



Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 26/06/2024

First name: Anthony **Last name:** Baynes

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Western bays (Omori, Kuratau, Pūkawa, Whareroa)

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Disagree

1.6.1 Disagree
Agree

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

I'm a ratepayer and permanent resident of Pukawa. (name and address at the bottom of this email)

Being retired and living simply, I don't generate much rubbish. It takes a year for me to fill one current yellow bag!

It would probably take me two years to fill a wheelie bin. It's much easier to take a bag to the transfer station than it is to take a wheelie bin.

I live on a hill with a shared steep driveway and trying to put a wheelie bin out would be hazardous and a health and safety risk.

Most of the homes here are holiday homes and there's only about 20 permanent residents. If bins were instigated, most would be left out on the roadside for weeks/months on end, and some holiday makers would likely use others wheelie bins to dispose of their rubbish thus potentially overfilling them so that the rubbish collectors may refrain from emptying them.

I can understand that for Taupo itself the new proposed system may work, because there's a higher percentage of permanent residents, however, in the more rural parts of the southern lake my sense is that people would much prefer the system they already have.

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First name: Robin Last name: Moore

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Feedback

1.1 Local Community

Kinloch

1.2 Next 10 Years

Do less

What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

Retain the bin and bag rubbish delivery for The Poplars Kinnloch 500 Kinloch Road

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater

Agree

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater

Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it

Strongly Disagree

1.6.2 Strongly Disagree

Agree

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

We have a private road in our subdivision which residents have to maintain so heavy vehicles to collect bins is not acceptable and if gate collection there is difficulty for many getting to the gate current system much better.

1.7 Housing

Agree

1.8 Development Contributions

Yes

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

1.9 Community Funding

Yes

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

1.9.1 Community Q2

Yes

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

No

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

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Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Kinloch

1.2 Next 10 Years
Do less
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)
do not change rubbish collection for The Poplars subdivision in Kinloch

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Disagree

1.6.1 Disagree
Strongly Agree

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

We do not have the ability to take several wheelie bins to the gate. We do not want heavy pickup vehicles coming in to subdivision as the road is not suitable for them with no turning areas and we have to maintain the road. If NZ Post will not come into our area no other vehicles should come in unless the council is prepared to maintain our road.

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Submitter Details

Submission Date:

26/06/2024

First name:

Donovan

Last name:

Bixley

Organisation:

On behalf of The Taupo Concert Band

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

Yes

Additional requirements for hearing:

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Taupō

1.9 Community Funding
No

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

As President of the Taupo Concert Band, I am submitting on behalf of our 27 band members, many of whom are involved in multiple community bands and community music initiatives such as The Taupo School of Music and the Taupo Brass Academy.

The Taupo Concert Band is a not-for-profit group focused on participation and community well-being through playing music and performing for locals by locals. The Taupo Concert Band, and the five other groups who use our facilities and equipment, have benefited greatly in the past from Creative Taupo funding. This allows us to keep providing opportunities to perform, purchase new sheet music, instruments and equipment that extend our capabilities, and provide for development workshops that expand our players both personally and as a group.

The current funding structure works really well for us, and we would like to see those benefits retained. We have three main concerns over the 2024 Draft Community Funding Policy.

1. We think it is essential that funding for community Arts be ring-fenced and separated from Sports and Social. The Arts traditionally struggle to have their voice heard so we feel this is necessary so that community arts funding is not eaten away by other priorities.
2. We want to make sure that community wellbeing and participation by locals for locals is an overarching philosophy of the funding outcomes. In particular that community arts funding is not confused with national or international commercial events and outcomes that would benefit tourism providers and visitors.
3. We think it is absolutely essential that there be more than one funding round per year. The Taupo Concert band have many opportunities to perform, workshop or collaborate with other arts groups, that arise throughout the year and we need to be able to plan and act and apply for funding on a shorter time scale than yearly funding rounds.

We would like to see clarity around these arts funding points in the Long Term Plan.

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First name:DonovanLast name:Bixley

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Yes

Additional requirements for hearing:

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Taupō

1.9 Community Funding
No

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

I am professional involved in the arts as a full time author and illustrator. However, my involvement in the Taupo arts community is through non-profit groups within the Taupo music community and Centre Stage theatre, both of which I have been involved with over the past two decades. These groups continue to thrive with the help of community arts funding. There are several aspects relating to arts funding that I think are important to the ongoing strength of the Taupo music and theatre community and I would like to see these retained in the Long Term Plan.

- That the creative community be represented on selection committees.
- That a basic core amount of funding for arts be put aside within the greater funding pool.
- That there be more than 1 funding round per year.
- My main concern is around the term ‘economic’ as a key indicator for funding outcomes. If an arts funding proposal can tick more boxes by being economically profitable I think this is detrimental to the spirit of many non-profit arts groups in the Taupo community. I fear that we will see valuable non-economic projects overlooked in favour of commercial events. Financial **sustainability** rather than **economic** profitability is the goal of our music and theatre groups, and I think economic profitably is a totally different outcome than the needs of community arts for locals by locals. The Taupo music and theatre groups exist to create arts for our community, but also to **provide opportunities for locals to participate in the arts purely for the sake of social and mental wellbeing**. Community arts funding is vital in helping us achieve that goal. I would like to see these aspects clarified in the Long Term Plan.

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Submitter Details

Submission Date: 26/06/2024
First name: Mayumi Last name: Sherburn

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?
I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.11 Any other feedback?
I have been attending the aqua fitness classes nearly 20 years and now I am a senior member. The proposal of increasing fees are too high at once, it's about 22.7 % increse for annual membership for senior/student. It should be 10% at most. Especially, now no classes at school holidays and these days more cancelled classes because of some events. I think the service for local residents is declining.

The benefit we will get from exercises are enormous for our health and lives, especially for senior members. The council should encourage residents to get and around, not discourage. Please consider to change the proposal fees.

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Submitter Details

Submission Date: 26/06/2024
First name: Heather Last name: McClean
Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Western bays (Omori, Kuratau, Pūkawa, Whareroa)

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Disagree

1.6.1 Disagree
Agree

Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?
I wish to express my opposition to the introduction of wheelie bins for household rubbish in Pukawa Bay.
1. As an aging owner of a small bach on a steep hillside, wheelie bins would be very difficult for me to put out (up) and bring in (down) the steep natural steps. The current rubbish bag system is much more manageable. The current recycling bins are also manageable because they are lighter and less frequently put out.
2. Many property owners do not live in Pukawa. Bags currently go out (after the weekend visit) on Sunday night for Monday collection. If wheelie bins are introduced, many will likely be left on the kerbside until the owners return. The bins will be subject to the elements, wind especially and vandalism, or worse still - clutter our beautiful environment.
PLEASE - leave the rubbish collection as bags!

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Submitter Details

Submission Date: 26/06/2024

First name: Joanne **Last name:** Shields

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

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Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Western bays (Omori, Kuratau, Pūkawa, Whareroa)

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Disagree

1.6.1 Disagree
Agree

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

I wish to make a submission regarding the introduction of wheelie bins for collecting our rubbish and recycling.

I currently use about 8 rubbish bags a year costing approximately 24 dollars and I have a large compost bin to dispose of my foodwaste.
Wheelie bins would increase my costs greatly, and unnecessarily.

I cannot find a safe or convenient site around my section to store the bins and certainly do not want them standing by my front door.

Many sections in this area have rough, unpaved driveways which would cause damage to the wheels on bins. Would the ratepayer have to pay to repair or replace these?

Many of the sections in this area have very steep driveways, making it difficult to push bins up and down.

Many households have got to take their rubbish to the end of the street or down a very long driveway. These people usually take the rubbish and recycling in their car, which they would not be able to do with wheelie bins.

Many of the properties here are holiday homes and the tenants may put their rubbish out but have left before it has been collected. So, what happens to the empty bins left in the street to be blown over by the wind (especially on sloping roadways) and advertising the fact that the property is empty.

I cannot see that using wheelie bins would be an advantage to the majority of property owners in this region and would prefer to stay with the system that we have now.

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Submitter Details

Submission Date: 26/06/2024

First name: Ken Last name: Harris

Organisation:

On behalf of a Taupo Disc Golf Club

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

Yes

Additional requirements for hearing:

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Taupō

1.2 Next 10 Years
Do more
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)
I disagree with the funding cuts to DGLT and Amplify. Those are key organisations with a mission to bring visitors and commerce to our district and if we want to continue to compete at a national level, those offices need our full support. On the other hand, why are we spending over \$5 million to strengthen Iwi relationships? I believe great relationships are not forged with money, but with time, energy and compassion. All of which come free.

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater
Agree

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Agree

1.6.1 Disagree
Disagree
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?
I agree with the plan to move to bins, however I do have concerns about rubbish being collected every two weeks. In the event of households having a great deal of rubbish and overflowing their bin, I fear their rubbish will end up in parks and reserves or on the street. I believe there should be another option to dispose of excess waste in a given week that is cheaper than the minimum amount required to go directly to the refuse station.

1.7 Housing

Agree

1.7.3 Agree

I agree with the plan to build affordable housing, however, there needs to be stipulations in place that ensure they are going to people who need it most. For instance, no property investors should not be allowed to purchase these homes, nor should those who don't plan to live on site.

1.8 Development Contributions

Yes

Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this strategy? Nothing more to add.

1.9 Community Funding

Yes

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

Yes: I agree in principle, however the criteria for the new fund are vague and I believe it remains important to not only support the large-scale organisation, but also the many small organisations that together have a large impact.

1.9.1 Community Q2

Yes

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

Yes: I agree in principle, however, I do worry that by combining all individual funds together into very few options means priority may be taken away from areas that had earmarked funds and given to other areas. In our situation, we want to ensure Sport is given the its due attention as it is a vital connector in our community and contributes to positive health outcomes.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

Yes

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

I agree in principle, however, I have long thought that putting the responsibility of waste sorting onto event managers is an unfair burden. We should and we do offer alternative waste streams to ensure we divert waste from landfill, however the user is responsible for putting their waste into the correct bins and furthermore, Envirowaste is responsible for ensuring the contents of the recycling bin and glass bin, etc. end up going to the right place. By raising the minimum required diversion from landfill to 60%, this only adds to the stress of the event manager, for which there is not much more they can do.

1.11 Any other feedback?

As President of the Taupo Disc Golf Club, I represent the wishes of our club and our hopes for growing participation in this active, enjoyable and easily accessed community activity. We have two requests for permission to proceed, and two requests for council assistance.

First, as part of our mission to grow the game with the young people of the Taupo District, we teach Kiwisport sessions all around the area. On many occasions, school-aged student groups will come to the Spa Park Disc Golf Course for teaching sessions. In those cases, the course is very large and can be daunting for youngsters. We have attached a course plan for a short "pitch and putt" 9-hole course in the under-utilised space at the very entrance to Spa Park where the RC Club track is. This will allow for multi-purpose use of a beautiful area of Spa Park that is otherwise unused. We have permission from the board of the RC Club and we would erect signage detailing specific instructions for what disc golfers should do in the event of people on the RC Track or an event on in that space. They will always have the rest of Spa Park to use. In that same vein, when we have a disc golf event on in Spa Park, this proposed 9-hole course would make for a great alternative for families. We are not requesting funding as we will secure the funds for the installation. We are asking only for your approval to install this new course. In addition to being approved by the RC Car Club, the plan has been put forward to Andrew Moor. He gave us his blessing to add it to our submission on this LTP.

Our second request for permission is to add a structure and container near to hole 1 of the Spa Park Disc Golf Course. This is a project our club member base has requested since our founding. We envision the structure to be a simple park structure of 4-6 posts and an angled roof with benches and tables underneath. This structure would provide shade and rain protection, similar to the ones at The Hub car park at Craters of the Moon (image attached). The container would be a re-engineered shipping container on a concrete pad with one long side opening up to create an extended roof (similar to the P.O.D. - poutama oranga destination - image attached). Inside would be disc golf equipment, club noticeboard and club materials. It would also act a stage during special events. The structure and the container would make for a great gathering place for not only disc golfers, but other park users as well, especially when the weather turns, providing vital shelter in an area without any. It would also give disc golfers a great base to gather and get ready for their round.

With our course being listed in the top 100 global disc golf courses, we are now a top destination and in order to remain that way, we need to improve on the one area where we are weakest, which is amenities. Furthermore, on page 106 of the Parks Asset Management Plan, Spa Park is noted as having a key role to play as a destination park and there states a commitment to build "High quality assets, including but not limited to, seating, tables, shelters, litter bins and drinking fountains."

We would ensure the structures did not encroach on any existing pathways and would be built to the highest standard and to all council requirements in design. We would likely enlist the services of Wade Construction, adhering to all building code requirements. Wade Construction has been one of our biggest supporters and has agreed to assist. We have also explained the concept of the simple structure to Andrew Moor, who gave us his blessing to include this request in our LTP submission. The exact location and design would be in close consultation with council stakeholders, including a painted mural on the container. We would also look to fund this project ourselves, using national grants. We only ask for the permission of the council to proceed.

Our third request follows on from what was mentioned above regarding building high quality assets within Spa Park, since it is a destination outdoor adventure park. We request from council to install 6 bench seats throughout the park, strategically placed for the disc golf course, as well as for other park users to take advantage of a great place to rest. There potentially exist older benches from other areas of town that have been removed and are currently in storage which could be re-used on this project. We are asking for council to take up this project and consult with park stakeholders to determine the best possible locations that enhance the park experience.

In the same vein as the above request, there are many footpaths in the park that are not being maintained, and so are eroding away creating unsightly bare patches of ground with deep ruts. We believe the Spa Park experience would be elevated by paving several key areas of pathways where foot traffic is particularly high. We request for council to consider paving with concrete or cobbles in these key areas. In the event this proposal is approved, we request that council consult with key park stakeholders including the Harriers Club and us, the disc golf club.

All of the above requests would ensure Spa Park remains a world class town park and more specifically a world class disc golf destination. With the growth of disc golf as an international sport, the Spa Park course is getting worldwide attention through the professional events we have hosted. We believe it is of the utmost importance to continue to upgrade the park and the amenities on site.

We are interested in presenting our case for moving forward with these requests, so we may delve deeper into the potential impact an improved Spa Park experience can have within the global disc golf community.

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LTP Submission 2024-2034

Organisation: Taupō Disc Golf Club

First Name: Ken

Last Name: Harris

Postal Address: [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

Daytime Phone: [REDACTED]

What area do you live in, or spend the most of your time?

Taupō

In the first years of this plan, we're proposing to focus on the essentials.

Or, should we spend less and do less, or spend more to do more?

Do More: I disagree with the funding cuts to DGLT and Amplify. Those are key organisations with a mission to bring visitors and commerce to our district and if we want to continue to compete at a national level, those offices need our full support. On the other hand, why are we spending over \$5 million to strengthen Iwi relationships? I believe great relationships are not forged with money, but with time, energy and compassion. All of which come free.

Do you agree with our proposed short to medium term options for dealing with wastewater in Tūrangi?

Agree: Nothing more to add

Do you agree with our proposed short to medium term options for dealing with wastewater in Taupō?

Agree: Nothing more to add

Bag it or bin it

Do you support the proposed option?

Agree: I agree with the plan to move to bins, however I do have concerns about rubbish being collected every two weeks. In the event of households having a great deal of rubbish and overflowing their bin, I fear their rubbish will end up in parks and reserves or on the street. I believe there should be another option to dispose of excess waste in a given week that is cheaper than the minimum amount required to go directly to the refuse station.

Housing

Do you support the proposed option?

Agree: I agree with the plan to build affordable housing, however, there needs to be stipulations in place that ensure they are going to people who need it most. For instance, no property investors should not be allowed to purchase these homes, nor should those who don't plan to live on site.

Do you support our proposed 2024 development contributions policy?

Agree: Nothing more to add.

Community Funding

We have changed our Grants and Partnerships Policy and the structure of our funds to include a new Accelerator fund. Do you agree with these changes?

Yes: I agree in principle, however the criteria for the new fund are vague and I believe it remains important to not only support the large-scale organisation, but also the many small organisations that together have a large impact.

Do you support our proposed eligibility and assessment framework that links funding eligibility with our vision and community outcomes for the Taupō district?

Yes: I agree in principle, however, I do worry that by combining all individual funds together into very few options means priority may be taken away from areas that had earmarked funds and given to other areas. In our situation, we want to ensure Sport is given the its due attention as it is a vital connector in our community and contributes to positive health outcomes.

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We are interested in presenting our case for moving forward with these requests, so we may delve deeper into the potential impact an improved Spa Park experience can have within the global disc golf community.

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

Yes: If schedules allow, I wish to present alongside our Vice-President, Steve Lawson, and our Secretary, Richard Atkinson.



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Submission Date: 26/06/2024

First name: valerie Last name: Penlington

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I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Taupō

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Disagree

1.6.2 Strongly Disagree
Agree

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

- 1. Many residential houses do not have the outdoor space to lace 2 wheelie bins, some already have a garden rubbish bin which would mean housing 3 wheelie bins.
- 2. Many homes with long or steep drives take rubbish to the kerb by car. This is not possible with wheelie bins for which a tow bar would have to be attached.
- 3. The solution to the above would be to leave the bin at the kerb and deposit rubbish bags into them. Unsightly and hazardous.
- 4. In the summer and holiday times 1 food bin might be insufficient and its contents would be rotting by the end of a week. A health hazard for both occupant and waste disposal operators.

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Submitter Details

Submission Date: 26/06/2024
First name: Georgina Last name: Deverell
Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Taupō

1.2 Next 10 Years
Do less

What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)
Less spending money on attracting tourists and catering to their needs - get the motels/hotels to pay a nightly fee for each room that is booked (like \$5) per room per night booked.

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater
Strongly Agree

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Disagree

1.6.2 Strongly Disagree
Strongly Disagree

Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?
I feel the rubbish removal should still be user pays. We currently pay weekly for a rubbish bin to get cleared by a private company. I don't like the new proposal of only weekly collections. I do like the diea of recylcing bins to prevent recycling and papers blowing away

1.7 Housing
Strongly Agree

1.8 Development Contributions
Yes

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

1.9 Community Funding

Yes

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

1.9.1 Community Q2

Yes

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

No

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

1.11 Any other feedback?

The library is a fantastic asset - have moved here from Auckland and think it is one of the best libraries around. Very well resourced and therefore used. I would hate to see funding cut to the library.

I am very concerned about the swim school fees. With two children it would see our term fees go up to \$300 (an increase of \$60). As a one income householder we would 100% but stopping swimming lessons which is such a shame. We are surrounded by water and it is such an important skill to have.

I am also concerned that the swim school would no longer be viable. Everyone I have spoken to about the increase have all confirmed they will stop lessons at that increased rate.

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Submitter Details

Submission Date: 26/06/2024

First name: Frederick Last name: King

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Other

1.2 Next 10 Years
Agree with the plan
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)
Road surface repairs lay the quiet /silent asphalt through areas like Motuoapa

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater
Agree

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Disagree

1.6.2 Strongly Disagree
Strongly Agree
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?

either way it will still be an increase to all households costings. The system that's in place now works well.I believe there will be an increase in fly tipping in All areas

1.7 Housing
Agree

1.8 Development Contributions
Yes
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this strategy?

1.9 Community Funding

Yes

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes. Needs to be fair distribution

1.9.1 Community Q2

Yes

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

As long as there is equal and fair assessment to all participants who apply

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

Yes

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

Attached Documents

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 26/06/2024

First name: Gary Last name: Richardson

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community

Kinloch

1.2 Next 10 Years

Do less

What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

1.6 Bag it or Bin it

Strongly Disagree

1.6.2 Strongly Disagree

Strongly Disagree

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

The Poplars is not set up for big bins at the entrance and the road is unsuitable for trucks. Bags and recyclables can be taken to the depot which is very close..

1.7 Housing

Strongly Disagree

1.7.2 Strongly Disagree

Strongly Disagree

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

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

No

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

1.11 Any other feedback?

Don't waste rate payers money on dinosaurs and unnecessary concreting on a path to nowhere at the intersection of Kinloch RD and Whangamata Rd

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 26/06/2024

First name: Ross Last name: George

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

- 1.1 Local Community

Kinloch
- 1.2 Next 10 Years

Do more

What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

Kinloch lake front needs improvement. The area opposite the store. Dusty & windy in summmer and huge puddles in winter. This is a go to place, for all local's & visitors alike, but is a messy, untidy, lost space. It could be a beautifully planned & respected area. Yes it covers various organisations having a say, but doing nothing fir many decades is not a plan.
- 1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater

Agree
- 1.5 Taupō North Wastewater

Agree
- 1.6 Bag it or Bin it

Disagree

1.6.1 Disagree

Disagree

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

Surely food scraps can be used at source or worm farms rather than providing an expensive collection process for lazy people who if educated can do my suggestion
- 1.7 Housing

Strongly Agree
- 1.8 Development Contributions

Yes

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

need flexibility in how funds can be spent so things happen in a timely manner

1.9 Community Funding

Yes

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

1.9.1 Community Q2

Yes

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

Yes

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

1.11 Any other feedback?

1. In Kinloch by the waterfront a Pétanque court would be a lovely addition & also by the playground by the Community Hall, or by the Fire Station on the entry into the reserve
2. A Matariki standing stone circle, again by the waterfront play ground - could double as a Pétanque area.
3. A Boulevard of Trees from Whangamatā / Poihipi Road into Kinloch. Many land owners have ad hoc plantings, but a co ordinated approach would look fantastic for generations to come.
4. In Kinloch, A Boulevard of trees also running along from the Southern end of the waterfront carpark. In front of cliff area on water side of track (will not block views). All the way to the Whangamatā Stream. Currently this is just a wasted space & messy area, with no shelter in summer time, so swimmers / day trippers etc are squashed into small areas. A few basic facilities would dramatically improve this area, which is getting more popular. The Northern end of the water front is very busy, with 4x4 vehicles simply driving over the small wooden barriers onto grass areas, Marquees are commonly erected as there is limited shade. Better bollards are required here for safety & delineation of areas.
5. I'm involved with the Taupo Tennis Club & current President on Redoubt Road. I've often thought that a shared covered area over our Courts 1,2, & 3 would be of great benefit to the whole community & events that are held on the North Tongariro Reserve. This area could be jointly used for Iron Man, Cycling Events, Winter Festival, Home & Garden show etc... with the tennis club being the base user, but getting covered facilities for guaranteed play - summer & winter - wet or fine, coaching, evening tennis, junior play. Could also be used for other codes. Tennis Club would happily enter into discussions about above.

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 26/06/2024

First name: Toni Last name: Sullivan

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

Yes

Additional requirements for hearing:

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Taupō

1.2 Next 10 Years
Agree with the plan
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater
Agree

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Agree

1.7 Housing
Agree

1.8 Development Contributions
Yes
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this strategy?

1.9 Community Funding
No
Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.
Knowing there is a set funding pool and the arts already have a limited section of those, taking some of that funding and putting into a different fund doesn't appear to serve our arts community but further reduces the funding available. see full submission attached.

1.9.1 Community Q2
No
Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.
At this stage there we are seeking more clarity around the funds available, how this will be decided, and who will be deciding it before we would support what is proposed

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

Yes

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

Attached Documents

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	Taupo District Council Long Term Plan Submission - Community Funding Policy 2024 Toni Sullivan

Taupo District Council Long Term Plan Submission

Draft Community Funding Policy 2024

We have concerns regarding the draft community funding policy 2024 as follows:

- Creative Taupo have received no complaints on how funds have been distributed in the past, why change the model for the creative community?
- Funds will no longer be allocated specifically to the creative community; this creates concerns that the creative community will miss out on sufficient grant funding.
- Funding allocated to the creative community will be entirely at the whim of the 'committees of council' and will depend on the makeup of these committees and their drive to fulfill certain outcomes..
- What will the makeup of the 'committees of council' be? Will experts in each area be on the committees?
- If councillors are part of the 'committees of council' does this create a conflict of interest for them within the community and their portfolios?
- If council employees are part of the 'committees of council' will this create conflicts of interest for them? I.e., views may be skewed to particular outcomes, i.e., innovative, thriving community, over say vibrant places & connected communities, there seems to be no safeguards against this? It also could be skewed to more fiscal outcomes for the council where funding for event hosting goes back to the council for the hireage of venues such as the GLC, Niven Room at the Museum and the Events Centre.
- Why is the community grant fund committee different to the Accelerator and Strategic funds?
- How will the funding split between the 3 funds be determined?

- Will small projects lose out to big projects?
- Individual athletes can access sponsorship fairly easily but individual creatives can find it difficult to find sponsorship for say an exhibition or publishing a book, it is important to bear this in mind when allocating grants.
- While the focus on Tangata whenua is fantastic there is no mention of supporting other cultures in our diverse cultural community.
- While the community outcomes may seem to address this, there is no mention of the role of local authority per the Local Government Act 2002 section 10; b) to promote the **social**, economic, environmental, and **cultural** well-being of communities in the present and future.
- There is no mention of the Taupo District Council Arts & Culture Action Plan in the outcomes even though it has been accepted by council and not shared with the wider community.
- Arts, culture, Nga Toi and sporting activities have been grouped together in the community outcomes. We would like to see Arts, culture, and Nga Toi separated from sporting activities.
- Having only one round of funding per year will create difficulties for community groups organising events throughout the year as these are not always decided 12 months in advance and further opportunities for visiting education or collaboration pop up throughout the year.
- Recipients are limited to not-for-profit, charitable organisations and individuals (for the Community Grants Fund), this may limit the outcome of 'vibrant places' by excluding local and touring performers, artists etc.. from accessing funding to enable them to perform in our district at accessible prices.

If the policy is to be adopted, we suggest the following improvements:

- Ring fence minimum \$ to go towards each outcome, each fund and even distribution of funds between the creative community , sport, social etc..
- Include references to the Taupo District Council Arts & Culture Action Plan in the outcomes.
- Include trusted advisors in each area from the community on the committees with equal representation across the arts, social, sport, environment etc... perhaps with a fixed term (say 2 years)
- Two funding rounds per year so as not to rule out funding for beneficial opportunities that may occur before the 12 months is up.
- Set a maximum grant available per project for the community grant fund, to ensure a wide range of activities and a wide community base are supported, not just a select few projects.
- Prioritise Community Well Being as an overarching philosophy in the outcomes
- Ensure the funding meetings are open to the public and advertised.

The way the current community grant is set up would make it harder for people like myself to apply for funding to bring educators in arts – specifically theatre and fibre art – from outside of the region to Taupo to increase our knowledge base and inspire the community. We have many many talented people here in Taupo but only relying on them limits the knowledge that can be shared. I would love to bring Leone Revel from Palmerston up to create an event for high school students in the whole area to learn improvisation skills which will in turn improve their stage performances for NCEA and onwards into life, she is a specialist in her field, teaches at NYDS and is the community outreach coordinator for

CentrePoint theatre in Palmerston North. She specialises in creating opportunities in the performing arts for youth. With the proposed structure and framework, this would be outcomes but I would have to find an entity to apply on my behalf to benefit the youth of Taupo. If this is not the case, this is where clarity needs to be given to the process, the framework and deciding parties.

And this is just one of the many examples of events that could be brought to Taupo by outside artists.



Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 26/06/2024

First name: Carin Last name: Harris

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Taupō

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Disagree

1.6.2 Strongly Disagree
Strongly Agree

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

The bin option is not an option for a private road where rubbish is collected at the entrance only. Bins do not fit in cars. People from holiday homes already fill our current bins with their unsorted rubbish. So no thank you please keep the current option.

Attached Documents

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 26/06/2024

First name: Hannah Last name: Lightfoot

Organisation: Cheal Consultants Ltd

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

Yes

Additional requirements for hearing:

Feedback

1.8 Development Contributions

No

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

For the reasons outlined in this submission, Cheal asks Taupo District Council to consider undertaking the following actions:

- a. Revising the minor dwelling provisions to ensure consistency across definitions within the District Plan and relevant policies.
- b. Reconsider how additional demand can be captured for minor residential units on a bedroom basis compared with a gross floor area calculation.
- c. Provide better clarity on when non-residential development contributions will be charged.
- d. Consider a reduction of reserve charges in the Mapara catchment to reflect there being no local parks.
- e. Including a reserve catchment map for the Mapara catchment to ensure consistency with the other catchments.
- f. Provide clarity in Table 1 for the General Rural and Rural Lifestyle properties within the Mapara area of the Taupo-Kinloch Transport Corridor.

1.11 Any other feedback?

Full submission attached

Attached Documents

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	Cheal Consultants - LTP Submission

**SUBMISSION TO TAUPŌ DISTRICT COUNCIL
ON LONG TERM PLAN 2024-2034
BY CHEAL CONSULTANTS LIMITED**

To: Taupō District Council
Private Bag 2005
Taupō Mail Centre
TAUPŌ 3352

1. INTRODUCTION

This submission primarily focuses on a range of matters associated with the proposed Development Contributions Policy 2024 which forms part of the Long Term Plan 2024-2034.

This submission is made by Cheal Consultants Limited as a technical submission on the details of the Development Contributions Policy 2024.

2. DEVELOPMENT CONTRIBUTIONS POLICY 2024

The Development Contributions Policy 2024 forms part of the Long Term Plan 2024 to help fund the maintenance and upgrades of infrastructure in the District. The policy is informed by the guiding principle that 'Growth Pays for Growth' which essentially ensures that the increased demand associated with development helps fund the needed management and upgrades of infrastructure assets. The charges payable are calculated based on catchment areas and where the required projects are occurring.

While Cheal supports the policy generally, there are some specific matters we wish to submit on, being the minor dwelling definition, the new Development Contribution's (DCs) calculation for non-residential development and specifically DCs being required for improvements to local parks in the Mapara Catchment.

For the reasons outlined in this submission, Cheal Consultants Limited (Cheal) asks Taupō District Council to consider undertaking the following actions:

- a. Revising the minor dwelling provisions to ensure consistency across definitions within the District Plan and relevant policies.

- b. Reconsider how additional demand can be captured for minor residential units on a bedroom basis compared with a gross floor area calculation.
- c. Provide better clarity on when non-residential development contributions will be charged.
- d. Consider a reduction of reserve charges in the Mapara catchment to reflect there being no local parks in that catchment
- e. Including a reserve catchment map for the Mapara catchment to ensure consistency with the other catchments.
- f. Provide clarity in Table 1 for the General Rural and Rural Lifestyle properties within the Mapara area of the Taupō-Kinloch Transport Corridor.

3. MINOR RESIDENTIAL UNIT DEFINITION & REDUCTION

Under the proposed (and operative) Development Contribution Policy a minor residential unit is subject to reduced DCs with only a half 0.5 HUE being applied to dwellings that meet the definition of a minor residential unit. This is defined by 'a second residential unit of less than 60m² of gross floor area on an allotment'.

Cheal supports the minor residential unit provision for reduced DC's conceptually as it reflects the lesser demand that a minor dwelling places on the infrastructure. Furthermore, in a broader context the conceptual idea of reduced DCs for units creating less demand on the infrastructure helps lower costs for smaller dwellings assisting with much needed affordability of building.

However, we have concerns regarding the implementation and suitability of the measure for fairly capturing demand. We acknowledge that the definition and reduction policy has been rolled over from the 2021 policy. However, given the changes that have occurred over the last three years with the increase in smaller lots, demand for more affordable housing and the proposed introduction of a much more enabling minor dwelling provision in the District Plan's new General Rural and Rural Lifestyle Environment, we consider it very relevant to relook how practicable the proposed measure is, and its implementation.

3.1 Definition Differences

As described above, a minor residential unit under the DC Policy 2024 refers to a second unit of less than 60m², whereas the proposed Rural Plan Change (PC42) is introducing a new definition for a minor residential unit to be defined as 'a self-contained residential unit that is ancillary to the principal residential unit and is held in common ownership with the principal residential unit on the same title' and is permitted on the basis it is no greater than 100m² inclusive of garaging.

The premise of both definitions is similar being the subsequent residential unit on a site and of a size generally smaller than a typical primary residential dwelling. However, the concern here is the difference in definitions will create confusion for property owners especially within the Rural Environment who understand that dwellings up to 100m² in the Rural Environment are classed as a minor residential unit, yet this size unit will not be assessed under the minor residential unit policy for DCs.

This inconsistency likely will create confusion, and we suggest a consistent approach across the board is required. The PC42 definition suggests that under the District Plan a 100m² unit is deemed a minor residential unit and inherently would suggest it contributes far less demand on the infrastructure than the primary unit, but this is then not reflected in the DC policy. For consistency, Cheal suggests that a different approach to capturing a unit's demand should be applied to avoid confusion. The different approach is outlined below.

3.2 Demand Versus Coverage

Council currently equates a residential unit of up to 60m² in gross floor area as creating a lesser demand on the infrastructure therefore applying a reduction to development contributions. Cheal agrees with the premise that a smaller unit which contributes less demand on the infrastructure should pay proportionality less than a standard unit, however, suggests that 60m² is not necessarily the most appropriate measure of this.

The reduction is relative to the fact that smaller dwellings contribute less demand, however, this lesser demand is not explicitly linked to gross floor area. The number of bedrooms in a unit arguably provides a better gauge of demand on infrastructure than the gross floor area of residential unit.

For example, a 60m² two-bedroom unit arguable contributes the same reduced demand as a 100m² two-bedroom unit. A larger living area does not equate to an increased demand on infrastructure. Given that the development contributions purpose is to ensure new development contributes fairly to the district's infrastructure and services then the policy should also fairly focus on the actual increased demand associated with development. A 60m² threshold does not focus on actual increased demand because in our opinion a slightly increased footprint does not change the fact that a two-bedroom unit contributes significantly less demand on the services than a 3-4 bedroom.

Through our research of how other Councils manage this matter, it is evident that most Councils recognise that smaller bedroomed units contribute less demand on infrastructure, and this should be reflected in the development contributions payable. There is a mix of different approaches to this as summarised in Appendix 1. However, other Councils in New Zealand generally look to link the actual demand to the number of bedrooms, and this is proportionality reflected in the reduction provided by their policy. We encourage Council to look to a

revised measure for a minor residential unit to help facilitate a reduction of charges that fairly equates to the actual demand a unit is contributing. This would in turn promote a more affordable option for housing in our District. Our suggestion is that for the purposes of the DC policy, a minor residential unit is defined as no more than two bedrooms.

3.3 Additions to Minor Residential Units

Cheal has concerns on how subsequent additions to minor residential units will be captured under this policy. If a reduced development contribution is paid at the time of building a minor residential unit, then the owner comes in to add a bedroom or make the house larger, how does this additional demand get captured in terms of payable contribution? We would encourage Council to consider an avenue to ensure that additional demand is captured. In some examples from various other Councils in New Zealand, they utilise a per additional bedroom charge to account for the increased demand.

3.4 Creation of Small Lots

As mentioned above, there has been a significant increase in the creation of smaller residential lots for various reasons such as decreased availability of vacant land and increased desire for more affordable housing options. We consider this as an opportunity for Council to relook at how development contributions are charged for new small vacant lots to help encourage more affordable development opportunities. Currently, any vacant lot created will pay a full development contribution regardless of the lot size. However, as noted, the lot size directly correlates to the size of residential unit that can be constructed as a permitted activity. For example, any lots less than 285m² only enable a minor dwelling (dwelling less than 100m²). Therefore, we consider this a good opportunity to investigate whether there is merit for enabling a reduced development contribution at subdivision, if the allotment itself will only enable a 'minor residential unit' to be constructed in the future. This would ensure DCs being charged are representative of the actual demand the development will contribute. Subsequent additions to the dwelling would then be captured by the suggestion in 3.3 above.

4 MAPARA CATCHMENT

4.1 Reserves Map

In the 2024 policy, each catchment area has a reserve development contribution map which identifies the areas to be charged as greenfield versus infill as the charge generally varies depending on which area the property is within. However, no map has been provided for the Mapara catchment despite it being part of their development contribution charge. Cheal recommends that a catchment

map for Mapara is provided to ensure consistency and remove any potential confusion on which payment is payable for which catchment area.

4.2 Reserves Charges

In addition to the missing map, it is noted that the Mapara catchment is being charged for improvements to local parks although there are no physical parks/playgrounds for local use in the Mapara area.

Note 1 on page 15 states:

The charge for local parks and reserves applies in-full to new residential areas to pay for new parks as set out in the catchment area maps in Part 3. Low density developments pay 50% of this charge because they are not expected to require a neighbourhood reserve. Infills are expected to pay 75% of the charge because they will contribute towards improvements in both their neighbourhood and community parks. Developments are classified as residential, low density residential, or infill areas based on the size of the land area, as follows:

- *Residential Developments are lots smaller than 2,500m² per HUE in a residential urban area. This is based on the proposed development not the underlying District Plan environment.*
- *Low Density developments are lots that are 2,500m² or larger per HUE in a low-density residential urban or rural-residential area. This is based on the proposed development not the underlying District Plan environment.*
- *Infill areas are existing established residential areas that already have a community or neighbourhood park as set out in the catchment area maps in Part 3.*

Furthermore, within the Parks Asset Management Plan there are no other upgrades proposed to any Council reserves within the Mapara catchment ie improved walkways within gully systems.

Cheal recommends that either works are proposed within the Parks assets for this contribution to be spent on or a reduced reserve charge is applied for the Mapara catchment which still acknowledges that the community utilises local parks in other catchments but recognises that there are no improvements being directly made in the Mapara catchment due to there being no local parks. This ensures that a fair charge is still being applied for additional growth which will utilise other local parks, while recognising a gap within the Mapara catchment itself.

4.3 Table 1 calculations for Mapara Catchment

For clarity, Table 1 is considered to require update for the calculation applicable for the General Rural and Rural Lifestyle properties within the Mapara area of the Taupō-Kinloch Transport Corridor. It is understood that such properties would be required to pay only Taupō-Kinloch Transport Corridor Transport DC (\$12,100) and

the Improvements to Destination Parks (\$1,805) but not Improvements to Local Parks or Mapara Water. This calculation needs to be added to Table 1.

5 Non-Residential Development Contributions

Under the proposed policy non-residential development subdivisions, land uses, or building developments will be assessed as being equivalent to one HUE excluding reserves and community infrastructure. In the 2021 policy, it was clearly outlined that for non-residential DCs it would be applied at time of subdivision only with 1 HUE for water, wastewater and transport per additional lot payable.

The proposed policy does not clearly outline when, if at all, DCs will be charged for non-residential land uses. We consider for clarity and consistency a similar format to the 2021 Policy (pg. 14) should be applied whereby it is clear that DCs will only be charged at the time of subdivision for any non-residential subdivision, not on the basis of land uses.

If the intent of the new policy is to ensure DCs are charged not just at subdivision stage, then it needs to be made clearer in the policy as currently it does not outline when DCs would be charged for industrial or commercial subdivisions or land uses.

6 CONCLUSION

For the reasons outlined in this submission, Cheal asks Taupō District Council to consider undertaking the following actions:

- a. Revising the minor dwelling provisions to ensure consistency across definitions within the District Plan and relevant policies.
- b. Reconsider how additional demand can be captured for minor residential units on a bedroom basis compared with a gross floor area calculation.
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Signature on behalf of Cheal:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'H. Lightfoot', is written on a light gray rectangular background.

Hannah Lightfoot
Intermediate Planner
Dated: 19 June 2024

Appendix 1: Nation Wide DC Policy Research

District Council	DC Policy Year/Version	DC Charge Portion Provisions
Rotorua Lakes Council	Proposed 2024 Version	Minor dwelling= up to 72m ² GFA & less than 3 bedrooms pays 0.5 HEU
Hastings District Council	2023/2024 Version	Every first dwelling onsite will attract one HUE. However, a reduction can apply to any additional building under 80m². The reductions are based off the size of the building. As shown below. • 70m² = 0.875 (HUE) • 60m² = 0.75 (HUE) • 50m² = 0.625 (HUE) • 40m² or less = 0.5 (HUE)
Central Hawkes Bay	Draft is not yet released.	However, the Three-Year Plan 2024-2027 Consultation document states that they are proposing amendments to development contributions including changes for smaller dwellings. The current Policy does not differentiate size of dwelling and development contributions payable.
Tauranga City Council	Draft Version 2024/25	Introducing a 'large residential' category for assessing citywide development. This has been added alongside the existing 1,2,3-bedroom categories. The different categories determine the contributions payable and reflects that different size houses contribute different demand on the infrastructure.
Whakatane District Council	Draft 2025	Household units that are 75m² in gross floor area or less, the HEU is reduced based on the actual gross floor of the proposed household as a percentage of 75m². E.G> household of 60m² GFA will be assessed as 0.8 of an HEU being 80% of the size of a 75m² household unit.

Nelson City Council	2024 Policy	Each new title pays 1 HUD (Household Unit of Demand). Additional units on an existing title will pay the following portion: 1 bedroom > 0.5 HUD 2 bedroom > 0.75 HUD Three or more bedroom > 1 HUD
Marlborough District Council	2021 Policy	Has as a 'small homes special assessment' which reduces the amount of payable development contributions based off the size of the unit as below. The assessment has two criteria's being the size of the building and the number of bedrooms, you must comply with both criteria's to be eligible for the reduction. Minor Dwelling = <65m² & 1 bedroom pays 0.5 HUE Small Dwelling = <110m² & 2 bedroom pays 0.75 HUE

Links to Documents Discussed Above:

Rotorua Lakes Council

<https://letstalk.rotorualakescouncil.nz/92141/widgets/430285/documents/282806>

Hastings District Council

<https://www.hastingsdc.govt.nz/assets/Document-Library/Policies/2023.2024-Development-Contributions-Policy.pdf>

Central Hawkes Bay

<https://www.chbdc.govt.nz/assets/Links/Consultation-Documents/Supporting-Information-Three-Year-Plan-2024-2027.pdf>

Tauranga City Council

https://www.tauranga.govt.nz/Portals/0/data/council/development_contributions/files/draft-2024-25-development-contributions-policy.pdf

Whakatane District Council

https://www.whakatane.govt.nz/sites/www.whakatane.govt.nz/files/documents/draft_development_contributions_policy.pdf

Nelson City Council

https://shape.nelson.govt.nz/download_file/5985/1507

Marlborough District Council

https://www.marlborough.govt.nz/repository/libraries/id:2ifzri1o01cxbymxkvwz/hierarchy/documents/your-council/2021-31-ltp/2021-31-ltp-final-related-documents/2021_Development_Contributions_Policy.pdf



Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 26/06/2024

First name: Gemma **Last name:** McConkey

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.11 Any other feedback?

Full submission attached

Opposes rent increase at 190 Rifle Range Road, Taupo - Pensioner Flats.

Full submission attached

Opposes rent increase at 190 Rifle Range Road, Taupo - Pensioner Flats.

Attached Documents

Link	File
	Gemma McConkey LTP Submission

Proposed Rent Increase by Great Lakes Taupo District Council

Concerning the

Pensioners living at the Pensioners flats [REDACTED]

Submission in regards to the above mentioned proposed rent increase. This Submission is submitted to Council above, and the Property Team by Gemma McConkey with details for contact below.

Gemma Mcconkey

[REDACTED]

To whom this urgent matter concerns, relating to the proposed huge rent increase/hike of 26% it appears, to be calculated on.

I was personally alerted Friday 21-6-2024 at Unit 3 of Rifle Range RD Taupo, Housing for the Elderly Homes, to this proposed rent increase by one of the pensioners living at these units, for over 8 years now, loving her place of retirement and accepting her signed agreement in place.

I attach as exhibit A, copy of one agreement, I believe to be the same or similar to all other pensioners agreements signed at different times dates, mine was at that time by [REDACTED] and myself dated 5-10-2021, if you take the time to read the agreement, it does mention paragraph 1.5 front page on rents to be reviewed 12 monthly as they are, and an increase of I believe it is, \$5.00 for week, \$10.00 per fortnight, which even this is a huge jump for any of our most vulnerable people such as pensioners like myself, who are not by choice, able to work and increase their income with added wages to live a better life, to have to pay living on limited income, an extra yearly amount already in place, total sum per year, 52 weeks of the year \$260 paid, more paid for double units, I have not mentioned there increase due to I don't know it. So this increased payment yearly, since I have been living there, is in place and no one has ever, as far as I know, ever disputed this figure probably to be scared to I would think?

I attach Exhibit B, a copy of the proposed increase to take place, I believe in August this year sadly for all our most vulnerable people who I stress, have worked all their lives, and well paid their share of taxes/rates extra, and yet this council appear to be now suggesting an increase of 26% is justified to help support ratepayers, when we all know that ratepayers can claim discounts on there rates, through a means testing program in place, in all councils in NZ as far as I know, available to only ratepayers, all pensioners as far as I know, are not included in this type of means testing program unless they own there one home, and classed as a rate payer, so Housing for the Elderly pensioners, are once again penalized by this, and not allowed this means testing support, for cheaper rent, like all other ratepayers are and have had for years, allowed to increase there living costs. This proposed increase will also affect all surrounding areas, example Turangi pensioners.

My argument is:

- (1) All pensioners, living in the Housing for Elderly homes, myself included in this, are our most vulnerable people in NZ Society today, some of these people have huge health issues, not mentioned and are private to those people, not for open discussion all around Taupo for ideal gossip in council rooms, those people all need the care and support of these cheaper rents to allow them, to be treated with Dignity and Respect in there retirement age, as they deserve to be treated, like every other person living in NZ of this age.
- (2) We know, ratepayers, weather they are pensioners or not, who own their own homes, free hold, or with money owing on them, have the greater advantage of increased house price valuations yearly, on their investments, while pensioners living in the Housing for

the Elderly Homes, do not have this luxury advantage, rate payers do, by selling their home to come out with a huge profit from that sale, for there retirement plan, which is an added luxury bonus to them, to be able to do this with working wages support.

(3) We know, not all pensioners are able to work, as mentioned above, for example, people with heart issues and many other issues, too many to mention. So we know that many pensioners have that luxury to still work today, earning an income to allow them to live the same high lifestyle they enjoyed at a younger age, and want to still enjoy today, but this privilege is not allowed to all pensioners, due to many health issues, which is not there fault, so another of my arguments to all council members is, why should, pensioners who suffer from unwanted health issues, be disadvantaged by further rent increases they cannot afford to support pensioners who can work and still do today.

(4) Housing for the Elderly Homes are not classed as ratepayers, with a huge advantage above, on means testing, and investments, and working capabilities available to all.

(5) If this proposal in **Exhibit B** goes ahead from council, council stands to profit a huge amount from 30 units I think it is, sum of weekly from the single units, an increase of \$35.00 per week, per single unit, more for double units, so x 52 weeks yearly on one single unit is \$1,820, I ask the question what improvements is the council going to spend in doing these units up to a higher standard which would be expected to warrant that huge increase proposed, and times that figure by 30 single units, we don't want to know do we really, come on please explain that one.

(6) I have rung MSD for one very concerned upset pensioner, with huge heart issues, to see what kind of accommodation benefit support would be allowed on the increased proposed amount, and I was told only \$28.00 per week, this is once again a further huge disadvantage to all pensioners living in the Housing for the Elderly Homes due to a single unit you will lose another \$7.00 per week on your limited income already and that is \$14.00 paid fortnightly is to much further to lose with food prices increasing daily and they are, and power pricing as it is today, (I could go on).

(7) So my total argument is, please open your eyes wide and listen to what I have said, I hope I have explained all, or most of my arguments against this increase, as it would impact hughley, against all the pensioners living today, in the Housing for Elderly Homes in Taupo or Turangi, and leave our most valuable once again in further stress, they don't need to try live a life of independence allowed to them, and a life of proper Dignity and Respect to themselves, as they deserve to live. These people are not asking for much, just to lead a life of independence is all they ask for, I support them in this, so should all councils and government departments, I include Louis Upstons office in Taupo, into this submission, as I think on behalf of all pensioners at the Housing for Elders homes, she should know.

Signature of Gemma McConkey dated this date of 25-6-2024 signed:



TENANCY AGREEMENT : PENSIONER UNIT**AN AGREEMENT** made this day 5 October 2021**Between** Taupo District Council Hereinafter called '**The Landlord**'**And:** [REDACTED] Hereinafter called '**The Tenant**'

The Landlord agrees to let to the tenant a Pensioner Unit situated at:

[REDACTED]**1. Tenancy**

- 1.1 Date tenancy commenced: 18 October 2021
- 1.2 Your fortnightly rental is \$ \$125.00
- 1.2.1 Bond of two weeks rental is payable with this application form. The rent is required to be paid two (2) weeks in advance.
- 1.3 Rental is to be paid by direct debit to the Taupo District Council's bank Account
- 1.5 Rents are reviewed each 12 months.
- 1.6 This tenancy is subject to the Residential Tenancies Act 1986
- 1.7 The maximum number of people to occupy the premises is : ONE

2. Tenant Must

- 2.1 Pay all charges for telephone and power when accounts due
- 2.2 Not keep any animals, including dogs and cats on the premises or grounds.
- 2.2 Notify the Landlord immediately of any maintenance or repairs that are required. If the tenant, or any visitor of the tenant, accidentally or maliciously causes damage to the premises, the cost of repair is to be met by the Tenant.
- 2.3 Not do or permit anyone else to do anything which in the opinion of the Landlord may be a nuisance or annoyance, or interfere with the comfort or quiet enjoyment of the other tenants.
- 2.4 Not disturb other tenants with the level of sound being emitted from a TV/Stereo/ Video recorder/ CD player/Musical Instrument or any other device and or electrical device being played/used in the unit.
- 2.5 Not disturb or allow guests to disturb or interfere with the comfort or quiet enjoyment of the other tenants.



GREAT LAKE TAUPŌ
Taupō District Council

Exhibit B.

17 June 2024

Phone +64 7 376 0899
30 Tongariro St, Taupō 3330
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Kia ora

Proposed rent increase – Housing for the Elderly

As a tenant in one of our Housing for the Elderly homes, Taupō District Council is inviting you to provide feedback on its draft Long-term Plan 2024-34.

As part of the draft plan, we have looked at the fees and charges for a range of council services and proposed some changes. These fees and charges ensure that those who use council services contribute towards the costs of providing those services and facilities. This helps reduce that cost burden falling entirely on the wider community through rates.

One of the key proposed changes is a rent increase for our Housing for the Elderly units. Our housing stock is ageing and needs work to keep it warm, safe and suitable for tenants' needs. For units in Taupō and Tūrangi, the rent is proposed to increase from \$135 per week to \$170 per week.

Even with the proposed rent increase, the rent from our Housing for the Elderly units still only covers around 35 percent of the cost of providing this housing.

An important part of the Long-term Plan consultation, which runs until 5 July, is community feedback. We invite you to have your say on the proposed changes.

You can see the full list of proposed fees and charges and provide feedback at www.taupo.govt.nz/haveyoursay. If you don't have internet access, please call 07 376 0899 and ask to speak to our Property Team.

Ngā mihi,

Property Team
Taupō District Council



Fw: Council Unites, photos extra.

Further information added to the original Submission. We set up a comment page, and some of our pensioners wanted to write their own comments about how they feel, I was not able to get to everyone, as run out of time getting this in by 7-7-2024.

Some of these people living here, I don't think the council knows, can't read or write, and yet got someone to do read the submission to them, and write a comment from them, as that is how much this meant to them, to be able to express their own feelings on this matter of huge maybe rent increase, it is private who they are, not for all to know, for open discussion.

There are all different age groups living here, up to and over 83 years I believe of age, I stress can't work, but these people are important no matter there age.

Council I have been told have built some really lovely brand new unites all around Taupo, but have any of you, ever bothered to offer any of these pensioners living here for years and paying rent, one of those lovely new ones first, before you put other new people into them, and if not why not, I'm not saying they would want one, but I am saying they are owned this before others, they have all been loyal to the council for years, I think, they have had to put up with all this in below photos, yet not complained.

One very special lady has lived here for years, and run the Hall and looked after everyone here in these unites/flats, she has run the Housie weekly for everyone, with the help and support of another lady living here also in the later years, and kept that big Hall clean, and done many other things I am told for them all, I have only known her since living here 2 plus years, but seen what she has done in that period of time, this rent increase will really hurt her, it is so wrong if it goes ahead, she is 80 years old, and I believe this is a form of abuse, to someone like her at her age. She looks after her garden, and tends to it in the winter months, covering all her plants so the frost can't get to them, she loves her family, and goes stay with them, but at her age to have this huge rent increase if it goes ahead, is to much for her. I don't think it is kind to her, do any of you really think it is.

Look at the lady living here the other day getting free prescription charges, and enjoying this privilege like many others like her finally have, (but no more), she goes to chemist to get her new medication, and he says that will be \$55.00, she is in shock, and asks why, he says you have to now have it in a blister pack costing \$35.50 per month for us to do this for you, thing is here, she didn't get a choice did she, just told, she then said and what is the other amount for, to come to this figure, her son was with her, he replied for your GP on phoning us the prescription, sum of \$19.50. She was in shock, and had no choice but to pay this, that is huge for her or anyone, and that means less food money this fortnight, that is really sad and mean, it is mean it was.



Above photos tell the story.

Photo one is of bath room ceiling appears to be stappled on, why I have no idea, what a mess I was not here when they did this mess, it was like this before I moved in.

Photo 2 is rotten timber in hole with new Aluminum window put in, why I have no idea why this happened or was allowed either, Mr. White tail spider pops his head out from the hole when he choses to, and sits down beside me some times. This was like this when I moved in, so I was not here when they replaced the old wooden window frames, and updated with new Aluminum ones, so have no idea why anyone would leave the rot there, so maybe they forgot to fix it, was that the reason for this still today.

Photo 3 is of Brand-new back door Council decided to replace a lot of them in some unites only, good idea we all thought, but why the builders decided to keep on planning the out side edge of each door, none of us knew, but we all were left worse of then what we had with the old doors, may be builders thought this was a joke or funny ha ha ha, we have no idea why they would do this and waste council money like so, in the summer you don't have to open door to let the sun in, as it is just

there now, but in winter as you can image it whistles, with the wind, the wind comes on in, we don't invite it in, but can't stop it.

Photo 4 is of antique shower head, which drips so on extra extra, not sure if they are worth much today, may be they are.

So can you all see in the council what these people are saying and why?

I have only shown you some of it, not all of it?

Look, we all know there is too much sad in NZ today, people losing their jobs extra, TV channels we rely on going gone today, but for pensioners having to face another setback at their age group, if this huge rent increase goes ahead, is too hard on them if they can't work, they are faced with too many other things I don't think council know of, example the medication above mentioned extra.

We have [redacted] and his wife living in a double Unite, all done up for them on arrival here, more than happy to pay this increase, so I encourage council to apply to them the increase, they welcome this.

We have [redacted] living in a single unite, same block of Unites as [redacted] who also welcomes this increase, so once again council apply this increase to [redacted] as he welcomes it, thing is, they are allowed there say on this matter, as we all are, I think this is justified for all to comment and everyone of us is different, and no matter who you, or what your culture is, are you are entitled to be heard.

To Jenny From [redacted]
This^{is} about the rent rise of \$35 a week.
most people are upset with such a big rise in our
Rent.

People have door issues and stove issues and
many others have things wrong in their units and
they are too scared to say anything.
There are many people in the seventy + 85 age
group who can't work to earn the extra ~~extra~~
increase amount, leaving them short fall
of a huge amount for food.

① As a tenant of 2 yrs living in these pensioner flats I cannot understand this rent increase: i.e. There have been no renovations e.g. painting, carpets etc. Rent increase will put me at just above poverty line due to food + power increases at this time. I find this is just revenue taking and at my age it is distressing so am totally against any rent increase. [REDACTED]

② I am very thankful to live here & did expect a small increase in rent. Only concern is there is no soundproofing between flat bedroom walls. I wear headphones for radio + computer music. Hear music or coughing from next door like it is in my room. So a bit lower increase because of this and I would be happy. Plus we had a lot of plants/furniture stolen. Chair outside open window, hubcaps removed from car + plants taken. Thanks for having pensioner flats for us all & we all seem happy. NB People are too scared to say anything as think they may get kicked out. HAVE HEATPUMPS + WHAT THEY DO HERE/Plants etc.

③ Also as a tenant, I was shocked to read from the open letter, sent to all Pensioners dated 17-6-24, that a proposed rent increase of \$35.00 a week, be paid by all Pensioners. I have never read or heard of such a high rent increase of this magnitude before, I have had a lot of interaction with Pensioners around (N.I.) in the capacity of trailing the sales man, I personally think that it's over the top, rough and rude. I hope this increase, does not get implemented!

By Replye.



Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 26/06/2024

First name: Ngaire Last name: Grainger

Organisation:
Omori Kuratau Ratepayers Association

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.6.1 Disagree
Agree

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

In August 2023, we surveyed the ratepayers in our district re the proposed introduction of wheelie bins and food waste bins for our rubbish. They were overwhelmingly opposed to the introduction of wheelie bins to our area. Cost was one of the main concerns. Attached is an analysis of the responses received, a summary of the responses received and the actual comments received.

1.11 Any other feedback?

Full submission attached

Attached Documents

Link	File
	Omori Kuratau Ratepayers Association - LTP Submission

Submission

To: the Taupo District Council 10 Year plan

From: Omori Kuratau Ratepayers Association

Date: 26th June 2024

The Omori Kuratau Ratepayers Association is an elected body representing the 1000 ratepayers of the Omori Kuratau area. We have 480 financial members. Our aim is to preserve and improve the special place that is Omori Kuratau.

On behalf of the Omori Kuratau Ratepayers Association, we make the following submission in relation to the "Bin it or Bag it" proposal as put forward in the Taupo District Council's Draft Long-term Plan 2024-34.

In August 2023, we surveyed the ratepayers in our district re the proposed introduction of wheelie bins and food waste bins for our rubbish. They were overwhelmingly opposed to the introduction of wheelie bins to our area. Cost was one of the main concerns. Attached is an analysis of the responses received, a summary of the responses received and the actual comments received.

ANALYSIS OF RESPONSES TO MONKEY SURVEY SENT OUT BY OKRA AUGUST 2023

445 Ratepayers replied to the survey that was sent out.

84.02% said they would not use the wheelie bins

63.30% said that they normally put out rubbish

Of these people:

12.80% used the service weekly

17.56% used the service monthly

69.64% used the service 1-5 times a year

63.66% of responders took their refuse to the transfer station

Of these respondents:

5.88% took the refuse to the transfer station weekly

16.34% took the refuse to the transfer station monthly

77.78% took the refuse to the transfer station 1-5 times a year

79.82% would be prepared to take their rubbish to the transfer station if there was no service here

57.99% did not want the transfer station to stay open longer

88.09% preferred a pay as you use system rather than a flat rate, whether you use the system or not

SUMMARY OF EMAIL COMMENTS RECEIVED

No information given to ratepayers about this proposal. It was covered, albeit very minimally, in a Connect that came out with rated, but many people did not realise the implications of it.

Why is this being considered? What is the present problem that needs addressing? System works well now.

TDC LTPlan states that 90% households here are holiday homes.

There will be confusion over which week is which, or is TDC going to send out a schedule to every household at another cost?

Safety

- Bins blowing over, whether full or empty, this is known to happen in other areas that have them
- The bins will impede footpaths/verges for people running/ walking/in wheelchairs etc.
- The rubbish bin gets smelly after a week
- Food bins blow over easily too, because of their size

The aesthetics of our beautiful area will be ruined by unsightly bins on the streets.

How are householders expected to get the bins to the collection points? We have two areas where the rubbish truck does not go up very steep hills now.

Security – bins left outside a house for a week or more are a red light for people who are looking for empty homes to break into.

Storage – most properties don't have facilities, area to store these bins.

Cost – most ratepayers here saw a 17.5% increase in their rates this year and TDC needs to be looking at ways to reduce costs, not impose more on the ratepayers.

TDC also need to consider the impact these bins will have on climate change – the emissions that are produced when the bins are manufactured, considering most will never be used.

Consideration also needs to be given to the fact that more plastic will be manufactured, that once again will not be used, and also that the Environmental Impacts Manager has already indicated that TDC hopes to introduce smaller rubbish bins at a later date. This will mean more plastic will be produced and what will happen to the bins already sitting at people's houses, where+ will they go?

Comments from the OKRA Refuse Survey

- i understand the desire to have dog/cat proof rubbish
- i don't mind the additional fee
- But i'll never use them except for the odd monday i'm here when i can bring the bin back in after otherwise if i put them out and leave before rubbish is collected, then my wheelie bins are going to blow all over the place on the monday afternoons i'm not here.

In wgtm - you can use wheelie bins or stickers on bags. i think the bags are more expensive to cover cleanup if bag gets ripped. not sure on that one

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Hello Peter and friends. The proposed 4 bin collection is excessive and unnecessary and extremely ugly on our environment. Surely it would be cheaper and more convenient to arrange longer dump opening hours or large bins for 24/7 usage. I'm in Tuscany where there is frequent collection of bags and large bin stations.

Keep up your good work.

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We are bach owners and just completed the survey.

At the beginning I saw some council email addresses , silly me did the survey first and now I cant get those email address, could you email them to us.

We as bach owners love to be able to put our Rubbish and Recyling out when we are there. When we leave which could be any day of the week we drop our rubbish at Turangi.

This new system we wouldn't know which week was for what, and we don't have the easiest of sections for a bin.

Ive always thought TDC were so smart in having reasonable collection, the area is actually very tidy re rubbish, and that's because the system they have now works well.

I do get cross with those that put rubbish out early as that can be a hassle, maybe they should charge those that do that.

Anyway thank you for bringing this to our attention.

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The proposed fee is ridiculous for a holiday home when we would not use the bins. Who would bring the bin in off the street if indeed it was put out. They will be on the streets until visiting the home again maybe in 3 months or so.

This thought of an extra fee should be scrapped immediately.

We use a bag and buy the council fee stickers at the local store.

Appreciate you passing this on.

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Kia ora Peter I just filled out the survey.

There should have been a comment box at the of survey as the last question was a yes or no and for me it depended on things.

For example 1. Who would bring the bin back up our driveway when we've left to travel back to lower hutt 2. With regard to the extra cost to our rates ie another \$300. Is that per year or just the 1st year to pay for the bins? It better not be every year!

3. Do we opt out of having the bins as we and our visitors who use our place just take our rubbish to the tip on the way back home.

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I would like to strongly put my opposition to the wheelie bins becoming part of the Omori-Kuratau landscape.

However, I wanted to put the reasoning behind not supporting them.

These types of bins have their place in cities and towns, however, in a satellite community such as ours, with a low permanent population, I strongly believe they are not applicable.

A fortnightly collection will mainly be irrelevant, as will not match many of those who are holidaying in Omori-Kuratau. I am a regular here (though not yet a full-time resident) and would have very little use for these bins. The current weekly collection, with access to the dump if required, works very well.

And speaking from experience having been in Auckland since Wheelies were introduced and collected on a *weekly* basis:

- After a week their contents can begin to smell badly
- They blow over easily
- They are a nuisance when not immediately removed from the footpath (as will the case here in Omori-Kuratau)
- And, as an aside, they will aesthetically destroy the beauty of our small settlements as the streets will contain many abandoned bins as their owners (& renters of the properties) return to their homes elsewhere.

Basically it is a non-sensical idea!!

Not sure if you can use these thoughts, and good luck with TDC!

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Thank you for drawing our attention to this.

To add further:

We usually take our rubbish to the kuratau transfer station if we are here for a week or so. We usually take our rubbish home if we have been for the weekend. So we "sometimes" use the refuse station.

We usually take our recycling up to the transfer station. Although if we are here on a Monday, we will put it out at the gate. There was no "sometimes" button.

We take our compost/food scraps home.

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If the wheelie bins were made available to Kuratau School we would be very happy as we have no collection at present.

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Hi Peter

Thank you so much for bringing this to our attention. We had no idea!

Oh my goodness what a disastrous plan!

Can't think of anything worse than hundreds of bins blowing around Kuratau because they are left kerbside when visitors leave their bach.

Or even worse, renters leave bins full of rubbish for the owner or the next renter to deal with.

Doesn't bear thinking about. The stink!!!! Omg 🤢

We have a holiday home and seldom use the current recycling collection (only if we are there to bring the bin inside before we leave). We always take all our rubbish away with us or to the refuse station.

We would not use these bins or even the pay as you go system as the same empty bin kerbside problem would still exist.

We strongly oppose this change and any attempt by TDC to charge us more for our rubbish collection. It is entirely unsuitable for holiday homes and to consider putting them in an area that is 90%+ holiday homes is madness.

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One thought given there are so many holiday homes, or rented out – is that potentially it could become a bit of a mess. If holidayers, or people renting put bins out but there's no one to take them back in again. Or bins are put out after bach use but not collected till the following week etc – bins being blown over. Just my thoughts that it could get messy

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Ridiculous suggestion, Peter.

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As a bach owner who only gets to Kuratau 2-3 times a year, I'm clearly in the camp of having a pay-per-use option Thanks for the opportunity to have a say

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I've done the survey, but the thing for us (and many 'lifestyle properties' is how to get the wheelie bins to the collection point. Ours is on the corner of Rangitukua & Te Puke as the council contractors won't come up our ROW. I don't fancy pushing them up our hill!

We take garden rubbish to the tip, and I guess we could take all rubbish if required. If we get the wheelie bins, not sure why glass and food scraps have to be separate. Food scraps will get a bit smelly if it's a fortnightly collection!

Anyway, we'll see what happens. My rates went up \$1,000 from last year to this, so we'd be keen to minimise future increases!

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There was a message received regarding proposed wheelie bins for an extra \$300 a year. Unfortunately I cannot find this – where can I send an objection for this proposal?

Our Omori holiday home is used on average only a couple a days a month during most of this year, apart from summer holiday period when it is used for a few weeks. We take any household rubbish home with us, and put recycling out (or take up to tip) when bin is full which usually takes a few months.

A scheme like this is just a money grab from holiday home users”

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Kia Ora Brian

We have been provided with the above email addresses from concerned property owners / rate payers of Kuratau, Omori and Pakawa Districts following concern at the TDC proposed use of compulsory Wheelie Bins. Please note that **we had not been made aware of this proposal** even though the TDC has our email and home address. One would think such important proposals that result in extra costs would be disseminated to all rate payers. We trust our submission is accepted at this time before changes are made.

Current arrangements and costs

As a rate payer we currently pay a fee of \$143.53 in our annual rates. As a bach owner we have irregular collection requirements. When the regular collection on a Monday does not meet our needs we are more than happy to take our rubbish to a recycling depot when we depart. We know other bach occupiers do this and we have seen very few bags been left out for long periods on non-collection days. This is a user pays system on top of our rates and works very well for this area.

Our reasons for objecting to this proposal are:

1. As casual occupiers and the fact that a fixed charge would be levied on our rates we would have no control over the cost.
2. The suggested cost for a fortnightly collection is exorbitant of \$300 (minimum). A private business in rural Masterton proves a 240 litre bin and **weekly** rubbish collection for \$326 per year.
3. We object to being forced to having to pay for a bin that we would not get anywhere near the full use of . Based on our current needs we would not likely fill it 3 times per year.
4. Casual occupiers being forced to opt into the proposal would leave them out whenever they leave. This would mean bins left out for up to 13 days which would be unsightly for the environment and exposed to being overturned in high winds etc.
5. Having alternate weeks for rubbish and recycling would be confusing for the irregular users. Public holidays create so much more recycling would this system really work well for that period?
6. Lastly everyone is acutely aware of the inflationary pressures of constant increases in everyday services and the cost of living. Local body rates are an example of this with constant increases for no extra services. To mandate a compulsory user pays service is very unfair and unnecessary.

Hi Peter, In addition to having a holiday home at [REDACTED] we also have a holiday home in a small village in France that 12 months ago switched from weekly refuse & recycling collections to the system proposed by TDC.

We therefore know from first-hand experience that the proposed system DOES NOT WORK FOR HOLIDAY HOME OWNERS.

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We use our French ‘bach’ as a base for touring Europe 2 times a year for 6 weeks at a time. What does not work?

1. The fortnightly collections never coincided with the actual days we were there.

2. If we had put the bins out, there was no-one to bring them in off the street (not good for property security).
3. We ended up having to sneak our domestic rubbish into the transfer station disguised as building waste etc.
4. We had no recyclable food waste for a food scraps bin - and the property is vacant 9 months a year.
5. The 'new' system cost more - just as the one proposed by TDC will.

So we ended up with an inferior to non-existent rubbish collection system that cost us more!

Contact:

Ngaire Grainger

President

Omori Kuratau Ratepayers Association



Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 26/06/2024

First name: Holly Last name: Spooner

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Taupō

1.2 Next 10 Years
Agree with the plan
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Agree

1.6.3 Strongly Agree
Hopefully this could potentially reduce the amount of plastic thats going into landfill. I'm all for the bin if contents don't need to be constrained In plastic bag etc

1.7 Housing
Strongly Disagree

1.7.2 Strongly Disagree
Strongly Agree
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?

Despite being well informed on this potential development I do strongly disagree with it. To be completely honest I see this is a 'feel good' Move on behalf of the council to match other towns, this is going to create a bigger problem long-term. There's 42 houses proposed across the division, Over two build Stages.

I think using the term 'affordable housing' is ridiculous, Yes the housing is affordable but the land the houses are on is NOT affordable. Not to mention the parks and new recreational areas that are gonna be lumped into paying for in these homes rates.
Building an affording housing development in what is one of Taupos most expensive land areas currently to build a basic home is just ridiculous. The proposed plan is to mix these houses throughout the subdivision,

Why could the council not buy smaller sites across the region and stack high density housing while consulting a architectural specialist whome offers sustainable ideas. These “ Affordable homes” are 100sqm sections?! They will be flipped to investors within a few years and thats the end of the story, no solution to the Housing crisis whatsoever.

1.9.1 Community Q2

No

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

The 7% Town centre Taupo rate increase is ridiculous what a waste of money.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

Yes

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

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 26/06/2024

First name: Gabby Last name: Donald

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Taupō

1.2 Next 10 Years
Do more
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater
Strongly Disagree

1.4.2 Strongly Disagree
Strongly Agree
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Agree

1.6.3 Strongly Agree
bagging it only adds to waste pollution

1.7 Housing
Agree

1.8 Development Contributions
Yes
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this strategy?

1.9 Community Funding
Yes

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

i think there needs to be another fund open to support academic or school based programs. Its important to bulid up the idea of a local education that is backed by strong support

1.9.1 Community Q2

Yes

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

Yes

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

maybe looking at how waste management and recycling in schools and town can be changed so they are more readily accessible

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 26/06/2024

First name: Ross Last name: McDonald

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Eastern bays (Hātepe, Motutere, Motuoapa, Tauranga-Taupō)

1.2 Next 10 Years
Agree with the plan
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater
Agree

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Disagree

1.6.2 Strongly Disagree
Strongly Agree
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?
Don't agree that holiday home owners should subsidise permanent residents rubbish collections by way of an extra rate.

1.7 Housing
Agree

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 26/06/2024

First name: Tony Last name: Golebiowski

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

- 1.1 Local Community
Kinloch
- 1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Disagree
- 1.6.2 Strongly Disagree
Strongly Agree
- Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?
- we live in the Poplars Subdivision. The bin option will cause issues to the residents getting their bins to the gate. We are 900 metres to the gate and transporting the bins will not be easy. We will need to purchase a trailer, buy and fit a towbar to transport them. The area outside our Subdivision is not suitable for rubbish bins for 52 houses. Entering and exiting the Subdivision will be restricted every collection day. Our private road is suitable for truck weights and no suitable turn-around areas.

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 26/06/2024

First name: Matt Last name: Newbold

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Kinloch

1.2 Next 10 Years
Do less
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

Spend money on the essentials only.

The council is wasting money on items like fairy lights for the main road of town. These sorts of actions benefit the tourists only.

Invest into the community on the essentials only.

I pay \$6000 in rates for what?? a recycling waste service. There are no other community service's I use as a resident.

There is nothing for the Joe Public local, all investment benefits a few wealthy shop owners.

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater
Agree

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Agree

1.5.4 Agree
Should have been done years ago, why aren't developers paying for this?

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Disagree

1.6.2 Strongly Disagree
Strongly Agree

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

It is exactly 1km to my mail box, can I really be expected to "wheel" my recycling bin that far?

Currently we have to separate the lids etc from the bottle (which i am happy to do). Items that are not correctly separated are left behind for the resident. How do you expect that service to continue with a wheelie bin? The collectors couldn't even reach the bottom.

1.7 Housing

Strongly Disagree

1.7.2 Strongly Disagree

Strongly Disagree

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

If the council has anything to do with this project it will be a monumental failure.

1.8 Development Contributions

No

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

1.9 Community Funding

No

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

Don't fully understand it, but if the TDC has anything to do with it, it will be a monumental failure, just like everything else.

1.9.1 Community Q2

No

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

Don't fully understand it, but if the TDC has anything to do with it, it will be a monumental failure, just like everything else.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

No

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

1.11 Any other feedback?

They Mayor should resign, I do not believe that he has the best interest of the town at hand.

Whatever happened to the "Mayoral Review of the petrol prices in Taupo 2 years ago" = Nothing.

Dear Mr Mayor, stop wasting out rate money on your wages and resign, let someone in who will do something of value for the people of this town.

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 26/06/2024

First name: Tracy Last name: Mihell

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Kinloch

1.2 Next 10 Years
Agree with the plan
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Agree

1.6.4 Agree

I think the bins are a good idea but we live on a private road so the large rubbish/recycling trucks that come out to Kinloch at present would not be able to access and turn in our subdivison. Also we have to pay for the maintenance of this private road so any additional heavy traffic on it causes an issue. At present rubbish bags are taken to the main road but to get wheelie bins there would not be possible for a lot of our residents.

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 27/06/2024

First name: Vicki Last name: Singer

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Kinloch

1.2 Next 10 Years
Do less
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Agree

1.6.3 Strongly Agree
we at kinloch poplars have a long way to the gate im not pushing bins all that way , we dont have a pick up from our house, i dont want the bin

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan
No
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this plan?
there will still be the same amount of rubbish however which way it makes its way to the dump, what is it that you are trying to achieve

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 27/06/2024

First name: ken

Last name: mcdonald

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Taupō

1.2 Next 10 Years
Do more
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater
Agree

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Disagree

1.6.2 Strongly Disagree
Strongly Agree
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?

1.7 Housing
Agree

1.8 Development Contributions
Yes
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this strategy?

1.9 Community Funding
Yes
Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

1.9.1 Community Q2

Yes

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

Yes

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

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 27/06/2024

First name: Ron **Last name:** Cole

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

- 1.1 Local Community
Tūrangi
- 1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Disagree
- 1.6.2 Strongly Disagree
Strongly Agree
- Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 27/06/2024

First name: Alan Last name: Fleming

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Taupō

1.2 Next 10 Years
Agree with the plan
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater
Strongly Agree

1.4.3 Strongly Agree
I have a concern about the houses lakeside grouped at a point about a kilometer South of Hatepe. Are they all connected to a sewerage system and if not why not?

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Agree

1.5.4 Agree
The reservation I have for this area is the huge population increase we can expect from the subdivision contained in the new development framed by Poihipi road and Wairakei Drive and the consequent services required including the sewerage. When this takes place will it mean a further rates increase to fund it?

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Agree

1.7 Housing
Agree

1.7.3 Agree
My reservation about the "first home" option would be that I would not like to think they would grouped in a similar fashion or enclave-type as the current Council flats in Rifle Range are?

1.8 Development Contributions
Yes

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

1.9 Community Funding

Yes

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

I agree with Council decisions in this matter as we elected you as responsible people and I trust your decisions

1.9.1 Community Q2

Yes

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

Yes

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

1.11 Any other feedback?

Yes, I want to say that Council needs to prioritise the second bridge over the river

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 27/06/2024

First name: Harold Last name: Dwight

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

- 1.1 Local Community

Taupō
- 1.2 Next 10 Years

Do less

What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

Its time to focus more on stabilising rates with a focus on essentials only. The council has had a cost plus mentality with a focus on vanity projects too much. people on low incomes and pensions are penalised by anything other than Water, waste and roads. Inflation is being increased by activities such as District councils, and given the massive increase in houses developed in recent times the indicitive rates quoted are an insult.
- 1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater

Agree
- 1.5 Taupō North Wastewater

Agree
- 1.6 Bag it or Bin it

Strongly Disagree
- 1.6.2 Strongly Disagree

Agree

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

I think the food waste option is unnecessary, and may attract rodents and birds. offenders on a larger scale should be encouraged to improve efficiency.
- 1.7 Housing

Strongly Disagree
- 1.7.2 Strongly Disagree

Agree

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

1.8 Development Contributions

Yes

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

1.9 Community Funding

No

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

Time to cut your cloth and operate without constant rates increases

1.9.1 Community Q2

No

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

Yes

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

1.11 Any other feedback?

I have included my comments previously

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 27/06/2024
First name: Lucy **Last name:** Sharplin
Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?
I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Kinloch

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Disagree

1.6.1 Disagree
Strongly Agree

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

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Last name: Sharplin

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Disagree

1.6.2 Strongly Disagree
Strongly Agree

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

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 27/06/2024

First name: Saralee **Last name:** Sharplin

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Kinloch

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Submitter Details

Submission Date: 27/06/2024

First name: Dave **Last name:** Huxley-Jones

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Western bays (Omori, Kuratau, Pūkawa, Whareroa)

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Disagree

1.6.1 Disagree
Strongly Agree

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

Submission Bin in Out TDC

I have been going to Kuratau for over 45 years and living staying for longer periods now that I am retired. My thoughts are based on this experience.

Being a holiday area, most of the properties are used at peak holiday times and for a few weekends throughout the year. There are few permanent residents living at Kuratau.

The proposed rubbish solution will work in the large towns, obviously Taupo and Turangi but will cause the following problems in the holiday areas.

When occupiers depart, they either take the rubbish bags to the tip or leave out for collection along with the blue recycling bins. If three bins are introduced, the biggest issue is:-

- who puts the bins away as the occupiers have left? As many properties are left unoccupied for weeks, the bins will be left on the kerb and will blow onto the road causing traffic safely issues. Who is responsible for moving the bins back into the section.
- There are a few properties that have a single driveway for access and all the bins will be left at the driveway entrance.
- Collecting food waste in a separate small bin every two weeks will mean the bin will be out for collection for several weeks. Based on areas that use these today, they are often blown over and also knock over by dogs. I don't believe there will be used.

The solution needs a common sense approach.

- The bag system should be retained in the holiday areas and the bin solution implement in the larger towns.
- Householders should be able to opt out and not be charged for the bins but use the bags and pay for the disposal.

Often councils have made their minds up before going out for consultation and I do hope this is not the case in this situation.

Dave Huxley-Jones

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 27/06/2024

First name: Kim Last name: Martin

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Taupō

1.2 Next 10 Years
Do less
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)
Reconsider what is considered essential. Spending millions on beautifying the town is not necessary at the moment and prioritising this previously may have helped prevent the drastic current deficit. Cut consultants and question and re-quote projects to ensure the rate payers aren't being taken advantage of.

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater
Disagree

1.4.1 Disagree
Disagree
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Disagree

1.5.1 Disagree
Agree
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Disagree

1.6.1 Disagree
Disagree
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?
Why do we need a recycling bin and an extra crate for glass? Australia works with 2 wheelie bins on an alternate weekly basis, as stipulated in the proposal, with no food waste bin or additional glass bin, and it works perfectly!

1.7 Housing

Agree

1.7.3 Agree

Please advise what would happen to the profits made from the sale of the additional houses that do not meet the affordability criteria.

1.8 Development Contributions

Yes

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

1.9 Community Funding

Yes

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

1.9.1 Community Q2

Yes

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

Yes

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

It would be helpful to implement some sort of structure in local supermarkets etc. to ensure any edible food products are donated to charities or food banks.

1.11 Any other feedback?

As of the current proposed rates increase the rates for our property have increased nearly \$1000 in two years! I understand that some costs have increased, however continuously increasing rates at this level is unsustainable. Additionally, double dipping on increasing services, such as swimming lessons and pool entry, dog registration and rubbish bag stickers, while also increasing rates does not come across well and only adds to the cost of living pressures. Some of these costs should be funded by other means, such as fines for owners of roaming dogs.

Costs can also be minimised if jobs are done correctly in the first place! Feedback on the playground on Mere Road was not listened to in the initial stages, leading to long delays and, no doubt, further expense for more engineers and consultants to rectify issues once the project had started.

It would be amazing if the council could focus on essentials as they have proposed. Fix potholes (properly the first time), trim back hedges and trees so footpaths can actually be fully used, and listen to ratepayers whose money you are spending!

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Submitter Details

Submission Date: 27/06/2024
First name: Lance Last name: Morrison

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?
I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community

Tūrangi

1.2 Next 10 Years

Agree with the plan

What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater

Strongly Agree

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater

Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it

Strongly Disagree

1.6.2 Strongly Disagree

Strongly Agree

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

Our Household would be lucky to full one yellow bag every 6 weeks. We have no food scraps as compost if we have any at all. Recycle bin lucky to full it once a month. Having to find a home for wheelie bins in our small section takes up room.

If you want a wheelie bin, pay for it yourself as some people do. The food scraps bin - the town centre people who would fill these have pig farmers pick up there scraps. Waste of time.

1.7 Housing

Strongly Disagree

1.7.2 Strongly Disagree

Strongly Agree

Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?
Council is not a construction of homes business.

1.8 Development Contributions
Yes

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

1.9 Community Funding
Yes

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

1.9.1 Community Q2
Yes

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan
No

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

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 27/06/2024

First name: Judy Last name: Radford

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Taupō

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Disagree

1.6.1 Disagree
Agree

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

As the long-time owner of a holiday house in Taupo which does not generate a lot of rubbish, we wish for TDC to continue with the current service. We find it very convenient, especially the ability to put out 2 supermarket size bags of rubbish tied together at half the cost of a council sticker/bag. It's a big help financially. The wheelie bin option is of no interest to us, as it is better suited to larger, permanent households. Regarding recycling, the current system works very well, though I have questioned the large size of the glass collection black bins which must be very heavy for the collectors to lift when they're full.

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Submitter Details

Submission Date: 27/06/2024

First name: Allan Last name: Cook

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Western bays (Omori, Kuratau, Pūkawa, Whareroa)

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Disagree

1.6.1 Disagree
Agree

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

Your Worship and Councillors
Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission to your Draft LTP.
On receiving your mailed invitation to submit, I was pleased to read the introductory statement ‘In this Long-Term Plan we’re proposing to focus on the essentials while maintaining our current levels of service’ I regarded that as a responsible objective for Local Government in the present economic circumstances. Unfortunately that initial pleasure was short-lived once I read on about Council’s ‘Bag It or Bin It’ proposal. Assuming that ‘serviced residential areas’ ,as referred to in your proposals, includes the Western Bays communities of holiday residences, and being an owner of such a property at Kuratau, I strongly oppose the ‘Bin It’ option.
The type of service proposed under the ‘Bin-It’ proposal, may well be appropriate and justified in the larger communities of permanently occupied dwellings within the District. I suspect that Council Officers have then advocated for a ‘one size fits all’ service for their operational convenience, rather than recognise that there are major differences within the various communities across the District, and to be creative in providing services that meet those different needs.
The starting point in considering this issue should be to ask what is the present problem that needs addressing? I note the claim in your proposal that there is a strong appetite within the community for improvements in refuse collection and recycling and specifically for a switch to a collection service based on bins. I would be interested however in seeing any evidence of such an appetite within the intermittently occupied Western Bays communities.
My family has owned its Kuratau property for the past 36 years and we consider ourselves to be very typical of the holiday home owners who form the very substantial majority of our community, in terms of low frequency/short length of occupation and concern for our environment. We cannot see any problem whatsoever with the present collection service! We put a rubbish bag and recyclables out for collection possibly 5 times a year, during our more extended stays, and at all other times take household refuse home. We take green waste and larger refuse items direct to the transfer station. We have found both street collection and transfer station services to be efficient and reliable. Importantly, it has been our observation that property owners are very responsible in not putting refuse or recyclables out on the street for extended

periods in advance of collection, and we have never observed animal disturbance of bags. All in all, the service currently provided entirely satisfies our reasonable expectations for the affordable, convenient, healthy and environmentally sound collection/disposal of refuse. We note the 'Bag It' option now proposed involves a reduced collection frequency during the winter months, and would see that as a minor and indeed sensible change.

Compare that with the 'Bin It' proposal! We can clearly foresee numerous plastic bins (up to 4 per property!) lying around the streets waiting for their owners' next visit. We can also foresee numerous food scrap bins spilt over the ground on account of their small size and light weight, which has been the experience of our daughters in Auckland. All of this while we would incur an additional charge of approximately \$210 per year (based on projected 'Bin it' charge of \$366, and 'Bag It' charge of \$141 +5 bags @ \$3), for a 'service' that I strongly suspect very few, if indeed any property owners in our community will want. If my experience is typical, as I suspect it is, then those owners will, by the time rates are levied for 2024/25, have suffered a TDC rates increase of around 32%, \$975 in my case, since July 2023.

I urge you to consider the different refuse collection needs of the Western Bays communities and the negative amenity/environmental impacts of the 'Bin It' option, in the light of your stated objective to focus on the essentials, while maintaining current levels of service. I am sure that if you do that, then your logical decision will be to retain the 'Bag It' option.

Thank you for considering my submission, which I do not wish to speak to.

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 27/06/2024

First name: Stephen

Last name: Sanderson

Organisation:

On behalf of 21 residents of Whareroa Village,
Kuratau

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

Yes

Additional requirements for hearing: Stephen Sanderson

Feedback

1.1 Local Community

Western bays (Omori, Kuratau, Pūkawa, Whareroa)

1.11 Any other feedback?

I would like to thank the council for the opportunity to submit to their long term plan.

There are a number of issues that arise in our community that require attention, they mainly fall into the category of maintenance, areas where the Council should be proactive rather than reactive.

1 The stairs between Hinekapi Tce and Turangitukua Tce. Maintenance has been deferred for the last 12 years to the point where they may need a complete replacement. Programmed maintenance every two years or so would extend the life of the stairs.

2 Footpath damage: There are some areas where our footpaths have been damaged, have sunk or in some places risen caused by heat expansion, some have been remedied by grinding them down or marked with yellow paint which I believe is as bad as the original problem that could trip people.

3 Weed control in reserves mainly gorse and blackberry.

These are just a few small maintenance issues that have been neglected in the past. If there was a maintenance programmed say for every two years they would cost considerably less than leaving it until it is critical that major work is required.

Water Supply & Maintenance,

It was a surprise to the community when pegs suddenly appeared on our reserve which after a few phone calls I was informed that they were proposed future sites for a new UV water treatment building. One, we didn't know that a new plant was proposed and two, where they thought it should go. There is no issue with the Idea of upgrading our water supply or future proofing our supply, It is the way in which Council went about it. Consultation should start at the beginning of the process not part way through. Several thousand dollar could be saved if the options were put to the community prior.

There is also the time in which it takes to repair a water leak. I understand the contractor has 2 days in which to respond. How much water is lost over that period?

Council a few years ago put in telemetry at our water shed, at great cost, to let them know if there were any problems. It still seems that contractors are there a good number of days each week checking the system. Are there that many problems with the system? It seems like a waste of ratepayers money.

Tree Planting along the Whareroa Stream Reserve

The area in question was previously mown. The neighbouring property owners were keeping the gorse and blackberry cleaned up on the fringes, the Council come along without community consultation and planted it out. Who is going to keep it clean over the next 5 years until the plants have established themselves and at what cost?

The Council Talks about saving money but they waste a lot by not getting the community involved before they start.

Refuse station increase in Charges.

I don't have an issue with the charges going to \$208.69 per property including green waste, there hasn't been any significant cost increase since 2012, over that period the volume of refuse and green waste has increase substantially. The refuse operation is cost effective due to the good level of community involvement.

We do need to work with Council to improve the efficiency of the site especially around green waste and recycling. As the Village matures green waste volumes will increase and some serious planning is needed.

The main point of my submission is that early consultation with the community can and would save the Council money.

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 27/06/2024

First name: Linda Last name: Falconer

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community

Taupō

1.2 Next 10 Years

Agree with the plan

What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater

Agree

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater

Strongly Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it

Disagree

1.6.1 Disagree

Agree

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

I live at the top of a steep driveway. My concern is that I will need to get two large bins to the gate and back up the drive after collection. The weight of the bins will make them difficult to control and will become more dangerous in winter. I think there needs to be a safe arrangement made to protect the elderly and the disabled.

1.7 Housing

Strongly Agree

1.8 Development Contributions

Yes

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

1.9 Community Funding

Yes

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

1.9.1 Community Q2

Yes

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

Yes

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

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 27/06/2024

First name: John Last name: Cordue

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Other

1.2 Next 10 Years
Do more
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

Community Building Through Sports:I believe that by developing an inspiring new indoor sports hub, tired clubs (such as squash) can thrive alongside our beautiful town. While those codes without a home (such as table tennis, badminton, pickleball) and/or constrained as a result have a facility to call home. Further, codes at full capacity using TEC can have additional capacity, and a new venue for finals, prizegiving (basketball, volleyball)

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater
Agree

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Agree

1.7 Housing
Agree

1.8 Development Contributions
Yes
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this strategy?

1.9 Community Funding
Yes
Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

1.9.1 Community Q2

Yes

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

Yes

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

1.11 Any other feedback?

Event Destination/Economic Development:I believe a new indoor court facility (sports hub) will be a catalyst and driver for our region to be a premier destination for regional, national, and international mid-tier sporting events, attracting visitors, boosting tourism. Investing in this facility is an investment in our local economy, stimulating spending, and generating revenue that can be reinvested in our community.

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 27/06/2024

First name: Shirley Last name: O'Leary

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Taupō

1.2 Next 10 Years
Do more
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater
Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Disagree

1.6.2 Strongly Disagree
Agree
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?
I think we should stick with the present system except perhaps for town centre and shops. Firstly it is cheaper and secondly there are a lot of retirees in Taupo and a wheelie bin would be difficult for them to handle and store. I myself would find it difficult.

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 27/06/2024

First name: Karl Last name: Addy

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Mangakino, Whakamaru and Atiamuri

1.2 Next 10 Years
Agree with the plan
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater
Disagree

1.4.1 Disagree
Disagree
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Disagree

1.6.2 Strongly Disagree
Strongly Agree
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?

1.7 Housing
Strongly Disagree

1.7.2 Strongly Disagree
Strongly Disagree
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?

1.8 Development Contributions
Yes
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this strategy?

1.11 Any other feedback?

The Councils funding is critical to ensure the maintenance and marketing for the Waikato River Trails continues. The money spent has a great return on investment in terms of economic benefits for the area. Please increase this spending. .

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 27/06/2024

First name: Kerry Last name: Wedd

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Taupō

1.2 Next 10 Years
Agree with the plan
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Agree

1.7 Housing
Agree

1.11 Any other feedback?
I just wanted to say use Bins!!

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 27/06/2024

First name: Tony Last name: Legg

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

- 1.1 Local Community
Taupō
- 1.2 Next 10 Years
Agree with the plan
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)
- 1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater
Agree
- 1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Agree
- 1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Disagree
- 1.6.2 Strongly Disagree
Strongly Agree
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?
Two things .First bins will be far more expensive for the smaller household.Second.Where does the average sized house store all of these bins.
- 1.7 Housing
Strongly Disagree
- 1.7.2 Strongly Disagree
Agree
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?
Council are not experts in supplying housing.Let the market do its own thing.
- 1.8 Development Contributions
No

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

1.9 Community Funding

Yes

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

If the funding is provided by ratepayers then accountability would be my concern.

1.9.1 Community Q2

Yes

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

My main concern is who we are giving funds to and what sort of checks are done to validate the giving of the funds in the first place. There seems to be a lot of wishy washy well being groups out there .

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 27/06/2024

First name: Selwyn Last name: Bullock

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Taupō

1.2 Next 10 Years
Agree with the plan
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Strongly Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Agree

1.7 Housing
Agree

1.8 Development Contributions
Yes
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this strategy?

1.9 Community Funding
Yes
Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan
Yes
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this plan?

1.11 Any other feedback?
Message directed to the Parks Management, please do not plant cherry trees and flaxes . Flaxes in round about cul de sacs are lovely when first planted , however they grow and grow, they are difficult to manage. There is a place for flaxes but not in residential areas. I recommend small

shrubs, that are easy to manage.

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 27/06/2024

First name: Carrie

Last name: Vander Zwaag

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Taupō

1.2 Next 10 Years
Do more

What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

1.9 Community Funding
No

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

1.9.1 Community Q2
No

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

1. As a local teacher and mentor of the arts (also actively involved in science/environmental education) it is essential that funding for community Arts be ring-fenced and separated from Sports and Social. The Arts traditionally struggle to have their voice heard so I support other musicians/artists and feel this is necessary so that community arts funding is not eaten away by other priorities.
2. As advised by council in long-term plan, we want to support cultural diversity and well-being of people and environment - and this should be overarching philosophy of the funding outcomes., not just economics. In particular that community arts funding is not confused with national or international commercial events and outcomes that would benefit tourism providers and visitors.
3. I support t be more than one funding round per year. Many student and adult groups have many opportunities to perform, workshop or collaborate with other arts groups, that arise throughout the year and we need to be able to plan and act and apply for funding on a shorter time scale than yearly funding rounds.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan
No

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

Would like to see incentives for residents to reduce the waste at the curb. (Having everyone get large wheelie bins doesn't incentivise reducing waste). Could we please have options for different sizes, or if not, a way to scan bins and only be charged when our bin is at the curb? Is there a creative way to have transparent recycling bins or another way to incentivise only clean recycling going in the bins (not contaminating). Would be smart/better for the environment to see food waste dealt with locally, not shipped to Auckland. (Mynoke or directly to Reporoa).

1.11 Any other feedback?

Regarding arts in the proposal, would like to reiterate that we need

- 1) a basic core amount of funding for arts to be put aside within the greater funding pool.
- 2) That there be more than 1 funding round per year.
- 3) That 'economic's not be the key indicator for funding outcomes. If an arts funding proposal can tick more boxes by being economically profitable I think this is detrimental to the spirit of many non-profit arts groups in the Taupō community. I fear that we will see valuable non-economic projects overlooked in favour of commercial events.

Financial **sustainability** rather than **economic** profitability is the goal of our music and theatre groups, and I think economic profitably is a totally different outcome than the needs of community arts for locals by locals. The Taupō music and theatre groups exist to create arts for our community, but also to **provide opportunities for locals to participate in the arts purely for the sake of social and mental wellbeing**. Community arts funding is vital in helping us achieve that goal.

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 27/06/2024

First name: Joe

Last name: Hepworth

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Taupō

1.2 Next 10 Years
Agree with the plan

What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)
Economic development. Make Taupo a thriving all year round community with your professionals and families.

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater
Strongly Agree

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Agree

1.7 Housing
Strongly Agree

1.7.4 Strongly Agree
This is so important. Taupo needs to grow and be somewhere everyone can afford to live. We need a Yes-In-My-Backyard attitude. I write this as middle aged overseas expat who plans to retire to the district. It needs to be vibrant; it needs new people and businesses; it needs to have a proper economy for 12 months of the year. Build Baby Build.

1.8 Development Contributions
Yes
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this strategy?

1.9 Community Funding
Yes
Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.
Need proper public-private partnerships. Need oversight on where it's going. 3 year commitment on

Accelerator Fund allows for proper planning and execution and long term outcomes.

1.9.1 Community Q2

Yes

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

Joined up thinking.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

Yes

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

1.11 Any other feedback?

Making Taupo a better place for the young, for professionals, for families and for businesses will also make it a better place for retirees and holiday makers. This isn't a zero sum game. Growth benefits everyone.

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 28/06/2024

First name: Jeffrey Last name: Foster

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community

Taupō

1.2 Next 10 Years

Do more

What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

figure out what the council can be do, and how, to reduce the growing crime. The police and judicial system are not doing enough

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater

Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it

Disagree

1.6.1 Disagree

Agree

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

1.7 Housing

Agree

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 28/06/2024

First name: Gwynneth Last name: Talbot

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Western bays (Omori, Kuratau, Pūkawa, Whareroa)

1.2 Next 10 Years
Agree with the plan
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater
Agree

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Disagree

1.6.2 Strongly Disagree
Strongly Agree
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?
I live on a private road in Pukawa. It is extremely steep and it would be very difficult to safely manhandle wheelie bins down to the collection point and back up again. Because I am not a permanent resident the empty bins would be left at the roadside until my next visit. There are no permanent residents on the road, so there is no-one to take them back up the hill. Empty bins would be blown around in the wind, causing a significant traffic hazard on Pukawa Road.

1.7 Housing
Agree

1.8 Development Contributions
Yes
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this strategy?

1.9 Community Funding

Yes

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

1.9.1 Community Q2

Yes

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

No

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

If the wheelie bin proposal is adopted I believe there should be an "opt out" provision for holiday home owners such as myself. The wheelie bin proposal is impractical for us, and would result in us having to find somewhere to store the unused large bins, which would not be easy. I strongly support the alternative proposal to stick with rubbish bags.

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 28/06/2024

First name: Adam Last name: Dixon

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Western bays (Omori, Kuratau, Pūkawa, Whareroa)

1.2 Next 10 Years
Agree with the plan
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater
Agree

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Disagree

1.6.2 Strongly Disagree
Strongly Agree
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?

1.7 Housing
Agree

1.8 Development Contributions
Yes
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this strategy?

1.9 Community Funding
Yes
Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

1.9.1 Community Q2

Yes

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

Yes

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

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 28/06/2024

First name: david Last name: Keddie

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

- 1.1 Local Community

Kinloch
- 1.2 Next 10 Years

Agree with the plan

What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

do more maintenance work ie removing debris from carriageways and gutters.Tidy berms and trim over hanging tree branches.

there should be a year round maintenance plain in place and a visible draft for rate payers to view if required.
- 1.6 Bag it or Bin it

Disagree
- 1.6.1 Disagree

Agree

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

living in Kinloch we have aprox 40% are permanent residents the balance are holiday homes and holiday rentals.

by having bins only who brings in the holiday home bins after they have left for home. bins left out could become a hazard to motorists and pedestrians.
- 1.7 Housing

Strongly Disagree
- 1.7.2 Strongly Disagree

Strongly Disagree

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

you are the council not property developers.

if property has to be sold it should go thru the proper channels with protections in place to avoid cheap inferior dwellings.

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 28/06/2024

First name: Marion Last name: Hall

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

- 1.1 Local Community
Tūrangi
- 1.2 Next 10 Years
Do more
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)
spend more of the Turangi rates on keeping Turangi looking great. Do something positive with what was the Turangi Holiday park. Advise smaller retirement villages of the availability of the land.
- 1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater
Agree
- 1.4.4 Agree
what is wrong with how it works currently.
- 1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Agree
- 1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Disagree
- 1.6.2 Strongly Disagree
Agree
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?

The current system works well for me. I live alone and dont have copious amounts or rubbish. where the hell am I to place all these bins without detracting the beauty of my property. I would rather pay to have a bin collected as and when I need it emptied and not increase my rates. Im a pensioner and my rates are going up an up and will contine increasing on top of your proposed plan. Council might consider not increasing the rates for pensioners if indeed u go with your preferred option.

1.7 Housing

Strongly Disagree

1.7.2 Strongly Disagree

Strongly Disagree

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

Building houses is NOT council core business. You take the risk of devaluing ratepayers property by placing cheap housing (for tenants who do not respect their homes or property or their neighbours) near people who do their best to keep their houses and property looking well kept.

1.8 Development Contributions

No

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

need more clarity. There is so much maori owned land around this area that is under utilised. Maybe Council should help them develop their land for market gardening to teach young troubled youth to work the land or grow meat and veg to feed their Whanau.

1.9 Community Funding

Yes

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

i doubt the end results will show little difference.

1.9.1 Community Q2

Yes

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

nothing stays the same forever and as above.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

Yes

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

1.11 Any other feedback?

Treat Turangi as an equal to Taupo. The perception by many people in Turangi is that Taupo council dont really give a dam bout Turangi. You need to do something to change this attitude. Turangi is the Southern Gateway to Taupo. Promote this and it then becomes a win win for both Taupo and Turangi. We need a welcome to Turangi sign at the south end of Turangi There is a perfectly good sign which was removed from SH1 sometime ago, around in the council yard in Turangi. It would not take much time or money to have this replaced on SH1. Come on Taupo Council, spend more of our rates on our town.

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 28/06/2024

First name: Tim Last name: Britain

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

Yes

Additional requirements for hearing: It is possible that I will be out of the country when submission hearings are held. If so, please consider this submission fully.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Kinloch

1.2 Next 10 Years
Do less
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)
In present economic times to help control rate increases, Council could look to reduce opening hours or days of various council controlled activities, like pools and libraries. In addition, Council could reduce the amount of community engagement activity to how it was say five years ago.

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater
Agree

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Disagree

1.6.2 Strongly Disagree
Strongly Agree
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?
Kinloch Community is made up of 70% holiday homes and 30% permanent residents. Bins will be forced to be left out for weeks at a time before or after holiday makers go home. While some might have generous neighbours, some streets are primarily holiday homes only. This proposal is fraught in a community like Kinloch.

1.7 Housing
Strongly Disagree

1.7.2 Strongly Disagree

Strongly Agree

Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?
Council is best not to be involved in non core activities. While this might not reduce rates it will reduce debit and over time that will put council on a better footing.

1.8 Development Contributions

Yes

Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this strategy?
Future development should not fall on existing ratepayers to fund in anyway. This included any borrowing that council might look to undertake to enable a development happening. Costs of infrastructure associated with new houses should be met by the new houses or developer.

1.9 Community Funding

Yes

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

1.9.1 Community Q2

Yes

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

Yes

Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this plan?
Yes, but excluding the kerbside collection proposals around alternate weeks and bins. Need to stay with bags and stickers and also allow easy access to transfer stations.

1.11 Any other feedback?

In Kinloch, provision to allow a new Community Centre on the Henry Hall, Kinloch Road site has much merit and is central to most of the community. A Civil Defence Hub could also be on this site.

Council should look to contain its nutrient run off through the stormwater drains that historically have been placed into the Kinloch Marina. This cause silt build up, enhances weed growth and it poor environmental.

The Kinloch Domain needs repairs and maintenance. It is an important facility and feature of the community and provides valuable parking for cars and trailers. It should be maintained.

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date:

28/06/2024

First name:

Clark

Last name:

Raven

Postal address:

Email:

Daytime Phone:

Age: *

Ethnicity:

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

LOCAL COMMUNITIES AND PRIORITIES

What area do you live in, or spend the most of your time?

Eastern bays (Hātepe, Motutere, Motuoapa, Tauranga-Taupō)

What we are planning in the next 10 years.

In the first years of this plan, we're proposing to focus on the essentials. Or, should we spend less and do less, or spend more to do more?

Agree with the plan
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

Tūrangi Wastewater

Provided for in the plan: Pursue a short to medium-term option for resolving wastewater plant risks in Tūrangi.

Proposed option for Tūrangi

We've allowed \$6 million in this plan, from 2028 to 2030, to improve our current treatment process and discharge from the Tūrangi Wastewater Treatment Plant. We'll continue to work with iwi and hapū to find a suitable place to discharge treated wastewater to land in the longer term.

Alternative Option

The alternative option would be to not invest in the current Tūrangi wastewater discharge site and continue to work with iwi and hapū to look for somewhere suitable to discharge the wastewater to land. An initial estimate of the possible cost is \$18.5 million, which would be funded by debt with an impact on rates of around \$58 (average per ratepayer). Despite extensive investigations we haven't yet found a location for this. However, Council remains open to a land based wastewater solution for Tūrangi if an appropriate site can be found. In the meantime, the wastewater treatment plant's resource consent needs to be replaced urgently, so we need a short to medium term fix.

Do you agree with our proposed short to medium term options for dealing with wastewater in Tūrangi?

Agree

Bag it or bin it

Proposed: Bin it: switch from user-pays rubbish bags to rates-funded wheelie bins for residential, Taupō and Tūrangi town centres and neighbourhood shops (our preferred option)

What is proposed

From 1 July 2025, we would replace the current rubbish bag and recycling crate collection with a set of wheelie bins. This service would alternate weekly between rubbish and recycling with food scraps collected weekly. That means, that one week, your rubbish and food scraps would be collected. The next week, your recycling and food scraps would be collected.

For serviced residential areas:

- 140L rubbish bin, 240L recycling bin and 23L food waste bin and up to two 45L glass crates.
- Weekly food waste collection.
- Rubbish and recycling collection to be weekly during the summer peak and fortnightly for the rest of the year.
- A service to put bins back for users who are medically unable to do it themselves. This would be covered by rates.

For Taupō and Tūrangi town centres and neighbourhood shops:

- A 240L wheelie bin for rubbish, a 240L wheelie bin for recycling, and a 23L food waste bin and up to two 45L crates for glass
- Weekly service, moving to twice weekly over peak.

For rural:

The current service provided to rural areas and those outside the Council collection service, is a commercial arrangement which Council has no control over. These households will need to talk directly with companies that could provide this service with no guarantee that it will continue to be provided in the future.

Alternative option: Bag it: stick with the current pre-paid rubbish bags and recycling crates for residential, Taupō and Tūrangi town centres and neighbourhood shops

The alternative option is similar to the current system, with the addition of the food waste collection. It will cover residential and Taupō and Tūrangi town centres and neighbourhood shops:

- 'Pay-as-you-throw' for weekly rubbish collection for residential users.
- 'Pay-as-you-throw' twice weekly rubbish collection for Taupō, Tūrangi town centres and neighbourhood shops.
- Rates-funded weekly recycling crates and 23L food waste bin collections.

The current service provided to rural areas and those outside the collection service would stay the same. This is a commercial arrangement which Council has no control over and will likely need to be negotiated with commercial operators.

Do you support the proposed option?

Strongly Disagree

Do you support the Alternative option?

Strongly Agree

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

Motuoapa Village is predominately a Holiday home Village. Rubbish collection is on a Tuesday and the village generally clears out on a Sunday or Monday depending on the public Holiday/school holiday etc. Who would put their bins away. Wheel bins with a

fortnights contents are hard to pull up steep/long driveways. 8kg max bags are manageable. We are lucky if we use 1 yellow bag a fortnight. At \$3.50 per bag x 26 collections = \$91p.a. That a hell of a lot cheaper than what youre suggesting. Storage of large bins is another issue plus the cleaning of those bins. Stay with the existing system. Most permanent residents have their own composting system so food bins arent of any value. Is this new scheme going to save the rate payers money or is it a more convenient cheaper way for your contractor to collect the rubbish. Dogs damaging rubbish bags is not an issue in Motuoapa. Most dogs go home with their owners at the end of their holidays. Most local dogs are known and their owners quickly informed if theres an issue.

Housing

Proposed: Partnering to provide quality first home options to working families

What is proposed

We're proposing to do some development with construction partners to produce new, quality, attractive houses to buy that are similar to the market homes in this area – but are smaller and more affordable for everyday people who would then be able to service a mortgage.

We expect our construction development partner to be able to deliver around 42 attractive, quality homes at a relatively low market price which would

be suitable for first home buyers by late 2025 or 2026. There would be an eligibility assessment process which Council would determine at a later date. The remaining homes (about 65 percent) would sit outside of the Council's affordability criteria and be made available to the general market to purchase.

The development partners would build the homes and manage the sales and marketing of completed homes. Council becomes the enabler of this

development but is not the developer nor is it carrying all the typical development risk.

This option has been developed to ensure there is not any pressure put on rates and limited impact on council debt due to the fact that we are using

reserves from previous sales of Council's strategic property to service this debt. Revenue from this project will be used to fund any future stages of the development, as Council's strategic property sales are ringfenced to protect Council's strategic asset base.

Alternative option: Sell residential land on the open market without requiring quality first home buyer options

Alternative option

Council would sell all its land on the open market at the appropriate time to the highest bidder, without requiring quality first home buyer options. For clarity, any gains would not be used to subsidise rates as any strategic property sales goes back into the strategic property reserve to fund future asset purchases, ensuring Council's strategic property assets do not deplete.

Do you support the proposed option?

Strongly Disagree

Do you support the Alternative option?

Strongly Disagree

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

Come on TDC get your [REDACTED] Your primary response is governance not land developing. Concentrate on the basics. Look at the money youve had to spend through your failure to have correct processes in place regarding the "Jon Hall issue" If you had been checking the validity of engineers (one phone call to confirm a engineers participation in the engineering sign off) a whole of angst and money could have been avoided.

Development Contributions

To find out more information about this proposal – you can visit [here](#)

Do you support our proposed 2024 development contributions policy?

No

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

Developers pay for the infrastructure and Maori Land developers pay the same

Community Funding

To find out more information about this proposal – you can visit [here](#)

We have changed our Grants and Partnerships Policy and the structure of our funds to include a new Accelerator fund. Do you agree with these changes?

Yes

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

Do you support our proposed eligibility and assessment framework that links funding eligibility with our vision and community outcomes for the Taupō district?

Yes

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

WASTE MANAGEMENT AND MINIMISATION PLAN

More information about the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan and the change to provide your feedback can be found [here](#)

Do you support the proposed Waste management and Minimisation Plan?

Yes

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



Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 28/06/2024

First name: Raewyn Last name: Rhodes

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.2 Next 10 Years

Agree with the plan

What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater

Agree

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater

Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it

Strongly Disagree

1.6.2 Strongly Disagree

Strongly Agree

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

The ratepayers will forever being charged for bins that go missing etc. Let the user pay for their own rubbish bags.

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 28/06/2024
First name: Celeste Last name: Lourens
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Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Tūrangi

1.2 Next 10 Years
Do more
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)
focus on Turangi more considering we pay rates as well

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater
Agree

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Agree

1.7 Housing
Strongly Agree

1.8 Development Contributions
No
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this strategy?

1.9 Community Funding
Yes
Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

1.9.1 Community Q2
Yes
Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

Yes

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First name: Graham Last name: Fullwood

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Feedback

1.1 Local Community

Taupō

1.2 Next 10 Years

Agree with the plan

What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

In tough times full maintenance of all assets and infrastructure is non negotiable.

As the area's population grows, all associated infrastructure and it's maintenance must be included.

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater

Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it

Agree

1.7 Housing

Agree

1.8 Development Contributions

Yes

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

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

Yes

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First name: Steve Last name: Richards

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1.1 Local Community
Taupō

1.2 Next 10 Years
Agree with the plan
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater
Agree

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Agree

1.7 Housing
Strongly Agree

1.8 Development Contributions
Yes
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this strategy?

1.9 Community Funding
Yes
Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

1.9.1 Community Q2
Yes
Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

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First name: Box Last name: Vicky

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I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Tūrangi

1.2 Next 10 Years
Do less
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific) community

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater
Agree

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Disagree

1.6.2 Strongly Disagree
Strongly Agree
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?

1.7 Housing
Strongly Agree

1.8 Development Contributions
No
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this strategy?

1.9 Community Funding
Yes
Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

1.9.1 Community Q2

No

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.
Turangi is not being looked after

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

Yes

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

1.11 Any other feedback?

ni wheelie bins at my address thanks

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 28/06/2024

First name: Lynette Last name: Clemerson

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community

Taupō

1.2 Next 10 Years

Agree with the plan

What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater

Agree

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater

Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it

Strongly Agree

1.7 Housing

Agree

1.8 Development Contributions

Yes

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

1.9 Community Funding

Yes

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

Yes

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

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Submitter Details

Submission Date: 28/06/2024

First name: Liz **Last name:** France

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Taupō

1.2 Next 10 Years
Agree with the plan

Upgrade Mapara water supply

Upgrade Acacia Bay waste water treatment

Upgrade Control gate bridge

Improvements to Acacia Bay Mapara parks

Upgrade walkways, paths lighting in Acacia Bay

What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater
Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Agree

1.6.4 Agree
How will holiday makers manage leaving bins out at the end of the weekend and heading home, and they remain on the berm empty after collection. Will all residents have room to store the large bins. Cleaning and sanitation of the large bins can be an issue. Bins can be obstacles for traffic or vandalism. How will this affect our rates?

1.7 Housing
Agree

1.7.3 Agree
Low /Mid range housing is a concern in our town. A lot of people are struggling to find suitable housing within their budget

1.8 Development Contributions

Yes

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

1.9 Community Funding

Yes

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

1.9.1 Community Q2

Yes

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

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Submitter Details

Submission Date: 28/06/2024

First name: Joshua Last name: Bergin

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Taupō

1.2 Next 10 Years
Agree with the plan
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater
Agree

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Agree

1.6.3 Strongly Agree
bothng like going to rual remote places and seeing them with bins while we live like barbarians with bads and recycling bins that were provided at the start of recylcing in NZ over 15 years ago.

1.7 Housing
Strongly Agree

1.8 Development Contributions
Yes
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this strategy?

1.9 Community Funding
Yes
Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

1.9.1 Community Q2
Yes

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

Yes

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

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 28/06/2024

First name: Connie Last name: Takarangi

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Taupō

1.2 Next 10 Years
Do more

What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)
Invite the public submissions more often, not just for a 10 year plan. More public consultation around policy in more timely manner.

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Disagree

1.6.2 Strongly Disagree
Agree

Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?
Why is there now another proposed bin for food scraps??? Will it be swapped out for a clean one? Is there a secure lid to prevent dogs and rodents getting in? And why are they all different sizes, as for some homes there is no place to put any of these bins. Is there a separate truck to pick up food scraps and where does this waste go, what will be done with it? And for people in rented housing and have no outdoor space to put this food scraps bin how are they supposed to store it hygienically and clean it?

1.9 Community Funding
Yes

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.
But I would want to the selection committee to be more across the board from the community so that decisions are not weighted in favour of one particular camp of interest all the time

1.9.1 Community Q2
No

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.
It makes it difficult or impossible for a Creative to apply as an individual, therefore they are more than likely to not be granted funding. As a Creative myself I would find this framework and the criteria scoring scale virtually impossible to meet because in a lot of the arts related sectors these things are not tangible until afterwards, therefore someone like myself would feel left completely to ever have a hope of receiving any funding.

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Taupo District Council Long Term Plan Submission

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- Funding allocated to the creative community will be entirely at the whim of the 'committees of council' and will depend on the makeup of these committees and their drive to fulfill certain outcomes..
- What will the makeup of the 'committees of council' be? Will experts in each area be on the committees?
- If councillors are part of the 'committees of council' does this create a conflict of interest for them within the community and their portfolios?
- If council employees are part of the 'committees of council' will this create conflicts of interest for them? I.e., views may be skewed to particular outcomes, i.e., innovative, thriving community, over say vibrant places & connected communities, there seems to be no safeguards against this? It also could be skewed to more fiscal outcomes for the council where funding for event hosting goes back to the council for the hireage of venues such as the GLC, Niven Room at the Museum and the Events Centre.
- Why is the community grant fund committee different to the Accelerator and Strategic funds?
- How will the funding split between the 3 funds be determined?
- Will small projects lose out to big projects?
- Individual athletes can access sponsorship fairly easily but individual creatives can find it difficult to find sponsorship for say an exhibition or publishing a book, it is important to bear this in mind when allocating grants.
- While the focus on Tangata whenua is fantastic there is no mention of supporting other cultures in our diverse cultural community.
- While the community outcomes may seem to address this, there is no mention of the role of local authority per the Local Government Act 2002 section 10; b) to promote the **social**, economic, environmental, and **cultural** well-being of communities in the present and future.
- There is no mention of the Taupo District Council Arts & Culture Action Plan in the outcomes even though it has been accepted by council and not shared with the wider community.
- Arts, culture, Nga Toi and sporting activities have been grouped together in the community outcomes. We would like to see Arts, culture, and Nga Toi separated from sporting activities.

- Having only one round of funding per year will create difficulties for community groups organising events throughout the year as these are not always decided 12 months in advance and further opportunities for visiting education or collaboration pop up throughout the year.
- Recipients are limited to not-for-profit, charitable organisations and individuals (for the Community Grants Fund), this may limit the outcome of ‘vibrant places’ by excluding local and touring performers, artists etc.. from accessing funding to enable them to perform in our district at accessible prices.

If the policy is to be adopted, we suggest the following improvements:

- Ring fence minimum \$ to go towards each outcome, each fund and even distribution of funds between the creative community, sport, social etc..
- Include references to the Taupo District Council Arts & Culture Action Plan in the outcomes.
- Include trusted advisors in each area from the community on the committees with equal representation across the arts, social, sport, environment etc... perhaps with a fixed term (say 2 years)
- Two funding rounds per year so as not to rule out funding for beneficial opportunities that may occur before the 12 months is up.
- Set a maximum grant available per project for the community grant fund, to ensure a wide range of activities and a wide community base are supported, not just a select few projects.
- Prioritise Community Well Being as an overarching philosophy in the outcomes
- Ensure the funding meetings are open to the public and advertised.

Why Arts and Culture is Important in the Taupo District

The Taupo District is alive with Arts and Culture and fostering the creative community can only benefit the wellbeing of the community.

Creative funding from the council is invaluable to the community as can be seen with projects from past recipients which is evident through all the projects supported over the years by the Creative Taupo Fund listed on the Council Website

When looking into the effects of The Arts (Nga Toi) on communities and wellbeing it is said that ‘Over the next 30 years, Aotearoa New Zealand’s population of seniors will grow from around 850,000 (17 percent of the population) to around 1.5 million (24 percent of the population). And it is not only growing numerically, but also structurally.’ (*Ministry of Housing and Urban Development*).

One way to ensure that our aging population does not become isolated is the arts, most people of all ages and abilities can participate in some way,

“Artistic, cultural and creative activities can be a powerful way to bring senior and isolated people together, and support wellbeing. Long-term loneliness has been proven to negatively affect physical and mental wellbeing outcomes” (*World Health Organisation*). Also “Worldwide, it is estimated that 25% of older people are isolated.” (*WHO*)

This was no more evident than during the Covid Lockdowns across the world where it was artistic endeavours that kept all generations entertained, from live theatre performances archived and sent to our screens, free to air performances of some of the greatest musicals of our time. Television, books, people purchasing art supplies and starting new art endeavours be it visual or fibre. The arts connected us, we discussed them through social media, created “watch parties” and people around the world played instruments from their balconies with other socially distanced musicians, or using online tools for musical collaboration. “The arts act as a catalyst for bridging, bonding and linking social capital—it provides opportunities for engagement that reduce social isolation, encourages community cohesion, mutual support, improved intergenerational relationships and connection to family and friends.” (Vic Health)

The evidence is overwhelming that the Arts are imperative to our social and mental wellbeing as well as building strong communities and should never be overlooked when discussing these outcomes for our communities.

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 28/06/2024

First name: Francesse Last name: Middleton

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community

Eastern bays (Hātepe, Motutere, Motuoapa, Tauranga-Taupō)

1.2 Next 10 Years

Do less

What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

Reduce spending on sports grounds, they dont need to be high quality.

No need to invest in transport. we need to stop people using the single use car and use joint transport. one way to do that is to make the roads less desirable.

pause and possibly cancel some projects like tennis courts.

Some people are struggling to put food on the table and pay rates, we need to be mindful that essential services are essential.

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater

Agree

1.4.4 Agree

This is a core issue to deal with waste water appropriately.

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater

Agree

1.5.4 Agree

You say there is no other option

1.6 Bag it or Bin it

Disagree

1.6.1 Disagree

Agree

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

I like bags, it means I can collect 4 weeks of refuse and then put it out in my residential home once a month. A bin does not allow me to do this. I dont use the refuse collection in your area and would like an opt out clause. In order to force people to recycle you could put up the price of the bags. I understand bins are safer and less messy and I don't know how to deal with these issues.

1.7 Housing

Agree

1.7.3 Agree

I am not familiar with the district plan but I assume that infill is also permitted and this together with small homes will help.

1.8 Development Contributions

Yes

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

I would also like storm water to be discharged on development land via soak pits if not already. It would be good to require separation of grey water and waste water and discharge grey water on developed land.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

Yes

Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this plan? Just please reduce waste anywhere possible

1.11 Any other feedback?

I dont really support the community funding and the picking of winners and losers but unfortunately community relies on it now. I like the idea to tighten criteria to investigate its beneficiaries in order to rationalise contributions to essential services to society.

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 28/06/2024

First name: Paris Last name: Takarangi

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Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Taupō

1.2 Next 10 Years
Do more
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

1.9 Community Funding
No
Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

I have strong concerns of the change of model for the creative community.

With these changes, each of the previously separated sectors will not receive specific funding; which is cause for concern that the creative community will miss out on sufficient grant funding.

Also the funding allocated to these communities will depend on the makeup of the committees of council, and their bias to fulfil certain outcomes.

Will there be a committee that is made up across the board of experts in each of these fields that makes it a more fair and level playing field?

How will the funding split between the 3 funds (arts/Nga Toi culture & sports) be decided? I feel having a ring-fence of the funding for each of these sectors ensures they get equal opportunity.

Arts/Nga Toi, culture, and sporting activities have been grouped together in the community outcomes. I feel it would be beneficial for Arts/Nga Toi, and culture to be separated from sporting activities for a few reasons;

- Individual athletes can access sponsorship fairly easily, whereas creatives can find it difficult to find sponsorship for endeavours like book publishings, or exhibitions.

- It's far easier for Sporting and Cultural activities to meet the scoring-scale criteria prior to an endeavour, whereas the Arts may only be able to meet exact criteria in the outcome, even if the endeavour has just as much impact on the community.

1.9.1 Community Q2

No

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

I feel there to be very little safeguarding particularly around the 5 scoring-scale criteria points, which wouldn't make for balanced opportunities between the 3 sectors' applications.

In particular, the nature of Art/Nga Toi events means that even if they yield great community benefit, there isn't a way to confidently report to these criteria prior to events occurring, compared with sport / cultural events.

I understand the funding decision being weighted towards those who have a good track record with putting on events and utilising funding, but also feel this will hinder the chances of new people's ideas to come to fruition, which may bring a needed spark, and new perspectives to help the community thrive.

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This was no more evident than during the Covid Lockdowns across the world where it was artistic endeavours that kept all generations entertained, from live theatre performances archived and sent to our screens, free to air performances of some of the greatest musicals of our time. Television, books, people purchasing art supplies and starting new art endeavours be it visual or fibre. The arts connected us, we discussed them through social media, created “watch parties” and people around the world played instruments from their balconies with other socially distanced musicians, or using online tools for musical collaboration. “The arts act as a catalyst for bridging, bonding and linking social capital—it provides opportunities for engagement that reduce social isolation, encourages community cohesion, mutual support, improved intergenerational relationships and connection to family and friends.” (Vic Health)

The evidence is overwhelming that the Arts are imperative to our social and mental wellbeing as well as building strong communities and should never be overlooked when discussing these outcomes for our communities.

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 29/06/2024

First name: Christine Last name: Judd

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Taupō

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Disagree

1.6.1 Disagree
Strongly Agree

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

1.7 Housing
Agree

1.8 Development Contributions
Yes

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

1.9 Community Funding
Yes

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

1.9.1 Community Q2
Yes

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan
No

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

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 29/06/2024

First name: Janine **Last name:** Cuming

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Eastern bays (Hātepe, Motutere, Motuoapa, Tauranga-Taupō)

1.2 Next 10 Years
Agree with the plan
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Agree

1.7 Housing
Agree

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 29/06/2024
First name: Janette Claire Last name: JONES
Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Western bays (Omori, Kuratau, Pūkawa, Whareroa)

1.2 Next 10 Years
Do less
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

There is no need to change to wheelie bins in Pukawa. Many of us have holiday homes in Pukawa only, and we simply do not need large bins. We manage our rubbish and recycling well with the smaller bins, which are also easier to carry up and down steps (our property has steep stairs to get to main entrance). Neighbours all help each other bring empty bins back into storage - but it is a big ask if these bins are large, bulky, and have nowhere to be stored easily!

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater
Agree

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Disagree

1.6.2 Strongly Disagree
Strongly Disagree
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?

We can manage our own food waste - either compost at our property or take this back home at end of our holiday to dispose of at home in New Plymouth.

1.7 Housing
Agree

1.8 Development Contributions
Yes
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this strategy?

1.9 Community Funding

Yes

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

1.9.1 Community Q2

Yes

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

No

Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this plan? see previous comments

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 29/06/2024

First name: Jessica Last name: Vaughan

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Taupō

1.2 Next 10 Years
Agree with the plan
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater
Agree

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Strongly Agree

1.5.3 Strongly Agree
Agree with getting our infrastructure up to speed to be able to cope with our growing region

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Agree

1.6.3 Strongly Agree
Yes, do away with build up of extra plastic. While we try to minimise food waste I like the idea of food waste bins and presume this will go to the plant in Reporoa.

1.7 Housing
Strongly Agree

1.7.4 Strongly Agree
Yes as long as these are truly affordable for first home buyers to get the right people on the property market. I like that we could support our young people into this area. With young children it is scary to think of how much of a deposit they would need and how hard it will be for them to own their own home. It would be great to see our region to support this.

1.8 Development Contributions
Yes
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this strategy?

1.9 Community Funding

Yes

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

1.9.1 Community Q2

Yes

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

Yes

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

1.11 Any other feedback?

In regards to fees and charges, I agree that the users of facilities should pay more rather than an across the board increase on rates. However, is it a possibility like other facilities around the country that we could have a separate visitors cost as well as locals entry to keep it affordable? In particular AC baths, we have a lot of visitors to Taupo who use this facility, if we were to have a higher visitor cost, could this help us to keep pool entry and/or memberships down for locals? My family use this facility a lot and would be great to have it kept affordable. A visitors cost as well as increase on slides I agree with, but as someone who spends 3-4 days here a week with multiple children it would be great to see at least memberships kept to a minimum.

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 29/06/2024

First name: Murray Last name: Hird

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Taupō

1.2 Next 10 Years
Agree with the plan
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater
Agree

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Agree

1.5.4 Agree
Need to focus on eliminating the entry of stormwater into the waste water system.

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Disagree

1.6.2 Strongly Disagree
Agree
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?

I'm a strong believer in user pays. This may necessitate a combination option bins and payment.

I realize this makes it more difficult for the collection contractor as the collection amount will vary dramatically from week to week.

The proposal is over kill for the elderly and those that already recycle and compost successfully.

Storage of additional large bins will also be difficult for some homes to accommodate.

1.7 Housing

Strongly Disagree

1.7.2 Strongly Disagree

Agree

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

Council needs to stick to its knitting and not dabble into messy risky land development. Council has not shown that it has the experienced staff onboard with the skills to manage this project.

Any sale of the land should be to the benefit of the rate payers. There must be a way to include a provision for low cost housing within a sales and purchase agreement. Having a business partners doesn't protect the Council from risk. The so called first home buyer option eligibility assessment process hasn't been defined you so how can we develop an opinion?

1.8 Development Contributions

Yes

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

1.9 Community Funding

Yes

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

1.9.1 Community Q2

Yes

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

Yes

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

1.11 Any other feedback?

Correct me if I've missed it but I haven't seen any mention of increase in rates for commercial residential developments such as Air B&B's.

These are commercial ventures and should be rated accordingly. If not then you are penalizing the accommodation industry eg: motel owners.

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 29/06/2024
First name: Robert Last name: Hutton

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?
I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Kinloch

1.2 Next 10 Years
Do less
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)
Stick to core business of a Council. ie three waters, roading and rubbish. We are not in a position to spend rate payers money and consume management time on vanity projects (sculptures, subsidizing Australian companies (Supercars who had no alternative track to race on in NZ) or become a property developer

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater
Agree

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Agree

1.5.4 Agree
Ensure it is fully funded by developer levies from the land that will benefit.

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Disagree

1.6.2 Strongly Disagree
Disagree
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?
But no need for the food waste bin. All vegetable waste is composted on site and fish waste buried in garden. Currently we use one yellow bag per month. All vegetable waste is composted on site. Glass and cardboard recycling put kerbside weekly but could easily be bi-weekly. The new bin proposal will effectively add \$246 pa to our costs. Also there will be no incentive to minimise waste due to fixed cost and size of bins. The Council will probably end up with more rubbish to dispose of. Plus currently our yellow bag and glass bin reside in our garage. The new multiple bin proposal will mean unsightly bins will need to be stored outside somewhere. The Council would be much better to supply compost bins at a subsidised price to all who want them! A 400l plastic compost bin like ours costs \$68-90 retail from Bunnings. As a Kinloch resident, where 70% approx of properties are holiday homes, I suggest there will be bins left kerb side for weeks on end by absent owners.

Current system works very well, leave it alone and save Council money!

1.7 Housing

Strongly Disagree

1.7.2 Strongly Disagree

Strongly Agree

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

Council should not be a property developer, stick to your knitting!

1.8 Development Contributions

Yes

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

Developer should be responsible for the full cost of added infrastructure to accommodate their projects.

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 29/06/2024

First name: Ron Last name: McPhail

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I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

- 1.1 Local Community

Kinloch
- 1.2 Next 10 Years

Agree with the plan

What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

Do the essential things to a high standard ie look after infrastructure, parks and reserves etc
- 1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater

Strongly Agree
- 1.5 Taupō North Wastewater

Strongly Agree
- 1.6 Bag it or Bin it

Strongly Disagree
- 1.6.2 Strongly Disagree

Strongly Agree

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

Could have just recycling bins rather than crates and continue with bags for rubbish. Problem is in a destination which is predominantly holiday homes any bins are likely to remain on the berms for in some cases weeks.
- 1.7 Housing

Strongly Disagree
- 1.7.2 Strongly Disagree

Strongly Agree

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

Council should stick to its core business. Any foray into housing will distract from this and will require additional resources at a time when Council is under pressure to restrain rate rises.

1.8 Development Contributions

Yes

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

1.9 Community Funding

Yes

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

I support a policy which streamlines the provision of community funding

1.9.1 Community Q2

Yes

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

Having clear criteria for funding and accountability for funds spent is important

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

Yes

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

1.11 Any other feedback?

Update the Kinloch Community Structure Plan, incorporate it into the Long Term Plan and ensure Council staff adhere to it.

Make sure that developers pay the full cost of upgrading infrastructure ie water and wastewater.

Allocate funds towards Kinloch Domain maintenance rather than a Kinloch Lakefront Development Plan.

Considering Henry Hall's proposal a Kinloch Hall feasibility assessment is not required. Continue with existing use at present. Also this proposal as well as safety and parking considerations makes a Kindergarten/Community Hall project on the Seven Oaks Balance Land site a non starter.

Plan for disposal of additional greywater from wastewater treatment plant upgrade.

I support planning for a second bridge over the Waikato river, the Whangamata road improvements and improving the quality of stormwater entering Lake Taupo

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date:29/06/2024

First name:AngelaLast name:Braddock

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I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community

Wairakei

1.2 Next 10 Years

Agree with the plan

What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

I think we should have wheelie bins throughout the entire village as it would save us having to pick rubbish up off the kerbside once a stray animal has been through it, Myelf I don't place my rubbish bags out for that reason, also I oppose to the the underpass for access to the bike trail as we might incur homeless people sleeping there and That would not be good or safe for our younger generation, and it also could mean that they might eventuate into our small community and harass the locals for either money food or even break into our homes

1.6 Bag it or Bin it

Strongly Agree

1.7 Housing

Strongly Agree

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

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First name: Stuart

Last name: Rickards

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Western bays (Omori, Kuratau, Pūkawa, Whareroa)

1.2 Next 10 Years

Do less

What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

I object strongly to addition of wheelie bins. As a holiday home owner, we 99'5% of time will not be there to put out or retrieve. Our section is up a very steep drive, and retrieval would be a health and safety challenge . In fact, it is non retrievable. There is no permanent residence to assist, and despite what council staff think, it is an unacceptable imposition to expect anyone else to be responsible for others' bins. The other irresponsible thing is the council, think it OK to ADD TO OUR RATES a FURTHER TAX (council call it service) which we will NEVER USE. HOW DARE YOU.

1.6 Bag it or Bin it

Strongly Disagree

1.6.2 Strongly Disagree

Strongly Agree

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

I REPEAT, HOW DARE YOU IMPOSE ANOTHER statutory TAX ON TOP OF OUR CURRENT SUPER RATES. i do not WANT MUTIPUL WHEELIE BINS to NEVER USE.

1.9 Community Funding

No

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 30/06/2024

First name: Hollie Last name: West

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

Yes

Additional requirements for hearing:

Feedback

1.1 Local Community

Taupō

1.2 Next 10 Years

Agree with the plan

What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater

Strongly Agree

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater

Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it

Agree

1.7 Housing

Agree

1.9 Community Funding

No

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I have concerns regarding the draft community funding policy 2024 as follows:

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- ? If councillors are part of the 'committees of council' does this create a conflict of interest for them within the community and their portfolios?
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- ? Why is the community grant fund committee different to the Accelerator and Strategic funds?
- ? How will the funding split between the 3 funds be determined?
- ? Will small projects lose out to big projects?
- ? Individual athletes can access sponsorship fairly easily but individual creatives can find it difficult to find sponsorship for say an exhibition or publishing a book, it is important to bear this in mind when allocating grants.
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1.11 Any other feedback?

Community Funding Policy,

While feedback from Councilors and council employees has been very positive towards the creative community, with assurances that the new policy could open more funding for the arts, there is a concern about the lack of future protections around funding for this area. What happens in 5 - 10 years time when perhaps different people with different priorities are making the decisions on where to allocate funds?

Thank you for your time spent reading our submissions.

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 30/06/2024

First name: Zenda Last name: Johns

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

- 1.1 Local Community

Taupō
- 1.2 Next 10 Years

Do more

What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

It is important to be spending on infrastructure as the Taupo district is growing and we need to accommodate the new houses and population. I expect this would include the water treatment plant and oxidation ponds, roading, keeping Taupo beautiful, drainage/sewer updates etc. Also, public trees on streets should be trimmed so as not to cause damage in strong winds or stormy weather. I am not a fan of trees being protected and councils lacking keeping them in check.
- 1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater

Agree
- 1.5 Taupō North Wastewater

Agree
- 1.6 Bag it or Bin it

Strongly Agree
- 1.6.3 Strongly Agree

Finally, you are using the food buckets. Tauranga has been using this successfully for a few years now. It is great since the bio gas place is in Broadlands.
- 1.7 Housing

Agree
- 1.7.3 Agree

The idea is good, but will there be covenants on these affordable houses so that it doesn't fall into disrepair due to the buyers not looking after their properties?
- 1.8 Development Contributions

Yes

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

1.9 Community Funding

Yes

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

1.9.1 Community Q2

Yes

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

Yes

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

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 30/06/2024

First name: Janet Last name: Hird

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Taupō

1.2 Next 10 Years
Agree with the plan
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)
With the current cost of living causing families to struggle, the Council must just stick to the essentials and stop all the fancy thoughts - for this year at least.

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater
Agree

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Disagree

1.6.1 Disagree
Disagree
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?

Having only 2 options is not good enough. My husband and I (both retired) already recycle and home compost. We create 1 small rubbish bag a week ... we put our yellow rubbish bag out monthly or 6-weekly. Recycling bins out fortnightly or 3-weekly.

I would prefer the user pays system where we purchase a sticker. If you include it in our rates I will be seriously overpaying and subsidising others.

My preference would be for a much smaller rubbish bin. Why can you not provide 1 or 2 or 3 bin size options (like Auckland does)

While I won't use the veggie scrap recycling bin (because we already compost) I accept that every household

must have a bin and pay for it.

TDC has just run an educational campaign teaching people how to recycle properly with their existing bins. It's a real waste if you now turn to one large recycling bin that you throw everything into, except for glass

TDC uses trucks that sort recycling at the roadside. An excellent system. What will happen to these trucks? How will you sort the recycling (Auckland Council is the only council in NZ that has an automatic recycling machine - but people still have to manually watch it. I want us to do the best sorting of recycling as it can then be properly recycled and sold to people who trade in it. One big mixture in a bin means it may be dumped as rubbish. I don't want a system that will cost us more!

Taupo has always done recycling well - don't change it now!

Problems: rubbish blowing down the road... don't put them out until the morning of collection

Rodents breaking into bags - don't put them out until the morning of collection ... bag breakins happen overnight!

1.7 Housing Disagree

1.7.1 Disagree Agree

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

TDC should not be involved with building homes for 1st home buyers. Your job is to make land available for developers to buy and develop housing ... but only as and when we're running short.

Council can build social housing for low-income people who can't afford private rentals. That is an area you could invest in, including partnering with Maori.

Taupo is very short of rental properties. We don't need any more empty holiday homes - it doesn't make a community!

You say you'll build affordable housing, but you can't control house prices - Kiwibuild learnt this the hardway! Market forces control house prices and right now, they're coming down. The housing market is slowing down (thank goodness!) as NZs house supply is starting to meet the market. Retirement villages are opening in Taupo which allows the elderly to sell their homes to move into a retirement village.

Skilled workers need rental accommodation - they will want to "try" Taupo before they buy and settle here permanently.

TDC should not be involved with the property sales market ... stick to your knitting TDC!! It's a nice thought but way off mark!

1.8 Development Contributions Yes

Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this strategy? I don't really know what this is

1.9 Community Funding Yes

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

I don't know what the Accelerator Fund is. I do agree with TDC supporting community projects and groups through grants.

1.9.1 Community Q2

Yes

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

Yes

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

1.11 Any other feedback?

Everything TDC does needs to help ratepayers current burden, especially during hard times, like now.

TDC should not be putting money aside for investment during difficult times. You are not a bank!

You need to bring an Air BNB policy in so that they start paying more rates, especially the larger dedicated Air BnB homes. Motels are currently subsidising them (they pay a tourism levy). Also there are no rules around noise in residential areas, and it can go on night after night. Even 6 people on a deck with loud music can be very annoying for permanent residents living near by. Motels would not let their guests behave the way Air BnB guests behave!! It's time TDC did something about it. And it would help you increase your revenue. Stop being a whimp about Air BnBs. I know they provide extra (often) much needed accommodation, but they do need to be regulated so they follow the rules, instead of being absent uncaring owners of property strictly there to make money!

TDC should strongly have a policy about No Cars on Reserves - I live near the Taharepa/Ngauruhoe St reserve and it's constantly being dug up by cars doing wheelies on it. Nearly every day cars drive/park on it and rubbish is always left behind, which locals constantly pick up. We really are sick of it. I have already suggested that the Council could instal the small post and chain fence that you took down from Lake Terrace when you did that public space up with a wooden fence, but I never heard back from Council about it. This would stop cars from driving onto the reserve but wouldn't be an eyesore for residents. Please consider it!

I fully support a 2nd Waikato River crossing. This is urgent and should have happened years ago!

TDC should also be metering water for all properties - just put your big undies on for this one! User pays works well with water ... as Auckland has found out.

TDC should always have supported the Three Waters system under the Labour Govt. Even National knows that it's necessary as Councils around the country can't afford to do it themselves. It was always about liability and lack of affordability by ratepayers. What a mess you've now got us all into by declining it! You've done your ratepayers a great disservice.

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 30/06/2024

First name: Charles

Last name: Jennings

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Kinloch

1.2 Next 10 Years
Do less

What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)
only do what you have to do to keep rate bill low. Sell of the land that you are wanting to develop. Cancel or delay roll out of wheely bins. Stop spending money on v eights and statues. Looking at the projected rate rises in 8 or 10 years being lower, spending on no essential things can be done then.

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater
Agree

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Disagree

1.5.1 Disagree
Agree

Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?
Housing development must slow down until we can afford to build the appropriate infrastructure.

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Disagree

1.6.2 Strongly Disagree
Agree

Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?
All non recycle wast should be burnt and electric produed from the process. Burying waste in the ground is just causing problems for future generations. Alote of properties will have to take there wheelie bins along way to the pick up point, example the Poplars, there could be 100 bins at the entrance to the Popars on bin day.

1.7 Housing
Strongly Disagree

1.7.2 Strongly Disagree

Strongly Agree

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

Council is not a developer. Council should only do the basics, drinking water, waste water, sewage, roads, grass cutting and any other necessities. When the council has surplus funds, it can then fund other projects. Keeping rate rises to a reasonable level.

1.8 Development Contributions

No

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

1.9 Community Funding

No

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

No

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

some parts are good ideas, but non recyclable rubbish should be burnt to produce electricity. Put waste into the ground is only going to cause problems for our future generations.

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 30/06/2024

First name: Margie Last name: Hermans

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Taupō

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Disagree

1.6.1 Disagree
Agree

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

I am concerned at the huge potential increase in rates to cover proposals that not everyone will use. if one recycles & buys/eats to their needs there should not be so much waste.

my main point is to NOT Support the food scrap collection. we previously lived in Putaruru where 10 to 15 years ago a pilot was held for the greater Waikato- the results were extremely clear this is not a good idea. The small bins, despite bio friendly bags inside became filthy, blew all over the streets as they are small & light. Anyone who composts is taking care of green waste & food scaps anyway. I am not conviced the huge increase in costs to rate payers is going to provide a success in this regard.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan
No

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

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 30/06/2024

First name: Kiri Last name: Wilson

Postal address:

Email:

Daytime Phone:

Age: *

Ethnicity:

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

LOCAL COMMUNITIES AND PRIORITIES

What area do you live in, or spend the most of your time?

Taupō

What we are planning in the next 10 years.

In the first years of this plan, we're proposing to focus on the essentials. Or, should we spend less and do less, or spend more to do more?

Agree with the plan

What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

stuck with the status quo and continue to educate householders on the benefits of recycling, re-using and reducing

Tūrangi Wastewater

Provided for in the plan: Pursue a short to medium-term option for resolving wastewater plant risks in Tūrangi.

Proposed option for Tūrangi

We've allowed \$6 million in this plan, from 2028 to 2030, to improve our current treatment process and discharge from the Tūrangi Wastewater Treatment Plant. We'll continue to work with iwi and hapū to find a suitable place to discharge treated wastewater to land in the longer term.

Alternative Option

The alternative option would be to not invest in the current Tūrangi wastewater discharge site and continue to work with iwi and hapū to look for somewhere suitable to discharge the wastewater to land. An initial estimate of the possible cost is \$18.5 million, which would be funded by debt with an impact on rates of around \$58 (average per ratepayer). Despite extensive investigations we haven't yet found a location for this. However, Council remains open to a land based wastewater solution for Tūrangi if an appropriate site can be found. In the meantime, the wastewater treatment plant's resource consent needs to be replaced urgently, so we need a short to medium term fix.

Do you agree with our proposed short to medium term options for dealing with wastewater in Tūrangi?

Strongly Agree

Taupō North Wastewater

Provided for in the plan: Pursue a medium-term option for resolving wastewater risks on the northern side of Taupō

Proposed option for Taupō North

We would initially install wastewater storage tanks for additional resilience then increase capacity of the wastewater connections across the Waikato River to cater for the extra volume.

Alternative Option

There is no other medium-term alternative option at present.

Council is committed to continue to work with iwi and hapū, through the established steering group, to identify the long-term solution for managing wastewater on the Rangatira side of Te Awa o Waikato.

Do you agree with our proposed short to medium term options for dealing with wastewater in Taupō?

Strongly Agree

Bag it or bin it

Proposed: Bin it: switch from user-pays rubbish bags to rates-funded wheelie bins for residential, Taupō and Tūrangi town centres and neighbourhood shops (our preferred option)

What is proposed

From 1 July 2025, we would replace the current rubbish bag and recycling crate collection with a set of wheelie bins. This service would alternate weekly between rubbish and recycling with food scraps collected weekly. That means, that one week, your rubbish and food scraps would be collected. The next week, your recycling and food scraps would be collected.

For serviced residential areas:

- 140L rubbish bin, 240L recycling bin and 23L food waste bin and up to two 45L glass crates.
- Weekly food waste collection.
- Rubbish and recycling collection to be weekly during the summer peak and fortnightly for the rest of the year.
- A service to put bins back for users who are medically unable to do it themselves. This would be covered by rates.

For Taupō and Tūrangi town centres and neighbourhood shops:

- A 240L wheelie bin for rubbish, a 240L wheelie bin for recycling, and a 23L food waste bin and up to two 45L crates for glass
- Weekly service, moving to twice weekly over peak.

For rural:

The current service provided to rural areas and those outside the Council collection service, is a commercial arrangement which Council has no control over. These households will need to talk directly with companies that could provide this service with no guarantee that it will continue to be provided in the future.

Alternative option: Bag it: stick with the current pre-paid rubbish bags and recycling crates for residential, Taupō and Tūrangi town centres and neighbourhood shops

The alternative option is similar to the current system, with the addition of the food waste collection. It will cover residential and Taupō and Tūrangi town centres and neighbourhood shops:

- 'Pay-as-you-throw' for weekly rubbish collection for residential users.
- 'Pay-as-you-throw' twice weekly rubbish collection for Taupō, Tūrangi town centres and neighbourhood shops.
- Rates-funded weekly recycling crates and 23L food waste bin collections.

The current service provided to rural areas and those outside the collection service would stay the same. This is a commercial arrangement which Council has no control over and will likely need to be negotiated with commercial operators.

Do you support the proposed option?

Strongly Disagree

Do you support the Alternative option?

Strongly Agree

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

Hiking rates is unavoidable in many cases. However, in this case it is not. Yes being in food waste bins for sure. This will help households to reduce what goes in their bags, but I see the wheelie bins getting filled with all sorts of [REDACTED] Making life harder for our waste management teams. People are just zu

Housing

Proposed: Partnering to provide quality first home options to working families

What is proposed

We're proposing to do some development with construction partners to produce new, quality, attractive houses to buy that are similar to the market homes in this area – but are smaller and more affordable for everyday people who would then be able to service a mortgage.

We expect our construction development partner to be able to deliver around 42 attractive, quality homes at a relatively low market price which would

be suitable for first home buyers by late 2025 or 2026. There would be an eligibility assessment process which Council would determine at a later date. The remaining homes (about 65 percent) would sit outside of the Council's affordability criteria and be made available to the general market to purchase.

The development partners would build the homes and manage the sales and marketing of completed homes. Council becomes the enabler of this

development but is not the developer nor is it carrying all the typical development risk.

This option has been developed to ensure there is not any pressure put on rates and limited impact on council debt due to the fact that we are using

reserves from previous sales of Council's strategic property to service this debt. Revenue from this project will be used to fund any future stages of the development, as Council's strategic property sales are ringfenced to protect Council's strategic asset base.

Alternative option: Sell residential land on the open market without requiring quality first home buyer options

Alternative option

Council would sell all its land on the open market at the appropriate time to the highest bidder, without requiring quality first home buyer options. For clarity, any gains would not be used to subsidise rates as any strategic property sales goes back into the strategic property reserve to fund future asset purchases, ensuring Council's strategic property assets do not deplete.

Do you support the proposed option?

Strongly Agree

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

Would this then reduce the value of similar valued privately owned properties?

Development Contributions

To find out more information about this proposal – you can visit [here](#)

Do you support our proposed 2024 development contributions policy?

Yes

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

Community Funding

To find out more information about this proposal – you can visit [here](#)

We have changed our Grants and Partnerships Policy and the structure of our funds to include a new Accelerator fund. Do you agree with these changes?

Yes

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

sounds like you have thought this through very thoroughly and have the communities best interests at heart.

Do you support our proposed eligibility and assessment framework that links funding eligibility with our vision and community outcomes for the Taupō district?

Yes

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

Again, it sounds like you know what you are doing

WASTE MANAGEMENT AND MINIMISATION PLAN

More information about the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan and the change to provide your feedback can be found [here](#)

Do you support the proposed Waste management and Minimisation Plan?

Yes

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



Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 30/06/2024

First name: Barbara and Richard Last name: Mills

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community

Taupō

1.2 Next 10 Years

Do less

What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

Focus on the core business of a council i.e. roading, storm/waste water, rubbish collection, drinking water, sewage, being paid for by our rates. Other things are nice to have and could be user pays.

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater

Agree

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater

Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it

Disagree

1.6.1 Disagree

Agree

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

Wheelie bins create a storage problem on smal sections. They are also hard for small and older people to manage. Very difficult to retrieve items from. Residential areas should not need extra garbage collections during holiday periods. If there is extra rubbish around it should be paid for by those users NOT permanent residents.

1.7 Housing

Disagree

1.7.1 Disagree

Disagree

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

Disappointing to see that council needs to get into the area of providing more houses. There are plenty of unoccupied houses in town, which are currently being used by investors for airbnb or the likes. e.g. running businesses from them. Perhaps the inner twonship area should be zoned permanent residential only - apart from formal businesses e.g. motels of course.

1.8 Development Contributions

No

Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this strategy? Dont understand it so cant support it

1.9 Community Funding

No

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

1.9.1 Community Q2

No

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.
Dont fully understand it so cant support it.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

No

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

Dont fully understand it. I think it has been a bad decision for council to remove some public rubbish bins in local reserves and parks.

1.11 Any other feedback?

I have found it difficult to contribute to a section of this plan, only. I have previously tried, on several occasions, to contact the council the council about other issues in my neighbourhood. While the initial contact person refers my concerns on, I either never hear back about my concern or nothing ever changes. It feels like consultation is only acted upon when individuals agree with the council decision.

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 30/06/2024

First name: Keith Last name: McConnell

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

- 1.1 Local Community

Kinloch
- 1.2 Next 10 Years

Agree with the plan

What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

rubbish and recycling systems in Taupo need to improve, i.e. introduce mobile garbage bins, implement food waste collection, schedule rubbish waste collections every two weeks.

make plans to upgrade the bridge crossing across the waikato river urgently

update library services across the district, explore opportunities to share resources with other jurisdictions in South Waikato and Ruapehu districts

standardise rubbish and recycling bins across the district bigger brighter and bolder.

dog litter bags must be available across the disctrict. If dog poo is left lying around fine the people walking dogs
- 1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater

Strongly Agree
- 1.5 Taupō North Wastewater

Strongly Agree
- 1.6 Bag it or Bin it

Strongly Agree
- 1.7 Housing

Agree

1.7.3 Agree

the alternative plan makes sense derisk the land development proposal

1.8 Development Contributions

Yes

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

1.9 Community Funding

Yes

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

1.9.1 Community Q2

Yes

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

Yes

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

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 30/06/2024

First name: Robert Last name: Hallett

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Eastern bays (Hātepe, Motutere, Motuoapa, Tauranga-Taupō)

1.2 Next 10 Years
Agree with the plan
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

Do more to protect our Moana, it's ok to promote the district as long as the history and community is represented fairly and honestly ie over populated, brings issues people not respecting the area and the Moana, more rubbish, waste water, frustration in the shopping area with locals and knowing the true history of Taupo nui a Tia. Taupo is losing it's tranquility and that's a sad thing if we look at what has happened to Tauranga for example, we will lose or town status and become a city which will bring more problems, so be smart.

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater
Strongly Agree

1.4.3 Strongly Agree
Protect the Moana Taupo nui a Tia.

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Agree

1.5.4 Agree
Protect the awa, Te Awa o Waikato

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Disagree

1.6.1 Disagree
Agree

Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue? Happy with the status quo.

1.7 Housing

Agree

1.7.3 Agree

Housing is an issue and I hope it goes to those who need it, but then on the other hand this over population issue it's a fine line to losing our tranquility verses city population status and issues that come with it.

1.8 Development Contributions

Yes

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

The development of Maori land, there has been alot of red tape in the past concerning development of Maori land so hopefully with this adjustment to align with the Te Ture Whenua Maori land Act 1993 would be a positive move for alot of my people and there whenua.

1.9 Community Funding

Yes

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

To update and simplify funding allocations fairly across all communities in the TDC.

1.9.1 Community Q2

Yes

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

To have a simple and fair distribution of community funding.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

Yes

Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this plan? No

1.11 Any other feedback?

No

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 30/06/2024

First name: Colin

Last name: Morrell

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Taupō

1.2 Next 10 Years
Do less

What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

I have not looked at the Plan in a lot of detail but rather skimmed through and whilst I appreciate that Council has given considerable in depth thought to the plan, I cannot agree with the plan as I would then be agreeing to the rate increases proposed and that I cannot accept. Council needs to do more to keep rate increases down to more acceptable levels or else people will not be able to live here especially those on fixed incomes such as superannuitants a lot of whom are asset rich but cash poor. The level of rates and insurances on properties is becoming such that it will, if not already, become prohibitive to retain ownership of houses. In this respect Council **must** convince Government to find a better way to fund local government than by rates which has become a far outdated mode of revenue gathering. The Government levies an entrance fee to all tourists coming into the country, although I understand that the current Government is looking at cancelling that, but how much of that does Taupo District get? As a tourist district we need to convince the Government that funding of local infrastructure etc should not just fall on local ratepayers. We the ratepayers are meeting the costs of a lot of infrastructure that tourists enjoy but don't pay towards. We also need to make sure that funding is only put towards **essential** projects and whilst that is what Council is suggesting in this plan that has not always been the case eg. the changed layout including roading of the area fronting the lake including unnecessary lighting (amenity only) and new wooden fencing along the Lake front up to and including the water pumping station at the end of Rifle Range Road. In this respect I can only see an advantage to tourists and they have not paid for this. I for one have never been down to this area at night and very rarely venture into that area by day because of the congestion so no benefit to me and most likely a lot of other ratepayers. Perhaps in this respect Council could inform me of the reason behind the need to fence off such a large area of the lake front where it hasn't been necessary before. Council has always told us that we need to keep enticing tourists to our district which will benefit everyone but I fail to see how that applies as a general ratepayer as most of the income from tourists goes into the pockets of business people such as food outlets, accommodation, activities etc and yet again the tourists benefit but don't pay towards infrastructure. General ratepayers are not benefitting as evidenced by the increasing number of empty shops in the Taupo town centre and we no longer even have a movie theatre in Taupo...so another activity lost.. Recently Council decided to provide \$100,000 towards a large silver dinosaur to be placed in the Riverside Park and we were told **again** that we need to do these things to encourage tourists to come here. How does a giant artificial dinosaur have any relevance to Taupo not to mention erecting it in a park? These are just a couple of examples of potential waste of ratepayer money. I also see that Council is providing funds of circa \$4m to fitout the new Council administration building. **Q.** what happened to the funds received from the sale of the old Council building on Lake Terrace/Rifle Range Road and could we not use some, if not all, of that to fund the fit

out? As an aside perhaps it is timely for the Council to tell ratepayers how much money was paid for the sale of that land and to what purpose the land is to be put because two years on or so I don't believe that we have ever been told either...unless I've missed something and that's possible where I hardly ever get local papers delivered and we are now down to one local paper per week. Council must also cut its cloth further and if this means reducing services so be it. I am not in favour of cutting library services as suggested in the plan as this is a service which should be encouraged further not pared back. I could support some reduced use of the AC Baths as this is a facility which regularly costs ratepayers money in respect breakdowns/maintenance and the hot water source appears to be unreliable. There are other hot pool facilities in the district. In looking at reducing costs it is naive to ratepayers to suggest the sale of number plates at \$5000 is going to help. I do commend Council for cutting back funding to the Marketing arm etc which assumes that Council recognises the need to cut costs for tourism. At the same time perhaps it is timely to have a look at event funding eg. Iron Man etc and see how ratepayers benefit from those events...perhaps Council could get the organisers of such events to include, as part of the entrance fee, \$50 or so to be handed over to Council to put towards infrastructure maintenance/upgrade because everytime an event is held grass is mowed, the town is tidied etc all I presume to make the place look good on TV and/or visitors...again at our cost and not visitors cost.

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater

Agree

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater

Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it

Disagree

1.6.1 Disagree

Agree

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

There is no indication of what the proposed new option will cost each ratepayer compared to what we currently pay to have removed. As there are only two of us living in our house we create little rubbish and only put out one yellow bag periodically, we recycle everything we can and compost all organic food waste. The only food waste not recycled is non-organic such as meat/bone waste and this is wrapped and put in yellow bag.

1.7 Housing

Agree

1.7.3 Agree

Whilst housing should be a central Government issue however, successive Governments seem to be pushing more and more demand on local government to make land available and to change land designations to enable more land available for housing but without any financial assistance to do so. Accordingly I feel that where Council has land available for residential use it should be involved in providing some low income housing for first home buyers otherwise all we'll get is developers building homes at high level quality that will be snapped up by investors/holiday home owners and remain dormant for large periods of the year. As I see it this is Taupo's main issue in respect of available housing ie we have a large absentee population with a lot of houses only used for a month or so per year. we do not have enough houses for long term rental and any houses that do go on the market to be sold are generally in the high value market. So yes I support the proposal however such proposal must be at no cost to ratepayers

1.8 Development Contributions

Yes

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

we must continue to have a robust yet fair policy to again ensure that ratepayers interests are maintained and that all future costs lie where they fall

1.9 Community Funding

Yes

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

Any policy must be based around and upon the benefit of firstly to ratepayers because that is where funding

comes from and secondly to the wider community as to community well being. we cannot continue to fund anything just because it would be nice to have...there has to be a need to have ie benefit to the whole community. As stated earlier I do not see having a giant stylised dinosaur sitting in a prime of place reserve as a need for the community.

1.9.1 Community Q2

Yes

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

Again eligibility of funding must be based on community wellbeing not a nice to have.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

Yes

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

Generally I support the plan as waste management and minimisation is an important need for any community. I also support any plan that minimises what goes into the landfill and that encourages recycling including better foodwaste management. However, I am not convinced that the proposed kerbside service is best for myself as a ratepayer because of the potential minimal use to me and without knowing how the cost of introduction thereof will affect my rates.

1.11 Any other feedback?

Everything is becoming too expensive to survive. We currently live in a cost of living crisis where everyday costs do not keep up with incomes. Insurances are becoming prohibitive with climate change and risk management being reassessed every time we have a major event which happens more and more frequently. The cost of electricity is increasing and will only get worse. More and more people require food parcels to survive but through cutbacks in Government funding the ability of providers of these is diminishing. Council needs to set an example as the community representative and keep rates down at a level which are affordable. i do not believe that what is proposed as far as rate increases is concerned is affordable going forward. I don't know how or if Council has determined what 'affordable' is however, I do know that personally our household spending is costing us more than it did last year and we are only a two person household but on fixed income. Council and local government units throughout NZ cannot keep spending on anything that does not have a community need or benefit attached.

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 30/06/2024

First name: Rod Last name: Campbell

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Taupō

1.2 Next 10 Years
Do less

What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)
Spend less of ratepayers money on services broadly for the benefit of visitors to the area. A classic example is the shambles of road access along Roberts Street, which comes to a complete halt on most weekends and holidays. The only beneficiaries are the food outlets adjacent.

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Disagree

1.6.2 Strongly Disagree
Agree

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

Yes. You state that the cost per ratepayer would be about \$340 pa from 2025. That is a jack up and just goes to show what ratepayers are up against from our elected council. It is also more than 200% than the \$140 currently charged for the service.

Do you think we are all mad?

1.7 Housing
Agree

1.8 Development Contributions
Yes

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

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

No

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

Do not change the kerbside collection system currently operating.

Do not increase the cost other than taking inflation into account. In other words, don't rip off the ratepayers on this subject.

1.11 Any other feedback?

With rates generally about to rise faster than at any other time, go back to spending on core necessities, ie, infrastructure, and give the ratepayers a break. We are already paying high rates and surely new infrastructure can be paid for by the new residential and commercial growth creating consent fees like you probably have never before seen in Taupo.

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 30/06/2024

First name: Maurice

Last name: Gianotti

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Taupō

1.2 Next 10 Years
Do less

What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)
I would prefer the Council to do less inhouse, and make more use of private firms.

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater
Agree

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Disagree

1.6.2 Strongly Disagree
Strongly Agree
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?

I don't support the proposal to change from user pays to charging the ratepayer. The present system works well for us. We don't have a space for the new bins. I appreciate the work done to explore the proposal but it won't work for us.

I am concerned about the costs that will fall on the ratepayer , particularly the capital cost of setting up the system. I think ,too, that taking away the cost to the user will promote over use of the system ,and thereby produce more waste , when we really want to reduce waste.

1.7 Housing
Agree

1.7.3 Agree

I would also like to see the Council promote the building of long term rentals , such as is common overseas, so that people have the option of a secure rental home , so long as they look after it and don't cause trouble for others.

1.8 Development Contributions

Yes

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

1.9 Community Funding

No

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

I think the Council should leave this kind of activity to charities and private providers.

1.9.1 Community Q2

No

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

I don't think these kinds of activity should be the function of a Council.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

No

Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this plan? I think user pays should be the basis of policy.

1.11 Any other feedback?

I want the Council to give priority to a second bridge over the Waikato to supplement the Control Gates Bridge. I believe a new bridge is essential infrastructure. If the Control Gates Bridge fails , for any reason, but particularly in an earthquake,there would be widespread disruption to the communities on the western side of Taupo , for many years.

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 30/06/2024

First name: Bev Last name: George

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Kinloch

1.2 Next 10 Years
Agree with the plan

What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)
i would love to have more of a gathering point/event around Matariki. I would love a stone circle (neolithic style) on the grass area by Kinloch marina/playground with an orientation so that the rising sun on Matariki would light up the stone opposite the entry stones. It could seeve as a bi-cultural celebration location.

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater
Agree

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Agree

1.6.3 Strongly Agree
hopefully we can recycle lids in the bins.
it would be good to have a soft olastic recycle container in Kinloch alongside other recycling bins.

1.7 Housing
Agree

1.7.3 Agree
i also like the idea of long term rental accommodation such as Simplicity homes.

1.8 Development Contributions

Yes

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

1.9 Community Funding

Yes

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

1.9.1 Community Q2

Yes

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

Yes

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

1.11 Any other feedback?

suggestions made in previous sections.

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 30/06/2024

First name: Barbara Last name: Gilmour

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community

Mangakino, Whakamaru and Atiamuri

1.2 Next 10 Years

Agree with the plan

What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater

Agree

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater

Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it

Agree

1.7 Housing

Agree

1.8 Development Contributions

Yes

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

1.9 Community Funding

Yes

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

Sounds more streamlined and efficient to better serve our community's needs.

1.9.1 Community Q2

Yes

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

Sounds as though it'll better ensure that our precious funds get to where they're really needed and support

values important to a healthy environment.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

Yes

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

1.11 Any other feedback?

I guess this is where I make a plea regarding the Mangakino...

Please keep the development of the Mangakino lakefront in mind. The lakefront picnic and play area needs motor vehicles and boat trailers diverted further along the lake, past Matekuri Island to an area once used by the rowing club and perfectly suitable for the launching of boats. The current lakefront picnic and play area needs to be safe for foot traffic and picnickers to relax in and enjoy without the presence and hazard of motor vehicles and boat trailers passing through their midst.

My second request is for a continuation of the pathway from Korari Crescent, along Lake Road to the cemetery in Waipapa Road (1km). Currently, families have to walk either on an often wet grass verge or on the road to access the cemetery to visit their deceased whanau. A number of the elderly find this current trip difficult and especially dangerous if their only transport is a mobility scooter.

Many thanks and I look forward to seeing these hazards resolved.

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 01/07/2024

First name: Cobus Last name: Venter

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Taupō

1.2 Next 10 Years
Agree with the plan
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater
Strongly Agree

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Agree

1.7 Housing
Strongly Disagree

1.7.2 Strongly Disagree
Strongly Agree
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?

1.8 Development Contributions
No
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this strategy?

1.9 Community Funding
No
Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

1.9.1 Community Q2

No

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

Yes

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

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 01/07/2024

First name: Maggie Last name: Moll

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community

Kinloch

1.2 Next 10 Years

Agree with the plan

What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater

Agree

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater

Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it

Strongly Disagree

1.6.2 Strongly Disagree

Strongly Agree

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

The bin it option is not user friendly for private communities, like The Poplars in Kinloch.

1.7 Housing

Disagree

1.7.1 Disagree

Agree

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

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Submitter Details

Submission Date: 01/07/2024

First name: Paul Last name: Hooykaas

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community

Taupō

1.2 Next 10 Years

Do less

What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific) Keep rubbish bags instead of changing to bins.

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater

Agree

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater

Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it

Strongly Disagree

1.6.2 Strongly Disagree

Agree

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

I am writing to express my disagreement with the proposed change from rubbish bags to rubbish bins for the rubbish collection service in Taupo. I believe that this change will have negative impacts on the environment, the residents, and the fairness of the system.

First of all, I have personal experience with using rubbish bins, as I used to live in a city that switched from bags to bins a few years ago. I can tell you that the change did not reduce the amount of rubbish that people disposed, as the council hoped. Instead, it created new problems, such as illegal dumping, bin theft, and bin overflow.

From personal experience I have found that changing from weekly rubbish collection with bags to fortnightly with bins meant that people would throw their rubbish on the side of the road, in public places, or in other people's bins, instead of using their own bin. Because the bin can hold more rubbish than the bags, the council decided to collect the rubbish every two weeks instead of every week, and this causes issues. People

would still run out of space in their bin, and they would have to wait for another week for the next collection. Some people do not want to wait, or they do not want to pay for extra bags or bins, so they dump their rubbish elsewhere. This is bad for the environment, as it creates litter, pollution, and health hazards.

There was also a problem with bin theft. People would steal other people's bins, and peel off the stickers that identify the bin's address, and use them as their own. This happens because their bin is already full of rubbish so they want to have more than one bin. This is unfair for the people who might lose their bin or find it damaged or filled with someone else's rubbish.

Also when the bin is overfilled, the lid cannot close properly. This means that people have more rubbish than their bin can handle, and they try to squeeze it in. When I used the bin service previously the rubbish collectors refused to empty the bin if the lid did not close. Many times I found that residents had put their excess rubbish in my bin, causing the lid to not close, and then I had to store the bin (and all the excess rubbish) for another two weeks, and had no space for any new rubbish.

Secondly, I think that the current system of using rubbish bags is better than the proposed system of using rubbish bins. The current system is based on the principle of 'pay as you throw', which means that you pay more if you put out more rubbish, and less if you put out less rubbish. This is fair, as it encourages people to reduce, reuse, and recycle their rubbish, and it rewards them for doing so. It also takes into account the different needs and situations of the residents, such as those who have holiday homes, or those who have large families. The current system allows people to buy as many or as few rubbish stickers as they need, and to use them whenever they want. The proposed system of using rubbish bins is not fair, as it charges everyone the same amount, regardless of how much rubbish they produce or how often they use the service. This means that some people will pay more than they should, and some people will pay less than they should.

Lastly, I'm sure there will be a significant cost buying the bins and getting new rubbish trucks. With the cost of living crisis and the already large rates increases, is this really the right time to introduce bins which will increase rates even more?

Therefore, I urge the council to reconsider the proposed change from rubbish bags to rubbish bins, and to keep the current system of using rubbish bags. I think that the current system is better for the environment, the residents, and the fairness of the system. I also think that the proposed system will create more problems than it will solve, and that it will not achieve the council's goals of reducing the amount of rubbish that people dispose.

Thank you for your consideration.

1.7 Housing

Agree

1.8 Development Contributions

Yes

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

1.9 Community Funding

Yes

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

1.9.1 Community Q2

Yes

Please explain why you support or do not support the proposed eligibility and assessment framework.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

Yes

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

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 01/07/2024

First name: Ian Last name: Constable

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Taupō

1.2 Next 10 Years
Agree with the plan

What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)
On P08 in the LTP the pie chart shows \$146 million for "Community Leadership". It is not clear what this includes but the cost seems very high compared to the costs of essential services such as water, wastewater and transport. Could the Council review this particular item with a view to decrease the cost?

1.4 Tūrangi Wastewater
Agree

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Disagree

1.6.1 Disagree
Agree

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

I disagree with the LTP where it claims the proposed option will reduce waste. Provision for a 240L wheelie bin and a 140L bin will not encourage waste reduction because they are big enough to accommodate more refuse than most households can produce. With a standard rate for refuse disposal as proposed, there will be no difference in cost for a household whether the bins are filled or not. Hence with the proposed scheme, there will be no incentive to reduce waste.

In our particular situation, we are a retired family of two. We put a yellow refuse bag out once every 3 weeks, and almost never fill the green recycling bin. At this rate the yellow bags cost us approximately \$3 per bag, which equates to \$1 per week for us at the rate we use them. As a comparison the proposed option will cost \$7 per week per household, which for us is a 700% increase. Furthermore, since the yellow bags have a unit

cost to purchase, the more bags one puts out in a given week will cost more, which is an incentive to reduce waste.

We do agree with the 23L food waste bin though, since this will help to reduce leachate emissions in landfills and provides for food waste to be composted.

1.7 Housing

Strongly Agree

1.7.4 Strongly Agree

The Stages 1 and 2 developments in the Taupo East Urban lands are in our opinion a huge success, and as a result Kokomea has become a highly desirable place to live. We agree with a continuation of the Councils proposal in future stages.

1.8 Development Contributions

Yes

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

While I generally agree with the proposed changes, I am concerned that a reduction in thresholds will deter future development.

For equity reasons I also consider that developments on Maori land should be charged at the same rates as non-Maori land.

1.9 Community Funding

Yes

Please explain why you agree or disagree with these changes.

1.10 Waste management and Minimisation Plan

Yes

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

As previously mentioned, we disagree that the proposed waste disposal option will reduce waste, and hence may hinder the proposed objectives.

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Submitter Details

Submission Date: 01/07/2024
First name: Linda **Last name:** McGrogan
Organisation:

On behalf of Frances Brownlee & Heather Dockery
Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?
I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Taupō

1.11 Any other feedback?

A submission on the Taupo District Council Long Term Plan
We thank the Taupo District Council for this opportunity to give our views on the Draft Long Term Plan as it relates to transport.

We quote from James Renwick’s book Under the Weather – A Future Forecast for New Zealand, (page 273)
“The aim should be for people to get from wherever they are to wherever they need to be almost exclusively by public and renewably powered public transport
..... we need to make it easier and more appealing for people to get around by walking, cycling or similar. That means things like dedicated cycleways, clear and safe walking paths, and subsidies for the purchase of non-car vehicles like e-bikes, e-scooters and e-skateboards.”
Taupo has some work to do to achieve this ideal, currently most journeys are by private vehicle, often with just a single occupant. However, if we can work toward a future with far fewer cars on our roads, we would be healthier, have clearer air and a greatly reduced carbon footprint.
We are pleased to see walking and cycling included in this Long Term Plan. Already we have some excellent biking/walking pathways, in particular the lakefront path and the path alongside the Eastern Arterial Route, combined with the many newly created pathways connecting these to residential areas. However, to encourage regular commuting by bicycle, e-bike or e-scooters we suggest progressively providing dedicated cycle paths, separated from footpaths, on the major routes into the CBD – along Lake Terrace, connecting the Acacia straight footpath through Nukuhau, Wairakei Drive, Spa Road and Rifle Range Road are some suggestions. Separated from vehicles, pedestrians and dogs, these would give a safe route for riders of all skill levels. Covered bike and scooter parking around the CBD would be a positive move.
We are very pleased to have our electric bus in Taupo and the Connect 2 service to outlying areas. For the long term future, we suggest council considers a ‘park and ride’ system with frequent shuttle buses along the major routes into the CBD. Currently, with free all-day parking available in the centre

of town, there is no disincentive to the convenience of driving.

The members of Bike Taupo are doing excellent work teaching our children safe cycling practices. The ideal would be to have most primary age children walk, cycle or scooter to and from school. We have a 'catch 22' problem here – parents drive their children to school as it is deemed unsafe for them to make their own way as there are so many vehicles on the roads around schools. If we could persuade parents and caregivers to allow their youngsters to take themselves to school, or at least be dropped off and picked up at some distance away, they would have safety in numbers, children would arrive at school after some healthy exercise and with increased self-confidence. We understand your Road Safety team is working on this ongoing problem.

We would like the council to re-prioritise finances which are earmarked for transport, to achieve more visionary outcomes for future Taupo transport options. Our views on future transport options have been informed by the following:

“Walkable City Rules – 101 Steps” by Jeff Speck

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Wai4ub90stQ> TED talk by Jeff Speck.

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 01/07/2024
First name: Dianne Last name: Jewell
Organisation:

On behalf of Richard and Dianne Jewell
Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?
I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Western bays (Omori, Kuratau, Pūkawa, Whareroa)

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Disagree

1.6.1 Disagree
Agree
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?
We have concerns for the rubbish collection plan should bins become compulsory.

Our issue is that we rent our bach out and guests leave on various days of the week so there is the potential for bins to be left for days before collection.

- We don't expect the few permanent residents to bring in our bins..something like 20 elderly residents and 199 bins
- Bins may be left out for several days before being collected causing not only an eyesore but also potential for wind to knock them over and throw rubbish everywhere
- Food bins will smell and bring vermin which our residents have worked so hard to reduce
- Storage for all these bins will be tricky for us
- The current system works fine for Pukawa

Attached Documents

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 01/07/2024

First name: Anthony Last name: Bowman

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Taupō

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Agree

1.6.3 Strongly Agree

In addition to rubbish bags being torn open by animals every windy collection day there are plastic bottles blowing around everywhere, in many parts of Taupo its downhill to the lake so where do thet go.

Also holiday home owners depart Sunday & put bags out that may not be collected for 2 or 3 days, right now there is runnish strewn over the road at 56 Pataka, bins would avoid this

1.7 Housing
Agree

1.7.3 Agree

Just do not allow the building of multi level homes beside normal homes if they block the sun from the original home. It seems rediculous to have all these healthy homes regulations then allow the principal source of light and warmth to be blocked as they do in other places.

1.8 Development Contributions
Yes

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

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 01/07/2024

First name: Nicola Last name: Dickie

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Taupō

1.2 Next 10 Years
Agree with the plan
What do you think we should do more/less of? (be specific)

1.5 Taupō North Wastewater
Agree

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Disagree

1.6.2 Strongly Disagree
Strongly Agree
Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?

Attached Documents

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Submitter Details

Submission Date: 01/07/2024
First name: Jenny Last name: Symmans
Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Western bays (Omori, Kuratau, Pūkawa, Whareroa)

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Strongly Disagree

1.6.1 Disagree
Strongly Agree

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

We are totally opposed to the proposed change for these reasons.

Firstly ,bins are totally impractical as like may home owners in Pukawa we are not there permanently and when away nobody would collect the bin and put it away, therefore we would not use it.

We only put rubbish bags out when we are there and know they will be collected on the day they are put out. Similarly for recycling.

If we are leaving on days other than the rubbish days, we always take our rubbish to the tip or take it home if the tip is closed.

We normally have small amounts of rubbish, much less that the suggested bin size, which is a wasteful use of resources for us.

We are horrified at the additional cost for a service which we would not use.

We ask that in the event the proposed change to bins goes ahead, then a separate system is made available for communities such as Pukawa where the proposal is totally impractical, apart from being extremely expensive.

Possibly the bag system could remain for rubbish, in this area as it does appear to work reasonably well.

In summary we are submitting that we are appalled and dismayed at the thought proposed system which would be enormously expensive and totally unworkable for communities such as Pukawa, where our rates are already extortionately high. We cannot afford to pay for a service we would not be able to use.

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 01/07/2024

First name: Lenore Last name: Bristow

Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?

I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Western bays (Omori, Kuratau, Pūkawa, Whareroa)

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Disagree

1.6.1 Disagree
Agree

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

It is our holiday Bach
I object to the new wheelie bins because

- 1) too costly
- 2) storage of bin to take to road side is problematic
- 3) never fill it
- 4) inconvenient
- 5) blown over in wind
- 6) requires permanent local residents to put away off road which is a big ask!!

My preference is for status quo

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Long-Term Plan 2024-2034

Submitter Details

Submission Date: 01/07/2024
First name: Tony Last name: Engelen
Organisation:

On behalf of Tony and Marie-Louise Engelen
Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing?
I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

Feedback

1.1 Local Community
Western bays (Omori, Kuratau, Pūkawa, Whareroa)

1.6 Bag it or Bin it
Disagree

1.6.1 Disagree
Agree

Is there anything else you would like to tell us about this issue?
We own a batch at Pukawa.
When we are there, maybe 12 days a year we recycle all the items we can and take the little rubbish we have home!
We oppose that wilibins will be introduced and added to our rates.

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