Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Keep any upgrades to a minimum and prioritise keeping rates from rising during a cost of living crisis.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Status quo

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Ease the burden now. Keep projects to maintenance only as the cost of living is high.

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Even the third option is too high. Can you offer a lower hike? Status quo should be maintained for the next year.

# **Supporting document**

N/A

Submission ID: 2 Date: Mar 12 24 05:45:25 pm

Name: Lisa Lingman

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Supporting document

N/A

# Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

# How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 1: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 35% external funding for major development works in 2028 and 2029.

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I think option 1 or 2 should be carried out later on, after 10 years to get people that are struggling through this incredibly hard time first

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Urban properties should be charged more as they benefit from far more council services

# Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

I think our district has been beautified significantly in the past 30 years, and we currently live in the most stunning place. I think non urgent plans to improve our district should be put on hold for a few years to allow those people in the district that are really struggling a bit of relief.

**Submission ID: 4** 

Date: Mar 12 24 07:21:14 pm

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

# Supporting document

N/A

# Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

### How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

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# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Maybe all senior players clubs, that use the grounds should pay to do so. Including food caravans etc.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Maybe education on food scraps and compost

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

The problem is the hardship of rates rises, is very real. It's hard enough trying to pay mortgages, etc etc

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

I think everything shud be paid by the whole district to

# Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

It's so scary what could happen, with council not being able to maintain service etc, but a nightmare being a ratepayer.

# Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I see we do not have the option of not doing anything. Only the absolute essential work should be carried out while times are so tough and only going to get worse. I cannot believe you are even proposing anything other than absolutely essential work, just goes to show how completely out of touch you all are with struggling rate payers. What happens when we just cannot afford to pay anymore?

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Again why are we looking at making more expense. If we separate we need more collection trucks, more collection containers. From what I hear from your ads on the radio people cannot cope with putting the correct green and recycle in the correct bins so why add more complication.

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

If you were no so wasteful with the rates money we pay perhaps we would not have such a great debt to pay back. Why an earth are we putting expensive concrete everywhere to make useless humps in the road. Why have we got a new roundabout that cost goodness knows how much so we can still queue over the bridge just like before. Why are we not just concentrating on the basics.

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 1: (Status quo) – 24% UAGC – \$927.50 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

If we all use the same service we should all pay the same to use that service.

# Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

The council needs to go back to basics and stop wasting money. Over the years you have taken Environment BOP and water out of the rates bill but we still have to pay those ever increasing bills and now you want to increase our rates by a ridiculous amount. How do you think we are all going to afford this. Wages are not going up by the amount you are talking of increasing our rates by. You seem to think it is ok to just keep spending because all you have to do is increase the rates and we all have to pay. Despite the ever increasing rate costs the standard of service that you provide just keeps dropping. Why and earth are we spending 6.4% on arts and culture, that is as much as on storm water. Back to basics.

Submission ID: 7 Date: Mar 13 24 04:21:57 pm

Name: Rodney Rex Meharry

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) Matata Residents Association

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Council in these times of extreme hardship for many families have to take responsibility and make hard decisions. There is a difference between a want and a basic infrastructure. Residents can live without the best sporting or cultural facilities but they can't live without safe clean drinking water and effective waste water systems. With global warming many communities are vulnerable to extreme weather events and having nice to have facilities is not helping mitigate those threats. Basics first, nice to have second.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Again it's all about what is affordable. We aready have green waste collection so lets not build more cost in.

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Ability to pay.

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Must be fair and affordable.

# Supporting document

Attached

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Our only option to make a statement of any effect is through the ballot box. Rates are just TOO high. With the government fighting inflation by making families poorer through increased interest rates, it is effecting rate payers ability to spend on other escentuals. This is having a two fold impact. One, it is harder to find the lump sums for rates and two they are spending less, causing businesses suffering. They in turn feel the rate burden. We will see small businesses struggle and many a small town has died when small businesses fold.

# Submission Whakatane District Council LTP

We know what you are thinking already. "Here we go, I'll bet they are going to harp on about their Sewerage / wastewater scheme".

# Yes we are, however first lets establish some reality.

You are the Whakatane **DISTRICT** Council. Meaning you have a responsibility for the whole district, not just the heavily populated areas. Your Mana rests on the delivery of services to the (so called) poorer socio-economic areas being treated the same as other suburbs within the district. You cannot practice a two tier system i.e a certain standard for one area and another lower standard for other areas.

So the residents of Matata expect our environment and facilities to be equal to the "jewel in the crown" e.g Ohope. I could list a number of facilities that are not up to standard but I don't feel that is productive in this submission.

# The cost of rates are at breaking point.

I know you have heard this before and although you may believe it, you have no capacity to address the problem, because it is a real problem and needs a serious solution to address it.

# Rates are just becoming unaffordable.

Lets think about that - every action causes a reaction (not always an equal and opposite reaction) so it is naive to believe you can keep increasing rates without a reaction.

Your issue Councillors, is that you are too close to the pressures of **want** and the Council staff may have a thousand reasons why there is a need for more money.

Residents have very few actions they can take to reduce the rate burden. One is to default; another is to sell. But the another is to protest through the ballot box.

The ballot box protest is a very real possibility but, it only affects those people who genuinely believe they are doing the right thing, and doesn't affect Council staff and their desire to pursue the aforementioned wants.

So, the ballot box revolt is a real option, and in our country there are many examples of wholesale change when residents / voters feel they have no other options. Do we hear you say "well,that won't make any difference but, you may well be right". But it will make a difference to YOU.

If you think about the last national local body elections, the results were heavily influenced by residents saying "we've had enough" (think Gore, Rotorua and Auckland for example). And, the Mayors and Councillors that got dumped may well have done nothing wrong but protest voters don't care, they just want blood (so to speak).

We, in Matata, firmly believe that a groundswell of opinion is forming about the proposed level of rate increases and the level of services in our district, and It won't take much to have that ill feeling spill over to the ballot box. And it's not just Matata that is feeling the pain.

# Now, back to our waste water system.

First be honest with us.

Can we afford a system now that 3Waters is not a reality. If we can afford the proposed system, please tell us and explain how the funding will work.

Don't keep us in the dark and then hit us with a user contribution. That will NOT be acceptable.

We have had regular presentations and proposed milestones only to be disappointed. The costs are sky rocketing and we are burning up funds on consultants, proposals and monitoring and we still seem to be no closer to a solution.

This has to stop. Development in our village is seriously compromised by lack of a waste water system and thus, opportunities to improve our environment are denied our village.

As stated at the beginning of this submission, this standard would not be tolerated if it was applied to the other suburbs within the district.

We, quite frankly, are <u>third world</u> when it comes to waste water solutions. Many septic tanks are failing and with wet weather events, the ineffectiveness of the tanks and their disposal fields is alarming. Also those weather events seem to be increasing and the resulting ground saturation and the consequent rise in water table levels is not helping.

Rod Meharry Chair Matata Residents Association

# Matata The Gate Way to The Eastern Bay

# Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

### How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 2: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 50% external funding for major development works in 2029 and 2030.

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

External funding only. We are too small to fund. Need to concentrate on fundamental things like 3 waters and roads

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

I don't see why people can't compost or use worm bins. It should not need to be picked up and taken to a central area. It's a waste of fuel and resources.

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 2: 20% UAGC - \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Urban properties should pay proportionally higher as they have far more access to services and create more demand

# **Supporting document**

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

We don't need things like those stupid red raised pedestrian crossing things on the road intersections like Crete st. Stop wasting money.

# Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

### How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 2: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 50% external funding for major development works in 2029 and 2030.

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I'm expecting that if the economic conditions worsen or the cost of the chosen option increases dramatically the Council will defer any action on this to a future LTP. You've done it with the footpath at Te Teko so obviously nothing is set in expensive concrete in any LTP.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Do this for everyone or not at all. They tried this in Hamilton with bucket collections every fortnight and after just a few days in summer the buckets were reeking. I'll continue to put compostables in my compost bin and non- compostables in the rubbish bin if you don't collect scraps weekly.

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Not worried about paying extra interest. Spreading out the increase is more important to me.

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Well, we are always going to vote for the least expensive option for ourselves, aren't we?

# Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

The presentation of the information on the LTP is excellent. Very colourful which makes it clearer and easier to follow. Well done.

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) Lake care group

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

This is a luxury use building. Serves the community well. We would all like to up grade our o homes, but need to realistically count the cost. Just do necessary maint.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

It compost, use for fertiliser

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

We don't have money growing on a tree that can be plucked. Like any business, borrowing is over a long term. The community was blind sided, over the council office referb. Earthquake restrengthing, that later wasn't necessary. There appears traders are getting low on work as the housing boom has slowed, and people are losing their jobs. Maybe the council could look at letting staff go and help the funding gap.

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Stop all unnecessary works for a few years until things stabilise. Just carry out necessary maintenance. Look at your own staff levels. Don't hire new management. Don't hit the community with a sudden huge increase. Remember your our servants not masters. The tail doesn't wag the dog. Cut you costs, not keep on spending

# **Supporting document**

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

You represent the community.not the council. The council seems to be brainwashed by the government and their ideology. Notice that changes with every new election and minister. Don't just go to meetings to enjoy coffee n cake. Be invested with the town needs, not wishing for gifts and bright lights. Keep the council realistic.

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) Whakatane District Council

### How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 2: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 50% external funding for major development works in 2029 and 2030.

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I believe it is a necessity to upgrade this facility, but I believe WDC should try and secure as much outside funding as possible, even if it means delaying the project for a couple of years.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Due to a family situation, I personally could not afford to increase the rates I pay at the higher levels proposed. Times are really tough out in the community, and I believe that even 17% is a tough ask (but I understand why). I also understand not wanting future generations to be lumped with the bill. There needs to be a balance.

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 1: (Status quo) – 24% UAGC – \$927.50 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district: I am happy with the proportions right now.

# **Supporting document**

N/A

**Submission ID: 12** 

Date: Mar 14 24 03:41:11 pm

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

# Supporting document

N/A

# Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Gradually chose are area year on year for example this year work on the toilets, next year work on the kitchen and so on so on. Yes i understand it means it wont be done over night, however, it will get done and in a way which manages cost more effectively.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

You need to think about how many people are actually going to use this bin, for us we have a compost we put majority of our food waste in.

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

This is a hard one as at the stage where do you suppose the average household in Whakatane finds the extra 17.1% of their rates that you are proposing. First off open your books! I tried for hours to find your financial statements and couldn't find them, where are you spend money? Your community that you work for is struggling right now to put food on the table and keep roofs over their heads this includes those "middle class households with two working incomes" we are all tightening our belts show us where you are decreasing your running costs before you start opening your hand out for more money.

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Re-evaluate your options before releasing a rates increase!

# Supporting document

Attached

#### Dear Whakatane Council

Thank you for composing an interesting read full of great ideas and initiatives! Although tinged with sadness that during this time of economic distress we are going to have to skimp and save even more or try find money where there just simply is none.

While I understand the need to raise our rates, to supply funding to complete these initiatives, I would ask you to look at your community and ask yourself the following.

- Who in our community has a spare at least 17% of their current rates lying around?
- How do we ensure that we aren't sending our homeowners into a space of even more financial distress? (Our wages and salaries are not going up by 17%)
- If the rates are raised by a minimum of 17%, how do we support our community to ensure there is food in belly's, roofs over people's heads, clothes on their backs? We already have an issue with wanderers, Homeless people are we ready to see more?

I would be really interested to see where the council is tightening its belts and reviewing its spending before reaching into the pockets of rate payers.

Speaking from experience working in the corporate space we have just let go of 25 contractors as we simply could not warrant that cost any more, we have limited the amount of catering occurring for events I.E limited to Board/shareholder meetings only and with a cap per person, restricted travel to only when absolutely necessary and reevaluated our goals with the idea that while it's nice to achieve everything sometimes you just have to chip away at smaller portions of a project to one day finish the whole picture especially in the current economic climate.

Right now, it's about getting by!

There is a tightening of belts, counting of pennies everywhere as people in your community struggle to feed their children let alone themselves.

Where are you tightening your belt? What nice to haves is the council doing away with before reaching in the pockets of an already struggling community?

Your community might be more on board with these increases if we could see where the council has tried to save money, at the moment we can't see any signs of that occurring.

Kind regards,



Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I'd like to see better shade at the kids playground.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Current financial pressures on people need to be taken into consideration. Lowest rate rise possible is the best option. We want whanau to not have to choose between paying bills and affording food.

# Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

I'd like to see more trees planted in urban areas to help with climate changes. Like the city of Darwin is doing "greening darwin"- please have a look at their strategy. Likewise I'd like to see more shade at playgrounds. Mostly I'd like kope to be given greater focus, it is looking tired and run down. I'd love to see it be given planting, refreshing the cdb and facilities, a community police station there (I know this isn't within council control). Smartening up the area is overdue and its fast becoming a problem area. I'd like to see the cycle paths continue being developed. We need to focus on cycling options, walking and public transport as part of our response to the current climate crisis. More EV chargers are desperately needed in EBOP.

# Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

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# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I think it is fine as is for now.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Not sure about collection however foodwaste could be uses to improve soil quality.

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Rates increase should be in the single digit % ....many 2 income households can simply not manage stretching the budget any further with everything else increasing too.

# Supporting document

N/A

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Stop the spending. Our coppers are empty.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Everyone is charged rates therefore everyone should be serviced with food waste collection.

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

We are all feeling the daily financial struggles. Most people are concerned about how to put food on the table. We can't pay more.

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

As above, we can't pay more when our purses are empty.

# **Supporting document**

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Stop the spend. The coppers are empty.

# Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

not convinced this is good use of Council (ratepayers) money when we have more important failing infrastructure issues that require ratepayers money

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

the Greenwaste collection is a great service offered by Council & received by the ratepayers

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

times are extremely tough, we are going without things to survive and pay our daily costs of mortgage, insurances and rates! spreading the cost is the most sensible and sustainable way as ratepayers simply CANNOT afford what you are proposing, cut the costs of unnecessary projects like the Harbour Project, extensive spend on Rex Morpeth which only a small portion of ratepayers actually utilise, Boon St Public toilets are an absolute disgrace and smelly and vile as are the Information Centre public toilets, the old Bus Shelter is vile also with the homeless making it their "hang out", we won the most Beautiful town, unsure how, yes our gardens are nice and well kept but public toilets are disgusting and vile!!

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

households/ratepayers cannot afford rates increases, cut back the "nice" projects, stick to the basics, our water supply out of the Whakatane River needs improvement, especially in summer when the river levels get low, Keepa Ra cycleway/shared use path is a mess and needs attention due to the growing population in Piripai. Open up more land/sections to increase the ratepayer base, thus increasing the rate take and then decreasing the increased rise and costs to the small ratepayer base you currently have, we have all these wonderful marketing campaigns, but people cannot move here, buy a section to build a home OR developers have nowhere to build, we really need more land / sections opened up URGENTLY!

# Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Mayor Victor Luca and the rest of the Whakatane District councillors you need to remember that ratepayers voted you in to be diligent and take care of costs and over-run of expenses and unnecessary spending, your community CANNOT afford the proposed rate increases, what will be sacrified in the homes of our community and for our children and elderly to pay rates - be mindful, use your conscience

and make wise decisions for our district, we have legacies from prior Councils that are still lingering and havent been resolved - please look at the BIG picture and the FUTURE of our community, allowing it to be prosperous and a wonderful place to live, not centred around poverty and homelessness due to the costs imposed on households of extravagant and over the top spending by Council! thank you!!

# Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 2: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 50% external funding for major development works in 2029 and 2030.

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

as much funding as possible from external sources. identify the area with the potential for greatest profit/income and complete those works first. this will allow some of the revenue from the hub to contribute towards following stages. this would need to be planned to ensure future stages have minimal or no impact on the stages that have already been completed

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 1: Close the gap quickly (in one year) so we pay less in the future.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

if we are going to be spending on larger infrastructure projects in the future, still paying off a funding gap now doesnt seem like it will work well later on

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 2: 20% UAGC – \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

# Supporting document

N/A

# Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

# How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Don't. What is there now is completely sufficient. Anything more is not a critical need. If the current state is not compliant, then shut down the non-complaint parts. e.g. lock up the building.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Don't collect food waste. Not a critical need, and has been a complete farce and failure in other regions. Encourage residential chickens and home composting, but at no cost to rate payers.

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Control your spending council so there is no gap! Heavily reduce staffing and all non-critical spending of any sort.

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Do not accept any rate increase greater than annual CPI -1%. Get efficient and ruthless with your spending of other people's money.

#### Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Your approach of threatening high rates increases and then suggesting you have worked to get it lower is farcical, and makes everyone involved with council appear ridiculous, which is pretty tough on all the decent team members who have no influence over this. Not being able to hold to an appropriate budget just demonstrates that you are not doing your job. Whether this is because of a lack of capability, or a lack of leadership direction is unclear, however whether you are directly making these decisions or not, the blow back from the community will be very clear and strong at the very next opportunity and for years to come. Those voted in should expect to lose their roles at the very next community opportunity unless you get the rates increase to 6% or less. Now is the time for those people to push, influence, and sort this out.

**Submission ID: 20** 

Date: Mar 15 24 09:44:57 pm

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 1: Close the gap quickly (in one year) so we pay less in the future.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Try not to increase rates and work with what you currently have been receiving.

# Supporting document

N/A

Submission ID: 21	Date: Mar 16 24 10:27:30 am
Name:	Stuart Slade

**Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)** Cheddar Valley Pottery

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Where is option 4? I believe with the present pressure on funding, basic functions and infrastructure should be the top priority. Rex Morpeth Hub should be maintained and repaired where necessary only. No up-grades at this time. Thus saving the Council between \$12 to \$105 million.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Most rural properties have the means to recycle/dispose of food waste safely without involving Council

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Spread the burden rather than add further to the steep rise in the cost of living now

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 1: (Status quo) – 24% UAGC – \$927.50 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Basic costs should be shared equally by all rate payers

# **Supporting document**

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Councillors, listen to your/our Mayor!

Submission ID: 22	Date: Mar 16 24 10:43:27 am
Name:	Margaret Slade

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) Cheddar Valley Pottery

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

None of the above options!! The facility is very important, and only maintain as necessary in these tough financial times. Priorities should be spending on basic infrastructure, not "nice to have"

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Rural properties can usually deal with green & food waste on their own properties. Ideally the district should have a local foodwaste facility

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Listen to what the public want!

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 1: (Status quo) – 24% UAGC – \$927.50 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

All property owners should pay the same basic rate.

# Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Some councillors need to listen to the Mayor, AND the public.

Submission ID: 23 Date: Mar 16 24 11:22:55 am

Name: Cindy Lee

# Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I am absolutely against any double digit rate increases for our district as our community can not afford it. WDC needs to start cutting their spending and staffing, and to work within their funding means. WDC needs to re-prioritise infrastructure & necessities instead of not "nice to haves" projects like the Rex Morpeth park upgrades. Moving forward WDC need to find additional funding sources (other than through rates) for projects, and / or projects should be postponed until the economy improves, or financially viable options are found.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

The Food waste program is a "nice to have" at this point, so should be pushed back until 2027. And in the meantime the most economical option & /or additional funding sources found to institute such a project.

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Now is not the time to increase rates, so the "funding gap" should be closed in the longer term (once we all are on better financial footing and possibly postponed until the next LTP cycle).

### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

I am absolutely against any double digit rate increases for our district as our community can not afford it. Find a way to bring rates under 9% and even then people will not be able to afford it and we will risk that many will have to move away.

#### Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

P WDC needs to do better by the community it is supposed to serves and actually work in their interest. P WDC needs to start cutting their spending, salaries, and staffing, and to work within their funding means. P WDC needs to re-prioritise infrastructure and necessities instead of "nice to haves". P Moving forward WDC need to find additional funding sources (other than through rates) for all projects. P And all un-necessary projects should be postponed until the economy improves and/or more finically viable options are found.

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Only what is needed to ensure safe use and compliance

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

**Supporting document** 

N/A

# Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

### How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 1: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 35% external funding for major development works in 2028 and 2029.

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

unknown but it needs a tidy up but removing the Memorial hall can be done the memorials have been moved in the past

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 2: Separate foodwaste collection for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

would need to collect at least each week, this is done weekly in Hamilton and the bin still stinks, people already put out too much food waste

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

no options are easy on the budget

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 2: 20% UAGC – \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

basing rates on property values no longer works as there are many long term owners who are on low incomes

# Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

ignore Sandy Milne

Submission ID: 26	Date: Mar 17 24 01:25:33 pm
Name:	(Antony) Glenn Sullivan

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) Glenn Sullivan Chartered Accountant Ltd

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Carry out necessary maintenance only - no new playgrounds, carparks etc.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

I don't think separate bins are needed at all - let everyone (urban & rural) put the foodwaste into the existing green bin - it's all compositable which is where the green bin waste goes anyway. Then there is no need for increased costs at all.

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 1: Close the gap quickly (in one year) so we pay less in the future.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

The council needs to control its costs. The best way to do this is to eliminate debt as this adds to future costs. We all need to grit our teeth and pay for the increase in year one. Yes the 39% increase will add about \$24 week to rates, however pensioners can get a 50% rebate that reduces the cost increase to \$12 week, and their children could afford to help them with that or foodbanks if needed.

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 1: (Status quo) – 24% UAGC – \$927.50 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

As mentioned above I believe pensioners should be able to manage a 39% increase in rates if 50% remission applies so there does not need to be any more equitable smoothing out. Also some rural areas have high portions of rate arrears and aren't really pulling their weight in shouldering their share of responsibility for their share of the services. It is inappropriate to apply more equity streaming when attitudes like this continue.

#### Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

I think the Marina project should be abandoned and the money refunded to the Government with a request that Shane Jones (the minister previously responsible for the original P.G.F project allocations) allocate the money to some of the other continuing PGF Eastern Bay projects that my require more funding or to a new Eastern Bay Project. The site is contaminated, unpopular & unlikely to be the touted drawcard envisioned. I grew up around the half moon Bay Marina in Auckland and didn't observe any drawcard effect there or in other marina areas. This will remove the co funding burden on WDC. I don't favour a new bridge in Whakatane at this stage. To protect against disaster it would need to be further upstream and the Taneatua bridge is due for expansion in coming years through Transit NZ which should grant this disaster bridge backup, even with the periodic short term local flooding in that area. Clip ones

to the Whakatane Bridge to made it 2 lanes a side are not feasible due to Landing road being only one lane each side.

# Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

No upgrades at all are necessary to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub. Parking, fields, stands and services are all adequate. Fair consultation does not consist of 3 options which all require significant rate increases. The PPTA successfully took the Teaching Council to High Court for this type of consultation where the Council was censured and made to redo all consultation in a fair manner following due process.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Yet again, you are only proposing solutions which match your pre-determined choice to increase rates significantly. The gap should be closed by reducing council spending - cut council jobs or reduce hours where possible, cut spending on recreational activities, remove council perks such as vehicles.

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district: Minimise increases for all by reducing council spending.

# **Supporting document**

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

The proposed increases are outrageous. You have not given any information on how you have looked at reducing these increases. The consultation process is severely flawed as there have been no options given aside from significant increases. Reduce your spending - we did not need electric bikes and charging stations, we do not need upgrades to Rex Morpeth, we did not need the new council building. We already have one of the highest rates costs across the country. You should not be further increasing these without even suggesting options to reduce spending.

Submission ID: 28 Date: Mar 17 24 04:09:46 pm

Name: Kay Simpson

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

User pays

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Minimum rates increase at this time, in this district and in this economic climate is fair to all parties.

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Supporting document

N/A

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for all properties

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Don't increase! Look at ways to reduce in other areas first

# **Supporting document**

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

DON't increase! Look at ways to reduce in other areas first, these are a massive hike in rates way too much

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Do nothing in terms of upgrades. Review once the cost of living crisis has abated. Fund like for like life cycle renewals only.

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

You can't close the funding gap by spending stupid amounts on the Civic Centre and Rwx Morpeth park. Stop borrowing to fund nice to haves. Focus on three waters, reading and current public facilities. Stop social engineering and leave that to the agencies responsible.

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

# Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Stop borrowing to spend unless it is on critical infrastructure until the cost of living crisis has eased. All you are doing is fuelling the crisis by enabling inflation.

Submission ID: 31 Date: Mar 17 24 07:43:45 pm

Name: Sam Barr

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub? Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

When people are struggling to pay their mortgages and put food on the table for their families, this should not be a priority. Most people I talk to want the council to strip back its spending (as most households have done) and simply focus on the essentials services. It is frustrating when families are making hard decisions in order to live within their means when it appears as though the council is not doing the same. A double digit rate rise is a massive burden for many families and it is not appropriate for us to be funding unnecessary projects that aren't actually needed - particularly in time of great hardship for many. I think most people that live in our district would rather have lower rates than a flash recreation hub. I would suggest essential repairs and maintenance only. The centre is fine in its current state. Upgrading this is a luxury not a necessity.

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

# Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

People in our district are becoming increasingly frustrated at the wasteful spending of our council. People want the council to focus on providing essential services and minimising rates increases - particularly during a time with high inflation and interest rates. The proposed rate increases are far too burdensome for people already doing it tough. Council should cut spending to any areas that are not essential and live within its means rather than pushing ahead with whatever it wants done and getting us to foot the bill.

Submission ID: 32	Date: Mar 17 24 07:46:46 pm	
Name:		
Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)		
How should we scale, fund and stage necess	sary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?	
Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:		
How should we manage foodwaste collection	n?	
Your thoughts on how we should manage for	oodwaste collection:	
How quickly should we close our funding ga	p?	
Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:		
How should we distribute rates increases ac	ross the properties in our district?	
Your thoughts on how we should distribute	rates increases across the properties in our district:	
Supporting document N/A		
Do you have any other feedback for your Ma	ayor and Councillors?	

**Submission ID: 33** 

Date: Mar 17 24 09:17:15 pm

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 2: Separate foodwaste collection for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

## Supporting document

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Not necessary - people are struggling with basic living costs. Further increases will make people more poor unnecessarily. I'm a solo FT working mum on 90k and already living fortnight to fortnight with budgeting implementations. There's nothing left and have had to get a credit card to cover emergency expenses.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Optional with minimum cost

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Don't spend on unnecessary plans

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

No increase needed for unnecessary plans

## Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Let people gain their savings and livelihood back by not increasing rates

Submission ID: 35 Date: Mar 19 24 10:44:53 am

Name: James Ritchie

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

The three options are at this stage in a climate of economical difficulties are not acceptable. There should be a fourth option to defer doing anything until the councils debt is much lower. Also it was an affront to all who signed the petition against the redevelopment of Rex Morpeth to be dismissed so very easily.

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 2: Separate foodwaste collection for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

## How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

This country is in dire financial difficulties, as is a lot of families in our area. To burden them with a massive rate increase just to spend money on nice to have things is once again immoral and totally lacking in any form of compassion.

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Take another look at your LTP, if Rex Morpeth park was put on the back burner and the status co was kept to maintenance only how much would the rates increase be, that is my choice.

# Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Please take another look at your LTP, it seems to be that besides from the mayor and maybe a few others on the council, that nice to have options have swayed the CEO and uncaring councilors to burden the rate payers in a time of economical crisis. This proposed rates increase could possibly put many householders in default of their rates and cause many to be depressed as failure to pay puts on more financial costs to them.

## Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

#### How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 2: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 50% external funding for major development works in 2029 and 2030.

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

My only request is that you might not know your hall is the biggest and best in the region for skating. My daughter can only attend competitive skating because the trainer travels here to teach all her students due to the excellent hall size. Please keep the hall size. Or even make it bigger, as its the size of the halls that hold regions back from hosting events. I.E. we could hold skating events here if the hall was big enough.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Great idea and progressive.

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

I don't really mind as I am not opposed to high taxes. I just want to see the taxes go to Whakatane improvements that will continue to grow our wonderful town and bring people in. Wouldn't a tram system be amazing - we are flat enough for it!

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 1: (Status quo) – 24% UAGC – \$927.50 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Just because I made a smart decision to buy a cheaper property years ago that has now appreciated well doesn't mean I have the money to pay higher rates. This may not be reflective of myself - but highly reflective of the aging population.

#### Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

I like the work you are doing. Whakatane could really turn into a great holiday spot - even more than it is now if we play our cards right. Plus we need to advertise ourselves as a Retirment mecca (like TGA did all those years ago) - but we need at minimum one more Retirment village. Could one of the local iwis even make a Māori centric Retirment village that upholds their mana? PS as always please put a roundabout at the top of Hillcrest and Gorge Road. This intersection is a total nightmare!

Submission ID: 37	Date: Mar 19 24 01:05:12 pm
Name:	Graeme Care

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) B.O.P.

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

None of the 3 options you have given. Do health and Safety upgrades and nothing else. The facilities are absolutely fine as they are. I have had a gutsfull of this and previous councils spending on nice to have projects!

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

## Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

None of the above. Collect foodwaste and greenwaste together. Process as required!

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Constrain your spending in the short and long term.

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

## Supporting document

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Concentrate on maintaining our essential infrastructure. Get rid of the piss pool at the heads. Another bridge please.

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Current practices for waste recycling are very poor, and there are no clear indicators that this will change in the near future. For this reason any changes in waste collection should be based on minimising cost.

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

## Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

As the document highlights there is a significant gap between current/future expenditure and income. A real business would be reviewing it's costs before embarking on significant debt or significant cost increases to customers. I think the council has been very negligent in not addressing costs e.g. benchmarking WDC performance against other New Zealand councils. This should be the first step before deciding on increasing debt or charging customers more.

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district: Seer 10 above

## **Supporting document**

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Treat the WDC as a real business and make real world business decisions and actions

**Submission ID: 39** 

Date: Mar 19 24 03:05:18 pm

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

# **Supporting document**

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

What was the total cost to your ratepayers for the revamping of the council chambers? People are doing it tough financially. I am feeling like a serf paying my hard earned money to the landlords. I own my home but am unable to retire because of fixed expenses. Your increasing rates will enrage the community that is alresdy hurting financially. Stopping 3 waters and placing the responsibility back in local council's lap was wanted by many kiwi voters. Why hasnt there been a sinking fund containing all of our water rates for the last 60 years. Our pipes and water treatment should have been systematically maintained/ upgraded. What is our water rates being used for? Please start being transparent and finacially accountable to the ratepayers. Publish council projects and their costs. Every ratepayer to pay 700 bucks more per annum to do up rex morpeth park recreation hall!!!!! The creation of a worm farm with food scraps!!! Hardship for these causes????? Thank you for listening.

Submission ID: 40 Date: Mar 19 24 03:18:58 pm

Name: David Ball

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Fund upgrades to water systems.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

## Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Stop wasting ratepayers money, it is not a frre for all. Why does the council want to spend 107 million on a sports field when the 3 waters system is in dire need of sorting? Stop all junkets, cancel all bonuses, only essential services to be funded, Who is responsible for the massive debt the council is facing? have they been reprimanded? will they face any sort of consequence for this?

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I do not think that the huge redevelopment of Rex Morpeth should be allowed to happen. This is certainly not necessary.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

I don't have a problem with food and green waste being composted together. Surely this would be far more cost effective.

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

No one can afforda rates increase at all . If this must happen then the least amount as possible.

## Supporting document

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

All Councilors and the Mayor must listen to what the the community wants. Not just disregard people's views.

## Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

# How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I do not see how The Rex Morpeth Recreation hub or the long term plan supports Matata in any way and why we are having to find the extra money to pay for it.

## How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Provide subsidised compost bins

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

## Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

It feels to us all in Matata that majority of our rate money goes towards the improvement of Whakatane and Ohope. Until we see more done to support our community. I feel it is unfair to increase our rates by 20+%

#### Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

As i said previously: It feels to us all in Matata that majority of our rate money goes towards the improvement of Whakatane and Ohope. Until we see more done to support our community. I feel it is unfair to increase our rates by 20+%

## Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 2: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 50% external funding for major development works in 2029 and 2030.

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I am okay with the Council's preferred option 2. Though I am skeptical about the ability to obtain 50% external funding and the delays or compromises that might have to be made as a result. I strongly encourage redevelopment over upgrades. I believe there is likely to be greater return on investment to the community (and rate payers) as a result of our ability to better host events, sporting and otherwise, as well as attract local tourism like a quality parks in other towns can.

## How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Option 1. Supported with continued emphasis on home composting (and gardening).

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 2: 20% UAGC – \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

## Supporting document

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

It is certainly a time of financial challenges, however our immediate economic situation shouldn't blur our long term vision.

Submission ID: 44 Date: Mar 19 24 05:04:45 pm

Name: Dave Hall

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub? Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

We should aim at the upgrade but hold off while we have serious infrastructure rmedial work to do

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

I already have a worm farm and compost vegetable waste so the food collection is of no particular interest to me other than it would provide for collection of cooked waste including meat based food scraps

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 2: 20% UAGC - \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Supporting document

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Submission ID: 45 Date: Mar 19 24 07:20:42 pm

Name: Chris Brown

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

## Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Please continue with the seal extension programme with our rural roads. Our road (Kope Drain Road) has been up & down the sealing priority list since the late 80's & is still unsealed. I enquired with Waste Management about 4 years ago regarding a wheely bin for our address & our road was described (by them) as a 1 lane dirt track that was deemed unsafe for collection. It does annoy me a little to see more & more beautification projects undertaken in town when we just out of town can't get the most basic of services met.

**Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)** Self as ratepayer

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Minimise all expenditure until non council funding is secured.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Other cities or towns have mixed green waste and works well, must be weekly though.

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Nonsense, revise WDC plans to minimise impacts on ratepayers.

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 1: (Status quo) – 24% UAGC – \$927.50 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Everyone should pay a uage to cover basic services.

# **Supporting document**

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Cut spending, remove excesses and get on with a realistic approach. Avoid the nonsense.

**Submission ID: 47** 

Date: Mar 19 24 08:14:29 pm

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Would prefer weekly collection for general waste. Personally I probably could manage fortnightly but larger whanau, whanau with young children would struggle. Likely to see an increase in waste dumping. Alternatively bring down costs to take rubbish to waste collection.

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

## Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Spend within our means and keep rates down. There will be a lot of households struggling to pay rates and high increases adds to an already struggling community. The effect on individuals and businesses is adding more stress. We voted councillors in to the council to represent us. Double digit rate increases is the wrong way to go about it. Cut down on spending.

## Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

#### How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I am not sure but to think the large green grassed area is aesthetically and ecologically a tremendous asset for Whakatàne

## How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

As above

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

## Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 1: (Status quo) – 24% UAGC – \$927.50 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

As someone who has a high capital value I accept the system but would just like to come that retired people have reduced income and generally only one or two people are utilising services. We did know this was the deal but have today things like the extra. charge when Edgecumbe flooded and the compounding nature of rates does make it pretty steep.

#### Supporting document

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

I would love to reduce.my carbon footprint by using public transport more. However the scant timetable of buses and the fact to get from Ōhope into town takes a very long time makes it challenging. Buses are so often empty. Pleas ask "how can we generate on energy in the rohe for using public transport. My suggestion is downsize the vehicle size but make two seperate circuits - one Whakatàne to Ohope and one Whakatàne to the e.g Hubb. Also much better links to Kawerau, Ōpōtiki, Rotorua etc When creating shared pathways make sure walkers feel safe to continue walking on it

Submission ID: 49	Date: Mar 19 24 08:58:10 pm
Name:	Malcolm Harison

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) N/A

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub? Option 2: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 50% external funding for major development works in 2029 and 2030.

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

The Council missed the opportunity to partner with Theatre Whakatane - the result being that the organisation raised funding for their own performing arts theatre. The community now has two performing arts facilities, neither of which are capable of hosting/producing the type of events that would enliven our community. With an appropriate partnership, the resulting combined resources could have provided us with a facility that reflects our performing arts hinterland - the Eastern Bay to the East Coast. The same applies to the sports stadium/track. The Hastings Sports Centre caters to national sports groups, and we could at least produce a regional sports hub with a similar arrangement. Whilst Option 2 is the best option presented, I believe a greater effort needs to be made to capitalise on community/external sources of income. In comparison to other priorities (explained below), I believe this is a low priority.

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 2: Separate foodwaste collection for urban properties only.

## Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Our community needs to be more mindful of reducing waste for loads of reasons. To be effective, waste collection needs to be as simple as possible. A food waste bin with weekly collection, and a reduced general waste collection would do this. The general waste bin is currently too large and could, over time, be reduced in size to help change behaviour.

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

I'm not sure when a good time to raise the rates by even 17% would be. Instead, just like the rest of the country when times are tough, a rise in costs should take place in tandem with a cut in Council expenditure. Nowhere in this document is any consideration about how greater efficiencies could be achieved. It is therefore hard to support such a 'one-way' change at all.

## How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 2: 20% UAGC – \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

## Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

The greatest economic challenge on the horizon is not how to pay for the 'want to have's' in this document - it is about the impact of climate change. Security from more severe and more frequent river flooding is probably the most important. It doesn't take much to remember the trauma inflicted on our people when Edgecumbe flooded recently. Current works on the stop banks need to be to supported by a range of related flood risk measures - all of them expensive. Once the basic services are budgeted and secure, then sports/arts facilities and the like can be considered. Expanding housing onto land that is

forecast to be in danger of annual flood risk by 2024 (16 years, Huna Road), is short-sighted. It might raise revenue for the Council, but as it currently sits outside the planned flood protection area, when it floods we will all bear that cost. Instead, we need to intensify housing, reduce water use and consequently waste water (lots of ways to do this), and provide the means for more efficient transport within the small, flat area that is currently the town of Whakatane. Areas on more flood-prone land, that use more expensive infrastructure (such as roads and bridges), or are outside the existing urban boundary need to be rated at a higher rate (as explained in the Development Contributions Policy). Resource and building consents need to be followed up rather then just charged.

## **Supporting document**

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Thank you for encouraging feedback on this important project. Wider thinking needs to be applied to changing our transport behaviour. This needs to look beyond building more bridges and wider roads for more cars. Our town and area is flat, and the majority of people travel to and from work (and school) at the same times. We need to do this better, not just do 'more of the same.' Engaging Maori in Council decision making will only happen when the Council brings (and funds) Maori to come to the table. Sending staff, some well-meaning and others compliant, on te Reo Maori courses is a 'nice to have,' but it won't get the involvement and shared governance we need to make our community really hum. Just like everyone else, the Council needs to look inside, as well as outside, to bridge the gap. There are definitely savings to be made. The whole idea of a Boat Harbour in our awa is diametrically opposed to the 'Integrating Nature into our decision making.' One other idea: How about introducing an Award for Service to Whakatane, along the lines of the Royal Honours, but recognising local heroes? It need only cost a Certificate, a portrait for the Council Hall of Fame, and a small Mayoral award ceremony - but it will mean a lot to both the recipients and the nominees - and hold our best citizens up as role models for those who follow. Nga mihi Malcolm Harison

Submission ID: 50	Date: Mar 19 24 09:00:19 pm
Name:	Mel Rangiaho

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) N/A

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

It works well as it is we should be scaling down spending as whanau Can not afford expenses for upgrades

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

This seems the least expensive option for our community keep cost at a minimum

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

## Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

As whanau are struggling this is going to be on going By keeping what our community has to a minimum Affordable rates

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Do you really think whanau can afford a rate rise? This will impact on rents and have a huge impact on whanau

## Supporting document

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Revaluation on costs Only do what is necessary for the next year as you are not sure how the government is going to support your community. Think about selling assets to cover long term cost Make our community more affordable to live here

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Only upgrade what is absolutely necessary at Morpeth Park. The main funding should go towards maintaining the basic infrastructure: water, sewerage, roading, waste disposal.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 2: Separate foodwaste collection for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

## Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

It is not the time to pay back money we do not have. Try not to borrow too much in the first place.

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

People with more expensive properties also have financial constraints.

## Supporting document

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

During times of economic hardship, keep costs to a minimum. Find ways to invest that bring money in and reduce the need for rates increases. Go through all of the council jobs and see if there are people that may be excess to requirements.

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Restrict spending to essential maintenance only.

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Supporting document

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Prioritise essential infrastructure eg. three waters

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) WDC

# How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 1: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 35% external funding for major development works in 2028 and 2029.

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

We need more people who want the facilities upgraded to 'speak up'. The voices of those who don't use the precinct are drowning out those that do.

## How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

## Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Gotta be done

## How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

There are no good options but we have the debt room so should utilise it.

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 2: 20% UAGC - \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Most people have no idea what the UAGC means. There could be some uniformed responses to this question.

## Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Between a rock and a hard place.

Submission ID: 54 Date: Mar 20 24 10:32:24 am

Name: Glen Hunt

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) Myself & my wife

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Not money should be spend on Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub than is necessary for day to day upkeep!!

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

The same as we are doing at present!

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 1: Close the gap quickly (in one year) so we pay less in the future.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Every household and business has a yearly budget which they must keep within. The council should have the same. If the budget is to be exceeded then permission from the elected members must be got. If the budget is exceeded then the CEO and head of that department must be held accountable and if deemed necessary dismissed.

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Rates increase should be tied to inflation. If more funding is necessary then a once of extra charge on rates should be requested to the ratepayers!

## Supporting document

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

The Mayor, who is doing a good job, and his fellow councilors should listen to their constituents and be their representatives at meetings etc!

Submission ID: 55 Date: Mar 20 24 10:46:20 am

Name: Bob Stirk

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Do nothing until all our water problems / systems are running perfectly. If I was to tell you I could not pay my water bill because I had to pay my Netflix account what would you say. A couple of local elections ago I had a conversation with a community board member who then told me we had water issues, you had a community consult on the wharf when you were talking about changes to carparks etc I suggested to a councilor that we get the water system fixed first before we spent money on frivolous carpark changes he told me there was nothing wrong with the water system, our water system has not become outdated in such a short time.

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Stop the spending on non critical things, the council was elected to meet the needs of those who pay there wages, if you do not know what is important you should not be in the job all this consulting is a waste of money, you will get so many different opinions you will pick the one that suits your agenda then say you are just doing what the public want.

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

## Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

You have far more information than what we do and a far greater understanding than this individual, when you campaigned for election you told us how you understood what the community needed now it appears you don't and need us to tell you how to do it. So your funding system is broken, I have set myself up to the best of my ability for my retirement, now because of your mismanagement you are going to force me to pay more that I have not budgeted for, cancel the spending on the Rex Morpeth redevelopment and fix the water.

## Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Whatever is the cheapest option for now to keep the place open - when the economy etc gets back to normal or WDC can secure more than 50% external funding and we are not in a living crisis, only then should WDC carry out redevelopment. Although - i do support the redevelopment plans, but only when we can all afford it.

## How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Whatever is the cheapest option.

## How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Would be in between option 1 and 2. I would like to know that any increases to my outgoings are now and not every year for years to come.

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

## Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

As less as possible please - as a single mother, im not sure how much more rates i can afford.

## Supporting document

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

No upgrade at all at this time.

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

No collection, encourage people to compost any food waste.

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Only spend on essential services such as water and infrastructure.

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Minimal increase to avoid rates arrears which will only make funding management more difficult and expensive. Rates are already high enough in the district which will also negatively impact business development and population growth.

## Supporting document

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Listen to your community, spend only on essentials and leave the nice-to-have projects for another time.

## Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

#### How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 1: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 35% external funding for major development works in 2028 and 2029.

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

The bare minimum needs to be done as we ratepayers just can't afford fancy stuff. We really have to cut back on Council spending and leave out the "that would be nice" things and concentrate on essentials, as most of us have to. Pity that the option to keep the status quo was removed from the options.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

## How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 1: (Status quo) – 24% UAGC – \$927.50 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

## Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

The Land Value on my very modest property has increased by \$149.000 in 3 months and the Capital Value by \$169.000 over the same period. While the increase in my rates is only a measly 5 cents it is an increase which will increase further. Mayor Luca, Thank you for your efforts on behalf of Whakatane residents to keep us solvent and sharing your opinions and information in "the Beacon".

Submission ID: 59 Date: Mar 20 24 12:33:28 pm

Name: Sarah Renée Marama Banks. I prefer to be known as Ms.

# Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub? Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I don't feel upgrades are necessary. It's a vital space for Whakatane and there are lots of much more worthwhile things to spend money on. I go to Whakatane High School and we use the field on a daily basis for things like P.E, sports days and evacuation drills. Last year we had a fire in the art department and Rex Morpeth meant everyone could be evacuated safely. My sister also has her soccer and cricket practices there and relocating would be a huge blow to her. I strongly suggest you use money for other things. I personally would like to see a bigger local library.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Our current system works fine. Once again, redirect funding. I'd like to see more support of the S.P.C.A

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

I'm baffled by the fact you cannot just print more money (I am not advocating counterfeiting, but suggesting you find a way to legally do so)and use it to make sensible purchases that benefit all. Option 3 makes the most sense, but you really should look into my idea for a long-term solution.

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 1: (Status quo) – 24% UAGC – \$927.50 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

# Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

No. There have been better governments, but there have also been much much worse ones. You do you.

Submission ID: 60	Date: Mar 20 24 12:52:05 pm
Name:	Dominic Monti

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) Rate payer

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Only upgrade to keep the hub safe and operational. Further upgrading could be carried out at a later date when it is considered affordable.lowering debt should be the top priority along with keeping rates within reason.

## How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

## Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Don't like the idea of mixing food waste with green waste!but if that is wha is intended and there is no other option then it should be for all. However the cost of another bin if required is going to be costly as well as some properties now have very little curb size space for the bins we have!

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

It should be closed fairly quickly, and this could be achieved by cutting unnecessary spending on nice to haves

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Anything above the inflation rate is so hard on beneficiaries, most are struggling to pay rates now! Water rates are understandable but when a supply charge was incorporated without any consultation most now pay more for the supply charge than they do for the water

## **Supporting document**

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

I have faith in the present Mayor but no faith in some of the councillors who seem to be fiscally irresponsible with their nice to haves! The harbour is a joke, I came here 44 years ago and they were talking then of dredging the bar/ harbour and many more experienced people than I realise that with the siltation build up over the years the harbour available volume has reduced to the extent it will never naturally flush. Top marks to  $\bar{O}p\bar{o}tiki$  for the forward thinking with their harbour, they will surely leave us behind in the years to come and possibly deservedly! Forget the new marina, dredge the harbour and bar with a real suction dredge and build a groin instead of toying around with the Evelyn J every time someone goes aground. Our harbour and river could be a huge benefit for Whakatane.

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I think you should continue with maintenance, there is not an option to select DO NOT UPGRADE, waste of rates that is better spent elsewhere

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

I manage my own food waste, using worm farm and compost I do not want to pay additional fees in my rates for something I am not going to use

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

I believe you could close it immediately with a restructure and downsizing, perhaps a super council is the way to go. When you have a list of councils for the area and population covered it isn't feasible. You need to look at expenditure and wages

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

None of the above the increases are all too high, look in the mirror

## Supporting document

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Make your own cut backs, particularly with the amount of staff and wages

Submission ID: 62 Date: Mar 20 24 04:51:12 pm

Name: Daniel Jessop

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

No changes to the Rex Morpeth Park Recreation Hub. It is working well as is and any money spent on this is just a waste of Rate Payers Money. There is no upgrades needed. The three choices aren't based in reality.

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

## Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Whatever is the cheapest option. This is not a time for unnecessary spending.

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Stop wasteful spending. Examples - Council Building Upgrades, Whakatane District Court Building upgrade. Both were an absolute waste of money and adds absolutely no benefit to the Whakatane Rate Payers.

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

If proper budgets had been adhered to by competent Councilor's then this would never have been needed in the first place.

## Supporting document

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Stop wasteful Spending and focus on just the basics until such a time surplus becomes available. Try living in the real world and putting yourselves in the shoes of the general population instead of just the elite. Rates money is not yours. It is the residents of Whakatane and should be spent for there needs, not yours.

Submission ID: 63 Date: Mar 20 24 06:18:08 pm

Name: Janine Barr

## Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I believe that the work carried out should only be what is necessary to meet Health and safety requirements and nothing else. I think you need to ask yourselves if you had a personal debt like what the council owes , what would you do to save. Please do not spend money on unnecessary things. Times are tough and your proposals could push people over the edge financially. You need to tighten your belt and find ways to save until our economy has picked up and interest rates have fallen. If we all pull together we can do this.

## How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

I think you should give people an option of sorting their own food scraps. I have done this for a long time and live in town. I do not want another bin as I put in compost or worm farm. Another bin is another cost. One we don't need.

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

## Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Don't spend unnecessarily. Do bear minimum with maintenance only

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Just because you live in a big house doesn't mean you can afford more than someone else. Rates should be charged the same across the board- user pays

## Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Tighten your own belts. Think how you would handle this if this was your personal debt

Submission ID: 64 Date: Mar 20 24 06:18:22 pm

Name: Rob Berghuis

# Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

# How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Stop the project. Look at it on the next 10 year plan.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

I don't know why this is a thing. Are we separating food waste from general landfill? If that is the case can it go into greenwaste for composting?

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

## Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

There will be no gap if we just spend on what needs doing.

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Rates increase should be inline with CPI. If spending was cut back in non essentials there will be no need for these huge increases.

## Supporting document

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Please be sensible and see the light. For the sake of the community don't cripple us with these projects. If you say you need millions for the 3 water upgrade why the hell would you waste money on other things. Priorities please.

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub? Option 2: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 50% external funding for major development works in 2029 and 2030.

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Need to rethink this. Space is too small To make whakatane a destination for recreation and sporting our community needs to look at long term picture. Rex Morpeth park in general is not big enough for the long term. The parking, fields and buildings are all small and groups/clubs/ events are limited because of this. A new complex perhaps should be developed in new location where there is space and the right infrastructure put in place. To fund a new complex .... The Rex Morpeth land be sold to new housing sections and perhaps retirement village to keep our retired community living in the area by not moving to Tauranga. The sale of land to fund new complex and facilities in new Shaw road subdivision. Look at Hastings what they have done. Can be done in stages to help fund it. Develop for the future.

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

## Supporting document

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Slowly up grade it 1 step at a time

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Don't do anything and tell the government that is a waste of time

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Stop borrowing so much money

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 1: (Status quo) – 24% UAGC – \$927.50 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

User pays

Supporting document

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Stop spending so much time trying to make iwi happy is just slowing things down and costing more

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Do nothing. Leave it alone. You have done zero to it in the last 30 years, why now when we are broke?

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Do nothing and don't change it. now is not a time to start changing things and introducing more expensive practices

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Stop wasting money. Scrap all wasteful spending right now. I see you all singing songs every morning. and fire who ever is translating everything you publish to maori. This achieves nothing but more expenses

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

By stopping wasting money. We have watched you spend millions of dollars on roundabouts, crossings and everything under the sun and now you say we have to pay for it. when much cheaper options are available. We are watching you. and will vote you all out as soon as we can with fold who will not waste our money

# **Supporting document**

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

The Mayor is MIA and does not represent this town. What councillors?

Submission ID: 68	Date: Mar 20 24 08:05:45 pm
Name:	Marie Merriman

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) A Team

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

# Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

I have become aware of fees may to be charged for using the Murupara Recycle Centre. Please reconsider this as an option, it will not work - it will increase dumping of rubbish in the Kaingaroa Forest, near or next to rivers and Te Urewera. Murupara residents cannot afford to pay the fees and the next option is dump everywhere else except for the recycle centre. It is that simple for our community charging fees will have a negative impact on us all.

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

You have said in your explanation of the LTP that the world economy has shifted significantly since the last LTP. Cost escalations are already causing hardship, especially for those of us on fixed income, or low wage earners. While understanding the wish to upgrade the facility, surely the improvements in option 3 are enough at this time? Yes the structure is aging, but the amount envisioned for option 3 is substantial and should result in a much improved facility. I just can't see the need for expensive rebuilding or upgrading, over \$100 million at this time. We can't afford it!

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

A lot of people compost but not everyone is a gardener, or has the means to compost.

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

# Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Thank you for considering all options, your public do understand your wish to improve and upgrade, but I feel strongly that this is not the moment.

# Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

This should be funded only when all the other basic infrastructure has been sorted. We have lived with the hub as it is up to now and I'm sure we can live with it for longer. Deal with the three waters first, and don't spend money on a wish list. Spend it on the basics.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

This should be on a needs basis only. We have com[post bins so our food waste goes there and back into our garden. We would not use a foodwaste bin.

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 1: Close the gap quickly (in one year) so we pay less in the future.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

I would agree to this only if the council wish list is put aside and they work on the necesseities. "Cut your cloth to suit your fabric".

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 2: 20% UAGC - \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Just because a person lives in a higher value property, they are not necessarily well off. This situation could also be reversed. People in lower value properties may be well off.

# Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

At thr moment I see our council as a "Dream Team". Times are tough financially for all and we all need to tighten our belts and stop spending money on dreams but stick to fixing the basics.

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 2: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 50% external funding for major development works in 2029 and 2030.

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Why are we even doing this? Is their demand? Or is it more wasting money for a facility that will be under used

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Rediculous if you think people can afford a massive increase in rates in this financial climate.. What a joke

# Supporting document

N/A

Submission ID: 72 Date: Mar 22 24 09:58:28 am

Name: Paul Jamieson

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 2: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 50% external funding for major development works in 2029 and 2030.

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 2: Separate foodwaste collection for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

# **Supporting document**

N/A

Submission ID: 73 Date: Mar 22 24 10:09:47 am

Name: Luise Weber

# Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I opted for Option 4 in the previous consultation round. And I still wish for the council to pursue that option. So I say no to the 3 Options on offer here.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Do not pay an extra employee to look at the different options.

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

The council should focus on repaying debts and defer all other spending on upgrading the war memorial hall except maintenance.

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

None of that, spend less, let a few council employees go, consolidate the manager positions into less managers on a high salary. We can't afford such high rate rises. Keep it under double digits. Stop with building all those bumps at crossings and intersections. Keep to your core business of keeping the taps running with clean unflurodated water. That is what we are happy to pay for.

# Supporting document

N/A

Submission ID: 74 Date: Mar 22 24 10:59:51 am

Name: Brittney Litton

# Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

You should do nothing if you cannot afford it? That \$105m could be used elsewhere. Leave the theatre, leave the hall, at most strengthen the grandstand, but even this 12 million would be better spent elsewhere.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

none, educate and provide access to discounted / free home composting facilities

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

even 17% is too much!!!!!! Should be less and evenly spread over the next 10 years. Ridiculous.

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

# Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

People can barely afford to survive as is, increasing rates at this time is unfair and immoral. I feel like what we currently pay for rates is too much and I feel there is very little given in return for the amount we are paying.

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 1: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 35% external funding for major development works in 2028 and 2029.

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 2: 20% UAGC - \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

# **Supporting document**

N/A

# Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

The current economic conditions mean that council should be following the government in not pursuing new developments in areas which are not essential. There will be huge demand for infrastructure funds in the future so I think the nice to have modern recreation hub is not feasible at present. Just do the necessary maintenance and improvements. It is already a great facility after all.

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

I think the preferred option makes sense.

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Six years is not a long time and the new next few years need to have as little impact as possible.

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 1: (Status quo) – 24% UAGC – \$927.50 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Just because properties are higher value does not mean these people have more disposable income. Often with retired people their cash/asset ratio is low so they are also quite impacted by cost of living. So the UAGC should stay as it is.

# Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Good luck.

**Submission ID: 77** 

Date: Mar 22 24 12:24:51 pm

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) N/A

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

You shouldn't be doing it at all - the whole project should be deferred for a few years.

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 2: Separate foodwaste collection for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

# Supporting document

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Defer the Rex Morpeth Park upgrade project and the Marina for a few years. Focus on getting the district's finances back on track.

Submission ID: 78 Date: Mar 22 24 12:53:30 pm

Name: Kylie Leonard

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

# How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 2: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 50% external funding for major development works in 2029 and 2030.

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Please consider the cost of rates for rural farmers, most are only breaking even and receive very little for the high rates charges

# Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Please consider sealing Ngamotu Road, it gives another easier access to the rohe, safer and will encourage prosperity through greater visitor numbers

**Submission ID: 79** 

Date: Mar 22 24 01:49:42 pm

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub? Option 2: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 50% external funding for major development works in 2029 and 2030.

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for all properties, not just urban properties. Not having separate bins keeps the process simple for residents - all their organics are going in one place. If not all properties are able to have their foodwaste collected and they get offered compost bins/worm farms, this needs to be supported by education and support (including availability of ongoing support) on how to use composting/worm farming systems.

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

# Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

I could not find mention of Sullivan Lake in the consultation document and would like to express my concern over the lake's water quality, and the safety and accessibility of the reserve. The water is dangerous to be in contact with and the lillies are so overgrown it is unclear where the earth ends and the lake begins - this combination makes it a huge health and safety risk for our community. I support the efforts of the Lake Care Group in advocating for the wellbeing of Sullivan Lake, and I urge the Council to value their voices. Also, the "Sullivan Lake Water Quality, Ecology and Options for Improvement" report by Hamill provides a thorough understanding of the lake's current state and presents a range of recommendations and potential solutions for improvement. It is imperative that the Council implement the recommendations outlined in the report as these measures are essential for the sustainable management of Sullivan Lake and the long-term welfare of our community. The ultimate goal should be to achieve and maintain improved water quality in Sullivan Lake. I implore the Council to consider this in the upcoming long-term plan.

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 2: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 50% external funding for major development works in 2029 and 2030.

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

# **Supporting document**

N/A

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

This is not a necessity when there is so much dept and people are struggling

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Supporting document

N/A

**Submission ID: 82** 

Date: Mar 22 24 09:24:26 pm

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) N/A

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

# **Supporting document**

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Live in Edgecumbe and pay whakatane district council rates yet we don't even have a clean park for our toddler to play on. It's covered in rubbish and muck and nothing is done to keep theses family friendly areas clean. The rail road is overgrown and growing into our property and garage again with all sorts of thorns for our son to be in contact with. The council attempted to weed spray it once which didn't work but instead blew into our property and killed our feijoa tree. We also have traffic flying through at 80km an hr in a 50 and nothing done to help this such as a speed camera. We pay so much rates for nothing but rubbish collection. We should have a different set of rates for our area.

Submission ID: 83 Date: Mar 22 24 10:33:13 pm

Name: Screwed over Working class

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Do the bare minimum we can't afford it. I can barely afford my rates as they are

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Why change it from what we currently have

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Reign in your out of control spending, just like we have to do currently to pay our already outrageous rates bills

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Pull your fucking heads in our rates are already outrageous enough!

# Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

They need to pull their fucking heads in and make cuts like everyone is already are making to be able to afford the current rates, you will be well fucked if everyone decides to not pay anything

Submission ID: 84 Date: Mar 22 24 10:47:09 pm

Name: Martin Foley

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I question re above reference to 'necessary upgrades'. Ratepayers do not have bottomless pockets requiring them to turn their minds to all sorts of necessities that the Council identifies as necessities. There should be more thought around user-pays / user makes a reasonable contribution, Ratepayers should not have to pay for other peoples recreation and entertainment. This may involve structured community-based and userbased organisations (Clubs and the many Trusts in this area)

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Some thought given alternative to ideas about the processes related to waste collection. Fortnightly not weekly. Contract out processes that might be ievoled into a business - ie waste / food commercially processed into fertilizer There's money in muck.

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Do it now if it truly be justified. The thing about buraucracies, particularly Councils is that they usually chirp - we've always done it this way. They don't like change. And they tend to do the same thing always expecting a different outcome

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district: part rate increase and part a novel approach to funding that does not cripple the rate payer. Anyone looked at that?

# **Supporting document**

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Don't do what you've always done.

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Scrape this upgrade. Too expensive for the return. Stick to necessity projects only until money is more available

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Encourage owners to compost and have a garden. Better for the environment and feeding the soil.

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Spread the cost over 10-15 years. Stop this ridiculous idea of a 20% rate increase,

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

# Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

If funding is clearly an issue, then stop the vanity projects like the 2nd bridge, Rex Morpeth Upgrade, and so on. Council salaries are also far too high with too many staff members. Cut the number of people paid by council and the high consultant fees you pay. Stick to the core services of council like water, waste, mowing etc... Spread the rate increases over 15 years. Also surprised that we rarely see or hear from the Mayor on social media. We no longer watch the news as it's full of liars and agendas, so start posting on Facebook about what the Mayor is up to. He feels invisible to us.

Submission ID: 86 Date: Mar 23 24 09:55:34 am

Name: Boyce

# Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

MINIMAL external funding must be investigated for ALL district developments. Needs and wants are not the same. In this climate NEEDS are the focus. Wants, happen when stability is achieved. Making facilities safe for users should be the priority. Major upgrades need to be put on hold.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Establish farming for foodwaste. Ensure local control to keep jobs local.

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Ratable values. Upgrades paid for by frequent users... rural districts wont use Whakatane township upgrades as often as others.

# Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

WANTS AND NEEDS .... Needs should win every time, in this climate

Submission ID: 87 Date: Mar 23 24 11:39:11 am

Name: Jacob Te Kurapa

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Unfortunately, escalating costs make it challenging for councils to fund projects and maintain current infrastructure costs. For example central govt withdrew their support for three waters.

# Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Murupara community board newsletter is very informative. Support for the youth council is important to ensure interest in local government. The Murupara service centre and library provides a wonderful service for our people.

Submission ID: 88Date: Mar 23 24 12:17:13 pmName:Vinoop Xaviour

**Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)** Whakatane kerala community

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

No funding no upgrade unnecessary as good as it is. Cut costs by lowering staffing and non practical compliance

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Do it themselves be self sufficient. Like other countries

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 1: Close the gap quickly (in one year) so we pay less in the future.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Cancel too many councils. Small regional low number or people. Just one council for a district or state will save duplication and staffing and infrastructure costs as most main jobs been subcontracted anyway

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Rates shouldn't be more than two grant. Should be a slab system according to the cost or last brought price of property.

# Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Good intentions should be payed more than hundred thousand. Should get familiar

Submission ID: 89	Date: Mar 23 24 01:18:07 pm
Name:	Mawera Karetai

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) Our community

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 1: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

us to secure 35% external funding for major development works in 2028 and 2029.

Stop referring to it solely as a recreation hub. We know that we are at significant risk of a megathrust earthquake around 9 on the Richter scale that will cause significant loss of life, housing and infrastructure. We need somewhere for our families with babies, our disabled and or elderly who are out of their homes, and that place needs to be close to a hill for the inevitable further evacuations that will occur from aftershocks. The ONLY space for this is the war memorial hall. When the event happens, no one will care anymore how this safe space for the community was paid for - only that it was. Just get it done.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 2: Separate foodwaste collection for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Send it to Ecogas in Reparoa. That actually makes sense.

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

It's actually irrelevant. There are far bigger things to worry about. And that people are so het up about this shows they don't understand what is really happening in our community. Do what you can, but more importantly, do what you can to secure our infrastructure to survive a significant seismic event, and find a way to secure emergency supplies up the hill. Water, life straws, dyhdrsted food, canned food, baby formula, nappies, wipes, first aid, batteries, hygiene products, cookers, fuel, emergency shelters, blankets, etc...

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 2: 20% UAGC – \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

#### Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Actually I think you are doing a pretty poor job of leading the community and preparing it for the horrendousness we have coming. I think you are largely disconnected from the reality of life for those you serve. You are absent from the community - one of you - just ONE of you turned up the the EQC presentation about the impending megathrust eq. When the earthquake happens I bet you'll all jump in your cars because you won't know what to do, because you are not prepared and you have not prepared the community. It is the single greatest threat to this community and you've dropped the ball. We need

better, more connected, more curious councillors, who actually seek understand the community and it's challenges, and who are willing to do the work to keep the committee safe. That means standing up to your management team, and holding them to account for things that matter. Thinking about the debacle that is the new marina - we told you there was mill waste there. Over, and over again we told you. We laughed out loud when your consult said there wasn't. But you as a Council just don't listen to your community. And you won't listen this time either.

Submission ID: 90	Date: Mar 23 24 02:06:05 pm
Name:	Zoë Bradwell

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) N/A

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I am not qualified to comment on funding. However I do not agree any of the three options and prefer the status quo.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

I trust the Mayor and his decision as I like his sensible and educated approach to our community issues and how we should fund them. The absolute must do, not the would likes.

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district: I do not understand these options.

# Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

I am very appreciative of the Mayor's approach to the issues and enjoy reading his explation of the issues and possible solutions.

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I belive no upgrades should be made at this time except to physically keep the building safe for public access.

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Optionn 4. Keep food waste the same as it is. Rate payers do not require further frees associated with this useless task. Majority of households already reside food waste by making Thier own compost, feeding livestock and pigs located out of town

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 1: (Status quo) – 24% UAGC – \$927.50 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

# **Supporting document**

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Listen to the people, just this once. Ha ing a nice town hall and fancy bins on top of rates we already struggling to afford. Please! Please, this is going to cause so many families to lose Thier houses. Mortgages have already increased. I personally have had a 54%incrrase in mortgage repayments on top of all the paste 5 year rate increaces.

# Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Wait - it isn't a priority given other more important priorities while in a recession Private / public partnership User pays - those who are out of whakatane township paying for a place we rarely use instead of investing in our local area

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

People being responsible for home composting. It's how we grew up in the 80s. Return to the old ways. Encouraging people to have chickens. Help the people help themselves w cost of living

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Cannot afford to - need to do more with less or else more people will not being paying rates as they cannot afford to so will be out of pocket

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

# Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Ensure areas outside of whakatane & Ohope aren't forgotten about given we pay in rates too.

Submission ID: 93 Date: Mar 23 24 04:22:16 pm

Name: Liz Burns

# Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Option 4. The Whakatane District Council are not in a good financial position to be carrying out major redevelopments. I would like the council to focus on the basics and only do the core things that need to be done. I understand that some of the work required like Seismic strengthening is a government led requirement for the council. Can we scale back the work even less than what you are proposing? I don't think more carparking is required and we don't need a new playground there. My kids love the existing playground. \$12.5 million is an extravagant amount of money to spend on the complex for what you are proposing as "Necessary"

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Is there an option for a fortnightly collection of food scraps and greenwaste? We used to have mixed foodwaste and greenwaste collection, so it is disappointing that this is being bought back at a huge additional cost to ratepayers. I wouldn't use the service, as I recycle all my food scraps, although I think it is beneficial for people who don't compost to have the option of putting foodscraps in the greenwaste bin.

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Option 4: Reduce spending. I am really disappointed that we have gotten into this position. Good financial management does not involve spending beyond your means. Interest rates have risen, so the cost of debt has increased. Interest rates could continue to rise. I believe that the council needs to look at the situation differently. Instead of discussing "closing the funding gap," we need to explore cutbacks in spending. I hope that people in our community will become more involved in local government to help us find creative solutions to get ourselves out of this mess we have found ourselves in. For instance, the council have a lot of work to do when we have periods of heavy rain, they have people out and about clearing drains etc. Why not ask for help from the community? We clear the drains on our street so that we don't get surface flooding. There are lots of people in the community that would be happy to do their bit to help our local area. There are probably other things that the community can help with too. Lets think about the problem differently and look at cutting back spending.

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

See above, I think we need to be changing the financial strategy to one of cut backs rather than huge rates increases

Supporting document N/A
Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Submission ID: 94 Date: Mar 23 24 04:44:55 pm

Name: Peter Sheather

# Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

#### How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

We should spend the minium possible to keep rate rises down. Only absolutely essential work should be undertaken.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

We should spend the minium possible to keep rate rises down. Whatever option that will cost the least.

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

We should spend the minium possible to keep rate rises down.

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 1: (Status quo) – 24% UAGC – \$927.50 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

We should spend the minium possible to keep rate rises down.

# **Supporting document**

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Thank you Victor Luca for working hard in an effort to keep our rate rises down and to curb unecessary spending. We should spend the minium possible to keep rate rises down. Council needs to work within budgets and not rely on increasing rates to fund these 'nice to haves'. We need to live within our means. Council should be working hard on efficiencies, rather than working hard to dream up projects that will cost heaps and require rate rises.

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Don't. A second bridge is far more important.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Also encourage more people to compost in their own backyards

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 1: (Status quo) – 24% UAGC – \$927.50 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

# **Supporting document**

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

More cycle lanes around the town would be good. As many motorists get far to close. Which makes it difficult to use the healthier, more environmentally friendly option of cycling. When your worried about being hit by cars all the time.

# Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

# How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Right now people are struggling. Is it nessisary to even do anything to rex morpeth? Minimal is better at this stage

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Rural properties do not need food waste. We have animals or compost bins to manage this.

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Again your people are struggling. People cant afford the basics. This will hurt alot of people

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

People are sruggling to feed their families, manage their farms, put warm clothing on their kids. Only increase what is essential. People need a break to get back on track

# Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

People are struggling to feed their families, manage their farms, put warm clothing on their kids. Only increase what is essential. People need a break to get back on track I work in the community and see the stuggle is almost every house i visit.

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Have More toilets available and lighting for evening to see fields

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 2: Separate foodwaste collection for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

The rates increase is absolutely pathetic. Whakatane is a beautiful place this council is going to create poverty and owners will be forced to sell or spend less time on keeping their properties looking great. This council should stop spending money on silly things and focus more on what's important now and how you can help us out without such big increases. Spend when there's enough money not when people are struggling to make payments.

# Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Please Do not turn our town in to a poverty town with big increases. It's beautiful here and most owners look after there homes. Keep your spending low including your uniforms and lunches.

Submission ID: 98 Date: Mar 23 24 09:36:32 pm

Name: Nicholas Riini

# Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Until a legitimate and a clear plan has been made to rectify financials for and by WDC, NO upgrades should be made to Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub. Make it public, what the potential cost for this will be.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Mixed food and green waste to all properties that have a green waste bin. Offer discounted compost bins to households.

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Inflation is never going to stop. Let the community decide how much they want to invest back in the town. You are telling us this is the only option.

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Firstly sell any unnecessary assets.

# Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

You were voted in by the community, asking the same people to upgrade the mayoral car is a joke, trying to justify it with a spread in the beacon is ludicrous. Look forward, the town you are building is growing old. Work harder for the future generations.

Submission ID: 99 Date: Mar 24 24 08:37:40 am

Name: Umesh Naik

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

From the user fee

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 2: 20% UAGC – \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

# Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

I am writing to bring to your attention a matter of concern regarding the consultation document for the long-term plan. It has come to my attention that Sullivan Lake, a significant natural asset in our community, is not mentioned in the document. As a resident of King Street in Whakatane, where Sullivan Lake resides, I find this omission disheartening and believe it is essential to address this oversight. Sullivan Lake holds immense value for our community, providing a serene and picturesque environment for residents and visitors alike. Its ecological significance and the role it plays in supporting a diverse range of flora and fauna cannot be understated. Furthermore, Sullivan Lake serves as a hub for recreational activities, fostering a sense of well-being and connection among community members. Given the importance of Sullivan Lake to our community, I kindly request that the Council considers including it in the consultation document for the long-term plan. By acknowledging the lake's significance and the need for its preservation and improvement, we can ensure that the concerns and aspirations of the community are adequately represented. Furthermore, I urge the Council to take into account the recommendations outlined in the "Sullivan Lake Water Quality, Ecology and Options for Improvement" report prepared by the Lake Care Group. This comprehensive document offers valuable insights and potential solutions for sustaining and enhancing the lake's water quality and ecosystem. Incorporating these recommendations into the long-term plan will demonstrate the Council's commitment to the wellbeing of the community and the environment. By including Sullivan Lake in the consultation document and prioritizing its preservation and improvement, we can collectively work towards a sustainable future

that benefits both current and future generations. I believe that this inclusion will not only align with the values of our community but also showcase the Council's dedication to environmental stewardship. I appreciate your attention to this matter and trust that you will consider my request to include Sullivan Lake in the consultation document. Thank you for your commitment to serving our community's best interests.

Submission ID: 100	Date: Mar 24 24 09:34:55 am
Name:	Karl Gradon

# Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

# How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub? Option 2: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 50% external funding for major development works in 2029 and 2030.

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

The town lacks a decent sized multifunction venue that can be events and scale sporting facilities. Seeking external funding, even from private organisations like a hotel that could bolt on an events based hotel should be considered. Alternatively, an expansion in collaboration with Te Awanuiarangi, one of the jewels in the Whakatane crown, could provide a platform for funding that would appeal to multiple parties. Why not make this a hotel, sports and cultural hub that benefits multiple subgroups of the community.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 2: Separate foodwaste collection for urban properties only.

#### Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Many rural properties have their own food waste disposal options and the decreasing cost benefit of reaching all homes in a rural setting mean that one off alternative disposal methods could be provided. Eg give away composting units or worm farms for the rural properties

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

I am not aware of the alternative funding plans for local and central government and therefore can't comment without this information. Therefore a prudent approach should be taken. We have to assume the three waters reform will take place in a different form and we don't know what this is. Therefore, wait. The most prudent option is to gain scale and reduce duplication immediately by merging Opotiki, Whakatane and Kawerau councils. All three councils are facing the same challenges and something fundamental has to change for something to change!

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

There is a significant wealth gap in the region. Increases to those can afford more are the only logical path forwards given the level of dependence on the low wage economy/benefits in the rohe. These low incomes will not increase at the rate the rates need to increase.

#### Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Please strongly consider the merger of the three councils. The unnecessary political fiefdoms created years ago no longer serve the best interests of the sub region. Efficiencies need to be sought at all costs and this will also ensure that there is a scale employer capable of attracting key talent to the region.

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

The town lacks a decent sized multifunction venue that can be events and scale sporting facilities. Seeking external funding, even from private organisations like a hotel that could bolt on an events based hotel should be considered. Alternatively, an expansion in collaboration with Te Awanuiarangi, one of the jewels in the Whakatane crown, could provide a platform for funding that would appeal to multiple parties. Why not make this a hotel, sports and cultural hub that benefits multiple subgroups of the community.

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

#### Supporting document

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Leave it as it is

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Matata is in desperate need of funding its looks run down in comparison to Whakatane and Ohope. It's shameful being the gateway to the Eastern Bay of Plenty. Distribute more funding to Matata

#### Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Please make more effort to introduce a sewage scheme we have ecoli running across our land and footpaths. The very old footpath on Arawa st from divison Rd to onewairere is a hazard and desperately needs an upgrade. It would be great to have sun shelters over seating at the beach. like in Ohope

Submission ID: 103 Date: Mar 24 24 03:00:41 pm

Name: Rachel Geary

# Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

No to any of the three options. Dont do it!! We are in a tough financial climate, yes a recession and you're proposing upgrades that are crippling already sufferingbratepayers at a ridiculously high level.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Encourage everyone to have compost bins.

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

You wont need to close it if you stop spending money you dont have ... WE dont have!!! Its basic economics, spend within your budget. We have to.

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

At a bare minimim. Shelve large projects that are wasteful, no Marina, no Rex Morpeth upgrade!! We are all broke and youre taking money from the poor to provide for the wealthy. Just stop!! I will only agree to a CPI index rise in rates.

#### Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

What a bunch Of liars, you promise all the best in elections then you rip the people off. SHAME ON YOU!

Submission ID: 104 Date: Mar 24 24 04:03:53 pm

Name: Sam Barr - Submission 2

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

#### Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Te Kaunihera ā-rohe o Whakatāne - Whakatāne District Council I think the frustration from the public comes when we see the unnecessary expenditure in a time when families in the community are doing it tough and struggling to make ends meet. Were the upgrades to the council chambers really essential? Are the upgrades to the war memorial hall really essential? Were all of the speed humps put in across Whakatane really essential? In tough economic times ratepayers tighten there budget and live with in there means - all the nice to haves and non essentials are forgone and only the essentials are taken care of. It is frustrating when it appears as though the council doesn't have the same approach - instead of cutting budgets and eliminating non essentials - rates are simply increased and passed onto families who are already doing it tough. Under the new government all of the public service organisations have been asked to evaluate all of their expenditure and make cuts by eliminating low value programs and non essential staffing roles - particularly back office bureaucratic roles. All govt departments have been asked to seek to find savings of 6.5-7.5%. Has the Whakatane district council undergone a similar analysis and review of all of its expenditure or has it simply plowed on as business as usual and just increased rates as the only solution?

Submission ID: 105 Date: Mar 24 24 05:26:04 pm

Name: John McKerras

**Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)** Margaret McKerras

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

We need more additional funding assistance from Central Government so that that costs are spread over more people. Has the WDC given any thought to joining with all other councils to lobby Central Government to increase the amount provided each year to local councils. 10% is insufficient - even if we could get 20%, that surely would help. Currently a full upgrade should be a 20 year plan as we do not have enough people paying their rates. I was told by a member of your staff back in 2015 (when we moved here) that there was a large number of homeowners who did not pay rates. Are we (who do pay rates) subsidising these people? This should be made more public to ratepayers.

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 2: Separate foodwaste collection for urban properties only.

#### Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

This would mean another bin to put out ech week, which means a redesigned or double binned truck for the collection - which is paid for by the ratepayer. We live near the river and there are rats if we compost our food waste.

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Actually, I feel it should be at lease over 10 years with perhaps low or nil interest money from central govt.

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

#### Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Council needs more income to cover the proposed costs to exist. Those people who do not pay rates, something needs to be addressed here, also the taxpayer should be helping those people by subsidising their rates. (central government). Another thing here - the largest outgoings of any organisation is wages and salary. In a recent country wide survey, I read that there were only 2 council who would not disclose how many of their staff were paid over \$100.000 per annum and Whakatane was one of them. Is it time that some roles were disestablished in Whakatane? Or perhaps some roles can be absorbed by other staff? Are there too many paid council staff in Whakatane for the number of ratepayers? A significant proportion of ratepayers are on a fixed pension and feel that they are being financially stretched beyond their means. The rates increases are continually running significantly ahead of pension increases. The

rates rebate system provided by central Government does not cover your proposed increases. As I said earlier, local; councils need to join together to lobby central government to increase their income so that all the services can be provided.

Submission ID: 106	Date: Mar 24 24 05:50:05 pm
Name:	Maxine Jury

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) Whakatane Action Group

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Defer the development (indefinitely) until such time as other more vital projects have been funded & completed. This should not be considered a priority!

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 1: (Status quo) – 24% UAGC – \$927.50 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

#### **Supporting document**

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

In conclusion, as far as I'm concerned- Local Councils need to rein-in spending- concentrating on priorities. Drop all vanity/NON-essential projects; infavour of providing the 'basics' to the community-without the need for continuous Rates Hikes. To my thinking; being decent water quality/sufficient staff & active procedure-policing of the district to curb the roaming dog-irresponsible owner problems/actually provide the overwhelmingly NEEDED 2ND BRIDGE, for the safety of all ! & remain within Budget (the rest of us have to !!) when authorising expenditures....passing on the shortfalls to Ratepayers ad- infinitum CANNOT continue & is NOT an acceptable solution to the overspending problem !

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I see this unnecessary as a luxury we cannot afford. why upgrade your home when you cannot afford it. Stick with basic maintenance care until times improve

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 1: (Status quo) – 24% UAGC – \$927.50 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

It's so unfair to consider increasing the burdon on people with higher value properties, there are such dangerous flaws with this generalisation There's been an incredible intergenerational wealth transfer to the Baby boomers in recent decades Property prices have doubled & now with boomers selling their family home & downsizing to a retirement unit, vast sums of that capital can or have been unlocked for retirement luxury. Just check out the quarter million-dollar luxury mobile homes that are parked up alongside these retirement units around town. Be fair to the generation X'ers who work 50 or 60 hours per week who have strived so long for something nice in their life, they've probable paid a good penny to a boomer selling up & I'd expect they'd now have a nice mortgage too. Such a shame that they never made the same capital gain yet they are now being asked to pay the brunt of the funding gap I understand the council offers income tested rate rebate system, I suggest that this is a tried & true mechanism to support those who can't afford it. Don't let the boomers of the hook, keep the UAGC at 24%

#### Supporting document

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Submission ID: 108	Date: Mar 24 24 06:43:02 pm
Name:	Ses Webster

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) Na

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub? Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I have been involved in 3 Conferences in WHAKATANE. I have viewed and witnessed many activities at Morpeth Park. It works. I would say to you, Mayor, CEO, Councillors you're thinking too big. The Conference facility needs to provide for 300. Better chairs, tables, crockery, cutlery, glassware. The kitchen doesn't work - this needs a professional commercial kitchen makeover. Fridge capacity, cooking facilities, bench space, cool room, cooking equipment - all managed by caretakers who need to keep inventories. Why fix what ain't broke. The theatre is adequate, the breakout rooms including the gymnasium are fine. Please concentrate on necessary expenditure. Ie footpaths, fencing around playgrounds, shading over playgrounds, CBD needs to move from being quaint & messy to classy and comfortable. The flower/planter beds you've put in are an abonination and dangerous. Who ever thought to put those in should be fired. The Bridge concrete round about is ugly - typical. Who imagined that?

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

#### Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Let us dispose of it into a dump - it's all biodegradable. Or - An entrepreneurial person given consents could turn it into gold. Give them a consent !!!

### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

You won't need a funding gap if you don't overspend. - stay within your budget people! You are our staff - do as you're told and stop building castles.

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Make sure everyone is paying rates first. Confiscate land and properties of people who don't pay rates. Bet you're too scared to do that! Every householder should receive the same increase - commercial and retail should pay more.

#### Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Yes - for goodness sake stop the rot - stop the spending and get back to basics. And get rid of the CEO

**Submission ID: 109** 

Date: Mar 24 24 06:55:12 pm

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Do only what is urgently required

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

#### Supporting document

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Tighten your belts like everyone has had to do. Stop spending money on unimportant stuff. The council is a business and businesses will put a budget in place so that all departments save money.

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I am not in favour of any upgrades to the Rex Morpeth park hub at the expense of rate payers. Unfortunately this was not an option that was available for selection in this questionnaire.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

My thoughts are related to option 1. I'm unsure what benefit a new 140 L general waste bin would offer other than an additional expense. I also think that weekly foodstuff/green waste collections are unnecessary. Collections every two weeks would be adequate. Given the current cost of food in NZ and the socioeconomic status of many inhabitants of Whakatane, I don't believe that people in this town would generate enough food waste to necessitate weekly collections.

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

#### Supporting document

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

#### Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Very minimal. A second bridge is needed more. In the 12 years we have lived here we hardly use these facilities. I have been to the little theatre 2 x. I used to visit the hall with the business expo. But that has stopped. So has the light party. So in my view. Less events are happening at the Memorial Hall.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

#### Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Encourage every house hold to composite. May entice the community to ground roots gardening. Money is tight. Free workshops. Put the workshop on social media - free to the work to watch.

### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 2: 20% UAGC – \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

#### Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Give Murupara a break. Let them have a free dump. The litter on the road side on state highway 38 going up the 7 mile hill is horrible. There is on money in the town. Imagine that state of the town if the dump closed or if users had to pay. Rates is high enough for those who are lucky to own a house there.

#### Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

# How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Option 4. Keep up repairs and maintenance, do not carry out upgrades or changes until the council's books are in better shape

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Rate payers are already up struggle street. Close the gap when the economy is in better shape.

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

You shouldn't. Go back and take another look. Make cuts to pointless and wasteful spending. Councils should be held accountable for operating with poor fiscal management. So away with all the thrills. Fancy round about a etc.

#### Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Your elected to work in the best Interest of all people in the catchment. Rates increases is not in anyone's best interest.

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

We can't really afford to do any upgrades as everyone is actually struggling to just live day to day and no one can afford any increase in our rates. Rates are super expensive as they are

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Increasing our rates are simply not affordable. Maybe you should look at working with what you guys already have and stop taking more from us as we are currently in a recession.

#### Supporting document

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Stop spending money on unnecessary stuff and start working with what you already have

Submission ID: 114 Date: Mar 25 24 05:52:53 am

Name: M Sanderson

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Nun of the above options thanks status quo

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Encourage people not to waste so much good food encourage composting at home

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Just stop wasting money cut you staff numbers sell your palace it all seemed to work fine without it be smart for a change!

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

No more than a single digit increase is acceptable!so nun of the above

#### Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Stop the spending you are killing us rate payers get the staff numbers down forget the big spends get back to basics.

Submission ID: 115Date: Mar 25 24 09:44:54 amName:Lynette Richardson

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) Sullivan lake group

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

This should not go ahead until there are sufficient funds available and with far more public consultation as to what is necessary.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

The smaller towns are really struggling so their rate rises must be kept to a minimum.

#### Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Please concentrate on fixing problems in the area instead of introducing new project that will only benefit a few. An example of this is the state of the waterways in the area especially Sullivan Park whick seems to be losing a lot of its wildlife.

**Submission ID: 116** 

Date: Mar 25 24 12:19:33 pm

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Option one, cheapest option. But unfair to households like ours, we compost and have scrap bucket for pig food. We don't have a lot of food waste.

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

#### **Supporting document**

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

#### Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

#### How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 1: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 35% external funding for major development works in 2028 and 2029.

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

It is not going to get cheaper the longer we wait! And it seems unlikely there will suddenly be new external funding options available a year later. The sooner the work gets underway, the sooner we can start enjoying the new facilities.

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

#### Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

It would be interesting to know the direction this change is happening nationally - FOGO or specific kitchen waste.....However, to get it implemented more quickly, this seems the most simple solution that will carry us through several years if the national direction changes.

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

We are going to have to pay it, so it is best to do it quickly and get it done and dusted. I don't want us to repeat the mistakes of previous council-generations and leave the problems for the next generation. Short term pain for long term gain (for our children).

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 2: 20% UAGC - \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

A lower UAGC feels more equitable for those with lower value properties (or lower productive land), with a higher general rate to sit with properties worth more. Property value is a blunt instrument to measure "ability to pay" but it is really the only one we have. It is also one that people have some degree of control over (they can move to a smaller or lower value property and pay a lower general rate.

#### Supporting document

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

**Submission ID: 118** 

Date: Mar 25 24 10:18:08 pm

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Absolute waste of rate payers money and could be put towards a lot of better projects than this Project should not be done we can't even get the basic living essentials in matata eg foot paths sewage system come on this is absolutely rediculous

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Absolutely shocking the rate increases Nothing is done in matata for the amount of rates that we pay money seems to be put towards Whakatane and ohope projects Anything that is asked for in matata is ignored by whk council

#### **Supporting document**

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

The mayor and councillors should all do a road trip through matata and look at the lack of basic facilities, lack of foot paths on all the streets, still on septic tanks which is a big health concern for the town as per testing in creeks that has been provided to council Have never seen a road side sweeper in this town yet they are constantly cleaning in Whakatane I see full time council workers picking up rubbish in Whakatane but not in matata If it wasn't for Gavin Dennis love and support for matata Whakatane council wouldn't give this place a second thought just like all the other out lying areas that Whakatane and ohope don't care about Murupara ,Te teko etc hopefully there is more submissions to show how upset people are with the mayor and Whakatane council

#### Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

#### How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 2: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 50% external funding for major development works in 2029 and 2030.

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Would prefer if possible to hold off as long as possible. Funds are tight and currently living pat check to pay check, with some bills not being paid and having to wait the following fortnight. It's just too hard atm for our rates to go up...

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

#### Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Not really sure why this is even an issue. Just more money for something small. Especially when we all have to pay for it and it only effects some urban people. Again, people have left it this long, please just hold off on making people pay more.

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

As above

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Would obviously prefer not increase. We never see any advantage in the outer areas! It's really unfair and whakatane and hope get everything and we have to pay for it. Yet little places like us in matata can't even have our footpaths looked after!

#### Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Funds are tight and currently living pay check to pay check, with some bills not being paid and having to wait the following fortnight. It's just too hard atm for our rates to go up...No one can afford anything atm let alone and extra increase that high! It's just robbery. Regretting doing the poll, as this has just made me even more stressed and depressed about what my money situation is going to be. Bearly living as it is.

Submission ID: 120	Date: Mar 26 24 11:34:32 am
Name:	Gary Searle

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) WSP

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

While I would like to see a full upgrade at Rex Morpeth, I feel we need to reduce our spend commitment and just do the necessary things for now. I would like to see Council have milestone points included, where the project could be stopped/paused at appropriate points, if the financial pressures become too much to continue the projects, don't want to see half-finished project due to financial over-commitment.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Reduce the financial commitment to rate payers. We will always have rate increases, just part of the system we have. If we choose Option 1 for example, we will still have rate increases in following years on top of that which adds to the burden. Keep it low.

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 2: 20% UAGC – \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Appreciate the relief and keeping rates down as much as possible.

#### Supporting document

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Costs to the current ratepayers should be the driving force and reflect safety not wishes.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Ratepayers are hurting with increasing rates particularly the elderly.

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Make rates increases manageable particularly for the elderly on fixed incomes.

#### Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Grandeous schemes during belt tightening should be delayed if not foregone. The future cannot be subsidized by people who cannot afford some of the luxuries proposed.

Submission ID: 122	Date: Mar 26 24 03:20:18 pm
Name:	Ruth Christieson

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) Hospice EBOP

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Does the building need to be updated? Is it waterproof, earthquake proof? Before this project needs to be carried out.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 2: Separate foodwaste collection for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Maybe put food waste into a plastic bag and then put it in the freezer before throwing it into rubbish bin.

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Everybody pays rates including those who rent the rental amount is all inclusive of the rates amount isn't it?

#### Supporting document

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

**Submission ID: 123** 

Date: Mar 26 24 05:43:32 pm

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Only necessary work

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Compost to be sold

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Depending on where you live and the services in that area

Supporting document

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Cut back on dreams remembering everyone is suffering

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I object to funding being used on this project

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

The cost to implement this will outweigh the outcome. Don't agree to any.

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

The least the ratepayers have to pay the better

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

The least the ratepayers have to pay the better

# **Supporting document**

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

We need priority towards Matatā wastewater project! This is very urgent especially the ongoing costs to empty septic tanks.

Submission ID: 125 Date: Mar 26 24 09:15:36 pm

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Stop over spending, stop making plans to overspend and stop treating rate payers as though we are open cheque books!!!

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

24% is absolutely ludicrous!!!! Families are already struggling with the huge increase in cost of living. Our council should be understanding this and supporting us by scaling back plans and keeping things financially lean. Our council is one of the most expensive council's in the whole of NZ. Look around at other council's and find out how they keep their costs down. Stop over spending on things that are not essential!!!

#### Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Victor Luca, in the community we hear that you are trying to fight these ludicrous rates increases but that there are some very strong willed people on council who are not prepared to listen to the needs of the community. It is frustrating knowing that these people are pushing their agendas and don't seem to care for the community.

**Submission ID: 126** 

Date: Mar 26 24 09:31:23 pm

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 2: Separate foodwaste collection for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

#### Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Dear Mayor and Councillors, I write to you today as a resident of Matata to urgently request the implementation of a reticulated sewerage system in our community. It is baffling that after nearly 20 years, we still lack this essential infrastructure. While our septic tanks may suffice temporarily, the persistent issue of outflow saturation prevents proper waste disposal. The stench of sewage permeating our streets at dawn and the frequent seepage at the base of slopes are unacceptable conditions. Moreover, the environmental ramifications cannot be ignored. The continuous strain on our septic systems poses a threat to our ecosystem, exacerbating pollution and endangering local flora and fauna. We implore you to recognise the gravity of our situation. Failure to act now will condemn us to perpetual reliance on inadequate solutions. The time for action is now, and we urge you to prioritise the allocation of resources to address this pressing issue. Thank you for your attention to this matter. We eagerly await your prompt and decisive action in ensuring the well-being of our community and environment. Sincerely, Resident of Matata

#### Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

#### How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 2: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 50% external funding for major development works in 2029 and 2030.

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Obviously it needs to be done, I'm not sure the extent of the issues

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Only things that can be composted should be collected.

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Most people I know barely can live week to week. Families are hurting. How can we/they keep paying.

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

So hard to know, people can't afford these increases

#### Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

As well as running a council. People and there hardship eg living without proper meals, clothing and heating need to be considered.please consider Matata terrible septic tank overflow conditions. After a period of rain it's like 3rd world conditions. This is the gateway to whakatane and often become smelly, with effluent on footpath on Arawa st. Please help us.

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Should not go ahead with it Better spending money on sewage system in matata

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district: Rates shouldn't be put up at all

# **Supporting document**

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Get the sewage done in Matata before people start getting sick as per testing provided to council members

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Shouldn't go through with redevelopment or upgrade as it is a waste of money that could be used on much needed projects ie: Matata sewerage & more footpaths

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Should stay separate, but I have seen the waste trucks empty rubbish & greens into the same truck.

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district: Rates shouldn't be increased

#### Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Matata really needs the sewerage system in asap. Why has it taken nearly 20 years and still nothing has been done. Our septic tank needs emptying every year at a cost of \$450-500. Sometimes you can smell the sewerage first thing in the morning when you walk the streets.

Submission ID: 130 Date: Mar 27 24 08:30:12 am

Des Collins

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Do the bare minimum. Get rid of any asbestos related areas which are used frequently

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

#### Supporting document

N/A

Name:

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

I would like to express my concern and commitment over the preservation and improvement of Sullivan Lake's water quality. Sullivan Lake is important because we over look the lake from our 2 lounges. Currently it's an "EYE SORE" like a lake in a 3rd world country. This is the worst state I have seen the lake, having lived in this house sine 1989. We are probably the oldest residents in this street & the condition of the lake is appalling to say the least. All our friends who visit us from abroad & other parts of NZ are dismayed & were surprised how the District Council had let the lake deteriorate. They were also commenting that if the Mayor or a district councillor was living in this nick of the woods then action would have been taken "PRONTO" I support the efforts of the Lake Care Group in advocating for the welfare of Sullivan Lake, and urge the Council to listen to their voice and consider their insights as valuable contributions to the decision-making process. The "Sullivan Lake Water Quality, Ecology and Options for Improvement" report provides a comprehensive understanding of the current state of the lake and offers a range of recommendations and potential solutions for improvement. I strongly urge the Council to prioritise and implement the recommendations outlined in the report. These measures are crucial for the sustainable management of Sullivan Lake and the long-term well-being of our community. The ultimate goal should be to achieve and maintain improved water quality in Sullivan Lake. I implore the Council to make this a priority in the upcoming long-term plan.

**Submission ID: 131** 

Date: Mar 27 24 08:55:15 am

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Many people manage this themselves via insinkerators, worm farms etc

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

#### Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Concentrate on the absolute necessities, scrap the Boat Harbour and Rex Morpeth Redevelopment plans. Ratepayers on fixed incomes cannot afford these horrendous rate increases, WDC rates are amongst the highest in the country.

Submission ID: 132 Date: Mar 27 24 09:13:30 am

Name: Lorraine an Bruce Knight

# Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

# How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

We should only be spending what is necessary on the up grade there is NO money to make all these extravagant upgrades that are not required. Not all sports need to be catered for at Rex Morpeth we have other parks around our area that can be used

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 2: Separate foodwaste collection for urban properties only.

#### Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Only urban if necessary should have food waste collections an they should be charged if they are using this collection. None go into our garden an compost bins.

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

You will raise rates every year anyway. You do NOT need to be spending all this money on unnecessary an extravagant upgrades.

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Going by these figures YOU have already decided in your wisdom on what you are going to do you have only given us options that allow for spending millions of dollars there are no options that disagree or lower the spending at this time why is that? People are hurting people are homeless an all you are doing is putting more pressure one everyone. It's not acceptable.

# Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Yes we do. To the Mayor an Councillors you all need to grow some balls an start working for or your consituents STOP spending money we don't have, STOP spending money on unnecessary and extravagant buildings etc. Use your brains for example you have gardeners in the council why have you employed Tracks Concrete to put in gardens at the bridge this is double handling an unnecessary it looked fine in grass why didn't you just put a couple tree in there. It's all so unnecessary. STOP using consultants an contractors who charge an arm an a leg "(Unnecessary Spending) an old quote "If you look after your pennies the pounds will follow suit) In other words for those that don't understand the quote "If you control you small spends, it will reduce your total spend"

Submission ID: 133 Date: Mar 27 24 10:11:57 am

Name: Chris Bullen

# Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I reject Options 1 and 2 because they are heavily reliant on external subsidies and there is no indication where these will come from. Do the basic maintenance only under option 3, and keep council focus on Three Waters, even though funding is different.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 2: Separate foodwaste collection for urban properties only.

#### Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Option 1 sounds yucky, and option 3 will be too costly at this stage

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

You have my sympathy

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 1: (Status quo) – 24% UAGC – \$927.50 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

The present system has been developed over many years, and while not perfect, is acceptable.

#### Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Good luck.

Submission ID: 134 Date: Mar 27 24 10:12:54 am

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) Sullivan Lake Care Group

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#### Supporting document

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Sullivan Lake Care Steering Committee, on behalf of Sullivan Lake Care Group

**Submission ID: 135** 

Date: Mar 27 24 11:02:01 am

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 2: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 50% external funding for major development works in 2029 and 2030.

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

#### **Supporting document**

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Please continue to support those in our communities who need it most. Equity and equality are not the same, and those of us who can afford to put food on the table can tighten our belts a little if it means other families don't go to bed hungry at night.

Submission ID: 136 Date: Mar 27 24 11:12:59 am

Name: Raelene Cuthbert

#### Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

#### How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

### Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

We can't afford over \$100 million on this upgrade at this time. If you're going to focus on 'maybe Olympic champs at pickleball' coming from this area as one of your councillors suggested, then where's the rock climbing facilities? Ten pin bowling alley? Baseball/softball diamonds? I could keep adding other sports etc that this district doesn't have but you set the picture!

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 2: Separate foodwaste collection for urban properties only.

#### Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Keep food waste away from greenwaste. Rural properties don't need seperate foodwaste collection majority have animals/worm farms/compost bins etc. Being rural I'd LOVE greenwaste collections.

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#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

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As the previous question states everybody is struggling so less burden is better. By the way when doing ip playgrounds etc. Please DO NOT let the person responsible for that so called playground at the heads be involved. What a WASTE of \$ (and ignorant behaviour).

#### **Supporting document**

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

You state the boat harbour project will be a good thing, I only see more traffic at the roundabout meaning extra hold ups etc. Wheres the contaminated land going?? I've heard boaties don't want this harbour so why??

Submission ID: 137 Date: Mar 27 24 11:21:10 am

Name: Rosemary Sloman

#### Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

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# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I totally support the vision and plans to upgrade Rex Morpeth to a recreation hub.

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 2: Separate foodwaste collection for urban properties only.

#### Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

I support option 2 as a previous rural property owner - there is greater scope for disposal. Composting needs to be encouraged.

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

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Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

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This is the LONG TERM PLAN Why are the options only for year 1?

#### **Supporting document**

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Submission ID: 138 Date: Mar 27 24 11:24:49 am

Name: Stefan Borlen

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

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Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

This needs to be done for future generations in Whakatane and will be a great community assest.

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Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

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Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

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Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

There is a cost of living crisis! Do things slowly so people can afford the changes.

**Supporting document** 

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Submission ID: 139 Date: Mar 27 24 11:26:38 am

Name: Amanda Scholte

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

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(GST exclusive) in year 1.

Submission ID: 140 Date: Mar 27 24 11:28:49 am

Name: Alex Durdy

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

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SHAME ON WDC! Option 4 should have been retained for this "consultation"

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Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Back to basics. Clean water, sewerage, infrastructure. No new bridge - it will solve nothing. No harbour fund/rating money for a commercial boat marina when the commercial boat owners don't even wish to use it!!

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NO NEW BRIDGE - IT WILL SOLVE

NOTHING

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**Option 3:** 16% UAGC - \$559.13

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Submission ID: 142 Date: Mar 27 24 11:36:17 am

Name: Paula Roberts

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

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Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Can't afford to think like a city.

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#### Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Larger or lifestyle properties have room to dispose of food waste.

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Hate to think how pensioners with no savings pay these increases.

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Forget the marina for where you want to be and bring it back to around the green wharf. Bar at present has 300 on it and at low tide how many boats can get in. Those with a draft of 1.5 or more have 2 hours to come and go.

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Submission ID: 144 Date: Mar 27 24 11:44:52 am

Name: lan Stevenson

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

This is a 'nice to have' not a must have.

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

#### Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

What will food waste be used for?

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Council must stop wasting money to avoid losses. All work go out to tender for local businesses.

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

What does UAGC mean?

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Name:	Ann Corinne Kebbell

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) Grey Power

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Whakatane is a town of older residents I feel that the most important function of the council is to provide good roads, footpaths and water supply. I feel that Rex Morpeth Recreation should have to wait to have money spent on it.

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 2: 20% UAGC - \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

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Tracey and Robert Watson

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

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Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

NO RATES INCREASE

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Submission ID: 147 Date: Mar 27 24 12:06:18 pm

Name: Shawn Wang

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Please stop that project. Save money for residents. Everyone in live crisis now.

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

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How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

That's not the solution. You should attract investment from outside instead of increase rate from local residents. For example, build Friendship City with Korean or China's city. Attract international students come to Whakatane, promote consumption.

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#### Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

#### How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

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# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Times are very hard, we have just paid for the Council building upgrade we need to curb spending but also plan for the future.

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

#### Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

If collecting food and green together saves money and doesn't increase processing costs it makes sense to do this.

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 1: (Status quo) – 24% UAGC – \$927.50 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

I am a single person living in a high value house with low income. Rates based on CV with NO adjustment for number of occupants is UNFAIR as I only use a fraction of the services a family uses. We need a user pays system - ALL USERS.

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Submission ID: 149 Date: Mar 27 24 12:13:42 pm

Name: Amanda Quan

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I propose the implementation of a comprehensive system where all government engineering projects are publicly disclosed and subjected to open building process to ensure genuine market prices only eradicate consumption.

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Why you guys have a gap!!! You have collected so much money from us!!! Can you please tell us the reason!!!!

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district: Such a ridiculous rate you offered to us!!!! Give us the basic information of every expense!!!

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Submission ID: 150 Date: Mar 27 24 12:18:08 pm

Name: Brenda Jennings

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I cannot see why it is necessary to upgrade Rex Morpeth ark at all. Where is the rational for any of these options. There doesn't seem to be any difference between the 3 options listed. Where is the option to retain status quo?

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

#### Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Being rural property we compost any green waste and have minimal other waste which we burn. Do not have a rubbish collection available.

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Need more info on this form. What is the gap? Why do we have a gap? REDUCE SPENDING!

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Terrible form with very little info on it. What is the UAGC? Please just REDUCE SPENDING and REDUCE RATES?

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#### Need more space for your feedback?

Submission ID: 151 Date: Mar 27 24 02:13:16 pm

Name: Barry Reid

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

### Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I don't support any of the above. What we need to do is do the necessary maintenance for the next 3 years ,then discuss the upgrades as required ,as these are hard times for people

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

#### Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

how about encourage people to not produce as much food waste.. Spend money on educating the benefits of composting etc if there is too much food in the house hold.

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 1: Close the gap quickly (in one year) so we pay less in the future.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

the sooner it is paid for the better.

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 1: (Status quo) – 24% UAGC – \$927.50 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

#### Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Lets spend our money on the proper things, like update the services (water ,sewage etc). This has been required for a number of years and we are no further ahead. This is badly required in Whakatane , Edgecumbe and Matata. Please explain to me ,what benefit do the people of Whakatane and district have on the new boat harbour? I can only see a small portion of people using such a facility.

Submission ID: 152 Date: Mar 27 24 02:43:53 pm

Name: Kevin Barry McClinchy

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

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Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 2: 20% UAGC – \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Rate payments - already hard - being on a fixed income NZ Super

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		<b>Option 2:</b> Separate foodwaste collection for urban properties only.	
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		<b>Option 3:</b> 16% UAGC – \$559.13	-BEING ON A FIXED

#### Need more space for your feedback?

Submission ID: 153 Date: Mar 27 24 02:44:36 pm

Name: April O'Brien

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

**Gradual increases** 

**Supporting document** 

N/A

Submission ID: 154	Date: Mar 27 24 02:46:19 pm		
Name:	Eileen Coulter		
Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)			
How should we scale, fund and stage necess	ary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?		
Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:			
None of the three as a ratepayer I do not con-	cent		
How should we manage foodwaste collection	n?		
Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:			
How quickly should we close our funding gap?			
Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:  Downsize costings especially excess staff stop wasting our money			
How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?			
Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:  You have forgot who you work for the ratepayer so stop all rate increases.			
Supporting document Attached			
Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?			

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Need more space for your feedback?

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

during a cost of living crisis, we should only be doing the bare minimum, everyone else has to tighten their belts, so should council.

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

n/a rural

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

need to keep rate rises to a minimum in this economy, people struggling to pay them

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

## Supporting document

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

You guys need to ensure you keep rates to a minimum and not do anything unnecessary during the cost of living crisis

Submission ID: 156 Date: Mar 27 24 03:15:36 pm

Name: Olivia Stubbs

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Non of the above is necessary other than possibly Seismic strengthening of the rugby grandstand and minor upgrades to the kitchen and changing facilities. The rest is a waste of tax payers money that should be used on infrastructure and decreasing existing dept. The above options are a nice to have which would potentially draw more people to want to live in Whakatane, which would be a disaster given infrastructure upgrades are needed first. Otherwise we are going to be in the same situation as Tauranga has been in for the past 5-10 years.

## How should we manage foodwaste collection?

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Encourage households to manage their own waste by either contributing to community garden worm and compost bins. Awatapu Community Garden is a good example, more of these spaces around the town would be beneficial. Hold education evenings about how to use your worm, bokashi or compost bins. Just giving them out free is only half of the job.

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

## How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

The above are all way too high, we are officially in a recession and so property values are now likely to go down, when they go down the rates don't go down. Cost of living goes up and more people struggle with the basic necessities of living let alone rates on top. A single digit increase is the maximum that should ever be allocated as rates continually go up but never ever down.

## Supporting document

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Be focused on looking after the people of our community, help to make it a happy healthy community were individuals thrive, when they thrive there is less violence, when people are happy and healthy there is less pressure on our healthy system, children do better at school, teachers are less stressed. These are the things that should be at the for front of our councilors minds and their plan not buildings and revenue to pay for it. How about revenue to have a thriving community? I am a Health Coach working across Kope & Phoenix Medical centers, I also have a private business in this field and I see the daily struggles. I have a personal goal to change the Te Whatu Ora Annual report statistics in this area, which

currently are the worst in Aotearoa for obesity and deprivation. It is a big goal, & I am only one person, what if the council could help to support more people in this way instead of making the current situation here worse by creating more deprivation due to high rates to pay for buildings that do not help the majority of the population.

Submission ID: 157 Date: Mar 27 24 03:46:53 pm

Name: Vern Scheffer

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

The council should not spend any more money than is necessary .The council should show fiscal restraint at this time due to the poor economic climate we are experiencing at this time.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

The council should be looking at keeping rates down to the lowest level possible . Economic times will get better , increase rates at that time , not now .

## Supporting document

N/A

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 2: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 50% external funding for major development works in 2029 and 2030.

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

If this is not an urgent priority we should not be spending money on it right now. I'm a card carrying green party supporter but we need to Keep rates rises and small as possible.

## How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district: Question 11 is completely inaccessible to the average person. Do better.

## Supporting document

N/A

Submission ID: 159 Date: Mar 27 24 05:03:46 pm

Name: Ian Hardie

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Cover maintenance only at this time. Postpone anything else until council becomes more financial

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Get quotes on the most economic solution

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

## Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

The funding gap should not be there. It is a reflection of mismanagement in the first place. We have had a series of Mayors, since Colin Hammond, that have had little or no regard for expenditure that has put us in this mess. It is a very poor record.

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 1: (Status quo) – 24% UAGC – \$927.50 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

## Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Many of the so called higher CV properties are owned by retirees and are now being squeezed with the escalation of the cost of living crisis

## Supporting document

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

I believe you are acting irresponsibly with the boat harbour which is going to be a noose around the neck for generations to come The blatant wastage of money on the pool by the boat ramp. Could be corrected by water flow. The extravagance of these new road ramps in some street entrances. This is not the time to be throwing money around. Put more effort into future proofing the area from disaster by planning a second bridge I would also like it on record that the lack of maintenance on the Poroporo sand spit is increasing the risk of a major town flood should we get a sudden weather event which is quite likely this time of the year. Cyclone Bola is an example. Finally it is really another waste of time & money putting this submission out to the public because the council & staff have already put it all in place.

Date: Mar 27 24 05:15:51 pm

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Increases of 16% are too high in the current climate. This is putting too much pressure on already hard pressed residents

## **Supporting document**

N/A

## Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

If there is any work that needs to be done urgently then it needs to be done. Otherwise it should be left as is till funds are available.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

A mixed collection shouldn't incur extra costs.

## How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

## Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Most ratepayers can't afford their rates to go up by the proposed amount. Many are on fixed incomes.

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Even this is excessive.

## Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Hopefully you will listen to the people and act accordingly.

Submission ID: 162	Date: Mar 27 24 05:39:34 pm
Name:	Paddy O'Brien

# Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

The rugby park grandstand and rooms attached should be pulled down given the state they are in and the amount of use they get on a annual basis. The embankment could be terraced for spectators seating. When club rugby clubs decided to play home games on their own grounds for financial reasons there was a drop off in games at rugby park. When was the last game of provincial rugby, with some significance, last played in Whakatane? Maybe the main ground could become a dual purpose ground rugby and football. Look at other towns that do this. Rotorua International Stadium is great example of high costs and no use. Extend the referees building on the other side of the ground to encompass changing sheds and a guests bar and meeting room. Fix the floors etc in the Memorial Hall. Why spend on the Little Theatre when we have two already. How many more carparks are required? The biggest annual event is the touch tournament that appears to cope.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

The thought of having food waste separate, if Hamilton is anything to go by, is bloody unhealthy and repulsive. Even going into green waste is not ideal. Very difficult to police regardless of what is decided.

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

## How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 2: 20% UAGC – \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

## **Supporting document**

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Waste water management. As a member of the Matata community I believe the council has no option but to go ahead with a new waste management system. The septic tanks in most cases are old , they seep , some are not cleaned regularly and you only need to look at the lagoon to see the health hazard it is becoming. There has been a great committee working diligently for the past two years to get this scheme across the line. Matata needs it to be completed. Water Fresh clean drinking water is a n issue in most countries today. Why then are we awaiting a decision on Nong Fu's application to mine even more FREE water when we have so much in our back yard? We seem to be waiting to the last minute to fix

oing and what volume? Where is the resource consent?				

serious problems. Marine harbour project. Can it before it's too late. Where is the contaminated soil

Date: Mar 27 24 07:00:20 pm

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

No to any upgrades of Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district: Restructure spending to current rates collection + CPI. Over spending is irresponsible spending rate payers incomes are not increasing and unaffordable.

# **Supporting document**

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Budget is set by incoming income, out going expenditure is based on essential spending. If, and if there is an excess a risk management process is undertaken to determine where to allocate funds. Increasing debt is irresponsible in our current economic climate. And irresponsible spending is outside of your budget is a miss use of rate payers money allocated to the budget. Rate payers income has not increased, and if any increases have occurred it is likely to be CPI only. This should reflected in the rate increase and be capped at this rate annually. Many families are struggling with the living crisis, health crisis, mortgage interest rates rising and many local businesses cutting costs effecting their staff. Don't push rate payers out of their homes due to absorbent rates increases.

Submission ID: 164 Date: Mar 27 24 07:46:19 pm

Name: AGNES IHAIA

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) IHAIA

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

JUST GIVE THE MEMORIAL HALL A GOOD QUALITY PAINT JOB FOR THIS LTP. ... ALLOW OUR FUNCTIONS TO SUIT THE SPACE THE HUB PROVIDES .DO NOT ACCEPT BIGGER FUNCTIONS ..

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

USE OUR YELLOW BINS MORE PLEASE. ... RECYCLE YOUR OUR RUBBISH ...

## How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

## **Supporting document**

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

WORK TOGETHER NOT FOR YOUR OWN AGENDA'S .MAYOR LUCA MAKES A LOT OF SENSE .I APPRECIATE BEING ABLE TO PUT FORWARD SUBMISSIONS . ...I WOULD LOVE TO SEE MORE REST HOMES IN OUR DISTRICT SO WE CAN BE NEAR OUR WHANAU...IN OUR DOTAGE .SPEND THE MONEY ON GATED COMMUNITIES AND VILLAGES TO KEEP OUR ELDERLY SAFE AND SECURE. REINSATE THE BRIDGE FROM POROPORO TO CLEARY AVENUE . USE OUR RATE INCREASES FOR A SECOND BRIDGE . BUT BUILT OVERLAND NOT ON STRUCTURES IN THE RIVER .. GDP IS RISING SO MANY OF THE SPORTS LOVERS WILL HAVE TO CURTAIL THEIR TIME SPENT INSIDE AND EXERCISE IN THE OPEN SPACES. HAVE TOWN VS COUNTRY SPORTS FARES ..AND CHOOSE THE TOP 6 TO PLAY OUT THE FINALS ..HENCE SMALLER GROUPS TO FIT IN OUR HUB.

Submission ID: 165 Date: Mar 27 24 08:11:30 pm

Name: Murray Orr

## Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Where does the council get the idea that the park should get priority over more important issues like the sewage reticulated system for Matata

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Same as question 7

## How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

## Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

There is no return in a form of tax coming from this Chinese water bottling plant . How about 0 to 10 cents a ltr

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

## Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Not to fund stupid wish list options Like Rex more than. How about spending money in matata on the sewage system

## Supporting document

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Matata is in desperate need for a sewage reticulation system.. we have sewage leaking over foot paths, part of the public school can't use Part of there grounds ,the health department say there is a need. We are told that our septic tanks are at the end of there life so this council need to get there priorities in order

Date: Mar 27 24 08:33:50 pm

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

## Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Instead of only having three options. Why dont we cut costs and current outgoings for the council, rather than thinking the only option is higher taxes for residents. Matata Sewerage would create an opportunity for subdivisions and increate the rate base for the district. New businesses would come into the area once the growth can be supported. Supporting business and residential growth in our district rather than continuing to raise taxes on struggling communities.

## How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

## Supporting document

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Matata Sewerage is not only critical it is long overdue. To hear that the Mayor is now publicly stating that there is not enough scientific data to justify this scheme, after the years of work that has been done to move this project forward is both disheartening and disturbing. The future sustainability and growth of this district and especially the gateway to the Eastern Bay of Plenty, Matata requires a reticulated sewerage scheme immeditately. When you live here and see the overflow that runs down the main streets after heavy rain... and the smell that goes along with it. When you hear the alarm and smell the stench of the only 2 public toilets in our village which are used by passing through traffic 24 hours a day /7 days a week. When you live here and know that this village is ready to grow and flourish, but the lack of sewerage means no one can subdivide their 1/4 acre sections and no new businesses will open here, because the resource consents for this coastal village would be impossible given the water table and lack of municipal services. This is urgent. My home and my business are based in Matata and we need this to happen. I know people in the community who cant afford to have their entire back yard dug up and new systems installed. We have been teased along with the hope of this system for many many years. There are investors waiting in the wings for this to happen. Why would so much time and money be wasted on

this project that is so clearly imperative to this village. I cannot stress enough how disappointing and

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

THIS IS IN A NICE TO HAVE CATAGORY. SOME MAINTANCE REQUIRED. WERE A SMALL TOWN AND DONT NEED OLYMPIC UPGRADES AND COSTS. PLANS SHOWN ARE NOT AFFORDABLE AND THE NZ TAXPAYER [FUNDERS] DOESNT NEED TO FUND AS COUNTRY CANT AFFORD THESE DREAMS IN MANY TOWNS. COUNTRY IS BROKE SO TRY AND HELP. STOP THE SPENDING. we will survive without the dream NO UP SCALING AFORDABLE IN PRESENT FINANCIL CLIMATE

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

GOOD IDEA AND SOME MAY NOT REQUIRE, SO SAVE \$\$\$ BY USING SAME GREEN BIN. WE WOULD NOT USE AS KEEP ALL FOODWASTE FOR OUR COMPOST/GARDEN. COUNTRY PEOPLE MAY GENERALLY USE IT ALSO AS FERTILISER

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

## Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

NOT SURE ,AS IM SURE YOU HAVE WOKED IT OUT WITH ACCOUNTANTS ALREADY WHAT YOU WILL DO. MAYBE DELETING ALL THE NICE TO HAVES . LESS MAY BE REQUIRED.

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

VERY INTERESTING FIGURES IF LOOKING AT OTHER TOWNS ACROSS NZ., WHK . IS MUCH GREATER INCREASES THAN MOST TOWNS. YOU HAVE ALREADY DECIDED WHAT PERCENTAGES ARE REQUIRED AND HOPE A LOT OF THE HOMEOWNERS WILL BE ABLE TO PAY RATES AND NOT GO BROKE . MORE WILL BE LIVING IN CARS SOMEWHERE IN THIS TOWN, AS UNAFORDABLE,

# Supporting document

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

WE KNOW HIGH INFLATION HAS COME, SO PRETEND ITS YOUR OWN INCOME AND YOU YOUVE ALREADY BLOWN THE CREDIT CARD AND DO HAVE TO LIVE WITHIN YOUR YEARLY INCOME. CAN YOU DO THAT? OR DO YOU NEED A FINANCAL ADVISER BEFORE YOU GO BROKE . GET RUTHLESS ,LIKE GOVT HAS TO.

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

# **Supporting document**

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

My submission focused on Matata. Councils own community publication for Matata, titled 'Matata Matters' is all I request the decision makers to consider. Does Matata matter? There could not be a more tangible way to demonstrate this than addressing the urgent need to have a community sewage scheme. To many in Matata, the decision to provide a reticulated sewage scheme is crucial for wellbeing of people and our environment. Show us we matter. Do the right thing, fund this project and make the sewerage scheme happen, with urgency.

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

The upgrades should only includes works that will enable the facilities to meet the necessary standards for continued use by the community. Given the current financial climate, unnecessary nice to have works should not be considered.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

## Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Maybe do another compost bin promotion for people to do their own disposal of food waste.

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 2: 20% UAGC - \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

## Supporting document

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

The new Boat Harbour benefits a tiny percentage of the districts population and should be scrapped.

Date: Mar 27 24 10:08:56 pm

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

The upgrades should only includes works that will enable the facilities to meet the necessary standards for continued use by the community. Given the current financial climate, unnecessary nice to have works should not be considered.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

## How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 2: 20% UAGC - \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

## Supporting document

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Given the current financial climate and the proposed rate hikes, the new boat harbour benefits a tiny percentage of the district population and should be scrapped before any more money is wasted on it.

## Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Defer any upgrades while we have a cost of living crisis, putting food on our family's table is far more important.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Don't spend more money in putting in more services. Food waste should be considered as greenwaste. Once again lining the pockets for contractors at the expense of ratepayers.

## How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Council must stop spending money they don't have. This is a hard question! The funding must be paid back as quickly as possible but the burden of this can not be placed on ratepayers that can't afford the repayments, there is a fine line of what people can afford. Simple step is for the Council to stop wasting money.

## How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

I choose option 3 but believe it should be even less.

## **Supporting document**

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Stop spending/wasting unnecessary money. Your wish lists do not match the ratepayers financial capabilities. Wake up and smell the real world we are living in, we are already struggling out there trying to make ends meet.

Submission ID: 172 Date: Mar 28 24 10:22:36 am

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) WHS

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Add

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Start collecting them

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

I don't even know what this is

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

We should

Supporting document

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

no

Date: Mar 28 24 10:25:35 am

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 2: 20% UAGC – \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

## Supporting document

N/A

Submission ID: 174	Date: Mar 28 24 10:26:59 am
Name:	Millie

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) brady

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 1: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 35% external funding for major development works in 2028 and 2029.

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

feedd the pigs

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 2: 20% UAGC - \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

## **Supporting document**

N/A

Submission ID: 175	Date: Mar 28 24 10:27:02 am
Name:	Addy

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) Davis

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 1: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 35% external funding for major development works in 2028 and 2029.

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

feed it to the pigs

## How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 1: Close the gap quickly (in one year) so we pay less in the future.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

not sure

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 1: (Status quo) – 24% UAGC – \$927.50 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

## **Supporting document**

N/A

Date: Mar 28 24 10:27:10 am

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) personanal

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 2: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 50% external funding for major development works in 2029 and 2030.

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

good

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 1: (Status quo) – 24% UAGC – \$927.50 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

**Supporting document** 

N/A

## Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Rex morpeth doesn't need upgrading, instead we should just have more fairs come to town and have lots of cool rides to go on instead.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 2: Separate foodwaste collection for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

create public compost bins.

## How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 1: Close the gap quickly (in one year) so we pay less in the future.

## Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Its good because people taking advantage will have to work and we will save money for better things.

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

decrease rates by as much as possible and tac rich businesses more.

## **Supporting document**

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Dont upgrade rex morpeth, instead we should have more fairs and cool rides there so that kids get something entertaining to do.

Submission ID: 178	Date: Mar 28 24 10:30:42 am
Name:	wiliam

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) personal

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 1: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 35% external funding for major development works in 2028 and 2029.

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

no

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

no

## Supporting document

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

no

Submission ID: 179 Date: Mar 28 24 10:31:03 am

Name: Charlie Addison-Turner

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I think we should do necessary upgrades like fix leaky ceilings and make the little theatre a bit warmer because it can be freezing sometimes.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

People need to be informed far in advance to be able to prepare

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

## **Supporting document**

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Make more things for teens and older children to do. There is nothing to do here. Put in an arcade or a bowling alley or even a motion!!

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) school

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

just renew anything you need too

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 2: Separate foodwaste collection for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

I don't know

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

## Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

we need to close the gap in a short-term

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 2: 20% UAGC – \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

desinte amount of money to give

## **Supporting document**

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

don't put tax's to high

**Submission ID: 181** Date: Mar 28 24 10:31:29 am Name: Adara Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub? Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth **Recreation Hub:** idk How should we manage foodwaste collection? Option 2: Separate foodwaste collection for urban properties only. Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection: idk How quickly should we close our funding gap? Option 1: Close the gap quickly (in one year) so we pay less in the future. Your thoughts on closing our funding gap: idk How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district? Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1. Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district: idk Supporting document N/A Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors? no

Submission ID: 182 Date: Mar 28 24 10:38:03 am

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) Whakatane high school

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 2: 20% UAGC – \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Supporting document

N/A

Date: Mar 28 24 10:42:22 am

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) Whakatane high school

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 2: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 50% external funding for major development works in 2029 and 2030.

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

We should put more food waste bins in local areas like parks or fast food shops.

## How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 2: 20% UAGC - \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

## **Supporting document**

N/A

Submission ID: 184	Date: Mar 28 24 10:44:16 am
Name:	Corban Meekel

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) Whakatane High School

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I think we should slow down and take it easy Rex morpeth is pretty good and those rates would be too high

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

I don't really know

## How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

## Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

I don't know

## How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

our parents don't want to pay huge rates

## **Supporting document**

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Good job guys you're doing well

Submission ID: 185	Date: Mar 28 24 10:58:21 am	
Name:	Naomi Freeman	

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) Disabilities Resource Centre

# How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 2: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 50% external funding for major development works in 2029 and 2030.

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Please see attached supporting document.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Please see attached supporting document.

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

## Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Please see attached supporting document.

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Please see attached supporting document.

## **Supporting document**

Attached

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

We are keen to explore the possibility of incorporating an accessible playground featuring accessible equipment and communication boards, as well as a seniors wellness park within our community. The Disabilities Resource Centre is happy to collaborate and present innovative concepts for the development of these park amenities.

22 March 2024



Whakatane District Council Private Bag 1002 WHAKATANE 3158

Tēnā koe,

#### SUBMISSION TO WHAKATANE DISTRICT COUNCIL ON THE LONG TERM PLAN 2024-2034

The Disabilities Resource Centre is devoted to providing an accessible and responsive service for people with disabilities and the elderly. We aim to encourage and support them to exercise their right to live with dignity and maximum independence in the community of their choice.

Our Strategic Vision is to assist people with disabilities to achieve their goals through leading health and disability services.

We conduct business under the organisational values of Care, Responsiveness, Respect, Accountability, Integrity and Good Employer. We achieve these values by providing the following services:

- Information and Advisory Services
- Home Care Services
- Community Services

The Disabilities Resource Centre does not request the opportunity to speak in support of this submission to the Whakatane District Council.

Yours faithfully

Bronwen Foxx
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

141-143 King Street, PO Box 528, Whakatane 3158, New Zealand t: 07 307 1447 f: 07 307 0229 e: drct@drct.co.nz www.drct.co.nz

Charities Commission: CC22840





The Disabilities Resource Centre Trust would like to thank the Whakatane District Council for the opportunity to submit our input to the long-term plan for 2024-2034.

Tāngata whaikaha/disabled people and pākeke/seniors.continue to remain our most vulnerable community members and it is the responsibility of the community to keep them safe and protected while giving them the ability to remain productive members of our community by providing them with a safe and accessible environment so they can live the life they choose.

#### **Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub.**

The Whakatāne War Memorial Hall plays a vital role in providing indoor sports court space, event, and function venues, as well as serving as a theatre and civil defence facility. It is important that these facilities are brought up to current health and safety standards and to meet the growing demands of the community.

We support option two; Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires you to secure 50% external funding for major development works in 2029 and 2030. We are keen to have the upgrades finished promptly, but we must also be mindful of the financial difficulties faced by our rate payers due to the current economic conditions and high cost of living. Option three does not seem to adequately prepare for the district's future growth and development.

We understand that the redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub has been a long-standing project, with extensive community input and support for upgrades. The proposed redevelopment plan, which includes significant upgrades to the War Memorial Hall, a sports pavilion, an accessibility-friendly playground, increased parking space, and other improvements, is a step in the right direction towards ensuring that the hub remains a functional and inclusive space for all members of the community.

With the project, we urge the Council to consider the needs and accessibility requirements of all members of the community, including those with disabilities. It is important that the redevelopment plan takes into account the diverse needs of all users of the facilities to ensure that the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub continues to be a welcoming and inclusive space for everyone.

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# **Foodwaste Collection.**

We understand the importance of reducing food waste in order to protect the environment and promote sustainability.

We believe that Option One, mixed food waste and green waste collection for urban properties only, is the most effective and cost-efficient solution. We feel offering worm farms or compost bins to rural properties that require them is beneficial as it can improve soil quality and encourage biodiversity.

#### Closing the funding gap.

In considering how quickly to close the funding gap, we urge the Council to prioritise the long-term financial health of the district. We must consider the impact on ratepayers both now and in the future. We believe that Option 3, to close the funding gap in the medium term over six years, is the best approach.

We believe that this approach will provide the necessary financial stability for the Council while also being mindful of the impact on ratepayers. By opting for a medium-term solution, we can avoid the excessive rates increases associated with closing the funding gap quickly.

### Distribute rates increases across the properties.

The Disabilities Resource Centre Trust supports Option three: to lower the Uniform Annual General Charge (UAGC) to 16% for year one of the Long Term Plan (2024/2025) in response to cost of living increases.

In our community, many individuals and families are currently facing immense hardship. The economic downturn caused by the ongoing global pandemic has left many people struggling to make ends meet. Additionally, the lack of affordable housing options and rising costs of living have added to the burden, making it even more challenging for those already facing hardship to keep up with their expenses.

It is important that we as a community come together to support one another and find ways to reduce the financial strain on our residents. One way to help ease the burden on struggling families is by keeping property rates as low as possible.

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On behalf of the Disabilities Resource Centre Trust, we want to thank you for your commitment to inclusivity and accessibility in the district. We are grateful for the time and effort you have dedicated to engaging with focus groups and consultations to ensure that the needs of individuals within our tangata whalkaha/disabled people and pakeke/seniors. are taken into consideration.

It is encouraging to see a new Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Policy is being created. This is a significant step towards creating a more inclusive and welcoming community for all residents.

Disabilities Resource Centre Trust are more than happy to support you in any way we can and offer our expertise and advice from the disability sector. Together, we can continue to make positive changes and create a more inclusive and accessible environment for everyone. We look forward to working with you to create a better future for all members of our community.

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Submission ID: 186 Date: Mar 28 24 11:23:50 am

Name: Lochlan Tane Mahuta Thor Holding

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Rex morpeth is absolutely fine as it is. instead we should focus on upgrading the school amenities

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

separate food waste for all properties

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

# **Supporting document**

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Stop focusing on rex morpeth and focus more on the homeless and the poor.

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) Whakatane High School

### How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 2: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 50% external funding for major development works in 2029 and 2030.

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Make it more aesthetically pleasing and modern looking, because some of the fencing and especially the sign saying "Rex Morpeth park" looks run-down

## How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Run a compost service that takes food and green waste and creates compost to be distributed

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 1: Close the gap quickly (in one year) so we pay less in the future.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

It;s always better to settle debts early

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 2: 20% UAGC – \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

## Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

I think the updating and modernising of facilities around our town would be of great benefit to the people of Whakatane-Ohope. Also if it was possible to upgrade the Ohope shop front.

Submission ID: 188 Date: Mar 28 24 01:42:45 pm

Name: David Groom

## Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I think the upgrades to Rex Morpeth park should be prioritised behind more urgent work such as getting reticulated sewerage for Matata. Upgrades to Rex Morpeth park would be nice but it is not as important bringing Matata out of third world living conditions

## How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 2: Separate foodwaste collection for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Look carefully at what adds value to community. Luxuries for a few are not fair to the majority.

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

The rates uptake could be increased by encouraging development and more ratepayers for the community. The lack of reticulated sewerage in Matata is holding back business development and preventing many 1000m2 sections from being subdivided.

#### Supporting document

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Simply using bacteria counts taken at occasional times and at only a few places is not as measure of how important reticulated sewerage is for Matata. In wet years the water table is very high in Matata and this prevents septic tank field drains from working properly. Most properties in Matata have septic systems that are beyond their lifespan and newer systems still have to drain into soil that is no longer able to drain effectively. Matata development is being held back at the expense of others in the district and the lack of sewerage and public toilet capacity would not be tolerated in Whakatane or Ohope so why Matata?

**Submission ID: 189** 

Date: Mar 28 24 01:59:21 pm

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

## **Supporting document**

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

As a resident of Matata, I would like to urge you to consider our need for a sewerage system as a priority.

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) I honestly have no idea

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 1: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 35% external funding for major development works in 2028 and 2029.

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

why do we need to? is it even necessary?.

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

make people have a compost wth

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 1: Close the gap quickly (in one year) so we pay less in the future.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

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How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

base it off the location of the priority and the estimated worth

**Supporting document** 

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

I don't really like you guys

## Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Only undertake maintenance. We do not need a new Little Theatre. We do not have the funds.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Cheapest option. The community doesn't have any money.

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

We cannot afford it.

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district: unsure

# **Supporting document**

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

The community has no money. If rates go up so does rent, food, accommodation etc it has a flow on effect. Stick to the basics. Reduce in house Council spending. What is your catering bill? Have a review done. Ever done independent exit reviews of staff? I think the Council needs to be taken over and redone entirely. There is no trust or confidence in the Council.

Submission ID: 192

Date: Mar 28 24 03:23:13 pm

Paul Norris

Organisation (if an habelf of expeniention)

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

No to all the options. Status quo

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

No to all options

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 1: Close the gap quickly (in one year) so we pay less in the future.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district: Single figure only

Supporting document

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Stop wasting money. Maintenance only. Give us a break

Submission ID: 193 Date: Mar 28 24 03:48:27 pm

Name: Kayla Anderson

## Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

User pays. Why should rate payers fund projects they will likely never utilise.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Why are only rural properties getting access to free worm farms and composting initiatives? Incentivise at home food waste solutions such as worm farms and waste minimisation education. Eg - Reusing vegetable "Scraps" for stock and sprouting new vegetables. Perhaps offer rebates for reusable nappys to reduce landfill (some states in Australia offer a rebate for this)

## How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Living costs are at an all time high. We need relief somewhere. I would rather keep a roof over my head for the foreseeable future than see Rex Morpeth park "upgraded"

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 2: 20% UAGC - \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

## Supporting document

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

How much is the ongoing works at the landing rd roundabout costing? Besides the road upgrade and infrastructure improvements, is the spending regarding flower beds and cultural artwork necessary? How much is the latter costing us, as rate payers?

Submission ID: 194 Date: Mar 28 24 04:14:45 pm

Name: Peter Flowerday

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Find funding for the different areas through the appropriate groups.

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 1: (Status quo) – 24% UAGC – \$927.50 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Get the percentage down to fourteen or fifteen percent

## Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

One For the last twenty years Matata has had a problem with sewage. The council has know about this and with the money that has been sent over this period we could have put two systems into the area. It is a priority that the council find the money and get a sewage system into Matata. Two The BBQ at the Matata beach reserve. Where is it and why has it not been installed yet. When you are told a project will go a head and then three years later nothing has been done. Peter Flowerday

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Do nothing as of right now. This is a want, not a need. It can wait for now.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Is this going to cost more than having it dumped as we currently do? We have a dog and a compost pile. We're living in an urban area and don't require this service. Unless it will actually save money, it seems unnecessary.

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

I would like us to be working towards living within our means as a community. Obviously, debt needs to be paid back and there will need to be a rates increase. However, this should be done in conjunction with the council reigning in unnecessary spending. The council should be taking a serious look at what is actually a NEED and what is simply something nice to have. Ratepayers do not spend their lives working hard to simply have council members fund their own passion projects with our money.

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 1: (Status quo) – 24% UAGC – \$927.50 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

# Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

We're not on a low income and yet we're still finding ourselves really having to account for every dollar at the moment. Literally EVERYTHING is going up in price. I cannot even fathom how low-income households are coping. I truly hope that the council can see the individual humans in our communities and the challenges that they're facing. The anger and frustration you may encounter is coming from a place of desperation for a lot of people. Asking for more money at a time like this is soul crushing for many families.

## Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Just do the basics to keep it open. Now is not the time to get into dept for renovations

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Don't need another bin. The greenwaste bin is big enough. Rural properties can sort out themselves

## How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Stop borrowing money and spending. If you don't have the funds to do something then don't do it.

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Don't put up the rates. Cut unnecessary spending and reduce your employees hours to save money inhouse

## Supporting document

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Stop spending money that you don't have. Stop taking from ratepayers. Stop wasting money on stupid projects. Reduce unnecessary staffing. Fix the water, its a basic need. Focus on that... water, waste and roads

Submission ID: 197 Date: Mar 28 24 08:53:04 pm

Name: Matthew Jefferies

## Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Currently new zealand is faced with a cost of living crisis, the increase in rates will cause a increased issue for those most effected and will not benefit them in the positive in either short or long term as rate increases are pasted into rents, likewise the regional wage is positioned at the 48000/60000 region making the increases of rates on top of inflated groceries and necessity items unviable and forcing people to move to other regions.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

## Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

I believe the uniform annual general charges should be the last to be increase. As the increases should be on the capital value proportional charges as to make those with higher capital increases support the local councils development. This would also reflect the luxury of living in those high profiled locations.

# Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Stop looking at the uniform general charge as a way to increase the rates. Use the capital value base that we see in the targeted rates and general charges. Rex morpth should not be fixed pasted the necessary repairs as we are in a cost of living crisis

Submission ID: 198 Date: Mar 28 24 10:25:51 pm

Name: Geoffrey Bradly

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

NONE OF THE ABOVE. At this time I feel it is totally inappropriate to proceed with the proposed improvements/upgrades to Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub. I feel that there should only be necessary expenditure on maintenance to protect the structural and current useful integrity of the assets as they are at present. If more floor space is required for indoor sports then other option should be looked at such as the Awakeri Events Centre or the Edgecumbe War Memorial Hall. This 'nice to have' Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub should only be considered when other more pressing infrastructure assets have been completed (ie. new river bridge) and the finance is available so it doesn't place a huge financial burden on ratepayer. I have no problem if Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub is upgraded with outside funding (ie. community fundraising, trust grants, user pay, etc) but ratepayers should not have to carry the financial burden at this inappropriate time.

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

None of the above. Household should be encouraged to compost their own food waste, if they don't wish to do that and they want foodwaste collection, then this should be on a 'user pays' basis. As a family that composts our food waste and green waste, why should our rates increase to fund those that don't?

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

See 12 & 14

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Before imposing rate increases on the District ratepayers, Council should first be seen to analyse its own business and come up with ways of reducing the administrative and service delivery costs of running Council (Just as Central Government are in the process of doing).

# **Supporting document**

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

The Council needs to take a serious look at its costs and spending. Whilst the Council no doubt see this spending as appropriate or necessary, its is viewed by many ratepayers as 'gold-plated' and in many cases unnecessary. I can quote a past instance where Consultants have been used to come up with a grandiose plan and even after being told by locals at a public meeting that their plans were impractical and an 'overkill', Council still continued. The money spent could have been better used to make long

term improvements, these suggestions were put forward at the time. Consultant costs need to be brought under control, why waste money on Consultants when you can give the problem to the digger driver and they will sort it out in days rather than months and at a fraction of the cost. Whilst the above occurred a few years ago, I have no doubt that Council procedures have not improved. The business of Council needs to be gone through, analysed, streamlined and made more efficient which should ultimately make service delivery cheaper, thus making rates more affordable. Unfortunately now, Council is viewed by many as a bloated bureaucracy that is totally detached and derided by many ratepayers. The Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub proposal is a classic example, I have not spoken to one person who is in favour of it. The fact that Council view this as a more worthy and timely requirement than an additional bridge only exacerbates these opinions of a Council and bureaucracy that has lost touch with the people that fund it, and increasingly are struggling to do so.

Submission ID: 199 Date: Mar 29 24 07:26:14 am

Name: KJ Hare

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

agree with option one as is more affordable for the people in my community of Murupara.

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 1: Close the gap quickly (in one year) so we pay less in the future.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

a necessary evil, but think we need to make the changes sooner rather than later. I do feel for the renters of our community as foresee those extras cost's in rates will be added to rental increases along with the already high cost of living for those on benefits/lower income.

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 2: 20% UAGC - \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

## Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

I do not understand why in Murupara we carry the cost of having a heated swimming pool? This I see as a wasteful use of rate payers money, where personally I LOVE having the option of our free dump. I think if you are not a WDC rate payer you should be charged to dump in Murupara. Dogs are out of control in Murupara, there seems to be so many roaming constantly & although there is dog control active in Murupara is seems they are not able to keep control of the situations. Animals (horses) tied to the local Kindy gates or in empty sections removed before the Monday-Friday service starts & ends continues weekly. At this point I want to mihi to Ngapera Rangiaho for her mahi & activeness within the community especially Murupara & Waiohau - thankyou for working hard for us Nga mihi

Submission ID: 200 Date: Mar 29 24 10:11:12 am

Name: Bronwyn Thompson

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Leave it alone at this stage please

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Leave it alone for now

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Leave it at his stage this is something that we cannot afford especially with the cost of everything else at the moment and the recent announcement of recession.. I know I will struggle with any increase.

# Supporting document

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

I really hope the public is listened too on this one. It's not fare the way people are struggling. Rate increases will be pushed onto renters etc having more come out of their pockets even tho they are stretched very thin at the moment anyway. I see people in the super market every time I go struggling with prices.. need I say more. It's going to hurt a lot of people increasing rates now. Some of the projects that are planned for our town are just not needed at this point and time. And people in the public are angry about it all.

**Submission ID: 201** 

Date: Mar 29 24 10:16:36 am

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

## Supporting document

N/A

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I believe Rex Morpeth park currently serves its purpose, I would delay all upgrades until more important infulstructure is taken care of.

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Foodwaste should be taken care of with community composting/ chicken feed / pig feed. Most importantly it should be visible for residents to see where there waste goes. Our out of sight out of mind mentality has lead us to the excess waste we see now. I'd suggest the books transition towns by rob Hopkins and retro suburbia by David holmgren as books which discuss food waste and community based ways to utilise it.

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 1: Close the gap quickly (in one year) so we pay less in the future.

## Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Our funding gap has developed from past generations kicking the can. We need to close this gap while some of those generations are still in the workforce and can contribute. I don't want my kids to pay for my parents neglectful spending.

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 1: (Status quo) – 24% UAGC – \$927.50 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district: Make ohope pay!

# Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

When thinking about our long-term plan please keep the younger generations in mind, let's not sidle them with debt.

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I think it should have basic upgrades and maintenance only. A major redevelopment is unaffordable at this time.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 2: Separate foodwaste collection for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 1: (Status quo) – 24% UAGC – \$927.50 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

## **Supporting document**

N/A

Submission ID: 204	Date: Mar 29 24 11:22:00 am	
Name:	FRANCIS	

# Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

# How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 2: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 50% external funding for major development works in 2029 and 2030.

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

try to find a way that the rate payers won't get hit. Give the contract of redeveloping the recreation hub to an external source and let council take responsibility of maintaining the hub strictly. No freebies. if anyone wants to use the facility they have to pay for it (through membership plans of yearly or life long for each family by doing a one big payment). don't collect the money through the council rates or through regional rates.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

I selected option 1 provided they do the collection weekly and not bi-weekly

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

## Supporting document

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Mayor and Councillors please don't compete with each other. Think about the how it affects everyone on your decision making. Please try to run thinking it's your own business, so that you will think twice and thrice making sure the ship won't sink.

Submission ID: 205 Date: Mar 29 24 12:14:13 pm

Name: David Glover

## Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

### How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 2: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 50% external funding for major development works in 2029 and 2030.

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Important to give consideration to arts facilities and activities as well as sports.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 2: Separate foodwaste collection for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 2: 20% UAGC - \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

## **Supporting document**

Attached

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

I appreciate the financial challenges and infrastructure deficit the Council faces. But I urge it to consider the relatively low cost attached to continuing to optimise the recreational benefits to the township of Whakatane of both our natural parks and reserves and artistic communities and activities.



I would like to express my concern and commitment over the preservation and improvement of Sullivan Lake's water quality. Sullivan Lake is important to both the local resident and the wider community because:

- It provides a muich-used recreation space and natural areas for walkers, families and community events
- It supports a lively bird and other animal population, including white herons and swans
- It adds to the local beauty and attractiveness of the town and enhances the appeal of the local neighbourhood (indirectly supporting rateable values)

I support the efforts of the Lake Care Group in advocating for the welfare of Sullivan Lake, and urge the Council to listen to their voice and consider their insights as valuable contributions to the decision-making process.

The "Sullivan Lake Water Quality, Ecology and Options for Improvement" report provides a comprehensive understanding of the current state of the lake and offers a range of recommendations and potential solutions for improvement.

I strongly urge the Council to prioritise and implement the recommendations outlined in the report. These measures are crucial for the sustainable management of Sullivan Lake and the long-term well-being of our community.

The ultimate goal should be to achieve and maintain improved water quality in Sullivan Lake. I implore the Council to make this a priority in the upcoming long-term plan.

Yours sincerely

**David Glover** 

Submission ID: 206 Date: Mar 29 24 12:44:15 pm

Name: Santina Johnston Searle

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

None, stop the spending. Times are already tough and you are adding to the financial stress by spending unnecessarily. There is NOTHING wrong with the facilities that are there now. If sports groups want an up grade they can fundraise the money themselves

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

## Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Why can food waist not go with green waist?

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Stop spending unnecessary money on things we DO NOT NEED

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Stop spending money on things we DO NOT NEED

## Supporting document

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

STOP SPENDING MONEY ON THINGS THAT ARE NOT NEEDED......

Submission ID: 207 Date: Mar 29 24 04:07:40 pm

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Just leave it alone, we don't have the money end of story

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district: Just stop spending

# **Supporting document**

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Yes stop your spending, real people are suffering and we don't need bells and whistles, e.g planter boxes that have now dissapeared??? Stupid painted roads taking out parking spaces and no behind closed doors meetings or fancy morning teas and lunches on the rate payers. B.Y.O Like we all have to.

**Submission ID: 208** 

Date: Mar 29 24 04:26:35 pm

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I oppose any upgrade to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub. As we are currently in a recession, this is surely the worst time to even consider going ahead with these plans.

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

## Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Listen to the people. They do not want to spend millions on a Marina. If you look at the river it is so silted, the yachts can only get out a couple of hours either side of high tide. If the marina goes ahead, the dredging will be a full time job to keep the channel clear. it will also disrupt the many activities on the river, rowing, Waka Ama, and kayaking to name a few. Do your homework!!! The Rex Morpeth upgrade is sheer folly, a dream for some a nightmare for others. This sounds as if it will come mainly from rates. This will affect everyone the ratepayers and renters who will have the follow- on effect of the rate increase passed on to them. The people are hurting at the moment with a recession. Who comes up with these ideas? It is certainly not the anyone outside the council. Come on Councillors, represent the people who voted for you. Listen to the people. Everyone has to live to a budget, if you can't afford it, you don't have it. The same thing should apply to the council.

Submission ID: 209 Date: Mar 29 24 05:47:26 pm

Name: Rob Berghuis

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 1: (Status quo) – 24% UAGC – \$927.50 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

## **Supporting document**

N/A

### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Hello all, my name is Rob Berghuis and I do not usually write these type of emails but I feel it is time to do something. I, as most people do, just moan about stuff and deal with it because we cannot change it. Well, it's getting harder to deal with stuff now. The cost of living has never been worse. Food prices are through the roof. Mortgage rates are triple what they were 3 years ago. Petrol nigh on \$3 a litre. It goes on and on. Now we hear 50% rates increase over 3 years. That is a huge hike guys, come on. We hear of a Marina, we hear of Rex Morpeth hub upgrade. Then we hear rates need to go up. Then we hear that we don't have enough money to fix or upgrade the 3 waters infrastructure. Well, maybe it would be a good idea to fix the waters?.....not spend on pet projects. We hear about the well being of the community, is that not an important part of everybody's well being? I would propose to spend on root services only in the foreseeable future. Shelve these nice to have projects, just upkeep what we have. Sending our rate payers into a financial strain is not looking after their well being. Mental stress is already out there because of the cost of living. Rate payers pay for our district, we should be looked after, not bled dry. When I'm eating dry toast for breakfast, the flash Morpeth hub won't put the marmite on top. Personally, I am what some would call doing well. I have a job that pays 100k before tax. Quite a good income you would think. Well, there is not much left each fortnight before the next pay day. I have a mortgage to pay, insurance, district rates, regional rates, power, phone, petrol etc. 50% on my rates in 3 years means I will be paying around \$5300. More than \$100 a week. God knows what the regional rates will increase by in that time. It's already \$1400. That is alot for living in Edgecumbe. We

have been paying rates forever to polish what you call the jewel in the bay "Whakatane" We do not care for Marina's, or the Morpeth Hub. I do not, will not use them, don't want to pay for them. Level footpaths, roading, clean drinking water, sewerage, refuse collection, mowing the grass. Thats all we need. We get 4 of those currently. Oh, the garden down town got some work last week. Didn't really need it. So, please, look after the people who pay for everything. It is not time to be wasting money, we are struggling with our own bills. Don't ask for more. Increasing by the CPI is acceptable in my view, just like everyday expenses. Please all, why can't we just spend money on what needs to get fixed or upkept. The rating pool should be just that, a pool of money collected. Not put up as you feel. We cannot go to our employer and demand a pay rise of 50% over 3 years. If I could, wow 150k. Problem is you can, we cannot stop you. However, the amount is debatable. It should be needs focused, if there's spare money, great. Save it up, use it, pay loans.

Submission ID: 210

Date: Mar 30 24 06:23:12 am

Name:

Dean Smith

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub? Option 1: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 35% external funding for major development works in 2028 and 2029.

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Supporting document

N/A

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 1: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 35% external funding for major development works in 2028 and 2029.

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

You could give food composting bins to residents so they do their own home food composting of food waste to reduce what goes in the council bins

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 2: 20% UAGC - \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

## Supporting document

N/A

## Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I believe that given the current economic climate (New Zealand is now officially in its second period of recession in 18 months) and that members of the community are finding the cost of living to be a challenge, that the upgrades to this facility should be only those which are necessary.

## How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 2: Separate foodwaste collection for urban properties only.

## Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

I believe this would be a very positive step for Council to take. I would also hope that the Council would offer free compost bins or worm farms to ALL properties as a part of this scheme. This would encourage all residents to grow their own vegetables and utilise their food waste as compost.

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Whilst I accept that Option 1 closes the gap more quickly, I believe it would be a retrograde step to ask ratepayers to find an additional \$31.70 per week for the first year given that many people are struggling with the current financial situation. I also struggle with Council having a preference for Option 3. The additional borrowing of \$36 million is a very large amount to add to current Council debts. I believe we should be trying to minimise the District debts.

## How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

My preference for Option 3 is based on the belief that this model will reduce the fixed UAGC charge, leaving the residents in lower-value properties with a lesser amount to be paid in total. I support this model as I believe those people with a higher capital value property would in general have a greater capability to pay a higher rate charge.

#### Supporting document

Attached



# Additional comments re: Whakatane District Council Long Term Plan 2024-34

As a resident and rate-payer of Matata I would like to make the following comments regarding the Whakatane District Council Long Term Plan 2024-34 document as provided to members of the community.

1. In preparing a document such as this for consultation with the community, I would expect that comprehensive checking and proof-reading of the document would occur prior to the document being made public. I am therefore very disappointed to find that there are many mathematical errors in the tables of data and pictograms as presented. For example, the figures provided on page 19 (as percentages) do not total to 100%, but rather to 99.9%. This may be due to rounding errors, (or my pedantic nature to be concerned over such a small discrepancy), but if we are to present figures they should be accurate.

Other similar "small" discrepancies occur on:

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Page 25 – Option 1	Total project cost	LTP 10 yrs	\$105.7	\$105.8
	Development Contributions	LTP 10 yrs	\$14.0	\$13.8
	Average weekly rates increase	LTP 10 yrs	\$5.85	\$5.84
Page 25 – Option 2	Total project cost	LTP 10 yrs	\$107.5	\$107.6
	External subsidies	LTP 10 yrs	\$49.3	\$49.2
	Development contributions	LTP 10 yrs	\$14,2	\$14.1
	Ratepayer contributions	LTP 10 yrs	\$44.0	\$44.2
Page 26 – Option 3	Total project cost	LTP 10 yrs	\$12.5	\$12.6
	Ratepayer contributions	LTP 10 yrs	\$9.3	\$9.2
	Average weekly rates increase	LTP 10 yrs	\$2.05	\$2.06

At first glance these discrepancies could be considered to be minor, but as the majority (except for the average weekly rates increase) are expressed as <u>millions</u> of dollars, then there needs in my opinion, to be a better attention to the accuracy of the details presented to members of the community.

2. On page 20, Council states that it has a capital budget of \$618.2 million. If the three "examples of significant capital expenditure in this Long Term Plan" are added together, they provide a total of \$550 million. My question would be "where is the balance of \$68.2 million to be spent?" It could be argued that the other unidentified expenditure areas are "minor" but with a total expenditure of \$68.2 million, surely this is a significant amount of money and should be



identified to the community, even if it is comprised of three or four "minor" areas. The total of \$68.2 million is a significant expenditure (over 11% of the total budget) and needs to be identified.

- 3. In considering the information on pages 31 to 35, as a resident of Matata I have only focused on the line item "Matata Average." By my calculations, the "average" rate for Matata Average in 2025 would be approximately \$4,284.68 but I could not find where this is shown and I believe it would be of benefit to some of the community if this figure is clearly stated in the document. I believe it can be calculated from the Total 2023/24 figure shown in the table on page 35.
- 4. In the tables on pages 33 and 34 relating to the distribution of rate increases with variations to the UAGC, it is assumed that the final column of the tables "Increase (\$pw)" refers to the increase over the 2023/24 figures. This is not clear (it simply states "Increase" with no reference to what the base figure for comparison is) and I believe should be stated so that there is no ambiguity.
- 5. I believe that the vast majority of ratepayers in the District will, in considering these three options for UAGC changes, simply look at the indicated "Increase \$pw" figures and choose the Option which gives them the lowest weekly increase. I also believe that it is not clear to most residents that whilst the document states "the Uniform Annual General Charge (UAGC) which is a <u>flat rate</u> that every property pays regardless of its capital value or location" that the residential data figures show a <u>varying</u> rate of increase according to location of the property.
- 6. The "indicative Property Rates" table on page 35 provides a wealth of data for residents. Again, I have only considered the data for "Matata average". The glaring omission in my opinion, is which Option model was used to generate the data. I believe given that the total for 2024/25 as shown (\$4,127.32), leads to the conclusion that Option 2 20% UAGC has been used. However this then leads to the question of why was this particular option selected? Is this a preferred option of Council? Would it have been better to indicate which Option was being used, or perhaps even have included more data, including clearly marked figures for each of the three Options.
- 7. I find it of interest on page 36 that the statement "If the policies change as a result of consultation we may need to make some changes to the Long Term Plan budgets." One of these documents being reviewed is the *Draft Fees and Charges Schedule 2024/25*. My question is why is this statement not clearly made at the start of the section "Key Question: How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?" It would appear to me to be a pertinent comment to add on page 32. It then also leads to the corollary of "who is conducting the current review of the *Draft Fees and Charges Schedule 2024/25* and when will this review be released? Will this occur prior to the Council debate and deliberations over the Long Term Plan?
- 8. I could find no reference in the entire Long Term Plan to the proposed implementation of a sewerage scheme for the Matata community, other than a brief paragraph on page 18. Whilst I appreciate that the community is only a small fraction of the entire District population, I believe that it is a scheme which has been "on the drawing board" for a significant number of years. I believe it should be a <u>major</u> priority for the District Council to implement as a matter of priority. If



the Council is worried about timelines, then perhaps they could consider "modular" schemes such as those installed at refugee camps across the world. For example, the BMS Blivet is a package sewage treatment system, manufactured by Butler Manufacturing Services, of Ireland. This company has over 38 years experience of installations in more than 50 countries across the world and offer clients a unique combination of product quality and design know-how. I believe these systems (or similar ones) are a permanent, quickly installed and reasonably inexpensive system which are worth consideration. They are very easy to ship, install and maintain and are built to last with the lowest energy, operator and spare parts requirement. They can also achieve even the strictest effluent standards. In particular, I believe their modular BMS Blivet Package Sewage Treatment Plant would be of interest to those considering installing a sewerage scheme in Matata. I also am not aware if any representation is being made to the Bay of Plenty Regional Council to seek their commitment to the implementation of a sewerage scheme in Matata. If such approaches have been made, then could Council please inform the residents of Matat of the outcome of such requests?

Submission ID: 213 Date: Mar 30 24 09:43:07 am

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

Name:

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

**Aaron Rodgers** 

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Leave it until the economy improves and inflation and interest rates go back down.

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Foodwaste needs to be composted at home like we do. Mixing foodwaste with greenwaste is ridiculous. Paying someone to pick up foodscraps is ridiculous. There needs to be an opt out option.

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

There won't be a funding gap if council scraps all the 'wants' and focuses on the basic infrastructure only. This is serious. People are getting angry.

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

How on earth can you justify any of these options? I would love to see the councils books.

#### Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Listen to the majority of your ratepayers. Scrap everything other than the essentials. Treat council rate funds the same as the average kiwi has to treat therebown bank accounts.

Submission ID: 214 Date: Mar 30 24 09:45:34 am

Name: Lana Tawa

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I, as a ratepayer don't wish to fund this as I will never use it

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Call local farmers to see if they will do bucket collections

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Stop spending money unnecessarily eg We don't need new plants in the roundabout every 3 months

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

No increase, we can't afford to keep paying for dumb shyt

Supporting document

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) CDPattison

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I don't think it needs changing.

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

My Grandparents, Parents, and myself have always composted our left overs for our gardens to grow more food. So maybe small units / houses with no backyard could apply for food waste bins when needed?

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

# 1 rule of living, do not live beyond your means of income. Its hard to believe that councils need to borrow money to meet our community needs. Please Dr Luca set things right.

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

My wage goes up by close to inflation as we can negotiate if we are lucky. So should our rates be as inflation each year..... Single digit increase only. ( just because some people get huge wages doesn't mean we all can afford big rates for non essentials.)

#### Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Being Mayor is a big job requiring a big man. So let Dr Luca get on with the job.

Submission ID: 216 Date: Mar 30 24 01:14:00 pm

Name: Regan Berghuis

#### Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Priority is low, should not be part of the agenda at this stage.

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Another low priority, however foodwaste can be put into existing green waste, likely many people do currently? - no need to purchase 40000 extra bins. People in general are lazy, foodwaste will be mixed regardless of how many stickers you print and put in mailboxes.

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Like many households and other businesses, cost cutting comes first. It is far easier to spend less than earn more and should be the first thing coming to mind. Taking a deep dive into your current costs will answer a lot of questions even "small things" like how many catering services do you use a year? Staff cost is number one expense to any business. Efficiency in personnel can answer a lot of questions. Is your current staffing exceeding what it realistically should be? Is there more each of you can do? ie: wear more than one hat, many businesses "stretch" their team - and can do so because their team actually cares about the business. Do any of you actually care? How much "down time" do each of the team have? A simple and honest "what do you do here" survey of the entire WDC team would highlight some easily closeable gaps in your budget. The act of filling out a survey would hurry each and every one of you up to a give a more satisfactory and consistent effort - ie: increase productivity, which may even solve this so-called funding gap. Those refusing the survey would likely be the passengers in your organisation. Vanity projects like museums, stadiums and the marina should be shelved indefinitely unless a private firm wishes to negotiate.

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Cut the bureaucracy and red tape. Stop pandering. Let people make decisions. Re-assess your budget as per advice given above. Something each and every one of you need to think about when "working" all day.

# Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Cut the dead wood and reward those who care.

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Only do what has to be done to make

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Don't worry about it just keep the same

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Need to look at how money is spent Families are struggling as it is

Supporting document

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Remember who you were voted by the the families of this district.

Submission ID: 218Date: Mar 30 24 05:41:39 pmName:Poppy Jansakulq

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) Sullivan Lakevare Group team member

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

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#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

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# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

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How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

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### **Supporting document**

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

I would like to express my concern and commitment over the preservation and improvement of Sullivan Lake's water quality. Sullivan Lake is important to be because it is the only place in town I feel safe and secure to bring my son to walk and feed the ducks. Every year I help out with art in the park, teaching children flax weaving. I bring visitors to Whakatane to the lake to show its beauty. I support the efforts of the Lake Care Group in advocating for the welfare of Sullivan Lake, and urge the Council to listen to their voice and consider their insights as valuable contributions to the decision-making process. The "Sullivan Lake Water Quality, Ecology and Options for Improvement" report provides a comprehensive understanding of the current state of the lake and offers a range of recommendations and potential solutions for improvement. I strongly urge the Council to prioritise and implement the recommendations outlined in the report. These measures are crucial for the sustainable management of Sullivan Lake and the long-term well-being of our community. The ultimate goal should be to achieve and maintain improved water quality in Sullivan Lake. I implore the Council to make this a priority in the upcoming long-term plan.

Submission ID: 219 Date: Mar 30 24 09:25:43 pm

Name: Shane Keys

#### Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

The Hub should be generating its own income stream to cover maintenance and upgrades, based on user pays and any advertising potential.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Food waste is refuse. But if to avoid rates increase, mix with green waste and turn to compost.

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Go back to the drawing board. Focus only on necessity upgrades. We can make do without the fancy stuff.

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

No more than 10% increase for any one property should be acceptable. WDC, why not do what we have to, and tighten your own belts. Now is not the time to spend on flashy things with no purpose.

#### Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

You've lost focus of the people. We are Whakatane, not just the ground we stand on.

**Submission ID: 220** 

Date: Mar 31 24 07:28:44 am

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 2: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 50% external funding for major development works in 2029 and 2030.

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 2: 20% UAGC - \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

#### Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Matata desperately needs a sewerage system The stench is awful at times and the seeping is disgusting going into the lagoon and therefore our beautiful ocean The local playground is right next to seeping sewerage. There are many large sections and the place could really develop which the area needs .. more housing more people more money for the area . It is a no brainer and a health hazard as well. Please

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

This is not a must have. In this economy and with prices riseing everywhere people cant afford such a venture.

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Spend within you means

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

#### **Supporting document**

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

You all get a pay cut.

Submission ID: 222 Date: Mar 31 24 10:39:17 am

Name: L wilkie

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Required maintenance only

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

#### Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Keep spending to a minimum. Delay upgrades and give the residents and ratepayers some breathing room for the next year or two to absorb the rates increases.

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Just do what is necessary to maintain it as is.

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

A number of people currently struggle to separate their waste into the current system we have, leading to contamination and the load having to go to landfill. I can't see that the costs associated with purchasing new receptacles for separate waste, along with addition collections for this waste, makes sense. Even your preferred option has the introduction of a new general waste bin with a red top. What's wrong with our current bins and what is the cost associated with changing this? What are the associated ongoing costs with the introduction of these new bins. What is the increase in the carbon footprint for any additional collections. Absolute madness.

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 1: Close the gap quickly (in one year) so we pay less in the future.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 1: (Status quo) – 24% UAGC – \$927.50 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

You already have a mechanism for dealing with Homeowners on lower incomes - The Rates Relief scheme. It's also too general to say that the people in lower valued properties are the ones struggling with the cost of living. There are a number of retirees in Higher valued properties who's only source of income is the Government Super and they struggle too. It doesn't go hand in hand that because you have a higher valued property that you are more likely to have the ability to pay more.

#### Supporting document

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Agreed it does need an upgrade but needs to be done over time

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

My green waste bin 9 times out of 10 isn't big enough, this will make it worse

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How is this problem, you cant even explain to us where you have spend our rates in the past not to wasted it on silly projects like speed bumps at intersections thats dont reduce speed anyway

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

I earn good money but yet still struggle to pay my rates, this is going to make so many people suffer and cause more home less people

#### Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Stop wasting our hard earn money on silly projects, spend it wisely, and explain to the public what you're spending it on rather than hiding it

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

In order to do any upgrades the LTP projects, budgets and staffing needs to be reduced to under 10%

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

As it currently is otherwise supply compost and other tools for households to manage their own waste

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Spend less and scrap non essential departments and projects to reduce costs and debt

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

No reduce spending to under 10% increase in rates

#### Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Keep rates affordable or we will have more homeless in ohope and Whakatane. We are in a recession and everyone needs to cut back. Reduce services and maintain essential only

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

The teams that use it could fundraise

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Our own personal compost

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

We are all broke, we can't afford to have higher rates

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Only pay for up keep until we have the funds for new things. We are all struggling. We can't buy what we want as we can't afford and I think the council should be the same

### **Supporting document**

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Please listen to the public, we can't keep taking all these hits, the community are already struggling please don't make us all sell up and leave town

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

We don't need any upgrades, what we need is a solid maintenance plan for the aquatic centre, it's leaks and air conditioning.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Don't collect foodwaste - Continue the drive to provide us all with compost bins and worm bins instead

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

No reason why we have a funding gap - you haven't asked if we even want all these changes, you are assuming we can afford these changes.

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

#### Supporting document

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

#### Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Only do what is actually required right now during our high cost of living we can't afford revamps right now.

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Putting this off untill the cost of living has been sorted is best option. We can not afford extra rate increases.

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Doesn't matter what you choose here, you will forever be increasing our rates with your ridiculous spending. Just don't.

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

The rates we pay for our property is ridiculous been rural, we live on a gravel road and receive nothing for our thousands we pay a year.

#### Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Stop your ridiculous spending. These extra upgrade we can not afford at this point in time. I understand general maintenance needs to be done to things. Just stick to the basics to support your community through the cost of living and recession. Put things on hold untill we can afford like we as people have to do. We can not afford.

Submission ID: 229	Date: Apr 01 24 01:44:47 pm
Name:	Ngai Tamawera Hapu

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) Uiraroa Marae

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

This venue is an asset to Whakatane and is a community hub of significance. There needs to be a level of investment to maintain the complex otherwise it will go into disrepair. Stage renovations and improvements overtime focusing on essential components first. Crowd funding could be a viable option.

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Rate rises are crippling many people. Rate increases add to the cost of living crises many people are currently experiencing.

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

#### **Supporting document**

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

WDC Maori Councillors - excellent having Maori wards and Maori Ward Councillors. Request that WDC submit in support of retaining Maori Wards, should the present coalition government look to revert back to racist policies of the past. Remember the Taiao and keep that front of mind when making development decisions. Toi Tu Te Tiriti. Appreciate the hard working Councillors and all of those on the community boards. We have a great Council and an greater community.

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

At the moment we can only afford basic repairs and maintenance.

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Keep this the same as the current system.

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Less than 10% increase because they are lots of families struggling financially.

#### Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Please be careful with the projects you approve. Look at quotes carefully and stick to the approved budgets. Lots of families in the Whakatane are financially struggling and they can't afford any rate increases. Look at ways for the council to be run more efficiently.

Submission ID: 231	Date: Apr 01 24 02:56:59 pm
Name:	Stephen Dear
Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)	

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

#### Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Stop Rex Morpeth development, curb your spending to look after essential services The Council is out of control with the options given have no place for anyone against any of them You have no mandate for your proposals.

#### Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 2: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 50% external funding for major development works in 2029 and 2030.

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Remember rural properties also pay rates with some paying a huge amount - need to ensure that if you make changes to waste collections you also consider those living rural - be fair and consistent across the board

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

I understand that things cost more my worry is that we have home owners from all walks of life here in Whakatane, I think if you increase rates and or other services it has a trickle down effect on those who may not have benefited from the government budget you may be able to afford a rates increase but what about your neighbour and those up from you what happens if they can't pay their rates they loose their homes....

#### **Supporting document**

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

I don't always understand all the council genre in wording, nor some of the terms used but I understand that your decisions affect my budget not just in the short term but long term. I think what worries me the most is that when you put rates and other costings up you forget that many of us are on a fixed income which doesn't change from year to year therefor putting undue pressure on many families/whanau who do not have the cash reserves to call upon. Surely you could prioritise spending the same way as normal households or business need to - what is important to you is not always important to us the rate payers. I guess what I'm trying to say is money is very tight, many already budget to the max, the cost of living continues to rise and your salaries (you give yourselves a salary increase every year - most of the working classes do not get this luxury) are more than adequate to cover these - but I see people standing in line for the food bank, going to waste not want not, as well as other agencies, whanau not being able to provide for their children going to school and preschool (thank

goodness for lunches in schools) not to mention paying rent or even finding places to rent; you put your costs up the trickle down effect landlords may charge more to cover the higher costs...think first, explore your options and plan every last dollar spent make it count and make it more visible to those of us that pay the rates - itemise where does my rates money go, how is it spent on what, when and what did it cost -

**Submission ID: 233** 

Date: Apr 01 24 04:19:24 pm

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

We don't need anything upgraded at Rex Morpeth! For the money you are wanting to spend it is pointless and very few will benefit!

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Stop all the senseless spending

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Stop spending rates payers money and ever increasing rates! It's bullshit!

#### Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

We pay your wages and maybe they should be changed so you are paid on your merit of how well you do for the taxpayer! That would save enough money so we don't pay more, and all your staff who are being paid huge amounts to fleece the ratepayers can find work elsewhere! Stop spending money in senseless upgrades and other shit that benefits your staff! It's shocking!

#### Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Repair roof leaks Replace faulty tea making equipment. Stop spending money on "nice to have." Reduce expenditure. Make savings catering, consultants, planning committees, airfares.etc Reduce debt

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

I compost all food waste Do not need extra bin Believe it would be of value for rest homes and restaurants Resthome with 50 residents using only fresh vegetables there is lots of vegetable peelings.

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Stop unnecessary spending. Reduce debt. Check where savings can be made

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 1: (Status quo) – 24% UAGC – \$927.50 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Reduce debt Stop spending on "nice to have No rate increases Unbelievable you spent half million on a meeting room upgrade "

#### Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

I have a vison for a better Whakatane Where our children and grandchildren Can walk to school breathing fresh clean air For smoke is particularly harmful to their precious little lungs. Where our health system is not clogged up with smoke related illnesses. Where we can air out our cold damp homes on sunny days. Where our washing doesn't come off the line smelling like the bottom of an ashtray. Where the Council would utilise its noise control officers. To impose a levy on those with heat pumps who discharge day time chimney smoke. For they enjoy the warmth, ambiance and the primal joy that only an indoor fire can bring. In a use pays world a levy needs to be paid. This levy can fund a local health initiative. What a wonderful place Whakatane would be A world leader in smoke free A massive win for public health and the environment.

#### Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

#### How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 1: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 35% external funding for major development works in 2028 and 2029.

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Targeted upgrade with deadline and only proceed on meeting budget. Once certain deadlines are met then get specific areas earning income. The Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub should be aimed at earning council an income stream so it can support the expenditure immediately. Funding should be via a long term loan so the project can have time to being earning cashflow.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

For the meantime, education of people should be important so foodwaste and greeenwaste are separated. Could there be interested parties that can engage and do these for free? Research companies may be able to use these waste for energy generation etc.

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

The funding gap should be long term to relieve the current cost pain that people go through. In a few years with ease of cost and projects generating returns we can be in a better position then to pay off any debts.

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Rate payers are struggling with high costs so any limitation or low increase will help them stay afloat. Too high a cost will put people off any future vision.

#### **Supporting document**

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Focus on cutting any costs that the Council is carrying. Review all departments expenditures and cut any unnecessary spending or delay medium/long term projects. Are we carrying too many staff in council? Are the management & executive teams remuneration need to be reviewed? Better to put on hold any further pay increases in the next year.

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Just repair what is necessary and fund through sponsorship advertising etc where possible

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Doesn't concern us as we are not entitled to this service

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 2: 20% UAGC – \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

# **Supporting document**

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Rates increases need to be made very carefully and openly with the public as these rate increases will be putting serious pressure on a lot of everyday people's financial decisions

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

I believe we had a 17% rates increase last year so please let us know what we actually got for our money. Please note our Tauranga rates for a larger home and site are considerably less than your charges. How can that be?

#### Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

With a recession in place we believe that there should not be an increase in rates through these tough times!!!!

Submission ID: 238	Date: Apr 02 24 07:30:15 am
Name:	Lynore Craig

#### Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub? Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

My comments apply to Rex Morpeth Recreation hub and closing the funding gap The Whakatane district is one of the less affluent districts in the country with one of the lower per capita income levels in the country. With this demographic and cost of living increase for many in our community I do not believe the Council cannot commit the ratepayers to significant rates increases for projects that are not necessary to the district's effective functioning. Certainly in times of financial prosperity planning for the district's future needs is important and desirable but at present increased financial stress on those who pay rates is both potentially harmful to our community's wellbeing and irresponsible decision making. The district's infrastructure, water and maintenance of existing assets we have (not redeveloping and extending) I believe are priorities in a financially difficult time. Please focus on these. I do not support options 2 and 3 at this time because of the added cost to ratepayers for an upgrade which is at present 'a nice to have.'

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

#### Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

\this seems the most manageable and simple option. I read of how the current system of rubbish disposal is not used correctly so think that the most effective and simple collection is the best option.

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

I support option 3 for the reasons expressed above. The financial security of our community is fragile and our wellbeing critical to a functioning positive district. Increased financial pressure is detrimental to that wellbeing on both our families and retired people on fixed incomes.

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 2: 20% UAGC – \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

I agree with option 2 for the reasons outlined in the LTP document "lowering the UAGC in response to cost of living increases and to better reflect the ability for people who own lower-value properties to pay.'

#### Supporting document

Attached

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Attached is my submission on improving the water quality of Sullivan Lake as set out in the Council commissioned research Sullivan Lake Water Quality, Ecology and Options for Improvement -Keith Hamill 2023

#### Lynore Craig

As a resident of Kopeopeo and member of the Sullivan Lake Care Group since 2013 which has advocated continuously for action to improve the water quality of the lake I am deeply concerned and saddened at the lake's present condition and urge the Council to consider their pleas for action now that Council has scientific evidence that offers a range of recommendations and potential solutions to improve the water quality.

It was heartening to learn from the LTP in 2021 that an investigation into the water quality and remediation possibilities was to be carried out. That report "Sullivan Lake Water Quality, Ecology and Options for Improvement" an investigation by K D Hamill (River Lake Ltd) is completed and I implore Council to implement the recommendations in the report before this lake is lost forever and becomes just "a storm water holding area" a change of purpose made by a former council. That Council ignored the original purpose of the lake -"a recreational man made lake" created from donated land by the developers Sir William Sullivan and Mr Richard Martin with a commitment from the Council to ensure a flow of water through the lake at all times. Now it is a waterlily infested waterway with permanent health warnings around the lake edge. In summer it smells and distressed dying and dead ducks commonplace.

The waterlilies now cover well over half the lake, as witnessed by the councillors who accepted the Care Group's invitation to visit the lake. Their proliferation is part of the problem and the current way of managing them, spraying, exacerbates the degradation of water with the decaying leaves adding to the nutrients in the water. It is noted that Keith Hamill's report does not recommend spraying but by partial removal and placing ground covers on the lake bed which would slow their expansion.

I acknowledge the financial pressures the Council is facing in meeting the obligations of delivering and maintaining services to the communities it serves. Sullivan Lake is a recreational reserve serving the community of "Whakatane South" Such green spaces are important for wellbeing especially in our community which is not affluent and people's choices are more limited. There will be significant population growth of families in the area with the building of the Kainga Ora complex in King St in the near future.

I respectfully ask you, the Whakatane District Council to commit to returning Sullivan Lake to being "the jewel in Whakatane's crown"

Lynore Craig

#### Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Leave everything as Option four. What necessary upgrades are needed. There are already buildings at Wally Sutherland old site Use those for indoor sport. Consultants money instead. I play croquet no parking problems we don't want to shift. Why spend money when we don't need to. So I opted for option 4 forget Rex Morpeth.

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

#### Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Make all rubbish like water, we pay for what we put out. Cameras and scales used to measure this. My neighbours bins are overflowing mine have very little. With cameras in the waste collection trucks could we not pay for rubbish collection like water. I garden I do have green waste which I could not get to the tip. In this day of high food costs, there is no need of food waste bins surely everyone should garden and own their own compost bins.

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 1: Close the gap quickly (in one year) so we pay less in the future.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Spend only on essentials not fancy dreams. If I can't afford Whakatane high rates I can move to somewhere cheaper. A very easy option. I was taught if you can't afford it don't buy it go without I haven't appreciated Council's waste money policies the gap, paddling pool, planter boxes, council chambers upgrade, the marina, rex moreth upgrade the river walk land.

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 2: 20% UAGC - \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

#### Supporting document

Attached

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

I am appalled at the long term plan document. Loads of meaningless pictures loads of meaningless words. Start saving here. Every Beacon I buy has endless well written letters about Council Spending, Why don't Council listen and care.

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increases across the properties in our district?		<b>Option 2:</b> 20% UAGC – \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1.	
		Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.	
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Submission ID: 240 Date: Apr 02 24 09:37:11 am

Name: Vinoop Xaviour / Meenu Maria Babx

#### Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Leave it as it is. Nothing wrong about Rex Morpeth park, fit for purpose. Please use that funding thoughts for a new bridge connecting Awatapu, James St, Coastlands.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 2: Separate foodwaste collection for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Farms and lifestyle has to be self disposing their rubbish. Urban properties do it themselves if Council supports incinerator.

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 1: Close the gap quickly (in one year) so we pay less in the future.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Can do with 1 Council per district 1 state so funding is not wasted or duplicated between different town council.

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

No tincrease, make it slabs like IRD system. >5k houses - 2k >5-<7.5k - 3k >7.5-<1m - 4k >1m-<1.5m - 5k >1.5-<2m - 7k

#### Supporting document

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

**Submission ID: 241** 

Date: Apr 02 24 10:45:09 am

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Everyone is struggling right now. Going hard early on will have such a big knock on effect. Directly on people's pockets and then on their spending in the community and local businesses, cafes, restaurants shops etc will all ultimately be affected

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 1: (Status quo) – 24% UAGC – \$927.50 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

#### Supporting document

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

#### Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

#### How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Our community can not afford the rates hike required for this and it is not a necessity for our area. Basic upgrades should be done but nothing extra or fancy eg: glass walls or over the top art work. In case of an emergency event we have local schools and marae available for evacuation hubs.

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

#### Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

We are rural so no green waste but surely it makes sense to combine the green & kai bins rather than add more expenses.

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Our council clearly has no money so why would we go into repayments like we have the "spare" money right now! Our community can NOT afford to increase rates to pay this.

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

The ultimate option would be NO increase as promised, council spending is out of control!!! Stop spending rate payers money on vanity projects and then expect struggling families to cough up the extra, it's absolutely disgusting to push out already struggling communities into further debt.

# Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

This council needs to take a realistic look at what is happening in our communities. Whanau are truly struggling to feed and house themselves, they can't focus on a pretty glass wall or planters when every dollar is maxed out. Plant fruit trees, utilise local businesses, and stop using our rates for vanity projects to keep up the facade that we are a NZ top district. Who cares what other areas think of the pretty additions....focus on our communities and supporting them through a really rough time for so many.

Submission ID: 243 Date: Apr 02 24 11:58:07 am

Name: Peter Mullooly

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Only do what is necessary at this stage, but keep costs to a minimum

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Do not need more bins use existing green bins for food waste as well as green waste

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Rates need to be kept at minimum cost, it was proposed by council to keep them at 6.9% for the next three years now that promise has been broken, people are struggling now to maintain their accounting, councilors keep increasing their income when we are all struggling to keep our heads above water. Council is too top heavy with staff reduce numbers to cut costs.

#### Supporting document

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Cut staff numbers as we have the most of any council in NZ. Budget is the word

Submission ID: 244 Date: Apr 02 24 12:26:15 pm

Name: Alice Cameron

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 1: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 35% external funding for major development works in 2028 and 2029.

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 2: Separate foodwaste collection for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 1: (Status quo) – 24% UAGC – \$927.50 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

## **Supporting document**

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

We must upgrade sporting/recreation facilities around the wider region as well. Whakatāne needs a second bridge, as well as major upgrades to the Pekatahi Bridge. Whakatāne DOES NOT NEED a \$29 million boat harbour. Whakatāne must keep Māori wards. There is no excuse or need for an expensive referendum. Please increase/improve public transport options.

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I don't think the redevelopment is necessary if it's going to cost ratepayers. No redevelopments should come at a crippling cost to ratepayers

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

The cheapest route possible to rate payers if that is factored into these things.

## How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

## How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

## Supporting document

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Repair and maintain the playgrounds for our children. The infrastructure we have should be maintained before we think about redevelopments and upgrades. Sometimes less is more

## Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

# How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Put the money into maintaining the parks we already have and contract local businesses to help maintain then if the council can't, no point in spending all this money upgrading and redeveloping if we cant all ready look after what we have .

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

## How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Should have thought about this before spending all that money the wast in the council building is a prime example when it was just the air conditioning that needed to be upgraded!!

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

People that own property rural are all really paying more for less services and we pay for local projects is something urban property owners should be paying for more as they use these services

## Supporting document

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Support your local tradesmen during this recession the small business owners the one man bands they need your help to , show them how they can contribute to there disitrict and it might work out cheaper , make tenders accessible to them have a council support person for it .

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

The bare minimum to maintain the existing facilities (status quo),

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Agree with this proposal.

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

See attached

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

See attached

**Supporting document** 

Attached

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

I am asking the Whakatane District Council to consider the needs of the residents of this district carefully and mindfully, rather than prioritising the wants and visions of the council when it comes to our District's Long-Term Plan. We, the people, elected you all in good faith, please honour this. Listen to us, please heed what we are telling you without using any doublespeak, minimisation of concerns or equivocation. I implore you to pause non-essential spending and council overspends such as the forecasted utilities and telecommunications blowout of \$980,000. Work within your budget rather than simply impose rates hikes of up to 38.6%. Ratepayers and residents are not a bottomless money pit, and cannot afford such horrendous hikes. Prioritise basic needs over beautification projects. After all what is the point of \$105.7 million (\$57.8 million in rates) project to redevelop Rex Morpeth Park, a new boat marina with associated priority Keepa Rd improvements for boaties etc, if people must choose between paying their rates or putting food on their tables, heat their homes or to clothe their families?? The core needs of the community must come first and as such, I believe the below necessities should be prioritised;

- Improved water quality. By the Council's own admission, the Whakatane -Ohope township water is of poor quality and worsens over every summer due to the algae levels in the river. Locals and visitors often must buy their own drinking water, boil water, or install water filters at their own expense. Does a drinking water protection ordinance need to be developed to prevent contamination of our water? Or an alternative water supply found? Clean water is essential for good health, for economic development, and to keep the environment clean. We also need affordable water. The supply/connection charge on our domestic metered water rates is habitually higher than the water consumed. What are we paying for?
- Improved rubbish collection on council roads, property, and reserves. The rubbish bins overflow at popular venues as Westend, Maraetotara and the skatepark along with broken glass. This gets worse over public holidays and long weekends. Not a good look for NZ's "top beach", let alone the associated health and safety risks to the public. Members of the public have now begun to pick up rubbish off roads and on reserves because of the volumes of rubbish.
- Slip-proofing connector roads such as Gorge Rd, Valley Rd before the next major weather event e.g. heavy rain, earthquake. Surely preventative proactive measures to stabilise these routes should be a priority? rather than the widening of Keepa Rd for boaties and their trailers

I believe that the council need to act on these matters and not just give them "lip service". Re-prioritise your budget, "park" your beautification/recreational projects (especially in this current economic climate where people are really struggling) and address the basics. The average household must budget and live according to their means rather than demanding double-figured increases in their income. The council must recognise this and not forget the (in)ability of the people in the community to pay their rates bill. Change the Councils apparent paradigm that NZ's capital value-based system also assumes income and payment capability. Rather than choosing unaffordable hikes in rates and in prices for core services, the council ought to look inwards at their own bloated bureaucracies, departments and overspending first when looking to make savings. I urge WDC to develop a practical and basic long-term plan. Address the necessities of our community and not the desires of the Council. Follow the examples of Central Government and other Local Governments (e.g. Opotiki) and task the WDC's CEO and 7 General managers to "trim the fat" in their respective departments by scrutinising and rationalising staffing levels and (over) expenditure. Trim back unnecessary consultant costs

Rates and rates affordability are becoming less affordable for all groups of ratepayers, with rates increasing faster than the average household income, CPI, average household living coats or Local Government Cost Index. Forecasted rate increases will significantly exceed wage growth, CPI growth and LGCI. WDC rate rises at the proposed levels are not sustainable and will be a driver of poverty for this area. Be truly wise in your spending

Submission ID: 248	Date: Apr 02 24 02:22:46 pm
Name:	Nigel Hastie

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) Nigel Hastie - Rate payer

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

We should ONLY carry out necessary work that is needed. Should at any time further development of sporting venues/facilities be required then this could be largely funded by selling naming rights to businesses or individuals and this should be staggered over a 20-50 yr. plan.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

## Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

as is at present with a yearly inorganic roadside collection (this could curb "fly Tipping")

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Through cutting internal overheads (staffing numbers & general costs in departments) the same as any private business has to.

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Rates increases should be in line with inflation expectations or slightly higher. (Not be increased 3+ times inflation).

## **Supporting document**

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Yes take a leaf out of what is happening in central government - Trim expenditure . Like all of us we sometimes have to go backwards to eventually move forward, the days of "wants" are over and only affordable needs have priority.

**Submission ID: 249** 

Date: Apr 02 24 02:24:13 pm

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Non of the 3 options put forward above are acceptable. It is my belief that being extremely prudent and diligent with all council spending including all levels of staffing and salaries WDC would be able to work within their funding means, without increasing further generational debt. I am unquestionably against any/all upgrades to Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub other than repairs and maintainence required to hold hard until such time as the economy improves and New Zealands recession passes.

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

## Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

People individually need to be doing a lot more to educate themselves on how to cut down and dispose of food waste from producers to consumers. Non of the 3 options above are acceptable due to cost factors which in turn would increase the burden for ratepayers and tenants. Once again not a neccessity at this time. Something to put on the "when its financially viable "list for the future when those that foot the bill are in a better financial position.

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

## Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

If our funding gap is driven by reducing costs by way of spending only on absolute necessities to enable the WDC (that represent the community) to meet its existing obligations, there should not be a need to increase the level of debt. Every avenue of external funding should be explored and applied for (something that WDC has a reasonably good record in doing) to help maintain the status quo until such time as is financially manageable for the majority of ratepayers and tenants

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

My thought are non of the above are acceptable. Any rate increase with further borrowings should be discarded, with inflation, existing debt repayment, with repairs and maintainence of existing infrastructure being the only drivers in such. Whakatane is/has fast become a township where it is unaffordable for many to continue to own their own home or for younger ones to try and do so. Yes there are rebates available, they in turn come back to haunt by way of "taxation". Its time to stop and recalibrate.

## Supporting document

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Please forcus and make your decisions with prudence and pragmatism. In three years time, hopefully in

**Submission ID: 250** 

Date: Apr 02 24 03:22:53 pm

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

absolute minimum for any upgrade.

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

stop increasing it.

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

absolute minimum

Supporting document

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

For consideration regarding Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub. The removal of the rugby, cricket, soccer fields to a new site. Either negotiate with other existing local groups or look for land outside of the township. Currently there is no room for growth; current car parking is unsafe, (Domain and Goulstone Roads) you are considering upgrade to existing pavilions - start it all again. Look for voluntary labour input. Do bare minimum required on the RMR building for now. Once these are gone then consider re designing the RMR Hub.

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

only do required earthquake works wait till cost of living crisis has settled down and re visit then

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

## Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

like every one we need to tighten our belts and get through doing the massive upgrade is going to make it harder on people already struggling

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district: we need to make it as low as possible

## **Supporting document**

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

## Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

# How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

At this time when everyone is struggling only do what is essential to keep the facilities useable until the economy improves

## How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Separate bins with twice a week collection

## How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Times are tight for majority of people, lets not add additional pressure

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

User pays, if you have 4 toilets you pay more, if you live rurally you dont pay for a rubbish collection service thats not available. If you live at the beach and it costs more to get water or waste water to the treatment facilities then you should pay a little more than someone who live closer to the plants.

## **Supporting document**

N/A

### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Everyone one is struggling to make ends meet including businesses so leave the non-essential things until the economy is on the up again. Maintain what we currently have and plan for future development.

Submission ID: 253 Date: Apr 02 24 05:34:57 pm

Name: Phillipa Knight

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Not the time to upgrade leave until there's funds to do this in the future . It's served us well & will continue to do so until this recession is over

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

People need more information on what we can we can do if we mix foodwaste & greenwaste Need larger wheeling bin for house hold waste

## How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Burden needs easing know . Things will improve in future

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

## Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

We paying ours from our Superannuation just about unmanageable as it is cause of high rates in Whakatane

## Supporting document

N/A

### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Please think about the people that own there own homes a lot are struggling to pay their rates as it is We one of highest in NZ. People that have rentals are providing homes for people to live in. Think the homeless situation will rear its ugly head again if rates rent cost keep heading up. That's a real concern

Submission ID: 254 Date: Apr 02 24 09:12:39 pm

Name: Kevin Sullivan

## Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Any refurbishment to the facility should be health and safety based and only sufficient to maintain its current use for the community

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Council needs to ensure long term acceptance of combined green and food waste is guaranteed. Don't want to start service and find receiving facility declines product down the road. Food waste will increase odour in collections so will need to collect weekly but that will double the greenwaste collection cost portion of our Waste Collection levy

## How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

## Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Given the current financial climate keep expenses down to basic infrastructure upgrades then look at the nice to haves

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 1: (Status quo) – 24% UAGC – \$927.50 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Look at what each property receives and rate accordingly, not purely its GV

## Supporting document

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

I note the boat harbour is not mentioned. It should be a "future" plan as it is not needed now and Harbour funds could be spent in better ways. The location is wrong, it should be by the Yacht Club or at the Bennett Block when developed. A fully designed and costed model has previously been generated by staff (2018?) for such a facility located at the Yacht Club prior to the Provisional Growth Fund Establishment. It included the supported aspirations of Iwi in obtaining their view of the river unencumbered by the current wharf/fishing club structures so a better "community" outcome

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Stop wasting money. Upgrades are nice but not needed right now!!

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

What's her is cheapest.

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Rates increase are too high. Families cannot afford this. Council needs to stop spending.

Supporting document

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Stop spending money we don't have.

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Do the bare minimum

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Leave as is no change

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

## Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Stop unnecessary spending as council is crippling the community

## How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Rangitaiki ward should have the least increase as we don't see any improvements done in our town as all our money is spent in Ohope. Ohope should have the greatest rates increases

# Supporting document

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Stop spending and wasting valuable money find ways to put money into the rates payers pockets for a change

## Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Don't make the public pay for it through taxes. If you can't get it through other ways of payment, it shouldn't be done

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

I honestly don't think it will matter what you do because ultimately a large number of people won't follow the instructions sadly

## How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district: None of these options are sustainable

## **Supporting document**

N/A

### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

I work full time as a local police man. I have been serving the community for coming up on 7 years. I am on a tight budget with only necessity spending and I am struggling to buy food each week. Putting the rates up is only going to further my financial struggles. I work in a stable job that will never not be needed and if I am struggling to pay bills and provide food for myself each week, I can't even imagine how other with less stable jobs are. The cost of living crisis seriously effects us all and spending money on unnecessary developments at this stage is crazy. The focus should be on saving money for the community over the next 4-5 years rather than digging us into more debt.

Submission ID: 258	Date: Apr 02 24 10:12:18 pm
Name:	Gary Lockyear

## Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

You only need to do the bare minimum upgrades as required and over a few years to ease the burden

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Leave it status would.

## How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

## Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Stop wasting tax payers money, the council needs to focus on what is urgently required and not carry out the council wish list as we are all struggling.

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

## Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Target the areas that have higher house values and not the Rangitiaki ward as we are not the cash cow for the Whakatane district.

## Supporting document

N/A

### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Get back to reality and listen to your community.

Date: Apr 03 24 03:42:22 am

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) Nil

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Stop spending unnecessary funds. We the public have lost confidence in our whakatane council.

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Look at making methane or compost

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Stop anymore lending. The public have lost faith in you

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

No rates increase until you start including public more

**Supporting document** 

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

As you are a corperate entity..We the public are not contracted to you so charging rates is illegal and fraudulent. Cease all spending now and start listening to the public. Our whakatane public have lost all confidence in the council.

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) Eastern Bay of Plenty Vintage Car Club

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

We think on necessary repairs are done, no upgrades are necessary when the country is in a bad financial state.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

People should have their own compost.

## How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

## Supporting document

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Staff don't need pay increases as they are some of the highest paid workers in the town and have a flash new building and the roundabout at the bridge was a total waste of money. Many families are struggling to live if the rates go up so much there will be a lot more homeless. Wake up.

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I think a lot of council planning is for projects that are unnecessary and unaffordable to the extent council wants. They need to balance their budgets just as we do. the council building a case in point...best of everything, reuse nothing! we live in the real world - the rates increases are outrageous! Only do the essential things.

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Properties should deploy worms farms for vegetable matter. Another round of pickups is just waste pandering to all the green notions! Those people who are inclined to be proactive with reducing waste/recycling are doing it without this added programme, those that can't be bothered, won't bother to separate things anyway. Just another waste of money!

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Right now most people are seriously stretched in their resources. Council will just come up with other ways to spend our money if that gap is quickly closed. They are not there minimizing our costs and curbing spending as they should be.

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

## Supporting document

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

## Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

## How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 2: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 50% external funding for major development works in 2029 and 2030.

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

The proposal is great and is much needed! Does the Council obtain quotes from contractors before carrying out work? In the long term once the project is complete he use of this hub will increase with the potential to inject funds into the community through events.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

## Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

The worm farm/compost bin initiative is great. It's just trying to get people to use them. We use the compost bin that was subsidised for \$10 from the Council and thought that was a great idea.

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 1: Close the gap quickly (in one year) so we pay less in the future.

## Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Option 1 and 3 - torn between both but can't pick both. This is a tricky option because on one hand we want to avoid future debt and on the other hand we want to ease the burden of a rates increase given the current financial climate of today's society.

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

I've gone with option 3 in response to the cost of living increases to ease the burden on ratepayers.

# Supporting document

Attached

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

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## Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

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# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

We do not all participate in this facility. The scale of funding should come from those that use this facility.

## How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

## Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

A large green bin should be required for this. No additional bin is required.

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

# Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

What funding is being referred to here? There should not be a funding gap. Our current rates should cover any funding. If not, then the council should look internally to their personnel/resources to reduce the overspending that is taking place. Has any thought been spent on the increase in the number of rate payers?

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 2: 20% UAGC – \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

It is bad enough that the cost of living has increased more than 20%, our income barely increases no more than 2.5%. Now added to our burden is an increase in rates between 16% and 24%. The increase in rates should be kept to the minimum at this time.

## Supporting document

N/A

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Yes, what savings has the council put in place to reduce this burden on the rate payers? We would like to hear what the council is doing to contribute toward keeping the current rates or reducing the increase to inline what our income is expected to increase.

Submission ID: 264 Date: Apr 03 24 11:12:35 am

Name: Johnathan Kay

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Take a financially conservative approach

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Financially conservative

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Financially prudent

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Financially conservative

## Supporting document

Attached

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

I consider that the WDC needs to change its approach act in the same manner as a private business i.e. expenditure should be aligned to income . It appears to me the Council has been spending beyond its means for some years and growing its organisation without any real consideration to its income stream. The WDC should consider its outgoings and consider in particular, whether its level of Staff is warranted given the modest size of our town and its population. I have been concerned for a number of years at the WDC staff hiring policy which has allowed it to offer staff wages considerably above that of the private sector. I am further concerned to learn that a small town (as Whakatane is) requires over 9 Managers who each receive over \$200,000 per annum- Does this equate to the rating income from over 450 residential properties?. I suggest that the WDC trim its Staff levels to a more sustainable level. If necessary, services should be contracted / outsourced which would avoid ongoing and ballooning staff costs and liability. I attach completed submission form which in conjunction with my views above is to take a fiscally conservative and prudent approach.

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# Need more space for your feedback?

Submission ID: 265 Date: Apr 03 24 12:21:51 pm

Name: Chris Robinson

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Why don't you give people the option of not spending over \$100 million on Rex Morpeth. Your questionnaire is designed to get support so it is quite deceptive. You are racking up enormous amounts of debt so need to get your spending under control. You are using the rate payers homes as security so please exercise some restraint when you spend other people's money.

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

## Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Why are you wasting money on separating food waste? Once again a loaded questionnaire. Very deceptive!!!!

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

## Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Please show some restraint and stop wasting rape payers money!

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

You wouldn't need such massive, ridiculous rate rises if you showed some fiscal responsibility.

## Supporting document

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

You are out of control with your reckless spending. If anyone ran their home like that they would go bankrupt but you use the rate payers as a cash cow. Also you need to consult more. Why did you stop access to the 100 acres at Coastlands. You sell the land to a developer then block public access? Also the new marina needs greater consultation. My understanding is toxic waste has been dumped there and It will become a toxic nightmare if you disturb it. There are a number of other issues that Ray Sears concerns with moving the marina to the proposed new site. Why did the council require Julian's Berry Farm to put low cos housing for Maori as part of gaining consent? Isn't that racist? Also, who is going to want to buy a house in a new subdivision when they may have low income people living next door. And the real world, people pay extra money to live in a suburb so they are surrounded by people from a similar socio-economic level. It's not being racist, it's being honest. I lived in a good area in Auckland with social housing and a neighbouring street. A small pocket of social housing cause massive problems to the surrounding neighbourhood. Please consult with the community more and stop spending money like drunken sailors.

Submission ID: 266	Date: Apr 03 24 12:49:37 pm
Name:	Jade Kent - Film Bay of Plenty

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) Film Bay of Plenty

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

# How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 1: (Status quo) – 24% UAGC – \$927.50 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

## Supporting document

Attached

# Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Thank you for you time and consideration for this and all submissions.



## Comprehensive Proposal for the Continued Growth of Whakatāne's Regional Screen Sector

Tēnā koutou Te Kanauihera ā-rohe o Whakatāne,

We submit this proposal outlining the critical facets of our plan for sustaining and expanding the regional screen sector in Whakatāne through Film Bay of Plenty. This proposal encompasses economic advantages, community engagement, tailored support for diverse screen projects, insightful industry perspectives, and exemplifies both tangible and intangible successes. Our primary focus remains on economic development, advocating for creatives while prioritising regional economic prosperity.

#### **Key Components of the Proposal:**

#### 1. Economic Development and Community Vibrancy:

- Film Bay of Plenty acts as a catalyst for economic growth in the Whakatāne, Ōpōtiki, Kawerau, Taupō, Rotorua, Western Bay of Plenty and Tauranga districts by attracting and supporting screen projects, fortified by a sustainable plan for long-term impact.
- Increased filming activities contribute to Whakatāne's overall growth, fostering heightened community engagement and high economic impact through employment and local spend.

#### 2. Project Tiers and Tailored Support:

- Adoption of the industry tiered system (T1 to T4) allows us to understand and address the diverse needs of screen productions.
- The surge in T3\*and T4\*¹ productions exploring the Bay of Plenty as a production destination in the last 12 months underscores the region's growing reputation as a versatile filming destination.

## 3. Unlocking Economic Growth Throough Strategic Investment:

- A regional incentive has been used with huge success in Australia and in Canterbury, New Zealand. The aim of the regional incentive is to attract productions to shoot in a region outside of the typical shooting centres ie Auckland and Wellington. The incentive provides an offset to the additional accommodation and travel costs that are seen to occur when a production moves away from the traditional shooting centre. Its targeted use is to increase the use of local crew, cast and businesses.
- A modest investment can trigger robust ripple effects across our local economy, fostering significant economic growth and community development. The key lies in empowering productions to choose Whakatāne as their base, achieved through a strategic incentive. This isn't just about interest; it's about creating an environment that attracts and supports productions, catalyzing positive outcomes for our region.
- A tailored approach ensures efficient planning and servicing of incoming productions, fostering growth and diversity in the regional screen industry.

- Description: Encompasses screen productions with moderate to substantial budgets, potentially with an international focus, including feature films, tele-features, international TV series (streaming/cable), and long-running New Zealand TV series.

- \*Description: \* Represents the New Zealand domestic market, commercial projects, and online content with varying budget scales, including projects with budgets less than NZ\$1 million up to NZ\$3 million.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Tier Three (T3):

<sup>- \*</sup>Budget Range: \* NZ\$4 million to NZ\$14 million.

<sup>- \*</sup>Characteristics:\* Broad reach, international distribution potential, significant contributions to the regional film industry, providing opportunities for local talent, and generating economic benefits.

<sup>-</sup> Tier Four (T4):

<sup>- \*</sup>Budget Range: \* Diverse budgets.

<sup>- \*</sup>Characteristics: \* Crucial for supporting local content creation and innovation, contributes to the vibrancy of the regional film industry, often a platform for emerging talent in TV series, feature films, and online content.



#### 3. Success Stories and Potential Impact:

- An incentive funded by Amplify and Destination Great Lake Taupō, recently secured a New Zealand feature film to shoot in Taupō, delivering both tangible and intangible benefits to the region. This included 63 local people employed as cast and crew and approximate spend in the region of \$2 million in 6 weeks.
- Beyond economic gains, a local filmmaker's access to one-on-one tuition helped secure a
  development grant for her short film, exemplifying intangible gains that will grow our own local
  filmmakers and enable them to stay and work in the region.

#### 4. Screen Canturbury's Regional Incentive example:

- Screen Canterbury grew their incoming productions from one to two productions per year to nine in 18 months. This exemplifies potential growth for Whakatāne if funding is made available.
- An initial investment of \$1.5 million over three years in Screen Canterbury yielded a ROI, demonstrating economic viability. It has resulted in increase spend in the region that would not have come otherwise, crew employment and strengthening of the local industry.
- Nine productions, comprising five feature films and four series, with total approx budget being \$47 million injected approximately \$28 million (60%) into the region. These funds directly benefitted local businesses and services. Each project engaged an average of 45 crew members, reaching up to 100 in some cases.
- These productions not only brought substantial financial investment but also fostered job creation, economic growth, and community engagement, showcasing a positive return on investment for the region.

#### 5. Proposed Regional Incentive for Whakatāne:

- We are proposing a conservative investment of \$90,000 over three years for Whakatāne to create a regional incentive. The aim is to fund up to eight projects with an average budget of \$100,000 each.
- The incentive will go to productions that can commit to and then prove 60% of the total budget spent locally, local cast and crew used, local locations and suppliers used.
- Based on 60% of that budget spent in the region, the calculated ROI per year is approximately 6.07 times the spend, presenting a conservative yet promising outlook.
- We would see crew capability and capacity grow in the region.
- This scheme would attract new economic development activity in the Whakatāne region that would not have come otherwise, with strong return for local businesses, crew and the wider area.

#### Financial Request:

- Seeking a total of \$62,500 per year.
  - \$30,000 for Film Bay of Plenty operational costs supporting current objectives and performance indicators in our funding MOU. Our financial request represents an increase, yet it allows us to efficiently serve the region without the need for additional time-consuming funding applications, such as those with Creative Communities.
  - \$30,000 for incentive, to be managed by a select committee (with potential to carry this forward into the next financial year, aligning with industry funding timelines).
  - \$2,500 to support the administration, creating contractual agreements, financial management, select committee, advertsing and marketing, and running of the incentive grant.



#### Te Ao Māori and Economic Development:

- Film Bay of Plenty is committed to supporting Te Ao Māori through collaboration with partners like
   Nga Aho Whaakari and Whakaata Māori.
- This partnership enables the representation of Māori aspirations and indigenous voices globally, supporting te reo and tikanga Māori goals, and fostering cultural competency advisory.

#### Why the Screen Media industry:

- While it may initially appear that establishing a regional screen incentive fund could be viewed as favouring one sector of the economy over others, closer examination shows this is not the case.
- The screen industry brings unique economic benefits that extend beyond mere job creation.
- It serves as a catalyst for training, tourism, stimulates local businesses, and promotes cultural visibility on a global scale.
- Supporting the screen sector is based on strategic considerations aimed at maximising the region's competitive advantage and fostering long-term economic growth.

### **Tourism Opportunities:**

- Filming in the region creates a tourism drawcard, attracting visitors to explore captivating locations featured in our projects. Lord of the Rings is the most successful example of this internationally.
- The spaces, facilities, and locations we offer become valuable assets contributing to community vibrancy and well-being.

#### **Industry Insights:**

- The New Zealand screen industry comprises 14,000 workers, underscoring its substantial role in employment.
- When a screen based production shoots on location, it brings with it jobs, revenue, and related infrastructure development.
- Physical productions provide an immediate boost to the local economy, fostering job creation and innovation in other industries across the production supply chain.
- The screen industry provides a strong multiplier effect for money spent in a regional economy. Studies have shown that screen uses a wide range of local products and services to support the delivery of the production. This means that the economic benefits from better performance and growth in the screen industry are distributed widely. As referred to on page nine of the Oxford Economics Report about the success of NZ made Sweet-Tooth. <sup>2</sup>
- Median earnings are growing faster in the screen sector than the New Zealand economy, particularly benefiting those with lower earnings.

## Conclusion:

Establishing a regional incentive managed by Film Bay of Plenty aligns directly with the city's vision for growth, economic development, and community enhancement. The burgeoning growth in the screen sector promises a multitude of advantages for Whakatāne, from increased job opportunities to heightened cultural visibility. Your continued support for our regional film office is essential for effectively managing this growth and ensuring that the benefits are maximised for the community.

It's imperative to recognise that while the New Zealand Film Commission benefits from government assistance, regional film offices, responsible for facilitating and supporting local screen productions, do not receive direct funding. None of this government assistance extends to support operational or other requirements of regional film offices.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://www.mpa-apac.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/OE SweetTooth Report 150323 Digital-1.pdf



The success of the screen industry in the region hinges not only on one-time financial injections but also on sustained operational funding. Ongoing support will enable Film Bay of Plenty to consistently attract and manage productions, fostering a thriving and sustainable screen sector. We request that our financial proposal be thoughtfully considered as part of the Long-Term Plan (LTP), reinforcing our commitment to the continued growth and prosperity of Whakatāne through the vibrant medium of the screen sector.

Ngā mihi,

Jade Kent Film Office Executive - Film Bay of Plenty

Presentation date request: April 18th, 2024 – first presentation during the day.

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) Rate payers

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 2: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 50% external funding for major development works in 2029 and 2030.

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Other funding options eg Energy Trust

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Keep the status quo

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

We should not be funding "nice to have" spending. We need basic services and upgraded infrastructure.like replacing old water pipes.

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

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Supporting document

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

No present upgrades at all at this time. It serves our needs as is right now. Upgrades can wait.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

## Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

People are struggling right now. Increases in rates are getting unaffordable for many, and in all areas of the district. I believe large rate increases may result in older people having to sell their homes and purchase in other areas which is unfair, younger people with mortgages struggling to pay their mortgage etc. And why... to pay for buildings or marina that most won't use or need. NO! Absolutely these things are not expenditures needed in our community

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Apply the rates to the maintenance of the assets and general cost. All new projects and upgrades should be paid with voter approved funding.

## Supporting document

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Things such as sea and river protection due to climate change are needed, funding needs to be there for those aspects. The government needs to provide financial support for 3 waters improvements and maintenance. NZ infrastructure has been left too long and now its unaffordable for councils. Regions need to petition/lobby for this. And if people, boaties want a marina or sports clubs improved facilities then let them fundraise for these. It should not come from rates.

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

We shouldn't. Full stop. Now is not the time for nice to haves. Put it on hold. This is what we all do when things get tough.

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## Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Cut excessive spending. We need to concentrate on nothing other than essentials

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

## Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Cut excessive spending. We need to concentrate on nothing other than essentials. No Marinas..No park upgrades..Essentials. Water..Waste..Animal control. All politicians..Local and Central should be paid the national average wage.. Want better living conditions? Look after the country and raise its standard of living. With the increase in insurances and rates and everything else we are very closed to being unable to own our homes.

## **Supporting document**

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Understand what a cost of living crisis means for your community. Our local economy will only suffer more the more you squeeze us with rates increases. Yes.. you will probably get the majority of your money... but it means it wont be spent elsewhere. Your local businesses will close. they will sell thier properties and move on.

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

None of the above.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

# How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

## Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Cost of living is hard for alot of families in our communities. It should be distributed fairly.

## How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

# Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Distribute the rates to the communities that need it first. Like Matata for a sewerage scheme.

## Supporting document

N/A

## Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Be smart about how you spend the money.

Submission ID: 271 Date: Apr 03 24 06:38:30 pm

Name: Jack Karetai-Barrett

## Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 1: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 35% external funding for major development works in 2028 and 2029.

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

The war memorial is the safe place for the community, and is also where most of the fun things happen.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

I wrote an article in the Beacon about waste food collection. You could read that. It is also on my blog. It is about visiting Ecogas in Reporoa and seeing how they turn waste into energy. Until we can get people to stop wasting food, this is the next best thing. The best thing is to stop waste.

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

## **Supporting document**

N/A

### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

We have been asking you for a long time now to support a trail for mountain biking. There is not one single time where you talked about mountain biking in your consultation document. I think you just don't care about us. If we have trails here, people will visit our community and spend money here. We visit Rotorua all the time for the trails. Please stop ignoring us. There are so many of us and we love to ride. The walkers won't let us use their trails even though they would use ours, like they do at Onepu - and we don't mind sharing

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Work within a tighter budget.

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 2: Separate foodwaste collection for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Why are we paying sooo much for basic town amenities. We already pay more than enough. Property owners will lose homes with this increase. How will a family of 2 on 1 wage making average wage cope with this price increase. We arent using a 105 million park either. NOT FAIR

#### Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Major. Get within yr budget. You over spent not rate payers. Stop spending unnecessarily. Firstly Roundabout is a backed up joke now.

**Submission ID: 273** 

Date: Apr 03 24 07:05:27 pm

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Dont spend any where near 105 mill

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 2: Separate foodwaste collection for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Council over spent. Cut back unnecessary spending

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

NO INCREASE.NO WAY NOT HAPPENING

**Supporting document** 

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Stop spending on stupid projects.

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Not interested.

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

We don't waste food in our household.

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

In response to the 3 options above some of our community members are struggling to pay increasing rates. I know others in our small community are not insuring their homes and vehicle. Cost of living these days are getting harder. It would be good to cap the rates.

#### Supporting document

N/A

Submission ID: 275	Date: Apr 03 24 07:14:08 pm
Name:	Mr & Mrs Davis Edgecumbe

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

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Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Weekly Pick uo

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

#### **Supporting document**

N/A

Submission ID: 276 Date: Apr 03 24 07:30:58 pm

Name: Karl pearson

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

## Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Not just do the required maintenence, it will be user pays however our families can't afford the latest club subs due to 400 percent increases, your pool swimmers are paying for kiddypool upgrades and spa pool upgrades while you give your workers free entry, and free pool to murapara. No upgrades

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

#### Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Dig our own hole and dump it.

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Figure out why we have a funding gap and cut out all nice to haves back to need to haves,

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

You should only need inflation increases or it shows how badly you are mismanaging our district and should all be fired

#### Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

At over 30 percent increases, don't be surprised to be spat at in the street you dogs

**Submission ID: 277** 

Date: Apr 03 24 09:03:09 pm

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation) None

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Don't do it, it's not affordable by many rate payer's.

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

#### Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Leave it as it is, food just rots away into the ground, no biggie

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Stop spending the rate payer's money on unsesary projects.

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Don't spend money on unsesary projects,

#### **Supporting document**

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Stop dreaming up projects to waste money, do the basics, rate payer's need at least 3 years to recover from the Labour/Greens government disaster.

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

In these tough times this is a ridiculous ask of rate payers that are already struggling to put food on the table

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

This needs to be addressed before they even think about borrowing more money

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

No increase families simply cannot afford it and it is unfair of the council to expect this when families are struggling to survive

#### Supporting document

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Stop unnecessary spending and just concentrate on simple maintenace, listen to the voice of the rate payers

**Submission ID: 279** 

Date: Apr 03 24 10:54:00 pm

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

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Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

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#### **Supporting document**

N/A

#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

I think yr all just a bunch of Rio off fellas. Stop wit yr rates increases . Esp in rural people

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 2: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 50% external funding for major development works in 2029 and 2030.

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I don't agree this is a priority for the expenditure you invisage should have option 4 scale it down

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 2: Separate foodwaste collection for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

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Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Rate increase still to high many cannot afford this

**Supporting document** 

N/A

Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

As a senior rate payer with increased insurance costs ect rate increases of even 16 percent just unaffordable

Submission ID: 282 Date: Apr 04 24 08:33:16 am

Name: Stephanie Mickell

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

None of these options. Don't want any of these options. I want absolutely maintenance only.

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Council should stick to infrastructure only. Water, rubbish, roading - NO!! No money spent on the museum, library, rex morpeth park or swimming pool.

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district: I do not want any rate increases to be in double didgets.

#### **Supporting document**

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#### WHAKATĀNE DISTRICT COUNCIL LONG TERM PLAN 2024-34 - SUBMISSION FORM MICKELL, STEPHANIE Town/area of the district\*: COASOLANDS WHAKATANE Organisation (if on behalf): $^*$ Privacy note: The information on this page (including fields above) forms part of your submission and will be made publicly available on a Council meeting agenda. Please leave any fields blank if you do not want this to be available on a public meeting agenda. How should we Option 1: Carry out redevelopment of the Your thoughts scale, fund and stage Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 35% necessary upgrades Don't want any of here option I want absolutely maintenance only external funding for major development to the Rex Morpeth works in 2028 and 2029. **Recreation Hub?** Option 2: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 50% external funding for major development works in 2029 and 2030. Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste How should we manage Your thoughts for urban properties only. foodwaste collection? Option 2: Separate foodwaste collection for urban properties only. Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection to all properties. Option 1: Close the gap quickly (in one year) How quickly should we Your thoughts Council should shall so we pay less in the future. close our funding gap? infrastractive gody water rubbish, roading NO! Option 2: Close the gap in the short term (in three years) to avoid greater debt. MONEY SPENT ON THE MUSEUM, LIBRARY KEX Option 3: Close the gap in the medium term (in six years) to ease the burden now. MORPETH PARK OR SUMMING POOL Yow should we Option 1: (Status quo) – 24% UAGC - \$927.50 (GST exclusive) in year 1. listribute rates I do not want any ncreases across the **Option 2: 20%** properties in our UAGC - \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1. in double digita listrict? **Option 3:** 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

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Date: Apr 04 24 08:34:27 am

Name:

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

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Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

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Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

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Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Stop the marina at the bridge constant sanding at the heads and river will not work for large yachts.

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Apart from the sports complex no further work needs doing saving millions.

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

The cycle way to Edgecumbe is causing stress to the neighbours

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

An apology to Alistair Abernathy for the treatment he received from the Council C.O. 6 new Council members

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Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Maintain the facilities we have at present

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

#### Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Food waste should not happen often

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Ease the burden? Not likely.

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

All options are high. Get a lower option.

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Submission ID: 286 Date: Apr 04 24 08:43:25 am

Name: Helen Inglis

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

In times like these Rex Morpeth is functional and usable - leave it alone

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

#### Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

This should be an opt in scenario! I have composted my food waste for years I disagree with paying for something I won't use.

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

I disagree with these rate increases. According to calculations my rates will be over \$7000 in 2034.

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

We can't afford this level of rate increases. Stick to basics of town maintenance for now.

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Name:	M Maxwell

#### Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

#### How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

## Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Options 1 and 2 create too great a financial burden for those on medium to low incomes and there are many of us. We need things like upgraded infrastructure not flash "nice to haves" which the well off can afford.

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

#### Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Weekly. Option 1 providing it is collected weekly. I used to do this but in hot weather it was too smelly being collected fortnightly. Also produces methane which defeats the purpose.

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Just have a heart and stop causing financial worry.

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Many residents are trying to manage on \$27,000 or less p.a. With everything going up how can they have a comfortable healthy life even with a rebate. How many Council employees or Councillors have incomes of \$27,000 or less? Please let me know the answer.

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#### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Infrastructure e.g. Water before a huge rex morpeth park spend. The time for sports grounds will come but not now!

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Name: Betty Pope

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

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Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

See attached.

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

See attached.

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

See attached.

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Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district: See attached.

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#### WHAKATĀNE DISTRICT COUNCIL LONG TERM PLAN 2024-34 - SUBMISSION FORM Name\*: Betty Pape Town/area of the district\*: Whakatone 3120 Organisation (if on behalf): \*Privacy note: The information on this page (including fields above) forms part of your submission and will be made publicly available on a Council meeting agenda. Please leave any fields blank if you do not want this to be available on a public meeting agenda. How should we **Option 1:** Carry out redevelopment of the Your thoughts Please see Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as scale, fund and stage possible. This requires us to secure 35% attached necessary upgrades external funding for major development to the Rex Morpeth works in 2028 and 2029. **Recreation Hub? Option 2:** Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 50% external funding for major development works in 2029 and 2030. **Option 3:** Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub Please refer to pages 24-26 of the Consultation Document for approximate costs and ratepayer contributions. **Option 1:** Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste Your thoughts How should we manage for urban properties only. Please see foodwaste collection? **Option 2:** Separate foodwaste collection for urban properties only. **Option 3:** Separate foodwaste collection to all properties. Your thoughts How quickly should we **Option 1:** Close the gap quickly (in one year) so we pay less in the future. close our funding gap? **Option 2:** Close the gap in the short term (in three years) to avoid greater debt. **Option 3:** Close the gap in the medium term (in six years) to ease the burden now. **Option 1:** (Status quo) – 24% Your thoughts How should we UAGC - \$927.50 (GST exclusive) in year 1... distribute rates increases across the **Option 2: 20%** properties in our UAGC - \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1. district? **Option 3:** 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

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## 1 Option 3 - Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub The Recreation Hub is quite sufficient as it is. if anything, concentrate on just seismic strengthorung to the Rugby Grandstand and minor upgrades to the Kitchen and Changing facilities as Whakatane hosts alot of Visitors who play at Rugby Park.

The childrens playground is sufficient enough as it is. I do not want to see the same things happen here as they did with the so called "Whakatane District Council" Building" Upgrade.

## 2/ HOW WE should manage Foodwaste? Option 1

Most individuals usually have gardens nowadays, so they probably also have compost Bins or and & wormfarms, so yes option 1.

## 3/ How autickly should we close our funding gap? option 3

The only way to get us out of DEBT accumulated over the past years would be to STOP spending on unnecessary things, make do with what we've got and be thankful that we still have people who can afford to pay rotes.

# 4/How should we distribute rate mcreases across properties in our

During COVID, alot of people were out of work and jobs due to the MANDATES, read I remind you, "NO JAB, NO JOB".

Alot of home owners had to sell their homes or re-mortgage to help them feed their families and have money for everyday living

If the Council put rates up much higher, people uncluding Pensioners who OWN their homes may HAVE TO SELL 95 the rates may well place them in the position where they may

Does the Council REALLY want to see more homeless here HAVE TO SELL TO SURVIVE". in Whakatane? Please think about this.

Submission ID: 289 Date: Apr 04 24 08:59:13 am

Name: Bruce Pope

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

We simply do not have the money for options 1 and 2. It would be nice to do the upgrade but sometimes you just have to bite the bullet and say we can't afford it.

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 2: Separate foodwaste collection for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

We can avoid greater debt by not doing things we don't need and cannot afford. eg. Marina, Park upgrade.

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Too many people are struggling and cannot afford rate or rent increases.

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Submission ID: 290 Date: Apr 04 24 09:00:20 am

Name: Patricia Morris

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 2: 20% UAGC – \$741.31 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

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Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

#### Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Food waste, particularly in warm summer months can become smelly. Rodents can chew through plastic bins.

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

As below

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Ratepayers wages don't automatically increase to cover the amended rates. Rates are already a financial burden for low income earners.

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How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Are you doing this to look like you're listening or have you already made up your mind? None. This can wait, it's not urgent. What does necessary look like for you?

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Why is there a funding gap? Tell us what the gap is and where the money has gone why there is a gap and how you would mitigate prevention of this happening in the future.

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Why do we have to be part of a rate increase? Forgo proposed rex morpeth hub upgrade and have rates not increase.

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Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

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Dear Victor, There are a lot of people in this community that see a know a feel beyond the ruse of the words t'promiser you share outwardly ... like buying into the idea of a rates increased yet also proposing å high dollar value on upgradest. We know it dolon't add up. Whe the saying 'you can't polish a turd'. Victor, during there big shifts, would your conciende be obeding to go with That status que or would you feel more aligned with paving a new way from transparency, while going the truth of what's really a panch & where you're hands one fied? The nuravelling how all ready begun ... so why not be the True Mader, breaking away e encongossing Values that are for the greater good of all. The Truth will set you free you free you came here for so much more than this what love you choose to leave with

Submission ID: 293 Date: Apr 04 24 01:20:42 pm

Name: David Smale

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

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Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

#### How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 2: Separate foodwaste collection for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

#### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

#### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Try spending less. I have to yet you guys keep up with new ways to spend.

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

#### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Try inflation in deed that's how my pension works. Try keeping staff numbers as they are forget about boat harbours. Come on get real or you will get rate debts.

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Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

These facilities should be free for community to use.

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

No change required to current rubbish collection

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Charge churches and other community organisations rates to help ease the burden on families in the community. Increase the threshold for rates rebates.

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Name: J Pouwhare & G OFlaherty

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Leave for another time costs to high necessary upgrades now.

## How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 2: Separate foodwaste collection for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Keep green there other seperate

## How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 1: Close the gap quickly (in one year) so we pay less in the future.

### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Then keep it under a good review. Close gap now quick.

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

Keep it real how times are hard for a lot of us.

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Name: Don Carlton

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I believe that in the current climate this money could be put to better use. I think upgrading what exists is a better option.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

## Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

No food waste separate collection

### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

Given most people are already struggling option 3 seems more manageable

### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district: more do-able for majority of people

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Name: Pam and Bob Jensen

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

Too expensive to do redevelopment

How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

We are looking at this

How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

We are pensioners

How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

as above

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Name: Susan Jensen

Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

It seems alot to secure 35% of external funding who is going to pay for this ratepayers I presume. Option 3 gets my vote.

# How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

## Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

Why urban only? Why do we need separate food waste it will probably end up in the same place anyway.

## How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 2: Close the gap in the short-term (in three years) to avoid greater debt.

### Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

I think that 1 year will increase rates so severely I as a single household income

## How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC - \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

More able to manage this option

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district?

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**Option 3:** 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

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### Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub?

Option 1: Carry out redevelopment of the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub as soon as possible. This requires us to secure 35% external funding for major development works in 2028 and 2029.

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I don't really support any of the work proposed but given councils lack of infrastructure upgrades maintenance historically and the rate of inflation I assume it is cheaper in the long run to do it all now as opposed to over time

## How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 3: Separate foodwaste collection for all properties.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

It would have been more helpful if you included more information on the end product - what it would be and how it could have been used. I assume that we will be sending our waste to the same place that TCC does so why do they have to separate theirs? Is it cheaper for it to be separated? 140L general waste fortnightly pickup is not going to be big enough for growing families - will you have the option for a 240L on a fortnightly pickup? Unless you are prepared to put some serious thought into helping these people reduce waste I feel like that will just cause headaches for the waste team and contractors dealing with overflowing bins, people dumping more waste in public bins and probably increasing illegal dumping. If you are going with option 1 or 2 it should be an opt in service for rural properties regarding compost bins and worm farms on a pre order basis. A lot of rural properties already operate both composting and worm farms - I can see a lot of money being wasted on composting and worm farms because the uptake of these is probably low for rural residents.

### How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 3: 16% UAGC – \$559.13 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

# Supporting document

N/A

### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

Climate change and adaptation has been talked about as an important factor for the region moving forward. However, the least amount of budget has been given to this area a measly 1.3%. its not looking like it is that important. It is a bit ridiculous at this point with the size of the district and the hazards posed to the area that the WDC does not have a team dedicated to climate change targets

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### Organisation (if on behalf of organisation)

How should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub? Option 3: Carry out necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub

# Your thoughts on how should we scale, fund and stage necessary upgrades to the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub:

I believe the district has much higher priorities than a redevelopment of Rex Morpeth Park. There are more important issues such as 3 Waters , climate change (managed retreat etc) , possibly a new bridge or upgrade of the Pekatahi bridge, and of course keeping rates increases to a sensible level. Ongoing refurbishment of the park I can understand and agree with, but not redevopment. We already have many sports facilities in the district including 2 high school Gyms, Rex Morpeth Park, Ohope Hall, Awakeri events centre etc. In addition to the above I am very concerned at the very realistic prospect of cost projections blowing out - we have seen this in the Marlborough Schools amalgamation which was recently canned by the Government for this reason and building costs continue to escalate which increases this risk

## How should we manage foodwaste collection?

Option 1: Mixed foodwaste and greenwaste for urban properties only.

# Your thoughts on how we should manage foodwaste collection:

We use a worm farm so have no need for foodwaste collection I would like to have this recognised by say a discount for a bin not being supplied and/or collected.

## How quickly should we close our funding gap?

Option 3: Close the gap in the medium-term (in six years) to ease the burden now.

## Your thoughts on closing our funding gap:

This should be spread out over the longer term. Council need to have a long term perspective and not inflict the burden on a particular group of rate payers (such as those in 2024/25). This means new rate payers in the future will get the benefit of current rate payers paying a "premium" now, which would be inequitable. This particularly applies to costs associated with long term assets.

#### How should we distribute rates increases across the properties in our district?

Option 1: (Status quo) – 24% UAGC – \$927.50 (GST exclusive) in year 1.

### Your thoughts on how we should distribute rates increases across the properties in our district:

This is difficult as it depends on how you define "equitable" rates distribution. Are lower value properties getting the same services, eg rubbish collection, foot paths access to community facilities therefore have a lower capital value. Should the UAGC be funding Council overheads that cant be apportioned but that everyone benefits from. As a general comment there is a lack of choice in the rates I pay and rates are not targetted enough, therefore consider the SQ to be appropriate

### **Supporting document**

N/A

### Do you have any other feedback for your Mayor and Councillors?

The Councils LTP document talks about..."unprecedented challenges" "things are really tough" "the funding system isnt working" "tapping into the same pool of people and businesses for funding"

"prolonged financial strain and not sustainable in its current format" . The financial challenges we are up against " such as Inflationary pressures, climate change , compliance etc. In regards to 3 waters "funding limitations" "Important upgrades will not be able to happen" So why is the council even considering a major redevelopment of Rex Morpeth Park when there are so many other important issues to deal with? Who is driving this? Im not aware of ratepayers marching in the street to have Rex Morpeth Park redeveloped.