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 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Thursday, 9 April 2015 4:06:46 p.m.

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Write a message to the council	I've grown tired of infighting and political point scoring taking precedence over actual progress within the council. I was extremely disappointed that the speed limit within the CBD was not lowered, it would have minimal impact on vehicles and have shown real desire to move towards a more pedestrian and cycle friendly city. You have an opportunity to make real progress, and many of us are watching carefully and will make our votes count.
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Simon Ross](#)
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Write a message to the council	Wellington is a city for people, but it is woefully behind the times in providing for cyclists. In decades past, Amsterdam and Copenhagen was the decision to support cycling and are now the envy of the world; in the last few years New York City has done amazing things for cycling and public space with infrastructure investment and tactical urbanism; this week Paris announced its plan to become the cycling capital of the world by building 80kms of cycle highways in the next 5 years. If these large and pressured cities can make the gains they have, what is stopping Wellington? Show leadership and political will and give us safe, separated cycling infrastructure. Your citizens will thank you for it, retailers will thank you for it, children will thank you for it. If it costs a few parking spaces, or a traffic lane here or there, that's a small price to pay.
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Wishes to be heard:

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

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Submission

Do you support the broad approach taken in this plan of investing for growth, in addition to providing current levels of service?

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This should be a priority - make it easy for businesses to get into Wgtn

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I believe we cover this off given we are (1) the events capital, and (2) the green belt and the fantastic trails that come with that

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As long as cost cutting doesn't adversely affect our infrastructure and the service that goes with it

Do you support the Council's transition to the use of smart technology such as parking sensors and LED streetlights?

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Comments

Do you see other matters as priorities?

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Please state:

Other issues/matters or general comments

Comments

Attached Documents

File
2015-25 Draft Long-term Plan

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Only if a main condition of the project is that any environmental impact the airport extension has would be offset by additional investment into the lifting the overall environmental condition of the region. For example if a 1 billion dollar airport extension results in -2 points on an environmental scale, i would only support the project if more money was spent to off set this by 4 points lifting the environmental scale back up to +2.

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You cant fix all of them. Their needs to be a public debate about which ones are of most significance to the public backed up in the discussion by heritage and urban design experts.

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Do you support our plan to provide a new and improved venue for concerts?

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Comments

We've got a cake tin and the TSB arena. Unless they are operating at 110% demand, then no. There is an intelligent program and plan out there that doesn't require another venue being built. What would Richard Branson do?

Do you support upgrading sports facilities where need has been demonstrated?

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Yes, but it depends what you are spending it on. It is very important that you don't lose sight of the overall transport planning objects you are trying to achieve as a city, and how the increase in smart technology aids with this. For example. You need to weigh off the behavioral affects on transport choice decision making if you decide to introduce parking sensors which effectively makes driving into town more convenient as parking become easier. In this situation you have used smart technology to encourage private vehicle use (which is not good transport planning). A good example would be having more intelligent signalized intersection systems for traffic light phasing for pedestrians. A modern system that instead of being timer based and keeps traffic flowing on the green light for long periods of time, even when no cars are waiting at the intersection, becomes sensory and recognises that pedestrians are waiting to cross. This would reduce waiting times for pedestrians at crossings and reduce j walking. Another good example of how smart technology would improve public transport would be to introduce more real time bus information at bus stops outside and within the CBD.

Do you support proposed improvements to transport that will allow for safer, faster and more reliable journeys?

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Comments

Only if the hierarchy of spending is to improve 1. Walking and cycling 2. PT 3. (least of all) private

vehicular journeys. What measures or strategies will be in place to reduce car dependency? This is a separate issue to increasing public transport, cycling, and walking, patronage. For example: - Road tolling, - More T2 transit lanes - Change more roads to shared spaces or pedestrian only public spaces. - No free parking on weekends. You can't plan to make public transport, walking and cycling as a main journey mode more desirable whilst continuing to improve private vehicular journeys. That's inefficient and academia knows that's not how transport behaviorism works. 1950's-2000 was all about cars and roads, they've had their 50 years of funding let's move on to 2025 without them.

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You need to consider the role informal of small tenants play in activating lane ways and providing passive surveillance safety from a CPTED point of view. Therefore please relax previous permit and DP rules if it will to allow and encourage informal tenants to migrate into these spaces (i.e food stalls, vans, pop up shops).

Do you support Council's plan for strengthening suburban town centres including work in Johnsonville, Karori and Tawa?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

However, I do not support green field developments that are not along the public transport rail corridor. This includes green field developments in upper and lower Stebbings and Lincolnshire Farm. Realistically how many of these residents will commute using public transport? How will this be addressed i.e Will you be providing park and ride services etc or extending the rail network to include them. More needs to be done to promote these centres as walkable communities. Thus council should not lose sight of the role planning rules play in promoting car dependency. For example continuing to require houses to provide high numbers of off street parking should be reviewed. New residential developments in Suburban centres that have good public transport connectivity to the CBD should discourage multiple car ownership. Why couldn't some developments provide no off street parking amenity, and be celebrated as new age suburban center living.

Do you generally agree with the priority projects identified in the Urban Growth Implementation Plan?

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NZ European Asian

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I would like to more prominent regard for environmental standards and environment contributions around all developments. How will our response to environmental sustainability and regeneration of existing ecological environments (that have been squandered over the history of Wellington's urban growth) be approached differently in 2025. This issue is lacking in general in the long term plan. For example: - Where does water sensitive urban design sit in this plan? On the issue of waste management. What measures are being done to discourage household and business waste? 2025 should be revolutionary compared to our current waste policy. - What measures will there be around business waste management and: encouraging composting through inner city drop off points; How will you encourage business to compost and recycle within the office space? - Historic norms must be challenged. Why is general house hold recycling collected every fortnight yet rubbish is collected every week? in 2025 the majority of waste should be recyclable and thus the collection process needs to aid in this transition. -The success of the Second Hand Treasure and recycling stations at the landfill should be progressed. Now is the time to introduce a manned usher/monitoring job at landfill sites to catch the large number of 'ill informed' members of public who still opted to throw their metal, electronics, recyclable goods etc, into the land fill. If i can still choose to put my tv monitor and printer in the landfill by 2020 we have failed as a society. - Plastic bags and disposable water bottles. Many cities around the world such as San Fransisco have leaped ahead of us in there efforts to reduce the impact of plastic in the environment. Particularly coastal cities which have an imbedded relationship with pollution in the sea. What are our big moves to address this issue? How will we become a world leader. - Waste in Public space and streets. Wellington still embarrassingly does not offer an in anyway decent waste disposal system. How can we have pride as the 'clean green' capital of the world and we cant even recycle a can of coke when roaming our city's streets and public spaces. Its shameful the amount of (European) tourists i overhear whom can not believe we have no recycling facilities. We should be an exemplar city in nz by 2020, and an international leader by 2025.

Attached Documents

File
2015-25 Draft Long-term Plan

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Do you support the broad approach taken in this plan of investing for growth, in addition to providing current levels of service?

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Comments

Wellington city needs to be aggressive about chasing GDP growth even if that means competing with other cities inside and outside New Zealand. We cannot maintain and improve our current quality of life represented by an accessible, technologically smart and environmentally friendly city without attracting new business to provide jobs to support an increasing population and therefore an increase both the commercial and domestic rating base. That increase in rating base then allows us to invest in better infrastructure to increase the standard of living for Wellingtonians. It is a virtuous circle. The alternative strategy as the 'Canberra' of New Zealand is not worth thinking about.

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World class infrastructure lays the foundation for a GDP growth strategy for Wellington, the runway extension is part of that infrastructure. Competing with Auckland and Christchurch for tourist dollars and international students is something Wellington has to do. If we go with the argument that the infrastructure will exist in Auckland with a second runway why build in Wellington, then we might as well be resigned to the fact that the NZ inc strategy is for Auckland to be the Singapore of New Zealand and the balance of the country is just a service centre for Auckland. It is hard to imagine another piece of infrastructure that has a positive impact on so many issues important to Wellington's future...high value migrants are more likely to base themselves in Wellington, the success of Victoria University in attracting international students, tourism dollars which are critical to other aspects of this plan such as the convention centre but also hotel development, the food and entertainment sector and funding major events. We probably can't envisage (or price) today all the opportunities that might arise. I think of transport infrastructure in terms of an end to end supply chain. We need to ask the question, will we gain the most benefit from the long awaited transmission gully project if the same level of efficiency does not extend through to the port and airport (or you cannot get anywhere from the airport)? Even though freight is not part of the current story) high value produce from the lower north island through a combination of transmission gully and international connections opening up new markets is one such possibility. This is just a must do from my perspective.

Do you think Council should be supporting the tech sector to stimulate it to grow?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

I am supportive but I do not think this should be through direct grants but the provision of infrastructure and a business environment to facilitate growth in tech and a positive quality of lifestyle story to attract the requisite talent to support growth in the sector.

Do you think Council should be supporting the film industry to enable it to stay local and grow?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Again not through grants, central government has done this through the film incentives but through encouraging the right business environment

Do you believe Council should support private owners with the strengthening of heritage buildings?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

I think this is fraught with moral hazard. If property owners think that unforeseen liabilities attaching to heritage buildings will always be funded by local or central government they will not transact at a price that assesses those risks appropriately.

Should Council strengthen its key Civic Square buildings, and offset the cost where possible?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Civic Square is at the heart of the city. It needs to be a vibrant heart that is accessible to all residents of the region and visitors. I have not done the research to have an informed view on the Town Hall. In that regard I would however like the strengthening of that building considered against an innovative multi purpose design. The City Gallery is a unique visual arts facility in Wellington, and in fact in New Zealand, given the lack of a permanent collection. The last redesign was meant to allow ease of access from both Harris street and the Civic Square security issues have prevented the Harris street access from working. That just accentuates the need for an open accessible entrance from the Civic Square. If the gallery is more visible/assessable to visitors passing through Civic Square attendance will rise. It has the added advantage of allowing more efficient use of space within the gallery. I have never seen the Capital E space as attractive and suggest its use needs a rethink as part of the overall plan for Civic Square.

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Comments

I would pose the question differently, does Wellington need stand out events that will attract both domestic and overseas tourists and grow our economy? The answer to that question is yes, of course. I would also like to challenge what could be considered an event for that purpose. The performing and visual arts with the right support could and (if we measured it properly) probably are generators of GDP for Wellington city. I am supportive of additional funding for the arts generally. Those that look at the arts as being accessed by a small percentage of the population miss the opportunity for attracting high spending visitors to the city. How much money is generated for Sydney and Venice through their respective biennales? Could we be ambitious and have our highly regarded art facilities in this region work together as joint venues for an internationally recognised biennale? Should the WCC look to directly support exhibitions either through increased but targeted funding of the Museum s Trust or directly to the institution for exhibitions that will meet funding criteria for cost/benefit. I wonder whether we should broaden our view of events from sports and festivals or WOW to exhibition programs or biennales? Are we missing an opportunity to take the City Gallery to the next level in terms of backing an extremely talented curatorial capability with an infrastructure that is world best in terms of staging and marketing an internationally recognised exhibition program? This comment is in no way critical of what is being achieved through the Museums Trust with the current funding model but just puts the question, with a greater level of ambition could we achieve more for Wellington through the visual arts?

Do you support our plan to provide a new and improved venue for concerts?

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Yes I just think the ASB arena is past its use by date and that whole complex does not fit Wellington's image as a modern design led tech savvy capital city.

Do you support upgrading sports facilities where need has been demonstrated?

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I think we need to drive economic growth as the top priority, then with an increased rating base we will be able to invest in upgrading sports facilities for general use.

Do you support the development of new tourism experiences to attract new visitors and get them to stay for longer?

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Yes but we need to have the infrastructure in place that will facilitate visitation to Wellington that is destination specific i.e. the runway extension.

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Yes it fits with the environment we want to create to attract a potentially high earning entrepreneurial population.

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You have to compensate for the Wellington weather, a large part of that is a vibrant city where **736**

people are living and working in a well designed urban environment but with access to green spaces for recreation.

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Comments

yes , as above

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In terms of priorities, and with limited resources, the council should concentrate on transport and urban design options that encourage people to come into the city. However the suburban environment around cafes, supermarkets, sports facilities and green areas need to be provided to make Wellington family living in high quality communities a selling point for the city.

Do you generally agree with the priority projects identified in the Urban Growth Implementation Plan?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose Don't know

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We need to leverage a faster fibre or other technology roll out in Wellington. The Chorus program for Wellington is far to slow for a capital city the prides itself as being tech savvy.

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Write a message to the council	<p>The council have had good intentions for the cycleway however it has been poorly executed and the result has pitted the community against each other and councilors getting politically involved with taking sides.</p> <p>Its no use looking into the past now and looking at what mistakes have been made but looking forward and making the commitment to making it happen.</p> <p>The changes we make now will make and impact on the future lives of our community and in making Wellington an attractive place to live, work and play.</p>
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	Yes

From: [Martin Henry](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: submission
Date: Friday, 10 April 2015 2:41:07 p.m.
Attachments: [Submission on Living Wage - WCC.DOCX](#)

Please accept our sub. I'll also speak to other things that effect our members such as libraries. I'd also like to make a personal oral sub on the bike lanes issue.

Cheers,

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ABOUT PPTA

1. PPTA represents approximately 17,000 secondary teachers, principals, and manual and technology teachers, in New Zealand; this is the majority of teachers engaged in secondary education – approximately 90% of eligible teachers choose to join PPTA. PPTA is an affiliate member of the New Zealand Council of Trade Unions (“CTU”).
2. Under our constitution, all PPTA activity is guided by the following objectives:
 - (a) To advance the cause of education generally and of all phases of secondary and technical education in particular.
 - (b) To uphold and maintain the just claims of its members individually and collectively.
 - (c) To affirm and advance Te Tiriti O Waitangi.
3. PPTA is not affiliated to a political party and our members individually support a broad spectrum of political parties in Parliament. However, PPTA have consistently promoted policies that promote progressive economics, social policy and employment relations policy. At our 2012 Annual Conference, PPTA members endorsed the following alternative economic model:
 - (a) A fairer tax system;
 - (b) Effective public services;
 - (c) Addressing the public debt myth;
 - (d) Investing heavily in education and training;
 - (e) Regulating financial markets and limiting corporate excess;
 - (f) Respect for the rights of workers (paid and unpaid) and learners; including:
 - (i) Legislation that promotes union membership and collective bargaining;
 - (ii) Avoiding a unilateralist approach to employment relations by engaging employees, employers and those not yet in employment in ways which add value to the economy and society;
 - (iii) Engaging in employment relationships that outlive economic cycles and extend beyond the walls of individual organisations;
 - (iv) Rejecting a low wage economy (which will help to stop the outflow of skilled labour from Aotearoa / New Zealand).
 - (g) Retaining New Zealand’s state assets in full public ownership;
 - (h) Promoting the idea that we are cultural citizens not just economic citizens;
 - (i) Closing the pay gap between the minimum and maximum wages paid across a workforce or industry; and
 - (j) Fiscal policy that acknowledges the importance of the environment.

SUPPORT FOR THE LIVING WAGE

4. PPTA is strongly in favour of the proposals to introduce the living wage as a minimum pay scale for council workers and contractors, where those workers are earning under the living wage.
5. As teachers in the public education system, our members have first-hand knowledge of the impact that poverty and rising inequality, through unemployment and low wages, can have on students’ learning and achievement. Child poverty, and inter-generational poverty, continues to be a problem and teachers attempts to deal with the effects of

poverty are well documented (for example, the effect that poverty has on students' cognitive abilities). Last year, the PPTA commissioned independent research by academics Liz Gordon and Brian Easton, which found that there is a direct link between socio-economic status and achievement.

6. The link between socio-economic status and achievement levels has also been recognised by central Government, which is why children from low socio-economic backgrounds have been identified as priority learners.¹
7. We all have our part to play in ensuring that students achieve at school. Implementing the living wage for council staff and contractors will help as an important "out of school factor".
8. Not implementing the living wage for council workers and contractors will perpetuate low wages, inequality, poverty and the further exploitation of vulnerable workers.
9. Local Government has a key leadership role in promoting best practice employment and ensuring that they are acting consistently with their legal obligations to be a good employer. We endorse the recommendations made by the New Zealand Council of Trade Unions ("CTU") in its submission.

INEQUALITY

10. Over the past 30 years, New Zealand has become an increasingly unequal society. For example, "New Zealand:
 - Now has the widest income gaps since detailed records began in the early 1980's;
 - From the mid-1980s to the mid-2000s the gap between rich and the rest has widened faster in New Zealand than in any other developed country;
 - The average household in the top 10 per cent of New Zealand has nine times the income of one in the bottom 10 per cent; and
 - The top 1 per cent of adults own 16 per cent of the country's total wealth, while the bottom half put together have just over 5 per cent."²
11. The continued and persistent trend in inequality can be seen in the Salvation Army's forewords to their annual State of the Nation reports over the past five years:

2009 *"It does appear that our recent social progress is quite fragile and might easily reverse with the deteriorating economic conditions that we and the rest of the world face. The best example of this is the recent advances in reducing rates of child poverty. Regrettably this progress was based mainly on the prospect of growing employment with policies such as Working for Families backing up this focus."³*

2010 *"There is no denying that the recession is taking a social toll. Unemployment is at a five-year high, gains made over the past five years in reducing child poverty have probably been lost, and there*

¹ <http://nzcurriculum.tki.org.nz/Priority-learners> (last accessed 11 March 2014).

² Rashbrooke, Max *Inequality: A New Zealand Crisis* (Bridget Williams Books Ltd., 2013), pp 1 to 2.

³ *Into troubled waters* (State of the Nation report, Salvation Army, February 2009), pg. 4.

are signs of a widening income gap between the well paid and the poorly paid.⁴

2011 “This report shows that **child poverty rates have climbed back to where they were five years ago, that violence towards children and youth unemployment are as bad as they were five years ago, and that the educational disadvantage suffered by Māori children continues and may even be getting worse.**⁵

2012 “We have **two clear choices** here: one is to continue the path we have been on **more or less continuously for the past three decades, concentrating wealth and influence, and driving the marginalised further into the shadows** with yet more restrictive welfare entitlements and a yet more punitive criminal justice system. The other is to act more inclusively and to work consciously and deliberately at ways of ensuring that the most marginalised New Zealanders, and in particular, many poor families and unemployed young people, feel as though they are valued and valuable members of our society.”⁶

2013 “The reality is that the New Zealand economy has crawled since the beginnings of the global financial crisis in late 2007: real per capita GDP has declined while total GDP on a production basis has grown by just over 3% in real terms over the past five years. In response, nearly 150,000 New Zealanders have left for Australia since late 2007—more than the population of our fourth largest city. Despite this exodus, almost 300,000 New Zealanders are jobless and official unemployment is at a 10-year high.

Yet the alarm bells are not ringing. The media is enthusiastic about rising house prices, and the Government remains singularly focused on reducing its deficit, while refusing to consider increasing taxes even to pay for the one-off costs of the Christchurch earthquake rebuild. **Child poverty remains resolutely stuck at around 20% of New Zealand children, despite a Ministerial Committee on Poverty being established. Auckland’s housing shortage continues to grow and despite attempts to reform the effectiveness of Housing New Zealand, many households in need of decent housing don’t currently have those needs met—**resulting in too many New Zealanders living in unhealthy, unaffordable and insecure accommodation.⁷

“... **it’s naïve to believe and dishonest to suggest that these solutions do not require more tax dollars.** The source of these extra tax dollars is, of course, a problem particularly considering the global economic situation. In our view the need for a society that is just and gives every citizen the right to participate economically and socially is so important, that ways must be found to find this additional tax revenue.”⁸

2014 While there has been a great deal of political and media attention paid to solutions to child poverty, **virtually no effort has been spent in actually**

⁴ *A road to recovery* (State of the Nation report, Salvation Army, February 2010), pg. vi.

⁵ *Stalled* (State of the Nation report, Salvation Army, February 2011), pp. v - vi.

⁶ *The Growing Divide* (State of the Nation report, Salvation Army, February 2012), pg. viii.

⁷ *She’ll Be Right* (State of the Nation report, Salvation Army, February 2013), pp. 7-8.

⁸ *Ibid*, pg. 9.

addressing the underlying causes of the poverty. Furthermore, we appear to lack any broadly based political will to event face this challenge.”

12. It is important to remember that inequality affects all of society, not just those in poverty. In its 2011 report on inequality, the OECD had the following comments for Governments about the need to, and benefits of, tackling inequality:

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[Emphasis added].

13. It should come as no surprise that low wages go hand in hand with inequality.

Libraries

14. We support the proposal to increase the Council libraries’ budget by \$60,000 and to reinstate our children’s literacy programmes, and for customer service and collection refreshment. Libraries are an important asset for the community and allow all members of the public access to information and resources that would otherwise be unavailable.

ORAL SUBMISSION

15. We would like to appear before the Committee in support of our submission.

⁹ *Divided we stand: why inequality keeps rising* (OECD, 2011), pg. 40.

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Re Airport Extension

Preamble

1. *Jim Yong Kim (President of the World Bank Group) ... called for a strong Paris deal during a speech to the Council on Foreign Relations in Washington.*

*“In a year’s time, the international community will have the opportunity to send a clear signal that we, as a global community, are determined to manage our economies to achieve **zero net emissions before the year 2100.**”*

See more at: <http://www.rtcc.org/2014/12/08/live-in-lima-day-7-un-cop20-climate-change-summit/#sthash.1XOFLyIL.dpuf>

2. In 2014, overseas visitors to New Zealand, including those attending conferences and sporting fixtures, contributed more than 9.3 million tonnes of greenhouse gases through international air travel alone, to our already overburdened atmosphere (using Stats NZ figures).

Point 2 above is in direct opposition to point 1.

The question is, would an extension to the Wellington airport contribute to a zero emissions goal before the year 2100? Or make it more difficult to achieve?

The issue is not one of financial gain or loss. Jim Yong Kim also said on another occasion, that all our decision-making, all our actions have to be based on that zero emissions goal. Jim Yong Kim was not alone, he was quoting some of the world’s most respected climate change scientists, some of whom set **2030** as a deadline for rich countries to adhere to.

Some will argue that bio aviation fuels will solve the problem of emissions. But while a good deal of work is being done in that area, and aircraft design is improving, so far there is no solution that would guarantee zero emissions from air travel, apart from phasing it out.

I submit that, far from extending Wellington airport, we have to make plans to phase it out altogether, and plan a society not reliant on overseas air travel.

Use of the airport could be progressively phased out in many ways. For example:-

- 1) Limit its use to international flights, reducing numbers of flights gradually.
- 2) Place limits on numbers of international passengers allowed through in a year.
- 3) Limit its use to aircraft crossing Cook Strait to link up with surface

transport.

- 4) Limit its use to non-jet engined aircraft.
- 5) Limit its use to emergency and training flights.

Of course present land travel options will have to be improved. But to put it all into a true perspective, always we have to compare our options with those in poorer countries who never get near an aircraft yet are even now suffering the effects of the climate changes to which our life styles are contributing.

The eventual closing of the airport will be part of a general effort to transform our whole transport system to a fossil fuel-free one. The move will have to be backed by a society well educated in, and concerned about climate change issues, determined to achieve a zero emissions goal. I think we also have to accept that full support for such a scheme will probably never be forthcoming, so a measure of legislation will probably be required sooner or later.

We have to accept too that no ETS is any use for getting us to zero emissions. ETSs were designed to allow business as usual pollution by those who could pay – not to achieve zero emissions.

Offset schemes, even tree planting, by their nature have to be treated circumspectly. In correspondence with Kevin Anderson, past Director of the Tyndall Centre for Climate Change Studies in the U.K., he has remarked that the science of offsetting is not yet robust. He and his colleagues have also said that cutting emissions to zero by 2030 will only give us a 50/50 chance of avoiding dangerous climate change. We come back to having to actually cut emissions.

Wellington City Council could help by:

- designing and building an all fossil-fuel-free city transport system;
- encouraging the development and use of electronic communications systems;
- organizing publicity and educational events; (several climate change science organisations send out weekly newsletters which can form the bases for study/discussion groups);
- encouraging the purchase of electric vehicles;
- investigate the possibility of establishing locally operated electricity generation;
- encouraging staff members to measure their carbon footprints;
- encouraging the Transition Towns movement;
- possibly designing a method of carbon rationing.

We are some way from being a carbon neutral city yet. But the fact that the City Council has a 10 year plan shows that the will and expertise is there.

We just have to keep our eyes firmly on that goal of genuine zero emissions by 2050.

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The Basin Reserve Trust (BRT) has reviewed the Wellington City Council's Long Term Plan for 2015-25.

As the Council's operating unit and venue authority for the Basin Reserve the Trust has of course been centrally involved, along with Cricket Wellington, in the Basin Reserve "Master Plan" work over the past year or so. As such we are very familiar with the proposed work, and the Council's own strategic interest in the maintenance and development of this iconic Wellington landmark and facility.

The BRT notes and supports fully the Council's proposed investment in the Basin Reserve. We believe it is a necessary and worthwhile investment into a much-loved and valuable local facility, and the planned work of the Council, Trust and CW will ensure that it remain so.

Thanks you for the opportunity to make a submission into your LTP process. We would reserve the option please at this stage to make a verbal submission at any later hearing process.

If you have any questions regarding this submission please contact me directly.

Yours sincerely

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Introduction

This is the first time that the Miramar BID has had the chance to submit to the LTP and we believe that as representatives of our local business community; we believe that it is important that we do so and are seen to do so.

Comments

In general we are supportive of the aims and intentions of the LTP. However we believe that there are a number of concerns about the CBD focus of most of the projects;

- We like to think of ourselves as a 'compact city' yet the suburbs miss out on many of the benefits of these and other proposed projects.
- The type of projects being subsidised by Council draw businesses from the suburbs into 'subsidised' circumstances which affects the economic activity and business blend of suburbs such as Miramar. Examples would be IT incubators; gyms and venue activities and especially the proposed film museum. While there is often a need for Council to facilitate the establishment of such activities it needs to be careful about the long term effects of that activity in terms of fees; locations and costs- see later.

Specific Issues

1. **BID funding-** while we are very grateful for the funding support to establish our BID; we are concerned that funds are limited and also that as the policy gathers pace; funding and staffing constraints will limit the number of BIDs and their ability to deliver benefits such as economic growth and engagement to the city. We would like to offer our feedback on this to enable policy review and ideas about developing capacity to handle BID development and support in house. Additionally there is significant pressure on board members that volunteer their time; while running their own businesses.
2. **Runway Extension-** while we are generally supportive of this project as one to deliver economic benefits to all sectors of Wellington; we remain willing to engage to help the process especially in the areas of small business engagement in helping the Consent process. We support the calls for continuing work on a robust business case before approval is given.
3. **Tech Hub-** while this is a welcome development for the city there are a number of concerns;
 - Is Wellington City Council the best agency to run this? Our experience is that WCC officers are very good at their job but lack contacts and personal business experience which can inhibit such an important project. WCC needs to be more facilitative and involve appropriate private parties by Advisory Boards or special engagement.
 - Again we run the risk of thinking too narrowly. If we consider the issue of Tech Associated activities including free wifi, why aren't these issues being considered alongside each other? Some ideas;

- *Getting actively involved in the ICT Hub proposal and helping push that.*
- *Satellite ICT Hubs in Eastern, Western, and Northern Wards. Starting with Eastern.*
- *Money for any smart applications that may come out of past or future hackathons.*
- *Extending the free CBD wireless to not just the rest of the city, but to suburbs as well.*
- *When the free wireless is built, making sure that we can attach sensors to it at a later date.*
- *A move toward Open Data stored in a Community Cloud that is managed by WCC, the Community, Business, and other interested parties.*
- *Strengthening the Innovation Group with more staff.*
- *Council facilitation of six-monthly Wired Wellington High-Tech Days.*
- *Direct support from Council in terms of ICT Start Ups getting through the red-tape of establishing themselves in the city.*
- *A more cohesive “package” that encourages high-tech companies to move to Wellington and establish themselves. Not just in the central city, but out our way as well.*
- *A policy that WCC will attempt to source its ICT locally, where appropriate. (There are moves to do this in government as well and it’s worked really well in the UK).*
- *Education in schools, students and teachers.*

We think that the Innovation Group has been really supportive of IT in the city and if they could be strengthened; we could see some of this stuff actually starting to happen in a planned way.

- There is a very real concern that unless this is looked at in terms of a city wide initiative, then landlords providing facilities in the suburbs such as Miramar lose out to ‘subsidised’ council facilities—we have some examples of this happening and it needs to be considered in the context of the next initiative i.e. the Miramar Industry Enterprise Zone.
4. **Miramar Industry Enterprise Zone**—this is a great initiative and we support it wholeheartedly. However we would want some closer consultation with us to consider its formation and impact; as it will have an impact on our local business community such as infrastructure investment spend; transport pressures and other day to day activities.
 5. **Creating liveable communities and accommodating growth**— the Development Contribution Policy needs to be reconsidered as part of this package. While we acknowledge the need for contributions of adding pressure to existing infrastructure, we feel that;
 - The existing policy is a blunt tool that hinders rather than helps the desire for intensification and development

- We know of several projects that were canned because of the short term effect of development contributions on the financial viability of such projects
 - There are other mechanisms of spreading the load and Council should take a more holistic approach to the benefits of such development including the creation of new rates and extra employment. Options to be considered could be a targeted rate over ten years and an improvement in the method of calculation i.e. these are not apartments and people using these facilities are not there all day and do not put a great deal of pressure on the infrastructure.
 - We note in passing that many cities do not have a development contribution policy (eg. Lower Hutt) and as it only raised \$5m last year; it should be got rid of and other ways considered to finance the infrastructure development.
 - The policy prevents villages such as Khandallah from intensifying with apartments over new business or retail builds.
- 6. Promoting housing choice-** we oppose the Special Housing Designation for Shelly Bay and would prefer to see some development consistent with a well thought out plan for the area as a whole.
- 7. Shelly Bay-** we question the removal of the Miramar framework as a Council policy designed to investigate development in this area. We have not been consulted in this context and we urge the consideration of Council infrastructure investment as part of a policy to help this area grow.
- 8. Miramar Ave upgrade-** Enterprise Miramar Peninsula Inc is consulting with local businesses and Council on redeveloping Miramar Avenue for a number of reasons;
- It is our main economic thoroughfare and usage is growing by 2.5% per year
 - It is mixed usage ie. Businesses compete with the need for mixed transport options ie. Bike, car, pedestrian and bus as well as trucks.
 - We want to avoid an Island Bay scenario and see cycling as a big economic benefit for the Miramar Peninsula and for local businesses
 - We have submitted a proposal to Council for funding of this urban development project as part of the total cycleway funding; but have had no response.

We therefore request a funding allocation to this project as part of the LTP.

Summary

In summary we feel that Council has to get over the 'CBD as the engine room' approach. There is considerable value in considering an integrated approach and supporting the suburbs to develop those things that the LTP quite rightly considers important;

- Growth and economic activity
- Vibrancy and innovation
- Infrastructure

We support the intent of the LTP and look forward to engaging with the Council in many of these initiatives.

Submitter Details

Wishes to be heard:

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

Correspondence to:

- Submitter
- Agent
- Both

Submission

Do you support the broad approach taken in this plan of investing for growth, in addition to providing current levels of service?

- Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Do you support our plan to limit rates increases to 3.9% on average over ten years to fund investment for growth, as opposed to a 3.1% increase to provide 'business as usual'?

- Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Should Council take action to improve our international air connections?

- Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Do you think Council should be supporting the tech sector to stimulate it to grow?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Do you think Council should be supporting the film industry to enable it to stay local and grow?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Do you believe Council should support private owners with the strengthening of heritage buildings?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Should Council strengthen its key Civic Square buildings, and offset the cost where possible?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Should Wellington seek to remain the events capital of New Zealand?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Do you support our plan to provide a new and improved venue for concerts?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Do you support upgrading sports facilities where need has been demonstrated?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Do you support the development of new tourism experiences to attract new visitors and get them to stay for longer?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Do you support Council's activities to optimise infrastructure to realise savings and better cope with adverse events?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Do you support the Council's transition to the use of smart technology such as parking sensors and LED streetlights?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Do you support proposed improvements to transport that will allow for safer, faster and more reliable journeys?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly Oppose

Comments

Urban Development

Do you support the Council funding and taking action to regenerate inner-city precincts?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Do you support our proposal to improve public spaces such as laneways?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Do you support Council's plan for strengthening suburban town centres including work in Johnsonville, Karori and Tawa?

Strongly support
 Support
 Neutral
 Oppose
 Strongly oppose

Comments

Do you generally agree with the priority projects identified in the Urban Growth Implementation Plan?

Strongly support
 Support
 Neutral
 Oppose
 Strongly oppose
 Don't know

Comments

Do you see other matters as priorities?

Comments

Who we are reaching

You don't have to complete this section but this information helps us to know who we are reaching. (Note: the information you provide is open to public view.)

I am

Male
 Female

My age is

under 18 years
 18-29 years
 30-39 years
 40-49 years
 50-59 years
 60 years and older

Have you ever made a submission on a draft annual or long-term plan before?

Yes
 No

Which of the following best describes you?

Residential ratepayer
 Commercial ratepayer

- Residential and commercial ratepayer
 - I rent
 - Other
-

Which ethnic group do you belong to? (You can tick more than one box)

- New Zealand European
- Māori
- Samoan
- Cook Island
- Tongan
- Niuean
- Chinese
- Indian
- Other (such as Dutch, Japanese, Tokelauan, Somali)

Please state:

Other issues/matters or general comments

Comments

Please see my attached submission. I do not wish my personal details to be made public

Attached Documents

File
Council Submission from NZ Health Professionals Opposing Fluoridation
2015-25 Draft Long-term Plan

Council Plan Submission from:
New Zealand Health Professionals Opposing Fluoridation

1) Fluoridation is a failed policy: ALTERNATIVES ARE NOW AVAILABLE

Local councils can now stop funding the unsuccessful water fluoridation programme because:

- a) Alternatives are available
- b) It is not council's job to pay for, or deliver, public health initiatives.

Science and statistics clearly show that fluoridation is a failure around the world. For example, in New Zealand, NON Fluoridated Canterbury has better dental health than fluoridated Auckland, fluoridated Hamilton and fluoridated Dunedin and **even better teeth than the fluoridated national average.**

<http://www.health.govt.nz/nz-health-statistics/health-statistics-and-data-sets/oral-health-data-and-stats/age-5-and-year-8-oral-health-data-community-oral-health-service>

2) SUCCESSFUL ALTERNATIVES FUNDED BY CENTRAL GOVERNMENTS

It is the responsibility of the NZ Ministry of Health and District Health Boards (not councils) to meet community dental health needs, and can do so by replacing fluoridation with proven **ALTERNATIVE SUCCESSFUL "CHILDSMILE" PROGRAMMES: SEE BELOW FOR DETAILS**

**Peter Dunne
Annette King
Kevin Hague**

All calling for changes to the NZ Oral Health system, 10 April 2015:

<http://www.radionz.co.nz/news/political/270813/calls-to-stop-the-rot-in-dental-care>

ASSOCIATE HEALTH MINISTER Peter Dunne said "The fundamental problem with the way we fund oral health services is that the basic structure hasn't changed since the late 1940s, so there's a big catch-up."

LABOUR PARTY HEALTH SPOKESPERSON Annette King said...the Government was in real terms spending less on the oral health of children, than it had in the past. "Not only children, but also what they spend in district health boards, in their hospitals and on relief of pain."

GREEN PARTY HEALTH SPOKESPERSON Kevin Hague said the Government could not continue to take a hands-off approach. "There is a total mismatch between this highly specialised, high-cost service and people's ability to pay," he said. He said sugary drinks, and hidden sugars, were causing tooth decay, and the Government should put a tax on them.

The best way for council to protect children's teeth is to stop funding fluoridation and encourage the central government Health Select Committee to fund the much more successful Childsmile programme in New Zealand. This will save council and the central government millions of dollars:

<http://www.bbc.com/news/uk-scotland-24880356>



BBC NEWS

10 November 2013

Nursery toothbrushing saves £6m in dental cost

“A scheme to encourage nursery children to brush their teeth has saved more than £6m in dental costs, according to a new study.”

These successful alternative programmes are early intervention pre-school, and school dental programmes:

Child Smile in Scotland:

<http://www.child-smile.org.uk/professionals/childsmile-core.aspx>

Designed to Smile in Wales:

<http://www.designedtosmile.co.uk/home.html>

University of Copenhagen's programme in Thailand:

<http://medicalxpress.com/news/2015-03-insight-tackling-poor-oral-health.html>

The elements of these programmes are: Daily school brushing education, Healthy Eating and Dental Screening in schools.



Childsmile Core Programme: <http://www.child-smile.org.uk/professionals/childsmile-core.aspx>

Every child is provided with a Dental Pack containing a toothbrush and toothpaste. Every three- and four-year-old child attending nursery (whether it is a local authority, voluntary or private nursery) is offered **free, daily, supervised toothbrushing**. Childsmile promotes a holistic approach to healthy living, teaching children an important life skill. It benefits nurseries and schools. Children in nurseries and schools should be offered healthy snacks and drinks, as part of national initiatives for schools to improve child dental health and help prevent obesity.

3) The latest UK research from Kent University, showing thyroid harm from fluoridation:

Published in February 2015, in the peer reviewed *Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health*, the study covers 99% of the UK population. It shows that fluoridated communities have a much higher rater of thyroid disease. Please see extensive list of articles covering this news below.

4) Two weeks after the thyroid study was published, another study was published showing the correlation of fluoridated communities having a much higher incidence of ADHD. Please see articles below.

5) The real cause of tooth decay is sugar, not lack of fluoride. Fluoride is a toxin of the same level as arsenic and lead. It has also now been classified as a neurotoxin, as published in The Lancet:

<http://fluoridealert.org/news/lancet-neurology-reclassifies-fluoride-as-developmental-neurotoxin/>



10 November 2013

Nursery toothbrushing saves £6m in dental cost



Childsmile involves nursery staff giving supervised toothbrushing

A scheme to encourage nursery children to brush their teeth has saved more than £6m in dental costs, according to a new study.

Childsmile involves staff at all Scottish nurseries offering free supervised toothbrushing every day.

Glasgow researchers found that the scheme had reduced the cost of treating dental disease in five-year-olds by more than half between 2001 and 2010.

The programme was launched in 2001 and costs about £1.8m a year.

It emphasises the importance of toothbrushing and helps parents establish a healthy diet from the earliest stage.

A number of nurseries and schools in targeted areas also provide fluoride varnish and toothbrushing in primary one and two.

An evaluation, funded by the Scottish government and carried out by Glasgow University, found that fewer children needed dental extractions, fillings or general anaesthetics as a result of the programme.

'Less toothache'

There was also said to be a drop in the number of children needing hospital treatment for dental problems, freeing up operating theatres.

Public Health Minister Michael Matheson said: "This is an amazing achievement and shows just how much can be saved from a very simple health intervention.

"This has seen less tooth decay in children which means less toothache, fewer sleepless nights and less time off school.

"By this simple measure, NHS costs associated with the dental disease of five-year-old children have decreased dramatically.

"More children can just be treated routinely in the dental chair because they need less invasive treatments, so fewer fillings and fewer extractions, and many more children with much better oral health than we have seen in many years."

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<http://medicalxpress.com/news/2015-03-insight-tackling-poor-oral-health.html>

March 19, 2015



New insight into tackling poor oral health in children around the globe

A new research project from the University of Copenhagen has established an effective model for the fight against the escalating burden of tooth decay among children in Asia. The model is an important tool in breaking the social inequity in oral health of children.

In developing countries, the number of children who suffer pain and discomfort in addition to missing out on school lessons is increasing. This project demonstrates that the school is a vital key to better oral health. The

project also shows how it is possible to **organize school oral health intervention**, including health promotion and disease prevention for all, in a **low-income country** in Asia such as Thailand.

The research results are just published in the latest issue of the **public health journal *Community Dental Health***

Oral health in Asia

The research project - based on **the WHO Health Promoting Schools concept** - focused **on increasing the awareness of the importance of oral health among children, families, and schoolteachers** in order to develop a healthy school environment, a healthy diet, regular dental care habits in young children and the use of effective fluoridated toothpaste. Tooth decay is surprisingly high among schoolchildren in Thailand and primarily related to poor living conditions, the high intake of sugars, weak traditions of oral hygiene, low exposure to fluoride for **disease prevention**, as well as poor availability and accessibility of preventive dental health services.

"It is of vital importance that we learn more about the most effective ways of resolving the health problems, and this project emphasizes the necessity of engaging the school as well as family and schoolteachers", says lead researcher Professor Poul Erik Petersen, from the School of Dentistry, Department for Global Oral Health and Community Dentistry at the University of Copenhagen. "The results of the school programme are impressive with a **reduction of 41% in new lesions of tooth decay.**"

The study was based on a community trial conducted in the Songkla Province in Thailand and involved **fifteen schools with a total of 3,706 pre-school students**. The two-year study assessed the benefits of an enhanced oral health promotion programme, which included closely supervised tooth brushing with an effective toothpaste containing **1,450 ppm fluoride**, compared to customary oral hygiene procedures.

Future school health programmes

The results will hopefully assist Ministries of Health, public health administrators and oral health planners in low and middle-income countries in the Asian region in designing evidence based school health programmes. The experience gained from the research project could also offer new insight into the global fight against poor oral health in children. "Globally, very few **school health** programmes are evaluated scientifically. This research project has provided sound information and will thus contribute to the promotion of preventive measures in school oral health programmes," Poul Erik Petersen concludes.

Explore further: [More children should brush their teeth to halt tooth decay and gum disease](#)

Provided by [University of Copenhagen](#)

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<http://www.healthcanal.com/oral-dental-health/61509-%E2%80%9Cbaby-teeth-talk%E2%80%9D-study-tri-national-study-promotes-early-intervention-strategies-to-improve-indigenous-oral-health.html>

“Baby Teeth Talk” study: tri-national study promotes early intervention strategies to improve Indigenous oral health

20/03/2015

TORONTO, ON – A first of its kind, a study funded by the Canadian Institutes of Health Research, involving indigenous populations in Canada, Australia and New Zealand is attempting to tackle a growing problem in Indigenous populations: early childhood caries.

Causing pain and often requiring treatment under general anaesthetic, early childhood caries also predispose children to ear infections as well as adult caries. Accessing care, meanwhile, often involves flying from remote communities to hospitals in more populated areas – placing a tremendous strain on resources as well as on families.

U of T's Dr. Herenia Lawrence is lead investigator in the massive pan-nation community study that **recruited 544 pregnant Canadian First Nations and Métis women, 446 Australian Aboriginals and 222 New Zealand Māori.**

The study focuses on several intervention strategies: **it provided dental care for the pregnant mothers; applied a twice-yearly fluoride varnish to one group of children's teeth from ages 6 months to 2 years (often in remote Aboriginal communities water is not fluoridated); and in the second group, varnish at 2 years; and engages mothers in respectful, culturally-relevant discussions to help educate and guide the way to better oral health.** The study will follow the children until 3 years of age.

PRE-NATAL INTERVENTION STRATEGIES

The study provided several intervention strategies: working with dental professionals, the researchers provided dental care to the pregnant recruits, as well as motivational interviewing (a culturally-sensitive and respectful form of guidance) and education – which are ongoing throughout the study, and often provided by Aboriginal field workers.

The study then provides the children born of these women **twice-yearly fluoride treatments** and tracks their progress for three years, with the hopes of creating sustainable, culturally relevant prevention strategies.

Currently, the study is collecting data as the children turn two and three. The team of researchers hope to **conclude the study in late 2015 – early 2016.**

Featured in CIHR's Annual Report (2013-14), the study involves Health Canada, Canadian Institutes for Health Research (CIHR), the Australian Research Centre for Population Oral Health, University of Adelaide, and **777 Aotearoa,**

New Zealand, the Raukura Hauora O Tainui, Waikato-Tainui College for Research and Development, as well as the University of Otago. Critical partnerships were also formed with numerous Indigenous governments in the three study nations.

In mid-March of this year, Dr. Lawrence presented a segment of the study at the International Association for Dental Research meeting in Boston, MA. Focusing on some of the social determinants of health, the researchers concluded that levels of education, Aboriginal identity and racism all played a determinant part in the health of the Aboriginal women interviewed.

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<http://fluoridefree.org.nz/decline-general-anaesthetics-shows-taumarunui-health-governance-board/>

Late in 2014, the [Taumarunui Health Governance Board](#) advocated the [reintroduction of fluoridation to Taumarunui's public water supply](#) citing increased dental decay rates among children.

To the contrary, there is no evidence to support these claims. Information received under the official information act show that general anaesthetics, for children up to age 18, has [declined since fluoridation was stopped](#).

The DHB has advised that the dental team increased their oral health education and moved to some direct preventative measures such as direct application of fluoride varnish on pre-schoolers' teeth.

This is obviously a far better solution than fluoridation as it would appear this has had a very positive effect on reducing serious dental health problems. Providing education gives people life long ability to look after their own teeth and is far cheaper, as well as far safer, than general anaesthetics. So by their own admission there are viable alternatives to fluoridation.

Ruapehu District Councillors should congratulate themselves on having made a [very sensible decision in 2011](#), which has now led to a real improvement in dental health outcomes for the community. This has been done without imposing any risks or upsetting people who feel fluoridation imposes on their right not to be medicated against their informed consent.

Only 23 councils out of 67 have any fluoridation, so Ruapehu-Taumarunui policy of no fluoridation is shared by the in majority of councils in the country.

Calendar Year	Cases
2005	27
2006	22
2007	23
2008	22
2009	22
2010	20
2011	5
2012	7
2013	14
2014	17
Grand Total	179

Breaking news in water fluoridation:

Kent University Thyroid Study, February 2015



More than a hundred media outlets have covered this news overseas.
Lowered Thyroid Function (Hypothyroidism) in the media

International Media (partial list)

[Newsweek. Water Fluoridation linked to higher ADHD Rates. \(10 March 2015\)](#)

[Dentistry Today. Water Fluoridation in England Producing Higher Rates of Underactive Thyroid \(9 March 2015\)](#)

[Channel 7 News Item. Love lost for fluoride? \(27 February 2015\)](#)

[MintPressNews. New Study Confirms Negative Impact of Fluoride On Thyroid Gland. \(27 February 2015\)](#)

[Birmingham Mail. Fluoride in Birmingham's water could cause depression and weight gain – scientists \(26 February 2015\)](#)

[Chicago Tribune. British study links fluoride, underactive thyroid. \(26 February 2015\)](#)

[MD Think. Water Fluoridation linked to Hypothyroidism. \(26 February 2015\)](#)

[Philadelphia Inquirer. Fluoride in Drinking Water Tied to Higher Rates of Underactive Thyroid. \(26 February 2015\)](#)

[Oregon Live. Fluoride in water: New study suggests link to underactive thyroid \(26 February 2015\)](#)

[MSN. Fluoride in Drinking Water Tied to Higher Rates of Underactive Thyroid. \(25 February 2015\)](#)

[Global Research. Water Fluoridation and Hypothyroidism: Research Exposes How Water is Making us Depressed, Sick \(25 February\)](#)

[Health Daily. Fluoride in Drinking Water Tied to Higher Rates of Underactive Thyroid \(25 February\)](#)

[Daily Mail. Is your tap water poisoning you? The troubling question on everyone's lips as scientists warn fluoride put in water to protect teeth could spark depression. \(25 February 2015\)](#)

[Energy and Environment Magazine. Nationwide study links fluoridation to thyroid malfunction \(25 February 2015\)](#)

[The Age. Studies linking fluoride in water to health issues prompt Australian review. \(25 February 2015\)](#)

[Doctors Lounge. Water Fluoridation Linked to Hypothyroidism in Britain \(25 February 2015\)](#)

[Bristol Post. Is fluoride in drinking water making people fat and depressed? \(25 February 2015\)](#)

[Endocrine Today. Fluoridated water contributes to increased rates of hypothyroidism \(24 February 2015\)](#)

[The New American. New Research Underscores the Dangers of Fluoride. \(24 February 2015\)](#)

[Newsweek: Water Fluoridation May Increase Risk of Underactive Thyroid Disorder. \(24 Feb 2015\)](#)

[Kent News. Stop water fluoridation, says public health expert \(24 February 2015\)](#)

[Science Daily: Water fluoridation in England linked to higher rates of underactive thyroid. \(24 Feb 2015\)](#)

[Yorkshire Post. Fluoride in water increases risk of thyroid illness 'by 30 per cent' \(24 Feb 2015\)](#)

[Irish Mirror. Adding fluoride to water may cause underactive thyroid. \(23 February 2015\)](#)

[Telegraph: Fluoride in drinking water may trigger depression and weight gain, warn scientists. \(23 Feb 2015\)](#)

[Daily Mail front page headline: Is the fluoride in your tap water poisoning you? \(25 February\)](#)

New Zealand Media

[Radio New Zealand. The Panel with Finlay MacDonald and Chris Gallavin. \(27 February 2015\)](#) **[transcript attached]**

[Radio New Zealand. Dentists dismiss fluoride fears. \(25 February 2015\)](#)

Live links can be found at: <http://fluoridefree.org.nz/lowered-thyroid-function/>

Another major study published this month

Water Fluoridation Linked to Higher ADHD Rates

10 MARCH 2015

New research shows there is a strong correlation between water fluoridation and the prevalence of Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder, or ADHD, in the United States.

It's the first time that scientists have systematically studied the relationship between the behavioral disorder and fluoridation, the process wherein fluoride is added to water to prevent cavities.

The study, [published](#) in the journal *Environmental Health*, found that states with a higher portion of artificially fluoridated water had a higher prevalence of ADHD. This relationship held up across six different years examined. The authors, psychologists [Christine Till](#) and [Ashley Malin](#) at Toronto's York University, looked at the prevalence of fluoridation by state in 1992 and rates of ADHD diagnoses in subsequent years.

"States in which a greater proportion of people received artificially-fluoridated water in 1992 tended to have a greater proportion of children and adolescents who received ADHD diagnoses [in later years], after controlling for socioeconomic status," Malin says. Wealth is important to take into account because the poor are more likely to be diagnosed with ADHD, she says. After income was adjusted for, though, the link held up.

Take Delaware and Iowa, for instance. Both states have relatively [low poverty rates](#) but are [heavily fluoridated](#); they also have [high levels of ADHD](#), with more than one in eight kids (or 14 percent) between the ages of four and 17 diagnosed.

In the study, the scientists produced a predictive model which calculated that every one percent increase in the portion of the U.S. population drinking fluoridated water in 1992 was associated with 67,000 additional cases of ADHD 11 years later, and an additional 131,000 cases by 2011, after controlling for socioeconomic status.

"The results are plausible, and indeed meaningful," says Dr. [Philippe Grandjean](#), a physician and epidemiologist at Harvard University. This and other recent studies suggest that we should "reconsider the need to add fluoride to drinking water at current levels," he adds.

[Thomas Zoeller](#), a scientist at UMass-Amherst who studies endocrine disruptors—chemicals that interfere with the activity of the body's hormones, something fluoride [has been shown to do](#)—says that this is "an important observation in part because it is a first-of-a-kind. Given the number of children in the U.S. exposed to fluoridation, it is important to follow this up." Since 1992, the percentage of the U.S. population that drinks fluoridated water has increased from [56 percent](#) to 67 percent, during which time the percentage of children with an ADHD diagnosis has increased from around seven percent to more than 11 percent, [according](#) to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

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Others felt more strongly. "The numbers of extra cases associated with a one percent increase in the 1992 artificial fluoridation [figures] are huge," says [William Hirzy](#), an American University researcher and former risk assessment scientist at the Environmental Protection Agency, who is also a vocal opponent of fluoridation. "In short, it clearly shows that as artificial water fluoridation increases, so does the incidence of ADHD."

But scientists were quick to point out that this is just one study, and doesn't prove that there is necessarily a causal link between fluoridation and ADHD. They also noted a number of important limitations: Individual fluoride exposures weren't measured, ADHD diagnoses weren't independently verified and there may be other unknown confounding factors that explain the link.

Water Fluoridation May Increase Risk of Underactive Thyroid Disorder

2/24/15



Britain's Prime Minister David Cameron drinks a glass of water as he delivers a speech in Hastings, southern England February 23, 2015

A large study that looked at data from nearly every general medical practice in England suggests that water fluoridation may increase the risk of developing [hypothyroidism](#), or underactive thyroid. This condition, in which the thyroid gland doesn't produce enough [hormones](#), is associated with symptoms such as fatigue, obesity and depression.

The study found that locations with fluoridated water supplies were more than 30 percent more likely to have high levels of hypothyroidism, compared to areas with low levels of the chemical in the water. Overall, there were 9 percent more cases of underactive thyroid in fluoridated places.

Fluoride is added to the water of about 10 percent of England's population—and to the taps of [about two-thirds of Americans](#)—for the purpose of preventing cavities. It has proved controversial ever since being adopted by American public health authorities in the 1950s, and then spreading to some other countries; supporters say it is a boon for dental health, while critics say it may lead to a variety of health problems.

The paper, [published today](#) in the *Journal of Epidemiology & Community Health*, also directly compared the fluoridated city of Birmingham with the city of Manchester, which doesn't add the substance to the water. After controlling for factors such as sex and age (women are more likely than men to have the condition, and the elderly more likely than the young), the researchers concluded that doctor's offices in Birmingham were nearly twice as likely to report high levels hypothyroidism, says study co-author [Stephen Peckham](#), a researcher at the University of Kent.

"It raises a red flag," says [Dr. Philippe Grandjean](#), an environmental health researcher and physician at Harvard University, "that possible interference with thyroid function needs serious consideration when regulating fluoride levels in drinking water."

The findings are all the more important since this is the "largest population ever studied in regard to adverse effects of elevated fluoride exposure," says Grandjean, who wasn't involved in the study. Data was collected from 99 percent of England's 8,020 general medical practices, and the study found that a total of 3.2 percent of the population had hypothyroidism, a 14 percent increase from 2008.

"The study is an important one because it is large enough to detect differences of potential significance to the health of the population," says [Trevor Sheldon](#), a medical researcher and dean of the Hull York Medical School. Sheldon, who has authored numerous studies in this field, no longer thinks (as he once did) that the "case for general water fluoridation" is clear.

Considering the comprehensiveness of this study—it covered nearly the whole of England—regional differences in fluoride intake or other confounding factors are unlikely to have played a role in the striking results, says [Kathleen Thiessen](#), a senior

The Telegraph

23 Feb 2015

Fluoride in drinking water may trigger depression and weight gain, warn scientists

Around 15,000 people could be suffering needlessly from thyroid problems because of fluoride in drinking water, the University of Kent has warned

Fluoride could be causing depression and weight gain and councils should stop adding it to drinking water to prevent tooth decay, scientists have warned.

A study of 98 per cent of GP practices in England found that high rates of underactive thyroid were 30 per cent more likely in areas of the greatest fluoridation.

It could mean that up to 15,000 people are suffering needlessly from thyroid problems which can cause depression, weight gain, fatigue and aching muscles.

Last year Public Health England released a report saying fluoride was a 'safe and effective' way of improving dental health.

But new research from the University of Kent suggests that there is a spike in the number of cases of underactive thyroid in high fluoride areas such as the West Midlands and the North East of England.

Lead author Professor Stephen Peckham, Centre for Health Service Studies, said: "I think it is concerning for people living in those areas.

"The difference between the West Midlands, which fluoridates, and Manchester, which doesn't was particularly striking. There were nearly double the number of cases in the West Midlands. "Underactive thyroid is a particularly nasty thing to have and it can lead to other long term health problems. I do think councils need to think again about putting fluoride in the water. There are far safer ways to improve dental health."

In England, around 10 per cent of the population (6 million) live in areas with a naturally or artificially fluoridated water supply of 1 mg fluoride per litre of drinking water.

The researchers compared areas to records from 7935 general practices covering around 95 per cent of the English population in 2012-2013. Rates of high underactive thyroid were at least 30 per cent more likely in practices located in areas with fluoride levels in excess of 0.3 mg/l. Fluoride is a naturally occurring mineral found in water in varying amounts, depending on the region and it is also found in certain foods and drinks, including tea and fish. It helps combat tooth decay by making enamel more resistant to bacteria.

But previous studies have found that it inhibits the production of iodine, which is essential for a healthy thyroid.

The thyroid gland, which is found in the neck, regulates the metabolism as well as many other systems in the body. An underactive thyroid can lead to depression, weight gain, fatigue and aching muscles and affects 15 times more women than men, around 15 in 1,000 women.

The researchers say councils must rethink public health policy to fluoridate the water supply in a bid to protect the nation's tooth health.

However Public Health England said that previous evidence overwhelmingly showed that fluoride in water was safe. Dr Sandra White, Director of Dental Public Health at Public Health England, said: "Public Health England regularly reviews the evidence base for water fluoridation.

"The totality of evidence, accumulated over decades of research, tells us that water fluoridation is a safe and effective public health measure, and shows no association with reduced thyroid function."

Other experts also warned that the study may have been skewed by population bias, a claim denied by the authors. Prof David Coggon,

Professor of Occupational and Environmental Medicine, University of Southampton, said: "It is quite possible that the observed association is a consequence of other ways in which the areas with higher fluoride differ from the rest of the country. "There are substantially more rigorous epidemiological methods by which the research team could have tested their idea"

The research was published in the BMJs Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health.

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/science/science-news/11430087/Fluoride-in-drinking-water-may-trigger-depression-and-weight-gain-warn-scientists.html>

Internationally, fluoridation is on the way out.

IN JUST OVER A YEAR:

**25 Councils have
voted to stop
fluoridation in
the Republic
of Ireland**



COUNTY, CITY & TOWN COUNCILS

Dublin City & County, South
Dublin, Galway City &
County, Cork City & County,
Donegal, Kerry, Wexford,
Leitrim, Cavan, Bantry,
Macroom, Kinsale, Cobh,
Balbriggan, Laois,
Roscommon, Sligo, Longford,
Fingal, Kildare, Clare &
Monaghan

25 of 26 Northern Ireland councils
in the 1990s voted against starting
fluoridation, so it is not fluoridated.

Hundreds of cities around the world have voted to stop
fluoridation in the last decade.

Israel outlawed fluoridation in 2014.

Radio New Zealand – Jim Mora Show, 27th February 2015
Transcript of Jim Mora and NZDA Dentist Rob Beaglehole.
Fluoride Free NZ comments in blue.



Jim Mora: Fluoride could cause depression and weight gain, that's the headline and the same sort of headline in more than one English paper, not just the Daily Mail. 'Fluoride added to local water supplies in England may cause depression and weight gain' says the University of Kent. Its scientists warn local authorities should cease adding the mineral to drinking water in the interests of public health. Particularly high numbers of under-active thyroid glands occur in areas with high levels of fluoridation. The University of Kent compared the medical records from nearly 8,000 GP practices, that's a lot of medical centres, and they found patients had considerably higher rates of under-active thyroid in practices situated in areas where water fluoridation levels were 0.3 mg/L or higher and I think we are about between 0.7 and 1, mg/L in New Zealand. Professor Stephen Peckham of the University of Kent says "his team's findings are worrying for people exposed to water fluoridation".

We are going to get some expert comment.

Dr Rob Beaglehole is principal dental officer with the Nelson-Marlborough DHB, joining us on the panel. So is the science up in the air, do we have to rethink fluoride again?

Dr Beaglehole: I'm also the NZ Dental Association spokesperson on water fluoridation. And I think what we need to make it extremely clear the science is totally settled. Water fluoridation has absolutely no link with anything the anti-fluoridationists have linked to it. It's not just us at the Dental Association that are saying this, it's also the Medical Association, the American Dental Association and the World Health Organisation say it. I think it's also a good thing to point out that the Prime Minister's Chief Science Advisor, Sir Peter Gluckman, a very smart man, has also come out, saying that there is no evidence whatsoever that water fluoridation causes any problem.

FFNZ: Endorsements are not science. The science is obviously not settled if papers are being published in prestigious peer reviewed medical journals. Besides, those endorsements are not good enough for the vast majority of European countries so why should we accept them without question.

Jim: So why the results please from the English University?

That's a good question. The paper that came out from the Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health is highly flawed. The major flaw is that it fails to highlight that iodine deficiency is actually a major cause of hypothyroidism and the two areas that this paper singled, which actually has water fluoridation, also has very high levels of iodine deficiency. And iodine deficiency, as we all know, is the major cause of goiter or hypothyroidism.

FFNZ: Authors were asked if they allowed for iodine deficiency. Their response:

We were asked to pay attention to iodine deficiency by the reviewers. This was our response: We examined the literature on iodine intake. This suggests that for most of the post war period iodine intake was considered adequate. However, recent research on young women and pregnant women's intake suggests that there may be inadequate intake. Given the available evidence on iodine intake we do not consider that people living in areas that are fluoridated will have distinctively different iodine intake than those living in non-fluoridated areas. Diet is the main determinant of iodine intake. The British Geological Survey concludes that generally all topsoil (except some coastal areas) is iodine deficient but given that soil and water iodine content contributes such a small part of total iodine intake that differences across the UK would not affect total iodine intake. It is estimated that average daily iodine intake comprises 156ug I per day from food (42 % from dairy produce), 12 ug I from air and 12 ug I from water (BGS Commissioned report CR/03/057N- http://www.bgs.ac.uk/research/international/DFID-KAR/CR03057N_COL.pdf

Also, the two areas singled out were Birmingham and Manchester. Birmingham is fluoridated and Manchester is not. It was not two fluoridated areas. These two cities were probably used as comparisons as these are the two cities the British Dental Association use when comparing dental decay rates.

Jim: But they say that they looked at medical practices across a wide geographical area. So would an iodine deficiency be that wide spread in Britain?

Dr Beaglehole: They did look at a number of GP practices, but a very important fact here out is that Professor Stephen Peckham from the University of Kent is actually an ardent anti-fluoridationist and he didn't notify the journal of that fact, and all around the world public health people, public health dentists have looked into this paper

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I see it as really important that our council supports our employees and pays them a living wage. It should also advocate for and support firms it subcontracts to also become living wage employers. That is a future oriented stand that is good for Wellington

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Again, the tech sector doesn't need council 'helping'; it needs council to remove what hinders development.

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Do you see other matters as priorities?

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It would be extremely positive and proactive to have really good survey data on why people come to Wellington to live, visit, study. The LTP could then have items to enhance the values and services that attract people and already exist. We shouldn't compete with Auckland and Christchurch. We should promote our special differences and Wellington is VERY distinctive.

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Please stop herding people in rural areas into urban areas. It sounds like a UN Agenda 21 nightmare.

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Wgtn needs a better music venue

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NEW ZEALAND

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1. Background

1.1 Introduction

The purpose of our organisation is protecting our Community in the Water. In the summer of 2010/11 we celebrated our centenary of 100 years of Surf Life Saving in New Zealand. The summer celebrated the developments in rescue and education throughout those 100 years, as well as the 50,000 people saved and also the stories of the people who have volunteered and built the organisation to what it is today. We are excited about moving into the next centenary of volunteering, education, and delivering programmes and services in our communities.

Our current focuses are:

- To be New Zealand's leading aquatic essential service.
- To be recognised as the #1 authority in drowning and prevention.
- To have effective partnerships in the aquatic sector.
- To be flexible and responsive to community needs in water safety.
- To have Clubs and the national organization functioning effectively
- To have 'one organization' view to drowning prevention and our sport.
- To ensure all stakeholders reflect positively on their relationship with SLS.

We have a range of activities, services and programmes that enable us to achieve our purpose, these include:

- Lifesaving
 - The support of the 73 active voluntary lifeguard services throughout the country.
 - The management and administration of the Regional Lifeguard service.
- Education
 - The organization provides Beach Education, City Nippers and Surf to Schools programmes to over 40,000 children nationwide.
 - Our Education pathway for membership extends from junior through to masters level.
- Sport
 - Maintaining and developing the pathway from junior surf to high performance.
- Volunteer support
 - Subsidised courses in first aid, radio operation, Inflatable Rescue Boats and the National Lifeguard School.
 - Providing coaching courses for our 16,000+ members.
 - Professional support from Club Development Officers throughout the country to ensure the sustainable development of our clubs and volunteer lifeguard services.
- Community
 - Programmes and services that focus on enhancing community wellbeing services. These are provided on and off the beach and include workplace seminars, research and education forums, and rescue emergency services collaboration.
- Event Safety
 - Event safety services for community events.

1.2 Wellington City

In Wellington City there has been a service contract for Regional Lifeguard Services at the Lyall Bay and Oriental Bay beaches. A great deal more volunteer hours are put in by the SLS membership in Wellington that provides the same service, these volunteer hours are not part of the Regional Lifeguard Service.

One of the key safety interventions as defined by the Coastal Public Safety Assessment (CPSA), surf lifeguards on beaches, has been subject to additional risk modelling. The recommendations provided are based on analysis of the following data:

- Beach morphology and physical hazard rating.
- Visitation profile.
- User demographic.

- Activity profile.
- Projected population growth/trends (Census Data, Statistic New Zealand).

The risk modelling has yielded the following with regards to surf lifeguarding servicing within the Wellington Area (assessed sites only):

Extend existing surf lifeguarding service (or satellite):

- Lyall Bay
- Oriental Bay
- Scorching Bay

The professional lifeguarding service should continue to run from late December to the end of January (to cover the summer school holidays) at Lyall Bay Beach and Oriental Bay Beach extending by one hour each day. Further extension into February is also suggested for these sites in year four. This service would operate during weekday afternoons (e.g. 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm) during February. This has not been included in the request for funds at this stage.

A minimum of three lifeguards should be stationed at all sites due to the nature of the beach and wave conditions. This is the minimum number required to safely utilise an inflatable rescue boat (IRB) in the lifeguarding operation, and thus 3 lifeguards are necessary as an IRB should be utilised at all sites. Further lifeguards are required over peak periods due to greater beach use.

Refer appendix (A) for more detail on the Coastal Public Safety Assessment.

2. Community Needs Identified

2.1 Objectives

The main objective of the service is to prevent death and injury at Wellington Beaches. Funding will provide the means to have patrolled beach areas during the busiest weeks.

A regional lifeguard service provides a safe swimming area for beach users during the summer holiday period. Qualified surf lifeguards assess the safety of the conditions, and establish a patrolled area if conditions are suitable. Swimmers who follow the directions of lifeguards and swim between the flags can enjoy the beach safely. Lifeguards also monitor areas outside the flags and perform preventative actions to reduce the risk of drowning and injury.

A key objective is to reduce the number of rescues required by performing preventative actions. This may include advising against swimming in a designated area because of:

- Sea conditions such as rips, holes, strong undertows, and the size of the surf and force of waves which may be considered dangerous.
- Presence of stingers in the water such as jellyfish and stingrays.
- Presence of dangerous/high risk sea life such as sharks.
- Pollution problems.
- Inappropriate or incorrect use of surfboards, boogie boards or other floatation devices used in the water.
- Warning swimmers who are venturing past safe limits in relation to their swimming abilities.

Proactive preventative actions aim to prevent beach users from getting into danger while at the beach and educate them in ways to enjoy the sea environment safely through interaction with the surf lifeguards. If conditions are deemed unsafe for swimming, the lifeguards remain on duty to advise the public against swimming, and perform any preventative actions or rescues as required throughout the day.

Should people become endangered, the safe return of people to the beach, without drowning or injury, is a surf lifeguard's main objective.

Regional surf lifeguards also provide the following services to the public and emergency services should the need arise:

- Administering first aid.
- Carrying out searches (shore or sea based).

- On Call emergency services should the seriousness of an incident require it.
- Working with the Coastguard and Police as required.
- Providing important information to the public.
- The delivery of public education messages proactively and directly to beach users.

2.2 Who Will Benefit

- Local residents.
- Beach going public of all ages and cultural backgrounds.
- Visitors to the Region.
- Local youth through employment opportunities.
- Local businesses.

Patrol Statistics 2013 / 2014

Location	Rescues	First Aids	Searches	Preventative Actions	No of People involved in Preventatives
Lyllall Bay	5	3	0	577	343
Oriental Bay	3	2	0	495	489
Totals	8	5	0	1072	832

Patrol Statistics 2014 / 2015

Location	Rescues	First Aids	Searches	Preventative Actions	No of People involved in Preventatives
Lyllall Bay	2	12	0	584	780
Oriental Bay	1	24	0	409	286
Totals	3	36	0	993	1066

2.3 Link to Council Priorities

There are a number of key areas this service will link into Council strategies and priorities these are the following:

- People Centred City – Providing a safe environment for our community and a valuable resource in the event of an emergency.
- Eco-City – Enabling people to use the City's aquatic environment in a safe healthy manner.
- Dynamic Central City – Providing safety for events that make the City dynamic.

3. Service Provision

3.1 Current Service Provided

Location	Total Number Days	No of Lifeguards	Days per Week	Hours Per Day
Lyllall Bay	30	3	5	7
Oriental Bay	30	3	5	7
Scorching Bay	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

3.2 Recommended Service

The coastal public safety assessment has yielded the following with regards to surf lifeguarding services within Wellington City (assessed sites only):

Extend surf lifeguarding service (or satellite):

- Lyall Bay
- Oriental Bay
- Scorching Bay

Location	Total Number Days			No of Lifeguards	Days per Week	Hours Per Day
	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18			
Lyall Bay (Dec-Jan)	30	30	30	3	5	8
(Feb)	10	10	10	3	5	3
Oriental Bay(Dec-Jan)	30	30	30	3	5	8
(Feb)	10	10	10	3	5	3
Scorching Bay (Dec-Jan)	30	30	30	3	5	8
(Feb)	10	10	10	3	5	3

4. Funding and Resources

4.1 Current Funding Provided

- Wellington City Council \$40,000.00 (+GST)

4.2 Funding Requested from Wellington City Council

- 2015-16: \$ 85,118 (+GST)
- 2016-17: \$ 86,821 (+GST)
- 2017-18 : \$ 88,557 (+GST)

4.3 Total Cost to Deliver Recommended Service

Expenditure	2015 / 2016	2016 / 2017	2017/2018
Uniforms	\$3600	\$3672	\$3745
Fuel	\$1920	\$1958	\$1998
Equipment / Repairs	\$4500	\$4590	\$4682
SLSNZ Insurance	\$360	\$367	\$375
ACC	\$1334	\$1360	\$1388
Wages	\$65376	\$66683	\$68017
Supervision	\$3000	\$3060	\$3121
Management	\$5029	\$5129	\$5232
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	\$85118	\$86821	\$88557

4.4 Wellington City Council

The Council will be responsible for the Funding of the Regional Lifeguard service to the level recommended in the Coastal Public Survey for the expenses identified by SLSNZ.

4.5 Surf Life Saving New Zealand

Surf Life Saving New Zealand will be responsible for and supply the following:

- Recruitment, appointment and human resource management related to this service along with any transportation of personnel and equipment.
- Supply of rescue and first aid equipment, IRB's (inflatable rescue boats), communication equipment at locations where a SLSNZ affiliated Club is located.
- Supply of Clubrooms for administering first aid, storage of all equipment, and staff requirements at locations where a SLSNZ affiliated Club is located.

5. Reporting

Surf Life Saving New Zealand will undertake a full review of the service on completion of the services provided. This review along with a written report will be completed and reported back to the Council on contract completion.

The report provided to the Wellington City Council will include:

- Summary of patrol statistics
- Type of rescues performed, equipment used
- Details on types of first aids performed and cause
- Detail of any influences on the delivery of the service, e.g. weather conditions, king tides, events occurring in the area.
- Any other information that will assist in the delivery of the service now and in the future.
- Any recommendations to improve the service, or the safety of beach goers.

Appendix A

Long Term Drowning & Injury Prevention Planning: Wellington City

This paper serves to provide an overview of the resources and services recommended for Wellington City over the next 10 years to help prevent drowning and injury on the coast. The recommendations are derived from risk assessments conducted at sites on the Wellington City coastline.

Drowning is the third highest cause of unintentional death in New Zealand. Since 2002, 17 people have drowned on the greater Wellington coastline. On the Wellington City coastline 215 people have been saved by surf lifeguards, 144 injured have been treated, 14 searches have been conducted and 10,500 people have been removed from danger prior to getting into difficulty. In response to these alarming figures Surf Life Saving New Zealand (SLSNZ) developed a Coastal Public Safety Strategy to provide a framework for evidence-based drowning and injury prevention. Essential to this strategy was the instigation of a risk assessment programme (referred to as Coastal Public Safety Assessments) to enable the water safety sector to make informed decisions, based on quality evidence, to ensure high risk coastal locations are identified and resourced accordingly.

1. Coastal Public Safety Assessment (CPSA)

Each CPSA involves a thorough analysis of the coastal environment (beach and surrounding dunes, surf zone, and offshore environment) and the interaction of people with this environment. The process includes identifying, logging and analysing numerous contributory factors, including:

- Hazards (i.e. shifting sand bars, deep holes, rip currents, large waves, submerged rocks etc.).
- Beach structures, facilities or existing infrastructure.
- Tourist attractions and other visitation drivers.
- Access points.
- Site usage trends.
- Demographic profiles.
- Activity profiles.
- Existing rescue/incident profile (to identify trouble spots).
- Existing emergency response to the site.

This data was collected using a range of critical sources including local community members, local coastal users (e.g. surfers), existing surf lifesaving services, police, ambulance, fire service, coastguard, iwi, and territorial authorities.

As each site and surrounding community is unique, a thorough risk assessment is required to ensure the factors contributing to incidents at particular sites are fully understood, ensuring the formulation of a comprehensive risk mitigation plan, which is effective and sustainable.

Surf Life Saving New Zealand will collate the data, consider the input from all data sources, and develop a ten year implementation plan to enhance public safety at the site. For example, this may include, but is not limited to, the installation of water safety signage, instigation of beach education programmes, or extension of lifeguarding services. Surf Life Saving New Zealand will work with the community and other key stakeholders to ensure that the initiatives required for

the site are implemented and the safety of the public is enhanced to enable people to enjoy the marine environment safely.

2. Wellington Coastal Public Safety Assessments

Coastal Public Safety Assessments were conducted at eight sites on the Wellington City coastline (Figure 1). The sites assessed included, Oriental Bay, Balaena Bay, Scorching Bay, Worser Bay, Breaker Bay, Lyall Bay, Houghton Bay and Island Bay. These sites were selected based on their perceived level of risk and the presence of existing surf lifesaving services.

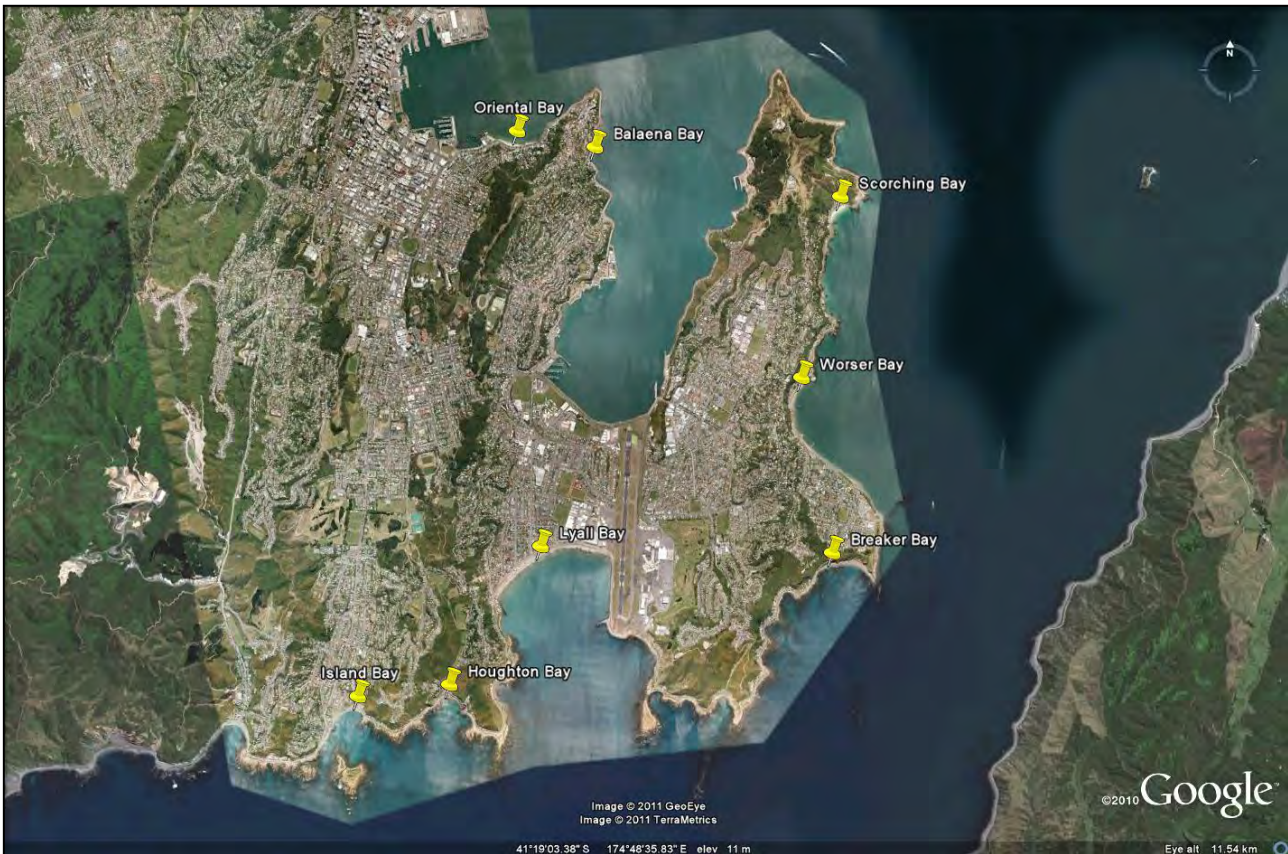


Figure 1: Sites subject to Coastal Public Safety Assessments in Wellington City.

3. Summary of findings

- There is a high level of risk of drowning and injury at Lyall Bay and a moderate level at Oriental Bay, Balaena Bay, Scorching Bay, Worser Bay, Breaker Bay, Houghton Bay and Island Bay. Drowning prevention measures have been implemented in varying forms and capacities at the assessed sites. Additional measures are still required to mitigate the level of risk further.
- Oriental Bay, Balaena Bay, Scorching Bay, Worser Bay, Breaker Bay, Lyall Bay and Island Bay have no water safety signage. The signage at Houghton Bay is unsuitable and needs to be replaced.
- There is an absence of easily accessible emergency communications devices at some sites. This could have an adverse impact on the timely response of emergency services in the event of an incident.
- The Wellington coastline is well used by local residents and tourist alike for a range of recreational purposes, particularly during the summer season.

- Car parking and basic facilities (e.g. public toilets) are provided at popular beaches on the Wellington City coastline.
- Volunteer and professional surf lifesaving services are effective at reducing drowning and injury over the peak summer period. On average approximately 35 people have been saved, 21 injured have been treated, two searches have been conducted and 1,690 people have been removed from dangerous situations by surf lifeguards every year (over the past five years).
- Surf lifesaving clubs in Wellington City provide a call-out service, responding to near shore water emergencies. Availability and the time of response of this service vary from club to club.
- Beach safety programmes (Beach Education) are run at surf lifesaving clubs in Wellington City, teaching children how to stay safe in the surf.

4. Summary of recommendations

- Water safety signage which meets the requirements of the combined Australian/New Zealand Standard (AS/NZS 2416:2010) should be installed at Oriental Bay, Balaena Bay, Scorching Bay, Worser Bay, Breaker Bay, Lyall Bay, Houghton Bay and Island Bay. Highest risk sites should be prioritised. SLSNZ can provide the specific signage requirements, as detailed in the Coastal Public Safety Reports.
- The provision of lifeguarding services should be extended beyond their current capacity (as detailed in section 4.1). In addition, Coastal Public Safety Assessments should be conducted at other sites, to investigate the requirement for lifeguarding services in popular yet unpatrolled locations.
- An integrated approach to coastal callouts and/or emergencies should be established between all relevant stakeholders at this site. A prioritized first step should be a meeting between surf lifesaving, coastguard, fire service, and police.
- A network of permanent emergency response beacons (ERB) should be installed at all assessed sites in Wellington City to enable prompt, direct, two-way communication with emergency services. As a result, an effective, timely response can be executed in an effort to minimise the consequences when an incident occurs.
- Coastal safety material should be provided by all accommodation venues relevant to the sites assessed. This will expose domestic and international visitors to some water safety education prior to entering the coastal environment.
- Beach safety information specific to the coastal sites should be incorporated on the websites of territorial authorities and applicable tourism companies. These websites should link to Surf Life Saving New Zealand's www.findabeach.co.nz website.
- Daily information signage should be displayed at main entry points throughout the year with local community members trained, by SLSNZ, regarding how to display this information.
- A holistic approach regarding coastal public safety should be incorporated into all future planning at coastal sites on the Wellington City coastline. This will likely see the introduction of other drowning prevention initiatives. SLSNZ should be consulted regarding any future development of beach access and/or infrastructure in an effort to ensure public safety is appropriately considered.

4.1 Surf Lifeguard Service Extension

One of the key safety interventions as defined by the CPSA, surf lifeguards on beaches, has been subject to additional risk modelling. The recommendations provided are based on analysis of the following data:

- Beach morphology and physical hazard rating.
- Visitation profile.
- User demographic.
- Activity profile.
- Projected population growth/trends (Census Data, Statistics New Zealand).

The risk modelling has yielded the following results with regards to (professional) surf lifeguarding servicing within Wellington City (assessed sites only):

Maintain existing surf lifeguarding service:

n/a

Extend existing surf lifeguarding service (or satellite):

- Oriental Bay, Lyall Bay.

Investigate potential surf lifeguarding service extension and/or satellite patrol:

- Scorching Bay, Worser Bay and Island Bay.

The professional lifeguard service should be extended to run from late December to the end of January (to cover the summer school holidays) at Lyall Bay and Oriental Bay. Further extension into February should be investigated for these two sites, such as a service that operates during weekday afternoons (e.g. 4:00 pm - 7:30 pm) during this month.

A professional lifeguarding service should be established at Scorching Bay and run from early January to late January. As required the length of this service may change to fulfil the risk profile of this site. In addition, professional lifeguarding services should be investigated to run over the peak summer period at Worser Bay and Island Bay. This may operate from late December to early January. These latter services should be investigated further prior to instigation.

A minimum of two lifeguards should be stationed at beaches in Wellington Harbour. An inflatable rescue boat (IRB) should be utilised along much of the south coast due to the beach and wave conditions. This requires a minimum of three lifeguards at each site. The actual number of lifeguards may be greater than the minimum requirements in many cases.

The success of a professional lifeguarding service should be evaluated annually. Any evaluation should take into account the quality of weather experienced during any given summer, as well as other factors which may influence the use of this service by members of the public.

In addition, investment in a support service (mobile water unit) should be investigated. This service could provide mobile surveillance along the Wellington City coastline over the peak summer period.

5. Future research: Coastal Public Safety Assessments

As only eight sites have been assessed in Wellington City it is essential to conduct additional Coastal Public Safety Assessments to identify the need for lifeguarding services in other popular, yet unpatrolled locations.

Recommendations:

- An additional two sites should be assessed in the next two years. A methodological approach should be taken in selecting the site, with comprehensive reasoning to support the perceived highest risk site to undergo a risk assessment.
- The safety interventions recommended for the site following a Coastal Public Safety Assessment be implemented.

6. Conclusion

- A range of safety interventions (including water safety signage, lifeguard service extension, emergency response beacons, and education programmes) are required to reduce the risk of drowning and injury on the Wellington City coastline.
- The provision of these safety interventions should be incorporated into future plans for the coastal environment by the Wellington City Council and other water safety stakeholders.

7. Further details

This paper provides a brief summary of the results of the Coastal Public Safety Assessments conducted in Wellington City. Extensive information on each individual beach and their recommended safety interventions is detailed within their Coastal Public Safety Reports. These reports will be available online via a freely accessible web database, known as Code Blue (www.codeblue.org.nz). Please note these recommendations are subject to change following consultation with stakeholders at each site and/or changing situations for a particular site.



SURF LIFE SAVING
NEW ZEALAND

14 April 2015

Wellington City Council

Re. Submission to Draft Long – term plan 2015-2025

This paper is being submitted as part of the Draft Long –term Plan 2015-2025 on behalf of Surf Life Saving New Zealand for the provision of Regional Lifeguard Services at Oriental Bay, Lyall Bay and Scorching Bay during the peak summer holiday period. We wish to thank the council for the partnership which ensures that there is continued funding for the Lifeguard service at these Beaches over the summer holiday period.

There are a number of key ways this service links some key to current Council strategies, these are the following:

- People Centered City – Providing a safe environment for our community and a valuable resource in the event of an emergency.
- Eco-City – Enabling people to use the City’s aquatic environment in a safe healthy manner.
- Dynamic Central City – Providing safety for events that make the City dynamic.

The budgets within the attached documents show the main costs associated with the Regional Lifeguard Service within Wellington over the next three summer seasons. Please note these are subject to change but are provided to give a likely estimate to assist in long term budget planning.

- 2015-16: \$ 85,118.32 (+GST)
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It is important to note that these costs do not include the training and skill development programs plus the majority of the administration that this programme requires.

Surf Life Saving New Zealand understands that council are obliged to apply annual inflation to these annual budgets as per the CPI adjustment and appreciates this consideration as our costs continually to incrementally increase.

We would like to take the opportunity to present our submission and answer any questions the councillors may have regarding the Provision of a Regional Lifeguard Service within the Wellington area.

SLSNZ acknowledges and values the on-going support of Wellington City Council and is proud of the collaborative relationship shared both with the council and the Lifeguard Services which provides positive impact to those who live and choose to recreate at Beaches and within the wider community.



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- Yes
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Submission

Do you support the broad approach taken in this plan of investing for growth, in addition to providing current levels of service?

- Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Do you support our plan to limit rates increases to 3.9% on average over ten years to fund investment for growth, as opposed to a 3.1% increase to provide 'business as usual'?

- Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Should Council take action to improve our international air connections?

- Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Ecological vandalism of Lyll Bay. A 'pie in the sky' dream based on an economic impact analysis produced by a consultation firm (Ernst Young) who throughout the 1990's produced this type of economic impact analysis which has by far been shown to be a fiction of the authors imagination. Have we not learnt anything from history - consultancies have a 'no risk', 'no loss' investment in their analysis. Get them to personally guarantee their analysis over the 40 year period and I will

guarantee you that the optimistic 'what the client wants to hear' analysis will be more pessimistic. This is simply a folly and a liability to future ratepayers.

Do you think Council should be supporting the tech sector to stimulate it to grow?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Perhaps the \$90m the Council is willing to throw at the airport extension would be better spent on a Gigabyte broadband network across Wellington. I am sure the economic impact of this would far exceed that of the airport extension and make Wellington a far more 'sustainable' city.

Do you think Council should be supporting the film industry to enable it to stay local and grow?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Do you believe Council should support private owners with the strengthening of heritage buildings?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Should Council strengthen its key Civic Square buildings, and offset the cost where possible?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Support the earthquake strengthening component but strongly oppose the leasing option of Ilott Green to help fund. Instead offset some of the rates cost savings on not proceeding with the airport extension.

Should Wellington seek to remain the events capital of New Zealand?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Do you support our plan to provide a new and improved venue for concerts?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

 Comments

Do you support upgrading sports facilities where need has been demonstrated?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

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Do you support the development of new tourism experiences to attract new visitors and get them to stay for longer?

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Do you support Council's activities to optimise infrastructure to realise savings and better cope with adverse events?

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Do you support the Council's transition to the use of smart technology such as parking sensors and LED streetlights?

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Comments

I support growth of the economy by attracting people and enterprises to the region. However, as I see it this plan relates primarily to growth in council spending rather than concrete measures to grow the economy.

Do you support our plan to limit rates increases to 3.9% on average over ten years to fund investment for growth, as opposed to a 3.1% increase to provide 'business as usual'?

- Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

But... focus the spend on infrastructure and enabling enterprises to establish in Wellington. The economic benefit to the region of spending money on the Civic precinct redevelopment is questionable.

Should Council take action to improve our international air connections?

- Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Extended runway to allow direct flights to Singapore/Los Angeles and equivalent distances is vital to attracting and keeping new enterprises here. Our markets are in these places and we need to get to them quickly, rather than muck about with a transition in Auckland or Sydney.

Do you think Council should be supporting the tech sector to stimulate it to grow?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

These are the low carbon, small footprint, high wage enterprises we need in the future. So the more we can get here the better. However, please don't alienate the existing manufacturing, resources, and energy industries that are here as these also provide valuable jobs and a diversity of opportunities and income streams to the economy.

Do you think Council should be supporting the film industry to enable it to stay local and grow?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Whilst this gives us lots of bragging rights, if central government keeps providing sweeteners to overseas production houses then the net impact to the NZ economy is nil or less, along with introducing detrimental employment conditions for the practitioners. Only invest in the film industry if there is a clear economic case that it has a measurable positive impact to the region and NZ as a whole.

Do you believe Council should support private owners with the strengthening of heritage buildings?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

There has already been far too much public money wasted on heritage buildings that have no economic or cultural value to the majority of people, e.g. the houses on inner city bypass/Karo Drive and Harcourts building. I propose that private owners be allowed to exert their property rights and demolish/modernise buildings as they see fit such that they can make an economic return on their investments.

Should Council strengthen its key Civic Square buildings, and offset the cost where possible?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

I like the functions provided by the buildings in the Civic Square (library, gallery, info centre, council offices etc), but did not see that we need to throw good money after bad by strengthening old buildings which may not be ideally suited to their current function in any case. I suggest WCC look at the functions and facilities that the Civic Square needs to accommodate and start from a clean page to find what the ideal building/space solution would be. Then only integrate those existing buildings that make economic sense and replace the others.

Should Wellington seek to remain the events capital of New Zealand?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Yes, with the focus being on events that bring people into the city from outside the region, e.g. WOW.

Do you support our plan to provide a new and improved venue for concerts?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

A larger indoor facility primarily designed for concerts is a must. We currently have a gymnasium that is hopeless for concerts.

Do you support upgrading sports facilities where need has been demonstrated?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Healthy lifestyles should be encouraged.

Do you support the development of new tourism experiences to attract new visitors and get them to stay for longer?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

If you refer to the proposed marine centre, then no. It is enough that rate payers have to subsidise the zoo and Zealandia - we don't need another one of these places that can't support itself.

Do you support Council's activities to optimise infrastructure to realise savings and better cope with adverse events?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Provided however that the investment achieves the objectives 'to realise savings and better cope with adverse events'. Not every building/facility needs to be reconfigured, i.e. set priorities for those facilities critical to maintain function of the city/region and work on these, then leave those that are only nice to have.

Do you support the Council's transition to the use of smart technology such as parking sensors and LED streetlights?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Provided the full business case stacks up, e.g. is there a saving with LEDs if the lines company increases its charges? No need to be bleeding edge just for the bragging rights.

Do you support proposed improvements to transport that will allow for safer, faster and more reliable journeys?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly Oppose

Comments

Need to make it easy for people to leave the car at home. Just building more roads does not achieve this. Need safer cycle routes, better public transport.

Urban Development

Do you support the Council funding and taking action to regenerate inner-city precincts?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Council needs to keep its assets clean, tidy and functioning. Through bylaws and development planning rules it needs to ensure property owners do their share to keeping their community tidy.

Do you support our proposal to improve public spaces such as laneways?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

With caution. The Bond Street idea was cute, but will become a big cost burden with ongoing repairs to vandalism of the facility. The design of public spaces needs to be idiot proof, as unfortunately the city has its fair share of idiots.

Do you support Council's plan for strengthening suburban town centres including work in Johnsonville, Karori and Tawa?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

These are areas where people live. If they a functioning then we can get out of our cars and avoid the traffic issues in the CBD. The council driven blocking of suburban development last decade has cost the suburbs 10 years of progress. It is time to catch up.

Do you generally agree with the priority projects identified in the Urban Growth Implementation Plan?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose Don't know

Comments

As above. I agree with some and not with others

Do you see other matters as priorities?

Comments

Changing demographics need to be considered as we get more 50+ people in the region. What does this means with regard to housing, jobs, entertainment, leisure facilities?

Who we are reaching

You don't have to complete this section but this information helps us to know who we are reaching. (Note: the information you provide is open to public view.)

I am

Male
 Female

My age is

under 18 years
 18-29 years
 30-39 years
 40-49 years
 50-59 years
 60 years and older

Have you ever made a submission on a draft annual or long-term plan before?

Yes
 No

Which of the following best describes you?

Residential ratepayer
 Commercial ratepayer
 Residential and commercial ratepayer
 I rent
 Other

Which ethnic group do you belong to? (You can tick more than one box)

- New Zealand European
- Māori
- Samoan
- Cook Island
- Tongan
- Niuean
- Chinese
- Indian
- Other (such as Dutch, Japanese, Tokelauan, Somali)

Please state:

Other issues/matters or general comments

Comments

Attached Documents

File
2015-25 Draft Long-term Plan

From: [Penny Auckram](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Monday, 13 April 2015 7:52:58 p.m.

Name	Penny Auckram
Email	pennyauckram@gmail.com
Postcode	1021
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Get building - start work on the Island Bay cycleway and look at more quick wins including separated cycleway trials in other locations	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No
I would like to volunteer for Generation Zero -Yes	yes

From: [Info at WCC](mailto:Info@WCC)
To: ["drphilwhite@gmail.com"](mailto:drphilwhite@gmail.com)
Cc: [GRP: Councillors](#); [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: The Proposed Citizenship Centre on Wellington Waterfront.
Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 8:51:04 a.m.

Dear Phil,

Thank you for your 2015 Long Term Plan Submission.

We have forwarded your email to the team managing Long Term Plan submissions as well as the Councillors. You can also contact them directly with the contact details below:

councillors@wcc.govt.nz

LongTermPlan@wcc.govt.nz

We value your input and if you require further assistance please contact us.

Kind regards,

Bailey McCormack

Customer Services Team Wellington City Council

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> Sent: 13/04/2015 2:51 p.m.

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- > deserves the support of Wellington City Council.

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> Yours faithfully

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> Phil White (Dr)

From: [Info at WCC](#)
To: ["martinsawyers@yahoo.co.nz"](mailto:martinsawyers@yahoo.co.nz)
Cc: [GRP: Councillors](#); [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: For attention of Councillors - 2015 LTP Submission: The Citizenship Trust
Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 8:50:11 a.m.

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> Martin Sawyers

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> Khandallah

From: [Jason Tamihana-Bryce](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Monday, 13 April 2015 11:28:53 p.m.

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Write a message to the council	JUST DO IT
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	Yes

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I support this because:

I support the Living Wage because it would help our communities - We would hope the Council would support us as they promised -
Thank you.
- Adam

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I support this because:

Every worker deserves enough to live on to live a decent life
Wellington should be a great place to live for everyone, including council staff.
It is the right thing to do - for our city, our economy & our people.

Name Andrew Campbell
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I support this because:

of the flow on benefits to society from families that can spend time together because the parents can devote their time fairly between, work, home and leisure.

The council, as our elected representatives, needs to demonstrate tangibly their commitment to this.

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 Email 7 Kim St, Khandallah

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I support this because:

Everyone should be paid a living wage so they can participate in their community.

Name Franziska Aueler

Signature *Franziska Aueler*

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Phone 0211808075

Email

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I support this because:

all workers deserve a living wage

You have had time to budget for this! Be brave & lead the way.

Name *Jill Burdett*

Signature *J Burdett*

Address *49 Mitre Tu Island Bay*

Phone *3837441*

Email

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I support this because:

A respectable salary is a significant reflection of how workers are valued. I want assurance from WCC that it values its workers and the work they do by including the living wage in its Long Term Plan. This assurance would make me proud of my Council!

Name Danielle Davies

Signature 

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Email

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NZNO Submission on the Wellington City Council Draft Long Term Plan 2015/2025

Submission to Wellington City Council

17 April 2015

Author

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About the New Zealand Nurses Organisation

The New Zealand Nurses Organisation is the leading professional and industrial organisation for nurses in Aotearoa New Zealand, representing over 46,000 nurses, midwives, students, kaimahi hauora and health workers on a range of employment-related and professional issues. Te Runanga o Aotearoa comprises our Māori membership and is the arm through which our te Tiriti o Waitangi partnership is articulated.

NZNO provides leadership, research and support for professional excellence in nursing, negotiates collective employment agreements on behalf of its members and collaborates with government and other agencies throughout the health sector. Nurses are the largest group of health professionals comprising half the health workforce.

The NZNO vision is "Freed to care, Proud to nurse". Our members enhance the health and wellbeing of all people of Aotearoa New Zealand and are united in their professional and industrial aspirations to achieve a safe, sustainable and accessible system of public health care for all New Zealanders.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. The New Zealand Nurses Organisation (NZNO) welcomes the opportunity to comment on the Wellington City Council Draft Long Term Plan 2015/2025.
2. NZNO supports in principle the Wellington City Council's public consultation process, including forum and submission opportunities, but believes it would have been more inclusive with longer timeframes and more substantive information given at an earlier date.
3. NZNO's main focus is on the potential of the Plan to improve the health of people living in Whanganui-a-Tara / Wellington, in particular to address the social determinants of health.
4. NZNO applauds the steps the Council has taken in becoming a Living Wage Council in 2013 (Chapman, 2013) and acknowledges the significant efforts the Council has taken thus far in making this commitment a reality.
5. NZNO is committed to the Living Wage campaign (Musa, 2014; Scoop, 2014) and as such supports Living Wage Wellington's Submission (Barber & McIntyre, 2015).
6. NZNO also supports the use of the Health Impact Assessment tools developed by Ministry of Health to ensure that population health and wellbeing are considered across all sectors of policy development and implementation.
7. We draw your attention to a relatively new health risk: the impact of artificial lighting, which has been linked with increased incidence of cancer. We suggest it is of critical importance that the evidence relating to this aspect, is considered alongside the economic and environmental benefits in relation to the transition to new LED lighting technologies.
8. NZNO recommends that the Long Term Plan 2015/2025:
 - explicitly commits to making Wellington city a Living Wage City;
 - embeds the use of health impact assessment tools across all policy areas; and
 - considers the health impact of new municipal lighting initiatives.
9. In addition to this written submission, NZNO would like to make an oral submission to the Council.

DISCUSSION

Living wage

1. Poverty and inequity are root causes of much ill health and inequality in this country, and Wellington is not immune to either.
2. Living Wage Wellington (2015) states that “while incomes in the Wellington region are higher than the national average, many workers and their families in Wellington City, including those in the Council workforce, live in poverty” (p. 6). Those who are struggling to survive on incredibly low wages are also the people who face barriers to accessing health care, education and other social services when and where they need them.
3. One measure by which to demonstrate how a population is valued is by the wages they earn. The rationale behind the Living Wage movement is that it uses mainstream economic tools to analyse the income necessary to provide workers and their families with the basic necessities of life. A living wage enables workers to live with dignity and to participate as active citizens in society.
4. The link between economic prosperity and quality of life has been a welcome feature of many Wellington City Council documents, including the 2013/2014 Annual Plan.
5. One way in which the Council can address this link is to act as a role model employer and formalise commitment and implementation of the living wage within the Long Term Plan.
6. The connection between the living wage and the Long Term Plan has been well established over the past year. For example, the Dominion Post reported that councillors agreed that “a plan for including those staff developed in time for inclusion in the 2015 long term plan”.
7. Furthermore, submissions on the 2014 Annual Plan overwhelmingly supported the Council to complete the implementation of the living wage.
8. NZNO acknowledges the hundreds of Wellington City Council staff lifted to the 2013 living wage rate and the Long Term Plan’s inclusion for a living wage for directly employed staff at Wellington Zoo and Museums Trust.
9. Whilst these steps are in the right direction, formalisation of the implementation and maintenance processes required to fully commit to the living wage needs to be well articulated and embedded in the Long Term Plan.

Health Impact Assessment Tools

10. The Ministry of Health has developed an extensive suite of internationally recognised tools for health impact assessments as a practical way to ensure that health and wellbeing are considered when policy is being developed in all sectors (Ministry of Health).
11. We draw your attention to the key resources: The Public Health Advisory Committee publication: *A Guide to Health Impact Assessment* and the Ministry of Health publication: *Whānau Ora Health Impact Assessment*.
12. NZNO strongly recommends that the Council commits to using these tools, to avoid the costs of unintended adverse consequences of policy decisions and implementation, and to sustain a healthy, liveable environment for Wellingtonians.

Lighting

13. The rapidly increasing number of research papers examining the impact of artificial light at night - on human health, particularly cancers that may be influenced by melatonin (Hansen, 2001) (Navara & Nelson, 2007) and flora and fauna (Rich & Longcore, 2006) is testament to the increasing knowledge and concern that our lighting protocols, including specifications for road lighting, may not be as safe for human and environmental health as they could be. Hansen's 2001 research found that the high exposure of artificial light for shiftworkers, for example, qualified as an occupational health risk.
14. While substantial saving of energy is possible with LEDs, it does not appear to have led to less, or more sensible or appropriate use of public lighting, but to an increase in lighting.
15. What is clearly emerging from the research is that artificial lighting and light pollution is potentially hazardous, and that it can be managed in a way that mitigates risk. Lighting guidelines and specifications should reference, and be informed by, the evidence to ensure a consistent regulatory framework which protects and enhances human and environmental health.
16. NZNO recommend that Council adopt a more cautious approach to public lighting design by reducing overall lux levels and eliminating light where it is not necessary; improving placement and direction of lanterns, specifying and using a safe spectral range; and

implementing robust monitoring and enforcement of standards that minimises health and environmental risks.

CONCLUSION

17. In conclusion, NZNO particularly urges the Council to incorporate how the living wage will be implemented to the entire Council workforce and to demonstrate its commitment to becoming a fully-accredited Living Wage employer by making this issue a priority.
18. NZNO recommends that Wellington City's Long Term Plan articulates the Council's commitment to:
 - becoming a Living Wage employer, paying all staff the living wage, including directly-employed staff, and those employed in CCOs and by contractors;
 - direct CCOs to report on how they will move their staff to the living wage;
 - investigate the best way to ensure council workers employed through contractors are paid the living wage;
 - implement the living wage for those employed by contractors as tenders are sought for services delivered on a regular and ongoing basis;
 - take a lead in creating a Living Wage Council;
 - consult with relevant parties, including Living Wage Wellington, throughout the planning and implementation process; and
 - use health impact assessment tools across all policy areas, including consideration of the health impact of lighting.

Danielle Davies

Organiser

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As a teacher I see the problems associated with low pay for families who cannot afford warm houses, suitable clothing, and nutritious food for their children. Many parents are forced to work long hours to make ends meet, undermining family life. Some parents work two jobs, others rarely see each other because of long shifts. Some children do not attend birthday parties because they cannot afford a gift. The living wage would make a significant difference.

Name Jenny Davies

Signature Jennie A [Signature]

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We Are worth It !

Name Nicholas James Davies

Signature

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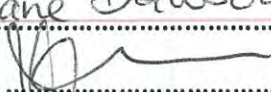
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I support this because:

Having a fair wage enables all people to be active in their community, because they aren't having to work every hour possible so can participate in their school, residents association etc. I want Wellington to be an energetic, connected and democratic place to live.

Name Jane Dawson

Signature 

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People cannot live on insufficient money and the minimum was is not sufficient.
 If the appropriate people budgetted correctly they could easily pay for the living wage,

Name Michael Dunningham

Signature

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I support this because:

No one can live comfortably on the current minimum wage with the prices of rent and food the way they are.

Name Jonathon Edwards

Signature 

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I support this because:

It is fair

It incentivizes employees.

Employees work better and feel more valued.

Name Richard Greenfield

Signature *[Handwritten Signature]*

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Phone 021 563 994

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I support this because:

- This will help people participate ~~more~~ (more dollars per hours, allow fewer work hours) + time e.g. to vote
- This will give (e.g. my next door neighbour) people the dignity/self esteem to stand up + say "I want to be heard"
- This will give me the confidence to say Wellington City Council can do it, including contractors, so why won't you?
Go for it WCC!!

Name

Pat Bolster

Signature



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I support this because:

It is a good example from local government to provide equality amongst people in Wellington.

Name *Summer Greenfield*

Signature *[Handwritten Signature]*

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Phone *02102474284*

Email *summer.n@bt.com*

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I support this because:

People to come before infrastructure!
 City council is a wonderful example
 for ~~paid~~ employers in supporting
 a living wage.
 Time now to extend to contractors.
 Time to improve health, wellbeing
 and ~~career~~ opportunities for all
 hard working New Zealanders.

Name Anna Harris

Signature 

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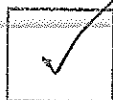
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I support this because:

The elimination of exploitation
is one of the most important parts
of the Council's work.
Peter Cranney

Name Peter Cranney
Signature 
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I support this because:

A living wage is vital for healthy communities. It means stability, happiness and prosperity for families. It means more time to study, the ability to afford decent housing, and is a stepping stone for paying off loans for students. The Council is a guardian of Wellington citizens' wellbeing, and this is a fantastic way to show that.

Name MADELEINE ASHTON-MARTIN

Signature 

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I support this because: We need to enjoy life. We need to be able to live and afford to feed our families. Better earning is healthy housing affordable education. better community. We need to have something to live and hope for which is building strong, self sufficient

Name Malia Falane'i
 Signature Malia Falane'i
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I support this because:


I want to live, work, walk around, admire and be involved in a city that cares as much about the people who make it great as I do.

Wellington is not just the tech firms, the artists and the politicians...

It's the mums and dads and siblings and humans who make it clean, safe, efficient, and friendly.

It's frankly quite upsetting for me to know that many of these people live week to week on an unlivable wage. It's not fair. It's not Wellington. We're in a good financial position as a city. Let's make that true for our most vulnerable.

Name Sam Gibben

Signature 

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I support this because: It is not acceptable in the twenty first century in a developed nation to allow any group of residents to be exploited for profit.

As a rate payer my quality of life is improved most by work done by some of WCC's lowest paid workers the street cleaners who make Wellington a cleaner livable city.

Arts festivals & fireworks are great BUT

Name VICTORIA QUADE
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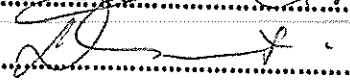
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I support this because: its virtually impossible for a worker - those with a family in particular - to be able live a decent life on the current minimum wage. I support the living wage as the absolute minimum for any working person to be able to live and raise a family with any kind of self respect.

Name David Grant
 Signature 
 Address 914 Northland Rd, Wellington 6012
 Phone 027 759 3682
 Email david.grant@extra.co.nz

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I support this because:

A living wage should be paid to everyone to enable them to support their families.

Name *Jamini Harding*

Signature *JM Harding*

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Phone *04 9729430*

Email

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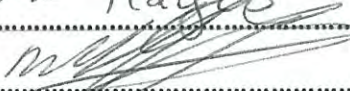
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I support this because:

When everybody can afford to have a life they spend locally and the entire community prospers.

Name Mark Hayes

Signature 

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Phone 022 647 6354

Email mark@UCANNZ.org.nz

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I support this because:

I believe our Council should provide a decent wage for all Council workers. I believe all workers should be paid sufficiently for the work they do to enable them to provide for themselves or their families the necessities that are essential for an acceptable standard of living.

I believe our council should be a leader in tackling inequality & lifting low paid workers above the poverty line.

Name Belinda Heffron

Signature *B. Heffron*

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Email bellab777@gmail.com

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I support this because:

it's the right thing to do!

Name *EWAN HEALON*

Signature

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Email *ewan.healon@gmail.com*

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I support this because:

Name Sandy Hiblebrandt
 Signature Sandy H
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 Email SitaKali@gmail.com

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I support this because:

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THE COUNCIL SUPPORT THE MOST VULNERABLE AND IT'S COMMITMENT TO BE A LIVING WAGE COUNCIL.

Name LINDA-J. HOBMAN

Signature *Linda Hobman*

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Phone 3800194

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I support this because:

Less inequality =
a kinder society

Name Christian Hoerning

Signature 

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I support this because:

our city and our people are worth more.

Name Shelley Hughes
 Signature *Shelley Hughes*
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I support this because: a) it is the ethical thing for WCC to do, honouring previous commitments as the Govt Council in NZ to work towards being a living wage employer b) inequality in NZ is wide & widening & has had consequences for families & all of us; more unequal countries have worse education, health, justice etc statistics for all & employees are exploited in most workplaces not getting the rewards for increasing productivity → with the last 30 yrs of economic policies how we've given more power to employers & less to employees d) economically the living wage is justifiable; increases productivity to firms → + loyalty; lower turnover etc & it's to economy - lower income people spend all their income & generate more jobs & activity (higher income people can afford to save & remove money from circulation) e) WCC will benefit in prestige etc for being a progressive city f) Lower income workers - the families can barely survive on min wages.

Name

Prue Hyma

Signature

P. Hyma

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I support this because:

Council, as a public organisation and Wellington's largest employer, should set a good example, knowing that paying a living wage (as opposed to the minimum wage) enables Wellingtonians to play a full part in their community & to live in dignity & without struggle.

WCC have done a good thing in voting to pay the living wage to its direct employees. I'd like to see that commitment cemented in the Long Term plan to show that Council intends to continue paying the living wage to employees & to extend it to employees of Council contractors.

Name

Robert Ibell

Signature

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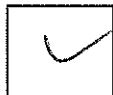
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I support this because: *the struggle for the Employer also the achieve, the right way to fight that the people ^{who} work hard in ^{the} industry might ~~be~~ to pay rent and power many things to have pay a bill, that the important right the. ~~know the~~ that I support them.*

Name *Ibrahim*

Signature *Ibrahim*

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Email *Ibforever55@gmail.com*

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I support this because:

This is a very right thing, it is not fair that those contractors such as cleaners work hard, but they only get paid minimum wage, which is a poverty wage. There for Council should include the living wage implementation in their long term plan.

Name Ibrahim Omer

Signature

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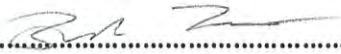
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I support this because:

People deserve to earn enough to buy good food, live in healthy homes and have time to spend with their family.

Name Brendan Ingham

Signature 

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Email brendaningham99@gmail.com

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NO

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I support this because:

I am a ratepayer and I expect workers to be paid a living wage from my rates.

The city council has already set an example that the Government should follow - ensuring all employees & contractors are paid the living wage - or more.

The inequality of million dollar salaries and low paid workers is growing & is obscene.

Name

Signature *John Maynard*

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Email *bfletjohn@hotmail.co.nz*

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I support this because:

NO MATTER WHAT THE JOB ONE SHOULD BE ABLE TO LIVE A DECENT LIFE ON A DECENT WAGE!

Name ANDREW KASZA

Signature *A Kasza*

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Phone 9733 833

Email

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I support this because:

Name G S Kealey

Signature *G S Kealey*

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Phone

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I support this because:

Name *Linda Kealey*

Signature *Linda Kealey*

Address *8 Leeds St Wellington*

Phone

Email

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I support this because:

It's the just thing to do.

Name Jeffrey Kendall
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I support this because:

Everyone deserves a chance to live, not just survive. We need active participation from our communities, and we need the living wage to achieve that.
We all deserve happiness.

Name Dayna Kosega
 Signature *Dayna Kosega*
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I support this because:

It is so important for those on low wages who are vulnerable - Food, petrol and household costs are escalating - lets help reduce this by supporting the Living Wage Campaign.

Name Sonny Lewis

Signature Sonny Lewis

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Email sonny.lewis@clear.net.nz

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I support this because: family members are not able to spend time together as often both parents are working.
 Every one deserve a quality of life.
 Healthier communities.
 be able to cloth, feed and house families.

Name Debbie Leyland

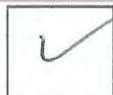
Signature D. Leyland

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I support this because:

The Council should lead enlightened and principled employment practice.

Name Mark Lillico

Signature 

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I support this because:

Name MARILYN MARSH

Signature *M. Marsh*

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Phone 389 6041

Email —

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I support this because:

I want WCC employees to be able to live decent lives in Wellington city. Reducing poverty & social deprivation in our communities should be part of the Council's long-term vision

Name

Dougal McNeill

Signature



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I support this because:

I want all the people in my neighbourhood & schools to be able to participate in life with dignity & confidence & without the shame, stress & anxiety of struggling on less than a living wage.

Name Karlo Mila

Signature [Handwritten Signature]

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Phone 389-8610

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I support this because: ~~fair~~

~~improving~~ improving income inequality will produce a vibrant, fair city. It's better for everyone, not just those who are low-paid. It's important for the Council to focus on social issues, not just infrastructure.

(Congratulations on ^{the first steps to} introducing the living wage for Council workers.)

Name Linda Moore
 Signature *Linda Moore*
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I support this because:

Everybody deserves to be paid enough to live and support their family.
 Earning good money for hard work should be for everyone.

Name Julie Mortimer
 Signature Julie Mortimer
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 Phone 027 9757067
 Email j.mortimer@paradise.net.nz

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I support this because:

Good people need a living wage to support their families.

Name *Helen Mulholland*

Signature *Helen Mulholland*

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I support this because: *it is just and right. It will impact (greatly) for the poor and help the rich stay that way.*

Name *AL Murray*

Signature *[Handwritten Signature]*

Address *13 Cornford St, Karori, 6012.*

Phone *027 288 8897*

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I support this because: A wage sufficient to live upon is a basic right for all workers

Name Viveka Nyland

Signature 

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I support this because:

All workers deserve to be treated w value & respect.

The whole of your workforce can then provide their families w healthy homes, healthy kai and participate within their communities. Work to live as oppose to work living to work.

Mana Wp takeke :

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Signature 

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I support this because:

Workers have a right to be paid enough to be able to support themselves and their families

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Signature [Signature]

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Email

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A Living Wage supports a more Robust Economy.

Our current contracting environment pays middle men - their spending power will be in the more affluent suburbs, and concentrated amongst a smaller group of people.

A Living Wage will bring greater spending power to small businesses and stimulate the local emerging business economy.

Name

Signature Kedron Parker

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I support this because:

The minimum wage is not enough to live on, especially for people with families. This is because living costs are high.

The living wage would reduce stress and give ~~people more~~ the council workforce choices about health and education.

Name Deirdre Parkes

Signature D. Parkes

Address

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I support this because:

it is seen as a high priority and entrenched in council planning.

Name *Mary Patterson*

Signature *[Handwritten Signature]*

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I support this because:

Everybody deserves a decent living with fair wages to be full active participants in our fantastic Wellington community.
 Having a decent wage for all Council staff is important, Wellington as a the ^{home of} centralised government needs to show the way for the rest of the local governing bodies.

Name Cassandra Pierce

Signature C. Pierce

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I support this because:

The Living Wage helps everyone participate as a citizen.

Name *Jane Porter*

Signature *J Porter*

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I support this because:

Everyone deserves the right to be able to afford the necessities of life and to be able to provide support to their children.

It is outrageous that the wages for the lowest paid workers has in fact decreased over the last 30 years making it even more difficult to get out of the poverty trap.

Name CLARE FLENDERCAST

Signature Clare

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I support this because:

It is a voice that can also walk the talk. It needs much action and energy to get the facts across. PERSIST

Name *Maribel Rosalena*

Signature *Maribel Rosalena*

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I support this because:

Fair pay - fair working
wage Now.

Name Manuel Rosalind

Signature Manuel Rosalind

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I support this because:

By taking this ~~step~~^{action} the Wellington City Council would be making a commitment to social justice; a commitment to a small but attainable goal, the first step towards a better society in this part of Aotearoa/New Zealand for some of the most disadvantaged (and most talented) social groups. As a pensioner with health problems ~~and~~ I know some of these ~~workers~~ personally. They are my carers - as they are for the whole generation of baby boomers. We will rely more and more these people (and their children) for our own social and economic wellbeing.

Name Michael Scott

Signature M Scott

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I support this because:

it is fair & the Council claims that it is implementing the Living Wage when it is only doing it for some people.

Name Jane Shallcrass

Signature Jane Shallcrass

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I support this because:

The Council needs to model what a good city w happy citizens looks like.

Name Jeff Sissons

Signature 

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Wishes to be heard:

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This is essential to our future. It will allow businesses to grow, it will attract people to live here and it will attract more students and tourists. We need a longer runway.

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I see potential to combine an events, stadium and convention opportunity.

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Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose Don't know

Comments

Do you see other matters as priorities?

Comments

We need a longer runway and more international students. These should be priority activities

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I am

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My age is

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Name *Samantha Stephen*

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Email

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I support this because: *of better living is affordable - housing, food & clothing cost.*

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Yes, the performance venues in this area are vital to the health of the arts in Wellington. They form a vital part of the ecosystem, and they are in need of attention.

Should Wellington seek to remain the events capital of New Zealand?

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We are not convinced Wellington has articulated this clearly enough as a goal in marketing or branding of the city. Events bring much needed employment and visitor spend to the city, but must not be funded at the cost of the established infrastructure and the independent sector.

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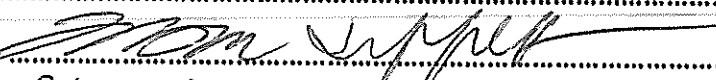
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Everyone who works for my Council is entitled to a living wage - no matter who they are and where they work. Wellington has an historic opportunity to set an example for the rest of Aotearoa/New Zealand!

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Signature 

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I support this because:

- Because I work in wellington city council and I clean mayors office, and toilets.
- I do the dirty job for a poverty job.
- thus I deserve to get paid the LW.
- it is not fair that we do clean all the buildings the whole night, for a minimum wage. I need LW one.

Name Angela Toa

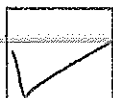
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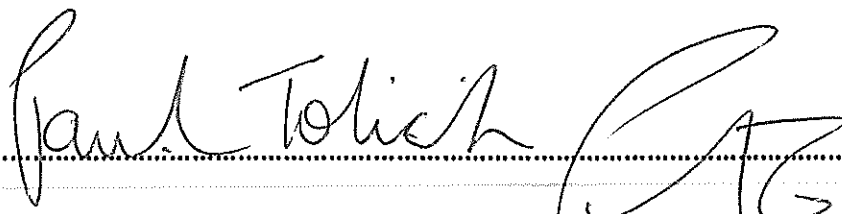
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Signature 

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I support this because:

It is a lot more realistic than the current minimum wage, which no one can comfortably live on.

If more Councils followed the Living Wage example, as set by Wellington, I think ~~there would be a~~ Aotearoa would be a much nicer and happier place.

Name Briar Warr

Signature *Briar Warr*

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I support this because:

I pay rates and I want my rates to go on essentials. Paying WCC workers and all workers associated with the WCC (Zealandia, Zoo, etc) is simply essential. I'm proud to be a Wellingtonian, but I would be even prouder if my council prioritised the Living Wage.

Name HUIA WELTON

Signature 

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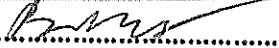
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~~It's not that expensive~~
 It's not that expensive, relative to other things the council does... but it's crucial to those affected work. It's also a great way for the council to gently effect the market price for labour in a country where the labour share of GDP is reaching record lows. I don't want NZ to be a rentier society thanks!

Name Prof Ben Thirkell-White

Signature 

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I support this because:

I believe anyone who works should earn enough to live not just exist. They shouldn't have to panic if their child needs new shoes or something happens to their car.

Low wage economies punish the lowest paid and WCC needs to set an example.

Name Nicola Wilford

Signature *N Wilford*

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I support this because:

Name Sue Windsor
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If you can get a firm and written commitment from an airline then you could proceed but until then nothing should be done. It is only 45 mins flying time from Christchurch and 60 mins from Auckland so why should any airline bother stopping here. Air NZ always manages to rid itself of rival airlines and will do same if another overseas airline flies into Wgtn - it won't last long unless Air NZ folds.

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Why can they not fund any repairs from the rents they have received over the years. Private owners make provision for maintenance, so should owners of public buildings for which they receive rents.

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The Town Hall is well recognised as having the best acoustics in NZ - so why not spend money on strengthening the building thus encouraging overseas entertainers to use it and it can continue as a Conventions Centre as has been done for many years.

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Please spend money on strengthening the Town Hall and if entertainers wish to use that, we don't need a new venue. The existing TSB (??) Arena is not and never has been a good venue.

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Demonstrate the need first before spending any money - no more white elephants please.

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Possibly a Film Museum may do so but why should the ratepayers pay money for this? How will this benefit us overall and how many years will it take to pay off the cost of building for the new experience? Therefore this perceived benefit should be carefully costed.

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But which do you have in mind? Money has already been spent on revitalising many urban centres which seem to be working.

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Encourage people to walk by making some of these laneways more attractive, clearing rubbish and overhanging trees, and improve lighting - some of this is well-overdue

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Some of these 'priority ' projects are far fetched, such as a longer runway which is unnecessary. The argument that it will attract Chinese students is unlikely as China itself is building more universities to encourage their own students to study at home.

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I've spent my entire adulthood cycling around a city that's utterly hostile to cyclists. At times I marvel that I'm still alive. I'm thrilled to finally see some real plans for making conditions better, and encouraging more people to take it up. Let's hope the next 10 years will see real action, not just more talk. All councillors have committed to making cycling safer in Wellington. Now you need to work out how to make it happen. You'll get some backlash from a vocal few, but this is entirely normal (it's happened in cities around the world). Know that the opposition dies down quickly once the bike lanes are in place and being used, because people can see the benefits for themselves. Please do not be disheartened. Leadership requires bold vision and bold decisions. It's clear that Wellingtonians want and truly need safer conditions for cycling. Part of your job is to sell it to the few who will inevitably oppose it. Please get on with it and build this cycling network. We've waited too long already. Now is the time to act. Thank you.

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14 April 2015

To Whom It May Concern:

2015-25 Draft Long-term Plan Submission

The Wellington Culinary Events Trust (WCET), a not-for-profit charitable trust, was established in February 2014 to promote Wellington as the premium New Zealand destination for hospitality experiences. The WCET's role is to champion this by providing experiences throughout the year, working with a wide range of partners, culminating in the annual culinary celebration Visa Wellington On a Plate (VWOAP).

The culinary and hospitality community provide a key component of Wellington's cultural offering. Our food and beverages are not just an experience, they are vital to the fabric of what makes our city offering unique and distinctive – through food people learn, come together, enjoy and share their Wellington stories. Our food culture and hospitality helps define us from other parts of New Zealand and exceptional culinary experiences in Wellington also help to make every event in Wellington extraordinary.

Positively Wellington Tourism (PWT) and Grow Wellington established VWOAP as a joint venture in 2009 to showcase Wellington's food and beverage sector (including producers and suppliers) and to support culinary tourism in the region. The festival was also developed as a vehicle to showcase Wellington's identity and to provide a platform for the culinary community, to work together to deliver a unified outcome celebrating Wellington hospitality. Following the formation of the WCET, the WCET now operates VWOAP and ensures that it continues to deliver the WOAP's growth strategy.

VWOAP acts as a cornerstone to the marketing of the Wellington culinary industry throughout Wellington, New Zealand and Australia. Economists have suggested that the festival has the potential to become an event of national significance and be as valuable and strategically important to the Wellington region as established events such as the World of WearableArt™ Awards Show. In August 2014, VWOAP was named winner of two categories of the New Zealand Association of Event Professionals Awards for Best Established Regional Event and Best Partnership for an Event.

Wellington City Council (WCC) has been an active supporter and provides funding to WCET/VWOAP. The Board and Executive would like to extend our thanks to the WCC for this ongoing support and we look forward to continuing to work with you.

Wellington Culinary Event Trust

Vision: Feeding people's appetite for life by bringing them together to share different, inspiring and provocative culinary experiences.

Objectives:

- To support Wellington's hospitality and culinary sector to thrive
- To support the Wellington region to become one of the world's great food regions
- To tell the *Wellington Food Story* via different, inspiring and provocative culinary experiences
- To drive economic growth for the Wellington region through visitation and export growth



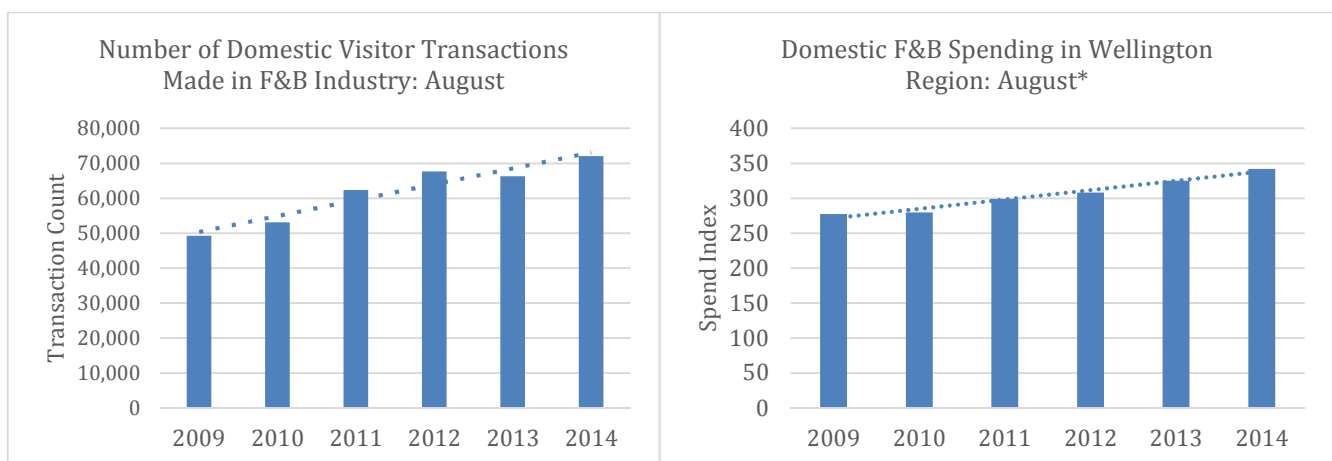
Our ability to leverage the hospitality community, spans the full value chain:

- Wellington's hospitality sector is right behind VWOAP – this is when they shine, telling Wellington's food story
- The impact of VWOAP on Wellington includes enhancing its status as New Zealand's culinary capital and in reinforcing the vitality of the Wellington as a great place to live, work and play.
- Encouragement of producers and suppliers to work in partnership with hospitality industry
- Support in creating a legacy all year round for food and beverage
- Creation of employment opportunities through increased demand for product

Visa Wellington On a Plate's Impact on the Wellington Hospitality Sector

For Wellington, VWOAP attracted direct spending of \$4.7 million from out-of-town visitors in 2013, which generated \$4.1 million in regional GDP and created employment for 55 FTEs for one year.¹ 75% of VWOAP festival activities take place within the WCC footprint.

The value of the food & beverages services sector is annually worth approximately \$340m to the regional economy². 16.8% of spend by visitors in Wellington is on food & beverage. Between 2009 and 2013 spend in this sector increased by 11.4%.³



*Adjusted to remove impact of rugby test matches

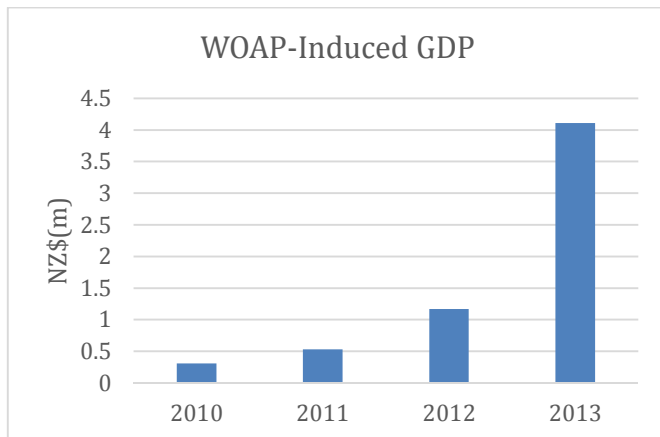
The mid-winter months present challenges to hospitality businesses in Wellington, the greatest in regards to business sustainability, cash flow, and retention of permanent employees. VWOAP was deliberately placed in the month of August as an intervention to support business sustainability.

Each year since the inception of VWOAP food and beverage spending by visitors in Wellington region has increased in August both in regards to total dollars spent and the number of transactions made. The regional spend in August in this sector has increased 23% since 2009, and the number of transactions made by 46%. Because all participants in VWOAP must feature regionally-produced foods and beverages this impact will be experienced through the supply chain.

¹ Wellington On a Plate Economic Impact Analysis, BERL Economics, November 2013

² Regional Tourism Estimates, MBIE, YE March 2014, Wellington, Kapiti and Wairarapa.

³ Ibid



A number of the consumers who participate in and experience VWOAP are Wellington residents. The GDP growth that is consequential of the festival is considerable and it is important to note that this expenditure is kept – because of the local supply chain – in the city and region.

Since 2009, participation in the VWOAP DINE Wellington fixed-menu programme has increased over 174% (from 42 to 115 restaurants) and the Festival Events programme has surged almost twelve-fold (from 12 to 140 Festival Events). In 2013, festival attendees from outside the Wellington region injected \$4.7 million spend into the Wellington economy.⁴

In 2013 there were 293 businesses involved in food and beverage manufacturing in the Wellington region. Those businesses employ about 3,370 people and contribute \$450 million to the regional economy.⁵ There are over 1,650 hospitality businesses in the Wellington region employing over 13,000 people.⁶ The festival and the WCET provide an essential opportunity for these businesses to profile themselves and consequently grow in a way that individually could not be sustained.

From the outset, VWOAP has made a tangible impact on producers and suppliers, from strengthening relationships with restaurants, to increased demand. In 2013, 31% of restaurants began a new local supplier relationship as a result of their participation in VWOAP and a further 57% noted that the relationship that they had with existing suppliers was strengthened as a result of their participation⁷.

Funding

Funding of the WCET is derived from various sources through the operation of VWOAP. These funding lines include:

- Council Funding – provided by WCC
- DINE Wellington Participants – entry fee to be part of VWOAP
- Consumers – commission as part of the WOAP Festival Event ticket purchase
- Sponsorships – a wide variety of sponsors support VWOAP
- Marketing support – provided by Positively Wellington Tourism
- Economic Impact Assessment report – provided by Grow Wellington

As previously mentioned, the WCET is extremely grateful for the support received from the WCC and looks forward to continued support.

⁴ Visa Wellington On a Plate Economic Impact Analysis, BERL Economics, November 2013

⁵ Grow Wellington, Infometrics Data 2013

⁶ Restaurant Association of New Zealand

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Conclusion

VWOAP delivers increased spend in Wellington by residents and visitors and has already created many tangible benefits to the wide spectrum of businesses that operate in the food and beverage sector. The WCET's contribution, through VWOAP, to Wellington's position as the Culinary Capital of New Zealand is significant and fills a lull in Wellington's events calendar during a seasonally slow period for the food industry.

The WCET would be grateful for the opportunity to make an **oral submission** on the Wellington 2015-25 Draft Long-term Plan.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sarah Meikle", written in a cursive style.

Sarah Meikle
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I can't see another place to support the museum of city and sea upgrade - this is distinctively Wellington and part of the extraordinarily strong walking experience along the waterfront. Great to see the funding for the top floor work and upgrade.

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Comments

While some elements are sound, some are a serious misuse of limited resources. Key issues at the heart of economic development for Wellington are not tackled and vanity projects are included.

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Comments

The cost of living and doing business in Wellington has been rising over the last couple of decades. I have worked on start up businesses in Wellington in the past, all of which have since relocated from Wellington because of the high cost and business unfriendly environment. Wellington will not replace the lost financial and business sector roles by making films or seeking tourists. It needs to focus on strategies to maintain its national service and administration roles - government offices, national industry and sector groups, public law, expertise in national and international work. The plan proposed will accelerate the loss of these core elements to Wellington, not solve it.

Should Council take action to improve our international air connections?

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Comments

This has nothing to do with local government. Past meddling has seen the loss of Trans Tasman services (eg Qantas to Brisbane) and very high costs introduced to regular business use. The airport company is profit focused not user focused. Wellington had advantages as a central location from which to service the country using air travel. This has been lost. The international ambitions are naive and will further reduce business travel options on key airlines. Having personally commuted from NZ to Australia and Asia for business, I know that what is needed is cheap frequent interconnections with flights out of Auckland, not an occasional flight to Wellington by a second or third choice of airline.

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Comments

I have no idea what this means. If it means creating a business friendly environment with fast cheap regulatory decision-making; flexible zoning; well priced services; perhaps support of R&D and specialised training courses, then I would support it. What is proposed is just pushing public money into private ventures. If they are any good they will make it alone. It is not a local government role to support the rest and save them from deserved failure.

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Comments

See answer re the tech sector

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Comments

Only on the basis that there is some assistance available to ALL. Past selective pork barrel payments are a misuse of public funds. The Council should establish rating policies where all owners of heritage buildings are entitled to rates concessions to reflect the owner's inability to realise the full value of ownership because of heritage controls. The real number of buildings which should be subject to such controls is much less than are currently listed.

Should Council strengthen its key Civic Square buildings, and offset the cost where possible?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Sound business practice

Should Wellington seek to remain the events capital of New Zealand?

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Comments

It is not the events capital now and never will be. But it should seek yo retain current levels as they are important to attracting and retaining key citizens

Do you support our plan to provide a new and improved venue for concerts?

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Comments

Wellington has an absurd number of venues already. Before the current excessive costs are increased again, there must be major rationalisation which should drive actions which will obtain or free up funds for further development.

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This is so general as to be meaningless - it is turning a simple management obligation into a project!

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How could you not endorse such a general proposition? But this will become a policy prop for whatever the Zvouncil dreams up!

Urban Development

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Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Council has a history of making a real and costly mess of this - eg Nairn Street. All it needs to go is create an environment in which citizens can go their own thing.

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Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

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Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

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Comments

If I were younger I would move from Wellington. It has lost the tole it had when I started out fifty years ago. It is economically fading. It is becoming obsessed with image and with vanity projects; with local body amalgamation beyond what may be justifiable; and is close to losing its core business base and its key people. Almost every month another key business person or company leaves Wellington. I don't believe the Council even notices.

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Comments

There are some real positives in this plan that should help grow the city of Wellington. However sorting the roading from the Eastern Suburbs to the City and surrounding areas has to be sorted as this is the introduction to the City for most people and would be very off putting. It is diabolical at peak times and also in the weekend with sports happening.

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Comments

I can see that the increase needs to happen but what about the vast number of people that rent that are not contributing to this spending. Is there not another way that this revenue can be collected. Why penalise those that have saved extremely hard to own their own homes time and time again.

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Overseas money is a great way to boost the economy why wouldn't we do this.

Do you think Council should be supporting the tech sector to stimulate it to grow?

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Wellington is doing ok in this area I feel but with the growth that is being expected support in this area does go hand in hand.

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Comments

Don't we already as a City contribute a lot in this area. Why do we need to contribute more? Individuals own these businesses personally and gain personally. If the council can have a share in the business for the money they are putting in - then maybe this is more equitable and feasible.

Do you believe Council should support private owners with the strengthening of heritage buildings?

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Comments

These owners have earned a nice income from these buildings in the past from rents so why have they not put this money aside for such expenses. They knew they were buying a heritage building and that they needing maintaining to keep this status. Individuals that own rental properties have to maintain them for people to rent as do other non commercial building owners.

Should Council strengthen its key Civic Square buildings, and offset the cost where possible?

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Comments

I think they need to look at all options available and go with the option that is long term cost effective. Maybe taking down some of these buildings and building something new is going to be better long term. a strong feasibility study needs to be completed to look at all the pros and cons

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Comments

Absolutely it should. It has so much to give in sport and recreation. Look at the CWC just recently. WOW what an impact this had on the city and everyone loved the city of Wgtn and all of its character and appeal. Lets build on this more by holding more of these things here in the city of Wgtn.

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Comments

There are enough venues I feel for such concerts. In saying this being able to use Basin reserve for such things where people can sit on the grass areas in the summer could be explored a bit more. It is easy to get to by public transport and it central.

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Absolutely this is a must. ASB is already getting over booked and we feel that another one would be ideal. As much as it is suppose to be a community venue without key sports contributing large \$\$\$s to use this building this centre would not be viable. More work and funding on sportville hubs is a must. The various sports at the Hataitai Sports Grounds in Ruahine Street have already talked about how it would look up there with Netball Wellington Centre keen to share their building with others. There is a real interest with Softball about to use the Netball Building and others keen to talk more. Expansion would be needed of the current building but we would not need to go outside the current footprint and would reduce the use of the Green Townbelt by doing this. Better access to the grounds is needed for sure as currently it is an accident waiting to happen and even another access point. If an accident happens at the opening - there are no other ways out of this area. A risk that should not be there with so many uses to this area. Cost of use of some of the facilities is getting out of the reach of for some families though which is a concern. A large number of kids that need to be involved in sports can't because of costs. To take a family swimming is expensive and out of the reach of many. Surely we would have more kids/teens involved in sport if it was cheaper for them to use such facilities. Rate payers pay for the buildings and their upkeep so why hit them again with high costs.

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Surely putting the money into roading or cycle lanes and other areas is far more important than this. Not a priority at all.

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Bring it on I say. But don't put the fares on the various transports out of the reach of families or it won't be used.

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Surely we can get some people that need to do community work helping in this space to reduce some of the costs being incurred to have council workers fully resourcing this work. We need to be smarter with such things. OR perhaps give some of our unemployed people on benefits the opportunity to come in and work for their benefits by helping out here. Maybe sell it to them that it is an opportunity to learn a new skill and they get an extra \$50 in their pay that week for doing this work. There are far too many people collecting the benefit when they could be out trying to up skill themselves whilst getting a benefit for nothing in return.

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Miramar has set up their own wee sub committee of business owners that are driving some real neat changes along with the Council in and around the Eastern Suburbs. Why don't these other areas do the same so they own the issues rather than saying it is a council issue. Once again how about using unemployed people from these areas getting in and doing some of this work. The benefit shouldn't be a privilege it needs to be earned.

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Submission: 2015-25 Draft Long-term Plan Consultation Document

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SUMMARY

Thank you for the opportunity to make a written submission on Wellington City Council's **2015-25 Draft Long-term Plan**. I do *not* wish to speak in support of my submission.

My submission concerns **Part Eleven of the [Consultation Document](#); 'Real transport choices for an efficient, sustainable, and safe transport network' (pages 44-45).**

I applaud the Council's efforts to make improvements in this area. I agree with the Council's focus of a "balanced approach", combining "stronger public transport and cycle options alongside vehicle network improvements".

I suggest that, as part of this focus upon an efficient, sustainable, and safe transport network, the 2015-2025 Long-term plan should encourage motorcycling¹ as one of the many transport choices, as part of our transport network. I suggest this for the following reasons:

1. **Motorcycling in Wellington is one of the fastest increasing modes of transport.** People are *choosing* to travel by motorcycle more than ever; Census data tells us that motorcycling is one of the *fastest increasing modes of transport* for commuting in the Wellington region, and especially in Wellington City.
2. **Greater Wellington Regional Council supports motorcycling.** Encouraging motorcycling as a transport choice *is consistent with Greater Wellington Regional Council's thinking*, though they do note safety and parking are drawbacks.
3. **Motorcycling benefits all road users.** Recently published research suggests motorcycling as a mode of travel can offer a number of benefits to all users of the transport network;
 - Research indicates even small changes in commuting *from* single occupancy commuting in private car *to* motorcycle commuting has been shown to *decrease congestion for all road users, resulting in shorter commuting times for all.*
 - Research indicates even small changes in commuting *from* single occupancy commuting in private car *to* motorcycle commuting has been shown to *decrease emissions*; motorcycles

¹ My definition of motorcycling throughout this document *includes* travelling using mopeds (>49cc scooters).

emit lower pollutants than cars, and as they decrease congestion, overall emissions are decreased, due to shorter commuting times for all.

- There's safety in numbers. Research indicates *more motorcycles on the road leads to greater motorcycle safety*. Increased utilisation of varied modes of transport on our roads may make *all* road users more considerate.
- Motorcycles have a smaller footprint and take up much less space than private cars. Thus, *they decrease the demand on commuter parking* within Wellington's central business district.

I make the following recommendations:

1. Motorcycling is acknowledged as a high risk mode of commuting. The Council can further lessen this risk by being aware of, and, where appropriate, applying the learnings highlighted by recent research concerning improving motorcycling safety.
2. The Council should increase the number of dedicated, free motorcycle parking spaces in Wellington's central business district.
3. The Council could direct roading contractors to consider the needs of *all* two-wheeled users when using paint to mark our roads, particularly at intersections, and where road users are cornering or turning.

My submission follows by expanding upon each of the points noted above.

Motorcycling in Wellington; One of the Fastest Increasing Modes of Transport

The numbers of Wellingtonians who choose to commute to work in our city via motorcycle are increasing – fast.

- 2013 Census data from Statistics New Zealand tells us that, across the *Wellington region*, the number of person aged 15 and over, who travelled to work using a motorcycle or power-cycle increased from 1,917 in 2006, to 3,033 in 2013; a 33% increase.
- For *Wellington City as a territorial authority*, the increase was from 885 in 2006, to 1,641 in 2013; an 85% increase.

Wellingtonians who choose to commute to work in our city via motorcycle overwhelmingly do so during the rush hour period. When we look at this 2013 census data, we see that 1473 of the 1641 commuters (90%) who travelled to work, using a motorcycle/power cycle are employed full time; so it seems reasonable to assume that the great majority of these motorcycle commuters travel to and from work during the peak rush hour periods.

Greater Wellington Regional Council Supports Motorcycling

The Regional Council's **Wellington Regional Land Transport Strategy 2010-40**² promotes a number of policies which respond to ongoing transport issues and guide agency resource allocation and practice.

I highlight the following:

Travel Demand Management Policy

These policies seek to “*manage the demand for travel and move toward correct pricing of the transport network to improve efficiency and encourage the take up of sustainable technology.*”³ Policy ‘**8.2 d**’ states: “*Support reduced reliance on private motor vehicles, particularly single occupancy vehicle use (excluding motorcycles) and use for short trips.*”⁴

I think it is noteworthy that the Regional Council specifically **excludes** motorcycling as a mode of transport to support *reduced* reliance upon.

Safety Policy

These policies seek to “*improve safety and personal security when using transport.*”⁵ Policy ‘**8.3 d**’ states: “*Support improved safety (perceived and real) of motorcyclists from risk posed by traffic and other hazards.*”⁶

Commentary on the role of various transport modes

The Regional Council makes the following observations on motorcycling as a mode;

9.1 Private vehicles “*Recently, there has been a significant increase in the growth of motorcycle and moped use. While these vehicles do have efficiency benefits in terms of usage of road space there are some significant drawbacks. Motorcycles are the most relatively risky modes in terms of casualties over both hours and distance travelled nationally. Regional relative risk data is currently not available due to small sample sizes. In the Wellington CBD, there are also few dedicated motorcycle parking spaces.*”⁷

There are two obvious and quite valid points here; motorcycling is the most risky mode of travel, and lack of dedicated motorcycle parking is an issue. Two observations:

First, should Wellington City Council support a mode of travel that is high risk? Yes, it should, as this mode of travel that has several advantages over other modes, and is an option that many Wellington residents *want* as a choice.

Further, the Council can, and should (and does!) apply policies to lessen this risk. I note the comments made by the Regional Council regarding measures to increase the safety of cyclists; another very high risk transport mode;

² **Wellington Regional Land Transport Strategy 2010-40**. Greater Wellington Regional Council, October 2010.

Online: <http://www.gw.govt.nz/assets/Transport/Regional-transport/RLTS/WRLTS-2010-2040-Doco-WEB2.pdf>

³ Ibid, p.38

⁴ Ibid.

⁵ Ibid.

⁶ Ibid.

⁷ Ibid, p.47

“Improving and expanding the cycling infrastructure, driver and cyclist skills training courses, all contribute to increasing the number of cyclists. This is likely to have a positive effect on perceived and real cyclist safety due to a ‘safety in numbers’ effect.”⁸

I’d suggest that equivalent measures for motorcycling (many of which are already being applied by Wellington City Council) would have an equivalent positive effect of perceived and real motorcyclist safety. Put simply; increased utilisation of varied modes of transport (cycles, motorcycles, private cars and buses) on our roads makes *all* road users more considerate.

Second, I concur that there are not enough dedicated motorcycle parking spaces in the Wellington central business district. Whilst I acknowledge the Council already offers a number of dedicated motorcycle parks in the CBD, the amount of dedicated motorcycle parking is now insufficient. As previously noted, there’s been a considerable increase in motorcycle commuters in recent years. Secondly, from my own personal experience as a regular user of a motorcycle bike park, these parks in the central business district are now at, or over capacity during working hours of working days. We need more!

⁸ *ibid*, p.50

Motorcycling Benefits All Road Users

Congestion and Emissions

Research indicates even small modal changes in commuting *from* single occupancy commuting in private car *to* motorcycle commuting has been shown to *decrease congestion for all road users, resulting in shorter commuting times for all, as well as decreasing overall emissions.*

A recently commissioned Belgian study found that if ten percent of all private cars were replaced by motorcycles, total time losses for *all* vehicles decreased by forty percent. Further, total emissions were reduced by six percent (one percent from the different traffic composition of more emission-reduced motorcycles and five percent from avoided traffic congestion).⁹

The results came from a case study for a stretch of highway between Leuven and Brussels in Belgium. Whilst this research may not be directly applicable to Wellington's road traffic network, decreased congestion and decreased emissions are still likely outcomes from increased use of motorcycles over private cars.

Safety in Numbers

Research suggests *increased numbers of motorcyclists leads to greater motorcycle safety* as a proportion of the vehicle and user population, with risk falling sharply once motorcycles reach ten percent of private vehicles on the road.¹⁰

This effect is also noted within Greater Wellington Regional Council's Regional Land Transport Strategy 2010-40.¹¹ Increased utilisation of varied modes of transport on our roads may make *all* road users more considerate.

Decreased Parking Demand

Motorcycles have a smaller footprint and take up much less space than private cars. Thus, their relatively small size decreases the need for large amounts of parking infrastructure compared to cars.¹² At least five motorcycles can be parked in a single car parking space, allowing for more efficient land use.¹³

⁹ ***Commuting by Motorcycle: Impact Analysis.*** Transport & Mobility Leuven, September 2011.

Online: http://www.tmlleuven.com/project/motorcyclesandcommuting/20110921_Motorfietsen_eindrapport_Eng.pdf p.43,44

¹⁰ ***Realising the Motorcycling Opportunity; A motorcycle safety and transport policy framework.*** Association Chief Police Officers/Motorcycle Industry (UK), December 2014.

Online: <http://mcia.co.uk/Controls/OpenDocument.ashx?id=72> p.9

¹¹ ***Wellington Regional Land Transport Strategy 2010-40,*** p.50

¹² ***Realising the Motorcycling Opportunity; A motorcycle safety and transport policy framework.*** p.12

¹³ *Ibid,* p.77

Recommendations

1. **Motorcycling is a high risk mode of commuting. Whilst Wellington City Council is already doing some great work in this area, the Council can further lessen this risk by being aware of, and, where appropriate, applying the learnings highlighted by recent research concerning improving motorcycling safety.** As an example, I highlight the recently published working paper **Realising the Motorcycling Opportunity; A motorcycle safety and transport policy framework**. (Association Chief Police Officers/Motorcycle Industry (UK), December 2014)¹⁴ This document may not be the last word in motorcycle safety, but it the kind of thing Council policy analysts need to be aware of.

2. **Increase the number of dedicated, free motorcycle parking spaces within Wellington's Central Business District.** As previously noted, there's been a big increase in the numbers of people commuting to work in Wellington by motorcycle, and the amount of available parking is now insufficient. Greater Wellington Regional Council acknowledges the lack of dedicated parking as a limitation to this mode of transport.¹⁵ . Perhaps Council planners could encourage commercial property owners to have dedicated motorcycle parking, in addition to dedicated car and cycle parking, when commercial buildings are being built or refurbished?

3. **Consider the needs of all two-wheeled users when using paint to mark our roads, particularly at intersections, and where road users are cornering or turning.** I have no evidence to refer to for this recommendation, just my own experience and observations. However, I'd still like to highlight this issue. Road surfaces that have been painted, without added levels of grit, have much less grip than the usual road surface. When these painted surfaces are wet, they become *very* slippery. Cycles and motorcycles alike are affected by dramatic changes in skid resistance of surfaces; especially where they are cornering.... I'm aware that there's been a lot of green paint applied to roads in and leading to the central business district of Wellington, Much of this green paint is gritted paint, which is great. However, please bear in mind supporting paint around this green paint should be gritted as well.

¹⁴ **Realising the Motorcycling Opportunity; A motorcycle safety and transport policy framework**. Association Chief Police Officers/Motorcycle Industry (UK), December 2014.

Online: <http://mcia.co.uk/Controls/OpenDocument.ashx?id=72>

¹⁵ **Wellington Regional Land Transport Strategy 2010-40**. p.7



Living Wage Wellington

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“The city is humanity’s laboratory, where people flock to dream, create, build, and rebuild.”

Wellington City Council’s Draft 10-year plan



Residents from all wards calling for the inclusion of the living wage in the LTP at ward forums: (Clockwise from top): Eastern, Lambton, Western, Northern, Southern.)



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Oral submission

Living Wage Wellington would like to speak to our submission.

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Executive Summary

Living Wage Wellington (as part of The Living Wage Movement Aotearoa NZ) welcomes the opportunity to make a submission on the Wellington City Council Long Term Plan 2015/2025.

Living Wage Movement Aotearoa New Zealand (Inc) is a broad-based community movement committed to addressing poverty and inequality by lifting low wages. Living Wage Wellington (as part of LWMANZ) brings together a wide range of faith and community organisations and unions which represent thousands of Wellingtonians and others who work in Wellington and live outside the city.

We strongly support the Council's commitment to become a living wage council and commitment in principle to pay the living wage to all council staff, including those employed in CCOs and by contractors.

We congratulate you on the steps taken so far. Nearly 500 council workers have been lifted to the 2013 New Zealand (NZ) living wage rate, including the very low-paid parking wardens. That is a significant achievement. The LTP makes provision for a living wage for directly employed staff at Wellington Zoo and Museums Trust. We congratulate Council on taking this next step.

The implementation of the living wage for the whole council workforce, including those employed in Council Controlled Organisations (CCOs) and via contractors, was overwhelmingly supported by Wellingtonians in last year's 2014 Annual Plan community consultation.

Council has a very strong mandate, and in fact a responsibility, to include these commitments in the Long Term Plan (LTP).

There is still a long way to go before Wellington City Council is a living wage council and Living Wage Wellington has always advocated a staged implementation of the living wage. Like the big ideas in the draft 10-year plan, that process will take a number of years.

Currently there are council workers — like the cleaners, security guards, and recycling workers — on poverty rates of pay, with some on the (updated in April 2015) minimum wage of \$14.75. Nobody can live decent lives on these rates of pay, especially in Wellington City.

The LTP emphasises the city’s “strong financial position”.ⁱ It is very clear that a staged implementation of the living wage is affordable, and there is every reason to proceed with fulfilling this commitment.

The focus of the Plan is a series of “major projects”. The proposal is to spend hundreds of millions of dollars on infrastructure. It is our submission that people are missing from the draft Plan. The Mayoral overview states that the Plan “Invests in our communities’ ongoing prosperity”. The Plan pledges to “include the most vulnerable citizens in city life”.ⁱⁱ The Plan states: “People and social cohesion matter”ⁱⁱⁱ. We want to make sure the Plan is in fact a plan to achieve this.

The LTP says Wellington needs to grow and focusses strongly on job creation. Good growth can’t happen on the back of low wages and Council needs to lead by example.

The Plan asks the question: “How do we make Wellington even better?” It is our submission that Council can make Wellington better by leading by example and becoming a living wage employer.

The living wage is briefly mentioned under the “invest for growth” section,^{iv} where there is provision for a living wage for directly-employed staff at Wellington Zoo and Museums Trust. It is our submission that the living wage commitment should be expanded and included in the Social Outcomes section, which currently contains no people-focused outcomes at all.

“The City is a place where people flock to dream” says the Plan.^v For many Wellington workers, including those in the Council’s own workforce, the dream is of better wages. Without adequate incomes, workers remain vulnerable and excluded from participating in all the city has offer.

It is our submission that the Long Term Plan should spell out how the living wage will be delivered to the entire council workforce. We are calling for the inclusion in the LTP as a top priority:

- The commitment to become a living wage council
- The commitment to implement the living wage for the whole council workforce, including the lowest paid workers who are employed through contractors.

Recommendations

The Council has made numerous commitments to becoming a living wage council. The Council has voted to direct Council Controlled Organisations to report back how they would implement the living wage as part of the 2015 Long Term Plan; and the Council has directed staff to carry out work on how to apply the living wage to staff employed by contractors, to also be reported back as part of the 2015 Long Term Plan.

The commitment to the living wage and extending the living wage to those employed in CCOs and by contractors has been strongly supported in the 2014 Annual Plan consultation.

Living Wage Wellington’s submission is that the Long Term Plan should include:

- Council’s commitment to the principle of becoming a Living Wage employer, paying all staff the living wage, including directly-employed staff, and those employed in CCOs and by contractors

- Council’s decision to direct CCOs to report on how they will move their staff to the living wage
- Council’s decision to investigate the best way to ensure council workers employed through contractors are paid the living wage
- A commitment to implement the living wage for those employed by contractors as tenders are sought for services delivered on a regular and ongoing basis
- Council’s commitment to take a lead in creating a Living Wage Capital
- Council’s commitment to consult with relevant parties, including Living Wage Wellington, throughout the planning and implementation process.

Background

In June 2013, Wellington City Council voted to support in principle becoming a Living Wage Council and to ‘develop a Living Wage Framework’ by November 2013 providing for the phased implementation of the living wage for directly employed staff, staff employed by council controlled organisations and contractors who deliver council services. Council also supported the principle of a Living Wage Capital. (Note: The framework has not yet been developed.)

During the 2013 local body election campaign a clear majority of the current council committed to “take all possible steps to implement the living wage for all directly employed, CCO and contracted council workers during this term”. The issue received widespread publicity and many candidates stood on a platform of supporting the living wage.

In December 2013, Wellington City Council reaffirmed the principle of becoming a Living Wage Council and voted to fully implement the living wage for directly-employed employees by July 2014; to direct Council Controlled Organisations (through the statement of intent process) to consider how they would implement the living wage and to report back as part of the 2015 Long Term Plan; and to support further work undertaken on how to apply the living wage to staff employed by contractors, to also be reported back as part of the 2015 Long Term Plan.

This was reported in the *Dominion Post* as follows:

But while direct council employees will benefit, contractors and employees of council-owned companies are not included after officers warned there are many complicated issues to work through. Instead councillors agreed that those issues should be investigated further and a plan for including those staff developed in time for inclusion in the 2015 long term plan.

In January 2014, Wellington City Council began moving directly-employed staff to the living wage and soon after brought parking services in-house and lifted the rates of this very low-paid group of council workers.

In the 2014 WCC Annual Plan process the Wellington community was asked to submit on the following^{vi}:

We propose to direct our council-controlled organisations, through the statement of intent process, to consider how they would introduce a living wage rate for their staff and report back

to us as part of the 2015-25 Long Term plan process. Further work will be done on the best way to implement a living wage-rate for employees of council contractors.

The costs of applying a living wage rate to these organisations has not been finalised but would be well in excess of \$2 million per annum. While it is anticipated that some costs would be offset through improved productivity and savings, the majority would require new funding. The likely options are:

- *Increases or introduction of fees*
- *Increases in rates*
- *Reductions in services*

Do you see this as a priority – should the council introduce a living wage rate for staff of council-controlled organisations or Council contractors? Who should pay the cost of a living wage rate to staff of council-controlled organisations or council contractors?

Despite this negative framing, and despite the exaggerated cost (unsupported by evidence) the living wage was overwhelmingly supported in the 2014 Annual Plan consultation process by submitters. The extension to staff employed in CCOs and by contractors was also overwhelmingly supported.

Council has a mandate, and in fact a responsibility, to complete the implementation of the living wage.

Council's goals and strategies

The 2013/2014 Annual Plan identified the link between economic prosperity and quality of life: *“The economic prosperity of the city is closely linked to residents’ quality of life. Our activities contribute to the city’s economic well-being and take a lead in shaping Wellington’s future prosperity.”*

A living wage is necessary for economic prosperity. A prosperous economic environment depends on consumers having the spending power to support local industry. By becoming a living wage employer, Council can lead the way and encourage Wellington employers to follow this lead.

The call for a living wage city is consistent with the Council’s commitment to access to social and recreational activities, as the goal of the living wage is to provide the income necessary for workers and their families to participate in society.

The Council aims to support diversity and opportunity, acknowledging that making the city attractive to newcomers plays a role in maintaining our identity as the ‘Creative Capital’ of New Zealand. For students, migrants and others considering moving to Wellington, the city’s participation in the Living Wage Movement will positively promote the Wellington job market, and send a clear message about the Council’s commitment to social outcomes.

Wellington is proud to be a Fair Trade and Anti-Nuclear Capital City. Wellington prides itself in being the “Coolest Little Capital in the World”. Wellington has now taken the first steps towards becoming the first living wage city in Aotearoa New Zealand.

Inequality in Wellington

The excellent *Genuine Progress Indicators* work of Wellington Regional Council was updated in November 2014 and reports^{vii} that the “P80/P20 ratio of equivalised gross weekly household income for the region is consistently higher than that for New Zealand”.

The report states that the degree of income inequality in the region increased between 2001 – 2013, concluding: “This high and increasing level of income inequality is expected to have implications for the overall wellbeing of the people living in the region”.^{viii}

While incomes in the Wellington region are higher than the national average, many workers and their families in Wellington City, including those in the Council workforce, live in poverty. It is not acceptable that workers and their families struggle to make ends meet in a city where many enjoy great wealth. It is appropriate that Wellington City should set a target to lift the lowest quartile of wages in the LTP as a specific strategy to reduce inequality.

The Council can play a vital leadership role in making a difference to address poverty and inequality in Wellington City and lead the region and the country by showing the way.

The benefits of the living wage

A living wage brings many benefits. It creates a basic yet decent standard of living for all workers and their families. It benefits businesses by reducing costs of turnover, improving morale and motivation of workers, and enhancing public image and reputation and can encourage more competitive industry.

Implementing the living wage benefits workers and their families, communities and central and local government. The relationship between wages and well-being is well documented. Health, education, and social participation all improve when wages are lifted.

Decent wages makes business sense in both public and private sectors. Research in the UK^{ix} in 2012 reported that a living wage:

- Supports recruitment and retention of staff, saving employers the costs of turnover
- Lowers the rates of absenteeism and sick leave
- Suggests enhanced productivity, through higher quality work by employees
- Boosts morale and motivation
- Improves public image and reputation of businesses
- Promotes competition by wage repression as a competitive edge

Becoming a living wage council and encouraging other employers to do the same will improve the economic prosperity and quality of life of Wellington workers and residents. Paying staff a living wage will ensure they can participate in the amenities of the city and have access to recreational and community facilities. A prosperous economic environment depends on consumers having the spending power to

support local business and the low-paid workers who would benefit from receiving the living wage spend their entire incomes on retail and basic services.

The cost to Wellington City Council

Given the many local authorities that have introduced the living wage around the world, there is a large body of literature on the costs and benefits of doing so. International experience has been that initial estimates of the cost of implementing the living wage are almost always higher than what eventuates. For example, when Los Angeles introduced the living wage in 1997, it was predicted to cost somewhere between US\$30-40 million. However, the total increase to labour costs was \$US2.5 million.^x

There are many reasons that costs often end up much lower than estimated. As many of the services councils provide are now procured from private firms (who rely on low wage labour), some of the costs can be absorbed by the firms themselves. Secondly, there are significant benefits associated with implementing a living wage, with regard to lower staff turnover, absenteeism, and boosted productivity.

Further investigation into the costs of the implementing the living wage for CCO and contract workers needs to be quantified to ensure a fair implementation. Most of the lowest-paid workers in the Council workforce are employed in WCC-contracted and sub-contracted organisations, with the cleaners, catering workers, security and recycling workers paid not much more than the minimum wage of \$14.75 an hour.

There are numerous reasons why contract workers must be included. Apart from the fairness issues and the need to take a lead in addressing poverty and inequality in Wellington City, if the living wage coverage does not include procured services then it will incentivise and accelerate the process of outsourcing core local government services.

Living Wage Wellington's submission is that the cost of implementing the Living Wage can be met by a range of measures, including from the Council's current total wage budget and through negotiation with the relevant contractors. Any cost to ratepayers will be staged as contracts come up for renegotiation.

Living Wage Wellington has supplied councillors and council staff with numerous reports containing costings and recommendations on how to implement the living wage for those employed by contractors. It is Living Wage Wellington's recommendation that the implementation of the living wage to those in the council workforce employed by contractors should be staged, with workers being moved to the living wage as the relevant contracts come up for renegotiation.

Living Wage Wellington has estimated the cost of implementing the living wage across all employees in the Council workforce employed via contracted employees at around \$700,000. This is a very modest expense compared to \$300 million for airport extension, \$10 million for the Peace and Conflict Museum and \$4 million per year for the Convention Centre.

Because extending the living wage to those employed via contractors would be staged over a number of years, the initial costs will be less than that, as contracts come up for renewal and tender.

Wellington City Council's annual operating expenditure 2015-16 has been budgeted at \$318 million. Implementation of the living wage represents at the most 0.22% of this total operational cost.

Personnel costs are almost \$100 million per year, and a living wage for the Council workforce employed via contractors is around 0.7% of this. It will cost less than **a cent a day per resident** to implement a living wage.

High Pay at WCC

The Wellington City Council CEO has a salary package of over \$400,000 per year (nearly 10 times the living wage). According to the WCC 2014 Annual Report^{xi} three staff earn more than \$300,000 and 19 staff earn more than \$180,000 per year. This is around \$4.5 million per year for 19 people.

Implementing a living wage for all the council workforce employed by contractors would cost a mere 15% of those total salary packages and could be financed out of restructuring those packages as the living wage is phased in.

A cap on high pay in the Council could be introduced over the next three years, and the introduction of a maximum 8:1 ratio of highest to lowest paid over the next 5-10 years (which would mean a highest pay rate of about \$320,000 based on the current \$19.25 living wage rate as an official minimum).

The Living Wage

The definition of a Living Wage is: *The income necessary to provide workers and their families with the basic necessities of life. A living wage will enable workers to live with dignity and to participate as active citizens in society.*

We emphasise that the living wage:

- Is voluntary and not mandatory
- Is not a welfare payment but a wage in the market place
- Is a rate for all workers, based on a methodology similar to that used around the world
- Does not account for differences in housing costs around the country; rather it provides an income that is sufficient for some but not adequate for others.

In order to be a "living" wage, the living wage must be revised regularly. In February 2014 the NZ living wage rate was adjusted to \$18.80 an hour after an independent review by Charles Waldegrave of the Family Centre Social Policy Unit Research Team and Dr Peter King.

A further annual review was conducted by Charles Waldegrave and Dr Peter King in December 2014 and the 2015/2016 NZ living rate of \$19.25 was announced at Wellington fully-accredited living wage cafe La Boca Loca in February 2015.

ⁱ Page 10, Our 10-year plan

ⁱⁱ Page 8, Our 10-year plan

ⁱⁱⁱ Page 20, Our 10-year plan

^{iv} Page 9, Our 10-year plan

^v Page 19, Our 10-year plan

^{vi} Page 11, draft Wellington City Council 2014/2015 Annual Plan

vii *Genuine Progress Indicators*, Wellington Regional Council, November 2014, page 30

viii *Genuine Progress Indicators*, Wellington Regional Council <http://www.gpiwellingtonregion.govt.nz/assets/WR-GPI2001-2013.pdf> (Full Report) <http://www.gpiwellingtonregion.govt.nz/outcomes/economic/prosperous-community/income-inequality/#indicators> (Summary Graph)

ix The costs and benefits of the London living wage, October 2012, Jane Wills and Brian Linneker, School of Geography, Queen Mary University of London

x Andrew J Elmore, *Living Wage Laws & Communities: Smarter Economic Development, Lower than Expected Costs*, Brennan Center for Justice, New York, 2003, p 2).

xi Page 198, Wellington City Council 2013-14 Annual Report <http://ar2013.publications.wellington.govt.nz/uploads/WCC-2013-14-Annual-Report.pdf>

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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Get building - start work on the Island Bay cycleway and look at more quick wins including separated cycleway trials in other locations	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	This council has dithered too long on investing in safe cycle infrastructure. People who ride bikes in Wellington put their life on the line every day due to the negligence of this council. Get on with it!
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	Yes

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Write a message to the council	Cycling could and needs to work better in Wellington. Don't want to become known as "the worst little capital to cycle in" do we? Cycling investment is nearly always money well spent. It pays dividends in transport cost savings, health, social and environment.
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [George Williams](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 10:35:16 a.m.

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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	Increasing safety and cycling have guaranteed positive outcomes for the city. This is a no-brainer.
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

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 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 2:42:26 a.m.

Name	Anna Veale
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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	I cycle everywhere in dangerous London but I still feel safer here than when I lived in Wellington. Something needs to be done about it!
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Natalie Thomson](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
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 Date: Monday, 13 April 2015 6:25:46 p.m.

Name	Natalie Thomson
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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	I'm living in Berlin right now and I bike everywhere. Bike to and from work every day (25mins). It's such a great way to wake up. Feels totally safe because the traffic is used to bikers everywhere and is very aware. Often There is a line of bikers at commuter times. There is also many separate cycle ways (though not on my route to work). I want to use biking as my main form of transport now, but in wellington it would be nearly impossible. We need to switch to more sustainable transport options and biking has the extra benefit of increasing our health. It's win win. Let's make it a priority.
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL 2015-25

LONG TERM PLAN SUBMISSION

I call on Wellington City Council to include in the Long Term Plan as a top priority:

- The commitment to become a living wage council
- The commitment to implement the living wage for the whole council workforce, including the lowest paid workers who are employed through contractors.

I support this because:

I am a low paid worker caring for the elderly.

I completely support the WCC paying the living wage to all its workers

It will increase productivity, the economic and make the employee feel more valued in their job they will then be more committed to their job.

As a rate payer in the region I will agree to be prepared to pay more in my rates

Name Marianne Bishop

Signature M Bishop

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I wish to make an oral submission



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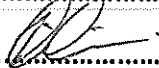
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I support this because:

Everyone deserves a decent wage/life!

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Signature 

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I wish to make an oral submission

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Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 10:00:15 a.m.

Name	Melanie Zytecka
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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Get building - start work on the Island Bay cycleway and look at more quick wins including separated cycleway trials in other locations	yes
Write a message to the council	I love the freedom of riding here in Wellington but also know that every time I get on my bike, I'm putting my life in a motorist's hands.
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [linda Zukerman](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 4:15:34 p.m.

Name	linda Zukerman
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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	With the increasing numbers of people living in the CBD we need other modes of transport than motorized transport. Cycling needs to be an attractive option.
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

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I support this because:

We should be taking a lead, through Council and demonstrating the benefits of this approach to all employers in Wellington, and throughout the country.

The Council's actions should reflect the values of those who fund the Council, and ratepayers have strongly supported the inclusion of a commitment to the living wage in the Annual Plan

Name MICHAEL GILCHRIST

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I wish to make an oral submission

From: [John Stoke](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
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 Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 7:39:57 p.m.

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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Get building - start work on the Island Bay cycleway and look at more quick wins including separated cycleway trials in other locations	yes
Write a message to the council	<p>Dear WCC</p> <p>I believe that you should commit funds to extending the cycleway network for the following reasons:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. You have a duty to motorists to support more cyclists on the road. More cyclists means fewer cars, reducing congestion and pressure on parking, reducing wear on roads and thus reducing the council's spend on road maintenance. 2. Separate cycleways means less risk of motorists having accidents as a result of "inattention blindness". It's a sad reality that when motorists don't expect hazards, they sometimes don't see them when they are there. Until there is a significant volume of cyclists, so that they become seen as normal on the road, it is safer for all parties if cyclists are separated. 3. The Council's long term plan acknowledges the risk of climate change. Encouraging more motorists to switch to cycling for short journeys would assist in reducing Wellington's contribution to greenhouse gases. 4. As a society, we are gaining weight. This is partly because in general we are less active than we were in previous generations. The council can nudge people towards activity by making cycling more attractive for commuting and short trips. A key barrier to this activity

is that cycling is still perceived as unsafe, and cycleways will improve this safety.

5. Experience in other cities (such as Portland in the USA) is that improving cycling facilities has the effect of revitalising urban retail along cycle routes.

Please consider these matters when considering your funding allocation.

Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? No

2015-25 Draft Long-term Plan

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I would like to speak at a submission hearing Yes No

I am making this submission as an Organisation

Name of organisation: CCS Disability Action Wellington Branch

Who we are reaching. **Please see introduction below.**

You don't have to complete this section but this information helps us to know who we are reaching.

(Note: the information you provide is open to public view.)

I am male female

My age is under 18 years 18-29 years 30-39 years 40-49 years 50-59 years 60 years or older

Have you ever made a submission on a draft Annual or Long-term Plan before?

Which of the following best describes you?

Residential ratepayer Commercial ratepayer Residential and commercial ratepayer I rent Other

Which ethnic group do you belong to? (*You can tick more than one box*)

New Zealand European

Māori

Samoan

Cook Island

Tongan

Niuean

Chinese

Indian

Other (*such as Dutch,*

Japanese, Tokelauan, Somali)

Please state:

Other issues/matters or general comments

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About us

CCS Disability Action is one of the largest disability services providers in New Zealand. We have been advocating for people with disabilities since 1935.

CCS Disability Action has a National Office and regional management structure and provides disability support to over 5,000 people with disabilities and their families and whanau each year. We run the Mobility Parking scheme that supports over 115,000 people to better access their local towns and facilities. Our fully owned subsidiary, Lifetime Design Ltd, advocates for and provides universal design guidelines to improve the accessibility of New Zealand housing.

Nationally, we have access coordinators who work with local government and transport engineers to develop new tools to improve accessibility planning and monitoring. We have developed tools to collect data on people with access needs and carry out accessibility audits.

Introduction

We appreciate the opportunity to submit on Wellington City Councils Long Term Plan. Councils play an important role in ensuring our communities include everyone. A key part of this is ensuring that council services and infrastructure are accessible to all. Improved accessibility strengthens communities, by ensuring everyone can participate. Improved accessibility also improves business and tourism opportunities.

A high level of accessibility is a sign of a progressive inclusive region and will attract a wider range of people as migrants and tourists, boosting the economy nationally, regionally and locally. Accessibility is important to social and economic prosperity, and with an aging population, will only become more important.

The New Zealand Standard on Access and Mobility, NZS 4121: 2001, states that:

“Accessibility not only means access for people with disabilities, but it also ensures efficiency, comfort and convenience for everyone else. It is a practical matter, and not an emotional issue.”

We want to encourage Wellington City Council to see access issues as a practical matter of ensuring everyone can access their community. We are keen to work in partnership with Wellington City Council Council to progressively improve accessibility and open up new opportunities for the city.

Accessibility

Accessibility issues affect everyone at some time in their life. We all experience different levels of mobility; sometimes due to temporary causes such as injury, pregnancy or sickness. As we age, it is increasingly due to more permanent causes such as impairments (Greater London Authority 2004, p. 3). 45% of people aged over 65 self-identified with some degree of disability in the last census (Statistics New Zealand, 2006).

While we are all affected by accessibility issues, people with permanent access needs are the most disadvantaged. Their needs are often overlooked, even by professional planners, designers, architects and engineers.

No matter how good regulations and professionals are, there is no substitute for the real life experience of people with mobility needs. It is very easy for people without mobility needs to overlook the small, but very significant details that can have a large impact on whether people can get around their community or not.

Accessibility is an opportunity to include more people in the community. With the world's aging population, there will be a growing diversity in mobility needs. An individual's level of mobility should not be a barrier and developing infrastructure that is universally accessible will ensure that everyone can continue to live, work and fully participate in their chosen community.

To get it right the first time, councils needs to consult with accessibility experts. This avoids the needs for expensive alterations later on and results in a better and cheaper outcomes for everyone.

Planning for accessibility

It is important to consider accessibility issues when planning how our communities and transport systems develop.

Many of the barriers disabled people face are easy and relatively cheap to fix. What is required is a combination of expert knowledge and creative thinking. Expert

knowledge is required from professionals and from disabled people themselves who face these barriers every day. Collaborative partnerships between professionals and disabled people are a great way to develop creative solutions.

Accessibility is an on-going goal rather than a set of minimal standards to be complied with. There is always room for improvement, especially as new and innovative approaches are constantly being developed.

Accessibility and human rights

People with access needs frequently face significant barriers accessing the community. Article 9 of Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities states that the government must take measures to ensure persons with disabilities have the right to access the physical environment on an equal basis with others.

These human rights measures are not aimed at giving disabled people special rights, but to ensure they can participate in society, the same as everyone else. Everyone deserves the opportunity to have a good life and take a full and valued role in society. We all benefit from having a diverse community.

The Human Rights Commission in the Accessible Journey: Report of the Inquiry into Accessible Public Land Transport (Human Rights Commission, 2005) examined transport in detail. Among other recommendations they recommended;

- That the transport needs of disabled people be considered as a core and mandatory requirement for all public land transport planning, funding and implementation processes.

General Accessibility issues

Disabled people need to have accessible routes all the way to their destination. If one part of the route is inaccessible, the whole route is inaccessible.

For example, it is little good having fully accessible buses if many bus stops and pedestrian routes are not accessible. Without effective and safe pedestrian routes, bus transport becomes inaccessible and unusable.

Accessibility needs to be planned and measured over journey and routes, rather than just focusing on individual transport and infrastructure components. Planners need to ensure people can get to where they need to go.

All councils should consult with people with access needs and collect accurate data. This data enables councils to accurately monitor and evaluate people with access needs' ability to actually use the transport and infrastructure system, effectively, monitoring enables councils to progressively identify and remove access barriers.

Conclusion

Councils need to ensure resources are spent wisely and are to the benefit of everyone in the community. Ensuring everyone can use council infrastructure and services means that the council and the community get maximum value for their investment.

Councils can make a huge difference for their citizens. How council plan and deliver infrastructure and services can determine whether someone is included in their community or not. A fully accessible community is required if everyone is able to participate and contribute to society. We encourage Wellington City Council to progressively improve the accessibility of their community.

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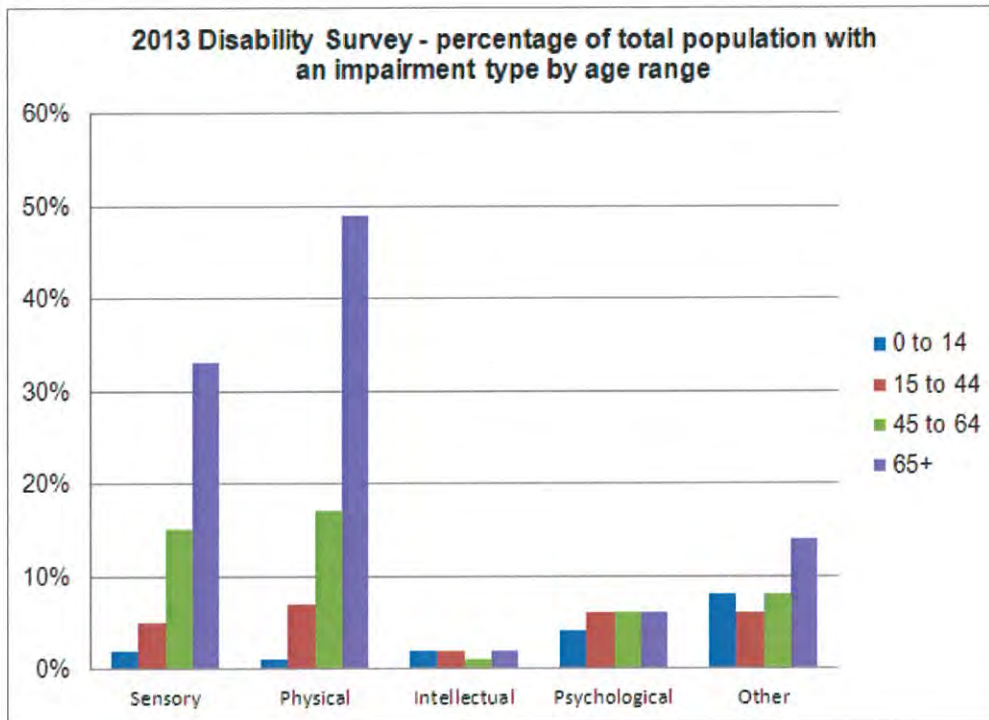
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1) Do you support the broad approach taken in this plan of investing for growth, in addition to providing current levels of service?

strongly support **support** neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments:

CCS Disability Action supports Wellington City Council for the broad approach including Disabled Persons Representation. Persons with disabilities wish to be involved in our communities, participate in everyday community activities and contribute to society.



2) Do you support our plan to limit rates increases to 3.9% on average over ten years to fund investment for growth, as opposed to a 3.1% increase to provide 'business as usual'?

strongly support support **neutral** oppose strongly oppose

Comments:

3) Should Council take action to improve our international air connections?

strongly support **support** neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments:

Questions 3,4 & 5 provides opportunities business to business connectivity and growth. This points to opportunities for workplaces, both in terms of tapping into disabled peoples skills and talents in a skills short employment market and more effectively providing products and services to disabled people.

With higher incomes because of more employment opportunities, and more accessible businesses, people with access needs and older people spend more money, benefiting the economy.

More people with access needs can live in their communities than before, reducing the need for costly rest homes and residential homes. Being in the community also means they are more likely to have access to natural support, such as friends and family, reducing their reliance on government funded support.

4) Do you think Council should be supporting the tech sector to stimulate it to grow?

strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments:

5) Do you think Council should be supporting the film industry to enable it to stay local and grow?

strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments:

6) Do you believe Council should support private owners with the strengthening of heritage buildings?

strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments:

Also refer to comment question 7.

7) Should Council strengthen its key Civic Square buildings, and offset the cost where possible?

strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments:

As buildings are earthquake strengthened, many would become accessible. Where the cost of access upgrades is unreasonable, local councils use the reasonability test to come up with a fair solution for building owners, based on clear Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment guidelines. There is certainty and fairness for building owners in how the reasonability test is applied.

With many more buildings being made accessible, New Zealand provides a fairer deal for people with access needs and is well placed to deal with the ageing population. People with access needs find it easier to get and keep jobs. People can stay in their jobs as they age thanks to good accessible workplaces. The number of people on disability related benefits falls. New Zealand starts to realise the economic and social benefits of improved access, benefiting everyone.

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8) Should Wellington seek to remain the events capital of New Zealand?

strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments: Apply to question 8,9,10

The idea that access is only about disabled people is a myth. When you design and build for people with impairments, you create a safer and more convenient environment for everyone.

Good access benefits everyone and it brings considerable wider economic and social benefits, here are just some of potential benefits:

- More people in employment because more workplaces are accessible.
- More customers for businesses.
- More opportunities for people with access needs to stay in their own home and remain in their community, instead of having to move to rest homes or residential homes.

- Parents with small children in buggies and people with temporary injuries can continue to access their community.

9) Do you support our plan to provide a new and improved venue for concerts?

strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments:

10) Do you support upgrading sports facilities where need has been demonstrated?

strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments:

11) Do you support the development of new tourism experiences to attract new visitors and get them to stay for longer?

strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments:

12) Do you support Council's activities to optimise infrastructure to realise savings and better cope with adverse events?

strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments:

Urban Growth Plan

15) Do you support the Council funding and taking action to regenerate inner-city precincts?

strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose don't know

Comments:

If disabled people cannot find suitable homes to own or rent, the cost is high both for the individual and the government. Currently, some disabled people unable to find suitable housing are living in rest homes because there is nowhere else for them to go (Fairfax NZ News, 2013). In 2011, 738 people under 65 years of age lived in aged care facilities, sometimes because they could not find accessible properties (Ministry of Health, 2012).

Accessibility

Disabled people often face particular difficulties finding suitable housing options that meet their mobility needs. The main issues include finding accessible housing options that are situated in central locations on or near transport routes and other vital amenities.

Most houses have not been built with the needs of people with disabilities in mind. There is a very significant shortage of accessible properties of all sizes within the market, the social housing sector and the private rental market. These factors have a critical impact on disabled people's living options.

Disabled people, families and whanau are hugely impacted by the lack of accessible, affordable housing.

Despite this accessibility issues affect everyone at some time in their life. We all experience different levels of mobility; sometimes due to temporary causes such as injury, pregnancy or sickness. As we age, it is increasingly due to more permanent causes such as impairments (Greater London Authority 2004, p. 3).

While we are all affected by accessibility issues, people with permanent access needs are the most disadvantaged. With New Zealand aging population, there will be a growing number of people with permanent access needs. New Zealand needs more accessible houses both now and in the future. The over 65 age group is projected to make up over 20% of New Zealand's population from late 2031, compared with 13% in 2011 (Statistics New Zealand, 2012). In the 2013 Disability Survey people over 65 had a disability rate of 59%, compared to 21% of people aged 15 to 64 (Statistics New Zealand, 2014, p. 3).

In the 2013 Disability Survey there was an estimated 1.1 million disabled New Zealanders, almost one in four of the population. The definition of disability used in the Disability Survey is based on activity limitations. People are classed as disabled if they have an impairment which has a long-term limiting effect on their ability to carry out day-to-day activities.

This means an estimated 1.1 million New Zealanders have difficulty carrying out at least one important everyday activity that the rest of us take for granted. If we design houses and buildings on the assumption that everyone has the same abilities, we will cause difficulties and barriers for a large number of people.

16) Do you support our proposal to improve public spaces such as laneways?
strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments:

- 2/3rds of growth in the population over the next 20 years will be in the 65+ age group
- 84% of local authorities will have all of their population growth in the 65+ age bracket.

These stats alone mean that there will be a huge impact on future infrastructure needs. Current stats are great for vehicles and are easily accessible, but the data on pedestrians is variable and not easily accessible. Development of future Laneways will need to consider pedestrian traffic, cycles and other mobile technology.

Future proofing public spaces and laneways for aging population growth should include.

- Surfacing styles – those with canes can experience difficulty with vibrations and catches from texture surfacing
- Planting – when overgrown can cause cuts and catch canes or other mobility aids
- Slopes – need to think about ramps
- Desire lines – need to keep these straight and easy to negotiate
- Ponding – those with vision impairments can't see the puddles and step around or over them
- Continuous footpaths across driveways – to indicate to drivers that the pedestrian has the right of way
- Developments – need to proactively manage the pedestrian movements within the site, and the connections between the site and the adjacent public footpaths. Generally the car parks are very vehicle orientated.
- Café dining – should be kerbside – keeping the building line free of obstructions
- Tactile pavers – are great, but must be correct and give the right guidance
- Tapping rails – a must for all handrails to ensure that canes are able to pick up the 'obstruction'
- Pedestrian cut downs – need to be well constructed to ensure that they help direct vision impaired in the right direction, and don't create problems for wheeled mobility aids.
- Shared cycle paths – are a potential problem. Need to be consistent with the treatments where there are interaction points/cross-over between cyclists and pedestrians.
- Signage – need to consider the height and the contrast in colours

- Toilet facilities – signage and accessibility.

The Speed Management Guideline, currently being developed will cover more than just speed limit setting and will provide guidance on dealing with locations with high pedestrian demand.

Recommended

- pedestrians 6km/h
- wheeled devices 20km/h
- cars 50km/h

and when these modes are mixing, then there is a need to think about speed management in the design process.

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17) Do you support Council's plan for strengthening suburban town centres including work in Johnsonville, Karori and Tawa?

strongly support support **neutral** oppose strongly oppose

Comments:

18) Do you generally agree with the priority projects identified in the Urban Growth Implementation Plan?

strongly support **support** neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments:

Do you see other matters as priorities?

13) Do you support the Council's transition to the use of smart technology such as parking sensors and LED streetlights?

strongly support **support** neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments:

14) Do you support proposed improvements to transport that will allow for safer, faster and more reliable journeys?

strongly support **support** neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments:

Transport.

CCS Disability Action supports council in promoting an integrated, safe, responsive, sustainable land transport system for Wellington; promoting the provision of community passenger transport in Wellington and assisting the special transport needs of the transport disadvantaged.

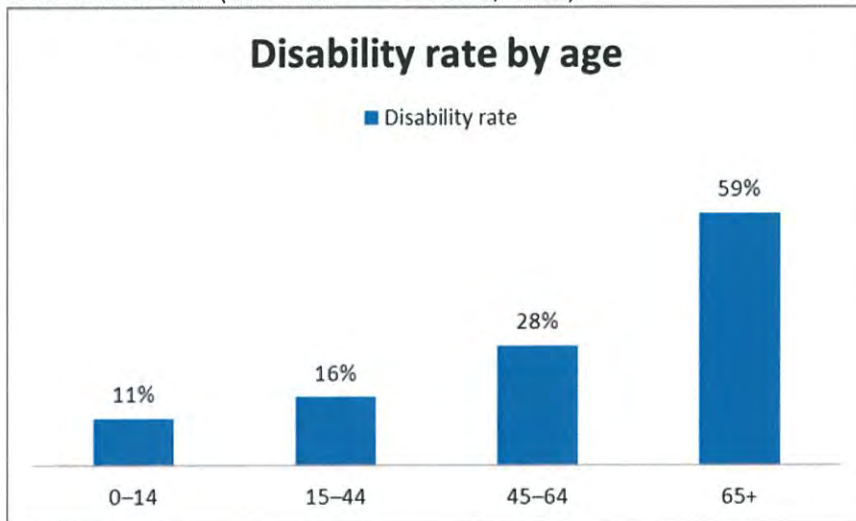
Transport is the glue that holds our community together. It is how we get to work, see friends, meet new people, buy groceries, and generally live our lives. Public transport is vital part of people's lives, especially for people who do not have independent access to a private motor vehicle.

- We recommend signage states that wheelchair users have priority and that prams/buggies need to be folded at busy times.
- We recommend that aisle width requirements are equalized between small and large buses.
- We fully support the new signage requirement for ramps. Good clear signage can prevent and solve difficult situations for drivers and bus users.

- We recommend mandatory climate control for all new urban buses in urban areas. As noted, this will increase passenger comfort and patronage. In addition some people’s impairments fluctuate with temperature and they experience reduced mobility in abnormal conditions.

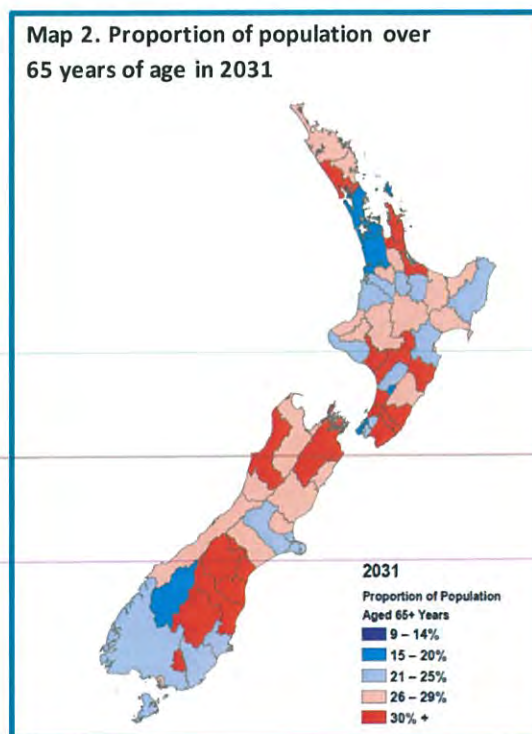
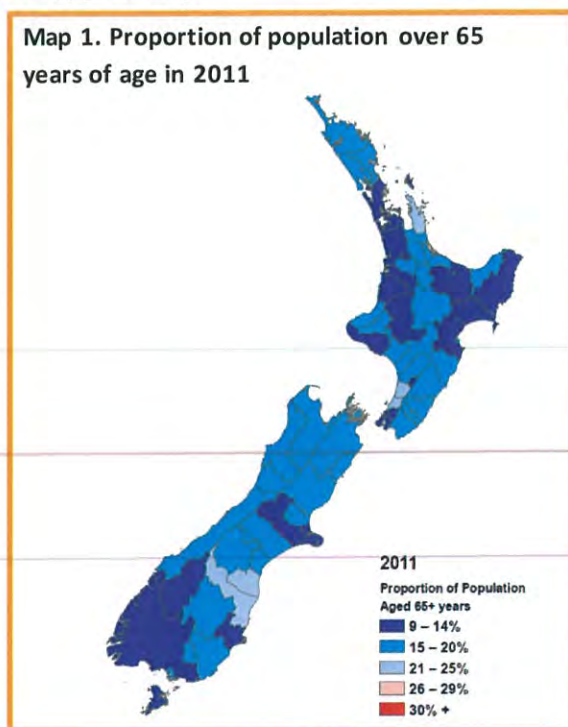
Future proofing bus services

Our population is aging and this will increase the number of people with impairments. The over 65 age group is projected to make up over 20% of New Zealand’s population from late 2031, compared with 13% in 2011 (Statistics New Zealand, 2012).



2013 Disability Survey

The effects of the aging population will impact more on provincial and rural New Zealand (Bascand, 2012, pp. 15-16).



Unless they plan ahead, the areas most affected by the aging population may end up stuck in a downwards spiral, where they struggle to meet the increasing demand for services with a lower revenue base.

We do not have any straight forward recommendations here, but the New Zealand Transport Agency, councils and transport operators need to start planning for the future.

Conflict between wheelchair users and pram/buggy users

There is a growing trend for conflict between wheelchair and pram/buggy users over accessible spaces on buses. Ideally, more accessible spaces should be provided.

Current signage does not identify who has priority. Usual practice overseas is for wheelchair users to have priority. This is because carrying a child and folding a pram is usually easier and more feasible than a wheelchair user transferring and folding a wheelchair.

Sometimes parents and caregivers are using their pram to transport groceries as well as children. Because the pram is loaded with groceries, they cannot fold up the pram. This is causing difficult situations for wheelchair users, drivers and the parents/caregivers. Current signage is also too vague to provide guidance in these situations.

We recommend signage states that wheelchair users have priority and that prams/buggies need to be folded at busy times.

Aisle width and bus sizes

With the increase in seat allowances for small buses, we believe the aisle width should be increased to match large bus requirements. Currently, small buses can have the slightly narrower aisle width of 780mm. The increase to 800mm is small enough to have little effect on transport operators, but will help wheelchair users manoeuvre easier.

Over time, the trend seems to be for seat allowance to increase for small buses. It is important that this does not compromise accessibility. This is especially important as small buses may serve more provincial routes, where the impact of the aging population is likely to be the strongest.

We recommend that aisle width requirements are equalized between small and large buses.

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Draft Long-term Plan

WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL 2015-25

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I support this because: we live in a wonderful city but we are seeing poverty rates increase all around us. We can't continue to undervalue people's work & undermine their ability to live a comfortable life. Our tamariki are suffering more and more from the effects of low wages, which jeopardises the city's future.

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I support this because: A living Wage is a basic Workers / Human Right -

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I support this because:

every New Zealander has the right not just survive but thrive.

I want the council to support the most vulnerable New Zealanders

I believe the ~~then~~ paying the living wage will lead to savings on social housing and health expenditure.

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Points to make about the Living Wage

- I want my Council to be a living wage council.
- Congratulations on the steps taken so far. Nearly 500 council workers have been lifted to the 2013 living wage rate, including the very low-paid parking wardens. The Long Term Plan includes provision for a living wage for directly employed staff at Wellington Zoo and Museums Trust.
- But right now there are council workers — like the cleaners, security guards, and recycling workers — on poverty rates of pay, with some on the minimum wage.
- No one can live on these pay rates in Wellington City.
- The draft Long Term Plan says that Wellington is in great financial shape and Council's financial position is strong.
- The plan proposes spending billions of dollars on infrastructure.
- We want to make sure that plan supports our most vulnerable citizens.
- We want Council to lead by example and become a living wage employer.
- The Council's long term plan should spell out how the living wage will be delivered to all the council workforce.

We are calling for the inclusion in the Long Term Plan as a top priority:

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- **The commitment to implement the living wage for the whole council workforce, including the lowest paid workers who are employed through contractors.**



SUBMISSION ON THE WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL DRAFT LONG-TERM PLAN 2015-2025

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Present submission: Yes

This submission supports those aspects of the Draft Long -Term Plan relating to the strengthening of town centres or suburban centres in the city and refers specifically to the Thorndon Village Centre.

In particular we support the continuation of the centres upgrade programme which assists the creation of livable and vibrant communities.

In 2014 a modest upgrade of the Thorndon Village Centre was undertaken. A key feature of this upgrade was the installation of 12 sets of footpath pavers each containing a quotation from an artist with Thorndon connections.

The artists selected were:

Katherine Mansfield (Author) \

Rita Angus (Painter)

Major Charles Heaphy VC (Painter)

Frances Hodgkins (Painter)

Dorothy K Richmond (Painter)

Avis Higgs (Painter and textile designer)

Thomas McCormack (Painter)

Valerie Beere (Painter)

Douglas Lilburn (Composer)

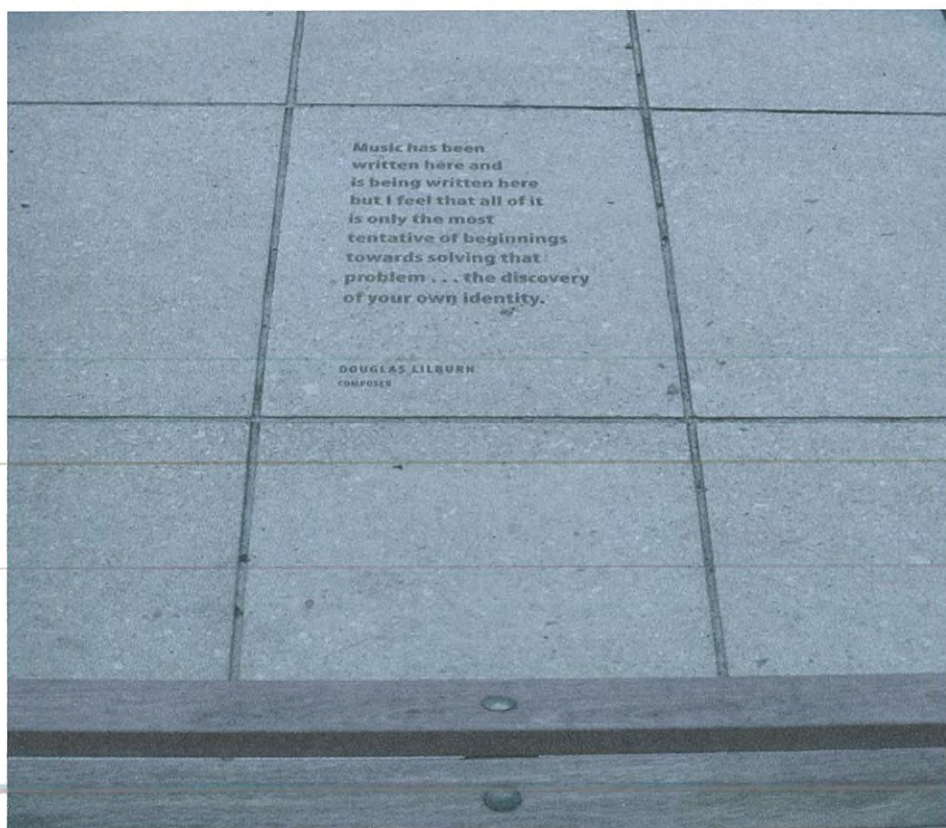
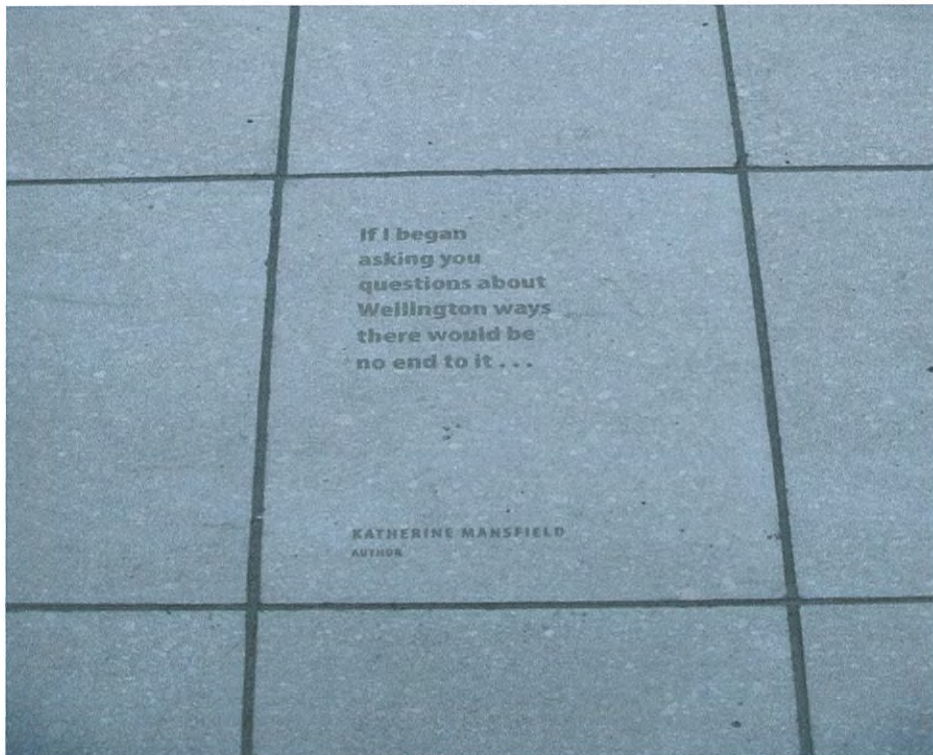
Dame Janet Paul (Painter and art historian)

Jane Campion (Film director/screen writer)

Kirsty Gunn (Author)

The Thorndon project has been well received. The acknowledgement of many well known artists highlights a particular layer of Thorndon's diverse heritage for which the suburb is well known. The pavers create a point of difference for the village centre which hopefully can be capitalised on by local business over time.

Two examples of the installations are shown below:



While the 2014 project budget was sufficient to enable 12 artists to be recognised the exercise revealed that there is a further list of other Thorndon artists who have not been represented. The list includes Evelyn Page (painter), Robert Parker (organist), Helen Crabb (painter), Michael Nicholson (sculptor and painter) and Ronald Burt (musician and artist).

It is considered that it would be desirable to continue adding pavers along Tinakori Road on a progressive basis to further reflect the depth of artistic talent in the suburb both past and present.

It has been suggested that a suitable second stage project would be to add a number of pavers to the south along Tinakori Road to provide a link between the village and the Botanic Gardens.

Request

This submission requests that the centres upgrade programme under the Long-Term Plan for 2015-2025 makes specific provision for the installation of further artists plaques on Tinakori Road to extend the project undertaken in 2014.

An initial budget of 25k would provide for some 4-5 new installations in 2015-16 to link the village centre with paths from the Botanic Gardens.

A mechanism would be required to fund further installations on a progressive basis beyond 2016 as research on other Thorndon artists is completed.

Brett McKay
Thorndon Society Committee Member

14 April 2015



Submission by:

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Wellington City Council Draft 10-year Plan

I wish to make an oral submission

General comments

1. The consultation document traverses a range of interesting proposals, some of which are solid commonsense, and some which provoke much thought.
2. The document is over-designed. Wellington's colours may well be black and gold, but that is not a good reason to restrict the whole document to a black and gold palette.
3. One result is insufficient distinction between the colours in some of the graphs and charts, eg it is impossible to identify "governance" in the proposed capital expenditure chart (page 17). And the operating expenditure graph on page 15 claims to show eight categories, but for some years only six are identifiable and for the remainder only seven. None of them – as far as I can tell – show eight categories.
4. Another result is that some text is much harder to read, eg yellow text on white, and white text on black.
5. It would have been helpful for tables and graphs to be numbered so that they can be more easily referred to. Numbered paragraphs would also have been helpful.
6. In two places there are unexplained acronyms: LGCI on page 13, and CEMARS on page 41.
7. An effort has clearly been made to make the report reader-friendly, but there is still some jargon that reduces clarity and impedes comprehension, eg
 - page 12: "we've created headroom", "rebalancing our investment between strategic areas", "incorporating the favourable impact on the rating base"
 - page 20: "mode choices" (is this transport mode choices?)
 - page 21: "value uplift".
8. Many of the questions I raise in the following comments could have been settled before the document went to print if it had been edited by an independent professional editor.

The proposals

Pages 8-9

9. I fully support the proposal to focus on infrastructure and its resilience, and not reduce services. I am glad to see this mentioned right up front on page 8 – and am then surprised that in the discussion further on of “growth” projects those that involve infrastructural matters are relegated to the back. I would have put the hydraulic model of the city, the real-time stormwater modelling and LED lighting right up at the top, because these are essentials, not just nice to have.
10. It’s not until page 17 that I read that detailed business cases will be developed for each of the “invest for growth” projects before any final decision is made to go ahead with them. This should have been made clear right up front.

Pages 12-13

11. It’s all very well to say “we’ve refined our financial approach” but this is meaningless if there’s no comparison with the current financial approach.

Page 16.

12. I fully support the stated intention to “make full use of an asset’s life and make use of technology to improve the performance of assets”, and also to “make use of the capacity in our existing facilities and assets before investing in new ones”. This is good stewardship and excellent commonsense.

Page 18

13. Four percent average increase in rates over the past 15 years? This is presumably four percent a year, not four percent overall.

Page 24: A longer airport runway

14. I am unconvinced by any of the arguments I have read so far for extending the airport runway. It seems there is an element here of cargo cult wishful thinking – if we build the longer runway then the gods will send us the aeroplanes with the people and the goodies. A robust analysis is needed before any valid and convincing business case can be made.
15. The council is claiming it wants to bring in lots more international visitors, at the same time as it is getting rid of the motor home site at North Kumutoto. This site is handy to the CBD, shops, restaurants/cafes/bars, theatres and cinemas, ferries, trains and other public transport, and to all major tourist attractions. The income from motor homes has apparently been not dissimilar to what would be expected from rates for the proposed building. And retaining the present use would have made Wellington so much more accessible to an important – and increasingly frequent – class of visitor. It would also have gone far to relieve the council (and residents) of concerns about alleged undesirable activities of freedom campers around the coast and in other public places.
16. A fantastic opportunity was missed here to landscape the motor home area and develop North Kumutoto as the gateway to the city.

Pages 26-27: Film and tech industries

17. Some questions:

- It seems there is an assumption here that “high tech” and ICT are the same thing. But are they? ICT is an acronym that means “information and communications technology”. A lot of technological innovation has little or nothing to do with either information or communications. Surely the council’s high tech proposals must look beyond the limits of ICT.
- There used to be an incubator for new ventures. Does it still exist? If so, where is its place in these proposals?
- What is this “international higher education facility” which is mentioned just once and never referred to again?
- What is the proposed east-west link road referred to in the assumptions? The only east-west link road I know of is one that according to the draft regional land transport plan will be in the Hutt Valley.

18. I’m not sure how the statement that “ICT is Wellington’s fastest growing business sector” gels with Shamubeel Eaqub’s view that from 2003 to 2013 Wellington’s strongest growth was in central government administration and the top specialty was central banking.¹

19. I am very glad to see the council has worked with Greater Wellington Regional Council and other local authorities to establish the Wellington Regional Economic Development Agency. Long may that kind of collaboration continue and thrive.

Pages 28-29: Inner city regeneration

20. While I support in principle the proposals for Victoria Street, Adelaide Road, and Kent and Cambridge Terraces. I do have some questions:

- All these neighbourhoods, but particularly northern Adelaide Road, are currently home to myriad small light industry enterprises. Will they be allowed to remain and help the areas be truly mixed-use? Or will they be banished to outer suburbs? My strong preference is for mixed-use to mean exactly that. See also my comments below on strengthening town centres.
- What kind of height allowances/restrictions are envisaged for apartment developments? At the moment all these areas are relatively low rise. Allowing high rise, as has happened in Taranaki Street and lower Tory Street, would change the nature of the city forever. One of the factors that make Paris such an attractive city is that only in the outer suburbs is it permitted to build higher than six storeys. For our inner city I would not support further apartment development higher than five storeys.
- It’s all very well to say transport connections will be strengthened in Kent and Cambridge Terraces, but making that happen will be the very big question.
- This “urban development agency” that the council is thinking of setting up – it sounds a fine idea, but what sort of council control is envisaged? The last thing we would want is an entity that blithely goes its own way like Ports of Auckland.

¹ *Growing apart: Regional prosperity in New Zealand*, Bridget Williams Books, 2014

- The “new higher education campus” in Victoria Street – is this to be a teaching campus? I’ve heard of proposals for student accommodation in this area, but nothing about a teaching facility.

Page 30, and appendix 1: Revitalise the Civic Square precinct

21. I strongly oppose any proposals to put buildings on Jack Ilott Green. This is a lovely quiet little space separated from the often busy activities in Civic Square. If there is to be any development at all here what I would like to see is a contemplative space that is a buffer between Civic Square and the traffic on Jervois Quay.
22. The proposed Chinese garden has been in gestation for many years. It was originally intended for Waitangi Park, then when that fell over discussions moved to Frank Kitts Park. But Frank Kitts Park is also home to a children’s playground, which is not an ideal neighbour for a garden of contemplation.
23. I think Jack Ilott Green would be a much more suitable place for the Chinese garden. (Though the Chinese Garden Society may feel they have already been messed around too much.)
24. In the discussion of options considered for the green it said that to “keep the site as an open space or develop it further as open space” would inhibit the council’s ability to generate any revenue from the site. But I don’t see that as a problem. There are plenty of other proposals in this document for the council to raise income. Jack Ilott Green is too precious to sell off simply like a piece of family silver.
25. At the very least, please get rid of that embarrassingly naff “sculpture” at the edge of the green. Wellington has some wonderful street art, ranging from quirky to high art. This one is totally cringe-inducing.
26. What happened to Wellington’s planetarium? As I understand it, many years ago the council took over the planetarium’s land, promising that it would give the planetarium society a suitable site elsewhere. But nothing ever eventuated.
27. I am not convinced that “opening up” the ground floor of buildings around Civic Square is such a good idea. I suspect it would greatly increase the draughts and eddies in the square and make it a much less inviting place.

Pages 32-33: Reigniting our sense of place

28. Some questions:
 - It is claimed here that Wellington is New Zealand’s events and creative capital. I would dispute that. Creative capital maybe. But events capital? Auckland has far more events – often at the same time – than Wellington. And surely this claim is at least partly contradicted four pages over, on page 36, where it says our reputation as a centre for arts and culture is compromised.

- Has there been an economic analysis of the tourism and other benefits of Wellington on a Plate? In the short time since it began in 2009 it has become a major attraction in Wellington's event calendar.
29. See my comments on Jack Illott Green. An improved children's play area will be a great facility, but it is not an ideal neighbour for a garden of contemplation – which is what the Chinese garden is intended to be.
30. It is claimed that the benefit of redeveloping Frank Kitts Park will be “more attractive user-friendly waterfront space oriented to the harbour”. Which I fully support. But the council's recent approval of major construction at North Kumutoto makes me doubt the council's real commitment to more attractive user-friendly space on the waterfront.
31. I fully support the proposals for cheering up streets and laneways. The sooner the better!

Page 34: Strengthening town centres

32. In creating “liveable” communities and accommodating growth the aim should surely be to make it easier for people to live, work, shop and play as close to home as possible and reduce the need to commute for any activities outside the home. This means encouraging truly “mixed-use” development, and providing effective public transport systems.
33. The intent of the Resource Management Act as originally enacted was to govern effects rather than activities. But councils have far too often reverted to the previous planning regime of imposing zoning in such a way as to regulate or prohibit activities with no consideration of actual or potential effects or of the possibilities for mitigation.

Pages 36-37: New and improved venues

34. I can see the need for an indoor arena, but I'm not entirely convinced by the case made for a convention centre.
35. The site proposed last year was in a reasonably suitable location and from what I could see the developer's proposals, although needing a lot of further negotiation, were nowhere near as onerous as those of Sky City. But that proposal fell over, and I do wonder whether the case for a convention centre is in fact another manifestation of the cargo cult mentality. I would certainly oppose any such development on the waterfront.
36. It is claimed here that “The Wellington Convention Centre will allow the city to maintain and increase its market share in the lucrative conference market, creating jobs and bringing up to \$21.4 million a year into the Wellington economy”. But how does this gel with the benefit stated on the next page that it would “create new expenditure of \$40 million per annum in the city”? Who is it that is making these claims?
37. As regards the Basin Reserve, I believe if the pavilion is to be replaced it should be by a covered structure. There's already enough open-air seating, and if the pavilion is removed there won't be nearly enough shelter from sun and wind. Climate change can be expected to make the provision of shelter even more desirable.

Pages 38-39: New visitor attractions

38. I give my provisional support to the notion of a film museum, although the focus of it is not clear. First of all it is called “an international film museum”, and then it is said the benefits include recognising and celebrating “the role of film in Wellington and national identity”.
39. I strongly oppose any proposals to contribute funding to the proposed “peace and conflict” museum. At the moment there are continuing 100-year commemorations of World War One and I believe we are already doing enough there.
40. In three years’ time the hundred years will be over and done with and we should be able to move on and look to the future instead of keeping our focus on the past. I would much rather my money went towards a museum of technology – something that celebrates achievement rather than failure. If the government wants a peace and conflict museum, then let the government build it. Waiouru would be as good a place as any.
41. As regards the proposed ocean exploration centre, I do support it in principle but at the same time I wonder whether it will turn out to be another Zealandia, with ongoing major rescue costs to the city. A rigorous business case is needed.

Pages 40-43: Improved management of key infrastructure; and Use smart technology

42. As I said above, these projects should be heading this list, not coming in at Nos. 9 and 10. They are critical to the city’s trouble-free functioning – without them the whole edifice falls over. I fully support the proposals.
43. As regards wireless car park sensors, I do wonder what it is that is going to bring the assumed savings of \$8 million. Would this be staff costs?



Patricia Norton
11 April 2015

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I support this because:

Everyone deserve a living wage,
respect, and support

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Wage equity benefits the whole economy and social welfare of the country, leading to reduced dependency. It helps families as well as individuals live with dignity and share the same opportunities as their higher paid colleagues. There is no excuse for the council not supporting all of its workers, especially in an expensive city such as Wellington.

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2015-25 Draft Long-term Plan

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Draft Long-term Plan consultation survey questions	
1) Do you support the broad approach taken in this plan of investing for growth, in addition to providing current levels of service?	<input type="checkbox"/> strongly support <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> support <input type="checkbox"/> neutral <input type="checkbox"/> oppose <input type="checkbox"/> strongly oppose
Comments:	AS LONG AS CURRENT LEVELS MAINTAINED.
2) Do you support our plan to limit rates increases to 3.9% on average over ten years to fund investment for growth, as opposed to a 3.1% increase to provide 'business as usual'?	<input type="checkbox"/> strongly support <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> support <input type="checkbox"/> neutral <input type="checkbox"/> oppose <input type="checkbox"/> strongly oppose
Comments:	
3) Should Council take action to improve our international air connections?	<input type="checkbox"/> strongly support <input type="checkbox"/> support <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> neutral <input type="checkbox"/> oppose <input type="checkbox"/> strongly oppose
Comments:	IN THIS 10yr PLAN THE EXPECTATION IS OF SEA LEVEL RISE; THE AIRPORT IS IN AN AREA OF SEISMIC ACTIVITY; THIS PROPOSITION NEEDS MUCH BUY IN FROM OTHER POTENTIAL PARTNERS/USERS. IT IS VERY EXPENSIVE; MOST BENEFITS WOULD BE FOR BUSINESS RATEPAYERS, RESIDENTIAL ONES WOULD GAIN LITTLE. THIS ITEM SHOULD NOT BE NUMBER 1 ON THE LIST.
4) Do you think Council should be supporting the tech sector to stimulate it to grow?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> strongly support <input type="checkbox"/> support <input type="checkbox"/> neutral <input type="checkbox"/> oppose <input type="checkbox"/> strongly oppose
Comments:	THIS IS A GOOD MOVE.

5) Do you think Council should be supporting the film industry to enable it to stay local and grow?

strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments:

SURELY THERE ARE ALREADY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS IN THE GREATER WELLINGTON REGION THAT COULD PROVIDE TRAINING FOR ANY NECESSARY SKILLS THAT WOULD BE NEEDED, RATHER THAN A NEW ONE (AS SUGGESTED ON P.27 OF THE CONSULTATION DOCUMENT)

6) Do you believe Council should support private owners with the strengthening of heritage buildings?

strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments:

IF NOT, MANY BUILDINGS NOT SAFE TO USE, WOULD BE LEFT IN A STATE OF DISREPAIR AND OF NO BENEFIT TO ANYONE. AS WELL AS IMPROVING ITS NEIGHBOURHOOD, A RESTORED BUILDING STANDS AS A BEACON TO OTHER LANDOWNERS OF WHAT CAN BE ACHIEVED.

7) Should Council strengthen its key Civic Square buildings, and offset the cost where possible?

strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments:

THESE BUILDINGS SHOULD BE STRENGTHENED REGARDLESS OF COST. THEY ARE PART OF THE HISTORY OF WELLINGTON. IT WOULD CERTAINLY HELP THE RATEPAYER IF SOME COSTS WERE OFFSET. 'OPENING UP' OF GROUND FLOOR AREAS A GOOD IDEA. MFC CARPARK ONLY A SMALL AREA, WOULD BE PREFERABLE TO LEAVE AS OPEN SPACE OR AS A SINGLE STOREY BUILDING - IT IS A 'WINDOW' TO THE HARBOUR. ALSO VERY ACCESSIBLE FOR PEDESTRIAN TRANSPORT & ACCOMMODATION

8) Should Wellington seek to remain the events capital of New Zealand?

strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments:

IF WELLINGTON DOES WHAT IT WANTS TO, AND DOES IT WELL, PEOPLE WILL COME, AND THIS IN TURN WILL PROMOTE IT.

9) Do you support our plan to provide a new and improved venue for concerts?

strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments:

A VENUE FOR CONCERTS WOULD BE AN ASSET. IT WOULD NEED TO BE USED AND NOT BECOME A WHITE ELEPHANT AS CAN SO EASILY HAPPEN, WHILE BEING A CONTINUAL DRAIN ON RATEPAYERS.

10) Do you support upgrading sports facilities where need has been demonstrated?

strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments:

AND WHERE SOME FUNDING IS AVAILABLE.

11) Do you support the development of new tourism experiences to attract new visitors and get them to stay for longer?

strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments:

NEW EXPERIENCES YES, BUT NOT AT THE EXPENSE OF EXISTING FACILITIES

12) Do you support Council's activities to optimise infrastructure to realise savings and better cope with adverse events?

strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments:

THESE ARE ESSENTIAL. THESE SHOULD BE AT THE TOP OF THE LIST, THEY ARE A NEED, NOT A WANT.

13) Do you support the Council's transition to the use of smart technology such as parking sensors and LED streetlights?

strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments: LED LIGHTS YES.
PARKING SENSORS - POSSIBLY. BUT HOW COULD AN 'APP' BE USEFUL
WHILST DRIVING.

14) Do you support proposed improvements to transport that will allow for safer, faster and more reliable journeys?

strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments: SAFE, FAST, RELIABLE JOURNEYS YES.
TOO MUCH EMPHASIS ON CYCLE NETWORKS, AND TOO LITTLE EDUCATION OF
CYCLISTS SEEMS TO BE THE NORM. MANY CYCLISTS SEEM TO BE UNAWARE THERE
ARE RULES THAT APPLY TO THEM.

Urban Growth Plan

15) Do you support the Council funding and taking action to regenerate inner-city precincts?

strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments: IMPROVEMENTS IN ACCESS, INFRASTRUCTURE, TRANSPORT, NEEDS TO BE
COMPLETED BEFORE INCREASE IN POPULATION IS CONSIDERED

16) Do you support our proposal to improve public spaces such as laneways?

strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments: THIS ADDS TO A SENSE OF BELONGING TO AN AREA.

17) Do you support Council's plan for strengthening suburban town centres including work in Johnsonville, Karori and Tawa?

strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments: YES. IF THE RESIDENTS OF THESE AREAS WANT TO
AN IMPROVEMENT / UPGRADE IN INFRASTRUCTURE NECESSARY FIRST.

18) Do you generally agree with the priority projects identified in the Urban Growth Implementation Plan?

strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose don't know

Comments: FOR INNER CITY AND PUBLIC SPACES YES:

THE URBAN PLAN FOR GROWTH DOES NOT AFFECT ME; IT IS FOR
THOSE AFFECTED TO COMMENT

Do you see other matters as priorities?

Who we are reaching

You don't have to complete this section but this information helps us to know who we are reaching. (Note: the information you provide is open to public view.)

I am male female

My age is under 18 years 18-29 years 30-39 years 40-49 years 50-59 years 60 years or older

Have you ever made a submission on a draft Annual or Long-term Plan before? **YES**

Which of the following best describes you?

Residential ratepayer Commercial ratepayer Residential and commercial ratepayer I rent Other

Which ethnic group do you belong to? (You can tick more than one box)

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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No
I would like to volunteer for Generation Zero -Yes	yes

From: [Susanne Ames](#)
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Write a message to the council	Hi. I love cycling and the outdoors, but find it very scary to bike in Wellington, especially during rush hour. We need proper cycleways and the longer we wait, the harder and more expensive it will get.
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Andrew Bartlett](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 3:22:17 p.m.

Name	Andrew Bartlett
Email	andrew@bartlett.net.nz
Postcode	6022
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Get building - start work on the Island Bay cycleway and look at more quick wins including separated cycleway trials in other locations	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	<p>Wellington needs more, safe, wide and where possible off-road paths for new riders, such as by closing the road around Massy point.</p> <p>We need better cycle access into the central city, such as by opening up the city-to-sea bridge to bikes, and by creating more safe spaces on the roads for cyclists as they start, be on and finish their journey.</p>
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	Yes
I would like to volunteer for Generation Zero -Yes	yes

From: [Andy Jones](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 1:42:58 p.m.

Name	Andy Jones
Email	andyjones@windowlive.com
Postcode	6037
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Get building - start work on the Island Bay cycleway and look at more quick wins including separated cycleway trials in other locations	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	As an avid cyclist as well as a daily commuter into the CBD from Newlands, I see everyday the dangers of cycling on roads without cycle lane such as the nguranga gorge, parking on dedicated cycle lanes such as the Hutt Road, the danger of cycling along Jervous Quay at 4:30pm, common you need to be doing better!!!
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Anna Costley](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 12:18:40 p.m.

Name	Anna Costley
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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Get building - start work on the Island Bay cycleway and look at more quick wins including separated cycleway trials in other locations	yes
Write a message to the council	<p>I cycle from Newtown to the railway station and back each day for work. I'm committed to cycling: it's fun, great exercise, good for the environment, and a cheap form of transport. But it's also a scary thing to do in Wellington - almost daily I have to swerve or stop suddenly to avoid cars that haven't seen me or underestimate how fast I'm going, or just don't give way. Sharing bus lanes is also dangerous, and obviously a frustration for bus drivers too. I certainly don't think it's always the fault of drivers - the lack of cycling infrastructure makes it difficult for everyone on the roads.</p> <p>I spent a year living in Berlin and was blown away by the cycleways there. I also noted that vehicles had a completely different attitude towards cyclists once they weren't required to share a narrow and congested space with them; they were far more courteous and typically gave way to cyclists. I never felt unsafe cycling in Germany, and although creating the infrastructure here would have its own challenges (our roads are narrower) I think it is possible and just requires a commitment from Council. I know so many people who have been knocked off their bikes and injured cycling - I know another large number of people who would love to bike but are too scared. I see it as an absolute priority to address this issue - both for the health and wellbeing of Wellingtonians, and a commitment to reducing our carbon footprint as a city. Thanks, Anna</p>

Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? No

Long Term Plan Submission 2015 (due 17th April 2015)

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12th April 2015

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Wellington City Council.

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Introduction:

I do not wish to make an oral submission as I regard the 5 minutes provided to individuals derogates from the effort put into making a submission.

Individual submitters should be allowed at least 10 minutes to expand on their submissions to elected representatives as was always the case in past years for all submissions.

Comment:

This much truncated “plan” and process is yet another signifier that local democracy is being overlooked in Wellington. The good work of previous Councils and Council Staff has been nullified by the present regime that with its emphasis on obfuscation (ie:spin) framed as “Communications”. This document is an exemplifier of this process. I am profoundly disturbed by this tilt away from an engaged Council to an arms length governance body.

What follows are my responses to the questions asked in the Draft Long Term Plan document 2015/2025.

Please note that the sequence below replicates that of the “Submission Form”.

I further note that one is asked to either strongly support – support – be neutral – oppose – strongly oppose each “proposal” the options proffered are not helpful as the questions are sometimes multilayered requiring nuanced responses. Designing a survey to elicit information was a stage two psychology subject, the questions being asked

in this document do not reflect that skill. It appears that these questions have been “framed” to obfuscate and cause maximum confusion to the unwary responder. I am disappointed by this framing which seems aimed a leading to a pre-determined outcome.

Submission:

Q1 (a) I do not support the general approach in this document. Instead of a broad approach there should be a focus on ensuring existing services and infrastructure is maintained.

(b) Current levels of service would be better enhanced by Council supporting the local economy by hiring more staff instead of contracting functions out to companies based in other cities or countries.

Q2 (a) I do not support any rate increases that will be used to fund grandiose plans not justified by a City of 200,000 citizens.

(b) I support the status quo and remind both council staff and elected representatives that they are there to serve the community not to become a corporate entity by stealth.

Q3 I do not support Wellington City Council providing any funding via WIAL to Infracore Ltd to expand the runway into either the Cooks Strait or Evans Bay. It should be noted that WCC through WIAL owns just 34% on the entity, ipso facto Infracore Ltd owns 66%.

If Infracore (the Company) chooses to embark on this commercial fiscal and environmental adventure then it should pay proportionally (66%) for any related outgoings.

Similarly and if any resource consent, after full public consultation, is granted those costs should be met by the Company not the citizenry of Wellington who are likely to have to bear the environmentally damaging excavation, remediation costs in vulnerable site which is susceptible to a multitude of geo-technical challenges (eg: storm events, tidal conditions, earthquakes and tsunami etc).

I note that this proposal is not new and the many reports obtained during the 1990's are still available.

Doubtless if Council had a mind it might consider transferring, for a consideration, its shareholding, held on behalf of the people of Wellington, to the Company and therefore foregoing for future generations this income generating entity. Perhaps that is the outcome desired by those wishing to

turn WCC from servant of the people to arms length pseudo corporate entity. It is not my wish.

Q4 This is a role for the Private Commercial Sector not ratepayers or other Citizens or of WCC.

Q5 This is a role for the Private Commercial Sector not ratepayers or other Citizens or of WCC.

Q6 The legacy of our historic heritage is irreplaceable and any support given to retaining and refurbishing must be taken. Wellington has whole enclaves that are worthy of protection, refurbishment. All citizens benefit from living in a place with such a great variety of building styles on display.

Both public and private building owners should be funded to cover their expenditure in enhancing our City by maintaining our heritage legacy.

It is also time for the pre-1930 rule to become the pre-1950 rule at the least. I understand that in many jurisdictions that rule is a "rolling one" ie: each ten years it is moved forward.

It appears that "earthquake strengthening" may be being used as a straw man. The geological science community has recently asserted the Wellington has a 10% chance of having a major earthquake in the next 100 years. I would appreciate this reality check being taken into consideration when costly decisions are being made to "strengthen" buildings that have experienced thousands of earthquakes since construction without any major failure. I note that some recent buildings have failed during recent earthquakes.

Q7 (a) Council should "maintain" is key Civic Square Buildings.

(b) The cost should not be "offset" with the long term leasing of land or buildings. Strengthening should be paid for from General Rates.

Q8 This question makes an assumption that I do not support.

I do support Wellington marketing itself as complementary to Auckland not in competition.

Auckland is the commercial hub of NZ. Wellington the public service hub offering world class training for those aspiring to become public servants. Events held in Wellington should remain in scale to a City of approx. 200,000 citizens. Our advantage is that we are not a large metropolitan place but compact and surrounded by a necklace of tree clad hills with the harbour acting as a mirror. The many enclaves of heritage domestic and commercial building add to Wellington's desirability as a destination. I am pleased that the WCC's own projections show that Wellington will only grow slowly over the next 30 years.

Q9 I do not support the construction of any more "Concert venues".

Wellington is already well served with "venues" (both publicly and privately owned) for conferences and events; many are under-utilised and some need refurbishment if that can be justified. It continues to astonish me that the Wellington Show Buildings which are only 13% occupied and not used more. This substantial building on town belt land is approximately 8.5 acres on several solid concrete floors it also has carparking and is close the hub of Newtown.

Q10 I do not support extending premises housing sports facilities but do support upgrading existing under-utilised and often heritage "club houses" so that they can be used as local community centres.

Both the Australian Savings Bank Indoor Sports Centre building on Cobham Drive and the Te Rauparaha Arena, Porirua provide large scale indoor spaces serving their communities.

Q11 I can find no definition of what might be meant by *".....the development of new tourism experiences to attract new visitors and get them to stay longer."*

Visitors to Wellington are either coming to see relatives or are in transition. In my experience (considerable) they want to see the sights/sites and perhaps and this is not a priority for most shop and try some of our eating houses. To do the former many just need to buy a day bus pass (obscurely called "Bus About" (currently \$9.50). Some want to try out the trains (especially the heritage Johnsonville route) and are not particularly interested in destinations just round trips broken only when they need to eat, drink go to the lavatory (some are surprised that our trains don't have lavatories!!!). Those who come for sports or musical events just want "filler activities" before the "main event".

I send visitors to Otari (1) or Botanical Gardens via the Cable Car (2) for those interested a visit to the Museum of City and Sea (3)...compact and "interesting". I have learnt that some are daunted by our undulating terrain so "flat" walks are called for and travel by bus or train (no day pass) is preferable.

New visitors might be people from around New Zealand to our City. Serving their needs ensures people get to know and love Wellington by visiting and seeing what we have to offer them and then coming back. Is this what was meant by "new visitors", I do hope so.

People may not need to stay for "longer" when their needs have been met on a "small is beautiful" principle.

Corporate visitors, and I was once (pre-1988) of these. I came to Wellington for a business purpose and then went home to Auckland.

Q12 (a) I support all infrastructure projects relating to the 3Waters, roads, footpaths, tracks, retaining walls, weatherproofing and strengthening of tunnels. Restoration of a wide variety vegetation where it has been clear felled, poisoned to extinction or removed because it has been deemed opportunist.

(b) Savings would best be achieved by improving the morale of staff thus ensuring continuity of service and retention of institutional memory, skill and talent. WCC should be hiring more staff and not divesting services and then contracting out activities.

The centralisation of the computer system is not required and will doubtless cost more than 3 times the estimated projections. Computer systems are complex and not intuitive hence the debacle of I.N.C.I.S and potentially IRD. [[See "Governance and Oversight of large Information Technology Projects" – Report of the Controller and Auditor General - 2000]]

Wellington City Council is moving away from having any hard copies of material available at the "front desk". Many people are without computers, cannot afford to print document or have some physical disability which precludes them for participating in local democracy. WCC should re-consider this move towards exclusion. WCC should ensure that hard copies of all material is readily available to the public.

(c) I support planning that reflects latest projections of Climate Change leading to storm surges and land erosion. There should be no more building on the Coastlines or in the inner or outer harbour (including the Cook Strait). Private builders should be required to indemnify themselves against adverse events as should Council when sanctioning erections on liquefaction prone or unstable parts of the city (eg: Te Aro) or around the coast (eg: Shelley Bay). The harbour edges should be planted with a range of vegetation to minimise erosion and protect existing public and private structures.

(d) I further support the excellent Water Sensitive Urban Design goals to use trees to halt erosion whilst providing habitat for fauna and joy to people. Hedges should be used instead of fences, agapanthus as retaining walls and fruit trees to provide sustenance and opportunities for bees to widen their pollination ambit. Carbon Credits will accrue as plants purify the air. Deforestation affects the environment. WCC has a responsibility to re-forest bare sites resulting from clear felling eg: the northern end of Tinakori Hill.

Q13 (a) I do not support the mass surveillance technology envisaged in this question.

(b) I support LED streetlights in the Central City but they should only be installed when existing streetlights actually fail.

LED aggravate "light pollution" so there should not be any installed around residential areas, including along the coastlines.

Q14 I support the provision of public transport that is affordable, reliable and appropriate to the road network.

I realise that some of the matters I raise are properly within the ambit of Wellington Regional Council.

I understand that fully three quarters of bus services do not operate at the weekends including those to Ashton Fitchett (for the wind turbine) and Mount Victoria (Summit). Many other "services" run half hourly at best.

WRC needs more mini-buses (ie: "shoppers buses") running in continuous loops around Wellington would better serve those wanting to use public transport not only at off peak time but also as weekends.

Safety encompasses the needs of pedestrians to move unhindered by the fear of approaching two wheeled and four wheeled vehicles when there are no footpaths on routes such as from Ironside Road to Rifle Range Road or from Reef Bay to Moa Point etc.

Signage is necessary to ensure pedestrians know where they are (locational signage) to finding their destination (directional signage). Road signage should be placed where pedestrians can see it; not 9 metres up a "convenient" the habit of putting signs inside pathways continues. It important for people to know where they are.

I do not support the current unreliable, unrealistic electronic timetabling. The "Sched" designation appears to mean that a bus will arrive sometime in the next 24hrs. "Due" appears to mean that a) one has missed the bus or b) that a bus will eventually come or that it might just disappear.

Visitors should be told about the day pass - "Bus About" currently only the Valley Flyer drivers tactfully ask passengers if they will be returning on the same day. Students from Palmerston North are shocked at having to pay fares. Signs should make it clear that is the case. Apparently Bus Drivers are only required to give information about timetables and take money. NZ Bus pays the drivers but does not require them to give information about the bus pass - "Bus About" or seemingly routes as the drivers of No.3 buses to Karori regular tell intending passengers that they don't go to the Railway Station. The No.3 stop at the southern end of Lambton Quay is about 50 metres away from the station.

Q15 I oppose any “redevelopment” of Kent and Cambridge terrace’s boulevard. Nothing needs to be done to this verdant strip.

I understand that the renewal of the “New World –Chaffers” is imminent. The lease should not be renewed instead the area should be cleared and revegetated as a park. The resulting park would provide a view of harbour.

I do not support the establishment of an “Urban Development Agency” any such entity would add distance between urban and waterfront (by proxy) “development” proposals. Its likely that the Agency would become arms length from Council perhaps becoming another unaccountable, opaque entity not open to LGOIMA.

I look forward to seeing the outcome of the “transformation” of Victoria Street from its present state as a large building site. The decision to remove the 60 year old Elm trees was reprehensible the regrowth of trees will take as long again. Hopefully Victoria Street will not become yet another desolate, bleak space (eg: Courtenay Plaza). Fortunately easy to avoid by using Willis Street which has miraculously retained its trees. I note that other healthy street trees have been removed without notice from Miramar to Khandallah.

The City end of Adelaide Road still retains some heritage buildings it would be improved by planting more trees and having those building refurbished. It does not need “redeveloping” as an arterial route except by the further addition of trees and colourful vegetation filling the wide footpaths and providing habitat along this informal waterway from Mount Cook. I bring to your attention the benefits of implementing the WSUD on this area. Planting trees and hedging, improves air, controls water and prevents erosion aesthetically.

The Tramways Hotel, Adelaide Road is a significant heritage building with a heritage cellar beneath; it is listed and should be strengthened. Note that the Drummond Street steps, just behind, are built on an archaeological site and replaced a zig-zag. Both building and steps should be given plaques to show their significance in the history of Wellington.

As a general principle I support the strengthening of all or any historic or heritage buildings built before 1950! The money saved from discontinuing the runway extension should be used for this essential work.

Q16 I support the enhancement of laneways by painting trompe l’oeil on walls and ensuring the walking surface is not slippery or disorienting eg: Opera House Lane with its disconcerting zebra stripes. Something to avoid.

Many more rubbish bins are required and backed seats at access points which will also serve the purpose of acting as bollards and restricting the use of laneways by vehicles, including skateboards.

Q17 I do not support the erection of any more high-rise buildings (ie: above three stories) or any more enclaves of buildings as in-fill in already dense urban areas. All such development should be publicly notified.

Consideration must be given to all neighbours, this is where a "limited notification fails". The physical, mental health of neighbours becomes impacted with the appearance of a new building where all was once open. New erections inevitably block views and sunlight. Many new buildings do not allow room for any vegetation that could mitigate the effects. Views and sunlight are blocked. Council should monitor erections once consent is given and during construction to ensure that everything is compliant.

Changes in the RMA have allowed Council to grant consent to those who have already had their applications declined at the Environment Court. WCC appears to be driven by increasing rate income without considering the consequences and impacts on infrastructure or individuals.

Q18 I have detailed which projects I unequivocally support and which I oppose in this plan.

I have been unable to find a document titled "The Urban Growth Implementation Plan".

(a) I reiterate that I do not support an "Urban Development Agency".

(b) I do support the further "strengthening" of the Town Hall.

Once the Town Hall work is completed then the public should be polled to ask about its future uses. At this stage I do not support further exploration of another "music hub". Let the people decide in due course.

(c) I have for many years asked for the tiles above the carpark in Civic Square to be levelled. I do not support any further titivation of the Civic Square. Nor do I support any "Opening Up" the result will be a desolate wind swept void no further clearances are required to create "accessways". I do not support either cafes or shops opening onto the square. I do support the erection of backed and canopied seats around the square and the planting of more trees.

(d) I do not support the leasing of the Jack Ilott Green. Instead this sheltered green space should become al sculpture park. It could easily incorporate the following sculptures which for various reasons are no longer on public display.

Neil Dawson "Flying Steps" sculpture which used to be by the Adam Gallery at Victoria.

Denis O'Connor "Mote Park" stored at the Newtown depot was on the Terrace.

Peter Deckers and Eleanor Whyte "Glowing Wind" which was once on the side of the Rakon Building – Vivian/Taranaki Street.

The "Rugby" edifice was installed sometime in 2010/11. The intention was that after the Rugby World Cup it would be moved to the Fran Wilde Walk at the Stadium. The edifice should be removed to its intended "home" forthwith.

(e) The Municipal Office Building should continue to be used to accommodate Council staff and also Capital "E". It should not be leased or disposed of in any way.

(f) Michael Fowler carpark is built on reclaimed land it is unlikely to be suitable for another erection. I would support it becoming a carpark owned by the Council. It should not be leased or disposed of in any way.

(g) I support the continued subsidisation of the NZ Festival.

(h) I do not support any redevelopment of Frank Kitts Park. Nor do I support its renaming.

(i) I support ongoing subsidisation of the Circa Theatre.

(j) I do not support the creation of another indoor arena.

(k) I do not support the development of another Convention Centre.

(l) I support the development of the Basin Reserve conditional on the strengthening and refurbishment of the 1924 pavilion and the Cricket museum. Consideration should also be given to planting trees to replace those felled. New trees will eventually provide shelter and shade to users of the Reserve.

(m) I support the continued subsidisation of the National Hockey Stadium.

(n) I do not support an International film museum.

(o) I do support further subsidisation of the Museum of City and Sea.

(p) I do not support any further contributions to the commemoration of 20th Century wars. My response has been reinforced now that the bleak and windblown Buckle Street Plaza is complete. The Cenotaph Plaza is similarly bleak, windswept. Both are monuments to public profligacy in every sense.

(q) It astonishes me that there is still a proposal to build an Ocean Exploration Centre despite many of costs and projections being reminiscent of those given for Karori Wildlife Sanctuary in 2003. I do not support any further subsidies or expenditure on this project.

- (r) I support infrastructure spending par se.
- (s) I support further work being carried out to manage the effects of climate change by heeding the excellent Water Sensitive Urban Design Guide and using vegetation to mitigate effects etc.
- (t) All of our Botanical Gardens (including Otari, Truby King, Bolton Street and potentially Karori Cemetery) provide environmental, social and cultural benefits to all of Wellington. All should be funded to employ more staff to carry out the work required to keep them growing.
- (u) I oppose unequivocally any poisoning of vegetation anywhere in New Zealand. The effects on the water table and on the soil are impossible to mitigate. Poisoning vegetation means that fauna have no sources of food. Brightly coloured flowers are particularly beneficial to the health of our city and its inhabitants.
- (v) Removing trees makes hillsides vulnerable to erosion re-vegetation on exposed hillsides is often futile. It creates eyesores. Removing trees has climate change impacts. I do not support the harsh pruning or removal of trees to create empty landscapes (eg: Victoria Street) regardless of the trees origins.

Other matters:

This form and the plan were only available on request. All of documents which are to be consulted on should be readily available at the Council Building.

In the last year Council has abandoned its excellent quarterly report to be replaced with a document that is printed in microscopic type on horizontal sheets in all colours of the rainbow but without coherence. Briefings to the Public were abandoned with the reversion to a pre-SPC time. A multitude of subcommittees is not a substitute for a single Strategy and Policy Committee. Many topics are apparently being considered at Councillor only workshops WCC. Council should reconsider this anti-democratic and opaque system.

The final straw for me was the consideration of the "Engagement" policy without engaging with the public.

WCC should look at its Standing Orders and ensure that the principles of local democracy are being supported and that all who wish to be informed are informed and that those who choose to make a submission are allocated time to make an oral submission that allows for discussion and debate. Up to 5 years ago one could make a full oral submission and come away feeling one had contributed before that time one was allowed about twenty minutes and the deliberations seemed well considered. That is no longer the case.

Thank you,

Rosamund Averton

2015-25 Draft Long-term Plan

Submission form

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Draft Long-term Plan consultation survey questions	
1) Do you support the broad approach taken in this plan of investing for growth, in addition to providing current levels of service?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> strongly support <input type="checkbox"/> support <input type="checkbox"/> neutral <input type="checkbox"/> oppose <input type="checkbox"/> strongly oppose
Comments:	
2) Do you support our plan to limit rates increases to 3.9% on average over ten years to fund investment for growth, as opposed to a 3.1% increase to provide 'business as usual'?	<input type="checkbox"/> strongly support <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> support <input type="checkbox"/> neutral <input type="checkbox"/> oppose <input type="checkbox"/> strongly oppose
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3) Should Council take action to improve our international air connections?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> strongly support <input type="checkbox"/> support <input type="checkbox"/> neutral <input type="checkbox"/> oppose <input type="checkbox"/> strongly oppose
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4) Do you think Council should be supporting the tech sector to stimulate it to grow?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> strongly support <input type="checkbox"/> support <input type="checkbox"/> neutral <input type="checkbox"/> oppose <input type="checkbox"/> strongly oppose
Comments:	

5) Do you think Council should be supporting the film industry to enable it to stay local and grow?
 strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose
Comments:

6) Do you believe Council should support private owners with the strengthening of heritage buildings?
 strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose
Comments:

7) Should Council strengthen its key Civic Square buildings, and offset the cost where possible?
 strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose
Comments:

8) Should Wellington seek to remain the events capital of New Zealand?
 strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose
Comments:

9) Do you support our plan to provide a new and improved venue for concerts?
 strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose
Comments:

10) Do you support upgrading sports facilities where need has been demonstrated?
 strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose
Comments: **STRONG SUPPORT IN FAVOUR OF THE SPORTSVILLE PARTNERSHIP FUND FOR INITIAL FEASIBILITY FUNDING AND LONGER TERM CONSTRUCTION FUNDING.**

11) Do you support the development of new tourism experiences to attract new visitors and get them to stay for longer?
 strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose
Comments:

12) Do you support Council's activities to optimise infrastructure to realise savings and better cope with adverse events?
 strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose
Comments:

13) Do you support the Council's transition to the use of smart technology such as parking sensors and LED streetlights?

strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments:

14) Do you support proposed improvements to transport that will allow for safer, faster and more reliable journeys?

strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments:

Urban Growth Plan

15) Do you support the Council funding and taking action to regenerate inner-city precincts?

strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments:

16) Do you support our proposal to improve public spaces such as laneways?

strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments:

17) Do you support Council's plan for strengthening suburban town centres including work in Johnsonville, Karori and Tawa?

strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments: KILBERNIE IS A KEY SPORTS AND RECREATION HUB IN WELLINGTON AND A FACILITY AS PROPOSED IN THE ATTACH CONCEPT PLAN WILL PROVIDE AN EXCITING UPGRADE AND REVITALISATION OF EXISTING ASSETS RESULTING IN THE INTEGRATION OF LOCAL SCHOOLS, MAJOR SPORTING CODES AND THE COMMUNITY.

18) Do you generally agree with the priority projects identified in the Urban Growth Implementation Plan?

strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose don't know

Comments:

Do you see other matters as priorities?

Who we are reaching

You don't have to complete this section but this information helps us to know who we are reaching. (Note: the information you provide is open to public view.)

I am male female

My age is under 18 years 18-29 years 30-39 years 40-49 years 50-59 years 60 years or older

Have you ever made a submission on a draft Annual or Long-term Plan before?

Which of the following best describes you?

Residential ratepayer Commercial ratepayer Residential and commercial ratepayer I rent Other

Which ethnic group do you belong to? (You can tick more than one box)

<input type="checkbox"/> New Zealand European	<input type="checkbox"/> Cook Island	<input type="checkbox"/> Chinese	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (such as Dutch, Japanese, Tokelauan, Somali)
<input type="checkbox"/> Māori	<input type="checkbox"/> Tongan	<input type="checkbox"/> Indian	Please state:
<input type="checkbox"/> Samoan	<input type="checkbox"/> Niuean		

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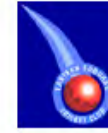
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The Kilbirnie Park Sports and Community Club

Concept plan - Working Document



WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL LONG TERM DRAFT PLAN SUBMISSION 2015-2025



2015-2025 LONG TERM DRAFT PLAN

The Kilbirnie Park Sports and Community Club concept plan provides an exciting upgrade and revitalisation of existing assets for sports clubs and community organisations in the Eastern Suburbs. The plan will enhance and underpin existing investment in facilities in the area such as the Aquatic centre, ASB centre and the artificial facility.

This plan will provide a much needed facility at a key sports and recreation hub, resulting in an integration of local schools, major sporting codes and the community, as well as the optimisation of infrastructure and facilities.

This submission

- **Applies in favour of the Sportville Partnership Fund for;**
 - **Initial funding to investigate long term feasibility, further develop design, resource consents for the Sportville concept.**
 - **Longer term funding of public facilities such as changing facilities, toilets, car parking**

INTRODUCTION

Eastern Suburbs Cricket Club, Marist AFC and Marist St Pats RFC wish to develop a joint Sports and Community Club at Kilbirnie Park (“Kilbirnie Park Sports and Community Club”). The three clubs, together with its affiliate members believe there are strong relationships and resources among the group to ensure a long term viable sports and community club to serve the Eastern Suburbs.

CONCEPT PLAN

Key highlights of the concept plan;

- Formation of the Kilbirnie Park Sports and Community Club initially comprising Eastern Suburbs Cricket Club, Marist AFC and Marist St Pats RFC, as founding members. Have SMOG, Capital Swim and St Pats College as affiliate members. Membership open to other sports and community clubs.
- Sell existing clubhouses at Kilbirnie Park and Hataitai Park.
- Proceeds from Clubhouse sales together with other funding sources to be used to build a two level approximate 350-400 square metre new club house at the South Eastern corner of Kilbirnie Park, to replace existing cricket clubrooms.
- Relocate No 1 cricket block and the practice nets to the South Eastern corner.
- Relocate soccer field to the South Eastern corner of Kilbirnie Park.

BACKGROUND OF FOUNDING CLUBS



Eastern Suburbs Cricket Club was established following the merger of Kilbirnie Cricket Club and Midland St Pats. Eastern Suburbs Cricket Club and its predecessor club, Kilbirnie Cricket Club, has been based on Kilbirnie Park for 125 years. It has won the Wellington Senior Championship an unprecedented 12 out of the last 13 years. 29 New Zealand Internationals and numerous first Class players have played for the club, including the following internationals over the last 40 years Jeetan Patel, Bruce Edgar, Stephen Fleming (Capt), Roger Twose, Barry Sinclair (Capt), Rodney Redmond and Richard Collinge). It is the only cricket club in the Eastern Suburbs.



Marist St Pats Rugby Club was established in 1971 following the merger of Marist Old Boys and St Pats Old Boys. Current Swindale Shield holders, it has won 13th Jubilee Cups. It has produced 8 All Blacks (Jeffrey To'omaga-Allen, Victor Vito, John Schuster, Brian McGrattan, Tu Wyllie, John Fleming, Grant Batty and Joe Karam) and numerous Wellington representative players.



Marist AFC is the oldest football club in NZ established in 1896. Marist AFC has won New Zealand's premier club competition, the Chatham Cup, in 1932 and 1946, and were runners-up in 1945.



MEMBERSHIP

Initially, the Eastern Suburbs Cricket Club, Marist AFC and Marist St Pats RFC will form the foundation of the Kilbirnie Park Sports and Community Club. The three clubs are all highly successful in their respective codes and have a long and proud tradition in Wellington as well as being recognised nationally. We also have a number of affiliate members. We would seek interest from other community groups who may wish to use the facility on a casual basis or become full or affiliate members of the Sports and Community Club. It is envisaged that the Kilbirnie Park Sports and Community Club will become a key asset for both local sports and community clubs and schools.

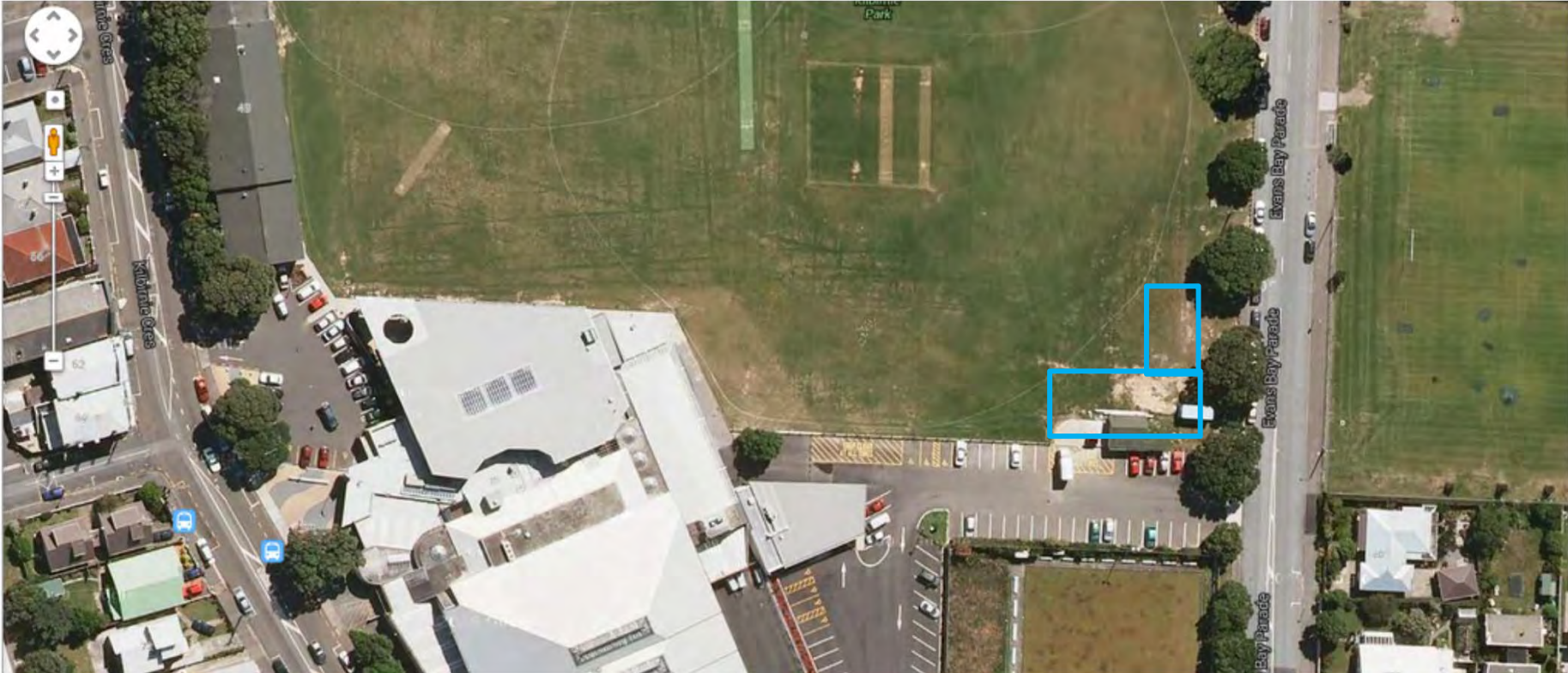
The membership of the initial foundation clubs is as follows;

	Eastern Suburbs Cricket Club	Marist AFC	Marist St Pats RFC	Total
Playing adult members	276	100	330	706
Non Playing adult members	150	75	300	525
Junior members	370	20	250	640
Total	796	195	880	1,871

MEMBERSHIP

- In addition to the above member numbers of the foundation clubs, we also have the full support of
 - St Patrick's College who have 78 students involved in cricket, 141 in football and 230 in Rugby.
 - SMOG Netball with 96 players (8 teams).
 - Capital Swim with 250 swimmers (mostly Junior) and 60 non swimmers.

Location of New Facility



KEY BENEFITS

Key Benefits of the concept plan are;

- Underpinned by strong foundation clubs with strong desire and commitment to work together.
- Fully funded and a financially responsible approach to also ensure its long term financial viability.
- Consolidation and rationalisation of existing resources.
- Complements and underpins significant investment made in existing artificial turf facilities at St Pats College and the playing facilities of Marist St Pats RFC at Evans Bay Park, as well as the Kilbirnie Aquatic Centre and ASB Centre.
- Greater opportunity to improve membership of individual clubs, cross-code membership.
- Provides strategic options for further development of Aquatic Centre.
- More efficient use of Kilbirnie Park fields and release further land for playing fields. Footprint not bigger than existing clubrooms and utilisation of ground unchanged.

KEY BENEFITS

- A new built facility that is
 - Right sized;
 - Meets the needs of all clubs at the outset;
 - Long term environmentally sustainable and efficient; and
 - An attractive community asset.
- Move away from congested traffic areas at existing sites and proposed traffic route along Kilbirnie Crescent under the Public Transport Spine Study.
- Better Parking.
- Strong stakeholder support – Cricket Wellington, Wellington Rugby Union and Capital Football.
- Cost Synergies through the sharing of common costs (insurance/utilities/maintenance). As well as other opportunities to rent facilities on an ad hoc basis.
- Strengthen existing working relationship with St Pats College, Rongotai College and other schools in Eastern Suburbs.
- Access to future funding under new combined Sports and Community structure.

INDICATIVE CONCEPT DRAWING

Two level clubhouse incorporating multi purpose lounge facilities, meeting room, four changing rooms, storage room, viewing balcony facing North West. It would also house the existing groundsman shed.

Two alternative concept drawings are shown. The final design continues to be worked on and subject to further discussions with all stakeholders and funding.

A proposed floor plan is also shown in Appendix 1

INDICATIVE CONCEPT DRAWING 1



INDICATIVE CONCEPT DRAWING 2



INDICATIVE COST

Subject to final design and quantity survey, an estimate of a 2 level structure with a total square m2 footage of 350-400 sq metres, which involve a total capital cost of between \$1.6-\$1.8m.

Total Square M2		350	400
Cost per Square M2		\$3,500	\$3,500
Build cost		\$1,225,000	\$1,400,000
Professional Fees (Architectural/Engineering/QS/Legal/Permitting)	20%	\$245,000	\$280,000
Contingency	10%	\$122,500	\$140,000
Total Building Cost		\$1,592,500	\$1,820,000

Costs GST exclusive

The above costs do not take account of any savings likely to be derived from using available building expertise within the foundation clubs.

NEXT STEPS

Develop work plan to consider following issues;

- Formalise working party through memorandum of understanding (“MOU”) and seek formal mandate from each club.
- Sale of Marist St Pats RFC clubrooms at Hataitai Park.
- Negotiate with NZTA and Council re impact on Kilbirnie Park.
- Engage with other interested group outside of the existing founding and affiliate members to become part of the Sports and Community Club.
- Working Group with Council on concept approval re location, design, consent process.
- Detailed design drawings and costing.
- Operational and Financial Feasibility. Development of Business Plan.
- Funding - Sale of Existing Clubrooms, alternative funding and approach funding agencies.
- Governance Structure – Trust Structure, Independent Board, Founding and Affiliate membership.

KEY MESSAGES

- Strong foundation clubs and affiliate support with a commitment to work with each other.
- New facility fit for purpose that replaces existing clubrooms and is within the existing footprint.
- Long term sustainable model.
- Complements and underpins significant investment already made in area.
- An attractive and exciting community asset and committed St Pats College support.
- Seek to be fully funded, with no debt.

Appendix

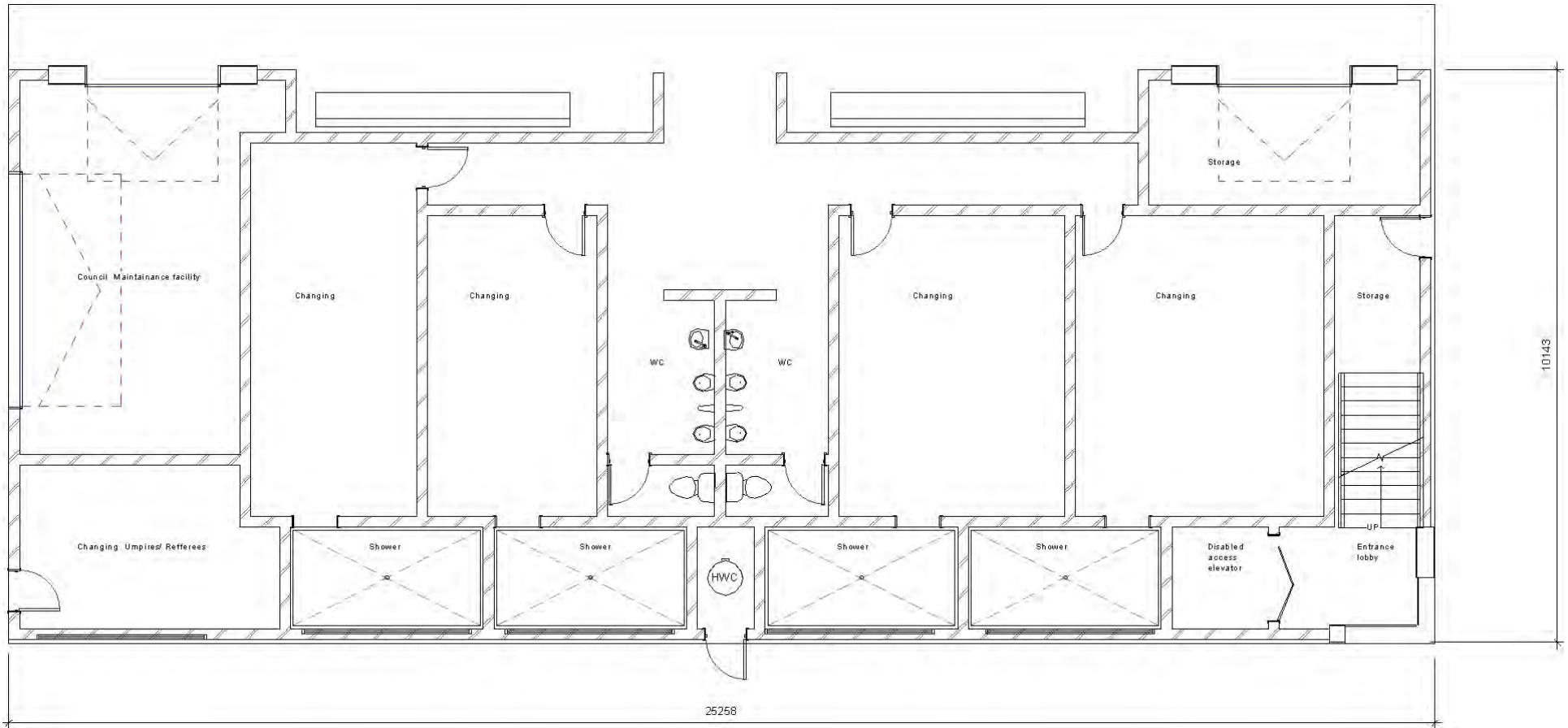
Key Contacts

Proposed Floor Plan

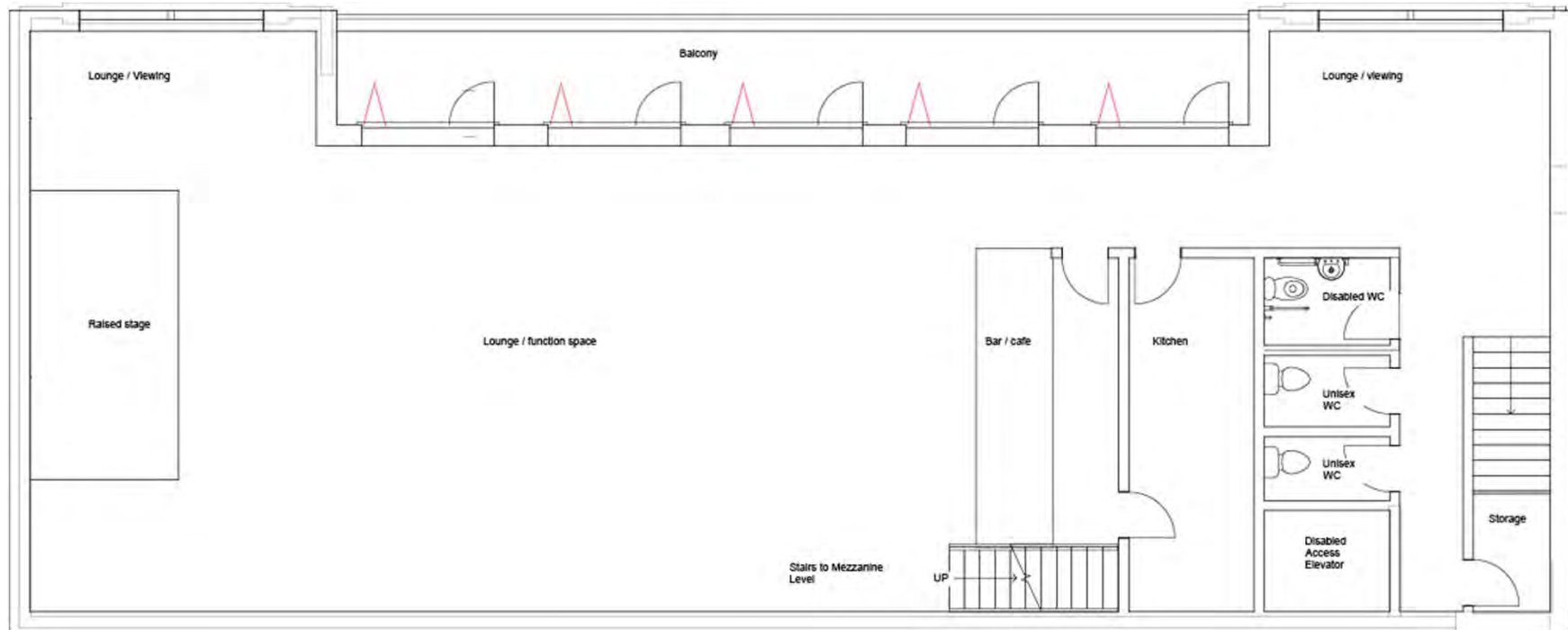
KEY CONTACTS

- Ronnie Nathu – Eastern Suburbs, President
- John Holden – Marist St Pats RFC , Board Member
- Mark Lavery – Marist AFC, Chairman

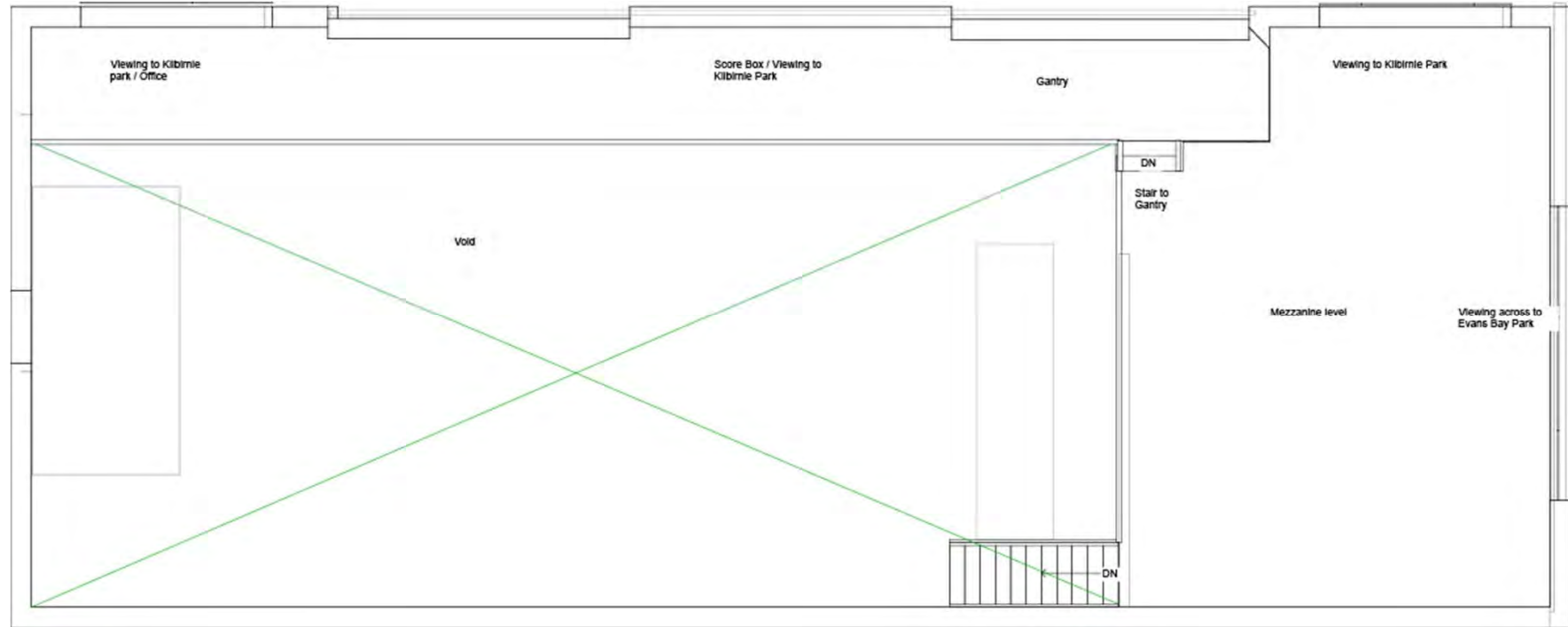
Ground Floor



Level 1



Mezzanine Level



From: [radha Balakrishnan](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Monday, 13 April 2015 10:05:45 p.m.

Name	radha Balakrishnan
Email	radha766@gmail.com
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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Info at WCC](#)
To: "Jerry.Ball@entitygroup.co.nz"
Cc: [GRP: Councillors](#); [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: For attention of Councillors - 2015 LTP Submission: The Citizenship Trust
Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 8:46:50 a.m.

Dear Jerry,

Thank you for your 2015 Long Term Plan Submission.

We have forwarded your email to the team managing Long Term Plan submissions as well as the Councillors. You can also contact them directly with the contact details below:

councillors@wcc.govt.nz

LongTermPlan@wcc.govt.nz

We value your input and if you require further assistance please contact us.

Kind regards,

Bailey McCormack

Customer Services Team Wellington City Council

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PO Box 2199 Wellington 6140

----- Original Message -----

> From: Jerry Ball (Entity Group Limited) (Jerry.Ball@entitygroup.co.nz)

> Sent: 13/04/2015 2:31 p.m.

> Subject: For attention of Councillors - 2015 LTP Submission: The Citizenship Trust

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> *Dear Councillors*

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> *I am writing to express my support for Councillor Woolf's proposal that Council's 2015 Long Term Plan includes provision to gift a long term lease on Site 9 at*

> *North Kumutoto for the establishment of a Citizenship Centre for New Zealand children.*

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> *I believe that the Citizenship Centre:*

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> *· is a very appropriate use for site 9 on Wellington waterfront, and*

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> *· will make a valuable long term contribution to New Zealand and to Wellington city.*

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> *I trust that you will support Councillor Woolf's proposal.*

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> *Yours faithfully*

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> *Jerry Ball*

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> *Ngaio, Wellington 6035*

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From: [Justin Barry-Walsh](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Monday, 13 April 2015 9:49:41 p.m.

Name	Justin Barry-Walsh
Email	justinbwalsh@me.com
Postcode	6012
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Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [peter baxter](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Monday, 13 April 2015 8:57:03 p.m.

Name	peter baxter
Email	b.peter.baxter@gmail.com
Postcode	6023
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Write a message to the council	Although there's not much point in putting lower speed limits if you aren't going to police them
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Joe Beaglehole](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Monday, 13 April 2015 7:39:02 p.m.

Name	Joe Beaglehole
Email	joebeaglehole@gmail.com
Postcode	6011
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Write a message to the council	I risk my life riding to work from Newtown to the Terrace everyday. That is crazy! There is plenty of room for a cycle way. Just get on with it!
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [stephen_betteridge](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Monday, 13 April 2015 10:05:10 p.m.

Name	stephen betteridge
Email	stephenbetteridge@gmail.com
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Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Julian Boorman](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 12:27:38 a.m.

Name	Julian Boorman
Email	julianboorman@yahoo.com
Postcode	6011
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
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Write a message to the council	Please give us safe protected cycleways. Stop mucking around. We deserve to be safe when we cycle, and our kids deserve to be able to cycle in protected cycleways. Hurry up with the Island Bay cycleway. I would like to speak to my submission. My phone number is 0210 688 951
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	Yes

From: [Neville Booth](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Monday, 13 April 2015 4:14:46 p.m.

Name	Neville Booth
Email	getnev@outlook.com
Postcode	6012
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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	I have recently returned from London and find the dominant car culture and lack of forward thinking planning for alternative transport (including but not exclusively Cycling) a huge disappointment. Entirely at odds with what is happening around the world and counter to our 'green' image. Get on with it - we all stand to win.
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Alex Brimmy](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 10:07:57 a.m.

Name	Alex Brimmy
Email	justatipple@yahoo.com
Postcode	6023
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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	For a city who promotes eco-transport alternatives and fills their council funded magazine with cycling promotions - this city is ridiculously unsafe to ride a bike in! Main transport corridors place priority on cars and leave no room for the people who you are trying to encourage to use the roads - the cyclists! Its no wonder that during my daily commute I am almost guaranteed to have at least one idiot in a car or truck put my life at risk each day. Please cut back some of the unnecessary extra lanes and unsafe tight spots throughout the city and make it safe for us to get to work!
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Bronwyn Wood](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 2:35:14 p.m.

Name	Bronwyn Wood
Email	Bronwood@gmail.com
Postcode	6011
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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	I love cycling but still find it quite dangerous with my kids. Cycle ways would help heaps
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Brendon Bullen](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Monday, 13 April 2015 5:16:12 p.m.

Name	Brendon Bullen
Email	Brendonbullen@gmail.com
Postcode	6011
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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	I am too scared to ride my bike in Wellington. I've really lost my nerve after a couple of close calls. The current cycle sections in front of the lights are impossible to use. All that happens is cars honk at you because bikes are slower to start moving.
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [James Burgess](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 2:48:11 a.m.

Name	James Burgess
Email	jim.burgess@gmail.com
Postcode	6021
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Write a message to the council	<p>Please make the most of the Transport Agency's extra funding - by committing to enough spending to attract the full contribution they offer from the Urban Cycleways Programme.</p> <p>Please get some projects built soon - these first projects will set the scene for easier consultation on the next ones, as the cycleways will be more of a known quantity.</p> <p>And please plan consultation that will hear people's views fairly - but that will not get every project bogged down in over-consultation or having to pick a poor compromise outcome.</p>
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	Yes

From: [Peter Burtonwood](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Monday, 13 April 2015 4:17:02 p.m.

Name	Peter Burtonwood
Email	Yarblek52@gmail.com
Postcode	6242
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
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Write a message to the council	It's about time there w3as flowing functionality to the cycle lanes throughout the city. Piecemeal cycle lanes are too dangerous and can be confusing to some. Why do some controlled intersections have cycle refuges marked and not others?
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	Yes

From: [Brent Cherry](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 8:27:23 a.m.

Name	Brent Cherry
Email	cherrybrent02@gmail.com
Postcode	5036
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From: [Chris LaGrange](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 2:57:09 p.m.

Name	Chris LaGrange
Email	chris.lagrange.nz@gmail.com
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Write a message to the council	We need safe cycle routes running from CBD to all major areas - there should be separated from major car routes - consider repurposing side roads and parallel roads to make them resident and cycle traffic only - look at the European approaches.

From: [Hannah Clarke](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 11:08:25 p.m.

Name	Hannah Clarke
Email	creativeclarke@gmail.com
Postcode	6023
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	<p>I've lived in several cities in the world and every day I go out on my bike in Wellington I'm surprised by how bad it is to cycle here. It's not safe and it is hard to get anywhere - cycling routes do not seem to have been considered in road planning, even in the most recent development at Buckle St.</p> <p>It could be great. It should be great! Please make it great. Cycling is good for everyone, let's make it another good aspect of our fine city.</p>
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Andrew Cohen](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 10:08:45 p.m.

Name	Andrew Cohen
Email	andrew.l.cohen@gmail.com
Postcode	6011
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Write a message to the council	I ride to work everyday and drop my daughter of at her kindergarten. I have had several near-misses and it is just not acceptable to ride with our lives at risk. There needs to be a separated cycle lane on Taranaki St or Victoria St to allow safe travel from the waterfront to Brooklyn/Aro Valley/Newtown.
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Laura Cooper](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 9:02:33 a.m.

Name	Laura Cooper
Email	lauraannecooper@gmail.com
Postcode	5028
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Write a message to the council	I enjoy biking to work, it's healthy, relaxing, prepares me for a day of productive work in the City. The roads are too narrow in places and some intersections are down right dangerous. Most days I will have a near miss that involves me having to compensate for a driver not following the road rules. Please invest funds in improving roading infrastructure for cyclists.
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [ben.corlett](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 4:26:13 p.m.

Name	ben corlett
Email	lou.corlett@gmail.com
Postcode	6037
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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	sometimes its like the "hunger games" out there. Make designated cycle lanes as drivers will never get it!

From: [d'Arcy Lunn](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Monday, 13 April 2015 7:46:06 p.m.

Name	d'Arcy Lunn
Email	lunny06@yahoo.com.au
Postcode	5034
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Write a message to the council	Wellington has the public and political will so it is time to start making Wellington a great cycling city!
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Ingrid Downey](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 9:05:14 p.m.

Name	Ingrid Downey
Email	iicd@hotmail.com
Postcode	6021
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Write a message to the council	I am finally back on my bike after being scared off when I got "doored" on Oriental Parade a few years ago. Still, it is so scary for me to ride, but I want to ride to save time, get fit and lessen congestion. PLEASE make it safer for me to bike to work! Thank you, Ingrid
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

Talava Sene

From: BUS: Long Term Plan
Subject: FW: For attention of Councillors - 2015 LTP Submission: The Citizenship Trust

----- Original Message -----

> From: janet dunbar (nursej@paradise.net.nz)
> Sent: 14/04/2015 6:57 p.m.
> Subject: For attention of Councillors - 2015 LTP Submission: The Citizenship Trust
>
> *Dear Councillors*
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> *I am writing to express my support for Councillor Woolf's proposal that Council's 2015 Long Term Plan includes provision to gift a long term lease on*
> *Site 9 at North Kumutoto for the establishment of a Citizenship Centre for New Zealand children*
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> *I believe that the Citizenship Centre:*
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> • >
> *is a very appropriate use for site 9 on Wellington waterfront, and*
> • >
> *will make a valuable long term contribution to New Zealand and to Wellington city.*
>
> *I trust that you will support Councillor Woolf's proposal.*
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>
> *Yours faithfully,*
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> *Janet and Charlie Dunbar*
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From: [Jason Eady](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 10:38:07 p.m.

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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Get building - start work on the Island Bay cycleway and look at more quick wins including separated cycleway trials in other locations	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	Delaying means Wellington becomes a less vibrant and accessible city. More cycles will mean easier traffic flows probably resulting in lower longer term expensive motor vehicle infrastructure.
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Deborah East](#)
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Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 12:19:51 a.m.

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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Get building - start work on the Island Bay cycleway and look at more quick wins including separated cycleway trials in other locations	yes
Write a message to the council	Cycle lanes where opening car doors can knock us over into the path of on-coming traffic, or where angle-parked vehicles can back out into us are unsafe - we need real bike lanes!
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Catherine Falconer-Gray](#)
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 Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 9:09:15 a.m.

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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	I love biking to and from work - once I am on the waterfront. Biking through Newtown and on Kent/Cambridge however is dangerous and stressful. Doors of parked cars opening, difficulty getting past queued cars and buses to the 'bike zone' at intersections, trying to change lanes in heavy traffic...dangerous and stressful.
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Daryl fincham](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Monday, 13 April 2015 4:25:09 p.m.

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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [henry fisher](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 4:24:57 p.m.

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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Get building - start work on the Island Bay cycleway and look at more quick wins including separated cycleway trials in other locations	yes
Write a message to the council	<p>Hello WCC</p> <p>Cycle lanes will make it more pleasant for everyone - cyclists, pedestrians, car drivers and bus drivers. It's going to be great - juts look at how well it works internationally ... you know - OUTSIDE of New Zealand! Time to catch up.</p> <p>All the best</p> <p>Henry</p>
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

Submitter Details

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Wishes to be heard:

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

Correspondence to:

- Submitter
 Agent
 Both
-

Submission

Do you support the broad approach taken in this plan of investing for growth, in addition to providing current levels of service?

- Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Do you support our plan to limit rates increases to 3.9% on average over ten years to fund investment for growth, as opposed to a 3.1% increase to provide 'business as usual'?

- Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Should Council take action to improve our international air connections?

- Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Do you think Council should be supporting the tech sector to stimulate it to grow?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Do you think Council should be supporting the film industry to enable it to stay local and grow?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Do you believe Council should support private owners with the strengthening of heritage buildings?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Should Council strengthen its key Civic Square buildings, and offset the cost where possible?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Should Wellington seek to remain the events capital of New Zealand?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Do you support our plan to provide a new and improved venue for concerts?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Do you support upgrading sports facilities where need has been demonstrated?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Do you support the development of new tourism experiences to attract new visitors and get them to

stay for longer?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Do you support Council's activities to optimise infrastructure to realise savings and better cope with adverse events?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

The proposed removal of the trolley buses comes across as a step backward, especially in light of there being no immediate steps taken to replace them with services not dependent on fossil fuels.

Do you support the Council's transition to the use of smart technology such as parking sensors and LED streetlights?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Do you support proposed improvements to transport that will allow for safer, faster and more reliable journeys?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly Oppose

Comments

Public transport is one of the major factors that makes Wellington an attractive city to live in. Ensuring it is reliable, efficient and frequently available is vital to maintaining this perception. Wellingtonians should always be able to look to at other city's transport woes (i.e. Auckland's traffic) and be thankful for the services on offer.

Urban Development

Do you support the Council funding and taking action to regenerate inner-city precincts?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Do you support our proposal to improve public spaces such as laneways?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Do you support Council's plan for strengthening suburban town centres including work in Johnsonville, Karori and Tawa?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Do you generally agree with the priority projects identified in the Urban Growth Implementation Plan?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose Don't know

Comments

Do you see other matters as priorities?

Comments

Who we are reaching

You don't have to complete this section but this information helps us to know who we are reaching. (Note: the information you provide is open to public view.)

I am

Male
 Female

My age is

under 18 years
 18-29 years
 30-39 years
 40-49 years
 50-59 years
 60 years and older

Have you ever made a submission on a draft annual or long-term plan before?

Yes
 No

Which of the following best describes you?

- Residential ratepayer
 - Commercial ratepayer
 - Residential and commercial ratepayer
 - I rent
 - Other
-

Which ethnic group do you belong to? (You can tick more than one box)

- New Zealand European
- Māori
- Samoan
- Cook Island
- Tongan
- Niuean
- Chinese
- Indian
- Other (such as Dutch, Japanese, Tokelauan, Somali)

Please state:

Other issues/matters or general comments

Comments

Attached Documents

File
2015-25 Draft Long-term Plan

From: [Geoff Simmons](#)
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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	Because lives are more important than car parks.
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	Yes



Submission on 2015 Long Term Plan

This submission is from a group, on behalf of its members in your region.
We wish to be heard on this submission.

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11th April 2015

Dear Mayor and Councillors,

Evidence that fluoridation is causing harm is continuing to mount. To add to that, the theory on which fluoridation was based; that fluoride needed to be ingested while teeth were growing to make them more resistant to decay, has been rejected by everyone including those who still promote it. It is now known to be a surface effect i.e. works on the outside of the tooth not from the inside.

It has been over 20 years since the Wellington Regional Council reviewed fluoridation.

Since then the theory on which fluoridation was based; that fluoride needed to be ingested while teeth were growing to make them more resistant to decay has been rejected by everyone including those who still promote it. They now say it is surface effect i.e. works on the outside of the tooth not from the inside. The evidence that fluoridation is harmful has also become undeniable.

We therefore propose that Wellington City Council implement a moratorium until such time as safety for everyone can be guaranteed.

The Basis for our Submission

Our group has been researching this subject for many years, some members even since the inception in the 1950s. We have endeavoured to provide you with the most up-to-date and accurate information possible and provide a reference for the many facets of this issue.

Considering:

- A study published last month in *Epidemiology and Community Health*, one of the main British medical journals, looked at thyroid disease patient numbers from 99% of GP practices in the UK. It found that women living in fluoridated areas have a 60% increased chance of suffering from underactive thyroid
- Another study published last month in *Environmental Health* shows that there is a strong correlation between an increase in ADHD in children and increased prevalence of fluoridation in the US
- “For many years it was believed that it worked systemically. It is now generally accepted that it works topically” Judge Hansen, High Court, New Plymouth March 2014.
- The Ministry of Health no longer recommend fluoride tablets¹.
- According to Dr Robin Whyman, consultant to the National Fluoridation Information service, “It is generally accepted that the principal caries protective effect from fluoride is topical”²
- All large scale studies show there is no significant difference in decay rates between children living in fluoridated areas compared to nonfluoridated areas
- fluoride is linked to a growing number of adverse health effects including:
 - lowered IQ
 - attention deficit and hyperactivity disorder
 - bone cancer in young males
 - an increase in cancer rates generally
 - arthritis

¹¹ <http://www.stuff.co.nz/taranaki-daily-news/news/5826420/Taranaki-residents-buy-up-fluoride-tabs>

² <http://www.huttvalleydhb.org.nz/RPH/Resource.aspx?ID=36345> (bottom of page 9 – pdf has now been removed from NFIS site but can be supplied on demand)

- thyroid dysfunction
- heart disease and related death
- Increased premature births, with associated increased infant mortality
- Dental fluorosis affects around 30% of children in fluoridated areas compared to 15% in unfluoridated areas. Dental fluorosis is the first outward sign of chronic fluoride poisoning.
- A large section of the population does not want any fluoride chemicals added to their water.
- Adding fluoride chemicals to the community water supply removes choice since there are only so many steps people can take to avoid it. For instance people may drink non-fluoridated water but they still have to bathe in it.
- Providing dental health services is not the Council's responsibility
- There are plenty of effective measures the DHB could do to reduce dental decay in the population
- Dental decay is rampant in the poorer sections of Hutt city.

Money spent on fluoridation should be spent on truly helping the families that need it rather than wasting precious resources supposedly trying to help everyone but in effect, not helping anyone.

Our Submission will expand on the following:

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1. Recent Council decisions in New Zealand

Coromandel Thames District Council has decided to hold a referendum for the only fluoridated town of Thames later this year (2015).

Last year Kapiti Coast District Council voted to keep the status quo which is fluoridation in Waikanae, Paraparaumu and Raumati and no fluoridation in Paekakariki and Otaki.

Palmerston North city council decided to delay any decision until the final outcome of the South Taranaki district court case.

In 2013 Hamilton city councillors voted 7 to 1 to stop fluoridation after a four day Tribunal Hearing. They then voted to have a referendum where 34% of voters participated, of which 68% voted in favour of fluoridation. Last year they voted to restart fluoridation.

Hastings and Whakatane District Councils also held referenda in conjunction with last year's local body elections.

In Hastings, only people on the town water supply could vote on this issue, and people in Flaxmere were not required to vote as their two councillors were standing unopposed. Flaxmere is predominately Maori and Maori people are less likely to be in favour of fluoridation. It is also known that people not already on fluoridated water are less likely to vote for fluoridation. The result was 64% in favour of fluoridation. This was a binding referendum so the status quo remains.

In Whakatane only 61% voted in favour of fluoridation. This was a non-binding referendum and the council advised that it would be indicative only. Council have decided to wait until the final ruling of the High Court case in Taranaki before making any further decision.

In 2012 Central Hawke's Bay District Council stopped fluoridation after 95% of the submissions on fluoridation from residents said they wanted it stopped.

Also in 2012, the South Taranaki District Council undertook a consultation with the residents in the two small towns of Patea and Waverley. The result was that 85% of and 75%, respectively; of submissions from residents said they did not want fluoridation. Despite this, the council decided to vote in favour of starting. STDC are now asking the Ministry of Health, the local DHBs, the Dental Association, Water NZ and Local Government NZ to help fund their legal defence.

2. Legal action

Judge Hansen has ruled on the legal challenge that New Health NZ lodged against the South Taranaki District council. The judge has ruled that fluoridation is legal even though it is undertaken for a therapeutic purpose.

Medsafe say “a product is a medicine if a therapeutic purpose is claimed for it”. It does not actually have to be effective; the key element is the claim.

Therefore, New Health New Zealand lodged a Declaratory Judgment against the Ministry of Health about whether or not the fluoridation chemicals, hydrofluorocyclic acid and sodiumsilicofluoride, should come under the auspices of the Medicines Act, considering they are being used for a therapeutic purpose. Judge Collins ruled that the fluoridation chemicals satisfied all the key elements of a medicine. They are used for a therapeutic purpose and they achieve their intended action on the human body by a pharmacological means. However, he ruled they were not medicines since they were added to the public drinking water at a concentration lower than 10mg/L.

The Judge has made a patently obvious error as he referred to a section in the Act that regulates Prescription, Restricted and Pharmacy only medicines. Not meeting the classification for one of these types of medicines does not mean a substance is not a medicine; it just means it is a general sale medicine.

It would seem that Judge Collins was aware that this decision would likely be overturned on Appeal as he advised the Ministry of Health to seek an exemption for fluoridation chemicals.

The Ministry of Health duly did this at the end of last year. They gave the required number of days for public consultation but as this was over the Christmas period many people were unaware of it taking place. However, over 1300 people did lodge an objection. Medafe then took only 11 working days after receiving the public input to write a report to the Minister advising that fluoridation chemicals be exempt from the Act.

The Minister then signed the exemption into law making fluoridation chemicals the only ingested product (except homeopathic remedies) that can be used for a therapeutic purpose that do not have to abide by the rules of the Medicines Act.

New Health NZ has appealed both decisions. The Declaratory Judgement is due to be heard in July and the South Taranaki case in September.

3. Risk to Bottle Fed Infants

The New Hampshire State Legislature has mandated that a warning be placed on all residential water billing systems if the water is fluoridated.

“Your public water supply is fluoridated. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, if your child under the age of 6 months is exclusively consuming infant formula reconstituted with fluoridated water, there may be an increased chance of dental fluorosis. Consult your child’s health care provider for more information”³.

Risks to bottle fed infants confirmed by NZ research

Research by Peter Cressey⁴ of Environmental and Scientific Research estimated that infants up to 6 months old and fed with formula made from water fluoridated at 0.7ppm had a 30% likelihood of exceeding the specified upper limit of 0.7 mg/day. At 1ppm, exceeding this limit was virtually certain.

It should be noted that there is no scientific basis for claiming that 0.7 mg/day is safe for infants as no studies on infants have been done – it is just pro-rata’d from adult levels on a body weight basis, which is invalid as infants are biologically different from adults. In particular, the blood-brain barrier is not fully formed, making infants especially susceptible to neurological/ brain damage.

Bottle fed babies receive at least 150 times as much fluoride as their breast fed counterparts, even when the mother is ingesting fluoridated water. Common sense would tell us this is not a sensible. Added to this is that there is not even a claimed benefit for babies when they do have teeth, to take such a risk is reckless and irresponsible.

US Research⁵ concluded in 2010 also confirms the increased risk of fluorosis from infant formula reconstituted with fluoridated water.

Children in fluoridated communities are experiencing twice as much dental fluorosis as children in non-fluoridated communities (roughly 30% compared to 15%). This makes each fluoridating council responsible for causing 15% of the children in the community to develop dental fluorosis.

At the very least, we believe NZ councils should do the same as the New Hampshire Legislature and issue information/warnings with rates notices.

³ <http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/legislation/2012/HB1416.html>

⁴ Peter Cressey, BSc(Hons), Food Safety Programme, Institute of Environmental Science and Research “Dietary fluoride intake for fully formula-fed infants in New Zealand: impact of formula and water fluoride” *Ltd Journal of Public Health Dentistry 2010. ISSN 0022-4006*

⁵ Levy SM, Broffitt B, Marshall TA, Eichenberger-Gilmore JM, Warren JJ. 2010. Associations between fluorosis of permanent incisors and fluoride intake from infant formula, other dietary sources and dentifrice during early childhood. *Journal of the American Dental Association* 141(10): 1190-1201.

4. Ethnic minority advocates in the USA call for an end to fluoridation.

African Americans and Latin Americans are harmed by fluoridation more than white Americans for the same reasons that Maori and Pacific Peoples are most disadvantaged by fluoridation in NZ:

- Higher incidence of diabetes
- Higher incidence of kidney disease
- Lower average socio-economic status
- Lower Vitamin D levels causing lessened calcium metabolism (calcium protects the body from fluoride's toxicity).

First, Dr Andrew Young called for an end to fluoridation on behalf of African Americans. Dr Young is a former Mayor of Atlanta, former US ambassador to the UN, highly decorated by many countries, former close associate of the late Dr Martin Luther King Jnr, and leading black civil rights leader. Dr. Young was then joined by fellow civil rights leaders Reverend Dr. Gerald Durley, and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s daughter, Dr. Bernice King, and niece, Dr. Alveda King.

The League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC) also joined in the chorus. It is worth noting their last demand, as it reflects the situation with the NZ Ministry of Health:

“LULAC demands to know why government agencies entrusted with protecting the public health are more protective of the policy of fluoridation than they are of public health.”

Full LULAC statement attached.

5. Fluoridation Chemicals are classified as Hazardous Waste

The chemicals used to fluoridate the water are not pharmaceutical grade compounds but have been scrubbed from the chimneys of the phosphate fertiliser industry. In New Zealand these compounds are Silicofluorides, either sodium silicofluoride Na_2SiF_6 (usually imported from Belgium) or Hydrofluorosilicic acid H_2SiF_6 sourced from Orica, we think from the Waikato.

Both of these substances are classified as hazardous waste with various warnings such as “Avoid contact with skin and eyes”, “Repeated or prolonged exposure may result in fluorosis” and “Avoid contaminating waterways”. Material Safety Data Sheets attached.

These compounds are not the same as naturally occurring fluoride. Naturally occurring fluoride is usually accompanied with high levels of calcium and or magnesium which help to detoxify the fluoride.

It is also noteworthy that the New Plymouth District Council and the Hamilton city Council acknowledged that the only way it could dispose of its remaining fluoride was to feed it into the water supply until expended – it could not legally dump it anywhere else as it is too toxic!⁶

⁶ <http://www.stuff.co.nz/taranaki-daily-news/news/5783079/Beginning-of-the-end-for-fluoridation>

6. Increased lead uptake with silicofluorides

Researchers⁷. Sawan et al, in 2010 confirmed findings of previous studies by Masters and Coplan⁸⁹, which found that the use of silicofluorides increased the uptake of lead into the blood.

The authors concluded: "These findings show that fluoride consistently increases blood lead and calcified tissues lead concentrations in animals exposed to low levels of lead and suggest that a biological effect not yet recognized may underlie the epidemiological association between increased blood lead levels in children living in water-fluoridated communities."

Probably anticipating the usual criticism levelled against animal studies of this type, the authors carefully address the issue of the concentrations of both lead and fluoride used in this experiment. They write:

"The concentration of lead was chosen because it produces plasma fluoride levels that are comparable with those commonly found in humans chronically exposed to 8mg/L of fluoride in the drinking water, which is a concentration known to cause severe fluorosis."

"Since this study was based on a hypothesis derived from epidemiological evidence from thousands of children (that fluoride from the water might increase blood-lead levels), we felt that we had to maximize fluoride concentrations to observe its influence on lead levels in this proof-of-concept animal study. Children are frequently exposed to high levels of fluoride during their first years because of the many sources of fluoride available to them. Therefore, it is likely that young children may experience episodes of exposure to high levels of fluoride, which may cause their blood lead levels to increase and produce more lead toxicity."

"A reason for major concern is the fact that exposure to increased amounts of lead and fluoride occurs at about the same age (1-3 years)."

7. Thyroid Disease

The thyroid gland, which regulates the body's metabolic rate, plays an exquisitely important role in human health. Because all metabolically active cells require thyroid hormone for proper functioning, thyroid disruption can have a wide range of effects on virtually every system of the body. Chemicals that interfere with thyroid function must be treated with great caution. According to the U.S. National Research Council, and as discussed below, there is substantial evidence that fluoride exposure can impact thyroid function in some individuals. (NRC 2006).

Fluoride Was Once Prescribed as an Anti-Thyroid Drug

When people think of fluoride being prescribed for medicinal purposes, they generally think of fluoride supplementation to reduce tooth decay. Fluoride, however, has also been

⁷ <http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0300483X10000351>

⁸ Coplan MJ, Patch SC, Masters RD, Bachman MS. Neurotoxicology. 2007 Sep;28(5):1032-42

⁹ Masters RD, Coplan MJ, Hone BT, Dykes JE. Neurotoxicology. 2000 Dec;21(6):1091-100

prescribed as a drug to reduce the activity of the thyroid gland. Up through the 1950s, doctors in Europe and South America prescribed fluoride to reduce thyroid function in patients with over-active thyroids (hyperthyroidism). (Merck Index 1968). Doctors selected fluoride as a thyroid suppressant based on findings linking fluoride to goitre, and, as predicted, fluoride therapy did reduce thyroid activity in the treated patients. (McClaren 1969; Galletti 1958; May 1937). Moreover, according to clinical research the fluoride dose capable of reducing thyroid function was notably low – just 2 to 5 mg per day over several months. (Galletti & Joyet 1958). This dose is well within the range (1.6 to 6.6 mg/day) of what individuals living in fluoridated communities are now estimated to receive on a regular basis. (US Dept Human and Health Services 1991).

Fluoride & Hypothyroidism

Based on fluoride's anti-thyroid effects in hyperthyroid patients, concerns have arisen about whether current fluoride exposures could be contributing to the increased prevalence of under-active thyroid (clinical and/or subclinical hypothyroidism) in the United States and other nations. In February 2015, British scientists reported that fluoridated water in Britain is associated with elevated rates of hypothyroidism:

“We found that higher levels of fluoride in drinking water provide a useful contribution for predicting prevalence of hypothyroidism. We found that practices located in the West Midlands (a wholly fluoridated area) are nearly twice as likely to report high hypothyroidism prevalence in comparison to Greater Manchester (non-fluoridated area).” ([Peckham 2015](#)).

Supporting the fluoride/hypothyroidism connection are a number of studies from China, India, and Russia that have found alterations in thyroid hormones, including reduced T3 and increased TSH, in populations exposed to elevated levels of fluoride in the workplace or in the water. (NRC 2006; Susheela 2005; Mikhailets 1996; Yao 1996; Bachinskii 1985; Yu 1985).

In clinical hypothyroidism, the thyroid gland fails to produce sufficient quantities of the hormones triiodothyronine (T3) and thyroxine (T4). These hormones are required by all metabolically active cells, and their reduced presence can thus produce a range of ill effects, including fatigue, muscle/joint pain, depression, weight gain, menstrual disturbances, impaired fertility, impaired memory, and inability to concentrate. When T3 and T4 levels begin to fall, the pituitary gland responds by increasing production of “Thyroid Stimulating Hormone” (TSH) as a means of getting the thyroid to produce more T3 and T4.

In subclinical hypothyroidism, the TSH level is elevated, but the T3 and T4 hormones are still within the normal range. Although subclinical hypothyroidism used to be regarded as largely inconsequential, it is increasingly considered a “clinically important disorder.” (Gencer 2012). Some studies have found, for example, that subclinical hypothyroidism in pregnant women results in reduced IQ in offspring, (Klein 2001; Haddow 1999), and a recent study in the *Journal of the American Medical Association* found that adults with

subclinical hypothyroidism had a significantly higher rate of coronary heart disease. (Rodondi 2010).

Studies investigating fluoride's impact on thyroid hormone levels have produced divergent findings, but are consistent with fluoride having an anti-thyroid effect under certain circumstances. (NRC 2006). The most common thyroid effect associated with fluoride exposure appears to be an increase in TSH levels, with or without a corresponding effect on T3 or T4. (Susheela 2005). One of the most recent studies, for example, found a trend towards higher TSH in children based on the severity of their dental fluorosis, but without a significant effect on either T3 or T4. (Hosur 2012). These and other findings indicate that fluoride can contribute to a subclinical, if not clinical, hypothyroid condition. It remains difficult to predict the toxic dose, however, as it appears to depend, in part, on genetics and the nutritional and health status of the individual, particularly the adequacy of iodine intake. (NRC 2006).

8. Neurotoxicity

Fluoride's ability to damage the brain is one of the most active areas of fluoride research today. In the past three decades, over 100 studies have found that fluoride exposure can damage the brain. The latest being the study published in the peer reviewed journal *Environmental Health* found in February this year that found a strong correlation between an increase in ADHD in children and increased prevalence of fluoridation.

The research includes:

- Over 100 animal studies showing that prolonged exposure to varying levels of fluoride can damage the brain, particularly when coupled with an iodine deficiency, or aluminum excess;
- 43 human studies linking moderately high fluoride exposures with reduced intelligence;
- 31 animal studies reporting that mice or rats ingesting fluoride have an impaired capacity to learn and/or remember;
- 12 studies (7 human, 5 animal) linking fluoride with neurobehavioral deficits (e.g., impaired visual-spatial organization);
- 3 human studies linking fluoride exposure with impaired fetal brain development.

Of note:

Based on this accumulating body of research, several prestigious reviews — including a report authored by the U.S. National Research Council and a meta-analysis published by a team of Harvard scientist – have raised red flags about the potential for low levels of fluoride to harm brain development in some members of the population.

An article in the *Lancet* in 2014 by world renowned epidemiologists Granjean and Landrigan has labelled fluoride a neurotoxin in the same league as lead, methylmercury, polychlorinated biphenyls, arsenic, and toluene.¹⁰

In 2011¹¹ a study found a direct relationship between dental fluorosis and lowered IQ.

Scientific Consensus Statement on Neurodevelopmental Disorders identified that children are more susceptible to neurotoxic damage as the brain is still developing. It identified fluoride as posing a greater risk than could be justified by claims of reduced tooth decay.

In 2007 the prestigious medical journal *Lancet* identified fluoride as “an emerging neurotoxin” in this context.

In 2004 Guan et al¹² show fluoride reduces the number of nicotinic acetylcholine receptors in the brain. Acetylcholine is the body’s main neurotransmitter. Earlier research showed that this effect resulted in a raft of neurological disorders, including ADD, epilepsy, Parkinson’s, Turette’s Syndrome, lowered IQ, etc.

In 1998¹³ Varner et al show that fluoride increases the incidence of amyloid deposits in the brain, typical of Alzheimer’s Dementia.

In 1995 Mullinex et al¹⁴ found that newborn rats exposed to fluoride exhibit either ADD/ADHD symptoms, or lethargy, depending on whether they are exposed to fluoride before or following birth.

The Dunedin IQ study by Broadbent et al

In 2014 Broadbent et al published a study based on data collected in the Dunedin Multidisciplinary study. The study claimed there was no difference in IQ between the fluoridated and non-fluoridated children in Dunedin/Mosgiel. However there were 891 children in the fluoridated area and only 99 children in non-fluoridated area. As Dr Broadbent has had to admit, 53 of the so-called non-fluoridated children were actually taking fluoride tablets. Consuming fluoridated tablets gives a child a dose similar to what a child would get from drinking fluoridated water.

Therefore there were only 46 children in the whole study that were not being given extra fluoride. Dr Broadbent’s excuse for not including this figure in his published research was that he was looking at fluoridation rather than fluoride intake. So the most obvious confounding factor was excluded from the study’s results.

The study also fails to allow for what may transpire to be the most important confounding factor. That is the mothers’ fluoride intake and other factors like iodine deficiency as the

¹⁰ <http://www.thelancet.com/journals/lanneur/article/PIIS1474-4422%2813%2970278-3/abstract>

¹¹ <http://www.jisppd.com/article.asp?issn=0970-4388;year=2011;volume=29;issue=2;spage=117;epage=120;aulast=Shivaprakash>

¹² Ke-Ren Shana, Xiao-Lan Qia, Yi-Guo Longb, Agneta Nordbergc and Zhi-Zhong Guan, *Toxicology*, Volume 200, Issues 2-3, 5 August 2004, Pages 169-177

¹³ <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/9518651>

¹⁴ <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/7760776>

most vulnerable period for IQ damage is in the womb. This important aspect was not controlled for either.

9. Increase in Premature Births

Latest research¹⁵ from one of the world's leading fluoride researchers, Dr Shusheela, found that reducing fluoride intake during pregnancy reduces premature birth rates and increases birth weights.

The benefits of avoiding fluoride, while taking iron and Folic Acid supplements, during pregnancy were described as “extraordinary” by the research team. The study showed that fluoride inhibits uptake of iron and Folic Acid supplements, presumably because it is known to damage the intestinal tract, reducing nutrient uptake.

The effect of avoiding fluoride, with or without supplements, was to increase haemoglobin levels, thus reducing anaemia, a major cause of premature and underweight births. Low iron anaemia also increases the risk of brain and thyroid damage to the baby, reflected in lowered IQ and increased neurological disorders shown by other studies since 1995.

State University of New York researchers¹⁶ found that fluoridation causes more premature births, one of the top causes of infant death in the USA. It poses the greatest risk to poor non-white mothers and babies. They used data spanning from 1993 to 2002.

A baby born at least 3 weeks early is classified as premature – accounting for about 12 percent of US births.

To ensure fluoridation was the culprit, and not some other factor, the researchers recorded fluoridation residence status (under or over 1 ppm) and adjusted for age, race/ethnicity, neighbourhood poverty level, hypertension and diabetes.

The data came from the NY Statewide Planning and Research Cooperative System, which collects comprehensive information on patient characteristics and treatment history. The research was conducted within the university's Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics, School of Public Health.

Research in Chile in the 1970s also showed fluoridation caused an increase in infant death rates. Chile stopped fluoridation as a result.

¹⁵ A. K. Susheela, N. K. Mondal, Rashmi Gupta, Kamla Ganesh, Shashikant Brahmkar, Shammi Bhasin and G. Gupta “Effective interventional approach to control anaemia in pregnant women” *Current Science*, Vol. 98, No. 10, 25 May 2010, p1320

¹⁶ presentation made at the 2009 American Public Health Association's annual meeting.

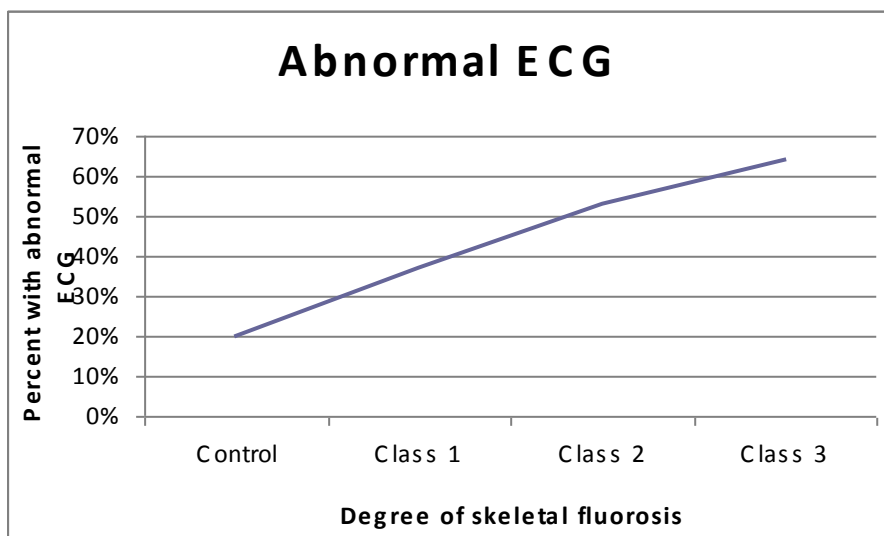
10. Fluoride and Heart Disease.

Research published in January 2012¹⁷ concluded that there was a direct correlation between the fluoride level in arteries, including coronary arteries, and atherosclerosis, such that the scanning for the fluoride level could be used to diagnose the level of disease.

It found a direct relationship between the fluoride level and the patient’s history of heart disease, and concluded that “an increased fluoride uptake in coronary arteries may be associated with an increased cardiovascular risk.”

Research published in February¹⁸ and May¹⁹ 2010 shows fluoride affects the aorta (main artery) and heart in ways that lead to increased heart attacks.

Previous research^{20 21} had shown that the heart beat rate slows, and heart rate abnormalities increase, in direct proportion to increasing fluoride levels. Fluoride accumulates over a period of 20 to 40 years to reach the “Class 1” level (that has this effect), shown in the chart below. Arsenic and fluoride (both high in the water supplies under study) were seen to be able to exert toxic effects independently. Fluoride’s effects were evident at water at levels of 0.2 mg/L or more of fluoride.



¹⁷ Li, Yuxin; Berenji, Gholam R.; Shaba, Wisam F.; Tafti, Bashir; Yevdayev, Ella; Dadparvar, Simin “Association of vascular fluoride uptake with vascular calcification and coronary artery disease” *Nuclear Medicine Communications*: January 2012, Volume 33, Issue 1; p 14–20

¹⁸ Ercan Varol *et al*, *Biological Trace Element Research*, Volume 133, Number 2 / February, 2010

¹⁹ Ercan Varol *et al*, *Science of the Total Environment*, Volume 408, Issue 11, 1 May 2010, Pages 2295-2298

²⁰ Wang *et al*, “Toxicity From Water Containing Arsenic and Fluoride in Xinjiang” *Fluoride* Vol. 30 No. 2 81-84 1997

²¹ Teitz N., *Clinical Chemistry*, W B Saunders, Philadelphia. 1976

In laboratory studies, cultured myocardial cells of mice were adversely affected by fluoride.²² Statistically significant increases in the concentrations of sodium and potassium, and decreases in calcium and phosphorus concentrations were observed in rats given fluoride.²³

While many studies quoted here were conducted in areas with high fluoride levels in drinking water, total fluoride exposure today is at a similar level. Further, since fluoride is a cumulative poison, lower levels of fluoride will have a more subtle long-term effect, thus increasing heart problems – still the number one killer in our society.

Japanese researchers found that children with dental fluorosis have a higher incidence of heart damage than those without fluorosis.²⁴ Chinese researchers showed an increase in abnormal heart rhythm in patients with dental fluorosis.²⁵

It also unquestionably proves that fluoride does accumulate in soft tissue – something fluoridation promoters had always denied emphatically, claiming it all goes to the bones or teeth, and never the soft tissues.

11. Osteosarcoma

Blood-fluoride levels are significantly higher in patients with osteosarcoma (bone cancer), according to research published in *Biological Trace Element Research* (April 2009²⁶). Osteosarcoma patients were compared with those with other types of bone tumours, and patients with musculo-skeletal pain. Those with osteosarcoma specifically showed increased blood-fluoride levels.

The researchers concluded "This report **proves** a link between raised fluoride levels in serum and osteosarcoma," (our emphasis)

2006 – Bassin²⁷ demonstrated that boys, but not girls, exposed to fluoridated water between the ages of 6 and 10 have a 500-700% increased risk of developing osteosarcoma (a usually fatal

²² Qin CD et al "Effect of fluoride on spontaneous electrical activity of cultured myocardial cells" *Chinese Journal of Endemiology* 7, 1988, (5) 270-273

²³ R. J. Verma and D. M. Guna Sherlin "Hypocalcaemia in parental and F₁ generation rats treated with sodium fluoride" *Food and Chemical Toxicology* Volume 40, Issue 4, April 2002, Pages 551-554

²⁴ *The Lancet*, Jan. 28, 1961, p. 197, Tokushima J. *Exper., Med.* 3-50-53, 1956

²⁵ Wang et al, "Toxicity From Water Containing Arsenic and Fluoride in Xinjiang" *Fluoride* Vol. 30 No. 2 81-84 1997

²⁶ Serum Fluoride and Sialic Acid Levels in Osteosarcoma.
Sandhu R, Lal H, Kundu ZS, Kharb S. *Biol Trace Elem Res.* 2009 Apr 24.

²⁷ Age-specific fluoride exposure in drinking water and osteosarcoma (United States).
Bassin EB, Wypij D, Davis RB, Mittleman MA. *Cancer Causes Control.* 2006 May;17(4):421-8.

form of bone cancer) in their teenage years. This confirmed an earlier study by the New Jersey Department of Health²⁸ (1992)

No research has ever contradicted Bassin's findings.

Approximately six NZ teenage males die each year from osteosarcoma. On the weight of evidence, it appears the majority could easily be due to fluoridation. The Ministry of Health is not concerned since they have not seen a cluster of these cancers. However, the fact that being exposed between ages 6 and 8 is the likely risk time and that diagnosis does not occur until late teens no one would expect to find a cluster unless they found out where these boys living when they were younger. Careful research is needed.

12. Accumulation in the pineal gland

In 2001, Luke²⁹ showed that fluoride accumulates in the pineal gland (up to 21,000 ppm). She had previously shown, in 1997, that such accumulation reduces melatonin production by the gland, resulting in earlier onset of puberty. For girls, this increases the risk of breast cancer, as the risk is related to the time period between first menstruation and first pregnancy.

Earlier onset of menstruation in girls was also identified in fluoridated Newburgh compared with non-fluoridated Kingston (by 5 months) in the original 1945-1955 trial³⁰.

Melatonin is also involved in sleep cycles. Disrupted sleep causes reduced immunity to disease.

13. Allergy and Intolerance

It has also been demonstrated that approximately 1 to 3 percent of the population has a chemical intolerance to fluoride. This equates to approximately 527 people in Porirua. A letter to the Kapiti Coast Mayor from an individual so diagnosed by his doctor is attached.

We have also become aware of two Wellington men who have suffered severe chronic fatigue and only recovered once they switched to non-fluoridated Petone water for drinking and cooking. In both of these cases the affect on these men was debilitating and was not recognised by any doctor. See Herald on Sunday for Stephen Hiscock's story.³¹

²⁸ SOURCE: Cohn PD. (1992). A Brief Report On The Association Of Drinking Water Fluoridation And The Incidence of Osteosarcoma Among Young Males. New Jersey Department of Health: Environmental Health Service: 1- 17.

²⁹ J Luke "Fluoride Deposition in the Aged Human Pineal Gland" (2001) 35 *Caries Res* 128.

³⁰ <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC1620388/pdf/amjphnation00373-0054.pdf>

³¹ http://www.nzherald.co.nz/nz/news/article.cfm?c_id=1&objectid=10874527

Auckland man Andreas Sturmbauer was reported in the East & Coast Bays Courier³² on the 9th of April 2014 as suffering from gout and arthritic symptoms whenever he consumed fluoridated water.

Hamilton chemical engineer, Gus Hastie, also shares his story of fluoride intolerance in a Youtube video.³³

How many others in the Council's territory are still suffering as a result of fluoridation?

Individuals in Australia and the USA have been similarly diagnosed, as has one of FANNZ' committee members. Typical symptoms have been documented for over 50 years, including in Hastings residents following fluoridation in 1954, and in Windsor, Canada, even though fluoridation had begun without public knowledge.

14. Dental Health

All large scale studies prove fluoridation is ineffective

Children's cavity rates are similar whether water is fluoridated or not, according to data published in the July 2009 Journal of the American Dental Association by dentist J.V. Kumar³⁴ of the New York State Health Department.

The data was from 30,000 children, first analysed in 1990. Kumar confirms the analysis of John Yiammouyanis, who showed then that there was no benefit from fluoridation. Errors in the official Government analysis at the time incorrectly claimed an 18% reduction in tooth decay from fluoridation; errors Yiammouyanis exposed.

The last large scale study was carried out in Australia in 2004, by Armfield and Spencer³⁵. It showed no difference in dental decay between 12-year-old children who had been receiving fluoridated water, and those who had not. It also found that even mild dental fluorosis caused embarrassment to children and psychological problems equal to that caused by "overbite" and crooked teeth.

The largest study³⁶ ever conducted in the US found no difference in decay rates between fluoridated and non-fluoridated areas.

³² <https://www.facebook.com/photo.php?fbid=856154961068206&set=pb.128729960477380.-2207520000.1397291037.&type=3&theater>

³³ <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1N3731IoYOQ>

³⁴ "The Association Between Enamel Fluorosis and Dental Caries in U.S. Schoolchildren," Kumar & Iida *Journal of the American Dental Association*, July 2009 (Table 1)

³⁵ Consumption of nonpublic water: implications for children's caries experience - Jason M. Armfield and A. John Spencer, *Community Dentistry And Oral Epidemiology* Volume 32 Issue 4 Page 283 - August 2004

³⁶ **Water Fluoridation & Tooth Decay: Results from the 1986-1987 National Survey of US Schoolchildren** *Fluoride: Journal of the International Society for Fluoride Research* April 1990 (Volume 23, Issue 2, Pages 55-67)

Decay rates decline after fluoridation stopped

- "No increase in caries (cavities) was found in Kuopio (Finland) 3 years after the discontinuation of water fluoridation," according to Caries Research³⁷. In fact, when Kuopio was compared to a similar never fluoridated Finnish town, cavity rates in both towns either remained the same or decreased six years after fluoridation was stopped in Kuopio.
- Seven years after fluoridation ended in LaSalud, Cuba, cavities remained low in 6 to 9 year olds, decreased in 10 to 11 year-olds, significantly decreased in 12 to 13 year olds, while caries-free children increased dramatically, reports Caries Research³⁸.
- East German scientists report, "following the cessation of water fluoridation in the cities Chemnitz (formerly Karl-Marx-Stadt) and Plauen, a significant fall in caries prevalence was observed," according to Community Dentistry and Oral Epidemiology³⁹. Additional surveys in the formerly-fluoridated towns of Spremberg and Zittau found. "Caries levels for the 12-year-olds of both towns significantly decreased... following the cessation of water fluoridation."
- Not only did decay rates remain stable during an 11-month fluoridation break in Durham, NC, between September, 1990, and August, 1991 but dental fluorosis declined in children born during that period, according to the Journal of Dental Research.⁴⁰
- In British Columbia, Canada, "the prevalence of caries decreased over time in the fluoridation-ended community while remaining unchanged in the fluoridated community," reported in Community Dentistry and Oral Epidemiology⁴¹.
- In 1973, the Dutch town of Tiel stopped fluoridation. Researchers counted drilled, missing, and filled tooth surfaces (DMFS) of Tiel's 15-year olds, then collected identical data from never-fluoridated Culemborg. DMFS initially increased in Tiel then dipped to 11% of baseline from 1968/69 to 1987/88 while never-fluoridated Culemborg's 15-year-olds had 72% less cavities over the same period, reports Caries Research.⁴²

Dental fluorosis

Dental fluorosis is a defect in tooth enamel caused by fluoride poisoning of the body cells that make the tooth enamel. It appears as discolouration of the tooth, from white flecks to brown or black staining in advanced cases. It is the first sign of fluoride poisoning of children while their

³⁷ Caries trends 1992-1998 in two low-fluoride Finnish towns formerly with and without fluoridation,`` Caries Research, Nov-Dec 2000

³⁸ Caries prevalence after cessation of water fluoridation in LaSalud, Cuba,`` Caries Research Jan-Feb. 2000

³⁹ Decline of caries prevalence after the cessation of water fluoridation in the former East Germany,`` Community Dentistry and Oral Epidemiology, October 2000

⁴⁰ The effects of a break in water fluoridation on the development of dental caries and fluorosis,`` Journal of Dental Research, Feb. 2000

⁴¹ ``Patterns of dental caries following the cessation of water fluoridation,`` Community Dentistry and Oral Epidemiology, February 2001

⁴² Caries experience of 15-year-old children in The Netherlands after discontinuation of water fluoridation,`` Caries Research, 1993

teeth are forming. The US National Research Council's 2006 report identified a number of studies linking dental fluorosis with other more serious adverse health effects.

Three studies have been conducted in NZ since 2004 which found no difference in decay rates between fluoridated and non-fluoridated communities but twice as much dental fluorosis in the fluoridated areas. See NZ Studies below.

A 2006 study⁴³ conducted in Hong Kong records that even small changes in fluoridation levels cause measurable changes in dental fluorosis rates. As levels were dropped from 1ppm to 0.7ppm and then to 0.5ppm, dental fluorosis levels dropped similarly.

Dental fluorosis and bone abnormality and fracture

1993 - Polish pediatricians found abnormal bone changes in 11 to 15 year-olds exhibiting dental fluorosis.⁴⁴

2001 - A Mexican study also links dental fluorosis to increased bone fractures.⁴⁵

2006 - Wrist x-rays reveal that 96% of Tibetan children with dental fluorosis had "developmental skeletal abnormalities" including carpal bone hardening or thickening⁴⁶.

The Ministry of Health continue to claim that dental fluorosis is only cosmetic. But that claim highlights a complete lack of serious thought. If the cells in the tooth have been damaged, then any thinking person would wonder what damage had been done to other parts of the body, particularly the bones.

No benefit to adults.

2007 - A review by Griffin et al,⁴⁷ commissioned by the US Centers for Disease Control, found no reliable research to support the claim that fluoridation benefits adults.

The review was of the existing (unreliable) research; not research itself. Griffin's opening statement is "To date, no systematic reviews have found fluoride to be effective in preventing dental caries in adults."

Echoing the York Review it continues: "There is a clear need for further well designed studies on the effectiveness of fluoride among adults."

⁴³ Association between Developmental Defects of Enamel and Different Concentrations of Fluoride in the Public Water Supply. *Caries Research* 2006;40:481:486

⁴⁴ Chlebna-Sokól D, Czerwinski E, "Bone structure assessment on radiographs of distal radial metaphysis in children with dental fluorosis," *Fluoride*, 1993 26:1, 37-44.

⁴⁵ M Teresa Allarcon-Herrera et al, "Wellwater Fluoride Dental Fluorosis And Bone Fractures In the Guadiana Valley of Mexico" *Fluoride* 2001 Vol.34 No.2 139-149

⁴⁶ Jin Cao, Yan Zhao, Yi Li, Hui Jun Deng, Juan Yi and Jian Wei Liu, "Fluoride levels in various black tea commodities:

⁴⁷ (S O Griffin, E Regnier, P M Griffin, V Huntley (2007) "Effectiveness of Fluoride in Preventing Caries in Adults", *Journal of Dental Research* 86(5): 410 - 415)

15. Promoters agree – Fluoride’s primary benefit is topical

Featherstone has been one of the world’s leading authorities on fluoride and fluoridation.

His 1999 research⁴⁸ published in the Centers for Disease Control’s Morbidity and Mortality 1999 has been a watershed moment for fluoridation as it then became “official” that fluoride does not work by being swallowed.

Fluoridation was based on the theory that fluoride needed to be incorporated into the tooth enamel as a child was growing to make the enamel more resistant to decay.

That theory has now been discredited even by the fluoridation promoters.

Featherstone states “The laboratory and epidemiologic research that has led to the better understanding of how fluoride prevents dental caries indicates that fluoride’s predominant effect is post eruptive and topical” i.e. works when the teeth have come into the mouth so that the fluoride can be applied to the teeth

On page 11 of his study “The concentration of fluoride in ductal saliva, as it is secreted from salivary glands, is low — approximately 0.016 parts per million (ppm) in areas where drinking water is fluoridated and 0.006 ppm in nonfluoridated areas. This concentration of fluoride is not likely to affect cariogenic activity.”

Likewise, as stated above, Dr Whyman, arguably one of New Zealand’s leading fluoridation promoter’s states. “It is generally accepted that the principal caries protective effect from fluoride is topical”.

16. New Zealand studies.

In 2010 the MoH published the findings of the 2009 Oral Health Survey in a publication called *Our Oral Health*. In the publication it states quite clearly "it is important to note that it was not one of the objectives of the 2009 NZOHS to compare the oral health status of people by fluoridation status, and therefore the survey cannot be considered a fluoridation study as such. The following results are for a snapshot in time. As such they do not take into consideration lifetime exposure to fluoridated and non-fluoridated water supplies".

Unfortunately the Ministry of Health and all the District Health Boards are now claiming a 40% reduction in decay rates by citing the figure in this survey. They are also saying there is no difference in decay rates which is contrary to the findings of the proper fluoridation/dental health studies.

The publication goes on to quote four studies to support their claim that water fluoridation reduces dental decay. These were:

⁴⁸ <http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/pdf/tr/rr5014.pdf>

1. Enamel defects and dental caries among Southland children 2005
2. Prevalence of enamel defects and dental caries among 9-year-old Auckland children 2008
3. Enamel defects and dental caries in 9-year-old children living in fluoridated and non-fluoridated areas of Auckland 2009
- 4.. The Wellington-Canterbury study 2004

However, under closer examination, none of these studies did show that fluoridation reduced dental decay and the three that looked, found twice as much dental fluorosis in fluoridated areas.

Enamel defects and dental caries among Southland children⁴⁹

Pg 38 shows that 32% of children living all their life in a fluoridated area had diffuse opacities and 19% of children who had lived either none of their life, or some of their life in a fluoridated area had diffuse opacities.

Summary pg 35 – “The benefits of water fluoridation as a public health measure remain, with children continuously exposed to fluoridated water during their life having half the caries experience of those who have not”.

The Summary is in contrast to the detail on pg 39: “There were no significant differences in deciduous caries prevalence or severity (or in permanent caries prevalence) by sociodemographic characteristics or length of residence in fluoridated areas”.

Actual data on Table V page 40 shows that children who lived continuously in a fluoridated area had, on average, 1.22 DMFS and children who never lived in a fluoridated area had 0.70 DMFS – a difference of 0.52 DMFS i.e half a tooth surface.

Prevalence of enamel defects and dental caries among 9-year-old Auckland children.⁵⁰

Pg. 147: “Children living in fluoridated areas had a higher prevalence of diffuse opacities than their counterparts living in non-fluoridated areas”.

29.1% of children in fluoridated areas had dental fluorosis, compared to 14.7% in non-fluoridated areas.

Pg 149: “While means dmfs scores were lower in fluoridated areas than in non-

⁴⁹ Mackay TD, Thomson WM NZ Dent J. 2005 Jun; 101(2):35-43
<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/1601/08>

⁵⁰ Schluter, Philip J., Kangaratnam, S., Durward, C.S. and Mahood, R. (2008-12)
 New Zealand Dental Journal, 104 4: 145-152. www.espace.library.uq.edu.au/view/UQ:172582

fluoridated areas, no statistically significant difference was observed (due to the higher variability associated with this measure”.

Pg 150: “In addition, no significant association was found between residential fluoridation history and dental caries in the permanent dentition”.

*Enamel defects and dental caries in 9-year-old children living in fluoridated and nonfluoridated areas of Auckland, New Zealand.*⁵¹

RESULTS:

“...After adjustment for covariates, a strong dose-response relationship between diffuse opacity and fluoridation status was found, with children who lived continuously in fluoridated areas being 4.17 times as likely to have diffuse opacities as children who lived continuously in nonfluoridated areas ($P < 0.001$). Conversely, a strong protective dose-response relationship between caries experience and fluoridation status was seen, with children who lived continuously in fluoridated areas being 0.42 times as likely to have dental caries as children who lived continuously in nonfluoridated areas ($P < 0.001$).

CONCLUSIONS:

Reticulated water fluoridation in Auckland reduces the risk of dental caries but increases the risk of diffuse opacities in 9-year-old children. Guidelines and health-promotion strategies that enable children to minimize their risk to diffuse opacities yet reduce their risk of dental caries should be reviewed.

2004 - Wellington-Canterbury study

Lee and Dennison published the “Wellington-Canterbury study”, which claimed to show benefit from fluoridation. However the use of Wellington invalidates the study as Wellington has less decay than any other NZ community, fluoridated or not. The study actually has about 12 critical design flaws, and has never been accepted for publication in an international peer-reviewed journal.

The authors did not use random data, but selected which data they would use, knowing which were from fluoridated or non-fluoridated children. They then destroyed the raw data, so no one can check their analysis. (Note: this was published at the same time as the internationally published Armfield and Spencer study, which showed no benefit).

The Ministry of Health continue to refer to this study as proof that that fluoridation works.

See our site http://www.fannz.org.nz/lee_study.php for full critique of this study.

⁵¹ Kanagaratnam S, Schluter P, Durward C, Mahood R, Mackay T. Community Dent Oral Epidemiol. 2009 Jun;37(3):250-9. doi: 10.1111/j.1600-0528.2009.00465.x. Epub 2009 Mar 19. <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/19302574>

17. The Two Most Significant Scientific Reviews since 1992

The York Review 2000

The review was funded by the UK Health Department, to “prove once and for all that fluoridation is safe and effective”. It was not allowed to examine laboratory studies or medical case histories – only population studies. It limited its study of adverse health effects to cancer, hip fracture, and dental fluorosis.

It examined over 3000 studies – every fluoridation study that could be found. It rejected over 90% as scientifically worthless. The remainder were of only “moderate reliability”. There were no “A Grade” studies.

It found no evidence that fluoridation improved social equity in dental health.

Of the studies on benefit; 1 showed more decay with fluoridation, 10 showed no difference, and 19 claimed widely varying levels of benefit. The review concluded that to quote the numeric average (of 14.7%) as if it were a proved benefit was scientifically invalid due to the poor quality and wide range of results. Nevertheless, this is exactly what fluoridation proponents continue to do.

The Chair made the following comments:

"The review team was surprised that in spite of the large number of studies carried out over several decades there is a dearth of reliable evidence with which to inform policy. Until high quality studies are undertaken...there will continue to be legitimate scientific controversy over the likely effects and costs of water fluoridation".

"The review did not show water fluoridation to be safe. The quality of the research was too poor to establish with confidence whether or not there are potentially important adverse effects in addition to the high levels of fluorosis. The report recommended that more research was needed. The review found water fluoridation to be significantly associated with high levels of dental fluorosis, which was not characterised as just a 'cosmetic issue'."

An article in the British Medical Journal stated that fluoridation promoters continue to misrepresent the York Review findings, and to selectively quote unreliable studies in support of their claims.

US National Research Council (NRC) 2006

A 3 year review by the US National Research Council (NRC) could find no level of fluoride exposure that was safe. The panel comprised 12 respected scientists from a range of disciplines including dentistry and toxicology. It was sponsored by the US Public Health Service's, National Academy of Science.

Its purview was to determine if the maximum contaminant level was safe, so was not designed to look at fluoridation per se, but its comprehensive review of the scientific literature included studies with low levels of fluoride.

The NRC advised that the following groups were at special risk:

- Infants
- Diabetics
- Those on dialysis
- Those with impaired kidney function, including the elderly
- Those with high water consumption, such as outdoor workers and sports people

These ‘high risk’ groups comprised over 40% of the NZ population in the 2006 census. Three of the panel members have since been outspoken in their opposition to fluoridation.

Attachments:

- 1) Report on the British Medical Journal article
- 2) Letter from Chairman of York Review (NZ officials cite the York Review as evidence in support of fluoridation)
- 3) Address by Lord Baldwin, of the advisory committee to the York Review Board
- 4) Excerpts from “Second Thoughts about Fluoride”, *Scientific American*, including statement by the Chair of the National Research Council Review Board.
- 5) Consensus statement on harm to children (summarised).
- 6) South Island data.
- 7) “Fluoride-Gate” article – law suits.
- 8) Dr Kathleen Theissen, NRC Review Panel member, on the applicability of the NRC Review to fluoridation in New Zealand.
- 9) Southampton Council Report 2008 – (summarised).
- 10) League of United Latin American Citizens.
- 11) Christchurch Press article on the “Lift the Lip” programme, reducing tooth decay without fluoridation
- 12) Letter from Kapiti resident with doctor-certified chemical intolerance to fluoride.

1). Government selectively uses unreliable evidence to promote water fluoridation - senior UK doctors state

British Medical Journal, October 5, 2007

In the British Medical Journal, Sir Iain Chalmers, editor of the James Lind Library (set up to help people understand the evidence base of medicine), KK Cheng, professor of epidemiology at Birmingham University, and Dr Trevor Sheldon, professor and pro-vice-chancellor at York University (and Chair of the York Review Board), accuse the government of "one-sided handling of the evidence". They add that "the Department of Health's objectivity is questionable", pointing out that until 2006 it funded the widely reviled British Fluoridation Society, set up in 1969 to politically push for fluoridation.

It should be noted that the NZ Ministry of Health conducts no independent research on fluoridation, and bases its position on that of other pro-fluoridation governments such as the British Government. In fact it sends representatives to meet with such governments to ensure consistent quoting of "supporting" science, and consistent spin in denying opposing science.

In 1999, the Department of Health commissioned a systematic review of the evidence by York University. "The reviewers were surprised by the poor quality of the evidence and the uncertainty surrounding the beneficial and adverse effects," they write.

But the Department of Health used the York findings "selectively", they advise, "to give an over-optimistic assessment of the evidence in favour of fluoridation." The Department commissioned research on the effects of water in which fluoride naturally occurred, but on only 20 people. This, together with the selective use of the York review, formed the basis of the government's safety claims, they say. Even the studies attempting to show benefits to teeth were few and inconsistent. The rate of dental caries caused by tooth decay has dropped substantially both in countries which have added fluoride and those which have not.

Studies on the side-effects of fluoride in water were low-quality and it is hard to estimate how many people would suffer mottled teeth, and not possible to reach conclusions on other alleged harm, such as bladder cancer and bone fracture, they say. "There is no such thing as absolute certainty on safety," they write.

FANNZ' notes: It is important to note that the York Board was instructed only to examine epidemiological (population) studies. The US National Research Council's 3 year Review, published in 2006, examined laboratory studies also, and established risks from fluoridation to a range of population sub-groups (comprising at least 40% of the population in NZ).

In 2007 The Lancet the oldest and highly respected independent medical journal, described fluoride as "an emerging neurotoxin" along with the rocket fuel, perchlorate.

2). Chair of York Review

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In my capacity of chair of the Advisory Group for the systematic review on the effects of water fluoridation recently conducted by the NHS Centre for Reviews and Dissemination the University of York and as its founding director, I am concerned that the results of the review have been widely misrepresented. The review was exceptional in this field in that it was conducted by an independent group to the highest international scientific standards and a summary has been published in the British Medical Journal. It is particularly worrying then that statements which mislead the public about the review's findings have been made in press releases and briefings by the British Dental Association, the British Medical Association, the National Alliance for Equity in Dental Health and the British Fluoridation Society. I should like to correct some of these errors.

1 Whilst there is evidence that water fluoridation is effective at reducing caries, the quality of the studies was generally moderate and the size of the estimated benefit, only of the order of 15%, is far from "massive". (*Editor's note: This is saying the studies were not classified as "reliable" – see 7 below. Also, the studies did not allow for the 1 year delay in tooth eruption caused by fluoridation, giving a false impression of "benefit". The 15% difference equates to 1 person in 2 having 1 less filling.*)

2 The review found water fluoridation to be significantly associated with high levels of dental fluorosis which was not characterised as "just a cosmetic issue".

3 The review did not show water fluoridation to be safe. The quality of the research was too poor to establish with confidence whether or not there are potentially important adverse effects in addition to the high levels of fluorosis. The report recommended that more research was needed.

4 There was little evidence to show that water fluoridation has reduced social inequalities in dental health.

5 The review could come to no conclusion as to the cost-effectiveness of water fluoridation or whether there are different effects between natural or artificial fluoridation.

6 Probably because of the rigour with which this review was conducted, these findings are more cautious and less conclusive than in most previous reviews.

7 The review team was surprised that in spite of the large number of studies carried out over several decades there is a dearth of reliable evidence with which to inform policy. **Until high quality studies are undertaken providing more definite evidence, there will continue to be legitimate scientific controversy over the likely effects and costs of water fluoridation.** (*Emphasis added – Ed*)

(Signed) T.A. Sheldon,
Professor Trevor Sheldon, MSc, MSc, DSc, FMedSci.

3). British Lord Criticizes Dental Authorities for Misinforming Public about York Review

Note: *The following transcript can be accessed at <http://www.parliament.uk/>*

House of Lords Debate on the Queen's Speech:

Earl Baldwin's statement, 13-12-2000.

Earl Baldwin of Bewdley: *6.35 p.m. 13 Dec 2000 : Column 427.....* I turn lastly to the vexed matter of water fluoridation. In the 1999 White Paper, *Saving Lives: Our Healthier Nation*, the Government announced that they were setting in motion an

"up-to-date expert scientific review of fluoride and health".

Possible legislation was foreshadowed. Partly because of the many questions I had tabled on this topic, and the debate in my name in December 1998, I found myself on the advisory board to the review team at the NHS Centre for Reviews and Dissemination at York, in close contact with the scientific process from the summer of 1999 to the publication of the [final report](#) on 6th October this year.

The expectation of the dental and medical authorities, and it is fair to say of the Government also, was that the safety and effectiveness of fluoridation would be confirmed. That expectation was disappointed. In addressing the five principal questions that were asked, the report is studded with phrases such as "limited quantity", "moderate quality", "a small number of studies", "needs further clarification", "surprising to find that little high quality research has been undertaken", "insufficient quality to allow confident statements", "not...enough good quality evidence...to reach conclusions". Important gaps in the evidence base were identified.

I pay tribute to the Government for having agreed to institute a high-quality scientific review--the first and only systematic, that is unbiased, assessment of the evidence in half a century of water fluoridation. I pay tribute to them for now taking steps, through the Medical Research Council, to put some much-needed research in hand, not before time. I cannot, however, pay tribute to the dental lobby in the aftermath of the York report.

I am aware that many of your Lordships have had briefings from the British Dental Association, the British Fluoridation Society and/or the National Association for Equity in Dental Health. I am aware, as we all are, that briefings by professional bodies, including professors of dentistry, carry weight with the public, are likely to be believed and therefore bear a particular responsibility for accuracy. These briefings and press releases are little short of extraordinary.

I have collated four pages of statements culled from these documents, with alongside them for comparison quotations from the text of the report itself. I can give the flavour of them in two or three short examples. I have placed copies in the Library for those who would like to read more.

The British Dental Association says,

"The report confirms that there is clear evidence that fluoridation reduces [decay]";

the report says,

"To have clear confidence in the ability to answer [this] question...the quality of the evidence would need to be higher".

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The British Dental Association says,

"There is no evidence that...fluoridation is linked to cancer, bone disease or any other adverse effect"; and, "The report confirms that fluoridation reduces dental health inequalities";

the report says,

"The research evidence is of insufficient quality to allow confident statements about other potential harms [than dental fluorosis] or whether there is an impact on social inequalities".

The British Fluoridation Society says,

"If there were any adverse effects...it is inconceivable that the York review would have missed them";

the York review says,

"Some possible adverse effects...may take years to develop and so...the relationship may go undetected", and, "High quality research [into adverse effects]...is needed".

One might have thought, if one did not know that fluoridation had been an article of dental faith for fifty years, that this was simply carelessness. Such a thought is dispelled when one finds a wrong figure quoted for seriously mottled teeth, which could only be cited by the author having read, and misinterpreted, some of the very small print.

This is an important public health issue. It is not the Government who are likely to be misled by such inaccurate statements--at least I hope not--so much as local councils, the public and, dare I say it, Members of Parliament, who have even been urged to put down Questions on this false basis. It is essential to put the record straight. Anyone in doubt about the facts should, as always, go to primary sources. The York report is a long one, but the summary and conclusions are only four pages each and are not hard to understand. I would urge any noble Lord who is thinking of tabling Questions not to rely on briefings, whether from dentists or opponents, but to go to the report itself.

Because I am known to oppose the fluoridation of water, I have taken the greatest care to keep in step with the leading scientists at York and to write and say nothing in interpretation of their report which goes beyond the evidence. I have the permission of Professor Sheldon, the founding director of the NHS Centre for Reviews and Dissemination at York, who chaired the advisory

board which oversaw the whole review process, to quote him as follows.

"It is particularly worrying...that statements which mislead the public about the review's findings have been made in press releases and briefings by the British Dental Association, the National Alliance for Equity in Dental Health and the British Fluoridation Society. I should like to correct some of these errors".

He continues:

"1. Whilst there is evidence that water fluoridation is effective at reducing caries, the quality of the studies was generally moderate and the size of the estimated benefit, only of the order of 15%, is far from 'massive'.

"2. The review found water fluoridation to be significantly associated with high levels of dental fluorosis, which was not characterised as just a 'cosmetic issue'.

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"3. The review did not show water fluoridation to be safe. The quality of the research was too poor to establish with confidence whether or not there are potentially important adverse effects in addition to the high levels of fluorosis. The report recommended that more research was needed.

"4. There was little evidence to show that water fluoridation has reduced social inequalities in dental health".

I shall skip most of what follows and just give Professor Sheldon's final point. He states:

"The review team was surprised that in spite of the large number of studies carried out over several decades there is a dearth of reliable evidence with which to inform policy. Until high quality studies are undertaken...there will continue to be legitimate scientific controversy over the likely effects and costs of water fluoridation".

My only questions to the Minister, in the light of the state of the evidence as set out by one of the two principal scientists involved in the review and of these extraordinary briefing papers, are whether the Government still think it appropriate, first, to go on making financial contributions to the British Fluoridation Society, and, secondly, to encourage certain health authorities, as they have said that they would, to consider water fluoridation schemes. The noble Lord would also do me a good turn if he could secure for me a reply from his colleague the Secretary of State to the personal letter I wrote to him on this matter on 5th August, repeated on 7th October, and reminded again on 14th November. With fluoridation, things tend to take a long time.

Lord Colwyn: 8.47 p.m. **Column 459-460** (i.e. much later)

Perhaps I may touch briefly on fluoridation. I am well aware that the noble Earl, Lord Baldwin, will have given an opposite view to mine. The recent York Review has confirmed that fluoridation is safe and effective in reducing levels of tooth decay and is essential in the fight to reduce inequalities in dental health.

4). Excerpts from “**Second Thoughts about Fluoride**”, *Scientific American*, January 2008, pages 74–81

“What the committee found is that we’ve gone with the status quo regarding fluoride for many years—for too long, really—and now we need to take a fresh look. In the scientific community, people tend to think this is settled. I mean, when the U.S. surgeon general comes out and says this is one of the 10 greatest achievements of the 20th century, that’s a hard hurdle to get over. But when we looked at the studies that have been done, we found that many of these questions are unsettled and we have much less information than we should, considering how long this [fluoridation] has been going on. I think that’s why fluoridation is still being challenged so many years after it began.”

John Doull, chairman, National Research Council Review Board (pp80-81)

Page 75: Most fluoridated water contains much less fluoride than the EPA limit, but the situation is worrisome because there is so much uncertainty over how much additional fluoride we ingest from food, beverages and dental products. What is more, the NRC panel noted that fluoride may also trigger more serious health problems, including bone cancer and damage to the brain and thyroid gland. Although these effects are still unproved, the panel argued that they deserve further study.

*Page 75: **TOO MUCH OF A GOOD THING:*** Fluoride is in many foods, beverages and dental products. The ubiquity of the cavity-fighting chemical can result in overconsumption, particularly among young children.

*Page 78: **Scientific attitudes toward fluoridation may be starting to shift in the country where the practice began.***

Page 79: But enamel fluorosis, except in the severest cases, has no health impact beyond lowered self-esteem: the tooth marks are unattractive and do not go away (although there are masking treatments). The much more important question is whether fluoride’s effects extend beyond altering the biochemistry of tooth enamel formation. Says longtime fluoride researcher Pamela DenBesten of the University of California, San Francisco, School of Dentistry: “We certainly can see that fluoride impacts the way proteins interact with mineralized tissue, so what effect is it having elsewhere at the cellular level? Fluoride is very powerful, and it needs to be treated respectfully.”

Page 80: Clashes over the possible neurological effects of fluoride have been just as intense. Phyllis Mullenix, then at the Forsyth Institute in Boston, set off a firestorm in the early 1990s when she reported that experiments on lab rats showed that sodium fluoride can accumulate in brain tissue and affect animal behavior. Prenatal exposures, she reported, correlated with hyperactivity in young rats, especially males, whereas exposures after birth had the opposite effect, turning female rats into what Mullenix later described as “couch potatoes.” Although her research was eventually published in *Neurotoxicology and Teratology*, it was attacked by other scientists who said that her methodology was flawed and that she had used unrealistically high dosages. Since then, however, a series of epidemiological studies in China have associated high fluoride exposures with lower IQ, and research has also suggested a possible mechanism: the formation of aluminum fluoride complexes—small inorganic molecules that mimic the structure

of phosphates and thus influence enzyme activity in the brain. There is also some evidence that the silicofluorides used in water fluoridation may enhance the uptake of lead into the brain.

Page 80: The NRC committee concluded that fluoride can subtly alter endocrine function, especially in the thyroid—the gland that produces hormones regulating growth and metabolism. Although researchers do not know how fluoride consumption can influence the thyroid, the effects appear to be strongly influenced by diet and genetics. Says John Doull, professor emeritus of pharmacology and toxicology at the University of Kansas Medical Center, who chaired the NRC committee: “The thyroid changes do worry me. There are some things there that need to be explored.”

5). Summary of: Scientific Consensus Statement on Environmental Agents Associated with Neurodevelopmental Disorders, November 2007

The consensus statement outlines the current scientific understanding of the links between environmental factors and learning and development disabilities. It was developed by the Collaborative on Health and the Environment's Learning and Developmental Disabilities Initiative.

The statement concludes:

"Given the serious consequences of learning and developmental disabilities, a precautionary approach is warranted to protect the most vulnerable of our society."

Children at heightened risk

The development of the human brain begins in utero. The long and complex development of the brain and nervous system leaves it susceptible to the adverse effects of chemical exposure.

For their body weight, children eat and breathe more than adults, thus a small exposure translates into a big dose.

Even very low doses of some biologically active contaminants can alter gene expression important to learning and developmental function.

Variations in individual susceptibility

Due to genetic variation people differ in susceptibility to exposures. Not identifying and studying susceptible subgroups can result in failure to protect those at high risk.

Children are often more susceptible than adults to the effects of exposure to environmental agents.

Children lacking certain nutrients are more vulnerable to toxicants. For example iron and/or calcium deficiency affects absorption of heavy metals such as lead and manganese. (Fluoridating agents contain significant levels of heavy metals, including lead.

As our testing methods have become more sophisticated, the recognition of individual sensitivity and, in particular, the sensitivity of the developing nervous system to the effects of environmental agents has grown.

Recent biomonitoring studies reveal the range of compounds we are exposed to and that accumulate in our bodies. Experiments with single chemicals can underestimate the effects of these chemicals in mixtures.

Where science meets the roadblock of policy

“[Despite 2000 years of knowledge that lead affected the mind, it] was added to paint and gasoline, removed only following considerable research that confirmed what was already known.”

(Similarly, fluoride’s toxicity has been known since the 1800s, yet promoters still deny this in the face of overwhelming scientific evidence.)

“Lead is probably the most studied of environmental contaminants. Its effects on development and learning are undisputed. Recent research indicates there is no safe level of lead exposure for children. Lead exposure impairs overall intelligence ... and is associated with ADHD, even at minute exposures. Efforts to prevent lead exposure provide an outstanding example of the struggle when science meets policy. The US CDC has not adjusted the blood-lead action level since 1990 despite scientific evidence of behavioural effects well below [this level]” (FANNZ would suggest that fluoridation provides an equally outstanding example, especially in light of the NRC Review findings).

Low dose effects can differ completely from high dose effects

The very low-dose effects of endocrine disruptors cannot be predicted from high dose studies, which contradicts the standard “dose makes the poison” rule of toxicology”. (Dr Albert Schatz identified this some decades ago; that low-dose effects can be quite different from high dose effects and begin to appear only below the level where high-dose toxicity reduces to near zero.)

Fluoride:

“The question is what level of exposure results in harmful effects to children. The primary concern is that multiple routes of exposure, from drinking water, food and dental care products, may result in a high enough cumulative exposure to fluoride to cause developmental effects. It is not clear that the benefits of adding fluoride to drinking water outweigh risks of neurodevelopment or other effects such as dental fluorosis.” It is important to note here that the consensus is that dental fluorosis is considered an adverse effect to be considered against fluoridation within a toxicological analysis; not just cosmetic as proponents claim.

6). 2001 School Dental Services Data for 5-year-olds (South Island):

An official indicator of the oral health status of NZ 5-year-old children is provided within the table prepared by Sunitha Gowda, (Oral Health Promotion – Fluoridation Advocacy) on behalf of the Ministry of Health (MoH). A copy of this table is enclosed. Please note that “year 8” means the same as “12-year-old”.

This table is very helpful in that it compares decay rates with percentage fluoridated and with socio-economic status (SES). It is impossible to find any convincing benefit of fluoridation from this table. It is even more relevant to compare just the South Island areas as the population mix of the South Island is more coherent. Thus:-

(mft = missing decayed filled deciduous teeth)
(MFT = missing decayed filled permanent teeth)
(SES = socio-economic status)

District	Percent of Low SES	Percent Fluoridated	Percent Caries-Free at 5 yrs	Mean mft at 5 yrs	Percent Caries-free at 12 yrs	Mean MFT at 12 yrs
Otago	9	47	60	1.4	39	2.0
Nelson-Marlb.	11	0	50	2.2	51	1.3
Canterbury	15	4	49	1.8	39	1.9
Southland	24	41	48	2.3	29	2.0
West Coast	13	0	40	2.6	38	1.9

This illustration is revealing.. For example:-

- The 2 areas that are highly fluoridated (Otago and Southland) show generally the worst decay results by year 12.
- Otago (fluoridated) shows the best results for 5-year-olds but the worst results for 12-year-olds. Note also that Otago has the lowest percent of children classified as “low socio-economic status”. This data well illustrates the contention that fluoridation temporarily delays decay (by delaying tooth eruption) but that the temporary “benefit” disappears by the time such children become 12-year-olds.
- Nelson-Marlborough area, though totally non-fluoridated and with a slightly poorer socio economic status than Otago, is average in the decay statistics for 5-year-olds, but has the least decay for 12-year-olds.for the whole South Island.
- Even the West Coast, though totally non-fluoridated, has less decay (MFT) in 12-year-olds than for fluoridated areas of Otago and Southland.
- The presentation to Ashburton Council by Drs Williams and Lee that claimed an mft (missing filled teeth) figure for Ashburton 6-year-olds of **5.1** for 2004 and **5.21** for 2005 is simply not credible when compared to the official statistics for 5-year-olds (enclosed) as provided by the Sunitha Gowda table.

7). “Fluoride-Gate” article

The article below on the CDC, "Fluoride-Gate," published on January 15 2008 in the Juneau Empire, Alaska, has been picked up by US Water News. U.S. Water News is a monthly publication mailed throughout the country to water and wastewater treatment professionals and organizations. The San Francisco Chronicle has called U.S. Water News "the 'Wall Street Journal' of water publications."

We do not have the Water News version of this article as it is not available online.

Juneau Empire, January 15, 2008

www.juneauempire.com/stories/011508/opi_20080115024.shtml

Fluoride-Gate, naming names at Centers for Disease Control

DANIEL G. STOCKIN

Americans' distrust of societal institutions continues to grow, and now comes evidence of yet another burgeoning scandal: Fluoride-Gate. A torrent of recent bad news about the safety of fluorides has brought key names to the surface from the murky alphabet soup of players in the fluoride game at EPA, CDC, FDA, NIDCR, USDA, ADA, and AMA. The inevitable questions have begun about who knew what, when, and why was certain information kept quiet.

The first ominous drumbeats started in 2006, when a National Research Council committee recommended that the Environmental Protection Agency lower the allowable amount of fluoride in drinking water - to an unspecified level. As if that wasn't unnerving enough, the committee specifically stated that kidney patients, diabetics, seniors, infants, and outdoor workers were susceptible populations especially vulnerable to harm from fluoride ingestion.

Centers for Disease Control officials strove mightily to dismiss NRC's report as irrelevant, but in August of 2007 CDC's ethics committees received a formal ethics complaint about CDC's activities in promoting fluoridation. The complaint circled the globe via the Internet. A Kentucky attorney began assembling a list of "potentially responsible parties." After having been contacted by angry kidney patients, in September he formally notified the National Kidney Foundation that the organization may be held liable for failure to warn its constituents that kidney patients are particularly susceptible to harm from fluorides. The issue was immediately put on the agenda of the next meeting of the foundation's national board and the foundation's former position statement about fluoridated water has been retracted and the issue is now undergoing review.

The ethics complaint became a hot potato. How would CDC explain why its own data showed blacks to be disproportionately harmed by moderate and severe "dental fluorosis"

teeth damage, yet CDC had not felt it necessary to openly show photos of the conditions to the black community? What would be the response of CDC's Chief of Public Health Practice, Dr. Stephanie Bailey, an African American woman who witnessed the presentation of the complaint? The complaint embarrassingly documented that Bailey had acknowledged earlier that a CDC-funded and nationally distributed public health ethics policy was not being implemented internally by CDC.

Apparently Bailey's concern about public health ethics did not extend to fluoridation. A 2007 Tennessee water agency report describes how the Harpeth Valley Utility District had accidentally introduced so much fluoride into its water that the concentration reached 18 times the amount generally in the water. The report describes how HVUD contacted Bailey, who told the district she believed "there was no health threat to HVUD's customers." This statement would be welcome news to a nervous HVUD, but is highly suspect, since Bailey could not possibly know how much of the tainted water individuals had consumed, the body weight of those who drank it (babies, children, etc), or individuals' prior health status (such as end-stage kidney disease). How could such a remarkably convenient statement come from a physician whose job description calls for her to be the "conscience of public health practice" at CDC?

Instead of having its ethics committee comprised of external ethicists look into the matter, CDC decided that the ethics charges against Director Dr. Julie Louise Gerberding and Oral Health Director William Maas would be handled internally by Dr. James Stephens, who works for Chief Science Officer Dr. Popovic, who reports to Dr. Gerberding. Without addressing many of the specifics in the complaint, Dr. Stephens predictably concluded that he had "found no evidence" that CDC managers had acted inappropriately. But the proverbial holes in the fluoridation dike can no longer be contained. This month's edition of the journal *Scientific American* has an article entitled "Second Thoughts about Fluoride." The cat is out of the bag that the Department of Agriculture has voiced concern about fluoride exposures.

Bailey's job description calls for her to address emerging and cross-cutting issues. Dr. Popovic's job is to ensure timely translation of science into practice by CDC. Citizens, attorneys and political leaders now have these officials' names and job descriptions. They should be the first, but not the only parties brought into court and into congressional hearings. Now that the "Fluoride-Gate" has swung wide open, it's time for names to be named.

8). Dr Kathleen Theissen on NRC Review.

Endorsed by Dr Hardy Limeback, Review Panel member, and former head of Preventative Dentistry, University of Toronto.

“The NRC committee put together a very thorough evaluation of fluoride exposure in the US, much of which would be applicable also for NZ.

The NRC committee said, unanimously, that 4 ppm (4 mg/L) of fluoride is not protective of human health and should be lowered. We did not attempt to provide a recommendation for what a safe level would be. To allow anything resembling a margin of safety, various unofficial estimates of a suitable new standard range from 0-0.4 ppm, depending on several considerations, including how best to handle the question of carcinogenicity.

The NRC committee did not, in any way shape or form, conclude that fluoridation is beneficial or safe.

We did look at several issues that pertain just to fluoridated water, primarily the concerns about silicofluoride usage. There is too much that is not known about the chemistry (water chemistry as well as biochemistry) of silicofluorides to say that they are safe for indiscriminate administration through the water supply.

For some endpoints [showing harm], many or most of the studies already involve fluoridated water [at 0.7 – 1 ppm] (osteosarcoma, Down syndrome, bone fracture).

Although promoters insist that dental fluorosis is not adverse or a health effect, the NRC reviewed at least 8 papers reporting an association between dental fluorosis and an increased risk of several adverse effects.”

9). South Hampshire Council Fluoridation Review Panel

Hampshire County Council
Report of the Water Fluoridation Panel

November 2008

Aim of the Review Panel: To provide an informed, considered opinion to Full Council for debate regarding the suitability of the proposed fluoridation scheme which affects Hampshire residents.

Approach:

- Written evidence was gathered, from national and international sources, regarding the fluoridation issue.
- Key experts and local stakeholders were invited to provide written and oral evidence
- The proposals and how they may impact on the population affected were considered
- The Review Panel weighed up the case and came to a conclusion regarding the suitability/desirability of the scheme

Conclusions:

- **Most significantly the Review Panel has been persuaded not to support the proposal [to fluoridate the water supply] by the lack of robust and reliable scientific evidence produced to support this proposal.**
- **It is clear that scientists and health professionals recognise that there are ‘unknowns’ with regard to the need to understand the effect of fluoride on the body (not just teeth). This work has simply not taken place.**
- **In the absence of scientific evidence of sufficient quality the Review Panel based its evaluation on the findings of the York Review informed by the work of the Nuffield Council on Bioethics.**
- Overall, fluoride (as opposed to fluoridation) does have a beneficial impact on the prevalence of caries and improves oral health. In particular there is wide ranging evidence that the topical (surface) application of fluoride is beneficial (but that ingested fluoride is not particularly effective in controlling decay on all tooth surfaces, such as pits and fissures).
- The Review Panel is not however of the view that the case put forward in the SHA consultation document is convincing in its argument that adding fluoride to drinking water is the only way to improve the oral health of .. communities in
- Southampton City. In particular the Review Panel is concerned that:
 - There is little evidence of suitable quality to support the assertion that this action will reduce health inequalities.
 - Alternatives exist that are less intrusive and coercive.
 - The total exposure to fluoride in the population has not been evaluated and taken into account. The importance of this point has been emphasised by all the authoritative reference documents identified by the Review Panel as well as the WHO.
 - The introduction of fluoride to drinking water will result in some children within the population that have otherwise healthy teeth experiencing fluorosis. The

extent to which this would be severe enough to be of aesthetic concern is disputed in the evidence, but [the number could be significant]

- The balance of benefit and risk has not been presented in accordance with the findings of authoritative reports such as the York Review and MRC.
- Other less coercive interventions are available to achieve the same goals.
- The availability of other interventions and the inconclusive evidence relating to the impact of fluoridation on individual health requires that a precautionary approach be adopted.
- Adding fluoride to drinking water has the potential to result in an increase in moderate to severe fluorosis in the communities affected.
- The plausibility of other serious health impacts [as well as dental fluorosis] from the fluoridation of water reinforces the view of the Review Panel that a precautionary approach is needed until such time as additional research has been done. It is of serious concern that, despite this point being made repeatedly in the literature, credible research is still not available.
- Effective alternatives to adding fluoride to water do exist, with the potential to target those affected rather than the population as a whole.
- Evidence has not been provided to demonstrate that adding fluoride to water at 1ppm equates to individuals receiving an optimal therapeutic dose. Current daily intake of fluoride from other sources may already exceed the equivalent of 1ppm in water.
- Individual exposure will be affected by the addition of fluoride to drinking water at 1ppm as well as other sources.
- The conflicting information about using fluoridated water to reconstitute infant formula reinforces previous conclusions about the need to adopt a precautionary approach.
- There is not sufficient evidence to show how individuals vary in the way in which they retain and excrete fluoride, or the impact that hard or soft water may have on this.
- There is not sufficient evidence to show that artificial fluoride acts in the same way as natural fluoride.
- The conflicting evidence received makes it difficult to determine if there are additional legal issues that need to be taken into account.
- Overall it is not clear what impact the addition of fluoride to the water will have on people living in Hampshire.
- Other options exist for targeting the most vulnerable populations to improve the oral health of children and experience elsewhere has shown these to be effective.
- The goal of eradicating poor oral health, particularly for children who may suffer significant pain and distress, is laudable. The Review Panel would also agree that the most vulnerable in our society should be protected and understands the notion that, in order to achieve the greatest good for the community as a whole, preferences of individuals may be set to one side in some circumstances. However, where the evidence is unclear or equivocal about the impact of an action on individuals or communities, then those individuals and communities should be able to contribute to the discussion about the way forward in an informed and participative manner.

Summary

The Panel considered the York Review the most authoritative review to date. It also referenced the Australian NHMRC Review 2007, as supporting the conclusions of the York Review, and the 2002 UK Medical Research Council Review as confirming continuing uncertainty surrounding fluoridation, in line with the York findings. The Panel also referred to the US National Research Council Review, though in our view gave it inadequate weight, as it is the only authoritative

review on adverse health effects. The lack of emphasis is perhaps due to the Panel mistakenly believing the NRC Review only applied to higher (4ppm) levels than that proposed, and would only become relevant if total fluoride intake were at this level.

On the question of ethics, the Panel considered the report of the Nuffield Council on Bioethics.

It found the British Medical Journal article by Sheldon, Cheng, and Chalmers (October 2007) helpful in identifying discrepancies in the science around fluoridation, providing an update on progress since the York Review, and in identifying issues that need to be considered when assessing fluoridation.

The Panel noted the dangers of being convinced of fluoridation's effectiveness based on personal observations in fluoridated and non-fluoridated areas as this does not allow for consideration of other factors that may be influencing dental health.

The one low point of the Panel's assessment is that the Panel dismisses the Bassin study (on osteosarcoma) on the weight of a hearsay claims by those who have tried to suppress the Bassin study, and are funded by fluoride promoters.

The Panel's report identifies significant reduction in tooth decay (up to 50%) by a number of available means other than fluoridation.

Oral evidence by the Director of the Nuffield Council.

This was the first time the UK Water Act 2003, which required water companies (these are private companies in the UK, unlike NZ) to comply with a request from a Strategic Health Authority (SHA) to fluoridate the water supply, had been used to force fluoridation on a community. The Act required a defined standard of consultation by the SHA, to determine local support, before making such a request, and for the SHA to indemnify the water company against any legal liability resulting from harm to individuals from fluoridation. Consequently, the Council considered it appropriate to conduct as thorough review as possible in the time available to it.

The proposal to fluoridate was based on an average differential of 0.29 dmft in 5 year olds (1.47 national average against 1.76 in Southampton); that is, a theoretical saving of between ¼ and 1/3 of a filling! Figures for 12 year olds were not mentioned.

The Panel relied heavily on the York Review as the most authoritative information available, and noted the continuing misrepresentation of the York Review by the British Fluoridation Society and the Strategic Health Authority (similar to NZ's DHBs).

The Panel received submissions and oral presentations from both promoters and opponents of fluoridation. In particular, the Panel was fortunate in having input from Dr Iain Chalmers, former director of the UK Cochrane Institute for Evidence-based Medicine.

The Panel was concerned at the dismissive attitude of promoters when confronted with real health issues, such as the risk of use of fluoridated water in infant formula. It noted the statement of Dr John Doull, Chair of the US National Research Council Review Panel, that there was much that was still unknown about fluoride's health effects. In fact Panel considered the extent of "known unknowns" was considered the most striking aspect of the debate.

The Panel particularly noted that in relation to the NRC Review, “the dismissive way in which questions related to this research were dealt with by the SHA ... was cavalier and inappropriate”.

Reflecting the practice in Clutha and Central Otago by Public Health South, the Panel expressed concern that the SHA’s public consultation document lack balanced information. It was particularly concerned about reference to old studies considered of such poor quality as to be rejected by the York Review, and that similar concerns had been raised by Lord Edward Baldwin, a member of the York Review Advisory Panel.

The Panel was also concerned that promotional information focused on 5 year olds. It did not include figures for 8, 12, or 15 year olds which, the Panel observed, gave a very different picture. It also omitted discussion of oral health problems not affected by fluoridated water, such as pit and fissure tooth decay.

The Panel noted the increase in total fluoride intake since the early days of fluoridation, when fluoridated water was the primary source of fluoride. It also m It agreed with the noted the Medical Research Council’s acknowledgement that the effects of fluorides are related to total intake, and that there is very little research on health effects from total fluoride exposure. (There is no research at all in NZ). It also noted the York Review’s recommendation that any future study be based on total fluoride exposure; not just the level in the water.

The Panel noted that individual exposure varies significantly from the average, such that some individuals received excessive doses of fluoride in so-called “optimally fluoridated” communities. Indeed, it noted that the term “optimally fluoridated” is meaningless when total exposure is considered.

It noted especially:

- Estimates of the impact of water fluoridation on total exposure to fluoride may otherwise be inaccurate or misleading
- The effects of water fluoridation might be confounded or modified by exposure to fluoride from other sources.

10). League of United Latin American Citizens

WHEREAS, the League of United Latin American Citizens is this nation's oldest and largest Latino organization, founded in Corpus Christi, Texas on February 17, 1929; and

WHEREAS, LULAC throughout its history has committed itself to the principles that Latinos have equal access to opportunities in employment, education, housing and healthcare; and

WHEREAS, LULAC advocates for the well-being of, but not exclusively of, Hispanics throughout our country; and

WHEREAS, safe drinking water is a necessity for life; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of a public water supply is to supply water to the entire community which is composed of people with varying health conditions, in varying stages of life, and of varying economic status; not to forcibly mass medicate the population which is a civil rights violation; and

WHEREAS, fluoridation is mass medication of the public through the public water supply; and

WHEREAS, current science shows that fluoridation chemicals pose increased risk to sensitive subpopulations, including infants, the elderly, diabetics, kidney patients, and people with poor nutritional status; and

WHEREAS, minority communities are more highly impacted by fluorides as they historically experience more diabetes and kidney disease; and

WHEREAS, minorities are disproportionately harmed by fluorides as documented by increased rates of dental fluorosis (disfiguration and discoloration of the teeth); and

WHEREAS, the National Research Council in 2006 established that there are large gaps in the research on fluoride's effects on the whole body; a fact that contradicts previous assurances made by public health officials and by elected officials, that fluorides and fluoridation have been exhaustively researched; and

WHEREAS, a growing number of cities and health professionals have rejected fluoridation based on current science and the recognition of a person's right to choose what goes into his/her body; and

WHEREAS, the CDC now recommends that non-fluoridated water be used for infant formula (if parents want to avoid dental fluorosis – a permanent mottling and staining of teeth), which creates an economic hardship for large numbers of families, minority and otherwise; and

WHEREAS, the League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC), founded in 1929, has historically been a champion of the disenfranchised and a leader in the fight for social and environmental justice; and

WHEREAS, City Council Districts I-6 of San Antonio (predominantly minority districts) voted overwhelmingly that the public water supply should not be contaminated with fluoridation chemicals; and

WHEREAS, the election to fluoridate the water, essentially disenfranchised the right of these minority Districts to safe drinking water for all; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Health and Human Services and the EPA (January 2011) have recently affirmed the NRC Study results that citizens may be ingesting too much fluoride and that the exposure is primarily from drinking water; and

WHEREAS, the proponents of fluoridation promised a safe and effective dental health additive, but the San Antonio Water System's (SAWS) contract for fluoridation chemicals proves a "bait and switch"; as SAWS is adding the toxic waste by-product of the phosphate fertilizer industry, that has no warranty for its safety and effectiveness for any purpose from the supplier (PENCCO, Inc.) or the source (Mosaic Chemical); and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that LULAC commends efforts by organizations that oppose forced mass medication of the public drinking supplies using fluorides that are industrial grade, toxic waste by-products which contain contaminants (arsenic, lead, mercury) which further endanger life; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that LULAC supports efforts by all citizens working to stop forced medication through the public water system because it violates civil rights; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that LULAC opposes the public policy of fluoridation because it fails to meet legislative intent; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that LULAC demands to know why government agencies entrusted with protecting the public health are more protective of the policy of fluoridation than they are of public health.

Approved this 1st day of July 2011.

Margaret Moran
LULAC National President

11. Christchurch Press article on reducing tooth decay in Canterbury without fluoridation.

Publication: CPL Date: 01 Apr 2009 Page: A 5

Headline: Scheme puts hole in cavity numbers; PRESCHOOL DENTAL CHECKS

A campaign to get Canterbury preschoolers to the dental nurse has led to a big drop in the number of toddlers with cavities.

A new report from the Canterbury District Health Board's community dental service shows the number of five-year-olds without cavities has increased 14 per cent over the past nine years.

In 2000, about 50 per cent of five-year-olds had at least one cavity, but only 36 per cent now have holes in their teeth. Nationally, about 50 per cent of five-year-olds have cavities.

The Lift the Lip campaign was launched in 2000 by Pegasus Health family practices and the health board's community dental service. It involves GPs enrolling children into dental services at their 15-month immunization check.

Parents are encouraged to take their children for yearly dental checks until they are five.

The programme was the first of its type in New Zealand and is being copied in other parts of the country.

The clinical director of the dental programme, Dr Martin Lee, said the results were fantastic.

"This is great news for the long-term oral health of our community. If you have crummy teeth as a child, you are usually doomed to crummy teeth for the rest of your life," he said.

"By seeing children when they are very young we can pick up problems early and talk to parents or caregivers about how best to look after young teeth."

The number of preschoolers accessing oral health services had increased from 12,000, or 53 per cent of that population, to 19,500, or 84 per cent, of one to four-year-olds in the district, he said.

"Increased contact with preschoolers and their parents seems to be paying dividends," he said.

First-time mother Marina Rawiri said her son, Kingston, 16 months, had his teeth checked for the first time a month ago. "I started brushing his teeth as soon as he got them. Lots of my family's children have heaps of fillings and I didn't want Kingston to get them," she said.

Rawiri said it was convenient to combine immunisations with dental checks.

Note: Canterbury is non-fluoridated apart from the small township of Methven.

12). Letter to the Kapiti Mayor by a constituent.

The Mayor Jenny Rowan
Kapiti Coast District Council

9/1/2009

Dear Ms Rowan

A local GP specialising in workplace toxins and allergies has recently confirmed that I have a chemical sensitivity to fluoride. My symptoms of intermittent but persistent eczema, troubling digestive disorders, back pain, muscle soreness and more recently severely itching skin are all consistent with chemical sensitivity. They have been intensifying slowly over the past twenty or so years but have abated completely since the cause was identified three months ago and fluoride ingestion avoided. I do not know how badly my health would eventually have become compromised if I had not made the discovery of my chemical sensitivity but I suspect that I would have succumbed to Chronic Fatigue Syndrome or worse.

In urging the KCDC to reconsider the fluoridation of our tap water, I ask you to consider the following points:

It has been shown that 1% of the population is sensitive to fluoride.ⁱ

The population of the Kapiti Coast is roughly 46,500. Therefore 460 plus residents are likely to be having their health compromised by their water supply. Many may be receiving inappropriate or unnecessary medication through incorrect diagnosis of their symptoms, as I had been for some time.ⁱⁱ

Dental and other health authorities claim that the amount of fluoride specified as safe when introduced into the water supply is too small to have any detrimental effects. (This is despite their ready assertion that the dose administered directly modifies the toughest and most durable parts of the human body, the teeth.) However

- Fluoride cannot be removed by conventional filtering
- Fluoride is intensified – not removed – by boiling and cooking
- Therefore fluoride accumulates in every domestic and commercial process of food and beverage preparation
- Some foods and beverages, especially black and green tea, naturally contain high levels of fluoride, which is enhanced when prepared using fluoridated water.
- While the body gets rid of roughly half the fluoride ingested daily, the rest is stored in the skeleton, tissues, organs and brain.
- Fluoride is the most volatile element. It readily combines with other chemicals to form new compounds which may or may not be safe or advisable for human consumption.ⁱⁱⁱ

Health authorities cannot therefore give any meaningful assurances that the exposure to fluoride of the population through lacing of the water supply is without risk for all individuals.^{iv v}

Fluoride persists in sewage, from which it may infiltrate the air, soil and ground water. It is a component of acid rain.^{vi}

Rising levels of obesity, diabetes, cancer, asthma, allergies and chemical sensitivity, including Chronic Fatigue Syndrome, are making many health professionals and the population at large increasingly aware and concerned about the nature and levels of environmental chemical contaminants in the food chain.

Many local authorities are currently changing the chlorination of swimming pools to safer alternative systems. This is because chlorine has a powerful irritant effect on the human mucus membrane and so is linked to asthma and other related conditions. Chlorine is the second most potent and corrosive irritant on the table of elements. The most potent is fluoride.

It is very unlikely that any local authority today would accept the lacing of the public water supply with fluoride on the grounds that a corporate consortium claimed a marginal health benefit, as happened in the US in the 1940's.^{vii}

With respect, KCDC is currently mass medicating the local population with fluoride – a highly toxic and volatile element - without reference to the age, body weight, health status, or the medication regimes of individuals and without their fully informed consent. This is ethically highly questionable.

The issue of the safety as well as the efficacy of fluoridated public water supplies is a controversial one. However, my own experience has shown me that there really are serious, negative health implications for at least a section of the community. Whether or not the ingestion of fluoride significantly protects teeth from decay, tooth decay is a non-life threatening condition and fluoride can readily be obtained and applied topically through toothpaste and gels.

Surely we should err on the side of caution, as do most of the countries of Western Europe. Fluoride is more poisonous than lead and more corrosive than chlorine. Deliberately putting it in the public water supply simply adds unnecessarily to the burden of environmental chemical exposure we daily face.

Yours sincerely

(Name withheld)

ⁱ US Journal of Dental Medicine Oct 1961 Vol 16:110 – 14 year experiment by Feltman and Kosel.

ⁱⁱ US Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, (1993) page 112 statement:

"POPULATIONS THAT ARE UNUSUALLY SUSCEPTIBLE. Existing data indicate that subsets of the population may be unusually susceptible to the effects of fluoride and its compounds. These populations

include the elderly, people with deficiencies of calcium, magnesium and vitamin C, and people with cardiovascular and kidney problems . . . Poor nutrition increases the incidence and severity of dental fluorosis and skeletal fluorosis."

ⁱⁱⁱ Fluorine is the most reactive element. It combines easily with every other element except helium, neon, and argon. It reacts with most compounds, often violently. For example, when mixed with water, it reacts explosively. For these reasons, it must be handled with extreme care in the laboratory

www.chemistryexplained.com

^{iv} "Even supposing that low concentrations are safe, there is no way to control how much fluoride different people consume, as some take in a lot more than others. For example, labourers, athletes, diabetics, and those living in hot or dry regions can all be expected to drink more water, and therefore more fluoride (in fluoridated areas) than others.

F. Exner and G. Waldbott, The American fluoridation experiment, 1957, p. 43.

^v Due to such wide variations in water consumption, it is impossible to scientifically control what dosage of fluoride a person receives via the water supply. U S Federal Register, 12/24/75.

^{vi} Environmental fate Hydrogen fluoride may enter the air during production, use and transportation. The gas dissolves in clouds, fog, rain or snow. This enters the environment as wet acid deposition ('acid rain'). Australian Government Dept of the Environment / Air Toxins & Indoor Air Quality in Australia: Report 2001.

^{vii} "We would not purposely add arsenic to the water supply. And we would not purposely add lead. But we do add fluoride. The fact is that fluoride is more toxic than lead and just slightly less toxic than arsenic."

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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
Write a message to the council	Please consider cyclists in Wellington.
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	After a frighteningly near-miss on the Hutt Rd recently I was vividly reminded of how inadequate our cycling options are. We make them work even when they don't because we don't have better options. But we need safe cyclepaths that all cyclists can use. If we have them, we will use them. Look at what we manage with now - at our peril. Please make cyclepaths in Wellington a priority!
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	<p>I am embarrassed that our great little city is missing the way that so many other cities have used to improve their quality of life.</p> <p>We are being subjected to danger by inactivity and pathetic politics.</p> <p>A great little city needs safe cycling and a Great Harbour Way for locals and tourists.</p> <p>The rest of NZ is moving on!</p>
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	I cycle from Karori to town and back every day. Using the bus lanes as cycle lanes up from Thorndon are great - as long as there are no buses! So how about some cycle lanes? Shared pedestrian/cycle lanes along the waterfront are good (from Bowen St to the Stadium area) but most pedestrians don't realise the path is also a shared cycleway so marking here would help. The light phasing exiting the waterfront to Whitmore St is too short for cycles so needs to change to a longer phase.
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Grace Tualaulelei](#)
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Subject: LTP Submission
Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 2:33:22 p.m.

The biggest immediate concern I have is the commitment WCC made to being a Living Wage council. I am of the belief that the city of Wellington, with its high number of minimum wage jobs in areas that we rely upon, particularly hospitality and labour, is in danger of failing to achieve many of the desired outcomes of the LTP if the quality of life here does not also improve. Wellington City Council voted in principle to become a living wage council. Hundreds of directly employed council workers were lifted to the 2013 living wage of \$18.40. The LTP provides for a living wage for directly employed staff at Wellington Zoo and the Museums Trust but many council workers — like cleaners, security guards, and recycling workers — are on pay rates as low as the minimum wage. Despite economic improvements in NZ, the percentage of minimum wage earners has increased steadily. In 2014, around 4.7% of workers or around 109,000 people were estimated to be receiving the minimum wage, compared to 0.6% of workers or 13,000 individuals in 2006. With the cost of living increasing across the board (food, utilities, housing, etc), these statistics are alarming.

As a publically-funded governing body and local employer, the Council are privileged with the opportunity to demonstrate leadership and a genuine commitment to the betterment of our region by implementing policy to reflect their commitment to a living wage. The purpose of the LTP if simplified, is to forecast future action for the betterment of society. I believe that if the Council is sincere in its intentions for improving our beautiful city, the low earners whom are the frontline staff of the council should be employed by an employer that recognises the cost of living in this city and sets its pay rates accordingly. I doubt there would be opposition by ratepayers to increased spending related to income. Such action would set an example to other employers in the region. The immediate positive effects would be widespread with the potential to affect change in so many of the areas the LTP is targeting.

The Living Wage of \$19.25 is 68 percent of the average hourly earnings in New Zealand at \$28.23. It is a modest income for workers struggling to survive and participate in society.

Much of New Zealanders' recent accumulation of wealth has been due to appreciating house prices. Between June 2011 and June 2014, New Zealand household wealth grew by almost \$170 billion – two thirds of which was due to increased equity in housing. The house price boom has benefited a minority of New Zealanders and it would appear that this minority is becoming smaller by the month. 50% of Wellington residents are renting. Average house sale price in 2014 \$447,200.

The construction of affordable housing in areas such as Karori and Johnsonville would be highly beneficial for the region but only if there is parallel improvement to surrounding features like schools, parks and potential employment.

Statistics New Zealand's household estimates suggest that homeownership rates are gradually falling. SNZ

estimate that the proportion of owner occupied.

Overall, the top 10% of earners receive twice the total income received by the poorest 50% of adult New Zealanders.

The wages of some of the poorest paid workers are not rising as quickly as those of better paid workers,

and they may be rising because of legislation rather than through the market

forces. Welfare beneficiaries – excluding those receiving New Zealand Superannuation – have lost ground as benefit levels are indexed against inflation. Effectively benefits remain at the arbitrary levels determined by the benefit cuts of 1991 creating in effect a class of citizens of around 500,000 people who do not get the benefits of economic growth shared by the remaining four million New Zealanders.

In order to improve our city, it is imperative that we start with improving the well-being of those who inhabit it. Only when we are able to participate in society, can we contribute to and enjoy a city like ours. The city of Melbourne has an entire sub-city network of laneways that have developed over time. Wellington could benefit from similar ventures but it must be done so in a way that does not compromise the city's existing layout. The potential sites for laneway initiatives should be small and isolated, with the potential for development pending success of a pilot space. Expectations need to allow for the staggering of developments to prevent large scale construction with minimal success. Another feature of Melbourne the LTP could benefit from is public transport infrastructure. Cycleways will only improve our city if they are designed and implemented according to the needs of the public, not the wants of the council. Wellington should be more focused on encouraging public transport use through city planning that aims to reduce motor vehicles in the CBD, increases pedestrian spaces and has affordable services. Development of new things is a recurring theme throughout the LTP. Improvement of existing features is more appropriate. Frank Kitts Park has been flagged as one potential target. If changes are to be made, the limited grass space we have on our waterfront needs to be preserved. We are in danger of developing our scenic public spaces into garish man-made eyesores.

The sports facilities are an area where the LTP has potential to negatively impact the city. There are needs that exist which have not been demonstrated. Furthermore, demonstrating a need does not make it a valid one. Yes the city needs adequate recreational facilities with regular maintenance and measures to ensure these grounds are reserved for such activity. Wellingtonians are active people that take great pride in our grounds. The activities they cater to are a vital component in the social engagement of our communities. Wellington however, has a number of exceptional fields and arenas. The council should be focusing on improving the existing facilities in favour of erecting new ones.

The building of arenas is not consistent with ensuring events are successful or frequent. It is the quality of the events and public participation that equal success. Wellington has many beautiful venues that are largely unused and seldom at capacity. I believe this is resultant from low incomes and a lack of funding in the arts.

To deem Wellington the events capital ignores the fact that Auckland with its higher population and subsequent higher incomes, plays host to a vast majority of events in NZ. Offsetting costs requires very clear definition. In attempting to gain support, this statement is deliberately very wide. If the offsets were to be found through cuts to libraries, parks or housing, I would be wholly opposed. I support the want for increased support of the film industry in theory, based on the specific wording of the submission question but the LTP includes a film museum which would be a disservice to the industry, the waterfront and the vast majority of ratepayers. We are fortunate to house some of NZ's most valued Taonga at Te Papa. Wellington also boasts an internationally recognised film industry. Increased funding is most desirable. There is no value gained by the public in the proposed museum. Tourism in NZ has already moved on from Hobbits and such. To erect more buildings on our waterfront would soil our clean green image.

As for the runway, I am opposed to the extension in principle because of the lack of support from airlines. To spend on an extension whose purpose is to allow for larger planes, despite lack of interest from the airlines who offer such services appears void of logic or reason. Ratepayers should not be burdened with contributing to costs that relate to private enterprise.

Limiting rate increases may have a negative effect on fiscal policy but the council in turn, needs to be implementing policy that is not a gross misuse of public funding. Developments pertaining to culture, infrastructure and public spaces in the LTP are a mixture of innovative and misdirected.

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I would also like to make an oral submission

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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Get building - start work on the Island Bay cycleway and look at more quick wins including separated cycleway trials in other locations	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	Although I am not currently living in Wellington, I did so for over ten years. During this time I cycled daily to and from University and work. I feel I am a responsible cyclist. I follow the road rules and don't travel too fast. I only had one fairly serious crash involving a car where the driver was most certainly at fault. When I compare myself to other cyclists I know, only one serious crash in ten years is considered lucky. But, when I think of the number of near misses I had involving cars, I shudder. We know Wellington is not a safe place to cycle but we also know that the number of cyclists is increasing for all number of reasons. Please make proactive changes now.
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

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Write a message to the council	I would love to cycle to work but it is too scary and is so unrelaxing. Please do something and stop the ridiculous faffing and constant stalling. Wellington needs to get its hands on the new cycling fund money from the Government before other cities and towns with less inertia take that money and we lose out!
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	Yes
I would like to volunteer for Generation Zero -Yes	yes

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Write a message to the council	Wellington is good now but with adequate infrastructure it can be awesome. Please back the research and make it a cycle and pedestrian friendly city of the future.
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No
I would like to volunteer for Generation Zero -Yes	yes

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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	<p>I rode daily in Wellington for 5 years, and yes, it is dangerous - too many close calls for my liking! And yes, we really really need decent investment in cycle infrastructure please!</p> <p>Thank you for the work done to date and please please please keep it up and ratchet up the investment and speed of implementation (and ratchet down the speed limits!!)</p> <p>Thanks, Anne</p>
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

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Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

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Date: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 8:15:58 a.m.

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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

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From: [Adam Jang-Jones](#)
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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Get building - start work on the Island Bay cycleway and look at more quick wins including separated cycleway trials in other locations	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	<p>Almost every major city in the world is investing in child-safe bikeways right now. Why?</p> <p>It seems bicycles are seen as a cheap way to tackle intractable problems: cutting traffic, air pollution, urban noise and inactivity. And the key to unlocking these benefits? Bike paths that anyone - even a child - can use safely and conveniently.</p> <p>And the more of a network you build, the more you benefit from economies of scale, right?</p> <p>So build a network of child-safe bikeways. Everyone's doing it; don't get left behind.</p>
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Jenny Visser](#)
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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Get building - start work on the Island Bay cycleway and look at more quick wins including separated cycleway trials in other locations	yes
Write a message to the council	We need to take action now to make Wellington a safer place for cycling and a more sustainable city for all. Continued stalling on projects like the Island Bay Cycle way will result in another generation of Wellingtonians not seeing cycling as a viable (and healthy) means of transport. The council seem happy to commit many millions of dollars to new roads and intersection revisions to save motorists a few seconds on their daily commute but are unwilling to spend even a tiny fraction of that on making cycling more attractive to their citizens. The time to act is now.
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	Yes

Talava Sene

Subject: Ten year plan.Shelly Bay.

From: Barney Scully. [<mailto:windhover@actrix.co.nz>]

Sent: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 10:05 a.m.

To: Marissa Cairncross

Cc: GRP: Councillors

Subject: Ten year plan.Shelly Bay.

Council Property Shelly Bay.

I refer to Council owned property located on the seaward side of Shelly Bay Rd. The slipway, its jetty, the main wharf (now privately owned) and associated buildings were constructed as a base for Naval small craft and also as a facility for the Royal Navy Armament Depot during WWII to meet a contingency which ceased to exist after the cessation of hostilities (1945).

These structures were built with little or no regard for the environment, are unsightly, not well maintained and obstruct the harbour view. Page 4 of Council's Consultation Document suggests we imagine things like a transformed Adelaide Rd and other inner city parts. I suggest to Council it imagines Shelly Bay without these structures thus opening up a magnificent view of Lambton Harbour, the City and its port.

The slipway jetty is covered by a GWRC consent which requires Council to "...undertake remedial works required to maintain it in a good state of repair...". Council fails to meet this requirement. The placement of "Danger-Keep off" notices confirms Council's failure. The slipway has been abandoned and the jetty, obviously beyond economical repair, should be removed. (It should be noted that main wharf also fails to meet consent requirement.)

In May 2009 I expressed to Council my concern for the run down state of Council property at Shelly Bay and received the following response:- "...to get the best use out of the area a holistic approach is required and Council will work closely with adjacent landowner to achieve the best outcome...". An article in "The Wellingtonian" newspaper 25/9/14 contained an item on Council property at Shelly Bay and stated, inter alia, "Council spokesman Clayton Anderson said the Council would not make decisions on the future of its land in isolation of the other property owners." Nothing seems to have changed. How long does this state of affairs go on for?

The Council structures on the seaward side of the road should not be considered to be part of the Shelly Bay development.

Recommendation.

It is recommended that Council get rid of its structures on the seaward side of Shelly Bay Rd including the slipway jetty and also the Guard House at the Southern entrance.

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Cobham Drive Foreshore (Eastern Portion).

(1) Although the airport reclamation was completed by 1959 the Eastern portion of Cobham Drive foreshore remains an environmental disaster and a disgusting mess. In its present state this part of the foreshore;-

(a) is a breeding ground for water rats.(A threat to the Little Blue Penguin).

(b) is a collection area for all kinds of harbour rubbish, some of which (including animal carcasses) come from the Hutt river.

(c) is an attraction to the large Black Backed (Dominican) Gull which scavenge the area and create a hazard for aircraft.

(d) presents a difficult terrain which makes rubbish removal most difficult.

(e) is subject to high seas in Northerly gales which break on the rough topography generating heavy salt spray which flows on to Cobham Drive.

(f) in its disgusting state can be visible to aircraft passengers arriving or departing over the North end runway. (A rubbish dump on our doorstep!)

(2) This part of the foreshore requires a sealed sloping surface which would:-

(a) dissipate the force of high seas and virtually eliminate the salt spray.

(b) enable the rubbish to be raked up and no longer be an attraction to scavenging gulls

(c) no longer provide a habitat for water rats.

(d) present a better image for airport and city.

(3) It is recommended that Council give priority to the enhancement of this part of the foreshore that will address the matters referred to in paragraph (1)

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Talava Sene

Subject: FW: Ten Year Plan. Cobham Drive (& Calabar Road.)

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To: Marissa Cairncross

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Subject: Ten Year Plan. Cobham Drive (& Calabar Road.)

COBHAM DRIVE and CALABAR ROAD.

The provision of safe and adequate facilities for pedestrians and cyclists to cross Cobham Drive (and Calabar Rd) is long overdue. Since 1959 when the airport became operational there has been a significant increase in traffic on Cobham Drive, which is the only viable route to/from the Eastern Suburbs and the airport. The volume continues to increase. Imagine the further increase if the proposed airport extension goes ahead, with the relevant benefits predicted by Council.

Cobham Drive (and Calabar Rd) with double lanes @ 70kph, form a social and physical barrier between the Eastern Suburbs and the Kilbirnie area. What should be a pleasant waterfront area has become a hostile and inhospitable environment to pedestrians and cyclists attempting to cross.

In my submission (#0291) of 16/5/07 to Council's 07/08 DAP I outlined the problems faced by pedestrians and cyclists attempting to cross Cobham Drive. Council's response was that it was a matter for TNZ (now NZTA) who did not at the time have any proposals for any facilities. I considered Council's attitude (to safety of its residents) deplorable. However I was pleased to receive a letter from Derek Fry, Director, City Services and Events re proposed Indoor Community Sports Centre (ICSC) advising that Council was "...absolutely committed to pedestrian safety...".

The Ngauranga to Wellington Airport Corridor Plan adopted (October 2008) by WCC, GWRC and TNZ contained provisions to "improve pedestrian facilities at Troy Street roundabout...". When I sought details of this proposal from WCC I was again advised it was a matter for TNZ. The agreement reached in the Plan seems to be forgotten. I note with interest (Dom/Post 16/9/14) that NZTA agreed to co-fund with Hutt City Council an overbridge for pedestrians and cyclists at the summit of the Wainuimata Hill.

I again raised the matter in Nov 2008 before the Commission considering Council's consent application for the construction of the ICSC at Evans Bay. The Commission acknowledged that there were access difficulties for pedestrians and cyclists, but as these already existed, it advised that appropriate roading authorities should address the matter. (At the hearing, David Dunlop, Principal Transport Planner, Opus International Consultants, also recognised the problem of limited facilities for crossing Cobham Drive.)

I made a further submission (#175) to Council's LTP 2009-19 recommending that Council take the necessary action to ensure that pedestrians and cyclists be provided with safe and adequate means for crossing Cobham Drive.

SUMMARY.

(a) The problems faced by pedestrians and cyclists crossing Cobham Drive are well recognised by all relative authorities.

(b) The Ngauranga to Wellington Airport Corridor Plan agreed to by WCC, GWRC and NZTA (ex TNZ) contained provisions to "improve pedestrian facilities at Troy Street roundabout".

(c) The Commission hearing the Council's consent application for the ICSC recognised the problem and advised that appropriate roading authorities address the matter.

RECOMMENDATION.

It is recommended that Council pursue this matter with NZTA in order to provide safe and adequate means for pedestrians and cyclists to cross Cobham Drive.

Barney Scully

From: [Judith Dennis](#)
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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Get building - start work on the Island Bay cycleway and look at more quick wins including separated cycleway trials in other locations	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	Please let's get on with this! I'm a nervous cyclist, and would be much more inclined to ride if we had the infrastructure to make it safer. Other cities, larger than ours, make commuter cycling a feature - let's just do it!
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No
I would like to volunteer for Generation Zero -Yes	yes

From: [Karen Larsen](#)
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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	<p>I have been commuting to work in the city for the past 7 years and while I absolutely love my daily ride, I do consider it to be the most likely cause of my death or disablement. The current situation leaves absolutely no room for errors in judgement either by myself or other road users.</p> <p>The volume of people on bikes has grown steadily and I am sure more would take up this healthy enriching activity if the roads were safer.</p> <p>It really is the best way to include incidental exercise in your daily life and engage with your surroundings.</p>
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Kevan Scott](#)
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Write a message to the council	<p>The Thorndon Quay-Hutt Road cycle way is one of the busier cycle commuter roads in the country and yet it is a total disgrace and unbelievably dangerous. It is utterly unacceptable that cyclists have to share the cycle way with pedestrians (its dangerous for the pedestrians), there is no control of crossing traffic with poor sight lines, cars park and drive on the cycle way down by the Aotea Quay flyover, the surface is rough, and the whole path is cluttered with dangerous road furniture. As just one example of how dangerous this path is: I had to swerve to avoid a headphone wearing runner who unexpectedly veered into my path and hit one of the many power poles that clutter the path. I separated my shoulder and cracked several ribs. Leading to nearly six months of painful recovery and rehab. Its actually safer to cycle on the Hutt Road than the cycle path - and that is a shocking indictment of total failure by the council to provide a safe environment for all road users. Cyclists are neither pedestrians nor motorists, and we shouldn't be shoe horned into either world.</p>

From: [Kath Tate](#)
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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	PLease make Wellington Streets safer for all cyclists
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Katherine Schmidt](#)
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 Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 7:23:28 p.m.

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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	I have spent the last two years in Toronto as a student. It was much safer to bike there due to the bike lanes. I was excited to move back to New Zealand, and bought a bike once I moved here. I have only ridden it a few times and been yelled at by drivers, dangerously overtaken and seen people being hit! I am really cautious on the road and feel like I cannot bike here. It is pretty embarrassing for the capital of our country to not be embracing alternative modes of transportation like the rest of the world. I would discourage young people from living here (unless of course something changes..) as most of my friends overseas are into cycling.
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No
I would like to volunteer for Generation Zero -Yes	yes

From: [Kim Slattery](#)
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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	I want to feel safe commuting on my bike to work. Also, I see so many near misses at intersections with cars/buses and pedestrians in the city that what will benefit cyclists would benefit pedestrians too eg. lowering the speed limits in the city or just get rid of buses in the city all together and make them go around the city. What about cyclist/pedestrian-only streets in the CBD? Why not do something radical??
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Kimberley O'Sullivan](#)
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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	I want to move back to Wellington, it's a great city, but since we've moved away I've discovered I love biking around with my kiddie seats front and back on the bike with my sons. I just wouldn't feel comfortable biking my kids around Wellington - I'd get myself squashed without them! Please fix the cycling problem and make Wellington an even better city than it already is for active transport.
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Rob King](#)
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Subject: Long Term Plan submission
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Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

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Subject: you can make Wellington a city to be evn more proud of
Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 2:45:10 p.m.

WCC2015 25 Long term Plan submission.

I call on WCC to include in the long term plan as a top priority to :

-commit to complete the journey to becoming a living wage Council and City. I congratulate WCC governors for making the initial step back in June 2013 and ask that you see the Managers and officers of the WCC implement this with urgency and build in the annual adjustment and extension to all who serve the WCC,

- . Commit to implement the living wage for all providers contractor subcontractors for the whole of the workforce including the lowest paid at the airport, the CCO, the Zoo, Zealandia, Museum trust, let alone Professional Property Spotless Cleaning ISS, First contact Security, Spicer landfill, Community centre , pools and sport centres and the recycling operators etc.

I support this because unless we support the low paid and vulnerable, (shift them up the Maslow hierarchy of needs) then there will be no regeneration and real elimination of poverty in this city and the adjoining dormitory communities where the workers live. Inequality is growing and the few rich powerful are doing well at the expense of the majority. Please join with the living wage movement and encourage all Wellington employers likewise . Let make Wellington a living wage city a city to be proud of where extending the lives, the health and safety and enabling for workers better than subsistence income on the basis of Sam Parnell's legacy. Let this become the number one performance indicator and driver for all council activities Make us proud . Lead the way and complete the job, please do not listen to the rich and give priority to business interest.

Our city will be judged by how it deals with the dispossessed and you should plan and govern first and foremost for them

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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Vanessa Rushton](#)
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Write a message to the council	Hey there! Cycling is so great for so many reasons. Wellington is an amazing city but could be totally transformed by a strong cycleway network. It's the way of the future! Please take action, so we can enjoy this in our lifetime. Thanks and good luck! Vanessa
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Todd Krieble](#)
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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	<p>I want Wellington to be a place where people want to live, work and play.</p> <p>The most successful cities understand, on the evidence, that you have to take a supply-side approach to cycling and pedestrian use. Provide it and people will come.</p> <p>Full credit to the council for establishing the advance stop boxes. It was such a cheap and easy way to send a signal about vulnerable road users. Good leadership that will make it easier to take the next steps.</p>

From: [Tomas Kriha](#)
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 Date: Monday, 13 April 2015 6:09:05 p.m.

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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Get building - start work on the Island Bay cycleway and look at more quick wins including separated cycleway trials in other locations	yes
Write a message to the council	<p>It's time we need a network of separated cycle lanes across the city. One group of ratepaying road users has been prioritised ahead of another for far too long.</p> <p>The council needs to make some hard decisions with residents in the inner city or on arterial routes losing street parking but this is the cost of living in a city.</p> <p>Many others (including myself, even in the suburbs) don't have parking outside their house as it's not permitted for safety reasons. Why is cyclists' safety less important?</p> <p>There are also some cheap and easy wins - like a cycle lane up Brooklyn Road, most of which could be done with no loss of parking - which it's hard to understand why they haven't already been implemented.</p>
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

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Wishes to be heard:

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

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Submission

Do you support the broad approach taken in this plan of investing for growth, in addition to providing current levels of service?

- Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

AS LONG as the current council aspire to explore ways to better integrate the economic, social, and environmental dimensions of sustainable development, with a view of better promoting wellington to both it's residents and visitors.

Do you support our plan to limit rates increases to 3.9% on average over ten years to fund investment for growth, as opposed to a 3.1% increase to provide 'business as usual'?

- Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

This ultimately depends on the services provided , currently the perception is that WCC or most NZ councils dont

Should Council take action to improve our international air connections?

- Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

The significance in the long term to a city which is languishing as an ok destination needs to be reversed Currently the majority of Air-travelers visiting NZ would land into Auckland , the benefits of which accrue to the city along the surrounding towns and attractions. The Marlborough Sounds offer a major attraction, as does the Wairarapa Note: It should be noted that the Asian tourists have a different perspective of attractions than the Europeans

Do you think Council should be supporting the tech sector to stimulate it to grow?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Absolutely. if the rates increase included an option to include WiFi access across the city and major tourist spots, it certainly would add to the value.

Do you think Council should be supporting the film industry to enable it to stay local and grow?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Yes, anything that encourages growth , which in turn develops jobs must be positive We are fortunate to have Weta and Sir Peter Jackson..make use of them.

Do you believe Council should support private owners with the strengthening of heritage buildings?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Yes...I dont want to see them pulled down for the sake of a few dollars now

Should Council strengthen its key Civic Square buildings, and offset the cost where possible?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Should Wellington seek to remain the events capital of New Zealand?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

with the proviso that it's current infrastructure, lack of quality accommodation and off course a short airport runway..are not conducive to sustain the title of the events capital

Do you support our plan to provide a new and improved venue for concerts?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

see comments above..

Do you support upgrading sports facilities where need has been demonstrated?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Do you support the development of new tourism experiences to attract new visitors and get them to stay for longer?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

unless the council takes Bold initiatives to improve the current shameful roading (we really are a laughing stock)...why should visitors stay longer...lack of accommodation, difficulty in getting into the city plus an average train service to mention a few negatives. Ultimately, investors require volume of visitors to ensure commercial viability, I doubt we would get general consensus that the current council assists them.

Do you support Council's activities to optimise infrastructure to realise savings and better cope with adverse events?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

see all my notes above

Do you support the Council's transition to the use of smart technology such as parking sensors and LED streetlights?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

have been overseas where such technology seems to work brilliantly...so why not here

Do you support proposed improvements to transport that will allow for safer, faster and more reliable journeys?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly Oppose

Comments

see all comments above..this of course is common sense.

Urban Development

Do you support the Council funding and taking action to regenerate inner-city precincts?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

absolutely. The one comment however is the major lack of pedestrian accountability. Whilst fines are archaic at best, the Council seem to be hell bent in the Blame game against cyclists, motorists and buses, whilst the lack of poor pedestrian habits goes unchallenged. Suggestion, an education campaign to highlight poor habits

Do you support our proposal to improve public spaces such as laneways?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

YES>>.see above

Do you support Council's plan for strengthening suburban town centres including work in Johnsonville, Karori and Tawa?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

YES...

Do you generally agree with the priority projects identified in the Urban Growth Implementation Plan?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose Don't know

Comments

Do you see other matters as priorities?

Comments

Roading...in one word and access to the city

Who we are reaching

You don't have to complete this section but this information helps us to know who we are reaching

(Note: the information you provide is open to public view.)

I am

- Male
 - Female
-

My age is

- under 18 years
 - 18-29 years
 - 30-39 years
 - 40-49 years
 - 50-59 years
 - 60 years and older
-

Have you ever made a submission on a draft annual or long-term plan before?

- Yes
 - No
-

Which of the following best describes you?

- Residential ratepayer
 - Commercial ratepayer
 - Residential and commercial ratepayer
 - I rent
 - Other
-

Which ethnic group do you belong to? (You can tick more than one box)

- New Zealand European
- Māori
- Samoan
- Cook Island
- Tongan
- Niuean
- Chinese
- Indian
- Other (such as Dutch, Japanese, Tokelauan, Somali)

Please state:

Other issues/matters or general comments

From: [Justin Lane](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 4:20:54 p.m.

Name	Justin Lane
Email	Justlane1@gmail.com
Postcode	6023
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Get building - start work on the Island Bay cycleway and look at more quick wins including separated cycleway trials in other locations	yes
Write a message to the council	<p>improving cycle safety has become a priority, with numerous reading completed which have reduced cycle safety, when with limited cost they could have improved it. The recent "aras tunnel" is an example where a major intersection could have been removed to cyclists, motorist's & pedestrian's benefit. Urgent priorities are the CBD - the top of Victoria st, Kent terrace, old Hutt rd. the road to The Hutt is lethal..</p> <p>I do not agree that a lower CBD speed limit will help, the average CBD speed is already very low. The answer is cycle ways and raid design, coordinated with the central government.</p>

From: [Adam rossiter](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Monday, 13 April 2015 11:22:23 p.m.

Name	Adam rossiter
Email	adamrossiter26@hotmail.com
Postcode	6035
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Get building - start work on the Island Bay cycleway and look at more quick wins including separated cycleway trials in other locations	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Pierre Lagace](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 7:51:59 p.m.

Name	Pierre Lagace
Email	plagace@clear.net.nz
Postcode	6037
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Get building - start work on the Island Bay cycleway and look at more quick wins including separated cycleway trials in other locations	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	<p>I cycle to work on a regular basis. Each time I get on my bike though I feel a cold chill of apprehension. Will I make it to work in one piece?</p> <p>I never feel this when I drive my car or walk down the road.</p> <p>Cycling is a very good option for commuting in cities but it needs a coherent infrastructure to make it viable and safe for all riders.</p> <p>Please continue the good work you have accomplished in Wellington and make all arteries accessible and safe for cyclist.</p> <p>Thank you.</p>

From: [Rory Lenihan-Ikin](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Monday, 13 April 2015 4:29:45 p.m.

Name	Rory Lenihan-Ikin
Email	r.lenihanikin@gmail.com
Postcode	6023
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Get building - start work on the Island Bay cycleway and look at more quick wins including separated cycleway trials in other locations	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	I ride a bike from Berhampore to Victoria University daily, and more separated cycleways in the city, in particular the proposed Island Bay one, would make me fee much safer. I have friends who currently drive, and want to ride a bike but feel unsafe on Wellington's roads.
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL 2015-25

LONG TERM PLAN SUBMISSION

I call on Wellington City Council to include in the Long Term Plan as a top priority:

- The commitment to become a living wage council
- The commitment to implement the living wage for the whole council workforce, including the lowest paid workers who are employed through contractors.

I support this because:

In order for Wellington to move forward as a city of happy, empowered people, a social strategy must be put in place to deliver it. A big part of this strategy, is the Living Wage.

Name Rory Lenihan-Ikin
 Signature R. Lenihan-Ikin
 Address 282A Rintoul St, Bevkampara, Wellington
 Phone 0212020979
 Email r.lenihanikin@gmail.com

I wish to make an oral submission

From: [Libby Callander](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 10:48:52 a.m.

Name	Libby Callander
Email	ejcallander@gmail.com
Postcode	6021
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	<p>We all know the benefits - it's not just about people who are already riding, but about giving everybody the choice to get around our city the way that works for them. Make cycling a viable option for everyone to give it a go.</p> <p>Even just replacing short trips with a bike will free up our roads to keep our city moving.</p> <p>The Government is behind this - let's get going and make the most of the funding that is available so that rate payers aren't footing the whole bill.</p> <p>This is an opportunity to show that Wellington is a liveable, future-focused city who recognises that citizens around the world are choosing active transport.</p>
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Chris Little](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Monday, 13 April 2015 7:32:30 p.m.

Name	Chris Little
Email	drcjlittle@hotmail.com
Postcode	6035
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Get building - start work on the Island Bay cycleway and look at more quick wins including separated cycleway trials in other locations	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	If we all did a bit more exercise then we'd all be a lot more healthy. Wellington should be a world leader for cycling not in the dark ages.
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [sofia_robinson](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Monday, 13 April 2015 7:01:44 p.m.

Name	sofia robinson
Email	arohanui12@gmail.com
Postcode	6120
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Get building - start work on the Island Bay cycleway and look at more quick wins including separated cycleway trials in other locations	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Barry Bryant](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 1:31:50 p.m.

Name	Barry Bryant
Email	barry.bryant@gmail.com
Postcode	6035
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Get building - start work on the Island Bay cycleway and look at more quick wins including separated cycleway trials in other locations	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	More people on bikes means more room for cars, less congestion, easier parking, and faster travel times. What's not to like? Not sure why certain councilors are opposed to spending on cycling infrastructure - it benefits everyone.
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Louise Thornley](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 2:05:16 p.m.

Name	Louise Thornley
Email	louise.thornley@gmail.com
Postcode	5034
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Get building - start work on the Island Bay cycleway and look at more quick wins including separated cycleway trials in other locations	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Ric](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: submission against the airport extension
Date: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 12:09:59 p.m.

The powers that be have conned the sheep into the worst option (evans Bay) into getting them to compromise on the Southern extension .Who is the big winner out of this exercise it would have to be Infritel who ,when it suits them will dump the airport for a profit leaving the ratepayer to clean up the mess.\$1.5 billion benefit over 40 years (as quoted by the NZ Herald last week) is peanuts when dividing it it would barely pay for the % bill assuming there would be no repeats of the 80,s % rates then "we" would really be in the SHIT.To top it off an earthquake might put the airport where it used to be under the sea .All These consultants must be laughing all the way to the bank .Its bad enough getting woken up at 6.30 every mng and you want bigger jets .GREED is a nasty word and this deal stinks of it Regards ric wilkinson 172 Akaroa Drive ,Maupuia,Wellington

From: [kylie march](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Monday, 13 April 2015 5:48:41 p.m.

Name	kylie march
Email	marchkylie@gmail.com
Postcode	6011
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Get building - start work on the Island Bay cycleway and look at more quick wins including separated cycleway trials in other locations	yes
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Karla Reeve](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 7:50:21 a.m.

Name	Karla Reeve
Email	karla.reeve@gmail.com
Postcode	6037
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Get building - start work on the Island Bay cycleway and look at more quick wins including separated cycleway trials in other locations	yes
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Warwick Marshall](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Monday, 13 April 2015 4:21:57 p.m.

Name	Warwick Marshall
Email	warwickm67@gmail.com
Postcode	3600
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Get building - start work on the Island Bay cycleway and look at more quick wins including separated cycleway trials in other locations	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	<p>As like every major City & Town in this country of New Zealand. No longer is it hip...to belong to the Old School of Driving a motor Vehicle with in-activity sitting stationary for the duration of your journey to either home or work. Destroying our backyards with Oil pollution, spillage, environmental impact.</p> <p>People want change: A sense of belonging, of want, to be sociable, to communicate, to receive a smile, meet people & feel happy, fit, rejuvenated. But the biggest is to feel safe & protected, plus separated from other forms of transportation like Heavy Trucks, Motor Cars when riding a bicycle. That is why it is imperative that funding & support for Separate Cycle Ways be undertaken. The benefits for your communities will be immense. One would look towards Paeroa, Karangahake Cycle Way and the Hundreds of Thousands who have just passed through over this Easter Weekend. Good Luck.</p> <p>Warwick Marshall www.facebook.com/groups/cycleactionpaeroacap</p>
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [John Rankin](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 11:47:49 a.m.

Name	John Rankin
Email	john.rankin@affinity.co.nz
Postcode	6011
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Get building - start work on the Island Bay cycleway and look at more quick wins including separated cycleway trials in other locations	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	The quickest and least cost way to alleviate congestion in Wellington is to promote cycling as a safe and convenient way to commute to and from people's places of work or study. Building separated cycleways along high traffic commuter routes would give people the freedom to choose their preferred mode. Council may also wish to consider some form of reward scheme to incentivise cycling commuters, such as earning credits for use on public transport.
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Joe McCarter](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Monday, 13 April 2015 9:21:59 p.m.

Name	Joe McCarter
Email	joe.mccarter@gmail.com
Postcode	6021
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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	Dear Council, It is ludicrous that my family and friends, mayor and boss, not to mention my partner, risk their lives every day to get to work on a bike. Please help.
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

SUBMISSION ON LONG TERM PLAN (LTP) 2015-2025

To: Wellington City Council

From: Richard Randerson, 13 Matai Rd, Hataitai, Wellington 6021.

Contact: Tel 04 9766050 randersonjr@paradise.net.nz

Date: 15 April 2015

Submission Hearing: *I would like to speak at a submission hearing*

I am a Hataitai residential ratepayer who over the last two years has raised concerns about the proposal to extend the airport runway. I am co-Chair of the Guardians of the Bays Inc but write as an individual. The Guardians are submitting their own proposal on this topic. There are some worthwhile proposals in the Consultation Document (CD), but my concerns are:

Flawed Consultation Process: Many of the questions in the CD ask for generalised and overall support and are non-specific as to particular proposals. Examples:

1. Survey Question 1 asks about support for the 'broad approach' of the LTP. There is much to support, but broad support could be read as carte blanche for everything listed.
2. Likewise Survey Question 2 about rate rises is non-specific about project allocation
3. Survey question 2 also poses a false antithesis between growth and 'business as usual'. Many would favour growth without wanting to give indiscriminate support to everything on the table. And 'business as usual' could be easily seen as 'stagnation' and hence not be a legitimate alternative in the question.
4. Survey Question 3 asks about support for 'improved international air connections'. ***This is not the same question as*** support for a runway extension. One could answer Yes to the former without supporting the latter as the sole means for achieving improved air links.
5. On the extension, the Council's current online survey is showing a low 56% support as compared with 80-95% for other projects. The online survey shows 41% rating the runway extension as 'low priority'.
6. The CD asks residents to give their support to a runway extension ***in advance of the public tabling of a Business Plan (BP)***. The LTP consultation process concludes before the BP is made public as part of the Resource Consent process. At a recent Eastern Suburbs community meeting I asked the Mayor if ratepayers would be consulted on the runway extension ***after publication of the BP***. She replied that it was 'the Council's aim' to do so but was unable to guarantee this. We are being asked to support something while being totally in the dark about critical facts.
7. Residents are also totally in the dark about likely cost over-runs which would turn a '\$300m' project into something vastly more expensive, a cost likely to be shouldered by whom?

8. The Mayor's membership of both WCC and WIAL is, in the eyes of many, a compromised position.

Recommendations to Council

That before any support be given for the proposal to extend the airport runway:

9. A fully costed and specific proposal be made public and ratepayers invited to respond once in full possession of the relevant information
10. The specific percentage impact on rates of the runway proposal itself be made known (ie will increase rates by x% annually for x years)
11. The total of **committed** funding for the project be made known, and the extent of any shortfall indicated
12. Council provides for ratepayers a statement of which airlines have indicated a commitment, and not just expressed interest, to fly long-haul to/from Wellington should an extended runway be built
13. Council develop a set of minimum criteria to be met before supporting the project eg. required percentage of committed funding, required number of committed airline flights
14. The question of cost over-runs and who will pay be addressed before the project receives support, noting that once started the project cannot be abandoned.
15. An independent peer review of the Business Case be sought, funded by Council with the choice of reviewer to be decided by a joint Council/ratepayers body
16. That the Mayor recognise that her primary responsibility is to Wellington ratepayers and hence stands down from WIAL Board participation during the period of decision-making.

Conclusion

The LTP consultation process asks for **general** support for a **generalised** line-up of projects with a **generalised** indication of estimated rate increases. It further asks ratepayers to give their support in advance of full provision of the costs and related factors.

My submission is that ratepayers should receive a **specific** statement of the **specific** costs of the runway extension proposal and a **specific** question asked as to whether or not they support the project once in full possession of the facts.

This project is far too big to be just rolled in, and hence hidden, under a generalised package of a diverse set of ideas for the coming decade.

Richard Randerson
15 April 2015

From: [Tania Mead](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 6:21:56 a.m.

Name	Tania Mead
Email	tania.sawicki.mead@gmail.com
Postcode	6047
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Amrish Ram](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 4:12:49 p.m.

Name	Amrish Ram
Email	amrishram@hotmail.com
Postcode	1041
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No
I would like to volunteer for Generation Zero -Yes	yes

From: [Rachel Prosser](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 3:17:57 p.m.

Name	Rachel Prosser
Email	rachel@prosser.co.nz
Postcode	6011
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Get building - start work on the Island Bay cycleway and look at more quick wins including separated cycleway trials in other locations	yes
Write a message to the council	It's crazy that the easiest cycle route - the Hutt Road - is so dangerous to cyclists that it's safer to cycle in Motorway traffic. It's great having cycling on Oriental Parade - we need more of that!
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No



Methodist Church Te Haahi Weteriana - Public Issues Network

SUBMISSION: WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL LONG TERM PLAN RE THE LIVING WAGE. APRIL 2015

Contact:

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Tena Koutou - Greetings

This is a submission on the Wellington City Council Long term Plan.

Methodist Public Questions is a network of the Methodist Church, Te Hāhi Weteriana o Aotearoa. The church has outreach contact with approximately 200,000 people, and a Public Issues network of about 500 people engaged with public issues.

Members of the church are made up of the constitutive Partnership of the Methodist Church: Te Taha Maori and Tauwi. Tauwi is comprised of Sinoti Samoa, Vahefonua Tonga, Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma e Nui Siladi and Pakeha. There are ecumenical groups associated with the Network as well.

Public Issues Network, Methodist Church, Te Hāhi Weteriana o Aotearoa

Submission to the Wellington City Council Draft Long Term Plan 2015/2025

Our Submission

We welcome the opportunity to submit on the Wellington City Council (WCC) Long term Plan 2015-25 and fully endorse the decision made in 2013 for WCC to become a Living Wage employer and for the entire Council workforce, including directly-employed workers and those employed through CCOs and contractors, to be paid a Living Wage.

Summary Recommendations:

- Include commitment to staged and full implementation of Living Wage in the Long Term Plan, paying all staff the living wage, including directly-employed staff, and those employed in CCOs and by contractors
- Direct CCOs to report on how they will move their staff to the living wage
- Investigate implementation of Living Wage in contracts, including this as a requirement for tenders for services delivered on a regular and ongoing basis

Public Issues, Methodist Churches

Methodist parishes throughout New Zealand are actively supporting the Living Wage, and churches have made a significant contribution to the work with Wellington City Council to adopt a Living Wage policy. We are proud of the support from Wellington City Councillors for this decision.

WCC's decision to become a Living Wage employer needs to be inserted into the WCC Long Term Plan to 2025 with a strategy for implementation. Staged implementation could include making the Living wage a requirement of contracts when they come up for renewal.

Living Wage is a social investment, which is presently missing from the Long term Plan. It is a significant expression of **improving the quality of life for Wellington's citizens and** addressing inequality in our people-centred, smart capital of Aotearoa New Zealand.

Send to: LongTermPlan@wcc.govt.nz

Oral submission

Wesley Church and Public Issues, as a member of Living Wage Wellington, would like to speak to our submission.

Contact

Betsan Martin

021 388 337

betsan@response.org.nz

Introduction

The Public Issues Network of the Methodist Church actively supports the Living Wage movement in Wellington and different parts of the country. We welcome the opportunity to join with Living Wage Wellington and other churches and organizations in making a submission on the Wellington City Council Long Term Plan 2015/2025.

The Methodist Church is committed to addressing poverty and inequality by lifting low wages. The Public Issues Network works with Living Wage Wellington (as part of LWMANZ) to bring together a wide range of faith and community organisations and unions which represent people in Wellington and live outside the city.

We strongly support the Council's commitment to become a living wage council and commitment in principle to pay the Living Wage to all council staff, including those employed in CCOs and by contractors.

Wellington City Council and Living Wage

We are very pleased that nearly 500 council workers have been lifted to the 2013 New Zealand (NZ) living wage rate, including low-paid parking wardens. The Long Term Plan makes provision for a living wage for directly employed staff at Wellington Zoo and Museums Trust.

The implementation of the living wage for the whole council workforce, including those employed in Council Controlled Organisations (CCOs) and via contractors, was strongly supported **in last year's** 2014 Annual Plan community consultation.

The 10 year plan is the ideal strategic opportunity to build the Living Wage into the strategic plan of Wellington City Council. We recognize the strategic importance of staged implementation of the Living Wage.

Currently there are council workers, cleaners, security guards, and recycling workers, on the minimum wage of \$14.75.

Social Investment

The LTP emphasises the city's "strong financial position".¹ We would like to emphasise the importance of social investment. Infrastructure investment plans are a strong feature of the Long Term Plan, many of which we are not able to comment on here. The Living Wage is an exemplary investment as it has positive outcomes for employers and families. **Many Wellington workers, including those in the Council's own workforce, need better wages to meet living and accommodation costs.** Sixty percent of those in poverty are in low paid employment. Adequate incomes give workers resilience and ability to participate in the city and in their communities.

The relationship between wages and well-being is well documented. Health, education, and social participation all improve when wages are lifted.

Incomes in the Wellington region are higher than the national average. It is appropriate that Wellington City as a public sector employer should set a target to lift the lowest quartile of wages in the LTP as a specific strategy to reduce inequality.

The living wage commitment should be expanded and included in the Social Outcomes section of the Plan, which currently contains no people-focused outcomes.

The living wage is briefly mentioned under the “invest for growth” section of the draft Plan there is provision for a living wage for directly-employed staff at Wellington Zoo and Museums Trust.

Business Case for the Living Wage

A living wage benefits businesses by reducing costs of turnover, improving morale and motivation of workers, and enhancing public image and reputation and can encourage more competitive industry.

Most of the lowest-paid workers in the Council workforce are employed in WCC-contracted and sub-contracted organisations, with the cleaners, catering workers, security and recycling workers paid not much more than the minimum wage of \$14.75 an hour.

Living Wage Wellington has estimated the cost of implementing the living wage across all employees in the Council workforce employed via contracted employees at around \$700,000. This is a very modest expense compared to \$300 million for airport extension, \$10 million for the Peace and Conflict Museum and \$4 million per year for the Convention Centre.

Wellington City Council’s annual operating expenditure 2015-16 has been budgeted at \$318 million. Implementation of the Living Wage represents 0.22% of this total operational cost.

Personnel costs are almost \$100 million per year, and a living wage for the Council workforce employed via contractors is around 0.7% of this. It will cost less than **a cent a day per resident** to implement a living wage.

Decent wages makes business sense in both public and private sectors. Research in the UKⁱⁱ in 2012 reported that a living wage:

- Supports recruitment and retention of staff, saving employers the costs of turnover
- Lowers the rates of absenteeism and sick leave
- Suggests enhanced productivity, through higher quality work by employees
- Boosts morale and motivation
- Improves public image and reputation of businesses
- Promotes competition by wage repression as a competitive edge

Living Wage Wellington’s submission is that the cost of implementing the Living Wage can be met by a range of measures, including from the Council’s current total wage budget and through negotiation with the relevant contractors. Any cost to ratepayers will be staged as contracts come up for renegotiation.

Paying staff a living wage will ensure they can participate in the life of the city and have access to recreational and community facilities. A prosperous economic environment depends on people having spending power to support local business.

Inequality in Wellington

The *Genuine Progress Indicators* work of Wellington Regional Council was updated in November 2014 and reports that the “P80/P20 ratio of equivalised gross weekly household income for the region is consistently higher than that for New Zealand”. The report states that the degree of income inequality in the region increased between 2001 – 2013, concluding: “This high and increasing level of income inequality is expected to have implications for the overall wellbeing of the people living in the region”.ⁱⁱⁱ

The Wellington City Council CEO has a salary package of over \$400,000 per year (nearly 10 times the living wage). According to the WCC 2014 Annual Report^{iv} three staff earn more than \$300,000 and 19 staff earn more than \$180,000 per year. This is around \$4.5 million per year for 19 people.

Implementing a living wage for all the council workforce employed by contractors would cost a mere 15% of those total salary packages and could be financed out of restructuring those packages as the living wage is phased in.

A cap on high pay in the Council could be introduced over the next three years, and the introduction of a maximum 8:1 ratio of highest to lowest paid over the next 5-10 years (which would mean a highest pay rate of about \$320,000 based on the current \$19.25 living wage rate as an official minimum).

Recommendations

The commitment to the living wage and extending the living wage to those employed in CCOs and by contractors has been strongly supported in the 2014 Annual Plan consultation.

Public Issues joins Living Wage Wellington in making the following recommendations for Long Term Plan:

- Include a **statement of Council’s commitment** to the principle of becoming a Living Wage employer, in the Long Term Plan, paying all staff the living wage, including directly-employed staff, and those employed in CCOs and by contractors
- Direct CCOs to report on how they will move their staff to the living wage
- Investigate the best way to ensure council workers employed through contractors are paid the living wage
- Implement the living wage for those employed by contractors as tenders are sought for services delivered on a regular and ongoing basis
- Consult with relevant parties, including Living Wage Wellington, throughout the planning and implementation process.

In Conclusion, this submission strongly affirms support for Wellington City Council following through on its commitment to fully implement the Living Wage in Wellington.

Yours faithfully



Betsan Martin
On behalf of Public Issues, Wellington

ⁱ Page 10, Our 10-year plan
ⁱⁱ The costs and benefits of the London living wage, October 2012, Jane Wills and Brian Linneker, School of Geography, Queen Mary University of London



ⁱⁱⁱ *Genuine Progress Indicators*, Wellington Regional Council <http://www.gpiwellingtonregion.govt.nz/assets/WR-GPI2001-2013.pdf> (Full Report) <http://www.gpiwellingtonregion.govt.nz/outcomes/economic/prosperous-community/income-inequality/#indicators> (Summary Graph)

^{iv} Page 198, Wellington City Council 2013-14 Annual Report <http://ar2013.publications.wellington.govt.nz/uploads/WCC-2013-14-Annual-Report.pdf>

From: [Gemma Potaka](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 9:09:42 p.m.

Name	Gemma Potaka
Email	gemmajo.nz@gmail.com
Postcode	6012
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Get building - start work on the Island Bay cycleway and look at more quick wins including separated cycleway trials in other locations	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	Let's make Wellington a place where people are excited to get on their bikes
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Sonja Mitchell](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 7:07:42 p.m.

Name	Sonja Mitchell
Email	dearestsonja@gmail.com
Postcode	6012
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	<p>Cycling is fun and pure freedom.</p> <p>Cars clog the city.</p> <p>Get cracking please!</p>
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	Yes

From: [Emma Mossman](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 10:34:18 p.m.

Name	Emma Mossman
Email	Eamossman@hotmail.com
Postcode	6011
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	Stop faffing around before my dad gets hurt. He's a neurologist so if h gets a head injury on his bike, who will treat all the other cyclists with head injuries from the dangerous road conditions ?
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Stuart Mossman](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 9:27:30 p.m.

Name	Stuart Mossman
Email	Stuart@Mossman.net.nz
Postcode	5013
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	Wellington is an iconic sitting in New Zealand. Is regarded as innervating. It has a potential to become a greater New Zealand city and the little Europe of New Zealand by adopting a radical community cycling system. It takes bravery stop please go ahead
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Paul Neason](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 8:41:03 a.m.

Name	Paul Neason
Email	paul.neason@gmail.com
Postcode	6021
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Nick Laurence](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 2:47:17 p.m.

Name	Nick Laurence
Email	nicklaurence318@gmail.com
Postcode	6011
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	To make Wellington a 21st Century City
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No
I would like to volunteer for Generation Zero -Yes	yes

From: [Nigel Welch](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 2:29:00 p.m.

Name	Nigel Welch
Email	nigelandhelen@paradise.net.nz
Postcode	6021
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Get building - start work on the Island Bay cycleway and look at more quick wins including separated cycleway trials in other locations	yes
Write a message to the council	Cycling is a valid alternative for commuting and general transport. Money spent on making cycling safer and more desirable will in the long term improve the city and make it a better place for everyone living here, fitter and healthier people and less congested. Lets make Wellington a lifestyle city, not just another Auckland
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Michael Nyland](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 7:18:26 a.m.

Name	Michael Nyland
Email	mikedn@gmail.com
Postcode	6011
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	I use only bicycles to transport myself and my family around Wellington. Pedestrians don't seem to like cyclists and other road users don't seem to like cyclists either. I believe this is because of a lack of cycling infrastructure and education. The green strips already installed make a big difference but drivers and cyclists seem unsure how to use them and what they are for. At the moment our city is set up to run, pedestrians-parked cars-cyclists-driving vehicles. Let's try to adopt the much better system of pedestrians-cyclists-parked cars-driving vehicles.
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Charles O'Donnell](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Monday, 13 April 2015 3:53:21 p.m.

Name	Charles O'Donnell
Email	charlio@paradise.net.nz
Postcode	5018
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
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Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Diana Pedlow](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 9:34:44 p.m.

Name	Diana Pedlow
Email	diana.pedlow@gmail.com
Postcode	6035
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
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I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	Some of the things currently called cycle lanes are more dangerous than being on the road. I ride to the CBD 4 days a week along Hutt Road "cycle way" and every day is an obstacle course with parked cars (on the cycle way!), power poles, pot holes, driveways and pedestrians, and the stupid bus stop just near Guthrie Bowron exactly where the cycle way joins thorndon quay. I have had numerous near misses on that route and my husband badly injured when he was squeezed by a drifting pedestrian into one of the power poles. There is so much more that can be done in our city to improve the safety for both cyclists and pedestrians. We should be doing all we can to encourage more walking and cycling. It is good for health and for reducing traffic congestion. What's the hold up to progress in this area?
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Daniel Pemberton](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 3:23:48 a.m.

Name	Daniel Pemberton
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Postcode	7010
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Get building - start work on the Island Bay cycleway and look at more quick wins including separated cycleway trials in other locations	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Philip Wallace](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2015 2:17:10 p.m.

Name	Philip Wallace
Email	philip.wallace@actrix.co.nz
Postcode	6021
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
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Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	No

From: [Peter Galvin](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 1:58:06 p.m.

Name	Peter Galvin
Email	peter@galvinmcleod.co.nz
Postcode	6023
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Commit the funds - support the cycle network plan and the next 10 year funding proposal	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Get building - start work on the Island Bay cycleway and look at more quick wins including separated cycleway trials in other locations	yes
I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone	yes
Write a message to the council	I've been cycling to and from work from Island Bay for over 15 years and have lost count of the near misses I've had, in addition to the two times I've been hit by a car. The current cycle lanes are not a long term answer; in fact the most challenging part of my ride is being hyper aware of motorists opening their doors into them. Island Bay is a no-brainer for an improved cycle way so please get started and develop the bigger plan concurrently
Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person?	Yes

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Wishes to be heard:

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

Correspondence to:

- Submitter
 Agent
 Both

Submission

Do you support the broad approach taken in this plan of investing for growth, in addition to providing current levels of service?

- Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Generally I like the ideas and believe we need most of them, however they do feel like an eclectic body of tactical splutters than a cohesive plan that can be tied back to a compelling and unique vision for the city from which more initiatives can be planned by both local governmental and the private sector. And it feels like we're actually missing the biggest idea of them all; the idea to generate revenue to pay for the 10 ideas; i.e.; more businesses and their respective employees = residents. Film is great but Film relies heavily on two or three individuals and their credentials in a very volatile industry under increasing competition from Chinese production houses. Wellington maybe ahead on ICT right now, but the sector is as vibrant in Auckland, who also happens to have jobs. So, what is Wellington doing to attract business to the region. Are their plans to create a 'Settlement Incentive' for businesses and their staff? Something that would offer free rates relief for the first two years,....maybe a rebranded gold card for staff to get familiar and integrated with the city quickly? Subsidised utility services deal to help families and students get ahead (power, broadband etc). It feels like Wellington should be attacking organisations with rebates and incentives much like the film industry does to secure big productions.

Do you support our plan to limit rates increases to 3.9% on average over ten years to fund investment for growth, as opposed to a 3.1% increase to provide 'business as usual'?

- Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

If we need more and the ideas merit it, then we should consider more. Right now its do or die for Wellington.

Should Council take action to improve our international air connections?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Absolutely. Admittedly I fly 3/4 times a week. I cannot see how this is not worthwhile. We want people who want to live here (there are plenty) to be able to do both domestic and international business from here, and an international air connection would enable this. Council should up the ante on the PR and lobbying to counter the Air New Zealand / Central Government anti-competition. It feels like National, a few Auckland based organisations and Auckland Airport and its interest in Queenstown are doing everything in their power to shut down any competition. Can we not ramp up settlement incentives to countries and cities with airlines so we can do away with our reliance on Air New Zealand and focus on other Asian centres with a much broader partnership to get it paid for and used?

Do you think Council should be supporting the tech sector to stimulate it to grow?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

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Do you think Council should be supporting the film industry to enable it to stay local and grow?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Film is great but Film relies heavily on two or three individuals and their credentials in a very volatile industry under increasing competition from Chinese production houses. I believe 'film' needs to be broader..maybe it should include partnerships with local educational institutions, content generation studio partnership using Avalon with Google / Youtube?Think bigger!

Do you believe Council should support private owners with the strengthening of heritage buildings?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

I think we should be helping where we can , but focussing on attracting business and money to the city so that in the future more of that financial burden can be borne by the council more easily.

Should Council strengthen its key Civic Square buildings, and offset the cost where possible?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Should Wellington seek to remain the events capital of New Zealand?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

I think Wellington may have lost that mantle to Auckland, however there is hope if we can look at the type of events we do a little differently and explore partnering with international brands to create global events and content that leverage our unique geographical and weather attributes.

Do you support our plan to provide a new and improved venue for concerts?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Do you support upgrading sports facilities where need has been demonstrated?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Yes. I think we could be looking at other sports too. Firstly, most of the ideas in the 10 year plan are fine, some even fantastic, especially those which are difficult for other centres to replicate like Film Museum.. sure to become an effective attraction mechanism for the city. Some are of a concern, like the investment allocate for cycle ways. I've commuted by bike since I was 10 years old. I'm now 37, and have raced bikes in Europe, love mountain biking, road and track. I know cycling. And strongly believe the money earmarked for cycle lines is ridiculous. The only real way to make cycling safer is through education - to both cyclists and motorists. To that end, why doesn't the council invest in education material with cycle stores where every purchaser of a bike or helmet has to read the key Road Code rules and agree to them before receiving their helmet? Why don't council spend a fraction of that money an support the great work Gary Gibson is doing with bike education courses for kids up at the velodrome so they understand their rights and have respect for other road users from the outset. Cycling is far bigger than commuters, you only have to look at the sports rise through event participation at Round Taupo. Wellington has a disproportionate representation at that and many other cycling events around the country, largely I believe to the varied and readily accessible terrain available in the capital. It'd be nice that instead a narrow commuter focused view of cycling the council instead create a focal point for all cycle codes to learn, share, compete and on a much bigger scale that can be wielded to promote wellington is a place to live, work and play. Why not put a roof on the Hāitaitai velodrome, reseal it, put a BMS track in the middle, create a sealed one-lane circuit for road racing around it to get the racing off suburban roads, and integrate the world class mountain bikes tracks around it mount victoria; the Wellington Regional Velo Centre. Schools could use it for education, fitness, competition. Commuters and recreational cyclist can use it for that too. Adding club rooms could provide a community connection point for codes like triathlon to be included, and a place to invite motorists

and other groups in to learn about cycling. Beyond that, Wellington would then have a venue for the most amazing cycling events, local and international, right next to the CBD and the airport. Based on initial discussions we're talking 7-15m. Using a phased approach that began with uniting all the fractious splinter groups of riders, right through to building club rooms and extending the remit of the centre to include multiport and triathlon, the cost could be born over 2-5 years. As for cycle ways themselves.. surely if we are a creative capital we should be demonstrating it in everything we do and invest our money in. Why do we not shift the concept of cycleways and create the worlds first multi-code cycling park; a global attraction that fuses road cycling , mountain biking and separates the car to the mutual benefit of everyone. We have know for some time Road cycling is the new golf. Taupo's annual circumnavigation of the lake by bike regularly attracts 14k plus cyclists and their families. New Zealand wide road cycling is ballooning . Cyclists, MTB and road alike spend a great deal on their machines and on cafes and associated gear - great for our local economy. You only have to look at Rotorua and what Christchurch is now investing in (their \$22m mountain bike park) to realize the potential Wellington has, and how far behind we are. The one issue? Cars; unlike Europe, New Zealand roads are lethal, with much angst between cyclists and motorists. What if we could use Wellington's unique geography that took advantage of the surging numbers in this sport, and provided a safe way to ride? Council could partner with the two farms and Meridian on the south coast and create 600km of sealed single-lane road, replicating some of the biggest climbs in Europe. Switchbacks, long climbs, technical descents, long flats and epic views of one of the ruggedest coastlines on earth, the Wellington Road Cycling Park would be a world first. No cars and entry by Snapper card, recreational cyclists would come from around the globe to drink up the smooth road and geographical challenges. Dedicated lodge could be built on the coast to house teams and tourists alike; ten minutes from the CBD, but a world away. The sealed roads would share the land with walkways and MTB tracks, creating a truly unique recreational cycling centre. Such a resource would attract international events, teams and residents.

Do you support the development of new tourism experiences to attract new visitors and get them to stay for longer?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Yes, but believe we can do more if we look at the attraction value on major infrastructure projects... if we spent a little more on major works to ensure each had an attraction angle (sculptural or entertainment value) then some of the benefit could be realised in attracting more visitors to the city.

Do you support Council's activities to optimise infrastructure to realise savings and better cope with adverse events?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Do you support the Council's transition to the use of smart technology such as parking sensors and LED streetlights?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

 Comments

Do you support proposed improvements to transport that will allow for safer, faster and more reliable journeys?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly Oppose

 Comments

Urban Development

Do you support the Council funding and taking action to regenerate inner-city precincts?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

 Comments

Do you support our proposal to improve public spaces such as laneways?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

 Comments

Do you support Council's plan for strengthening suburban town centres including work in Johnsonville, Karori and Tawa?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

 Comments

Do you generally agree with the priority projects identified in the Urban Growth Implementation Plan?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose Don't know

 Comments

Do you see other matters as priorities?

 Comments

Who we are reaching

You don't have to complete this section but this information helps us to know who we are reaching.

(Note: the information you provide is open to public view.)

I am

- Male
 Female
-

My age is

- under 18 years
 18-29 years
 30-39 years
 40-49 years
 50-59 years
 60 years and older
-

Have you ever made a submission on a draft annual or long-term plan before?

- Yes
 No
-

Which of the following best describes you?

- Residential ratepayer
 Commercial ratepayer
 Residential and commercial ratepayer
 I rent
 Other
-

Which ethnic group do you belong to? (You can tick more than one box)

- New Zealand European
 Māori
 Samoan
 Cook Island
 Tongan
 Niuean
 Chinese
 Indian
 Other (such as Dutch, Japanese, Tokelauan, Somali)

Please state:

Other issues/matters or general comments

Comments

I've uploaded another document which talks to a platform that would reshape Wellington on the 1264

world stage, compliment the ten-year plan, and propel Wellington forward as a global proposition for students, businesses and tourists alike. ITs do or die for Wellington right now, so I'd encourage people to think big, fast and laterally... and to consider some of what I'm submitting.

Attached Documents

File
WellingtonComeback_2014_v6 copy
2015-25 Draft Long-term Plan



*“The reality is even Wellington is dying and
we don’t know how to turn it around.”*

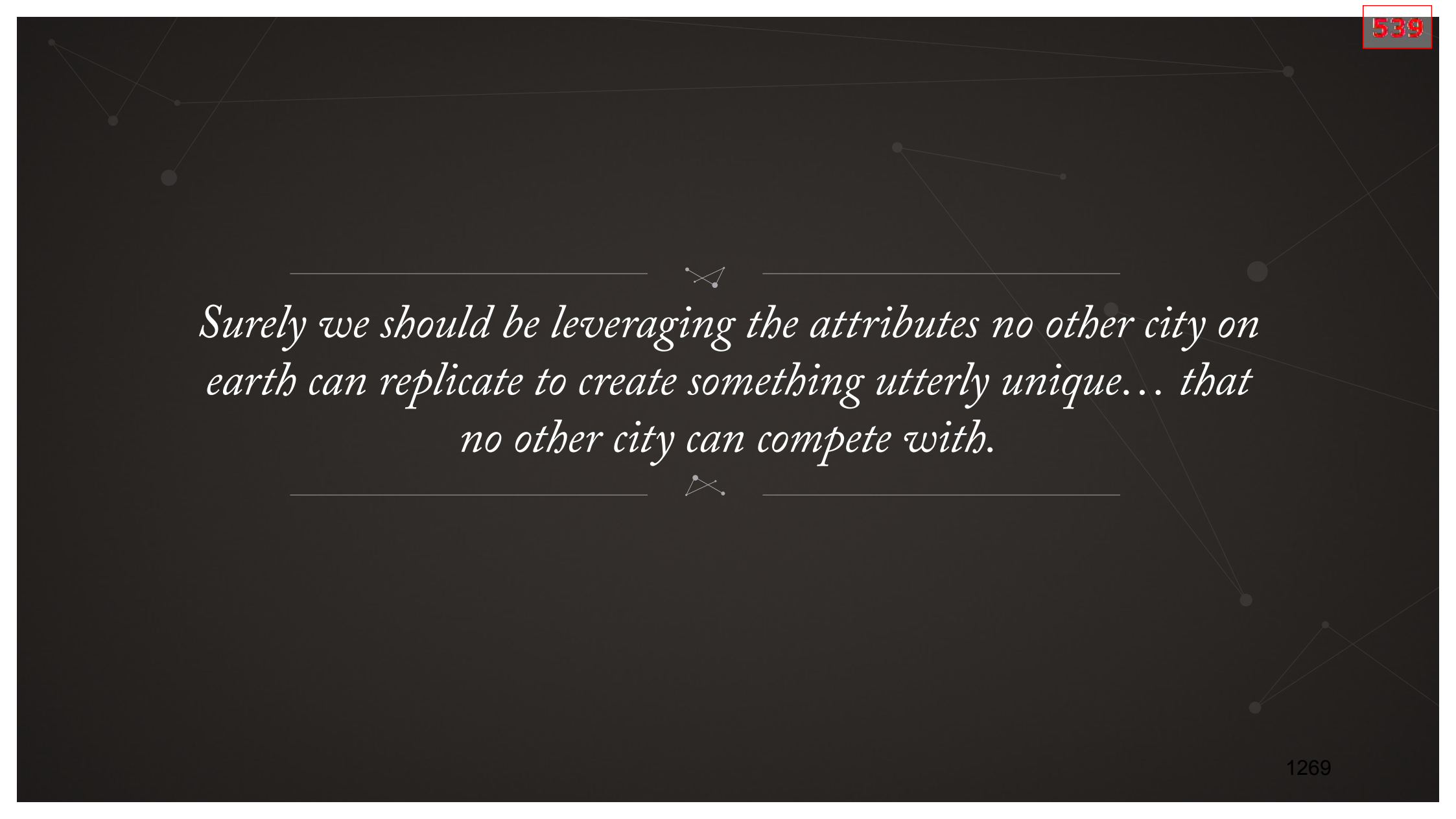
- John Key (2013)

The Challenge

- Whatever the facts, perception is reality, especially when the PM says it, and major publishers like NZ Herald report to enhance that perception.
- Momentum to AK is truly unstoppable if WLG try and play the exactly the same game.

Currently

- We're projecting an image that competes with other cities (Auckland; coffee, food, culture) where in fact those very cities now do what Wellington did well, much better.
- We're often try to mask our shortcomings (size, weather...)
- And generally speaking we don't always leverage our most unique attributes



Surely we should be leveraging the attributes no other city on earth can replicate to create something utterly unique... that no other city can compete with.

What does Wellington have?

As well as fine food, coffee, Te Papa and a compact CBD....



WLG has something special...

- The highest mean wind speed in the world and a reputation for delivering ferocious storms.
- Mountainous terrain
- Compact geography
- Culture of creative, entrepreneurial spirits and generator of global achievers




The wind speed especially, is recognised the world over...

shawnvoyage.com/top-5-windiest-cities-in-the-world/

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Top 5 Windiest Cities in the World

Posted by: Shawn | 0 | Travel Inspiration | January 11, 2013 | 0 Comments

Living in Chicago I thought it would be a good idea to name the "Top 5 Windiest Cities in the World." Is Chicago on the top 5 list? Nope, not even close. So lets take a look at the "Top Windiest Cities in the World" (using average wind speed).

1) Wellington, New Zealand

Also known as the "Most Southerly Capital City in the World," Wellington, New Zealand is the windiest city in the world with an annual average around 16 knots/hr (18 miles/hr). Wellington is located in what is known as a River of Wind, a wind corridor betwe the South and North Islands of New Zealand. On average, the city sees 173 days above 3 knots and 22 days over 40 knots. Wellington is a great place to travel though, and it was named the Lonely Planet's 4th Best Destination in 2011.

windiest city in the world

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The honors for the windiest city in the world goes to **Wellington, New Zealand**. For more than 170 days of the year the wind blows through Wellington at speeds of 35 to 38 miles per hour.

The Windiest Spots on Earth by Terrence Aym | Sciences 360
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shawnvoyage.com/top-5-windiest-cities-in-the-world/

by Shawn Blair - Jan 11, 2013 - Living in Chicago I thought it would be a good idea to name the "Top 5 Windiest Cities in the World." Is Chicago on the top 5 list? Nope, not ...

How windy is Wellington, really? | Stuff.co.nz
www.stuff.co.nz/dominion-post/.../life/.../How-windy-is-Wellington-really...

Dec 9, 2011 - Wellington is much more consistently windy than most places, seeing ... "It's pretty much the windiest city in the world, as far as strength of wind ...

Most Windy City in the World | World Trivia - World Map
www.mapsofworld.com/.../Pages/World Trivia

Chicago (IL, USA) is also known as the Windy City. Yes, it can be very windy in Chicago, but Chicago is not the most windy city in the world. Wind speed/velocity ...

Origin of the name "Windy City" - Wikipedia, the free ...
en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Origin_of_the_name_%22Windy_City%22

Jump to **World's Fair** · [edit]. The Columbian Exposition. As the 400th anniversary of Columbus' arrival in the Americas approached, the United States ...

The windiest places on Planet Earth - SurferToday.com
www.surfertoday.com/.../9142-the-windiest-places-on-planet-earth

One of the windiest places in the world is Cape Blanco, in Oregon. Powerful winter storms generate nuclear winds which blow at more than 200 km/h (125 mph).

What are the ten windiest cities in the world - WikiAnswers
wiki.answers.com/.../Meteorology and Weather

Wellington, New Zealand Rio Gallegos, Argentina St. John's, NL, Canada Punta Arenas, Chile Casper, WY Dodge City, KS Ushuaia, Argentina Yigo, Guam

windy city: 5 of the most blustery and gusty metros in the world

By **Markus Neumann** | 10/23/2013

A morning many citizens of Central Canada and the Great Lakes states woke up to shaking trees and swaying power lines. But in some big as in the world, business weather is more common than not.

It's a look at urban centres where the flying conditions are great, but keeping your heads together is a regular struggle.

Windy, New Zealand

New Zealand - Wellington scene, June 21 2013



en in the southern hemisphere, suffer from it Wellington, which is arguably the windiest city on the planet. Winds frequently reach knots and the location sits on what is known as the "River of Wind." In 1959 and 1962 the city recorded gusts of 248km/h (154 mph)

www.surfertoday.com/windiar/rng/9142-the-windiest-places-on-planet-earth

The windiest places on Planet Earth



Commonwealth Bay is the windiest spot on Planet Earth, with winds regularly exceeding 240 km/h (150 mph). Is there a sail size for those wind conditions? That's 130 knots, you know.

Can you imagine a stable, strong and consistent wind blowing over super flat waters? That would be the ultimate dream of a windsurfer. But what about the real frontier?

The windiest spots on Earth are an incredible life experience. On April 3, 1934, staff of the Mount Washington Observatory recorded the highest surface wind ever measured at 372 km/h (231 mph).

One of the windiest places in the world is **Cape Blanco**, in Oregon. Powerful winter storms generate nuclear winds which blow at more than 200 km/h (125 mph).

In **Wellington**, capital of New Zealand, light are frequently cancelled due to strong winds. This is also one of the best winter/fog spot in Australia, with 273 days above 32 knots and 22 days over 40 knots.

www.sciences360.com/index.php/the-windiest-spots-on-earth-2889

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Atmosphere And Weather

The Windiest Spots on Earth

By Terrence Aym

FREQUENT HIGH WINDS

Have you ever been to a place where the wind is so fierce that remaining on your feet took all your strength? If you have, you might have wondered where the windiest places on Earth are located.

Many people think of well known wind-blown cities when they talk about weather, wind and windstorms. Some people may mention the city of Chicago, known throughout much of the world by its weather-nickname, "The Windy City."

Other people might think of the Santa Anita area in Southern California that blow through the mountain passes and sweep into the valleys with velocities of 75 miles per hour or more.

But others might think of the winds on mountain passes, the towering winds that wind their way through the fabled Khyber Pass, or the desolate winds that stretch across the flatlands, gnawing its pains at the bottom of the world.

The windiest spots have wind as fierce as that they've been known to lift people off their feet, although none have whisked away their victims to Dorothy's land of Oz.



Despite Chicago, (while having the reputation as the windy city, there are actually about 100 windier than the Midwestern urban center).

The travel website **Lonkiss** lists the **five windiest cities** in the world. And although a U.S. city makes the list, surprisingly it's not Chicago.

The names of the windiest city in the world goes to **Wellington, New Zealand**. It's more than 170 days a year the wind blows through Wellington at speeds of 35 to 38 miles per hour. On another gauge, that's a moderate gale. More than 20 days a year the wind tops 48 miles per hour approximating the strength of a strong gale.

Meteorologists say that the city is located inside an "ink of wind" - what's known among weather experts as a wind corridor.

The remaining four cities in order of wind velocity are: Rio Gallegos, Argentina; St. John's, Canada; Punta Arenas, Chile; and Dodge City, Kansas in the good old USA (every Chicago).

*1. gale force winds,
driving rain and huge fronts continuously buffeting...*

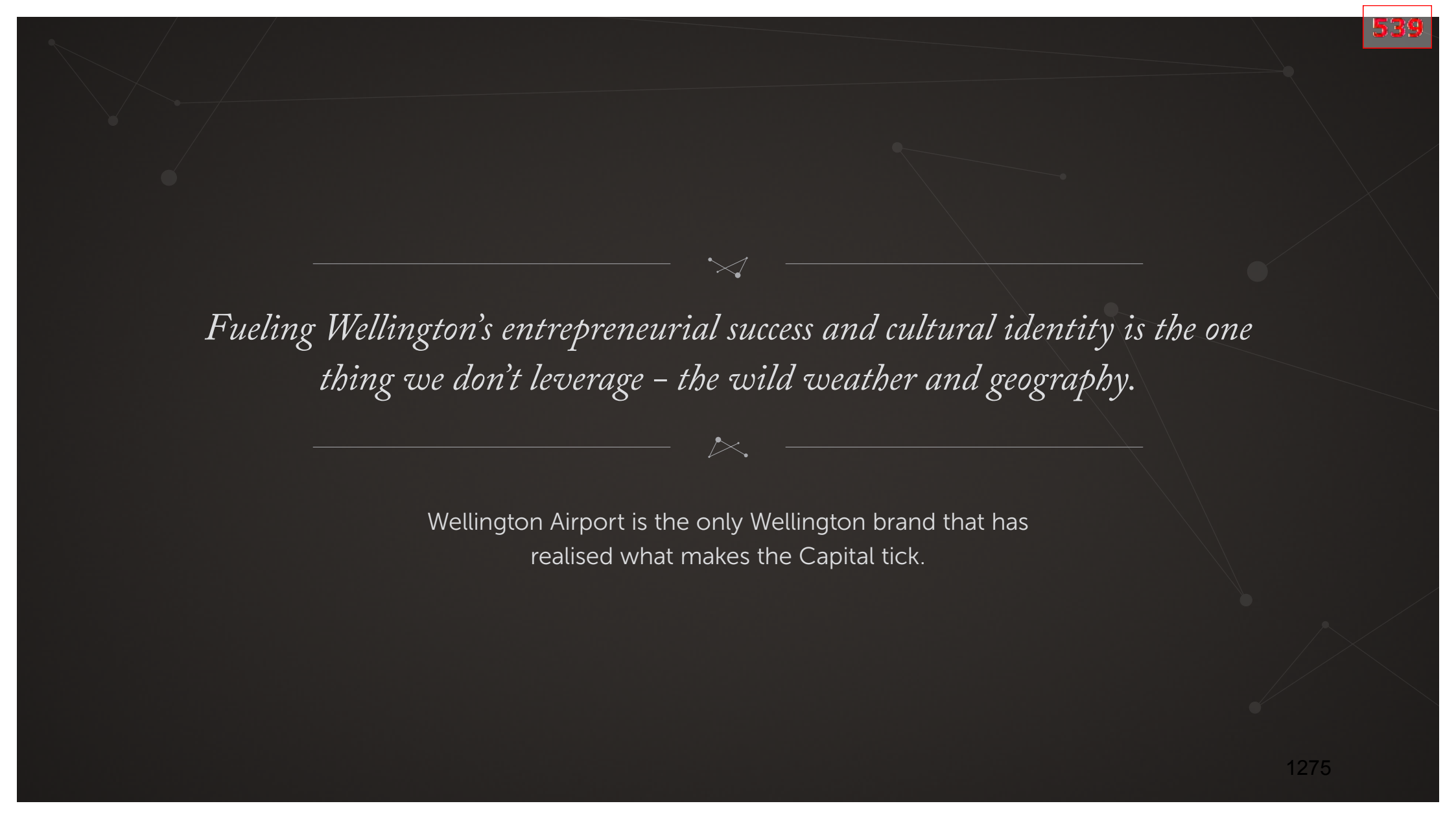
*2.a mountainous defence barrier.
This barrier creates a natural amphitheatre which
protects and provides...*

*3. ...a compact incubator
...of huddling minds, sharing ideas over
coffee and fine food to produce...*

*Diamonds in
the rough*

Wellington's environment has produced many diamonds...






Fueling Wellington's entrepreneurial success and cultural identity is the one thing we don't leverage – the wild weather and geography.

Wellington Airport is the only Wellington brand that has realised what makes the Capital tick.

Wild at Heart

*Wellington is i
“Wild at Heart”.*

A photograph of a city skyline at sunset. The sky is filled with orange and yellow clouds, and the city buildings are silhouetted against the bright horizon. In the foreground, a large, dark, abstract sculpture is visible, featuring a prominent red, curved element that resembles a stylized figure or object. The overall scene is dramatic and artistic.

*Surely we should be leveraging these wild attributes to create something utterly unique... a truly **global proposition** no other city on earth can compete against.*

*...and evolve from fad to forever famous with
a global proposition.*

~~"COOLEST
LITTLE CAPITAL
in the
WORLD"~~

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How?

Create a series of initiatives underpinned by Wellington's USP; wild weather and geography, to make the capital a desired 'bucket list' destination for travellers the world over.

*Content & Brand
Partnerships*

*Tourist
Attractions*

Events

How?

Some initiatives can be started now through existing infrastructure, some are medium term and long term requiring both local government / private partnerships to make them feasible.

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Initial Wild Ideas

*Wellington could create the worlds
first Entertainment Airport*

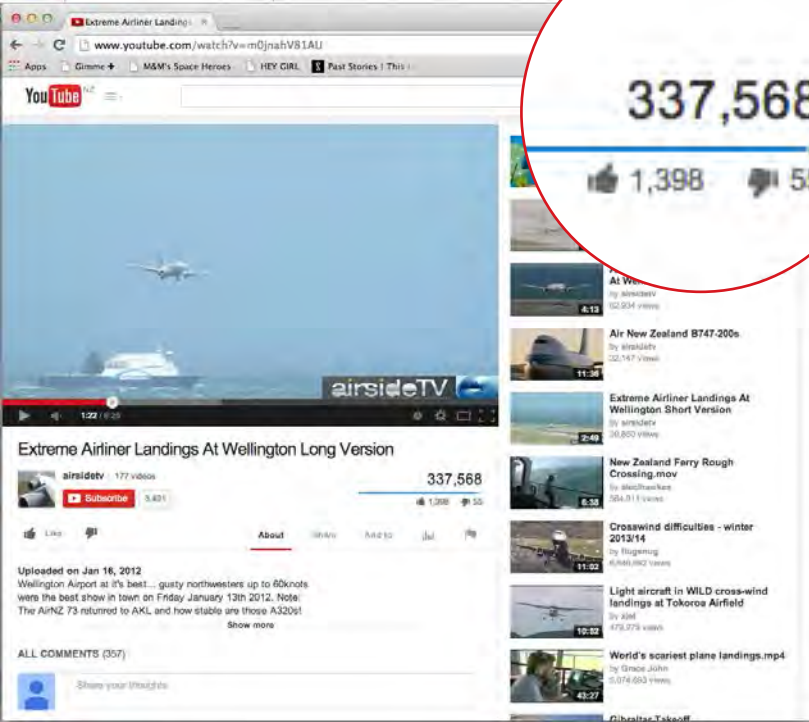
*Tourist
Attraction*

Wellington Airport



- Wellington's airport is a natural amphitheatre, the surrounding hills providing many unique vantage points from which to observe some truly entertaining and wild landings.
- Amateur video content of WLG specific landings and take-off's number hundreds and thousand of views on YouTube; arguably the most viewed Wellington content ever.
- Millions of views on wild landing category of videos on YouTube. Again, all amateur.

Wellington Airport



- What if we could harness this notorious reputation, create content to feed the desire YouTube user have, and evolve what is largely organic content into an official content strategy to feed Wellington's reputation as the worlds Wildest Capital and make visiting Wellington Airport a bucket list item.

Introducing the world's first Extreme Airport Lounge

- Created as part of the proposed extension at the southern end (at the end of the runway or to the side)
- A Mojo cafe encased in reinforced glass; the sides and the roof, enabling visitors to see above and beyond as planes approach and leave, and the weather as it buffets the south coast.
- Every panel of glass would project a heads up display giving real-time weather information, approaching flight numbers, plane types, actual speed and 'wobble' - even pilot profiles as they run the gauntlet!
- Large theatre chairs would let families and plane spotters relax, sip coffee, and absorb the furious weather from every angle and analyse and rate each take-off and landing
- We could pipe the information online, enabling cafe-goers and other observers to rate the landings and takeoffs, and continuously upload video content of the latest craziest landings.
- Passengers would be able to rate each landing as they exit the plane in the airbridge, and even replay the landing by visiting the site afterwards.

Introducing the world's first Extreme Airport Lounge

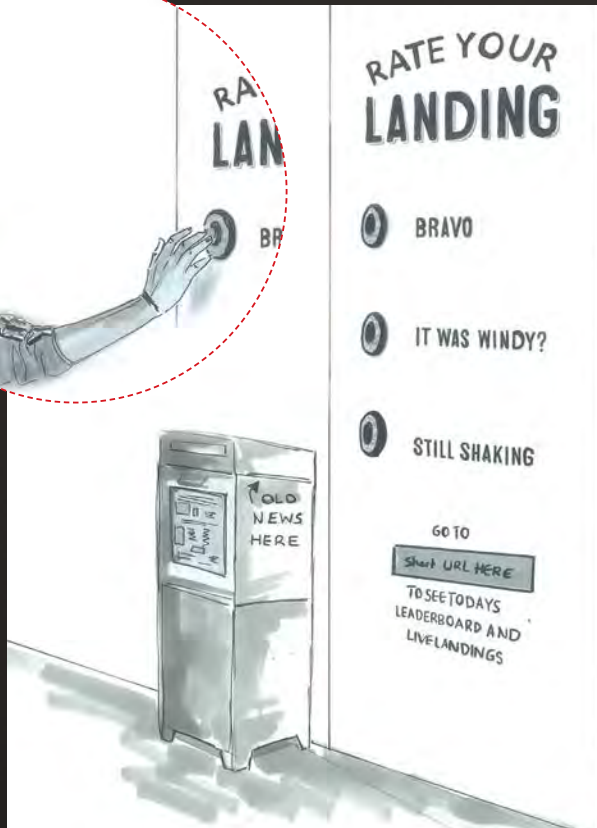
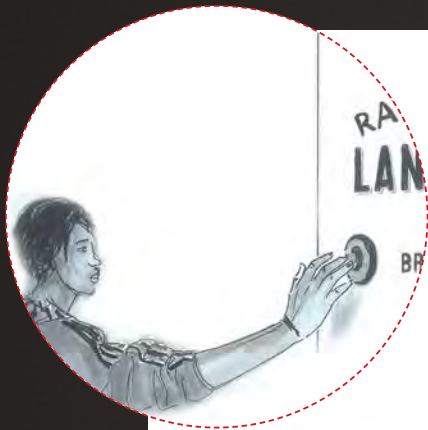


The lounge could sit above Cobham Drive or Moa Point if the southern end location was unrealistic.



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ON EARTH**

Introducing the world's first Extreme Airport Lounge



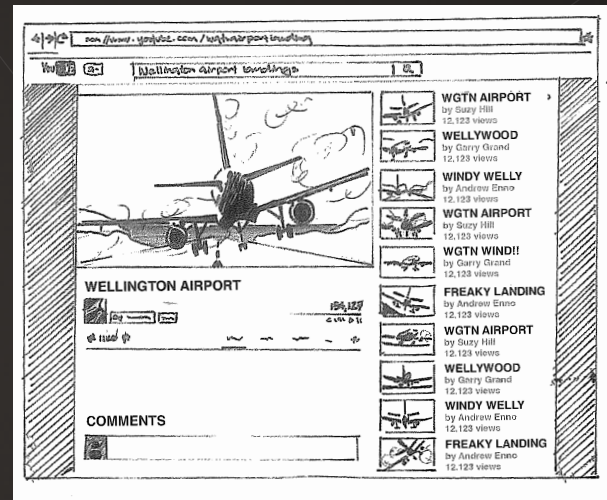
LIVE VOTE DISPLAY BOARD

TIMOTHY RADDLER	
RANK	% OF VOTES
1	100%

BEN TANG	
RANK	% OF VOTES
2	82%

STEPHEN WORSHIP	
RANK	% OF VOTES
3	60%

TIMOTHY RADDLER	
RANK	% OF VOTES
4	45%





Why it works:

- The idea creates a great family outing and paid entertainment activity, of which Wellington has very few.
- It truly plays up something no other NZ city can compete with
- It taps into a global audience already watching this content, that no brand or organisation has ever leveraged before, and could spell the influx of millions of people wanting to tick 'Wellington Airport' of their bucket list.

Extensions



- Use any northern runway extension to create another paid entertainment activity for Wellington and create an Aquarium underneath it next to Cobham Drive, with parking next to Miramar Wharf
- Combined with the lounge/cafe at the southern end, Wellington Airport would become the World's first entertainment airport; globally recognised as a great destination and the undisputed Wildest Airport on earth.
- Doing this would open the door to other international brands who wanted to align with 'wild' outdoors, aspirational brands like Red Bull etc...



We create the world's windiest lookout

*Tourist
Attraction*

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The Spike



What are we proposing?

Create the Wellington version of the Grand Canyon SkyWalk, an epic attraction that draws millions of visitors annually. The Wellington version would be based on Mount Victoria, providing unsurpassed views of the city and harbour, and challenging visitors to overcome vertigo as they walk out over Oriental Bay, tethered to a glass platform, to embrace wild gale force winds.

The Spike





*Create a world-first to attract affluent
recreational athletes the world over..*

*Tourist
Attraction*

Possible Partnership Idea: World's first Road Cycling Park



- Road cycling is the new golf. Taupo's annual circumnavigation of the lake by bike regularly attracts 14k plus cyclists and their families.
- New Zealand wide road cycling is ballooning
- Cyclists, MTB and road alike spend a great deal on their machines and on cafes and associated gear.

The one issue? Cars

- Unlike Europe, New Zealand roads are lethal, with much angst between cyclists and motorists.
- What if we could use Wellington's unique geography that took advantage of the surging numbers in this sport, and provided a safe way to ride?

Possible Partnership Idea: World's first Road Cycling Park

- We partner with the two farms and Meridian on the south coast and create 600km of sealed single-lane road, replicating some of the biggest climbs in Europe.
- Switchbacks, long climbs, technical descents, long flats and epic views of one of the roughest coastlines on earth, the Wellington Road Cycling Park would be a world first.
- No cars and entry by Snapper card, recreational cyclists would come from around the globe to drink up the smooth road and geographical challenges.
- Dedicated lodge could be built on the coast to house teams and tourists alike; ten minutes from the CBD, but a world away
- The sealed roads would share the land with walkways and MTB tracks, creating a truly unique recreational cycling centre.
- Such a resource would attract international events, teams and residents.



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Regenerate from the elements

*Tourist
Attraction*

Possible Attraction Idea: Mount Crawford Spa



After embracing the wild elements walking, running , cycling the perfect way to finish a day would be to relax in a hot pool looking out over the harbour, watching the sun go down.

Couldn't we explore doing this on Mount Crawford, looking north-east over the Harbour? The perfect way to take in the compact city and regenerate from it its wild embrace.



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*Create the world's first 'test pilot' city for
rugged products and brands*

*Content & Brand
Partnership*

The Capital of Wild Weather Testing for Global Brands

- We identify brands whose products and services rely on their resilience and performance in wild weather.
- We offer them 'the keys' to WLG and a their very own 'testing hq' facility in central Wellington
- We provide a QC evaluation and grading system which they can apply to their products
- We provide locals to help test
- We film the tests in some of WLG's wildest spots and use as content to promote the Wildest Capital on earth, and for the brands to use as credibility for their products.



The Capital of Wild Weather Testing for Global Brands

Brands we could invite to participate could include;

- Hunter Boot
<http://www.hunter-boot.com/>
- Neil Pryde
<http://www.neilpryde.com/>
- Avanti Bikes
<http://www.avantibikes.com/>
- Henrilloyd
<http://www.henrilloyd.com/>
- Blunt Umbrellas
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- Nespresso
<http://www.nespresso.com/>
- Go Pro
<http://gopro.com/>



*Forge a brand partnership to reach
and attract millions...*

*Content, Brand,
Event
Partnership*

Forge a partnership to reach and attract millions..

What are we proposing?

- Wellington's wild weather and unique geography is actually the perfect environment for a number of sports; mountain biking, surfing, and windsurfing to name just three.
- Many brands use sports content to connect with their global audiences
- These include GoPro, and Red Bull's subsidiary, Red Bull Media House.
- How could we leverage Wellington's unique characteristics and work in partnership with a global brand, giving them the keys to the Wildest Capital on Earth to create the wildest mountain bike, surfing and windsurfing content in return for global exposure to hundreds of millions of people and ultimately making Wellington a bucket list destination.

How do we make it happen?



Red Bull Media House

Red Bull Media House, the organization behind most Red Bull content, enables a variety of partnerships, from buying events, to sponsoring events. We propose approaching Red Bull and giving them 'the keys' to the Capital to create a series of events (and content) that provide the ultimate fusion between Wellingtons wind and hills, and the athletes Red Bull sponsors.

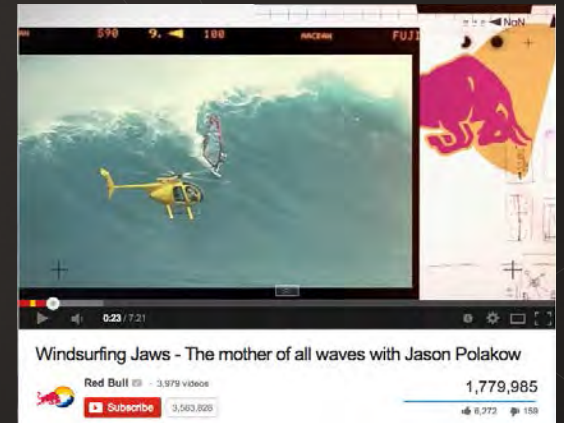
Possible Partnership Idea : Leveraging the wind



Redbull/GoPro: Extreme Windsurf Event; Evans Bay & Cook Strait

This would use the existing RedBull Galeforce Storm Chaser team – but in Wellington NZ:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nfAUr2vk0xY>



Possible Partnership Idea : Leveraging the hills



Redbull / GoPro: Longboarding event from Wind Turbine to Willis street

Red Bull Wellington Drop

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iyfUfKdFE3c>



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Possible Event Partnership Idea : Wildest Mountain Bike Park on Earth



As the birth place of mountain biking in New Zealand, and home to the southern hemisphere's biggest race, Karapoti, it would make sense to link together Wellington's MTB parks Makara, Battle Hill, Wanui, Miramar, Mt Vic, Hawkins Hill to create a single branded destination; fully graded, serviced by vehicle shuttles and bike friendly services and promote the Capital as the Wildest Mountain Bike park on earth.

And partner with Red Bull to launch it, giving them unfettered access to ride and film every single trail and promote it to the world, then create an international Red Bull MTB Festival that expands the format of the existing annual Karapoti event to use all the parks in the Wellington region; the Red Bull Wellington Mountain Bike Festival.

*We partner with Wellington's successful
'diamonds' to sell its startup environment*

*Content
Partnership*

Wellington Origin Series Content



Many businesses have been founded in Wellington that we could co-create content for and leverage what awareness they have generated domestically and internationally to raise the profile of Wellington as a destination for both tourism and business.

Brands we could explore partnering with include Icebreaker, Weta, Airways Corporation, La Affare, Mojo, Ponoco, Xero, Trademe, Sidhe, 42 Below.

Wellington Origin Series Content

- Content would focus on the origins of each brand, the founders showing and telling how the nature of Wellington helped them, bring about their establishment and success.
- Threaded through each documentary would be the locations and people in Wellington who helped the business succeed.
- Each mini-documentary in the WLG Origin Series would link to a body of content designed to attract and incentivize other entrepreneurs and businesses to the region.
- In each case Wellington would fund the documentary and any incentives for the wider Origin program designed to get more people to set up in Wellington; the brand partner would promote and distribute the Origin content throughout its network.
- Ideally a branded QR code tagged (WLG Export) could be used on labels for products sold overseas by brands founded in Wellington – each one linking to a video documentary with their founder discussing how their business was helped by Wellington's environment



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When the weather is really wild, we can keep proving how WLG is the creative/digital capital indoors...

Content Partnership

Possible Partnership Idea: Cut & Paste



What event would play to the Capitals core promotional strengths as a digital /creative hub and deliver;

- Annual event pilgrimage from domestic and international tourists and industry leaders
- Promote local content creation with global distribution.
- Associate Wellington with other creative world-centres.

Possible Partnership Idea: Cut & Paste



A partnership with Cut & Paste.

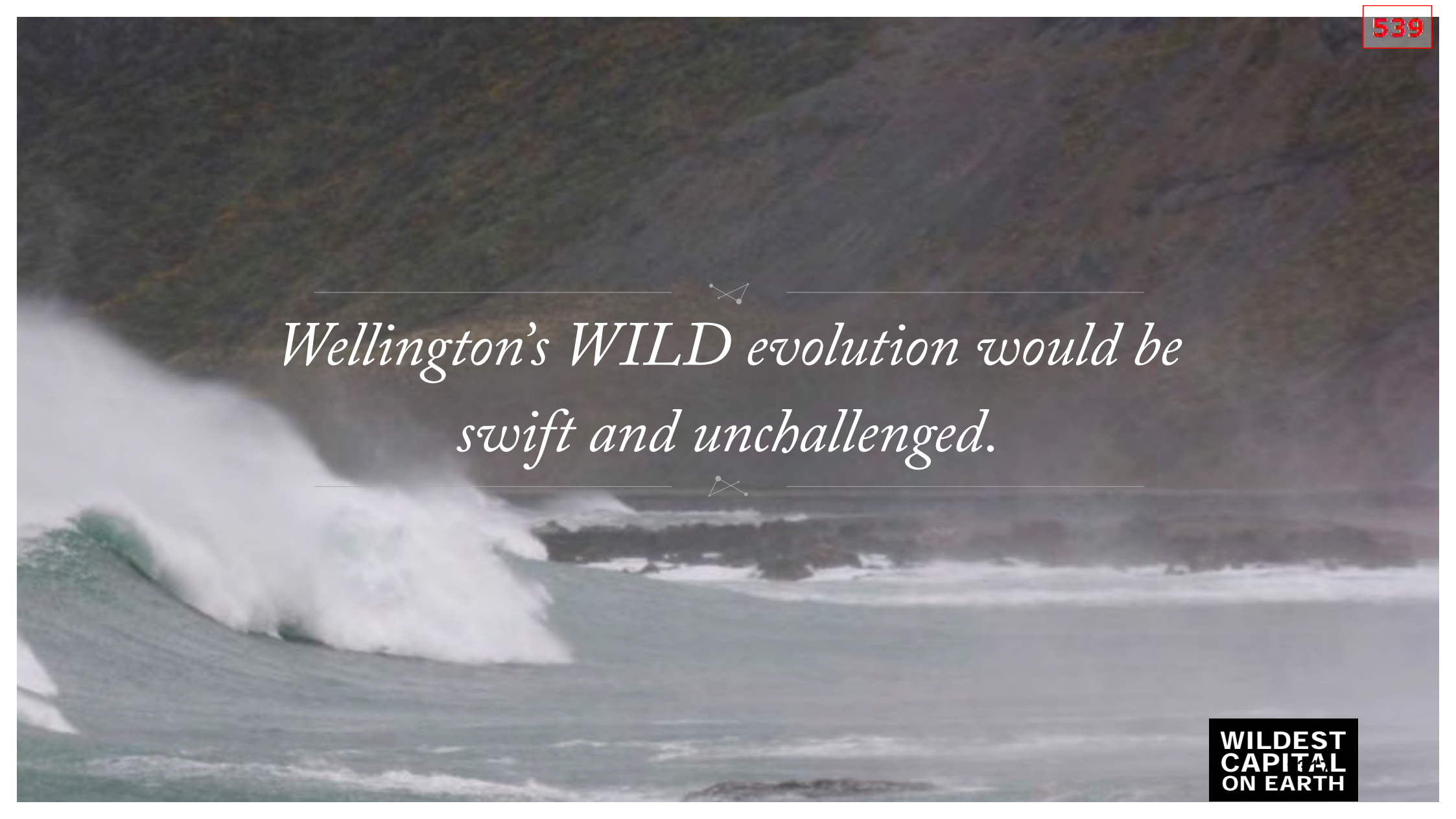
Born in New York in 2005, Cut & Paste run a renowned Digital Design Tournament, a live, competitive showcase held throughout the world each year that fosters relationships between emerging designers, creative companies and media. With events run around the world, there is no Cut & Paste event in Australasia yet. This could be the perfect fit for Wellington's digital and creative culture with great cross over into fashion, food and business and a property. It's a property that would create a lot of content after the event, and a lot of participation at the event, with the ability to bring in some big names from the film industry, ad agencies, design firms and tertiary institutions. We believe the event could be brought to the Capital with little effort with a global or Australasian brand partner looking to associate itself with similar content and a center for creative excellence; Microsoft, Apple, Samsung, Adobe, Red Bull...

Possible Partnership Idea: Cut & Paste

We actually did this in Auckland...

www.youtube.com/watch?v=driR7fGpzwU





*Wellington's WILD evolution would be
swift and unchallenged.*

*...and fit with existing promotional features of the city,
promoting them in a unique and positive way.*

WILDEST CAPITAL ON EARTH

*Wild Sport &
Recreation*

*Wild Dining, Food
& Wine*

*Wild Nights,
Weekends &
Holidays*


*Wild Arts &
Culture*

*Wild Events &
Attractions*

Wellington's Evolution...

- A string of initiatives from global content partnerships, tourist attractions and recreational events redefine WLG based on its unique, unassailable qualities.
- Uses these partnerships to make it famous to millions with a string of world firsts.
- Creates jobs, retains residents, grows residential base.
- WLG becomes a bucket list destination in its own right
- WLG stops competing with AKL

WILDEST CAPITAL ON EARTH

A photograph of four young women laughing together outdoors. They are all smiling broadly and looking down or towards each other. The background is a blurred natural setting, possibly a beach or park. The image is overlaid with a semi-transparent dark grey rectangle containing white text.

*Every Wellingtonian will have
ideas, they just need a platform to
share them...*

The Capital Starter / kickstarter



WGTN HOT POOLS

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VOTE WGTN HOT POOLS



EXPERIENCE LOUNGE

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VOTE WGTN EX LOUNGE



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VOTE WGTN SPIKE

- We establish a steering group of local influential company's and people
- We create a local version of kickstarter for Wellington (Capital Kickstarter) and invite ratepayers to vote for the ideas they want most through digital channels
- The steering group funds promotion of the Capital Kickstarter.
- A leaderboard orders the ideas based on preference
- Results are presented to council for them to prioritise action and explore fund/co-fund.



Thanks for your time