeck St between Tyne and Till is a major patchwork and is now very bumpy after previous roadworks and waterworks have left the road in a real mess. Wansbeck St is not alone. lots of Oamaru roads are like that. So if we reduce the level of service we need to reprioritise as well to ensure the most benefit is obtained for the level of spend.

Q7

2. Drainage Question: Do you support extra funds being set aside to deal with drainage works that are needed?

Yes,

Comments:

Drainage will come under 3 Waters but even so its a core council function that must be maintained. New developments (residential or commercial) must also pay the full costs of the load they impose on the drainage network. And thats not just the hooking up the pipe to the existing connection, its the downstream effects including water treatment (whether storm or sewer). These must be captured up front, and as well from local rates. Where the developer refuses to contribute to these costs, then local special levies on rates for those new areas must be imposed to ensure that the costs are recoved over time, from those incurring the costs (and benefitting from them).

Q8

3. 3WatersQuestion: Do you agree with our decision to bring forward 3Waters projects to ensure we have quality water and infrastructure for our future?

Yes,

Comments:

Its a maybe, or a Yes and a No. Council is front loading the work hoping that 3Waters goes ahead and council will be off the hook for maintaining and paying for these works in the future years. If 3 Waters comes off, thats great. However, if 3 Waters doesn't proceed in the proposed form, council is potentially setting itself up for failure as it will then find it has increased rates for future years to fund pulling this work forward. This will then require hugely increased rates in future years which are unavoidable or will require extensive service cutbacks of either other water projects or wider councils services. Where there is clear justification for pulling such work forward, and council is satisfied it can fully fund that if 3 Waters doesn't go ahead in the form that is planned then yes, do so. If its just an exercise in gaming the system in some way without fully considering the long term effects on ratepayers if 3 Waters doesn't happen. Then no I don't agree.

Q9

4. ReformsQuestion: Do you support Waitaki working to be a leading council in ensuring local government in the future is better able to meet our community needs?

Yes,

Comments:

Local Government reform is a must for all councils. Waitaki should ensure its leading that process. This process must however including looking beyond using rates (or variations of them) for council funding as well. Local and central government should be working hand in glove. But central government has all the revenue gathering powers. So its not an equal relationship. Balance must be restored to avoid too much administration overhead in the entire government area. While ensuring that revenue is better shared to enable better local spending decisions. This means for instance council must work with the Government to deliver 3 Waters. But in turn must then once 3 Waters is off the councils plate, modernise itself, so its usual concentration on roads, rates and rubbish is extended. Projects like Safer Waitaki are a model not an exception. And further expansion away from traditional council services is a must to have a 21st century Waitaki. Failure to do so, will result in 3 Waters type reforms for councils in other areas. Leading to poor outcomes and less local democracy.

Q10

Your thoughts and ideasIs there anything else you'd like to tell us about?

Respondent skipped this question

Q11

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Q10

Your thoughts and ideasIs there anything else you'd like to tell us about?

I believe a footpath needs to be built on the Oamaru end of Parsons Road to service the recent housing developments up to Tutu Hill Road. An increasing number of people are walking along the road, including children. More cyclists are also using the road. There are significant dangers posed from speeding cars and a significant deterioration along the edge of the road where people walk. The 60km speed limit is not observed by many drivers. The chances of an accident on this section of winding road is high. This need for a footpath will only increase as more new houses are developed. Enabling people to walk safely rather than use their cars will help to increase the health and wellbeing of the community as well as reduce car emissions. I believe more people would walk along this road if there were a safe path.

I also believe some give-way signage is needed on the cycle path as it goes across the end of Parsons Road. The number of cyclists who just cycle across the road without looking for cars is significant. There is very poor visibility for drivers to see approaching cyclists. The chances of an accident here are high.

Q11

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Pay more to keep your roads in the current condition,

Comments:

This 2 part question is very ambiguous, either way we still get the same road, in the same condition whether we pay more or the same. Overall the roads are not currently being kept to an acceptable standard and will continue to be maintained to this standard.

Q7

2. Drainage Question: Do you support extra funds being set aside to deal with drainage works that are needed?

Yes,

Comments:

Drainage is a significant part of the districts overall global warming process. As the climate grows warmer and storms with high water levels increase we need suitable drainage in place to deal with this. We as the human race are not getting any better at reducing global warming, hence flooding will become an even bigger issue as it is now, and as we have seen over the last few years.

Q8

3. 3Waters Question: Do you agree with our decision to bring forward 3Waters projects to ensure we have quality water and infrastructure for our future?

No,

Comments:

It is inevitable, that smaller councils will not be able to fund 3 waters due to few rate payers in their Districts, which potentially lead to the full burden of payment flowing onto the taxpayer. It is in the interest of these smaller councils that the big ones give full support to stop this change and should look at the bigger picture. All councils just need to manage water better by having strong, tried and tested systems in place. Trying to manage such complex systems together via co-governance will never work as parties will inevitably disagree which in turn leads to stalling and stalemate. All you have to do is look how this happened with the 1st term of Labour Government in co-governance with the Maori party, National with Act party (everyone at some point will become the handbrake and nothing will be achieved-fact)

Q9

4. Reforms Question: Do you support Waitaki working to be a leading council in ensuring local government in the future is better able to meet our community needs?

Yes,

Comments:

In fairness to WDC, I believe that they are good at local government however they do have to interact and (actually and physically) listen to the local community and what they say and try not to pre-empt what council think about what we want to hear on any matters. A good example of this is forester heights sub-division. The questions were either leading or semi closed questions. You need to listen better.

Q10

Your thoughts and ideas Is there anything else you'd like to tell us about?

WDC Spacial plan.

The writing is on the wall for this to change, with the spacial plan under review and shortly to be accepted into the District Plan. So, when it comes to stopping urban spread, filling in the already empty green spaces between Weston and Oamaru does make for common sense.

This can only be achieved by "filling in" and this can only be done by allowing the current rural residential zoning to sub divide, either into 5/600 squares if connected to town sewerage or 3000 squares if on septic tank.

However, this cannot be done to the detriment of the ageing infrastructure that is already in place along Parsons Road.

If you look at the housing being built along Parsons Road (predominantly at the Chelmer Street end/Sales Yard Rd end), this is significant (11 properties in the last year even with COVID materials/work restrictions). It is also known that people are already land banking along Parsons Road knowingly sub-division is on the cards.

Again, this is acceptable behaviour, but the old infrastructure will not (and cannot cope now) cope with the extra volumes of traffic. Fact is that this road was never designed for what is about to come.

As a Parsons Road resident I have personally observed the increase in these volumes with higher traffic coming from Weston via Homestead Road. There has been a massive increase of heavy vehicles using this road, mainly Network Waitaki vehicles moving between the Chelmer's Street and Airedale yards, but also stock vehicles and milk tankers.

The following points really do need to be addressed before there is a major accident or fatality at the Sales Yards/Parsons Road intersection.

1. URGENTLY - installation of a walking footpath around the 4 blind bends at the Chelmer's/Sales yards/Parson Rd's prior to this intersection to join onto the already upgrade cycling path. As the going say's "You build it and they will come" With more housing going up along the lower part of Parsons Road comes more people (and with little people too, children), there are now more people walking into town, or walking their dogs to Fenwick Park or the Gardens, or cycling to and from the A2O on Sales Yards Rd, or cycling from new homes on Parsons Rd to go into town and even children cycling to and from school. All these activities have not been catered and people are not currently safe in this area.

2. Upgrade the road before any new subdivisions is allowed and insert suitable access points.

3. Upgrade and widen the whole road so it is suitable for these heavier vehicles to use or ban them using Parsons Road all together.

Q11

Respondent skipped this question

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To: Consult
Subject: Annual Plan Submission - Lorna Utting,

Hi Consult

We received CRM [redacted] late on Friday. After speaking with the customer today the request appears to be one for the Annual Plan. She will wait for the launch next month for submissions but would like her CRM to also be lodged as a submission in case she forgets:

Manse St, Wynyard St, Gordon St, Kurow. These footpaths are rough and mainly gravel. Lorna Utting lives at [redacted] and struggles with her mobility scooter on these footpaths. Some roads don't have footpaths and she has to go on road. Would this be due to be looked at in long term plan? Can these be sealed? please phone [redacted]

Thanks

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11 April 2022

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2022/2023 Waitaki District Council Annual Plan Submission

Dear Councillors,

Sport Otago, the parent body of Sport Waitaki, provides this Annual Plan submission for Council's consideration. Firstly, we extend our appreciation to Council for your ongoing support of Sport Waitaki and the work that the Regional Coordinator, Philippa Sutton, is carrying out in responding to the needs of the communities of the Waitaki.

To that extent, we seek Council's continued support for Sport Waitaki through provision of an annual grant. This grant is currently \$41,000.00. However, due to increased costs and increased rate of inflation, we would ask Council to consider applying an inflation adjustment for 2022/2023.

Specific to our submission, we raise the following for Council's consideration:

1. Throughout 2021, culminating in November 2021, Sport Otago/Sport Waitaki completed a **needs assessment** to identify the physical activity needs and aspirations of priority groups in the Waitaki District. These groups include Māori, Pasifika, and disabled communities. This is the **Te Ora Tinana Project**, a blueprint to address the needs of these communities and to inform the development, or re-development, of new or existing initiatives. We are hopeful that the project will result in increased accessibility to programmes, places, and funding that will ameliorate some of the barriers that they regularly encounter.

We believe that this project will continue to provide an evidence base on which to build a coordinated response to addressing priority community needs. In particular, for the Waitaki District Council in their future planning for roading, footpaths, facilities, resources, and spatial planning. Issues identified are as follows:

- Generally a positive perspective of the various recreational, play, and sport activities across the Waitaki community.
- Need for multi-age playgrounds within the district.
- Aging and sub-standard sports facilities/amenities (common theme being the need for better maintenance and upkeep).
- Support for community gathering spaces.
- Greater attention to and provision for accessibility (transport, cost, and physical impediments being cited).
- Recreational, leisure, and sports programmes and activities are developed specifically for, and made accessible to, people with disabilities where required.
- Increased safety provision on roads, especially near schools (traffic calming and signage).
- Improved and expanded aquatic activities and increased availability and affordability of group exercise options.
- Recognition and opportunity for mana whenua to engage in mau rākau, kī o rahi, and waka ama.
- Safe playground options for children aged under five years of age.
- Lack of provision of volleyball (especially in North Oamaru to serve the needs of the Pasifika community).
- Provision of outdoor basketball/netball hoops in community parks/open spaces.
- Development of a quality multi-age playground in Oamaru North to offset transport/cost factors for that community in not being able to access Oamaru Gardens and Friendly Bay.
- Access to information on play, active recreation, and sport to be a focus to increase awareness of opportunities, with greater partnerships forged between community organisations and Council to co-design recreational and wellness programmes. This has been recognised and is under development, with collaboration between Sport Waitaki and Council staff.

2. Specific issues that require consideration for those with a disability:

- Incompatible footpaths and crossings for those with a disability through Oamaru township.
- In the North End area of Oamaru (where a large number of those with a disability live) footpaths are difficult to maneuver (uneven), there are huge ledges/curbs, no wheelchair/walking frame mobility aid street crossings.
- Provision of concrete, flat, covered shelters in green spaces for people with disabilities to share a picnic/barbeque.
- Lack of, or unmaintained, street lighting, making it dangerous to walk.

- The need for a database encapsulating everything that is occurring in the Waitaki so that those with a disability are able to plan ahead and ensure that they can be included in these events.
- Widening of paths and removal of tree roots from paths in the Botanical Gardens.
- Education around ensuring that events and activities need to be **inclusive** and that this needs to be at the forefront of organiser's minds.
- Inclusion of equipment that provides for those with a disability within playgrounds, i.e. wheelchair swing.

As can be evidenced, there is a huge number of issues that can be progressively addressed by council in conjunction with community organisations and Sport Waitaki flowing from the Te Ora Tinana project. It can form the basis of a '**work plan**' spread over a number of years, but acknowledged through the Annual and 10 Year Plan process, placing Waitaki District Council in the forefront of community engagement.

3. Further matters for consideration:

- We would encourage Council to consider the development of an overall 'play strategy/framework' rather than simply a playground strategy, and within this to critically assess the current provision of green spaces, particularly in the North End, and what improvements can be made to meet the needs of the communities of this part of Oamaru. Furthermore, in the focus on play, to include street play, working with Tourism Waitaki to promote activities and fun for all to the streets within Waitaki.
- We also urge Council to increase the critical importance of **active transport** for our tamariki and rangatahi in the recently adopted **spatial plan**. Further continued work needs to occur in collaborating with various organisations, i.e. the Greater Waitaki Safer Communities, NZ Police, and Waka Kotahi, to maximise opportunities for active transport.
- We applaud the Councils commitment to the proposed Waitaki Community and Recreation Centre development, and encourage Council to progress this project that will change the nature of recreation and provide increased opportunity for the District. Within this, there is opportune circumstance to provide for and encourage the **hubbing** together of a wide range of sport and community organisations within the complex, thereby providing for a network to share and learn from one another, share common services, and provide a regular income to the centre.
- The proposed Recreation Centre forms part of our overall **Regional Facilities Strategy** that is in development. We encourage Council to embrace and contribute to a Regional Planning approach (as promoted in the regional facilities planning document provided to Council for signing). The benefit in ascribing to this approach is better targeted investment in facility development, which will reduce the cost of

facility building and maintenance in the long term, whilst reducing the potential for regional duplication around Otago, with the focus being on genuine local need (as per proposed Recreation Centre) rather than responding to the squeaky wheel.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit on Council's Annual Plan.

Yours sincerely



John Brimble
CEO
Sport Otago



Philippa Sutton
Regional Coordinator
Sport Waitaki

#36

Message Details:

Name: Chris Baldwin

Email: [\[redacted\]](#) [iZ](#)

Phone: [\[redacted\]](#)

Enquiry/comment: Re reading and footpaths in Stafford street hampden, the high use of Stafford street hampden by agricultural contractors, stock trucks , gravel trucks , concrete trucks, on our street which feeds Baghdad rd Joyce rd and Duncan rd as well as a busy fish wife business yard in Stafford st demand attention to health and safety of pedestrians and children by the installation of a footpath connection to London st . New developments in these areas require an immediate upgrade as this feeder street is used extensively as it is the only entry into the areas mentioned. You will be aware of the new building in the area , but seasonal contractors using heavy machinery on this street without footpaths is unacceptable in this day and age

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#37

Subject: FW: Annual Plan Submission 2022/2023 and Request support for New Zealand Chinese Language Week
Attachments: Annual Plan Submission 2022.pdf

The attached is to be treated as a submission to the AP. Are you able to follow up on that aspect please?

Cheers,
Gary

Gary Kircher
Mayor

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From: NZ Chinese Language Week <nzclw@nzclw.com>
Sent: Tuesday, 19 April 2022 1:49 PM
To: Gary Kircher <gkircher@waitaki.govt.nz>
Subject: Annual Plan Submission 2022/2023 and Request support for New Zealand Chinese Language Week



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Dear Mayor Gary Kircher,

I am writing to you on behalf of Jo Coughlan, Chair of New Zealand Chinese Language Week Charitable Trust. Please find attached a letter from Jo seeking your support for the 2022 New Zealand Chinese Language Week (NZCLW).

Thank you for considering this request. We look forward to working with you and the Waitaki District Council to deliver a successful NZCLW 2022.

Many thanks and kindest regards

Constance

Constance Phua

Project Manager | New Zealand Chinese Language Week



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你好 Nǐ hǎo

New Zealand Chinese Language Week 新西兰中文周 2022

It's now less than six months to go until New Zealand Chinese Language Week 2022 kicks off and we're excited to outline plans for new initiatives and activities to celebrate this year.

The New Zealand Chinese Language Week (NZCLW) is being held 25 September to 1 October 2022. We want to involve people from all around the country, so this means we are asking the Council for three things:

- Someone who can be the liaison person for us to contact about activities in your area district
- A Mayoral video of support to be featured during the NZCLW week
- And a chance to present to your council's Annual Plan 2022/23 for a contribution to the week's activities in your area and events of \$2,000.

The New Zealand Chinese Language Week Charitable Trust is a New Zealand-driven initiative set up in 2014 to encourage the learning of Chinese language in New Zealand.

Our aim is to strengthen communities through inclusion and embracing diversity. What better way is there to understand another culture than through language?

A large part of the Trust's work is to recognise and celebrate the diversity of the community in New Zealand – Chinese people have been part of Aotearoa New Zealand's story for 180 years and have many important stories to tell. This is even more important now, with the new school curriculum focusing on local history within our country.





This year's New Zealand Chinese Language Week's theme is "Sharing our Stories", and we hope to hear a lot of the stories that make our community diverse and vibrant.

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As in previous years, we expect a lot of events to involve celebrations with food and drink and hospitality – all features of Chinese and New Zealand Māori and European cultures.

The Trust is committed to providing resources to enable different groups to share common experiences, and one of the ways we demonstrate this is by each year publishing a children's book in three languages – Mandarin Chinese (characters and pīn yīn), English, and te reo Māori.

The feedback we get on this book – which is distributed free to schools and public libraries – is unanimous about its value. Librarians and teachers around New Zealand tell us that readers, particularly children, love seeing themselves, their families, and their language in the books.

Your own library may well have been part of previous years' events and activities around New Zealand Chinese Language Week.

We want to ensure that more communities around New Zealand have the opportunity to take part in New Zealand Chinese Language Week, so we would like to have someone from your council be the contact point for us to share resources to enable your community to be involved. This may be someone on your public library staff, or a community development staffer.





Many communities around New Zealand have significant social, cultural, educational, and other links with China and Chinese people in their districts. New Zealand Chinese Language Week is an excellent opportunity to celebrate those.

We would also like to get a video of support to be featured during the NZCLW week from yourself as Mayor.

Your video plays an important part in the week. It shows a commitment to being a welcoming, open society that embraces all the many cultures that make up our society. Participants in NZCLW have been impressed and heartened by the depth and breadth of the support from local government during previous weeks.

Finally, we at NZCLW Trust would welcome the opportunity to submit to your council's Annual Plan Submission 2022/2023. We wish to apply for a \$2,000 grant to fund activities for New Zealand Chinese Language Week in your region and would like to appear in person to support this application.

Thank you for your consideration. We look forward to hearing how your council will celebrate New Zealand Chinese Language Week 2022 from September 25 to 1 October.

For more information, please don't hesitate to visit the NZCLW website: www.nzclw.com or email our Project Team at nzclw@nzclw.com

Many thanks and kindest regards

Jo Coughlan | Chair of New Zealand Chinese Language Week



3 May 2022

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By email to: consult@waitaki.govt.nz

E te Koromatua, ngā Kaikaunihera mā, tēnā koutou katoa

Submission to: Waitaki District Council
Subject: Waitaki Annual Plan 2022/23 Engagement Document
From: Creative New Zealand

1. Creative New Zealand welcomes the opportunity to make a submission on Waitaki District Council's 2022/23 Annual Plan. Arts, culture and creativity are an important part of developing strong and prosperous towns, and cohesive and healthy communities. We encourage Council to recognise the essential role arts and culture play in the wellbeing of its residents in its decision-making.
2. The key contact person for matters relating to this submission is:
Name: David Pannett
Position: Senior Manager, Strategy & Engagement
Email: david.pannett@creativenz.govt.nz
Phone (DDI): 04 473 0772
3. We do not wish to appear in person before Council in support of our submission.

Key points

4. **It's great to see Council's continued recognition of the four wellbeings and its commitment to fostering liveable communities reflected through the Annual Plan and Long-Term Plan (LTP) 2021-2031.** You are focused on community outcomes and the arts community in Waitaki are well placed to help Council deliver important wellbeing outcomes through their work and activity in the District.
5. The Waitaki District has an increasingly diverse population and is home to one of the country's fastest growing Pasifika populations. **We encourage Council to consider how investment in**

arts and cultural activity can deliver social and cultural wellbeing outcomes to its communities, and promote strong, cohesive communities in the Waitaki District.

6. **As Council explores ways to increase tourism opportunities in the new COVID-19 environment, we encourage you to consider how to make the most of the District's unique arts, culture and heritage assets.** This includes your suite of cultural facilities in *Culture Waitaki*, the collaborative home of the Forrester Gallery, Waitaki Museum and Archive, Waitaki District Libraries and Oamaru Opera House, alongside the Victorian Precinct and Steampunk HQ. There's a strong opportunity for Council to work with the arts community to make Waitaki an even more vibrant and attractive place to live and visit. It's great to see the creation of a pilot position around Cultural Facilities Operations that will work across cultural facilities and the wider Waitaki District community.

Long-Term Plan 2021–2031

Community outcomes and strategic priorities

7. The LTP outlined 11 community outcomes. We note that the arts community are particularly well-placed to help Council to deliver to a number of these outcomes, and encourage Council to recognise the strong contribution that investing in arts and culture makes to the following outcomes in particular.
- *Attractive to new opportunities* — artistic and cultural activities create vibrant places to live, support tourism and contribute to education and skills development.
 - *Foster a diverse and resilient economy* — artistic and cultural activities have a strong 'multiplier effect' and attract economic activity.
 - *Enable safe and healthy communities* — participating in artistic and cultural activities contributes to our health and wellbeing, and can increase community cooperation.
 - *Connected and inclusive communities* — participating in artistic and cultural activities builds resilient communities and increases social cohesion by helping individuals to develop networks and find a sense of belonging.
 - *Promoting a greater voice for Waitaki* — artistic and cultural activities create gathering places and act as connectors for many communities, and artistic expression is a powerful way to amplify diverse voices.
 - *Celebration of our community identity* — artistic and cultural activities give expression to cultural identity and allow us to tell the unique stories of who we are.
 - *Community facilities and services that we are proud of* — artistic and cultural activities can play a major role in placemaking and rejuvenation to create attractive spaces to visit, as well as promote a sense of pride.
8. The Waitaki District population is increasing in size and diversity. Māori and Pasifika populations are growing particularly rapidly in the region; we note that Waitaki is home to one of New Zealand's largest populations of Pacific peoples per capita, and one of the fastest growing Pasifika populations in the country. It will therefore be crucial for Council to consider how the needs of its communities are changing as it plans for the future.
9. We know great work is happening here in developing relationships across cultural facilities with the Waitaki Multicultural Council and we encourage you to invest in this unique opportunity. Cultural events and festivals can be wonderful mechanisms for bringing communities together, celebrating what's truly unique to the Waitaki area, building on

identity and pride as well as social cohesion between the many communities that call the Waitaki District home.

10. We encourage Council to consider how providing opportunities to engage in arts and cultural activity can deliver social and cultural wellbeing outcomes for diverse communities, provide platforms for engaging with these communities, and help better understand their needs. For example:
 - 66 percent of New Zealanders say they learn about different cultures through the arts
 - 71 percent of Māori agree that ngā toi Māori is an important way of connecting with their culture/identity, and 77 percent of Pacific peoples say that Pacific arts are an important way of connecting with their culture/identity
 - 72 percent of New Zealanders agree the arts should reflect New Zealand's cultural diversity.¹
11. It's positive to see Council considering tourism as a part of its COVID-19 recovery. The Waitaki District has a number of unique arts, culture and heritage assets, and we see a strong opportunity for Council to work with the arts community to make Waitaki an even more vibrant and attractive place to live and visit.
12. We encourage Council to work with the arts community, business owners and tourism authorities to promote strong existing assets such as the Forrester Gallery, Waitaki Museum and Archive, Waitaki District Libraries and Oamaru Opera House, Victorian Precinct and Steampunk HQ, and develop strategies to increase visitor numbers. High-quality arts and cultural venues, organisations, events and festivals can attract visitors and further investment to the region, and act as a multiplier for hospitality and tourism.

Funding and policies

13. We're glad to fund and support the Creative Communities Scheme administered by Waitaki District Council. In light of the District's diversifying population, we encourage Council to ensure the Creative Communities Scheme assessment panel is reflective of Waitaki's communities. We'd strongly encourage Council to ensure Pasifika representation on this panel.

Concluding points

14. Artists and creative practitioners are particularly skilled at designing and delivering innovative, strategic and cost-effective solutions, and we encourage Council to consider how arts communities can help realise and implement your Long-Term Plan.

Creative New Zealand's interest in the arts in Waitaki

15. Creative New Zealand is the national arts development agency of Aotearoa, responsible for delivering government support for the arts. We're an autonomous Crown entity continued under the Arts Council of New Zealand Toi Aotearoa Act 2014. Our legislative purpose is to

¹ *New Zealanders and the Arts—Ko Aotearoa me ōna Toi* (2020). Creative New Zealand. Available at: <https://www.creativenz.govt.nz/development-and-resources/new-zealanders-and-the-arts-2020>

encourage, promote, and support the arts in New Zealand for the benefit of all New Zealanders.

16. We recognise the importance of the wider Otago community to the arts in New Zealand. For arts that are delivered in the Otago region, **\$3.359 million** of direct financial support was provided in 2020/21. Our overall support includes the funding of individual arts projects as well as arts and cultural organisations.
17. As mentioned above, under the Creative Communities Scheme we fund territorial authorities directly to support local arts activities. Funding provided to Waitaki District Council under the Scheme totalled **\$28,380** in 2020/21, with a **\$7,201.60** top-up from Manatū Taonga Ministry for Culture & Heritage.
18. We planned on visiting Oamaru in October 2021 and again in March 2022 with our partnered event *All in for Arts—He waka toi e eke noa nei tātou*, which eventually pivoted to a digital event due to COVID-19. We were excited to work with the Waitaki creative community and have **Fesouaina Ina Siliga** join us for the 'Deep South' session. Ina gave her personal account of the impact creativity has had in her life, helping us to advocate the value of the arts for all New Zealanders. You can see a recording of Ina's talk at: <https://www.thearts.co.nz/all-in-for-arts/2022>
19. Thank you again for the opportunity to comment. We know the considerable pressure on all Council budgets and acknowledge your continued commitment to investing in arts, culture and creativity as part of the overall investment in your community's wellbeing.
20. To quote Ina Siliga, 'Music has inspired me to encourage others to become who they are'. Investment in arts opportunities for young people builds resilient humans.
21. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or if you wish to discuss this submission further (contact details at the start of the submission).

Ngā mihi rārau ki a koutou katoa, nā



David Pannett
Senior Manager, Strategy & Engagement
Pou Whakahaere Matua, Rautaki me te Tūhono

#39

DATE: 4 May 2022, 9.36am
TO: Waitaki District Council (via consult@waitaki.govt.nz)
FROM: Heather McGregor, Waihemo Community Board Chair
SUBJECT: Waihemo Community Board – Submission on Waitaki District Council Annual Plan 2022

Recreational Facilities

Bike Stands

The Waihemo Community Board would like to see bike stands located in the Palmerston Bike and Skate Park known as Centennial Park, in addition to bike stands in the Town Centre.

Biking and cycling are becoming popular recreational activities, particularly for families and visitors to the area.

Brough Road Mountain Bike Track

The Waihemo Community Board would like further funds to assist with the establishing of the Mountain Bike Track.

The track is being established by a group of volunteers who are completing the work most weekends. These tracks are very popular, and there is no other track between Dunedin and Dansey's Pass for people to use. It will be a great asset to bring visitors to the area. This track will be extended to join up with the newly established one in Moonar Street, creating a recreational facility for walkers and bike enthusiasts.

Puketapu Track

The Board supports the Puketapu Trust in establishing a walking track. The Board would like to see that the current track is kept for users who like to have a challenging aspect of climbing up Puketapu. The Board understands that Council is considering bringing forward funding for the Puketapu Trust to year FY 23/24 from year 27/28. If that is the case, then the Waihemo Community Board supports that move.

Hampden Skate Park

The Board would like to support the Hampden Skate Park group who are refurbishing the Skate Park adjacent to the Beach.

Supporting this project would have a huge benefit for the youth in Hampden, particularly for their emotional, social, and physical wellbeing.

Camp Fees

The Waitaki Lakes brings a lot of people from outside of the district to enjoy our facilities, which contributes to Council's vision of Waitaki being the "best place to be". The Board would like to encourage more Waitaki ratepayers to the Lakes district as well, by asking Council to consider a reduced rate for seasonal and casual tickets in the Camp Fees at the Waitaki Lakes Camping Grounds for Waitaki District ratepayers.

The Board has received correspondence from the community requesting the reduced rate, and suggesting that ratepayers could show their rates demand or some form of ID when purchasing seasonal tickets.

Footpaths

Footpaths Improvements

The Board would like to see improvements of the footpaths in Palmerston. Concern has been raised by a number of ratepayers over the uneven state of the footpaths. This is a safety concern, particularly for walkers, prams, bikes, and mobile scooters, and the Board requests that Council reviews and looks at prioritising any improvements of the footpaths in the Waihemo ward.

Moeraki Rabbits

The Board would like Council to consider funding ongoing maintenance of rabbit control in the Council Reserves.

With the ever-increasing rabbit population in the Moeraki area, there is a need to be mindful of allocating funding and resources to addressing the matter as soon as possible.

Feedback Questions 1 to 4

1 Our Roads

The Waihemo Community Board supports the view that we pay more for the maintenance of the roads district wide.

2 Drainage

The Waihemo Community Board supports that Council set aside extra funds for drainage across the district.

3 3 Waters

The Waihemo Community Board supports Council in bringing forward 3 Waters Projects to ensure that we have quality water across the district and infrastructure.

4 Reforms

The Waihemo Community Board supports Waitaki District Council working to be a leading Council in ensuring local government in the future is better able to meet our community needs.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit to the Annual Plan.

Heather McGregor
Chair, Waihemo Community Board
(on behalf of the Waihemo Community Board)

#40

DATE: 4 May 2022, 1.16pm
TO: Waitaki District Council (via consult@waitaki.govt.nz)
FROM: Vicky Munro, Ahuriri Community Board Chair
SUBJECT: Ahuriri Community Board – Submission on Waitaki District Council Annual Plan 2022

Feedback Questions 1 to 4

1 Our Roads

The Ahuriri Community Board supports the view that we pay more for the maintenance of the roads district wide.

Comment: Regular maintenance suppresses the need for major repairs.

2 Drainage

The Ahuriri Community Board supports that Council set aside extra funds for drainage across the district.

Comment: Regular maintenance of storm water drainage and ditches is required. For example, where a domestic housing subdivision is built close to natural flood drainage ditches, and those ditches are not maintained regularly, flash floods and fast-rising water creates major damage to properties.

3 3 Waters

The Ahuriri Community Board supports Council in bringing forward 3 Waters Projects to ensure that we have quality water across the district and infrastructure.

4 Reforms

The Ahuriri Community Board supports Waitaki District Council working to be a leading Council in ensuring local government in the future is better able to meet our community needs.

Comment: The five towns in the Ahuriri ward are very diverse, with active residents from all walks of life. The prominent aspect of those communities is volunteering and knowing what is best for their communities and wanting to achieve results that will meet community needs. Identifying the needs of each community and working well with Council and its officers are required to complete necessary town projects. Work gets done when the communication lines are open between community leaders and officers, to collaborate on the project process.

Additional Thoughts and Ideas:

Following constant enquiry from our late Councillor Ross McRobie, the community of Otematata is requesting an updated plan / progress report on the proposal to have the A2O cycle trail officially pass via Otematata township and be re-routed down State Highway 83 to Kurow. Details about the timeframe, funding, and proposed route (with lakeside and roadside tracks included) are sought.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit to Council's Annual Plan.

Vicky Munro
Chair, Ahuriri Community Board
(on behalf of the Ahuriri Community Board)

#41

From: June Anderson
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 4:45 pm
To:
Subject: Waitaki Lakes Camping Fee

Hi Carol,

Thanks for accepting this email on behalf of the Community Board.

For some time now we have questioned why Waitaki Ratepayers have to pay the same seasonal camping fee at the Waitaki Lakes Camping Grounds as people who do not live in the area..

We have purchased a season ticket each year for about 10 years now and are not happy with the gradual increase in costs. For example... 2017-2018 \$380; 2018-2019 \$400; 2019-2020 \$400; 2020-2021 \$400;and then 2021-2022 \$550!

For years there have been no improvements in the services provided ie toilets, non- potable water and rubbish collection. For this season portaloos and Waste Co rubbish collection were provided at the Wildlife Reserve..

We have paid this fee but have reached a point where we really need some answers as to why as Waitaki Ratepayers we have to pay the same fee as folk from Christchurch, Timaru, Waimate, Invercargill and further afield. Our rates are paid annually for the services we receive at home in Palmerston. However while we are camping at the Wildlife Reserve we are not using these local services.

I emailed the Waitaki Council sometime ago questioning this situation. The reply was that they had looked into giving Waitaki Ratepayers a reduced cost to camp in the valley but they decided that it would be too difficult to keep a track of where folk resided when they applied for a reduced fee. They also said that people could purchase tickets for people who reside out of the Waitaki area.

But how difficult could it really be...for example, we could show our rates statement (which has our names and address), our drivers licence for ID and the details of our camper.

Hence it would not be possible for us to purchase a season ticket for friends who do not live in the Waitaki District. As local people who support ratepayers in the Waihemo District we are hopeful that your support on this issue may help the Waitaki Council to find a fair way for Waitaki Ratepayers to camp in our beautiful valley at a reasonable cost.

Thanks for your interest in this matter.

Kind regards,

June and Jeff Anderson.

friends from out of the district.

#42

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Palmerston - 54 Tiverton St.



Talk to us

You can share your ideas and comments in person at the Council hearings. Be sure to outline your key points in your feedback that you will refer to – and tick the box that you would like to speak to your submission. The dates for hearing submissions and feedback will be Monday 16 May and Tuesday 17 May.

Drop in sessions

We will also be having some community drop-in sessions for you to call in and share your thoughts. Dates for the drop-in sessions will be up on our website and Facebook page during the feedback period.

Need a hand?

If you would like help making a submission – either online or hardcopy – our lovely team at the Ōamaru Library are happy to help. Just call in and see them.

ANNUAL PLAN 2022-23 FEEDBACK FORM

If you live in Waitaki, whether you pay rates or not, we would love to hear your thoughts on what we are planning, and any other thoughts or ideas you have to help make Waitaki the best place to be.

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Address..... ŌAMARU
Email..... Phone.....

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ANNUAL PLAN TIME AGAIN,
SO MANY NEEDS, GREAT PROJECTS
AND THE USUAL INCREASES IN COSTS!

I DON'T ENJOY YOUR JOB IN
THESE CHALLENGING TIMES.

I'M ASKING IF AT ALL POSSIBLE
PLEASE KEEP RATE INCREASES TO
5% - 6%

AS YOU ARE ALL WELL AWADE MANY
HOUSEHOLDS - BUSINESS AND RURAL FOLK
WHO WILL FUND THE INCREASES IN
COUNCIL COSTS WILL HAVE TO CUT THEIR
COSTS TO MEET THE INCREASES!

— A SOBERING THOUGHT —

MANY THANKS FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION
ON THIS MATTER

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Roads are good at present

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Comments

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Comments

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Comments

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Don't do anything with Forrester heights



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PAY MORE TO HAVE ROADS IMPROVED & NOT KEPT IN CURRENT CONDITION.

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AS LONG AS WORKS ARE DONE BEFORE FLOODS ETC.

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REDUCE SOME OF YOUR STAFFING AND MAKE MANAGERS & COMMITTEES

Your thoughts and ideas

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MORE FUNDING TO STOP SOCIAL EROSION



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Organisation (if applicable):

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Email:

Phone:

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Comments

WCMW
3 Public Amenities Plus 2 takeaway

2. Drainage

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- Yes No

Comments

HOWAR 2x MPI
See above
food hygiene license to revoke from poor air quality North End

3. 3Waters

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- Yes No NC

Comments

Dont waste their time or to broken LUCK

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YES

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Phone: 027 478 1111

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