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EY supports a large staff in Wellington the salaries of whom are largely injected into the Wellington economy. As with many large professional consulting firms a very significant percentage of revenue is driven by the broader public sector and this has been increasingly the position over the last 10

years. While the public sector will always be important to Wellington, it will be increasingly the case that delivery of public service through digital channels or through alternative forms of commissioning services closer to the relevant population base puts Wellington at risk of a flat or diminishing contribution from this sector to Wellington's economy. In our view Wellington needs to fight for GDP growth through attracting capital and labour that would otherwise be attracted to other cities in Australasia. While we are less supportive of direct subsidies to the private sector we think that the city has an important role to play to ensure that all the infrastructure is available that supports growth in high value industries which for Wellington means services in the widest sense (inclusive of tech, creative, education and tourism). We also believe that while digital plays an increasing important part in the economy, high value transactions and services generally still involve face to face contact. EY believes that transport infrastructure, including the extension of the runway, where that extension can be supported through a strong strategic rationale, is a critical part of the infrastructure required for Wellington to be an internationally competitive city.

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EY (previously Ernst & Young) has been supporting the City Gallery either as an exhibition sponsor or now principal sponsor for 21 years. Our support is predicated on the City Gallery maintaining its reputation for excellence in sourcing, curating and making accessible to the public exhibitions of contemporary art. To the extent that a redesign of Civic Square makes the entrance to the gallery more accessible to a larger number of visitors to Wellington we are supportive of that investment. While the preservation of the old library building has provided a beautiful gallery space the entrance arguably keeps the City Gallery as Wellington's best kept secret to public visiting Civic Square. Modernising the entrance should provide greater ease of access and visibility from the square and will also serve to enhance the use of internal space in the ground floor of the gallery. The positive experiences of our clients and staff at the gallery over many years leads us to suggest that having the City Gallery supported through funding and appropriate marketing could be central to promoting Wellington as a visual arts destination attracting foreign and domestic visitors

throughout the year.

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What concerns me about the airport is the pilots' association's view of it, from a safety standpoint. Pilots want the runway extended so that the airport meets or exceeds the international standard - without special exemption - for a safe runway length i.e. overshoot safety zones of 200m at each

end. I support that call. From the point of view of a passengers' landing experience, Wellington's notorious airport ranks as THE worst international airport in the world. Hong Kong's used to rank worse until it was relocated. Now Wellington and San Diego vie for the bottom slot; Wellington for its dangerous NW crosswinds and San Diego for the sudden 'dip' required when approaching from the east. I seriously doubt that many international airlines would consider using Wellington, even if the runway was extended.

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Our IP is where a large part of this nation's future prospects will find their foundation.

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What film industry? Without state government tax breaks for international productions, there isn't one to speak of. I supposedly work in the film industry, only I haven't had a gig in three years! NZ's alleged film industry is a very sick joke. There's the 'Two Sirs' and not much else. What we are seeing is a lot of post production being done here - cheaply - for foreign (mainly US) productions. That's is precisely what I, and others, very publicly predicted would happen. Where are the jobs? Another joke. Because the vast majority of the people doing that work are IMPORTED! Hello? A very sad situation indeed.

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

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Yes, because if Council doesn't, many of them - dare I say most - will not be strengthened. It becomes a public safety issue so Council has to be involved.

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

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I don't think it is the events capital of NZ. It was the arts capital once but that mantle now resides - with the vast majority of artists - in Auckland. We're kidding ourselves if we believe that the arts have not already left town. The question should be, what do we plan to do to bring them back?

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

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Please, if it's going to be a concert venue, can we specifically DESIGN it as such, meaning with sophisticated acoustics in mind for a wide range of performing arts? The innocuous 'events centre' has been an embarrassment. Seriously, IMHO, it would be better to NOT have a supposed concert venue if it isn't likely to be professionally designed to cater for that form of entertainment.

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

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Parking sensors? No. That's a superb way to punish people for shopping and doing business in Wellington. LED streetlights? Yes, if the cost is not prohibitive. There's little argument now for charging a premium for LED technology. The electronics industry has to get real.

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

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Safer? Yes, but do we actually have a safety issue at present? Reliable? Of course. Why then have we let the trolley bus fleet become so run down? When the last brand new trolley bus introduced to Wellington? Why are we suggesting investing in hybrid technology when the operators of bus services themselves are against that idea; for a very good reason: TWO very different engines to service and maintain in one vehicle? That has got to be a very silly idea, surely. I support introducing new trolley buses and newer technology diesels, and running that combined fleet - where most appropriate to the local geography - until 100% electric bus technology is introduced; which isn't likely to happen within the next 20 years. Why does transport have to be faster? We live in a small city. It's not a major issue.

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Public transport is the #1 issue to me. I use it regularly. The trolley bus fleet has been allowed to fall into a poor state. I believe it is iconic, an integral part of the Wellington personality, clean, emission free and sustainable service. Hybrid technology is not supported by the bus operators, so why choose that when the people who have to run it say it will become a major maintenance nightmare in a very short space of time. The history of global public transport is quite full of mistakes made by bodies who did not consider the maintenance difficulties they would encounter when they decided to 'blend' the offerings of different suppliers' of transport technology. History has already taught us - if we care to take notice - that it is better to stick with what you have until you are fully ready to make the giant leap required into a commitment to new technology. As one famous business thought-leader stated, 'When a giant leap is indicated, a hop, step and jump just won't do. You can't jump the Grand Canyon that way.'

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Our PM branded Wellington 'a dying city' a couple of years ago. Accessibility to international flights would make Wellington a hub for tourism and business. It's essential if we don't want to keep playing second fiddle to Auckland.

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Submission for Annual Plan 2015

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13th APRIL, 2015

Dear City Council,

The council has a legal and moral responsibility to supply potable (healthy and uncontaminated) water to the community.

By deliberately adding the toxic contaminant sodium fluoride¹ or fluorosilicic acid the council fails to meet its obligation and is most likely causing harm to its residents' health throughout their lives, in my opinion.

The amount of artificial fluoride consumed from drinking this water, when added to the fluoride ingested from other sources, increases the intake to beyond the level of fluoride which can be safely ingested on a daily basis for most babies, children and also for many adults who drink the tap water you supply. Table 1 below estimates the fluoride intake at several ages based on figures from the New Zealand Institute for Environmental and Scientific Research 2009 report², the U.S. Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry 2003 report³, and the Environmental Protection Agency⁴.

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- ¹ Medical Safety Data Sheet for Sodium Fluoride <http://www.sciencelab.com/msds.php?msdsId=9927595>
 - ² ESR. ESTIMATED DIETARY FLUORIDE INTAKE FOR NEW ZEALANDERS
<http://www.health.govt.nz/system/files/documents/pages/estimated-dietary-fluoride-intake-for-nzers-july2009.pdf>
 - ³ ATSDR Agency for Toxic Substances & Disease Registry. (2003) Toxicological profile for fluoride, hydrogen fluoride and fluorine <http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/toxprofiles/tp11.html>
 - ⁴ EPA. IRIS. (1989) Fluorine (soluble fluoride) (CASRN 7782-41-4). Integrated Risk Information System.
<http://www.epa.gov/iris/subst/0053.htm>. Accessed: 5 July 2006.

This level of overdose can lead not only to dental fluorosis, but also to an increased risk of thyroid disease and brain disorders, as identified in the NRC review 2006⁵ and in more recent studies: Grandjean⁶, Peckham⁷, Malin⁸

In NZ, the ESR report (2009) showed that most children in fluoridated areas were exceeding the limits, and moreover that Maori, Pacific Island and deprived children were the most at risk from overdose, due to poor diets, low vitamin D, and the financial challenge of accessing fluoride free water.

As there is no measurement or monitoring of fluoride dose that people are getting by the health department (which is strongly recommended by WHO guidelines for communities implementing water fluoridation⁹), the extent of overdose is unknown.

The 2014 Royal Society/ Gluckman review on fluoridation¹⁰, which was requested and partially funded by the Local Government association, was improperly conducted and its findings regarding absolute safety and "broad" benefit are poorly founded and inconsistent with those of properly conducted systematic studies¹¹. It therefore does not deliver on the councils' expectation for balanced and accurate information in the interests of informed consent. A full scientific critique of the NZ review, (which I co-authored along with leading international experts on fluoridation) has been circulated¹².

I strongly urge your council take the following actions:

- **Stop contaminating the water supply by deliberately adding a toxic waste chemical**
- **Refuse to allow public drinking water to be used for delivery of mass medication on behalf of the government.**

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- ⁵ NRC Fluoride in Drinking Water: a scientific review of EPA's standards. This PDF is available from the National Academies Press at: <http://www.nap.edu/catalog/11571.html>
 - ⁶ A.Choi and P. Grandjean. Developmental Fluoride Neurotoxicity: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC3491930/#!po=29.3103>
 - ⁷ Peckham. Peckham S, et al. Are fluoride levels in drinking water associated with hypothyroidism prevalence in England? A large observational study of GP practice data and fluoride levels in drinking water *J Epidemiol Community Health* 2015;0:1–6. doi:10.1136/jech-2014-204971
 - ⁸ Malin AJ, Till C. Exposure to fluoridated water and attention deficit hyperactivity disorder prevalence among children and adolescents in the United States: an ecological association. *Environmental Health*. 2015;14. http://www.ehjournal.net/content/14/1/17/abstract_ADHD. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1186/s12940-015-0003-1>
 - ⁹ WHO. Fluoride in Drinking Water http://www.who.int/water_sanitation_health/publications/fluoride_drinking_water_full.pdf
 - ¹⁰ Health effects of water fluoridation: A review of the scientific evidence www.pmcsa.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/Health-effects-of-water-fluoridation-Aug2014

¹¹ *Systematic Reviews: CRD's guidance for undertaking reviews in health care* <http://www.york.ac.uk/crd/SysRev/ISSLI/WebHelp/SysRev3.htm>

- ¹² <http://fluoridefree.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2014/12/Critical-Analysis-of-2014-NZ-Fluoridation-Review.pdf>

• **TABLE 1: ESTIMATED TOTAL DAILY FLUORIDE INGESTION IN NEW ZEALAND**

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Estimated Fluoride ingestion (mg/day)

| Age | Diet (no CWF) | Diet (with CWF) | Toothpaste | TOTAL (with) | UL | MRL MAX DOSEAG |
|----------|---------------|-----------------|------------|--------------|-----|----------------|
| 3 months | 0.003 | 1.0 | 0 | 1.0 | 0.7 | 0.3 |
| 9 months | 0.18 | 0.71 | 0.35 | 1.06 | 0.7 | 0.45 |
| 2 years | 0.25 | 0.57 | 0.3 | 0.87 | 1.3 | 0.65 |
| 5 years | 0.36 | 0.86 | 0.41 | 1.27 | 2.2 | 1 |
| 12 years | 0.5 | 1 | 0.3 | 1.3 | 10 | 2.7 |
| Adult | 0.98 | 2.07 | 0.3 | 2.37 | 10 | 3.75 |

1. Dietary fluoride intake is about **five times higher** for adults in the high fluoride intake group, eg high beer or tea drinkers.
2. Maori are **twice as likely** as the average to be in the high fluoride group.
3. Most deprived groups are about **25% more likely** than average to be in the high fluoride diet group. (Ref. ESR report, page 39)

The two columns on the right are the reference toxicity limits. The ESR report used the "Upper Limit" (UL), calculated according to how much visible dental fluorosis occurs. However, the NRC review identified that absence of dental fluorosis does not mean absence of other health risks.

In terms of an analysis of risk of harm to general health, it is more relevant to use the Minimal Risk Level, MRL, set by the US Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, the column on the far right.

MRL is defined as "an estimate of daily human exposure to a hazardous substance that is likely to be without an appreciable risk of adverse non-cancer health effects over a specified route and duration of exposure"

MRL is 0.05/mg/kg body weight/ day

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I think the long term plan considers infrastructure well, however is short on innovative technology to support this. Further I do not believe that the plan addresses how to grow the city in terms of attracting people and businesses to Wellington. Auckland, with Massey in Albany is putting \$130mil in to a new tech hub and is in danger of taking the lead in the ICT sector from Wellington. The film industry is not reliable long term, and Grow Wellington is not strong enough or dynamic enough to remedy these issues on their own. Christchurch is building a citizen centric new city, it will attract people quickly. I believe WCC is distracted by amalgamation and does not have a clear growth strategy, that opens new avenues of business for Wellington. WREDA's strategy only reflects WCC's and shows no real thinking of it's own. It all sounds good, but I am not sure the council have the impetus to do any of this quickly. It all looks like it is 20 + years away and by then Wellington will have fallen apart.

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I believe WCC and GRWC and other councils should be actively using a shared services model to reduce council costs and redirecting these savings in to new projects, in an aggressive manner.

The NZ Govt, mandated a 5% OPEX savings model years ago and can reallocate this money. WCC should also look to do more in Public/Private partnership and supporting NZ businesses.

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In combination with a strategy to have more people and businesses in Wellington, this is highly important. Without a strategy to attract people the Airport expansion is unlikely to get the use or support as is currently predicted

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While the council has made moves to do some work in this area, it does not appear to be as strong as in Auck or Chch, where Universities, Council and others have partnered to become strong players. We have recently lost services provided by Creative HQ to other cities. More focus on creating new businesses and growth in the tech sector and other sectors is needed to attract people and growth to the region.

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

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Yes, however, there needs to be a plan to bring other companies here too. Currently Wellington is mainly film work and TV series and films are being shot in Auckland. Expanding the Wellington film and TV, commercial, music scene will assist in getting better employment levels across this sector and help bring back many Wellingtonians who have needed to go to Auckland to get consistent work in this field.

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Yes, the council should support this by helping them knock them down and rebuilding them. Heritage can often mean 'old' and not safe. We seriously need to look at the best option for safety and sometimes that is to start again. Reduce red tape and allow developers to help the council re-start this city.

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The question is unclear. Off-setting means many things.

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

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Yes, we need to attract more events, currently most of these are local Wellington events. To save the Stadium, we need to attract more international acts and free up the Stadium to operate more frequently.

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we have a underused Stadium, an Arena, an Opera House, and several other venues. Let's make these really successful before we build more.

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Please extend the trains more often to Otaki !

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Comments

I think there are other priorities, however where required Yes.

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

Please, let's grow the base of people in Wellington with smart business attraction strategies. Start-ups are all good, however we need to discover a strategy that attracts solid big, dynamic businesses back to Wellington, which will help revive many parts of the city and naturally increase rates and council revenue.

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
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My age is

- under 18 years
 18-29 years
 30-39 years
 40-49 years
 50-59 years
 60 years and older
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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 stop thinking ICT is Wellington's fastest growing business sector. We are seriously starting to lag behind and be overtaken by other cities. We are NOT the Events Capital of NZ - Auckland is both of these things. If you want more money and a more revitalised city, you need to attract 50,000 people over the next 5 - 7 years and more after that. While this will give us some other issues to deal with, it will also inspire spending and attract development to the region.

Attached Documents

| File |
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| 2015-25 Draft Long-term Plan |

From: [Clem Arlidge](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Thursday, 16 April 2015 12:15:07 a.m.

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| Name | Clem Arlidge |
| Email | arlidge.clem@gmail.com |
| Postcode | 6001 |
| 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 | Reduce emissions, car parks and congestion by opening up cycleways, e-bike rental and charging infrastructure and pedestrianised zones, making transport safe, easy, affordable and enjoyable |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

From: [Alex Barker](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Thursday, 16 April 2015 5:01:54 a.m.

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| Name | Alex Barker |
| Email | alexbarker@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 | <p>Wellington is one of my favourite places to cycle in the country - riding around the bays has been the best way to unwind on a summer afternoon. I also commuted to work in the CBD for 4 years. However, it often felt rather dangerous with the lack of cycle dedicated space.</p> <p>I'm sure the proposed network would encourage many more people to commute on cycle. Which would have so many benefits! Improved health, quality of life, lower load on the health system. Less congested streets. Less pollution. Lower cost of living. It is a win-win plan!</p> |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

From: [Nicole Benkert](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 9:39:37 p.m.

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| Name | Nicole Benkert |
| Email | nicbenkert@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 |
| 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 am fed up with the WCC doing nothing to protect cyclists on Wellington roads. I am also fed up with tokenist consultations. Get on with it, WCC! |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

From: [Claire Benson](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Thursday, 16 April 2015 6:37:52 a.m.

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| Name | Claire Benson |
| Email | claire4benson@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 |
| 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 support immediate action because 23 years ago my brother became a heart donor after being knocked from his bike. Today Wellington roads are busier and more dangerous. |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

From: [Lana Burns](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 9:37:05 p.m.

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| Name | Lana Burns |
| Email | lana.rachel.burns@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 |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |
| I would like to volunteer for Generation Zero -Yes | yes |

From: [Jacques Charroy](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 11:38:45 p.m.

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| Name | Jacques Charroy |
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| Postcode | 0610 |
| 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 expect Wellington to start making walking and biking safer. That means building infrastructure (fully separated bike lanes along main commuter routes), at the expense of some of the space dedicated to cars: street space and parking space. |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

From: [Dain Clarkin](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 11:04:40 p.m.

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| Name | Dain Clarkin |
| Email | dainclarkin@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 |
| 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: [Mark Coburn](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 7:42:35 p.m.

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| Name | Mark Coburn |
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| 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 |
| 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: [Matthew Cole](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 2:51:34 p.m.

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| Name | Matthew Cole |
| Email | colematthew@yahoo.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: [Mark craig](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 9:15:34 p.m.

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| Name | Mark craig |
| Email | markcraig@doctors.net.uk |
| Postcode | 1025 |
| 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 | A no brainer- less traffic, less pollution, fitter people, happier people. The evidence is all there. Please don't ignore it. |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | Yes |
| I would like to volunteer for Generation Zero -Yes | yes |

From: [Rachael Dunn](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 4:13:58 p.m.

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| Name | Rachael Dunn |
| Email | r4rach@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 | Because the roads should be safer for everyone to use |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

From: [Marion Findlay](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 4:21:28 p.m.

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| Name | Marion Findlay |
| Email | marion.findlay@xtra.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 | To assist the safety of the multitude cycling in to the city each day. To make it easier for parents to take their kids cycling. |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

From: [Joel Floris](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 4:14:50 p.m.

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| Name | Joel Floris |
| Email | joelfloris@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 |
| 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 the roads are too busy, and cars are causing too much pollution. |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |
| I would like to volunteer for Generation Zero -Yes | yes |

From: [Matthew Flowers](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 4:27:57 p.m.

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| Name | Matthew Flowers |
| Email | srewolf@windowslive.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 | Biking is an important mode of travel for the environment and safety for road users is superlative. |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

From: [Hanns Gilbert](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 4:07:05 p.m.

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| Name | Hanns Gilbert |
| Email | zcom@xtra.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 |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | Yes |

From: [Jan Gould](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 4:30:01 p.m.

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| Name | Jan Gould |
| Email | jan.gould@tekura.school.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:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone | yes |
| Write a message to the council | Young people (and older ones too) really should be safe on the road. |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

From: [Bob Gray](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 4:08:04 p.m.

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| Name | Bob Gray |
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| Postcode | 5024 |
| 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: [Lydia Hamer](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 4:10:12 p.m.

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| Name | Lydia Hamer |
| Email | lydia_hamer@hotmail.com |
| Postcode | 5011 |
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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 | Biking cultures create healthier, happier, more environmentally friendly cities. Without improvements to our roads biking remains unsafe. |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

From: [Neville Henderson](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 8:38:19 p.m.

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| Postcode | 6037 |
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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 | Invest now. Involve active cyclists and start piloting separate cycleways now. |

From: [Mark Higham](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 4:39:26 p.m.

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| Name | Mark Higham |
| Email | markandjules@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 |
| 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'm a bike rider and want to feel safer on the roads |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

From: [Dan Clayton](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Thursday, 16 April 2015 9:06:07 a.m.

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| Name | Dan Clayton |
| Email | clayton.danc@gmail.com |
| Postcode | 6021 |
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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 | Because i bike to uni every day and have to constantly ride on roads where there is no bike paths. Motorists get so angry but what can i do? |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

From: [Audrey Hill](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 4:42:05 p.m.

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| Postcode | 6011 |
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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 | Clean and green |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |
| I would like to volunteer for Generation Zero -Yes | yes |

From: [Anna James](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 4:12:50 p.m.

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| Name | Anna James |
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| Postcode | 6012 |
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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 | I love it. Keep safe NZ. |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

From: [Sunniva Jones](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 10:14:03 p.m.

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| Postcode | 6023 |
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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 |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

Save the Basin Campaign
c/- PO Box 19-056
Courtenay Place
Wellington 6149

April 15, 2015

Wellington City Council
P O Box 2199
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(longtermplan@wcc.govt.nz)

Submission on the Draft Long Term Plan 2015-2025

This submission is made on behalf of **Save the Basin Campaign Inc.**

We would like the opportunity to speak to our submission.

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Address: 87 Ellice St, Mt Victoria, Wellington 6011
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This submission relates specifically to the elements of the Draft Long-term Plan that relate to the Basin Reserve area.

Basin Reserve

We are concerned about wording in the Draft Annual Plan which seems to imply that Wellington City Council still supports NZTA's attempt to overturn the Board of Inquiry decision on the Basin Reserve flyover and its proposal to build the flyover, buildings on the Basin Reserve and related works:

Improvements are also needed to the vehicle network. We support NZTA's programme for Wellington, which aims to unlock the city's economic potential by improving transport routes into the city, and from the city to the airport.

[Statements of Service Provision pg 42]

We strongly oppose the flyover because of the adverse impact on the heritage of the Basin Reserve, the surrounding landscape and southern Mt Victoria.

We applaud the very-overdue allocation of funding to maintain the seriously neglected Basin Reserve, signalled by the existence of the outline Master Plan. However, we have the following major concerns:

- A reserve management plan for the Basin Reserve is an essential pre-requisite and framework for any development of the Reserve and a legislative requirement. This should be developed before the Master Plan is worked up in more detail. It should be completed as soon as possible and funding should be allocated for this in the Long Term Plan.

- We are concerned that there has not been wider consultation on development of the Master Plan.
- We oppose demolition of the old Museum Stand and support its strengthening and refurbishment.
- We are extremely concerned to see that a “Northern Gateway and player pavilion” described as “operating facilities that include offices for Wellington Cricket, fit for purpose entrance/ticketing facilities . . . etc” are in the plan. This looks very like the original NZTA plan.

The Basin Reserve is registered as an Historic Area in the National Register of Heritage New Zealand and it is therefore a serious omission that it is not included in the District Plan. We request that the Council take immediate action to remedy this omission and include the Basin Reserve in the District Plan heritage inventory.

Conclusion

Save the Basin Campaign Inc. urges the WCC to respect the Board of Inquiry decision and work with other parties towards a people-centric outcome for the Basin Reserve area, which respects its built and landscape heritage.

From: [Maisha Lani](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 4:04:45 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 support this action because biking is a sustainable mode of transportation that needs to be greatly encouraged. |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |
| I would like to volunteer for Generation Zero -Yes | yes |

From: [Ivan Esler](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 7:36:01 p.m.

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| Postcode | 6021 |
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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 |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

From: [Alexandria Mark](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 4:07:19 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: [jamie_mcaulay](#)
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| 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 | Safety first. |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |
| I would like to volunteer for Generation Zero -Yes | yes |

From: [Matthew McMenamin](#)
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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 create safe bike lanes to make commuting viable |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

From: [Andy McMillan](#)
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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 | To make Wellington cycle friendly and safe, to keep people fit, and to make Wellington cool. |
| 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 strongly support the WCC implementing the Living Wage to the entire work-force, contracted labour included.

I work as a nurse in a Primary health clinic, and work with the impacts of poverty and inequalities on an almost daily basis.

The research is clear when it documents the expanding differential between the richest and the poorest. In addition, many robust international research reports, such as the UK health based Marmot Report, identify these inequalities as the greatest influence on one's ability to access potential, health and well being.

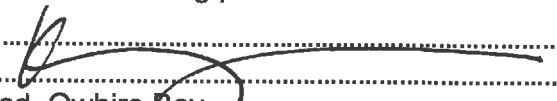
The WCC are able to be at the forefront of reducing these systemic inequalities locally, by the implementation of the Living Wage for the lowest paid employees working on contract to the WCC.

The evidence is clear that a Living Wage affords a family to rise from poverty, and contribute in many of the civic and communal activities many of us enjoy. From a health perspective, this means better choices of food, greater ease to see GP as required, a better possibility of ongoing education and opportunity, reduced stress and mental illness, and greater social participation.

These are all essential aspect that add to the health, wellbeing and vitality of a modern city, one where we all feel able to participate.

For the WCC to commit to paying the Living Wage to 'all' who work for this organisation, contracted staff included, asserts a moral high-ground that this is a city that proves that it cares for the most vulnerable. To have the working poor visit food banks is a travesty!

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I wish to make an oral submission yes

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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 | I work in wellington and want to ride my bike in the cbd safely |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

From: [Rachel Murray](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Thursday, 16 April 2015 12:07:21 a.m.

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| Name | Rachel Murray |
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| Postcode | 6035 |
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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 support action for improved cycle infrastructure, having this morning suffered a near-miss on Featherston street with an over-taking vehicle not giving more than 30cm room. Please do something about this!! |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

From: [Emily Mwila](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 4:19:32 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 bike and drive past bikers around Wellington and would love to feel safer from both positions! |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

From: [Matt Pacey](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
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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 enhance the safety for cyclists! |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

From: [Kerry Palmer](#)
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 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Wednesday, 15 April 2015 9:23:43 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 |
| 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 | 40% of children in the Netherlands bike to school. Conversely, nearly an equivalent number of New Zealand children are overweight. I'd ask a simple question; how many councillors would be happy having their children ride unsupervised to school? If the answer is not many, then I'd suggest that you should do something to change that. Independent travel should not be restricted to those old enough and rich enough to own a car. |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

From: [Chris Parker](#)
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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 | More biking, cleaner, fitter 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: [Lily Paterson](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan 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 | Because cyclists deserve to be protected on Wellington roads, it's their right! |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |
| I would like to volunteer for Generation Zero -Yes | yes |

From: [Anna Peacey](#)
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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 cycle to work, as it's a healthy, cheap and environmentally friendly alternative. But I don't feel safe cycling in the city. Separate cycleways and a reduced speed limit would make my ride to work safe. Thanks! |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

From: [Michael Peters](#)
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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 cycling in the inner city is dangerous and scares people away from cycling around town. |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

From: [Eliot Pryor](#)
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 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
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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 | cycle safe - sustainable liveable city - people-oriented - creative - accessible - build on the strengths! |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

From: [Lance Ravenswood](#)
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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 | Get rid of cars! Friends nearly died three times in 12 months because of failed cycleways. |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

Submission to Wellington City Council on Draft Long Term Plan 2015 - 2025

This submission is from:

Rev. Norman Wilkins

On behalf of the Parish Council of St Andrew's on The Terrace

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April 15th 2015

I do wish to speak to our submission.

Our submission concerns **The Living Wage.**

We are asking you to make these amendments to the Long Term Plan:

- 1. Expand the commitment to the Living Wage by including it in the Social Outcomes section, which currently contains no people-focused outcomes at all.**
- 2. Include in The Long Term Plan the provision to progressively move towards paying workers employed by Council Controlled Organisations and those employed by contractors (e.g. cleaners, security guards and recycling workers) the Living Wage.**
- 3. Commit Council to becoming a Living Wage Council.**

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.*

What we recognise that Council has done so far

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 living wage is mentioned under the "invest for growth" section,¹ where there is provision for a living wage for directly-employed staff at Wellington Zoo and Museums Trust.

We note that in December 2013, Wellington City Council voted 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.

The draft Long Term Plan says that our city is in a "strong financial position"², so there is no financial reason for not proceeding to fulfil this commitment.

The Plan pledges to "include the most vulnerable citizens in city life".³ The Plan also states: "People and social cohesion matter"⁴.



The benefits of paying the Living Wage

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. At present we believe that some Council workers such as cleaners, security guards and recycling workers are being paid very close to the minimum wage of \$14.75/hr. This level of income is not sufficient to enable a family to do more than survive; they cannot participate in society and possibly leads to adults in the household having to work very long hours with more than one job to the detriment of children in particular.

There have been studies conducted that show that children from low socioeconomic backgrounds perform on average worse on intelligence tests than children from higher social economic backgrounds and that the difference in IQ increases as the children grow older. Also Last year, a study by the University of Exeter revealed that children from poor backgrounds are more likely to suffer from attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, which could affect their ability to excel at school.⁵ The Living Wage will therefore contribute to our children reaching their potential and their development not being impaired by poverty.

Income inequality has been increasing with a deleterious effect on all the citizens of Wellington.⁶ 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.

Decent wages makes business sense in both public and private sectors. Research in the UK⁷ 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

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 also has a mandate for including moving towards paying the Living Wage in the Long Term Plan for in the 2014 WCC Annual Plan process the Wellington community was asked the question "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?" 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. It also is noted that the cost was given as \$2m without supporting evidence and we suspect that is excessive.⁸ (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)

Our city's participation in the Living Wage Movement will positively promote the Wellington job market making it attractive to newcomers such as students, migrants and others considering moving to Wellington. It will send a clear message about the Council's commitment to good social outcomes. Progressing towards becoming a city where the Living Wage is part of our identity enhances our reputation as the 'Creative Capital' of New Zealand.

Attributes of the Living Wage

- It is voluntary and not mandatory
- It is not a welfare payment but a wage in the market place
- It is a rate for all workers, based on a methodology similar to that used around the world
- However it 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.

Why St. Andrew’s supports the Living Wage

This submission is made by the Parish Council of St Andrew’s on The Terrace, Wellington. St Andrew’s on The Terrace is a Presbyterian congregation, first established in 1840, with a long and distinguished record of working for social justice and caring for people within and beyond our community.

St. Andrew’s has consistently promoted the adoption of the Living Wage since the Living Wage movement came to Wellington, and as we have previously stated “as a Christian church we are motivated by our concern for the Common Good of our society. Recognising the worth of every person is a core value of our faith. As members of a progressive Christian faith community, we stand in solidarity with the vulnerable and we care deeply about the well-being of all New Zealanders”

We base our participation in this process on our belief that human societies do best when we follow the golden rule that is at the heart of many religious traditions: that we treat others as we would want to be treated by them. We have a collective responsibility to co-create a “good society” and we must ensure that all citizens are able to participate equally in society and its institutions, including access to a decent income from employment.

We are deeply involved in the life of Wellington, the city where we live and work and which is home to our faith community. Commitment to the city is an ancient element of our tradition. In Jeremiah 29:7 God told the Israelites: “Seek the welfare of the city where you live... And pray ... on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare.”

We do that each Sunday in our prayer for St Andrew’s which includes the following:

***Bless the city in which we live
that it may be a place
where honest dealing,
good government,
the desire for beauty
and the care for others flourish.”***

We recognise the vulnerability and loss of well-being caused by poverty.

We are one of many faith communities that support the introduction of the Living Wage.

¹ Page 9, Our 10-year plan

² Page 10, Our 10-year plan

³ Page 8, Our 10-year plan

⁴ Page 20, Our 10-year plan

⁵ Scientists from Goldsmiths, University of London compared data on almost 15,000 children and their parents as part of the Twins Early Development Study (Teds).

The study is an on-going investigation into socio-economic and genetic links to intelligence.

Children were assessed nine times between the ages of two and 16, using a mixture of parent-administered, web and telephone-based tests.

The results, published in the journal *Intelligence*, revealed that children from wealthier backgrounds with more opportunities scored higher in IQ tests at the age of two, and experienced greater IQ gains over time.

Dr Sophie von Stumm, from Goldsmiths, University of London, who led the study, said: 'We've known for some time that children from low socioeconomic status (SES) backgrounds perform on average worse on intelligence tests than children from higher SES backgrounds, but the developmental relationship between intelligence and SES had not been previously shown.

'Our research establishes that relationship, highlighting the link between SES and IQ.

'We hope that our findings will drive future research into the specific mechanisms and factors that underpin the link between SES and IQ and thus, contribute to widening the IQ gap.'

Last year, a study by the University of Exeter revealed that children from poor backgrounds and one-parent families are more likely to suffer from attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, which could affect their ability to excel at school

⁶ **Inequality**

There is a growing body of evidence that indicates that unequal distribution of income – the gap between rich and poor and the extent of income inequality – has a direct effect upon the well-being of all people in a region. Income inequality in the Wellington region is more accentuated than for New Zealand overall. The P80/P20 ratio of equivalised gross weekly household income for the region¹⁷ is consistently higher than that for New Zealand (when viewed across the entire study period). The degree of income inequality in the region has also increased during the time monitored. This high and increasing level of income inequality is expected to have implications on the overall well-being of people living in the region.

Genuine Progress Indicators, Wellington Regional Council <http://www.gpiwellingtonregion.govt.nz/assets/WR-GPI2001-2013.pdf>

⁷ The costs and benefits of the London living wage, October 2012, Jane Wills and Brian Linneker, School of Geography, Queen Mary University of London

⁸ Page 11, draft Wellington City Council 2014/2015 Annual Plan

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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 goodness sake, stop arguing amongst yourselves and get on with it. |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

From: [Emma Roache](#)
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 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
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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 has the opportunity to be a progressive modern city, instead it's leapt to the bottom of the cycle safe cities in NZ. People are keen to commute and travel on bikes, but the poor infrastructure puts many off, and it's dangerous. Please prioritize the cycling budget. Positive flow on effects will happen from that - less congestion, cycling is good for the economy, good for health and wellbeing, good for communities. Yet when we see roads reconstructed - eg riddiford street by the hospital, or Victoria, we are still missing out on adding some cycling lanes and improvements. The council can do better, and a good proportion of rate payers demand it. |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

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| Write a message to the council | This will reduce congestion. Aid the reduction of obesity. Make the inner city safer. Encourage more cyclists which is better for the environment and the people themselves and significantly endow Wellington with a much greater progressive and environmentally conscious image which will encourage more proactive and community minded people to move and stay in our gorgeous capital city. |
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| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | 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 | Save the planet |
| 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 | By promoting cycling, everybody wins, - cyclists, drivers, people who breathe air, people who want humanity to survive the next century. |
| 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 don't bike on the road because I don't feel safe. |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |
| I would like to volunteer for Generation Zero -Yes | yes |

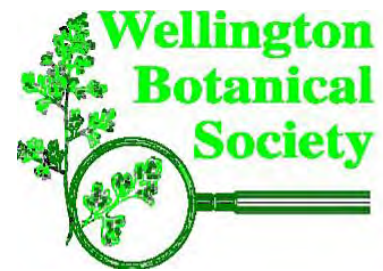
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| I want Wellington to be safe for people on bikes. I want the council to:-Reduce speeds in inner city streets to make the CBD safer and more relaxed for everyone | yes |
| Write a message to the council | Wellington is a great place but unfortunately not that great for people on bikes. If I only imagine that Wellington had a good cycling infrastructure, I wouldn't ever leave the place. |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

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SUBMISSION ON DRAFT LONG TERM PLAN AND RELATED PLANS

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Introduction

The Wellington Botanical Society welcomes this opportunity to comment on four draft documents and would like to speak at the oral hearings. We have included our comments in one four-part submission because all parts are closely inter-related. Each part starts on a new page.

Part 1: Draft Long Term Plan

Part 2: Draft Urban Growth Plan and Draft Implementation Plan

Part 3: Draft Statement of Service Performance

Part 4: Draft Infrastructure Plan.

Part 1: Draft Long Term Plan

We were disappointed by the narrow focus of the Draft Long Term Plan 2015-25 (dLTP). We had expected the next stage of implementing *WELLINGTON TOWARDS 2040: SMART CAPITAL (Wellington 2040)*. Wellington agreed on this long-term vision for the city less than four years ago after extensive public input. It would be regrettable if it was already gathering dust on Council's shelves.

Inspiring statements in *Wellington 2040* included:

- *As the capital city of 'clean green New Zealand', Wellington has an important role to play as an environmental leader. We need to ensure the city is prepared for the challenges and can build resilience in the face of the impacts of climate change, resource scarcity, environmental degradation and biodiversity loss. It requires active commitment, leadership and understanding of what's needed to position Wellington as a world-class green performer.*
- *We need to understand and develop the economic potential of our ecological assets through research and innovation.*
- *We will need to develop more urgent responses to protect our biodiversity, and gain a better understanding of the relationship between our urban and natural environments.*

We urge Council to re-commit to Wellington 2040. The proposed focus on Wellington's economic potential and growth agenda may jeopardise many of the values that contribute to Wellington's high rankings for quality of life.

We were also concerned to see that the Urban Growth Plan (UGP) will trump the Long Term Plan.¹ The sub-title of the UGP is Urban Development and Transport Strategy. The UGP belongs with the other strategies and plans below the LTP.

The Society's particular interest is Wellington's natural environment, especially its indigenous ecosystems and plants. The dLTP does not even acknowledge the important role that the natural environment plays in attracting visitors and businesses to Wellington, and encouraging residents to remain here.

The dLTP contains only one project with direct links to the natural environment, the Ocean Exploration Centre, and this project is dependent on a Trust raising two thirds of the development costs.

The low profile of biodiversity and open space is particularly disappointing given Council's on-going investment in preparing management plans and strategies to guide decision-making. We have engaged in at least five processes in the last two years.² Several earlier strategies and management plans have either been

¹ Draft Urban Growth Plan page 13).

² *Our Natural Capital*, the Suburban Reserves Management Plan, the Wellington Botanic Gardens Management Plan, the Town Belt Management Plan, and *Our Capital Spaces*.

completed, abandoned or are still under implementation.³ Public consultation on the dLTP provided an opportunity for Council to seek feedback on the relative merits of a selection of actions and projects from across all these documents. (Two projects are identified in the “key projects” section of the dSSP).⁴ The result is a significant gap in the information available to the public about what Council intends to do over the next three years. We are left wondering who will be making the decisions, and what weighting they will give to investment in different types of projects.

The dLTP comments briefly and in very general terms about Council’s intentions for protecting and restoring Wellington’s biodiversity, and then invites readers to refer to the Biodiversity Action Plan. The Long Term Plan 2012-22 inspired much more confidence and trust in Council’s commitment to protecting the natural environment.

Recommendation: The best option we can see at this stage is for Council to announce an increase in funding for implementation of *Our Natural Capital (Biodiversity Action Plan)* under the heading *Supporting our natural capital* on page 42. There is sufficient space on that page to identify particular priorities. These could include reviewing the natural environment chapters of the district plan, increasing support for the community groups that help care for the city’s indigenous biodiversity, and becoming world leaders in managing urban ecology. Funding some postdoctoral research fellowships would be an excellent way of working towards this position.⁵

Revitalisation of Civic Precinct

Our only other comment on the draft LTP arises from Council’s proposal to allow buildings to be erected on Jack Illott Green and in the Michael Fowler Centre carpark to offset some of the costs of strengthening the Town Hall. If that land is sold, then any revenue raised should be invested in purchasing more open space in the central city, and not used to reduce other costs associated with revitalising the precinct. The We Draft Urban Growth Plan includes a commitment to “deliver new and improved parks in the inner city to support new residents...”. We expect Council to protect the remaining areas of open space and vegetation in the CBD and to plan for new ones that meet different and emerging community needs. The Jack Illott Green may not be well used at the moment, but the forest at Te Papa shows what can be achieved when a small space in an environmentally rugged setting is given additional shelter.

³ South Coast Management Plan (2002), Greening Central Wellington (2002), the Outer Town Belt Management Plan (2004), the Northern Reserves Management Plan (2008) and the Central City Framework (2013).

⁴ Children’s Garden, Miramar Peninsula Ecology.

⁵ We suggest modelling these on the Postdoctoral Fellowships of the Rutherford Foundation which are administered by the Royal Society. These fellowships are offered for two years. Each year, the Fellow will receive a stipend of NZ\$75,000, and a GST-inclusive fund NZ\$10,000 is paid each year to support direct and indirect research costs.

Part 2: Draft Urban Growth Plan and Draft Implementation Plan

The list of 21 Flagship projects in the Draft Implementation Plan includes only one natural environment project, the Watts Peninsula Reserve project. We support this project but it is a surprising inclusion as a flagship UGP project because the area is well away from both the Growth Spine and all of the areas where housing is to be intensified, (other than Kilbirnie). Watts Peninsula provides a limited solution to the open space issues arising from the dUGP.

There are nine priority 2 or 3 Natural Environment actions for years 1-3 of the Draft Implementation Plan (page 34). We offer the following comments on those actions:

- We suspect that the intention to review the *Our Natural Capital* (Biodiversity Action Plan) in years 1-3 is an error because it was reviewed in early 2015. We recommend amending this statement to “implement actions from the Biodiversity Action Plan to increase the resilience of the indigenous species, habitats and ecosystems under the environmental challenges arising from the Urban Growth Plan”.
- We agree that protection of the natural landscapes and open spaces, indigenous biodiversity and ecological areas in the District Plan needs to be reviewed. (We prefer the word strengthened). The review is both vital and urgent given the threats to these values that will result from housing intensification, roading projects, and other developments. The District Plan is the only safeguard where these values occur in the Special Housing Areas established under HASHAA now that Council has removed the public’s right to engage in resource consent processes.
- We also regard the two stormwater actions as high priorities so that improvements are achieved before Urban Growth Plan developments start increasing pollution, sedimentation, flooding, and loss of habitat.
- We support the other biodiversity priorities, i.e. pest management and native planting provided that the species planted are ecologically appropriate, eco-sourced, and that the plantings contribute to improved ecological connectivity.
- We recommend shifting two of the actions to another section of the UGP because they have only indirect links to the heading “natural environment”, i.e. the review of the District Plan provisions regarding home solar energy systems and small wind installations, and the development of green standards (higher levels of sustainability) for new builds and retrofits.

Open Space in the CBD

We endorse, with some reservations, Council’s intention to align investment in open spaces with planned population growth. (Factors other than population growth need to be considered.) The map for Sector 6 in the Draft Urban Reserve Management Plan shows how little green space there is in Te Aro. The implementation timing, however, is puzzling:

- In years 1-3. Council plans to “monitor the provision of recreation spaces, open spaces and sport facilities in residential growth areas”. This is concurrent with the planning for several flagship regeneration and intensification projects (Te Aro, Adelaide Rd, and Cambridge and Kent Terraces).
- In years 4-10, Council plans to investigate “the need for additional or improved open spaces in the central city as the inner city population grows”.

It’s not clear when Council will start obtaining land for inner city parks and other open space. We **recommend** that land acquisition starts in years 1-3, i.e. before the price of land escalates or preferred sites become unavailable. It should be possible to fund some new acquisitions from the development contributions paid by developers.

Planting in central city open spaces

The draft UGP shows that Council proposes to continue implementing the *Greening Central Wellington* vision as one of its mechanisms for aligning investment in the natural environment with its plans for growth.⁶ The vision is of a city where “the quality of planting reflects the city’s distinctive and varied character, and planting is considered important to the well-being of its inhabitants”. Boffa Miskell’s analysis of the city’s plantings makes interesting reading. So does the separate report, *Central City Framework Spatial Structure Plan 2011*. While we don’t agree with all the recommendations, these two reports still provide useful analysis and guidance.

In 2013, Council produced an 89-page *Central City Framework* which includes 12 pages about open space. Council proposes to review this framework in years 1-3. It is not clear why a review is already necessary, but could be a consequence of lessons learned from the Victoria Street Transformation Project, Memorial Park and the Parliamentary Precinct.

Our Capital Spaces 2013 (OCS) and *Our Natural Capital* draft 2015 (ONC) also include the actions and policies relating to plantings, i.e.:

- promote and increase the use of native plantings in Council amenity planting, road planting, etc, (ONC 3.1.1.a).
- when using native plants in street amenity plantings, select native species that fit with good design practice, provide structural diversity, and promote the planting of threatened native species where possible (OCS 2.2.5)
- increase the number of large trees planted in the central city, focussing on the east-west connections (ONC 3.1.1 c).

⁶ The 72-page *Greening Central Wellington* vision and guideline was prepared for Council by Boffa Miskell Ltd in 2002. Introductory sections note that Council has direct responsibility for around 40 sites in the city and that “*the open spaces lack any cohesion, pattern or direction. Apart from Midland Park, the city has not gained any permanent open spaces along the main pedestrian networks in the last 30 years.*”

Instead of reviewing the *Central City Framework*, we **recommend** Council develop an 'Open space implementation plan for the flagship growth areas near the central city'. We envisage a document prepared by a working group, not a consultant, that:

- identifies and describes the open spaces controlled by Council in the central city (e.g., Te Aro Park, Waitangi Park, Frank Kitts Park, any other remaining open space on the waterfront, Memorial Park, Glover Park, the strip between Cambridge and Kent terraces, the revitalised Civic Precinct, Cuba Mall etc)
- identifies the anticipated needs, aspirations and expectations of different groups of residents, workers, businesses and visitors for different kinds of open space in the flagship areas (noisy play, ceremonial events, quiet reflection, shade, shelter, sun, greenery, wildlife viewing, artworks, rubbish bins, seating, parking for bikes, skateboarding, expanding business opportunities etc). and how these may change at 10-year intervals with changing demographics
- identifies key gaps in provision, and site-based options for meeting these
- draws together and reviews all the recommendations and policies from all of Council's the strategies, plans and reports that comment on open space in the central city (some of the submissions on those documents also contain useful material)
- outlines how Council will engage the public in the planning of specific proposals.

Funding open space

Funding for purchases of open-space in the central city and potentially in other growth areas is an issue that needs to be addressed as part of finalising at least three documents, the draft Financial Strategy, the draft Infrastructure Strategy, and the LTP. We expect to see details of the funding available for reserve acquisitions in the final LTP, and better reporting on acquisitions in future annual reports. (Reserve acquisitions can also enhance ecological connectivity, a policy direction signalled in several of Council's strategies and plans.)

Our comments on the draft Infrastructure Strategy (page 6) also refer to planning and expenditure on open space.

Part 3: Draft Statement of Service Performance

The section of the Draft Statement of Service Performance (dSSP) of most interest and concern to the Society is 2.1 Gardens, Beaches and Green Open Spaces.

Comparison with the Long Term Plan 2012-22 shows that Council intends to delete the following services and responsibilities from the dSSP:

- *protect key native ecosystems by controlling pest animals and weeds at priority sites as well as key pests across natural areas and rural land*
- *re-vegetate and restore native habitats by propagating native species in our Berhampore Nursery, planting them throughout the city, and providing them for planting by community volunteer groups*
- *support volunteers to maintain and enhance the city's gardens, coastline, biodiversity and open spaces by providing tools, advice and training*

We have re-typed the description from the dSSP into the following table so you can see its limitations. There are references to mountain bike tracks, amenity bedding, and boat ramps, but nothing about the protection or restoration of different types of indigenous biodiversity and ecosystems.

| Gardens, Beaches and Green Open Spaces | | | |
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| Group of Activities | Rationale | Service Offering | Negative effects |
| 2.1.1 Local parks and open spaces | Provide access to green open spaces. | Manage and maintain: | In our management of the city's green open spaces, we seek to balance recreation needs against environmental protection. While recreational use can have negative effects on the immediate environment, in most cases these are not significant. We do not anticipate any other significant negative effects associated with our management of these services. |
| 2.1.2 Botanical gardens | Provide public places to congregate | • 4,000ha of parks, reserves and beaches | |
| 2.1.3 Roads open spaces | | • 200 buildings for community use | |
| 2.1.4 Town belts | Provide access to recreational opportunities. | • 340km of walking and mountain bike tracks | |
| 2.1.5 Community environmental initiatives | Enhance biodiversity | over 200,000 square metres of amenity bedding and horticultural areas | |
| 2.1.6 Walkways | | • boat ramps, wharves, seawalls and slipways. | |
| 2.1.7 Biodiversity | | | |

We **strongly recommend** that Council continue to include a more comprehensive description of the activities associated with protecting and restoring the city's indigenous biodiversity in the SSP.

Key Projects for 2.1 Gardens, Beaches and Green Open Spaces

Council has traditionally identified key projects in the LTP/SSP. In the LTP 2012-22, there were about 24 projects in the Gardens, Beaches and Green Open Spaces section, and several showed the available budget. Some of those projects have now been completed. In contrast, this year's dSSP contains only two 'key projects', the

Children's Garden in the Botanic Garden, and Miramar Peninsula ecology. We support these key projects which are partially funded by external sources (Plimmer Trust for both, central government for Watts Peninsula). Many of the projects in all the other Council strategies, management plans, and implementation plans are worthwhile, but we don't know which ones Council intends to fund. It appears decisions on what can be achieved within core funding are being left to officers.

Our five top priorities for key projects/initiatives are:

- Provide statutory protection under the Reserves Act for an additional x ha of open space with ecological and landscape values. These areas have been identified through the draft Suburban Reserves Management Plan and other approved reserve management plans. We understand some gazettals will be straightforward, but that others won't happen without additional funding for surveys.
- Enhance the capability of community groups, corporate volunteers, and individuals who protect and restore Wellington's reserves, public gardens, beaches and other green open spaces. Several speakers at the oral hearings on the draft Biodiversity Action Plan mentioned the need for better education of groups involved in restoration projects.
- Review Chapter 18 (Conservation Sites) of the District Plan (the current chapter became operational in June 2000). Opportunities for the public to comment on subdivision proposals and on Priority Housing Areas have been reduced or removed.
- Fund and implement a research and monitoring programme to support implementation of *Our Natural Capital* (Biodiversity Action Plan)
- Increase weed control, including funding to advise and support community restoration groups on significant weed management issues. (Council provides the plants, but doesn't help with the preparation of the project areas for planting. Effective control of some weeds requires special equipment and skills, e.g. abseiling, spraying with dangerous chemicals, use of chainsaws, transporting weeds to the landfill).

Performance measures associated with 2.1 Gardens, Beaches and Green Open Spaces

We **recommend** ongoing improvement in the performance management framework to provide better information to decision-makers and the public about progress towards the objectives in Council's many environmental strategies and plans. As part of this work, we recommend preparing a short manual that sets out relevant definitions and methodologies. This could show, for example, how data about the hours worked by recognised environmental volunteers and botanic gardens volunteers is captured, and which groups are included in the measure.

We were pleased to see the increase in the targets for the performance measure for animal pest control and weed control. This will mean that by 2020, 70% of the high value biodiversity sites will be covered, up from 55% now. (*High value biodiversity sites (%) covered by integrated animal pest control or weed control*).

We **recommend** supplementing the pest control measure with a new measure of the actual area (in ha) of open space under active weed control. (*Area of high value biodiversity sites (ha) under active weed control*).

We **recommend** reviewing the targets for the number of visitors to the Botanic Garden including Otari-Wilton's Bush. Visitor numbers in 2013/14 were 1,542,535. The target is static at 1,280,000 until 2025. We would have expected a steady increase in the target from 2016/17 as a result of the investment in the Children's Garden, the potential for linked marketing of a nature-based attraction package for Wellington, and the recent award of Green Flag status to Otari-Wilton's Bush.

We **recommend** adding a performance measure showing changes in the amount of open space in different parts of the city and qualitative descriptions of any open space that has been lost or gained.

We support the inclusion of additional performance measures from the City Biodiversity Index to facilitate international benchmarking.

Part 4: Infrastructure Strategy (IS30)

Council's draft Infrastructure Strategy was not as easy to understand as Greater Wellington's draft Infrastructure Strategy. We hope the final version will provide a more accessible and comprehensive overview of how the city's infrastructure will be maintained and upgraded over the next 30 years. Cross-references between the two documents would also help, e.g. the role of both parties in providing additional drinking water to Adelaide Road, Te Aro etc, i.e. a pipeline under the harbour (GW) and an additional reservoir (WCC).

Funding projections are allocated for three types of activities: renewals, upgrades and growth. Please explain the difference in the IS30, e.g. for storm water and open space.

Wellington City's version of this new statutory requirement recognises two groups of assets: network infrastructure and social infrastructure. Our primary interest is in Parks and Open Spaces, which IS30 treats as social infrastructure. We have also commented briefly on stormwater given the slow progress to date on implementing stream restoration programmes and other catchment-based projects in the Biodiversity Action Plan 2007.

Parks and Open Spaces

IS30 signals that Council intends to provide quality infrastructure that can deliver services in a manner that meets community expectations now and into the future. It attaches a proviso that "Community demand for improved social infrastructure services will generally only be made where there is a 'gap' in our service offering. This reinforced our impression that the focus in Wellington 2040 on a "people-centred city" has been dropped. Perhaps the LTP should include the development of an on-going programme to identify gaps in social infrastructure services.

One potential gap in the provision of parks and open spaces in the flagship intensification areas, i.e. Adelaide Road, Te Aro, Cambridge and Kent terraces. See our comments on the dUGP earlier in this submission.

Another gap is the proportion of the city's tracks that are accessible to people with limited mobility. This gap will become more pronounced as Wellington's population ages. The graph in IS30 shows that the population over 65 years of age will experience higher growth over the next 15 years than any other age group. IS30 does not give any population predictions for the following 15 years, i.e. 2031-2045. Some people over the age of 65 have good mobility and will continue to use a wide range of tracks. Others, for example, some of those aged over 80 years will find their choice restricted to a few tracks with good surfaces on flat ground in places like Otari-Wilton's Bush, the Botanic Garden and Central Park. We **recommend** that Council identify the length of tracks and the proportion of total track length (350 km) that are expected to be suitable for people with limited mobility each five years for the next 30 years. The measure could also be included in the dSSP.

We noticed a spike of nearly \$8 million for capital upgrades and renewals in 2019, followed by a drop to \$3m the following year. Please identify what this is for in the commentary. The only allocation for "growth" in next 10 years is about \$4m in 2022.

Does this mean there is no financial provision for new parks or other recreation facilities in either the CBD or the greenfield development sites before then?

Stormwater

Council has acknowledged that stormwater is already causing environmental harm. The IS30 presents an opportunity for Council to explain, in user-friendly language, what it is doing to address the issue, and when improvements in key performance measures can be anticipated.

Under its “most likely scenario”, Council proposes to “...maintain the level of service we are currently providing for water quality – namely compliance with resource consents and maintaining appropriate standards of water quality and waterway health across Wellington City’s coastal and river environments.”

Maintaining the current level of service is not acceptable given the current levels of pollutants in several of Wellington’s streams (see lawa website) and because “appropriate standards” have not been specified. Under the “most likely scenario”, it could be at least a decade before any improvement in water quality can be expected. The time-expenditure graphs show:

- No increase in renewals before 2022
- Modest investment in upgrades between 2022 and 2025
- A spike in renewals between 2028 and 2032
- A much larger spike in renewals between 2037 and 2041
- Upgrades between 2026 and 2044 are currently unplanned and unbudgeted.

The following six paragraphs mention additional information that could be included or explained in the stormwater section of IS30.

- The performance measure in the dSSP for water quality requires reporting on samples taken in dry weather when the risk of cross contamination may be lower than it is after heavy rain. (Percentage of monitored sites that have a rolling 12 month median value for E.coli (dry weather samples) that do not exceed 1000 cfu/100ml). This measure, and its interpretation, should be explained in notes accompanying the annual report on performance against the measure.
- The draft IS30 does not include a list of the resource consents for the stormwater system that are part of the service specification, nor the timeline for renewals of those consents.
- The draft IS30 does not mention the work underway on ICMPs. During 2015, the Environment Committee received financial estimates from Wellington Water Services of the costs and timelines for completing one of city’s Integrated Catchment Management Plans. These costs ran into millions, and didn’t include the costs of implementation of preferred options. IS 30 should clarify if these costs have been incorporated into the IS30 funding models. If not, then include them as a risk.
- The draft IS30 does not mention Council’s Water Sensitive Urban Design (WSUD) programme under which developers are being encouraged to incorporate WSUD principles and practices in their designs. We expect

Council to lead by example, and to include WSUD practices in its upgrades, including local roading projects and other projects, e.g. Civic Precinct.

- The draft IS30 mentions that “A flagship Blue-belt project focusing on water quality is one of a number of important initiatives proposed in the 2015-25 LTP”. What the LTP includes is a proposal to introduce real-time monitoring of the stormwater system. Neither the dLTP nor the IS30 explain how having a real-time monitoring system will enable Council to “better manage pollutants when stormwater is causing environmental harm”. Understanding how the new information will be obtained and used may have implications for additional capital investment.

It appears that standards for water quality in the Wellington Harbour-Hutt Valley catchment are not likely to be finalised until at least 2021. (According to Greater Wellington’s Draft Infrastructure Strategy, the whitua committee for this catchment won’t be established until 2017/18.) The process is likely to take two years, possibly longer if Greater Wellington is disestablished.

We **recommend** that Council include a timetable in IS 30 showing when the various stormwater initiatives are likely to start contributing to improvements in the quality of the stormwater and reductions in quantities. There may also be advantages in bringing forward the proposed timings and expenditure on renewals and upgrades of the stormwater network in the central city Special Housing Areas, using the best available information about the age and condition of the pipes on those parts of town.



Methodist Church Te Haahi Weteriana - Public Issues Network

SUBMISSION: WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL LONG TERM PLAN RE THE LIVING WAGE. APRIL 2015

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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 Tauivi. Tauivi 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 Wesley Church Taranaki St. has 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 would like to speak to our submission.

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Introduction

Wesley Church is part of the Public issues Network of the Methodist Church, which 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, **Wesley Church**, join 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

Rev. Falaniko Mann-Taito

On behalf of Wesley Church, Taranaki St. 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>

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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 | Cycling is the way of the future! |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

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| Write a message to the council | More biking is better for everyone but we don't want to die. |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

From: [Sam Wright](#)
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From: [Elliott Young](#)
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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 | It's hard to gauge the need for a bridge by the number of people swimming across. Bikeways will transform the city. |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

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 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

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

Over the past 8 years the Council has ignored what the rest of New Zealand has endured - belt tightening. Rates have been rising to high for too long. These should not be running so much higher than inflation. I oppose the proposed 3.9% increase on the basis that the business as usual increase of 3.1% is already on the high side for an increase.

Should Council take action to improve our international air connections?

- Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Extending the runway is a complete waste of money. The marginal benefit to Wellington and/or New Zealand will be marginal, and ratepayers would be left footing the bill. If it was such a great

idea the airport company would do it itself.

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

While I am not opposed to the Council providing limited support to the tech sector, this should only be done through the Council reprioritising existing expenditure.

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

While I am not opposed to the Council providing limited support to the film industry, this should only be done through the Council reprioritising existing expenditure.

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

While there is some public benefit from heritage buildings, private owners should have been aware of their responsibilities to maintain these to regulatory standards.

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Council has a responsibility to maintain its buildings to regulatory standards. This is a valid business as usual expenditure that warrants, as needed, increases in rates. Costs should be offset through leasing where appropriate (which should have been happening already?).

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

I have insufficient available information to judge whether this is worthwhile. The long term plan is missing key information such as existing expenditure and the relative size of the increase.

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

This looks like a pet project for Councillors. I have to wonder whether a public-private partnership could achieve the same result for less cost to ratepayers. If the need is so great why isn't the private sector seeking to fill the gap?

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

The Basin Reserve either needs to be knocked down or its use significantly increased. It's underutilised. If more hockey fields are needed then do it.

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

Ocean exploration thing - seems like one of those things that will have cost overruns and never pay for itself. WW1 commemorations should not be focused on tourism. International film museum seems too costly. Museum of City and Sea - support, seems an easy win.

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

This is core Council work and should be fully supported. Even if it isn't as sexy as bad ideas like the runway extension.

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

These are no-brainer ideas that should be implemented. The parking sensors will no doubt generate complaints though.

Do you support proposed improvements to transport that will allow for safer, faster and more 1432

reliable journeys?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly Oppose

Comments

This is core Council work that I support.

Urban Development

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

This is core Council work that I support.

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

This is core Council work that I support.

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

This is core Council work that I support.

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

Generally agree with it. Do not support run way extension.

Do you see other matters as priorities?

Comments

Greater reprioritisation of Council's existing revenues/assets etc is needed. Council has pretended the recession + financial never happened and has continually increased rates beyond reason.

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
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My age is

- under 18 years
 - 18-29 years
 - 30-39 years
 - 40-49 years
 - 50-59 years
 - 60 years and older
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Have you ever made a submission on a draft annual or long-term plan before?

- Yes
 - No
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Which of the following best describes you?

- Residential ratepayer
 - Commercial ratepayer
 - Residential and commercial ratepayer
 - I rent
 - Other
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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 found the questions on this form confusing. They did not clearly match up with information either on the website or the consultation document. There were questions in the consultation document (Black boxes) that were not in this form at all. The website, consultation document and the submission form should all be aligned and have the same questions/information.

Attached Documents

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| 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

See written submission. Annual Rates increases should not exceed 0.75% more than the annual CPI index increase.

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

Neither increase justified when inflation is currently only 1.25%

Should Council take action to improve our international air connections?

- Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

See submission. I await completion of a detailed business case.

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Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

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Comments

Support as long as rates increases per annum do not exceed 2%.

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

The level of support financially is the hard question to answer due to the number of Heritage Buildings.

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

I only support spending up to \$40 Million on Strengthening the Town Hall

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

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Not supported until we have a new improved concert venue.

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

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Comments

Support Alex Moore Park and Hockey Stadium but totally opposed to spending \$21M on Basin Resever

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

Support as long as they can be funded without rates increases exceeding 2%

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

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Comments

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly Oppose

Comments

Only supported on condition that Council works with NZTA to resolve congestion around Basin Reserve

Urban Development

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

See written submission

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

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

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Comments

I await the Business Case for proposed Johnsonville Library

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Comments

Will send supporting document later from work as home computer will not save Word document as pdf

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SUBMISSION ON PROPOSED 10 YEAR PLAN

To Wellington City Council
Name Mr Alex Gray
Address 48 Connaught Terrace, Brooklyn, Wellington

1. Introduction

My name is Alex Gray. I have lived in Connaught Terrace Brooklyn for over 40 years. I am a Civil Engineer and Project Manager who has worked for a variety of consulting and contracting firms including a variety of complex and challenging projects.

2. Submission

2.1 Rates Increases

The Consultation Document presents the view that Council is performing well and a 3.1% or 3.9% rate increase should be welcomed by ratepayers who have had to pay annual increases averaging 4% over the past 15 years. Conveniently Council has overlooked the fact that in the last 4 years the annual inflation rate has only been 1.25% ie the rates increases over that period have been more than 3 times the annual inflation rate. Council has suggested they have made savings in various areas but that rate increases equal to or less than the CPI are not sustainable in the long-term without cutting services. I do not accept this argument and certainly cannot see justification for rates increases 3 times the current inflation rate. Councillors need to bear in mind that 10% of ratepayers are over 65 years old and many of those working only get a CPI increase in wages or salary per annum.

The annual Council expenditure is about \$450 Million. I expect Councillors to manage that budget prudently, not make rushed decisions and ensure ratepayers get value for money.

The Victoria Street so called "Transformation" is a good example of how not to carry out a large project. There were no competitive tenders called and the job was given to the Memorial Park Alliance for \$11Million on a Design Build basis in November 2014. There was no urgency to complete this project by 30 June 2015. I estimate that at least \$1 Million has been wasted in rushing this project.

We live in a rapidly changing society yet I see no evidence of some Council departments reducing their budgets. For example the Central Library is nowhere near as well patronized as it used to be as the use and purchase of books is declining to electronic mediums. Yet the Library still has hundreds of subscriptions to magazines which could be cancelled and read on-line for a fraction of the cost.

When the Mayor opened the artificial playing fields at Wakefield Park a few years ago I specifically remember her commenting that artificial pitches would reduce the cost of maintaining grass playing fields. Yet again no sign of the Parks and Reserves budget reducing.

Overall I would accept a rates increase no greater than 2% per annum and request Council make reductions in those budgets which no longer need the same level of funding as previous years.

3. Sustainable Growth Agenda

3.1 Longer Airport Runway

I am yet to be convinced this is a viable proposition until a robust business case is completed covering in detail the likely construction costs, annual maintenance costs (in a severe marine environment) against the proposed benefits .

3.2 Supporting Smart & Sustainable Economic Growth

I support this initiative as the sum of \$0.5M catalyst funding appears to represent good value for money.

3.2 Promoting Housing Choice

I have doubts about this initiative as I work in Victoria Street and have seen first hand how to spend \$13,000 per linear metre digging up existing trees and then planting new trees in massive new tree pits. Contrary to the consultation document (page 28) there are no bus lanes being constructed and the footpath on the western side will be narrower not wider as has been suggested.

The suggestion that Adelaide Road will be developed into a vibrant mixed use area with rapid bus links is farcical until a solution is found and constructed to improve congestion around the Basin Reserve which affects all traffic and causes grid lock both in the morning and evening peaks, when schools finish at 3.15pm and often during the weekend as well.

Therefore I am opposed to this initiative until the Basin congestion is resolved and I also do not support the establishment of an urban development agency as I do not consider a Council agency should be buying land and property as this is a private sector function.

4. National Music Hub and Strengthened Town Hall

I support this initiative but with two provisos:

- The Town Hall is strengthened to about 67% NBS on a design build basis at a cost of no more than \$40 million
- Jack Illot Green is retained as a Green or low level building. Any high rise building will reduce light and shading to Civic Square.

5. Events Development Fund

I support the NZ Festival but am skeptical about allocating \$5M per annum to attract and support major events. I would rather put this sum towards a decent indoor arena to replace the inadequate TSB venue.

6. Creating Liveable Communities

I support the \$1.5 Million grant to complete the upgrade of facilities at Alex Moore Park. However, I await the completion of a thorough business case on the proposed new library and Community Hub.

I support investigations and subsequent plan changes to increase the availability of land for new housing developments.

7. New and Improved Venues for Music, Sport and Conventions

I support investigations into the feasibility of a new indoor arena. However, I am totally opposed to spending \$21 Million on the Basin Reserve Redevelopment. This facility is no longer used for One day International matches and is only used a few days a year for test matches. Spending \$21M on a facility only used for test matches is not prudent use of Council funds in my opinion.

I would also support a new Convention Centre but wonder why proper due diligence was not carried out on the proposal for a centre opposite Te Papa. Any future Convention centre must be properly investigated on all aspects before being submitted to Council for approval.

8. Celebrating Wellington’s culture and environment

The International Film Museum sounds like a good idea and I would support spending up to \$30 Million on this project as long as rates did not increase more than 2% per annum. The other attractions are all “nice to have” but do we really need them and can we afford them?

9. Infrastructure Management

This is an essential core Council service which needs to be adequately funded and managed. The replacement of old pipes is an ongoing task that needs to be budgeted for.

10. Reducing Energy Use, Make Streets Safer & Make Parking Easier

I support all these initiatives especially wireless car park sensors. This could allow variable rates for parking to be set for individual parks depending on demand.

11. Real Transport Choices

As mentioned previously Council needs to work with NZTA to find a solution for the Basin Reserve congestion as this is key to developing improved travel times for buses to the Southern suburbs. I support establishment of a cycling network and recognize that this will cause loss of on-street car parks in some areas.

Signature

Alex Gray

15 April 2015

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Comments

I do not want WCC ratepayers to finance business people or projects unless we get equity.

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Comments

See above.

Should Council take action to improve our international air connections?

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Comments

Lets see a proper business plan by outsiders. Your debacle with the convention centre doesn't enamour your business skills to me. Neither does the non consultation of the cycling plan help either. You are not trusted and rightly so. see above.

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Comments

But we also want equity for ratepayers :-)

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

see above. if it means screwing over ordinary people with the contracts as John Key did. then NO.

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Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

On the strength of it NO. However this is for an event that may never happen. I do think that all buildings should show both their street No clearly above the door and their earthquake position at eye height at the side. with a cloud code for all to see. EVERY BUILDING.

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

see above also they should be used as they are dealt with.

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

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As long as businesses don't profit off of ratepayers (especially your mates :-) If we put in monies then we get paid first before anyone.

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lets see a proper business case for it This is major money. You have shown with the cycling network you are unable to properly consult the city. Lets see a double page spread properly showing the business case to ratepayers, and for schools to discuss in the classroom.

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

lets see a proper business case for it. REM Fran Wilde drove the stadium which now costs us a fortune to take our families too. Moreover, it was done on the cheap to only sit 33,000 instead of 50,000 and a lid was NEVER designed for it. So cheap was it done we can't put a roof on it without building a structure around it first. NO, lets see a proper business plan and SHOW us what you've done for local needs first. Unlike the INDOOR CENTRE.

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

Businesses should be paying for their opportunities not ratepayers.

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

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Comments

Leading question, I would rather a plan be shown as a 2 page spread in the Dompost on a case by case basis.

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

It's about time, lets be a world leader in this. NOT to collect monies but be save it and be transparent. Take fines and parking back into the council again, SO you are accountable and can't hide behind a private company.

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

1. more hubs with loads of half size buses. 2. free buses to ratepayers (who have paid their rates)
3. dedicated commuter lines at rush hours as well.

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I would like you to stop INFILLING. It is just so you can get more rateable properties and increase your bank. Make the land available to areas outside WCC area, build the rail and bus routes to them. Decimate the costs. You are the problem, not the builders. Small houses, container houses for student. old people and social housing. National Govt should be funding 80% of social housing NOT local authorities. You should be for emergencies. I object to paying 39% tax and then being taxed again by you for subsidised housing and then taxed again by your subsidising their USER PAYS at the libraries etc and letting them off their fines. I want public ALL persons and corporations trusts that owe rates 3/12.

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Comments

with proper consultation and business plans

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

NO more INFIL. but giving them the infrastructure you have withheld as you have done infill, yes. again a proper consultation and business plan. Lets properly consult, by first tabling the rate take per suburb in a table for all ratepayers to see. This is basic transparency and accountability to ratepayers. Those who oppose this shouldn't be on council or working for it (US)

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Comments

No I haven't had time to look closely through them.

Do you see other matters as priorities?

Comments

Transparency. Lets put all payments by WCC above \$5,000 onto the WCC departments web pages for all ratepayers to see. Accountability. Lets put all LAOIA requests and the replies on a searchable database that allows anyone to download the reply documents. Not the present system of dealing with each individual and sending them a stack of paper in a silo environment. Lets have all owings over 3/12 on the web and especially those who haven't paid their rates. (I'm referring to business people who either owe thousands and/or have done so for months. :-) A list of those you prosecuted at the same time wouldn't go amiss. A list of WCC staffers or Section heads who have caused ratepayers and/or organisations to sue the WCC for our perusal. Open Govt 2.0 Lets fully implement the provisions of Open Govt 2.0 that you hosted at WCC a couple of years ago. Lets be honest and transparent with Other Peoples Money (OPM). We are not a bank but your employers.

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Comments

The WCC website is a mess and not conducive to visual people. A GIS map thread as an alternative would be more transparent.

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Comments

Do you see other matters as priorities?

Comments

I strongly support the move to create fenced in dog parks and particularly the three proposed.

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Please note my support for the proposed fenced dog parks

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Yes - but ensure the council receives the benefits that private companies will gain as well

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but the film industry needs to make changes to ensure they don't just hire contractors - but actually support full time employment to help staff have certainty in Wellington

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helps create a vibrant, attractive city

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seems like they cost a lot given they are not used often

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yes - goof proactively maintained infrastructure is very important to prevent long term costs and issues

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Yes - but we should only be using proven technology that has environmental and economic benefits - we should not be using 'bleeding edge' tech and be the testing ground for those companies.

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Wellington is lagging behind in providing better choices for commuters such as cycle ways and better bus infrastructure. Better bike lanes would be good for car users, bus users and cyclists. Also - a bit of paint does not = a good cycle lane

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Comments

I wish to oppose the development plan for the extension of the airport because the stormy weather we are experiencing during winter is a great danger to arriving aircraft plus the business plan doesn't add up to warrant the huge amount expected to pay for it. I'm struggling to find the rates money now so of course we rate payers will have a huge hike in the amount to help pay for it for years to come..

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Wellington West Netball is a voluntary committee (affiliated to Netball Wellington) that runs the Saturday-morning netball competition for 11 primary schools in the Western suburbs. We currently

use the VUW College of Education netball courts in Karori for most of our competition games. We understand that the campus is to be sold at some point, and if the courts are lost, there is no suitable alternative venue for primary school netball in our area. We would strongly support council investment in outdoor netball courts in Karori or a nearby suburb.

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Wellington West Netball would like to see an outdoor netball venue for the Western suburbs be made a priority.

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Wellington businesses rely on wealthy Wellingtonians staying in Wellington. I understand that half of all passengers crossing the NZ border are outbound kiwis. Any additional flights from Wellington would create more opportunities and make it easier for more Wellingtonians leave NZ and spend their money elsewhere. Any WCC councilors wishing to support the local economy would work to keep our wealthy citizens patronising Wellington businesses (rather than in Singapore, Shanghai or Saigon businesses). The world's richest 1% of people flying causes about 5% of CO2e global warming and around 80% of air travel is discretionary (economically 'elastic') non-business trips. NZs farmers and foresters are exposed to the climate and and fishers exposed ocean acidification, so they need to stabilise the climate if they are to remain the 'backbone' of NZ's economy. Climate stabilization depends on urgent and severe cuts in carbon emissions to stabilise the climate. As pointed out by Monbiot (Heat, Penguin, 2006) we can live our 'modern' lives with very low emissions, except flying. Thus the only chance to stabilize the aviation sector's emissions is to reduce flying. Organisations and individuals are already reducing flights (example; the 'One in Five' reduction in business flights). A responsible council would be prepare for a reduction in passenger demand until airlines offer low/zero emission flights. Auckland is NZ's only International Aviation Hub. With all its advantages, CHC struggled to maintain one long haul connection. Even if WLG had a longer runway, most WLG - Asia travelers would need to transit through AKL or SYD to connect to most destinations, so very few of them would save time. Auckland is NZs only international air travel hub with Pacific rim connections. The obvious absence of spatial (network) analysis to suggests that proposals for Wellington connections are misguided. Experience of little Europe cities attempting to increase aviation traffic beyond their viable potential has been to attract very low cost airlines - referred to as 'bucket holiday' operators, which are renowned for bringing 'low value' travelers on drunken rampages. Wellington would be much better of economically, environmentally and socially if it attracted 'high value' tourists from the national catchment. Tourist business people would never throw their own money into Cook Strait. If Wellington tourism operators believed that long haul aviation was viable, then they would invest in runway extension with their own money. Clearly, they think that it is a folly - like the overseas shipping passenger terminal of 1960s. Any subsidy for WIAL would be a penalty for other businesses and individuals. Thus it would be deterrent to people and businesses moving to Wellington, or remaining here, in future. Our Kids are Educated for High Wage Jobs - Not Taxi Driving and Hotel Housekeeping Councillors hoping our kids' generation will flourish in highly skilled and well paid jobs in Wellington would not waste money low wage industries like tourism. A smart strategy would definitely NOT burden start-up businesses with debt from subsidies for low wage, polluting fossil fuel industries. Our kids' generation is showing unprecedented interest in clean sector, IT, entertainment and new fields and they are well equipped to build their futures without burdens from entrenched interests from the twentieth century. Global divestment from fossil fuel industries involves selling shares in polluting industries. The Rockefeller Brothers Fund (refer: Standard Oil, Mobil Exxon, ESSO, Chevron, BP, Amoco), Norway's giant Government Pension Fund, Victoria University of Wellington are among the smart organisations divesting from the fossil fuel industries, while the shares in un-burnable fossil fuel still has value. Signs of change are evident as smart organisations reducing flying to help stabilise the climate: As the world warms and technology improves, researchers and institutions ... question whether they really need to travel to academic conferences.' A clean, green science machine. Nature, 18 March 2015. University of Otago academics took the train to an Auckland conference in 2015 'Signs of Change' Conference - the University of Canterbury linked mini conferences including Royal Society venue in Wellington. A responsible council would consider divesting fossil fuel investments, including airport shares, while they have value.

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Work on reducing motor vehicle traffic especially preventing RONS intrusion into Wellington (which will make Wellington traffic worse). Focus all transport resources on improving cycling, walking and electric rail and bus journeys

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Draft Long Term Plan 2015-2025

Thank you for the opportunity to provide a written submission on the Wellington City Council Draft Long Term Plan 2015 -2025 (LTP).

Council and Regional Public Health (RPH) have a common agenda – working with communities and where they live, work and play to improve and protect their quality of life. RPH wants to work with Council to make our common goal achievable and easier for our communities. By finding mutual points of interest and working together we can be more efficient, reduce the burden of engagement on our communities and be more effective in our policy implementation. A collaborative approach will also facilitate smarter use of each agencies finite resources.

This submission provides a public health perspective and information for Council to consider in their planning decisions. Wellington City Council's policy and planning are integral to the health and wellbeing of our communities.

We recognize that this is the first round of the new LTP consultation documents and congratulate you on summarizing a large amount of important information into a short document. We hope to reflect this process with a concise submission. To achieve this we have selected two priority areas RPH would like to progress with Council during 2015-2025: Smokefree NZ 2025 and reducing and preventing obesity.

We would appreciate the opportunity to make an oral submission and we would be pleased to provide further information or clarification on any of the points raised in our submission. The contact point is:

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Yours Sincerely

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How this document is structured:

- A. An overview of Regional Public Health
- B. General comments on the Long Term Plan (LTP)
- C. Responses to your specific questions
- D. RPH priorities on improving the wellbeing of our shared communities by working towards a Smokefree NZ 2025 and reducing and preventing obesity.

A. WHO WE ARE – Regional Public Health

Regional Public Health (RPH) is a regional service based at the Hutt Valley District Health Board and serving the greater Wellington region. Our business is public health action - working with our community to make it a healthier, safer place to live. We have a particular focus on children, Māori and Pacific populations. We are funded mainly by the Ministry of Health but also have contracts with the District Health Boards and other agencies to deliver specific services.

Our staff include a range of occupations comprising : medical officers of health, public health advisors, health protection officers, vision and hearing technicians, public health nurses, and public health analysts.

RPH respects and acknowledges that Wellington City Council (WCC) decisions have a very significant impact on health. We see this through appropriate management of infrastructure (water and sewage) and creating environments that support wellbeing, for example, through reducing the impact of non-communicable diseases like exposure to tobacco, facilitating access to healthy food and promoting good urban design that encourages physical activity. This is the basis for making a submission on your LTP.

B. GENERAL COMMENTS ON YOUR LONG TERM PLAN

RPH congratulates WCC on your bold plan to invest in growth for our communities' ongoing prosperity¹. RPH would be heartened to see our communities prosper so they can enjoy an improved quality of life.

RPH would welcome the opportunity to work with you further in achieving this vision. We think a way to work towards communities living more enjoyable and fulfilling lives² is to incorporate a 'Health in All Policies³' approach. That doesn't mean 'doing health policy'. It means looking at the impact of policies, planning and decisions on the wellbeing of our shared communities. This collaborative approach acknowledges that each stakeholder has different drivers but have shared goals. An example of where this approach has been working well is with Christchurch City Council (CCC). RPH has been learning from our public health colleagues in Christchurch about this approach

¹ Draft LTP p.3

² Draft LTP p.7

³ <http://www.cph.co.nz/Files/CHIAPPInfoSheet1.pdf>

and would be willing to explore such an approach further if it is of interest to Council⁴. CCC has been using this approach for the last five years with some great outcomes⁵.

RPH supports your view - Kāhore taku toa I te toa takitahi, he toa takitini *we cannot succeed without the support of those around us*. RPH sees this as an area WCC could expand on. The message of expenditure on growth now for the prosperity of future communities was very strong, but less obvious was the method by which you were going to take the people with you or continue to garner the support of the community.

Community Water Fluoridation

It is likely that there will be submitters to the LTP who are opposed to community water fluoridation. RPH supports the continuation of community water fluoridation, based on national and international scientific research.

Capital & Coast District Health Board (CCDHB) covers the WCC geographic area and therefore, for consistency in advice, we have included CCDHB's position on community water fluoridation.

“The Capital & Coast District Health Board endorses community water fluoridation as an effective public health measure contributing to the maintenance of oral health, prevention of tooth decay and reduction in health inequalities. Community water fluoridation is a low cost measure that benefits people of all ages with natural teeth and has proven over the last 65 years to be very safe. Local drinking-water supplies that are already fluoridated should remain so. Where technically feasible, where local supplies are not fluoridated, local authorities are encouraged to implement water fluoridation programmes as soon as possible to improve the oral health of their communities⁶.”

RPH can provide Council with the latest scientific research on this matter and a comprehensive tailored workshop for elected members and/or council officers if it would be of interest.

C. IN RESPONSE TO YOUR SPECIFIC QUESTIONS

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

RPH strongly supports the vision of growth for the future prosperity of communities.

RPH recommends that as part of the development of business cases for the proposed growth projects⁷ an assessment of the impact on the wellbeing of the community is included (a Health in All Policies approach).

⁴ <http://www.cph.co.nz/About-Us/Health-in-all-Policies/>

⁵ <http://www.cph.co.nz/files/CHIAPPAnnualReport2014.pdf>

⁶ <http://www.ccdhb.org.nz/news/2014/CCDHBFluoridationPositionStatement.pdf>

⁷ Draft LTP p.21

Communities continue to feel the effects of the economic recession. A recent study⁸ found that ethnic and income inequalities in infectious diseases such as rheumatic fever, skin infections, respiratory and gastrointestinal infections are large and increasing, especially for Maori and Pacific populations who are over represented in the poorest suburbs.

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No Comment

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No Comment

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RPH supports facilities that encourage physical activity. We would also support the prioritisation of upgrades to those facilities that enable access to those who would gain the most. As part of any upgrade we would recommend Council review any food provision policies

⁸ Baker M G. et al (2012) Increasing incidence of serious infectious diseases and inequalities in New Zealand: a national epidemiological study, *The Lancet*, Mar 24; 379(9821):1112-9

to make the healthy choice the easy choice. RPH can support development of nutrition policies for your workplace or council facility.

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

No comment

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

RPH strongly supports Council investment into infrastructure which will contribute to building community resilience and intergenerational equity in funding and maintaining infrastructure assets.

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

RPH supports this use of smart technology and energy efficient lights.

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

We support the proposal for improvements for safe, fast and reliable transport.

We support the plan of development along the transport spine and transport connections being improved for the town centres of Johnsonville, Tawa and Kilbirnie, as set out in the Urban Growth Plan.

We recommend that the transport hierarchy be pedestrian, cycle, public transport and then private transport.

We recommend that development of a suburban – urban separated cycleway be prioritised for construction. Separated cycleways are safer, thus lowering the access barrier to active transport.

Urban Design

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

Yes, RPH recommends that principles of Healthy Urban Design be considered when regenerating inner-city precincts. A tool RPH has found useful for this type of analysis has been the New South Wales Governments *Healthy Urban Development Checklist*⁹.

⁹ New South Wales Department of Health. *The Healthy Urban Development Checklist*; 2009

RPH would also encourage Council to consider opportunities for increasing the number of open spaces and green spaces.

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

We support the improvement of laneways. Safer, well lit and equitable access for disabled people are important planning decisions that should be given weight. These improve outcomes of daily physical activity and increased pedestrian movements in the inner city lanes.

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

We support the strengthening of suburban town centers. We commend Council for seeking opportunities to develop medium density housing. New Zealand's demographic trends are changing with increases in the number of older people, single member households and two people houses with no children. We recommend that WCC centre their development on demographic and socioeconomic factors that reflect current trends. We encourage the Council to use case studies that incorporate, sustainable, warm and energy efficient housing as a benchmark of what is to be expected from construction.

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

We support the general prioritisations of projects in the Urban Growth Implementation Plan. RPH recommends that project outcomes maximise effectiveness in the areas of:

- a) transport improvements, underpinned by increased active transport choice
- b) increased housing supply and choice
- c) protection and enhancement of the natural environment, using the planning framework made in the "Our Natural Capital" document
- d) increased city resilience, with safety improvements used as proxies to improve design, safety and usability to the public.

19. Do you see other matters as priorities?

Yes.

Our key message in this submission is **we seek the support of elected members to work with Council officers to progress Smokefree NZ 2025 and to reduce and prevent obesity.**

D. RPH PRIORITIES

RPH wants to support WCC in planning for environments that reduce exposure to tobacco and facilitate access to healthy food and increased physical activity.

SMOKEFREE 2025

RPH congratulates WCC for the progress they have made in this space already such as Midland Park and all WCC social housing becoming smokefree spaces. These are significant steps towards becoming a Smokefree NZ by 2025 and we want to continue to build on this progress. As you know over 80% of people in the Wellington region don't smoke. Any future smokefree policies will be catering to the majority.

What are the public health issues?

Tobacco smoking kills approximately 5000 New Zealanders every year. Smoking is the main cause of lung cancer and many other cancers and chronic diseases.

Our public health advisors (tobacco) work in many areas including Smoke-free Environments Act enforcement, supporting smokefree policies and better help for smokers to quit, all of which support the Government's goal of a Smokefree New Zealand by 2025.

Our goals are:

- Creating an environment that normalises being smokefree
- More smokefree environments
- Fewer young people and children start smoking
- More smokers quit

RPH can work with Council to demonstrate leadership in achieving Smokefree NZ 2025 by:

1. Increasing the number of smoke-free environments.
2. Extending smoke-free parks, including all Council properties, reserves etc.
3. Helping Council in the development of a licence scheme for tobacco retailers (to support actions to reduce the sales to young people and minors).
4. Encouraging Council and workplaces to provide smoking cessation workshops for staff.
5. Working with Council to develop smoke-free policy and clauses for events and venues.
6. Working with Council to promote smoke-free cars carrying children.
7. Working with Council on providing smoke-free rental accommodation.
8. Working with Council to ensure bars, restaurants and cafes are smoke-free.

RPH also has a range of smokefree resources and health information available, including banners for loan free of charge. Please contact us if you would like support for your smokefree community event.

REDUCING AND PREVENTING OBESITY

RPH recognises and supports WCC's previous work in prioritisation of cycleways and increased pedestrian walkways. RPH recommends WCC now gives focus to the next level of intervention, to create an environment that supports easy access to healthy affordable food in communities where people live, learn, work and play. WCC has an opportunity to show leadership in identifying and implementing strategies that support and promote healthy food provision in communities, Council owned cafes, vending machines, catering and sponsored events.

RPH recognises and congratulates WCC for the progress you have made in this area already with projects like the audit of vending machines in WCC owned buildings and facilities. We wish to work with you further to build on this progress.

What are the public health issues?

Childhood obesity is one of the most serious public health challenges of the 21st century. Having good food choices and opportunities for physical activity is imperative. The Prime Minister's chief science advisor, Sir Peter Gluckman, recently stated in a World Health Organisation report on ending childhood obesity:

“There is an understandable tendency to see obesity as a problem for the health sector, but preventing childhood obesity demands the coordinated contributions of government ministries and institutions responsible for policies on education, food, agriculture, commerce and industry, finance/revenue, sport and recreation, media and communication, environmental and urban planning, transport and social affairs.”¹⁰

By next year, it is projected that excessive body weight will overtake tobacco use as the leading risk to health, making obesity a significant issue for New Zealand¹¹. International research recognises the close relationship between healthier populations and economic prosperity, arguing that healthy populations stimulate economic growth, lower health care costs, lure new businesses and create jobs¹².

What role does the Council have in reducing and prevention obesity?

A further range of opportunities are available to WCC to contribute to affordable, healthy food access, as well as the reduction and prevention of obesity. These opportunities could include further supporting:

- fruit and vegetable co-operatives
- community gardens and markets
- opportunities for cooking and nutrition literacy
- nutrition standards
- food policy for council owned facilities and events
- implementing good urban design principles
- reviewing food retail zoning conditions

Policy and environmental change have been identified as the foundation of obesity prevention in an environment that promotes eating too much and moving too little¹³¹⁴¹⁵¹⁶. Food policy is a cost

¹⁰ WHO interim report of the commission on ending childhood obesity. World Health Organization 2015, p.23
<http://www.who.int/end-childhood-obesity/commission-ending-childhood-obesity-interim-report.pdf>

^{11 11} Briefing to incoming health minister 2014 <http://www.health.govt.nz/publication/briefing-incoming-minister-health-2014>

¹² Reeve,B., Ashe,M., Farias, R., Gostin, L.. State and Municipal Innovations in Obesity Policy: Why Localities Remain a Necessary Laboratory for Innovation. American Journal of Public Health: 105.3 (March 2015): 442-450.

¹³ Egger G, Swinburn B. An “ecological” approach to the obesity pandemic. BMJ 1997;315: 477-80.

effective and sustainable tool¹⁷ to support a healthy nutrition culture and is a strategy utilised as part of the *Healthy Together Victoria's Achievement Programme*¹⁸, and by an increasing number of District Health Boards and some councils.

RPH would like to work alongside WCC to support and prioritise strategies that impact on the food environment and the significant and unequal burden of nutrition related diseases in the Wellington region.

¹⁴ Harvard School of Public Health. The Obesity Prevention Source www.hsph.harvard.edu/obesity-prevention-source/ (accessed 2 June 2012)

¹⁵ Haby M, Vos T, Carter R et al. A new approach to assessing the health benefit from obesity interventions in children and adolescents: the assessing cost-effectiveness in obesity project. *Int J Obes* 2006;30:1463-75.

¹⁶ Vos T, Carter R, Barendregt J et al. *Assessing Cost Effectiveness in Prevention (ACE Prevention): Final Report*. Brisbane: University of Queensland and Melbourne: Deakin University; 2010.

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I believe WCC and GRWC and other councils should be actively using a shared services model to reduce council costs and redirecting these savings in to new projects, in an aggressive manner.

The NZ Govt, mandated a 5% OPEX savings model years ago and can reallocate this money. WCC should also look to do more in Public/Private partnership and supporting NZ businesses.

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In combination with a strategy to have more people and businesses in Wellington, this is highly important. Without a strategy to attract people the Airport expansion is unlikely to get the use or support as is currently predicted

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While the council has made moves to do some work in this area, it does not appear to be as strong as in Auck or Chch, where Universities, Council and others have partnered to become strong players. We have recently lost services provided by Creative HQ to other cities. More focus on creating new businesses and growth in the tech sector and other sectors is needed to attract people and growth to the region.

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

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Yes, however, there needs to be a plan to bring other companies here too. Currently Wellington is mainly film work and TV series and films are being shot in Auckland. Expanding the Wellington film and TV, commercial, music scene will assist in getting better employment levels across this sector and help bring back many Wellingtonians who have needed to go to Auckland to get consistent work in this field.

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Yes, the council should support this by helping them knock them down and rebuilding them. Heritage can often mean 'old' and not safe. We seriously need to look at the best option for safety and sometimes that is to start again. Reduce red tape and allow developers to help the council re-start this city.

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

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Comments

The question is unclear. Off-setting means many things.

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

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Yes, we need to attract more events, currently most of these are local Wellington events. To save the Stadium, we need to attract more international acts and free up the Stadium to operate more frequently.

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we have a underused Stadium, an Arena, an Opera House, and several other venues. Let's make these really successful before we build more.

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

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Comments

Yes - again let's look at existing options and support these to become top grade facilities. Am highly supportive of a convention center.

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Comments

Please extend the trains more often to Otaki !

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Comments

I think there are other priorities, however where required Yes.

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Comments

Do you see other matters as priorities?

Comments

Please, let's grow the base of people in Wellington with smart business attraction strategies. Start-ups are all good, however we need to discover a strategy that attracts solid big, dynamic businesses back to Wellington, which will help revive many parts of the city and naturally increase rates and council revenue.

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Comments

Please stop thinking ICT is Wellington's fastest growing business sector. We are seriously starting to lag behind and be overtaken by other cities. We are NOT the Events Capital of NZ - Auckland is both of these things. If you want more money and a more revitalised city, you need to attract 50,000 people over the next 5 - 7 years and more after that. While this will give us some other issues to deal with, it will also inspire spending and attract development to the region.

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Not opposed but I think there needs to a clearer business case around this first.

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I absolutely support the development of a safer cycling network. I would like to see: - The cycling network master plan adopted asap - Protected cycleways formally recognised as the default form of provision wherever possible - Equal priority given to the suburbs and the CBD, recognising that there are other important groups apart from existing commuter cyclists who will benefit from cycleways, such as children and the elderly - get started on the Island Bay cycleway asap so that it can then help inform detailed planning and consultation on other cycleways. I also strongly support improvements to public transport but I am not totally convinced about how effective bus rapid transit will be. I would like the option of light rail to be re-visited in a more robust analysis.

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'Growth' needs to be sustainable and drive by environmental and social equity principles. Stronger principles are needed to ensure social and environmental benefits accrue; money *can* be made from green initiatives.

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Comments

invest for green growth and maintain or increase biodiversity enhancements and pest control (you are currently reducing pest control!)

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Comments

Business case for the airport extension is not made out. Serious concern that most airlines say they will not land there (recognise they are biased in their own way).

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

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Comments

Some support possible as long as targets made for New Zealand companies that are paying all their taxes! Principles for assistance need to be robust and transparent selection processes; why support Xero if not Sidhe, eg?

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Comments

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Comments

Owners *have* had / do have support such as rates reductions; WCC has worked hard on this. Owners often know what they are getting into, or they should. Some heritage building support good but property developers do not necessarily focus on public good.

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Comments

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But convention centre proposals need to be scrutinized; unsure that we are very short of convention or gathering spaces really. The private/public split needs careful attention.

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Yes; integrate into convention centre maybe? Or I like the idea of Civic Sq boost and support for City Gallery.

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Support; I recognise Zealandia is picking up ongoing cruise ship and other support. When the Author of 'Last Child In The Woods', Richard Louv (re 'nature deficit disorder'), calls Zealandia 'wonderful' that needs to be trumpeted.

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Yes; it seems your systemic approach and more careful monitoring, with use of newer technology, is helping. Prioritizing housing growth in the CBD helps here

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Yes but LED lights in the suburbs need to have orange tinted lenses rather than clear ones; the white light is too bright for curtains and birds! UNless they are movement activated, the feedback about LEDs seems quite negative

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Comments

The cycle network is CRUCIAL; not only for safety of cyclists but the peace of mind of drivers. Some areas are a nightmare, I think of the route to Island Bay at present, very hard for cyclists and drivers. We need to look to ways Portland Oregon has grown its economy off cycling initiatives and improved public health outcomes. Melbourne is doing a lot and the sky has not fallen. If we look to consultation, well Is Bay consultation was actually not too bad and is ramping up now (compared with SHA consultation which has a major effect too).

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Comments

Great to see Jville pool and library upgrades and ideas for Karori events centre. Woolworths have rendered Crofton Downs a community facility desert.

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Comments

more focus on urban growth residential in the CBD (per your plans) rather than ramming through SHAs in the burbs thanks!

Do you see other matters as priorities?

Comments

Lowering speeds in CBD a good move; almost stricter alcohol laws in fact OK Improving gallery and museums support Closing Central library a little earlier and place more staff at peak use times may be an option Maintain funds for pest control (boost in some areas)

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Ok to say 'New Zealand European/Pakeha' on your form: This is New Zealand/Ko Aotearoa Tenei!

Other issues/matters or general comments

Comments

Cycling network needed; airport extension less so

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Antoinette Bliss

From: Charles Dawson <chas.dawson@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, 29 March 2015 9:32 p.m.
To: BUS: Long Term Plan
Subject: Long Term Plan submission

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|---|---|
| Name | Charles Dawson |
| Email | chas.dawson@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 | <p>The Island Bay Cycleway is important for drivers and cyclists and is much needed. There are many dangerous spots around the city that can be improved for cyclists and others. The cost savings in injury reduction and improved health are notable.</p> <p>Let's look to what Portland Oregon has achieved as a model and learn form their growing economy revolving around cycling .</p> |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

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More secure, fenced dog parks needed. Existing dog parks aren't suitable with one even being non-existent when the tide's in! Dog parks also need to be equipped with poo bins to encourage more owners to pick up.

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registration fees and get absolutely nothing for it. No public dog poo bins, almost NO dog exercise areas that aren't by main roads and unfenced. This is not acceptable. The council needs to look at wider sports/ people wanting to exercise. Our 4 legged friends are just as important.

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Parking sensors? Really? All I hear is that it's a way to reduce jobs whilst trying to increase parking fines.

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Comments

Not just inner city but also outer suburbs. Give us dog registration people more public access to parks and beaches that are NOT by main roads and unfenced.

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Comments

How about putting in funding to fence or investigate turning flat bits of unused grass into fenced in dog parks. There are a pitiful amount of dog parks that are sanctioned by WCC. Of the ones that ARE labelled as dog parks, over 90% of them are by main roads and completely unfenced. Compared to other city councils like Auckland and Christchurch, Wellington is sadly falling behind here.

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I know I have said it above, but I pay fairly pricey registration fees annually. I am also a rate payer and yet I get next to nothing for my animal. I have NO safe places where I can let my dog off leash without fear of it being run over on the main road. Many councils internationally have made provisions for small dog only parks and big dog only parks. Why does WCC think it's acceptable to have dog parks that are totally unfenced, by busy main roads? Not good enough WCC. I would gather that the number of households in Wellington that own pets is pretty high and yet we really have no facilities or activities that we can do that cater to these pet owners.

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Providing that such improvements significantly improve provision for cycling.

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Key points of our submission

- We strongly support the implementation of a cycle network as per point 11.
- We support redevelopments of Kent/Cambridge Terraces and Adelaide road providing high quality cycleways on this necessary route. We encourage the council to put more routes down.
- Building cycling infrastructure will help with **most** of the other 'ideas' presented in the plan.
- The infrastructure and financial strategy documents need to back the 'idea' of cycling with real detail.
- This is Wellington's plan for the next **ten** years – we would like to see a **step change** in commitment, and this plan is the place to do it.

We support the implementation of a cycle network

- We think key arterial cycleways need to be mentioned in the plan. This is a **ten year plan**. For example and not exclusively:
 - Ngauranga–Thorndon - especially key given GWRC aiming to complete Ngauranga to Petone, its high patronage, and its numerous hazards.
 - Island Bay to CBD - this is off the starting blocks so it is surprising not to see it in the plan
 - Eastern Suburbs to city
 - Karori to City
- We strongly support 'Idea 11' with regards to implementing a cycling network. Cycling is a part of point/idea 11 – the last in the [consultation document](#). But it became the number one most talked about idea in the [WCC's own feedback](#). Of all the highly talked about topics, it

receives the most support (91%) and receives the highest priority recommendation (80% - at time of writing). People really **want** – and **need** – cycle facilities.

- Proper cycle lane provisions don't just benefit existing cyclists but encourage a whole new group of 'keen but concerned' people who currently find cycling in Wellington too scary. There are other benefits include improving public health, lowering the overall accident rate for cars, bikes and pedestrians, reducing car congestion, and reducing hazards for drivers.
- \$44 million over 10 years is a modest amount if the council wants to create a quality level of cycle infrastructure.
 - especially over the whole city rather than just CBD,
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- (3) We support redevelopment of Kent Terrace, Cambridge Terrace, and Adelaide road **providing that high quality segregated cycleways, and a smart, safe transition around the Basin are included.** This is a key route for most cyclists coming from Newtown, Berhampore, Island Bay, and surrounding hill suburbs, and there is no real alternative. There is also room for such provision on these wide roads.
- Other key CBD roads need to be considered for improved cycle facilities in the immediate term: For example, Taranaki Street, the waterfront Quays, Lambton Quay, Featherston Street, Thorndon Quay, and Willis St (especially given the work on its southbound counterpart, Victoria Street).

Help people to cycle and the other 'ideas' get fulfilled too!

We encourage the WCC to consider just how much the cycling idea in 'idea 11' could help most of the other 'ideas' in the plan:

- 2) **Strong and smart economic growth** – worldwide cities that put in cycle lanes [encourage young, smart, high tech business](#), and [economic growth including retail sales](#), whilst also [saving money in the economy](#).
- 3) **Vibrant inner city** – Cycleways on the roads listed for redevelopment will help ease access from satellite suburbs with the city. Easier cycling makes a city more accessible to people, [safer](#) for people walking, and reduces car congestion.
- 4,5) **Revitalising public spaces** – allow people to visit and use those spaces at a higher density with less disruption or pollution.
- 6) **Liveable cities** – accommodating growth and increasing density. As density increases, car use becomes less viable. But more cycle infrastructure can [reduce congestion](#) without needing any more space.
- 9) **Greater efficiency, better environmental and social outcomes** – cycling helps with all of these, and makes an active contribution to **reducing** carbon emissions. (A longer runway won't, and neither will simply "understanding climate change".)
- 10) **Reduce energy use, make streets safer** – New York has seen [accident rates for both cyclists and pedestrians drop](#) with new cycleways, and cycling reduces energy consumption over every other transport mode.

This is in addition to other benefits in [health](#), [traffic flow](#), and [road user behaviour](#), which are also very much in the city’s interest. We encourage the council to consider the difference in popularity expressed by the public on a cycling network versus a longer runway.

A strategy for cycling infrastructure is required

[The infrastructure strategy document](#) does not outline any strategy for achieving active mode transport goals, and uses very obtuse language in describing transport investments. We encourage the WCC to create more clarity in this document.

The same document suggests “*No new investment in PT and active modes*” as an option for addressing the issue/risk of ‘Increased public expectation of multi modal transport options’ – we don’t think that is an option, and encourage the WCC to remove it.

More financial details and forecasting are required

The [financial strategy draft](#) mentions “*Significant projects to upgrade or improve services include increasing the cycling network..*”. We would like to know what these projects are – but the idea sounds great. When \$44 million is to be spent on cycle infrastructure then an understanding is needed for where it will go. The **forecasting assumptions** document should also be able to provide some justification for spending figures (including spending \$433 million on a stagnant car demand). Time is of the essence whilst additional government funding is available.

We agree with the ‘statements’ on cycling

We agree with the statements made on page 40–41 of [the statements of service document](#). It is true that Wellington supports “vehicle transport more effectively than other modes such as bikes or buses.” This document doesn’t mention the safety implications of that, but there are also economic, environmental, social, and health benefits when more people cycle.

Given the extra funding available from central government, we want to see more than \$44 million over 10 years spent (p42). We encourage the WCC to consider whether it is wise spending nearly 10 times that on a stagnant car demand, not counting NZTA funding.

Please get on with it!

We like the drive and positivity in the consultation document, and many of the numbers appear well thought through. We also note positive wording for cycle provision in the Urban Growth Plan. But we would like to see a **step up in commitment** to cycling in the final 10 year plan. There has been a doubling of people cycling just in the last ten years even without infrastructure support, whilst accidents involving people cycling have increased as WCC’s own numbers show. Helping people cycle aids many other council objectives and deserves real plans for implementation, and timelines for doing it.

This 10 year plan needs concrete funding and plans to back up the positive sentiment, especially at a time when extra funding is available from the government. The best part of a billion dollars (including NZTA funds) have been allocated for roads despite a stagnant car demand. WCC’s own website feedback shows how desperate Wellingtonians are for more cycle infrastructure. We

strongly encourage the council to commit more in this 10 year plan.

Nā mātou noa, nā Cycle Aware Wellington

13 April 2015

Appendix A - External websites cited in this submission

<http://www.seattlebikeblog.com/2012/12/17/chicago-mayor-i-want-seattles-bikers-and-the-jobs-that-come-with-them/>

<http://www.nyc.gov/html/dot/downloads/pdf/2012-10-measuring-the-street.pdf>

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Key points of our submission

- We strongly support the implementation of a cycle network as described on page 18. We would like to see this list backed up by projects and timelines
- We support redevelopments of Kent/Cambridge Terraces and Adelaide road (p27) providing high quality cycleways are built on this necessary route.
- We recommend the Aro Street Development and RNS projects to provide cycle provisions early on what is currently a dangerous area for people cycling.
- Please consider cycle laning provision for Lambton Quay as part of the regeneration project.

We support the implementation of a cycle network

- We strongly support the implementation of a cycling network (p18). Cycling became the number one most talked about idea in the [WCC's own feedback](#) on the 10 year plan. Of all the highly talked about topics, it receives the most support (91%) and receives the highest priority recommendation (80% - at time of writing). People really **want** – and **need** – cycle facilities.
 - We encourage more commitment on the routes specified on page 18. The majority of these routes are very busy, not friendly for cycling, yet have no good alternative. We think there is a good case for doing all of the ones listed, not just 'including' developments from the list. Twice as many people cycle in Wellington compared to 10 years ago, and there is a great opportunity to bring in new 'keen but concerned' people to cycling, further ease pressure on the roading network, and meet the

accident reduction targets mentioned in the plan, in addition to public health and carbon emissions benefits.

- We agree that including these projects with other upgrade projects together with pedestrian and public transport improvements makes sense. We want to see more such projects detailed.
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Cycle provisions early for Aro & RNS projects

The area at the bottom of Aro valley is dangerous for people cycling, and there is no alternative for those coming to/from Brooklyn or Aro Valley. We recommend that this area is improved for cycling safety in advance of the project start in 2022 - it was made more dangerous with the four laning project completed last year.

The State Highway 1 Roads of National Significance project must consider cycling needs early in planning. We recommend cyclists and pedestrians are separated on this high-use route (particularly in a tunnel route through Mt Victoria). Good cycle facilities through to Hataitai/Kilburnie will be well used and thus ease car traffic - it's a short journey with a low rise, yet currently very unpleasant to ride.

Lambton Quay

We recommend that the North Lambton Quay project (p16) includes good cycle lane provisions (that are extended down the whole of Lambton Quay). Making this route easier to people to cycle adds mobility to the north Golden Mile, which has a high concentration of office workers, a modest traffic volume.

Nā mātou noa, nā Cycle Aware Wellington
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For things that will benefit most Wellingtonians, not a select few.

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Should Council take action to improve our international air connections?

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if we had long haul flights I'd use them, BUT I'd much rather travel to Auckland or Christchurch than spend the money on an ugly runway extension that destroys our beautiful harbour. Also, our airport is in a residential area, there would be much more noise pollution. Don't bother.

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

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Don't support any area over another. Find ways of supporting people to start up and grow their ideas. eg free education, rebates for start ups.

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see above. maybe support scholarships with the film industry so locals can get their foot in the door.

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Comments

Or at least support knocking down some of the uglier and less 'heritage' ones. lots of money spent supporting pointless brick buildings just because they are old.

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

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yes. You have to make our main council buildings fit for purpose and safe. Don't need to offset the cost - just get on with it.

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

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Our events are brilliant, but I don't think adding a huge stadium or hall is a good use of money. lots of cities have these. Support other places in NZ that have great and unique venues (such as bowl of brooklands in taranaki) to make the most of them. Wellingtonians are prepared to travel - 43% of the WOMAD tickets (about 8000 people) were from Wellington.

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All our facilities should be maintained and renewed when needed. it's our social responsibility

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Wellington City Council Long Term Plan 2015 to 2025

April 15th 2015

This is the Blind Foundation submission to the Wellington City Council Long Term Plan 2015 to 2025

The Blind Foundation appreciates the opportunity to comment and we welcome any opportunity to participate further.

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I am making a submission on behalf of an organisation: Blind Foundation

Blind Foundation Introduction

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The Blind Foundation serves 12,000 clients nationwide. Besides the direct benefit to the Blind Foundation's membership, building an inclusive, accessible city for people who are blind or have low vision will benefit a much wider population.

General comments

The Blind Foundation is grateful for the opportunity to submit our views on the proposed Wellington City Council Long Term Plan 2015 to 2025.

The main thrust of the Blind Foundation's interest is to assist all local government in New Zealand to achieve a high standard of accessibility for people with visual disabilities. This applies to public buildings transport and all other aspects of the urban landscape that has to be shared by everybody. It also extends to information systems and services.

The comments and recommendations provided below are in accord with New Zealand best practice standards. The Blind Foundation is happy to provide additional technical advice on how potential impediments to the safety of blind and low vision can be ameliorated.

My submission is that:

The Blind Foundation supports the Council in their goal to make the city's transport system more efficient through prioritising public transport and investment in active modes of transport. The Blind Foundation recommend that plans do not include shared walking and cycling facilities. These present challenges for those who are blind or have low vision. The Blind Foundation also recommends the focus on making infrastructure more resilient includes ensuring that the infrastructure is accessible for everyone. The financial investment shown for walkways of \$8 million appears to be is low compared with the investment in cycle ways.

Promoting housing choice and a vibrant inner city (page 29)

Establishing an urban development agency:

The Blind Foundation recommends that if an agency is established there should be requirements for accessibility included. This should occur specifically to ensure the development aligns with other social, economic and environmental priorities.

Strengthening heritage buildings:

The Blind Foundation recommends that resource consents require the full accessibility requirements. This is economic in the long term.

A national music hub, more activity, and a strengthened Town Hall:

The Blind Foundation recommends that improvements and developments include accessibility audits that have criteria for those who a blind or have low vision.

Reigniting our sense of place through events and public space improvements

Cheering up the streets and laneways:

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To improve attractiveness and safety these areas need to be accessible and inclusive – not restricting or too difficult to negotiate. The Blind Foundation has worked with other Councils to address accessibility requirements in these types of spaces to ensure they can be safely and independently navigated by our clients. We are keen to be consulted on any projects.

Redeveloping Frank Kitts Park:

As above, the Blind Foundation are keen to support the Council in their planning and design to create inclusive spaces.

Creating liveable communities and accommodating growth –

The Blind Foundation is keen to support the Council from planning stage to ensure improvements are accessible for all of the projects identified.

New and improved venues for music, sport and conventions –

The Blind Foundation urge improved accessibility to sport, leisure and recreation facilities and services.

Celebrating Wellington's culture and environment –

An accessible inclusive city will attract more visitors. The accessible tourist dollar is important to Wellington. Earthquake strengthening should include accessibility requirements – this is an investment not a cost.

Real transport choices for an efficient, sustainable, and safe transport network

The Blind Foundation supports this goal and would recommend that pedestrians have a high priority. The cycling network should be on road and not in shared facilities with pedestrians. Shared spaces are very difficult for people who are blind or have low vision. The accessible feeder route to public transportation pickup points should be addressed, and facilities designed to cater for mixed mode journeys built. These should include signalised street crossings, taxi stands close to major bus interchanges and cycle facilities.

Key accessibility design documents that could be used in urban design and planning are:

- New Zealand Standard 4121:2001 *Design for Access and Mobility – Buildings and Associated Facilities*; and
- New Zealand Transport Agency – *Pedestrian Planning and Design Guide* (2009)

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- NZTA RTS 14 – Guidelines for facilities for blind and vision impaired pedestrians (note updated version about to be printed)
<http://www.nzta.govt.nz/resources/road-traffic-standards/docs/draft-rts-14-revision-2007.pdf> **Note** this is the older draft, the 2014 version is waiting to be added to the website. A copy of this current draft can be provided.
- NZTA Pedestrian Planning and Design Guide
<http://www.nzta.govt.nz/resources/pedestrian-planning-guide/>
- NZ Standard 4121: 2001 Design for access and mobility – buildings and associated facilities and the associated amended checklist published by the Barrier Free Trust
- <http://www.standards.co.nz/assets/Publication-files/NZS4121-2001.pdf>

The Blind Foundation welcomes the opportunity to provide more information. We are also interested in any opportunity to speak to this submission in person or in committee.

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I support the current initiatives identified. However, I am concerned to see no plans for any dog exercise facilities mentioned in the plan in my reading. Wellington is extremely poorly served in this regard. While there are a number of supposed exercise facilities, virtually none are fenced, meaning that the majority of dogs cannot be allowed off leash safely. This creates all sorts of issues that in turn cost money or create issues for the Council - dogs who escape, dogs who get on the road, dogs who don't interact well with other dogs or cats. Wellington should have two fenced dog parks within walking distance of every resident - one for smaller dogs and one for larger dogs, as is common overseas (see Christchurch for a wonderful example of how this can be done). Wellington dog owners pay considerably for their registration and get very little back. The only thing I can see is Animal Control - and while this is obviously necessary, and the responsible dog ownership plan is excellent and well run, we need more. Dogs are part of a city too - I feel it's sad to be spending so much on things like cycle ways and not spending a small proportion of that cost on safe, sensible, well located areas dogs can run off leash.

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'?

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Comments

Should Council take action to improve our international air connections?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

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Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

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Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

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

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Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

While sports facilities for humans are important, they are actually pretty good in Wellington. I would like to see money budgeted for 'sports facilities' for dogs - i.e. fenced dog parks where dogs can safely run. I would like to see some options where groups can book these facilities for an hour at a time so that groups of dogs which can be problematic to run with others such as greyhounds (often picked on by large dogs, but too fast to run with small dogs), and small dogs, can have some time to run and play themselves.

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

Within reason - this shouldn't take up vast Council resources.

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

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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

Do not support the bus plan to have hubs and lose certain bus routes - this is ridiculous accountancy minded nonsense. Most of us want to get on one bus and go to work in it, not faff around in the southerly getting cold and wet!

Urban Development

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Only where this does not involve overcrowding or destruction of heritage buildings or removal of trees and parks.

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

As 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

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

There needs to be more emphasis on dogs who are also part of our city re FENCED dog parks - see comments above.

Do you see other matters as priorities?

Comments

Yes, dog exercise areas. Wellington should be a dog friendly city - we should have two FENCED dog parks (one for large, one for small) within walking distance of every resident. I would like to see some options where groups can book these facilities for an hour at a time so that groups of dogs which can be problematic to run with others such as greyhounds (often picked on by large dogs, but too fast to run with small dogs), and small dogs, can have some time to run and play themselves.

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Please state:

Other issues/matters or general comments

Comments

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Comments

Should Council take action to improve our international air connections?

- Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

This will become a white elephant for Wellington. There hasn't been any airlines clambering to get their support heard. You also have problems like sea level rising etc that may just make the proposed extension useless

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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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

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I believe if the Private owners can't afford the strengthening then they should be allowed to demolish or sell to someone who can strengthen

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

The council should strengthen the town hall, with the money they are wanting to spend on a new venue. Also I am suprised that the council wants to allow people to build on one of the limited green spaces in civic square. Why get rid of green areas just to create them elsewhere at huge costs

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

Yes but only where a substantial need has been demonstrated

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

We have enough tourist attractions

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

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Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

The Led street lights are fantastic and with the addition of parking sensors the need for large numbers of parking wardens roaming the streets will be a thing of the past therefore saving money on wages.

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

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Other issues/matters or general comments

Comments

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Comments

Do you see other matters as priorities?

Comments

Te Aro is the biggest event in Wellington. We have currently housed (predominantly through renting) 1500 people in and around Te Aro and the economic multiplier of this is huge. Wellington is virtuous, growing and almost totally unappreciated. Te Aro had no one living in it in 1995 yet now it is the thriving 'thought kitchen' of the country with enough momentum to double its population (and value) within 10 years. The Airport is unconditionally required as Wellington is International and must connect in a world which damns spending more time than necessary doing anything.

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Other issues/matters or general comments

Comments

There is no choice

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Submission

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Comments

I agree with development, but think the council needs to look at ways to fund this over rates increases. These benefits are not only got by rate payers.

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

No, you should find other ways to fund development.

Should Council take action to improve our international air connections?

- Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

They should support this development but not fund it

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Non financial support, yes

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

If the council does, then the costs should be recoverable by the council should the building be sold.

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

So long as these events make money, yes

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

Perhaps the sports players could help fund this?

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If these things make good business sense then yes

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly Oppose

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Urban Development

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Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

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

Strongly support
 Support
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 Don't know

Comments

Do you see other matters as priorities?

Comments

Dog parks! Dog owners should be considered a sports and recreation group and given the sorts of facilities others get. We get no fences on busy roads, no poo bins. International experience shows that where dog owner are provided good facilities they use them rather than flout the law. Well exercised and socialised dogs cause less social problems like nuisance barking. Dog owners get exercise and are healthier for their dog walking activities. However the council treat us like second class citizens, even though we are already paying a tax to have a dog. Use some of this money to give us good facilities. And don't do dumb things with mixed usage of dog areas. Some dogs chase things, it is called prey drive, it is a normal dog thing, so putting a bike track through the middle of a dog park is really ill thought out. And give dogs PRIORITY usage of dog areas, signage telling parents not to have their kids running round or on bikes in a dog park are a must. Dog parks shouldn't be used as picnic areas but the general public. The council should help people be sensible around dogs.

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Comments

Just that Wellington needs to up its game on the facilities provided to dog owners

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and the arts Capital. The Wellington Sculptural Highway is a proposal that will enhance the City from the airport to Otaki, solidifying its reputation as the Arts & Events Capital in NZ and the 'Coolest Little Capital City' in the World.

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The Wellington Sculptural Highway, already before Council, should pave the way for a protocol that on all major civic builds, there is an allocation of artistic design applied, adding sculptural form where possible.

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Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose Don't know

Comments

Do you see other matters as priorities?

Comments

I fully support the proposed Ocean Exploration Centre. This facility is an essential upgrade for the Island Bay Marine Education so the philosophies and techniques developed by Victor and Judy, can spread to a bigger audience and inspire generations to come. Without educating our children on the importance of the sea, something us adults have done an abysmmal job of looking after, humanity is lost. Without oxygen producing plankton, we are doomed. Without better care than we have given, what are we too leave our children. Our children can inspire the adult world into action if they more fully understand the miracles of the sea and how water on this planet is all one, interconnected body. We infect one part, it spreads to another.. we purify and we heal another... The Ocean is essential to life and the Ocean Exploration Centre is essential to educating the next generation of the Oceans caregivers. I very much support this proposal.

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Comments

I attach the following Wellington Sculptural Highway proposal which was presented to council on the 8th of April. I ask that WCC support this proposal and provide support for an approach to Government for funding. I also ask that WCC apply a creative design protocol to future Civic builds, ensuring new public structures have sculptural and inspiring formwork applied in the design process.

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| Sculptural Highway070415Email |
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Proposed

“Wellington Sculptural Highway”

April 7th, 2015

Many thanks go to those who have already supported this proposal and are assisting in moving it forward and in advance, to those who have or will spend time considering the proposal during the process of making the "Wellington Sculptural Highway" a reality!

I believe we have one chance to make this happen, and it is now, during the construction phase of a major section of what will become the new Highway One into the "Arts" Capital of New Zealand.

The "Wellington Sculptural Highway" will solidify this mantra, adding an exciting and significant tourism "Jewel" to what otherwise will merely be a road into the City.

It will add to community self awareness, provide a clear link to their area, an added sense of pride in where they live and act as highly visible "wayfinders" for visitors to the region.

There was a time when we constructed civic structures with architects and designers enabled to add "their artistic touch" through fine form work, sculptural additions and a desire to add value that is lost in today's cost focused world. These are now our much cherished and protected "heritage" buildings, monuments and sculptures we hold so dear.

This motorway is the largest civic build this City has seen and we have an opportunity to make it an exciting, enthralling stretch of highway that will enhance the welcome and identity of who we are to those visiting for the next 100 years or more.

The benefits are immense...

Marco Zeeman.



“Wellington Sculptural Highway”

Wellington has a well-deserved reputation as the “Arts Capital” of New Zealand and is also notable for “Lonely Planet’s” 2011 declaration as the “coolest little Capital City” in the World. This proposal wishes to add to the Wellington regions “Arts” mantra, creating an exciting and unique sculptural interpretation of its communities for those visiting and travelling to and from the City, with large sculptures unique to each community, positioned at every motorway interchange from Levin south.

There is major progress on an important aspect of this motorway access to the City for residents and visitors alike, with the “Wellington Northern Corridor” upgrade, ultimately covering a 110km stretch of road from Levin to Wellington Airport. This immense project is going to be an exciting upgrade to one of the New Zealand Government’s noted seven Roads of National Significance, and has been on the “wish list” for around 70 years for the region.

The Wellington Northern Corridor upgrade is made up of the following projects (south to north):

1. Inner City Transport Improvements from the Airport to the Terrace Tunnel
2. Aotea Quay to Ngauranga
3. Linden to MacKay’s Crossing - Transmission Gully. (Est. cost: \$908m)
4. Kapiti Expressway – MacKay’s Crossing to Peka Peka (\$554m), Peka Peka to Otaki (\$259m)
5. Otaki to Levin (\$162m)

This proposal is aimed at two significant projects currently underway.

- Linden to MacKay’s Crossing, (Transmission Gully)
- Kapiti Expressway

Along this stretch of the new and improved highway (Linden to Otaki) are a number of “off ramps” to the various towns and area’s, each with its own identity, historical links, flora and fauna or unique natural landscapes and features.



Angel of the North



There will be approximately 12 interchanges from Linden to Otaki (*Peka Peka to Otaki interchanges to be confirmed*) connecting the new highway to the communities it provides access to, that this proposal includes.

These are listed below heading northwards from Wellington City (Refer map numbering on right.)

1. Linden / Kenepuru
2. Eastern Porirua - Whitby, James Cook Drive and Waitangirua
3. State Highway 58 at Pauatahanui
4. MacKay's Crossing - Paekakariki
5. Raumati South at Poplar Ave
6. Paraparaumu at Kapiti Rd
7. Waikanae at Te Moana Rd
8. Peka Peka
9. Te Horo
10. Otaki Forks - south Otaki
11. Mill Rd - north Otaki
12. Taylors Rd - north Otaki (*The Otaki to Levin section starts here*)

There is a natural progression which will likely occur once this section has been completed with sculptures. There are significant sculptures already in place along Evans Bay Parade from the Airport to the City, however the communities northwards to Linden, and then Otaki to Levin, will each want their "identity" added. This is a goal for the future but should not be discounted.

The focus now is on the new construction underway with Transmission Gully and the Kapiti Expressway. Using all of the resources at hand during the construction phase will make this proposal that much more achievable.



The Proposal

These interchanges would be enhanced with the addition of large sculptures, each unique and identifiable to the community they service. They will add a significant and exciting addition along the journey in and out of the “Arts” Capital of New Zealand.

These symbolic sculptures would stamp the Wellington region firmly in the “creative world” for the visitor travelling into the City, adding to the many sculptural jewels it already has in its crown. They would also provide a source of pride and linkage to locals as they identify with the sculptural art promoting their communities along this route. This proposal adds to the framework and connectivity of our communities, and these interchanges will play a significant part for many years.

Of note is Pou Whenua are planned along this stretch of highway, emphasising the importance and impact of this highway construction through our communities. Pouwhenua or pou whenua (land post), are intricately carved wooden posts. These “Pou” mark territorial boundaries or places of significance to Maori. They are artistically and elaborately sculpted and can be found throughout New Zealand. This proposal is about each communities opportunity to be involved in adding their sculptural and cultural identity.

Opposite are some international examples of roadside sculpture. The author notes these are examples only and are merely indicative of the scale and idea itself, not to preempt any creative ideas from the sculptors to be commissioned for each sculptural piece, or each community’s vision for what they should be.

Example Sculptural Highway, Melbourne, Australia



Pictured here is a tunnel portal on the Eastlink freeway outside Melbourne. Daytime above, night below.



In the words of designers Wood/Marsh PTY Ltd Architecture, “Conceptually the desire was to create a large scale sculptural object that extended over the entire project... The integration of public art along the freeway helps to enrich the project and Melbourne’s urban fabric.”

Current Project Team (As at 22/3/2015)

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| Project Lead: | Marco Zeeman |
| KCDC Representatives: | Councillor Gavin Welsh, KCDC |
| Councillor | Jackie Elliott, KCDC |

An initial project team is now established with Councillor Gavin Welsh and Councillor Jackie Elliot, recently appointed with a full Kapiti Coast District Council mandate of support.

Additional representatives are being sought from Wellington City Council, Porirua City Council, and Greater Wellington Council over the coming weeks. This team/committee would clarify the scope and parameters that would then be presented to NZTA and the Government through the Minister of Transport. These parameters will then need to quickly guide community discussions through NZTA and Councils' established networks, creating a clear and prescriptive local brief, design guide, artist selection, engineering, construction, installation, etc.

Highly colorful roadside sculptures and formwork add vibrancy to the journey into the city.



Funding

The construction of this section of the “Northern Corridor” roading project (Linden to Otaki) has an estimated cost of over \$1.7+ Billion. Adding a sculptural aspect to the design process now will be at a significantly lower cost than attempting anything post highway completion, making the entire roading project so much more rewarding and beneficial over the long term to the greater Wellington region.

The cost of adding a sculpture to each interchange will depend on many factors and at this stage total cost of the proposal is unknown although estimated at less than 1% of the overall highway budget. A more precise evaluation of costs will be derived from further discussions and detailed analysis, such as material specifications, engineering, consents, infrastructure costs, etc.

There was a time when we constructed civic structures that architects and designers were required to add “their artistic touch” through fine form work, sculptural additions and a desire to add value that is lost in today’s cost focused world. These are our much cherished and protected “heritage” buildings, monuments and sculptures we now hold so dear.

A regional approach to requesting through Government the addition of artistic license to NZTA’s design process along with the required funding is the goal of this proposal.

This “whole of road” approach by a region wide representational project team would only add to the “Sculptural Highway” proposal. This team would clearly illustrate to key stakeholders, including NZTA, the highway alliance and its investors. the value and importance of this new sculptural stretch of highway to the Wellington tourism industry and the communities it provides access to.

Funding will be required to cover the costs of consultation, publicity, any required consents, engineering for foundations and sculptural design, artist commissions – including the production of a miniature “marquette” for approval, creation and then installation of the sculpture itself.

To succeed this proposal requires region wide support from many stakeholders. The project spans at least 4 councils, a national roading agency, local Iwi and numerous community groups.



Notably highway construction has already started on Transmission Gully and the Kapiti Expressway. With bridge and on/off ramp design and construction well underway, all having a bearing on the integration of sculpture into the “whole of road” design, timing is of the essence. Adaptation for sculptural plinths/mounting, public access, possible parking areas, signage, etc should all be in the scope of the overall design process as soon as possible.

This document is a work in progress and will develop as correspondence and consultation continues.

The author notes he has corresponded and/or met with:

Rt Hon John Key, Prime Minister

Hon Maggie Barry, Minister Arts Culture & Heritage

Fran Wilde, Chair – GWRC (met with Fran 4 March 2015 and in support)

Celia Wade Brown, Mayor, WCC. (responded and in support. Quote: “An interesting idea - love the dramatic scale “) Note: Presenting to Full Council 8th April, 2015

Justin Lester, Deputy Mayor, WCC.

(Quote: “I absolutely love your proposal”

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Ray Ahipene-Mercer, Councillor – WCC. also member Sculpture Symposium Trust (responded and in support)

Andy Foster, Councillor - WCC (responded and in support. Quote “This is a very exciting concept”)

Nicola Young, Councillor, WCC. also Member, Sculpture Trust. (Quote: “It’s an excellent idea”)

Simon Marsh, Councillor, WCC

Malcom Sparrow, Councillor, WCC

Helene Ritchie, Councillor, WCC (Quote: “a fab idea”)

Iona Pannett, Councillor, WCC (Quote: “Thank you for taking the initiative on this project.”)

Mark Peck, Councillor, WCC

David Lee, Councillor, WCC

Sarah Free, Councillor, WCC

Paul Eagle, Councillor, WCC

Jo Coughlin, Councillor, WCC

Natasha Petkovic-Jeremic, Arts Director – WCC

(met with Natasha and Jodie Dalglish, Wellington City Council offices. 5 March 2015.

Nick Legget, Mayor – PCC (Presenting to PCC, 9th April after meeting 30th March. Positive response)

Euan Dempsey, General Manager, Community Services - PCC (Attended meeting 30 March)

Peter Bailey, General Manager, Asset Management and Operations – PCC (Attended meeting 30 March)

Gary Simpson, PCC. (Attended meeting 30 March)

Ross Church, Mayor, KCDC

(Presented to full KCDC Council 19th March. In full support: see appendix KCDC support letter)

Diane Ammundsen, Councillor – KCDC

(Met 18 March, 2014 and presented to full KCDC Council 19th March.)

Gavin Welsh, Councillor – KCDC

(Appointed by KCDC to the project team, 19th March)

Jackie Elliott, Councillor, KCDC

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Michael Scott, Councillor, KCDC

(Voted KCDC in support)

Janet Holborow, Councillor, KCDC

(Voted KCDC in support)

K (Guru) Gurunathan, Councillor, KCDC

(Voted KCDC in support)

Penny Gaylor, Councillor, KCDC

(Voted KCDC in support)

Murray Bell, Councillor, KCDC

(Voted KCDC in support)

David Scott, Councillor, KCDC

(Voted KCDC in support)

Mike Cardiff, Councillor, KCDC

(Voted KCDC in support)

Annette McLaughlin, Democracy Services Advisor – KCDC (responded and in support) Catherine Scollay, Arts and Museum Development, KCDC.

Sean Mellon, Group Manager Infrastructure Services – KCDC (In support)

Liz Koh, Kapiti Coast Chamber of Commerce (met with Liz 12 March, 2015. Letter of support from Chamber)

Rod James, Central Region Manager, NZTA (given summary document version 19/03/2015)

Lauren McKenzie, Community & Stakeholder Manager - Transmission Gully Project

Peter Ward - Transmission Gully and PPP Senior Project Manager, Highways Network Operations, NZTA

Jo Sharp, Community Liaison Officer - M2PP Alliance

Sue Elliott, Sculpture Trust

David Perks, CEO, Positively Wellington Tourism (PWT) (met with PWT 31st March, 2015)

Jo Heaton, Positively Wellington Tourism (met with PWT 31st March, 2015)

Angela Monaghan – Brand Manager Positively Wellington Tourism (PWT)

Dennis Berdinner, Trustee, Sculpture Symposium Trust and Sculptor Tutor, The Learning Connection

David McGill, Trustee, Sculpture Symposium Trust and Sculptor

Graeme Anderson, Trustee, Sculpture Symposium Trust. Managing Director, Brimstone Pyrotechnics

Stephen Myhre, Sculptor

Bodhi Vincent, Sculptor

Brendon King, Creative Coast

Mike Fuller, Sculptor

20 March 2015

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Dear Marco

Thank you for your presentation to the Council yesterday, 19 March. Councillors and Community Board members were very interested in the potential you described for the Wellington Sculptural Highway.

As you know, the Council passed the following resolution: 'That the Council supports in principle the concept of a 'Sculptural Highway' and that Councillors Welsh and Elliott represent the Council in the proposed working party.'

We look forward to working with you and the other Councils in making your exciting vision a reality.

Yours sincerely



Ross Church BCA, JP
MAYOR, KĀPITI COAST DISTRICT

Wednesday, March 25, 2015 KAPITI NEWS

Sculptures requested along road

DAVID HAXTON

Large sculptures along parts of the Kapiti Expressway and Transmission Gully would add a significant and exciting addition along the journey in and out of the arts capital, says Marco Zeeman.

Mr Zeeman, from Paraparaumu, who was Wellingtonian of the Year in 2005, is trying to drum up support for the initiative from various quarters.

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He said a project team would need to be established including the Transport Agency and various councils.

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He said the cost of adding a sculpture to each interchange would depend on many factors.

"A clearer picture of costs will be derived from further discussions and analysis."

Mr Zeeman said the project would need support from many stakeholders to succeed.

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MARCO ZEEMAN

"The project spans four councils, a national road agency, Iwi and community groups and highway construction already begun on both Transmission Gully and Kapiti Expressway."

"Time is an issue that could work against the proposal as bridge and ramp design and construction are already well under way."

A team of stakeholders needed rather urgently. Mr Zeeman is must support from Wellington Council, Porirua City Council, Kapiti Coast District Council and Greater Wellington Regional Council before pitching his idea to the Transport Agency.

"We need to front it soon rather than the year which could be too late."

He addressed community, environmental and community development committees on Thursday.

The committee appointed Jackie Elliott and Chris Welsh to his support group.

Mr Zeeman said feedback so far had been "positive and round".



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28 March, 2015

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Dear Marco,

Thank you for your proposal regarding the Wellington Sculptural Highway. This proposal was considered by the Chamber Board meeting of 25 March and met with a very favourable response. The Chamber has been closely involved with the Kapiti Coast District Council's Economic Development Strategy, elements of which are included in the Draft Long Term Plan. In our view, your proposal supports that strategy and, in particular, is a good fit for the 'Positioning Kapiti' initiative which is one of four key strategic initiatives.

While we are fully supportive of your proposal, we are of the view that Kapiti ratepayers are not in a position to provide financial support, and funding should be sought from regional or national bodies. If there is any way the Chamber can assist with the furtherance of your proposal please let us know.

Yours faithfully,

Liz Koh MSocSc, BCA, GradDipBusStuds, CA, CFP, AFA, ATCL, MInstD

Chair
Kapiti Coast Chamber of Commerce

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Images from the Tareitanga Sculpture Symposium, Frank Kitss Park, Wellington



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Children and young people should be at the heart of Council's long-term investment and growth strategy. I strongly recommended that being a Child (and Youth) Friendly City is included as one of the defined and priority items in the Council's Sustainable Growth Agenda and is subject to specific planning and investment. This will provide the foundation for, and help achieve success, in all other priorities identified in the long-term plan. It is a major gap in the current plan.

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Attached Documents

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| 2015-25 Draft Long-term Plan |

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Long-term Plan
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SUBMISSION ON DRAFT LONG TERM PLAN 2015 - 25, FROM TRELISSICK PARK GROUP

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Our submission on the above relates to budgets for pest control. Our Group is very grateful for our collaborative relationship and for the work Council have done over the years in Trelissick Park, despite budget restraints.

However, we have some reservations about: "As an eco-city Wellington will achieve high standards of environmental performance..." in p.4 of the Statements of Service Provision.

NATURAL ENVIRONMENT ISSUES/QUERIES

In the Statements of Service Provision

Biodiversity target and pest control lack of definition – On p.17 and 18, in 2.1, biodiversity targets of 55% – 70%, are given for "high value biodiversity sites (%) covered by integrated animal pest control or weed control".

- "high value biodiversity sites (%)" is ambiguous and subjective. Are they percentages of the total 4,000 ha of open spaces, or percentages of the high biodiversity sites? What is the area?
- "animal pest control or weed control" is too vague.
- What does "pest control" mean? Prioritised control? 100% elimination? Keeping the status quo? Containment?

We would like to see budget amounts for pest animals and weeds shown separately and the areas and methods of control defined.

Pest management budget inadequate

1. On p.21, in 2.1.8 of the Environmental Activity Budget, the net operating budget for "biodiversity (pest management)" is given as \$1.642 million per annum, only a little more than in the 2014/15 Plan. Pest weeds are burgeoning in Wellington, such as:
 - old man's beard, honeysuckle and climbing asparagus to dominate canopies, eventually killing the plants beneath
 - tradescantia (wandering willie) to carpet the ground, stifling natural seedling emergence
 - buddleia, wattle and sycamore to spread and take over.

Based on past experience, prioritised funding for dealing with pest weeds has not been enough. In Trelissick Park, some areas dealt with in the past, are going 'backwards' - a

waste of expenditure. Other areas, less fortunate than ourselves and without volunteer back-up, are in a bad way (eg Churchill Reserve between Trelissick Park and Otari Wilton's Bush). More funding is needed to prevent pest weeds running rampant.

2. Also, the target areas in 2.1 on p.17 and 18 are increasing over the ten years from 55% to 70%. There should be corresponding budget increases, with inflation adjustment (rather than a flat budget).
3. It should be noted that the budget in no way represents the true costs of pest management, given the huge input of the many volunteer groups in the Wellington area. Such a resource is not everywhere and may not always be available, being so reliant on goodwill, time, enthusiasm and support from Council.

Environmental performance measures questionable – On p.17, in 2.1 of the table of environment performance measures, it is stated that “Residents' satisfaction (%) with the quality and maintenance of green open spaces” is 90%. However, to some, flowering weed trees and old man's beard are attractive, as are the autumn colours of deciduous trees. Others do not know the difference between natives and weeds. Enveloping areas of climbing asparagus and honeysuckle lie hidden. While not wishing to denigrate Council efforts, not much store should be attached to this survey.

SUMMARY

The Long Term Plan lists a number of growth initiatives for Wellington, costing many millions, aimed at attracting more visitors/business. Some of these are risky and extravagant. Yet here we already have parks, reserves and coastal areas integrated with the urban areas, making Wellington a unique and attractive city. Well maintained pest-free natural green spaces provide a return on investment with better health, sense of place, cultural well-being and attractiveness for visitors/recreation/employment.

Pest weeds are burgeoning in Wellington. Surely we don't want "the stunning natural environment", referred to by the Mayor in p.3 of the Consultation Document, defiled or killed by smothering weeds?

We already have one of Wellington's major 'selling' features - our magnificent parks, reserves and beaches – needing more maintenance.

I would like to speak to this submission.

Yours sincerely,

Peter Reimann
(Chairman, Trelissick Park Group)

Membership drawn from Highland Park Progressive Association Inc., Ngaio Crofton Downs Residents' Association Inc., Onslow Historical Society Inc., Private Landowners Group, Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society (Wellington Branch), Wellington Botanical Society, Wadestown Residents' Association

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WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL DRAFT LONG-TERM PLAN 2015-25

Victoria University of Wellington supports Wellington City Council's Draft Long-Term Plan 2015-2025 and associated Urban Growth Plan 2014-2043.

Victoria is a major contributor to the economic and cultural life of Wellington as the largest educational and research organisation in the city.

Victoria provides a portfolio of community assets in its buildings and campus facilities, and makes a significant economic contribution to the Wellington regional economy. The University's total annual revenue currently sits at nearly \$400 million and it is estimated that the total spend attributable to Victoria is more than \$1b per annum.

With more than 2,500 staff, the University is one of the largest employers in Wellington. Currently, more than 20,000 students are educated at Victoria's four city campuses. Our goal is double the size of the University over the next 20-30 years.

Investing for Growth – The Long-Term Plan

Victoria supports Wellington's often-stated objective of being a world-leading capital city and cementing the city's position as the creative, political and scientific heart of New Zealand. The University's new Strategic Plan complements this by setting the University on a pathway to become a world-leading capital-city university and one of the great global-civic universities.

However, as the Long-Term Plan outlines, other New Zealand cities are experiencing faster GDP growth, faster population growth, faster job growth and faster retail and business growth than Wellington. Victoria believes that the challenge for Wellington is to develop and successfully implement an ambitious growth strategy in order for the city to realise its economic potential and enhance its already high standard of living. It is in this context that Victoria supports the broad proposal to "invest for growth".

The "invest for growth" proposal provides for sustainable borrowing and ratepayer investment in Wellington as a "liveable" city – a great place to live, to work or to study. As recent research findings have pointed out, companies in Wellington are struggling to attract the staff they need to grow which is contributing to slow economic development and sluggish overall economic growth.

As one of Wellington's largest employers with ambitious growth plans, Victoria is naturally concerned by these findings and therefore supports the proposed investment strategy.

It is worth noting that Victoria's support for the "invest for growth" strategy must be considered in the context of both the future opportunities for the University but also the fact that Victoria contributes significantly to the city's rates base. Victoria currently contributes combined local authority rates of around \$700,000 p.a., so it is likely that in the short-term the "invest for growth" strategy will impose a significant cost on the University. However, we believe over the medium to long-term this investment will pay dividends for both Victoria and the city.

Wellington International Airport runway extension

Victoria fully supports the proposed 300 metre extension to the length of Wellington International Airport's runway. An extended runway has the potential to bring a greater range of international flights into Wellington, especially from Asia. We know that direct flights will make Wellington and its educational institutions considerably more attractive to international students and staff, as well as delivering obvious tourism and ancillary economic benefits for the region.

The recently launched Wellington International Strategy will see the region's universities, polytechnics, private English language schools, training providers and high schools strive to double the number of international students studying in greater Wellington by 2023. Each of the region's tertiary institutions is committed to having at least 15% of their rolls made up of international students within the next 5 years.

Wellington is a great place to live and study as an international student. However, the lack of direct international flights has a significant impact on the city's appeal to international students and their families.

Screen and tech industries

Victoria is a passionate supporter of Wellington's creative and tech industries. We already host and provide sponsorship to entrepreneurship and innovation-based initiatives such as the Venture Up business start-up programme, Live the Dream Young Enterprise Accelerator and the CapApp Challenge. A major challenge for Wellington is providing sufficient career opportunities to retain our highly skilled and sought-after graduates in the city. We therefore support the Council's proposal to invest funding in the establishment of a tech hub, a screen industry enterprise zone and an annual contribution to WREDA.

Inner city regeneration

Victoria places a great deal of emphasis in the vibrancy of Wellington's inner city. Around 3000 students reside in our halls of residence, the vast majority of these are located in and around the inner city, and Victoria continues to expand. In February 2015, we opened Kathryn Jermyn Hall, a new 390-bed hall of residence in Boulcott Street. A large proportion of our student body live in centrally located rental accommodation, while a large number of our 2,500 staff also live centrally. The supply of housing is therefore a significant issue for Victoria.

We support the development of 2,100 proposed new dwellings along Kent and Cambridge terraces, the 'growth spine' from the northern suburbs, and the expansion of medium and high-density housing.

Victoria University is also of the opinion that Wellington requires more affordable private sector accommodation to support student growth and that an urban development agency can assist the city to further unlock the potential of the inner city and incentivise commercial investment.

Revitalise the Civic Square precinct

Victoria University's Te Kōki New Zealand School of Music (NZSM) is continuing to explore the feasibility of entering into a partnership with the New Zealand Symphony Orchestra (NZSO) and Wellington City Council to potentially create a centre of excellence for education, music and the arts using the Wellington City Council's Civic Square buildings.

The NZSM and NZSO are assessing the option of co-locating in the Wellington Town Hall and the adjoining Municipal Office Building. This could create a nationally significant centre of excellence and innovation for education, music, culture and the arts, as well as providing for ongoing use by the local community.

Reigniting our sense of place

Victoria supports increased investment in events, particularly through the Events Development Fund.

Victoria hosts and supports many events around the city, including the New Zealand Festival, the Fringe Festival and Summer Shakespeare. Wellington's appeal as an events capital is an important aspect of the 'liveability' of the city and is one of a number of contributing incentives in attracting students from outside the region.

A constant concern for Victoria is the safety of our staff and students moving around the city. In 2014, we successfully worked with Wellington City Council to have better lighting and security cameras installed along the pathway around Boyd Wilson Field. We therefore fully support the Council's proposal to reinvigorate and revitalise streets and laneways around the inner city, including the installation of better lighting.

Strengthening town centres

Victoria is broadly supportive of this proposal and agrees that roading and transport infrastructure requires improvement to fully capitalise on the opportunity to grow Wellington's outer suburbs.

New and improved venues

Victoria is supportive of the Council's proposal to improve venues around the city, particularly the establishment of a new convention centre. Victoria agrees that with Auckland, Christchurch and Queenstown all planning brand new convention centres Wellington's status as a conference destination is under threat without a purpose-built convention centre.

Victoria envisages playing a role in helping the Council attract academic conferences to a new convention centre.

New visitor attractions

Victoria believes that it is important that Wellington maintain its attractiveness as a destination for visitors, both international and domestic. Providing a range of visitor attractions is a crucial part of maintaining the city's point of difference.

Improved management of key infrastructure

Well-maintained and efficient infrastructure services are critical to the functioning of a city and investment needs to be robust.

Victoria encourages the Council to consider including a comprehensive programme of water leak detection and repair in the annual budget for upgrading water infrastructure, as we believe this would be hugely cost effective in the long-term.

The Council's proposal to better understand the impacts of climate change on the city presents an obvious collaboration opportunity between Wellington City Council and Victoria. The New Zealand Climate Change Research Institute and other areas of the University are well placed to contribute to the Council's research. The Council could then share the overall results with the University to feed into campus development guidelines similar to the sharing of biodiversity data that happens through the existing Biodiversity Action Plan partnership.

Victoria supports the Council's commitment to biodiversity and encouraging sustainable building practices, and is committed to continuing partnerships with the Council on related environmental projects such as Our Living City.

Use of smart technologies

Victoria will continue to work with the Council on issues such as the quality of footpaths and street lighting that affect members of the University community. The installation of LED street lighting is an initiative we strongly support and we would like to see a specific budget for this included within the Long-Term Plan.

Real transport choices

The provision of safe and reliable transport links to and from our four campuses is a top priority for Victoria. We actively encourage our staff and students to use public transport, walk or cycle to get to and from the University.

Naturally, we were disappointed at the recent decision by Greater Wellington Regional Council to remove route 18 from the bus network, especially considering the number of staff and students who use this service and the likelihood of that usage growing as the University expands.

Nevertheless, Victoria supports the proposal to invest in improving the public transport system through the bus priority measures and the improvement of key routes such as Kent and Cambridge terraces and Adelaide Road. The University also supports our students in their negotiations with local and regional bodies for more affordable, efficient public transport options.

While investment in public transport routes along the 'growth spine' and urban connections is of course a priority, the Council must ensure that growth in areas such as the Wellington CBD and Kelburn (which will result as Victoria grows) is accommodated appropriately and that good collaboration exists with Greater Wellington Regional Council to deliver efficient user-friendly public transport.

Victoria supports the proposed \$45 million investment in cycleways and \$8 million investment in walkways and further encourages investment and improvements of these facilities in areas around the University campuses.

Comment on the Urban Growth Plan

In considering Victoria's position on the Urban Growth Plan 2014-2043 please refer to Victoria's original submission to the draft document (attached) from October 2014.

The Urban Growth Plan outlines the expectation that Wellington's population will increase by approximately 50,000 over the next 30 years and proposes strategies to help ensure that housing, infrastructure and services are developed in a sustainable and appropriate way. Victoria's ambitious plans to double the size of the University over the next 20-30 years will be a significant contributor to this expected population growth

Victoria is of the view that the Draft Long-Term Plan together with the Urban Growth Plan can assist the city to take advantage of the increased size of the university. The adequate provision of rental accommodation, public transport, pedestrian walking routes and public safety are extremely important considerations for students, staff and their families. However, maintaining and enhancing the city's creative capital character, preserving our natural environment, addressing the impact of natural hazards and responding to the threat of climate change are all issues facing the city that Victoria is pleased are included within these plans.

Lastly, Victoria feels it is critically important that the Council take an active interest in the development of a comprehensive Wellington education sector growth plan either on its own account or through its subsidiary, the Wellington Regional Economic Development Agency.

Yours sincerely



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far too much money is being spent on old buildings that are only used for a small amount of time . the odds of having an earthquake during the time they are occupied are minimal . if you live in wellington you accept the threat that there might be aquake and you get on with life . the money would be far better spent building new safer amenities for the community .

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Comments

depends on how much it will cost as every other city in NZ is competing for events by building new and better facilities to try and attract the few events . we would be better off building new amenities that enhance the lives of the people who live here and that might encourage more people to come and live here rather than just pop in for an event

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

at some stage the business sector needs to front up and build some of these venues. the fact that they dont means they are not viable and not maing any money so do the ratepayers need to continually pour money into a venue that dosnt work .

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

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for quite some time council has been shown that wellington needs a new deep water swimming pool . the last few councils have talked about it , put forward grandiose plans and then decided to do nothing . this ten year plan must include a new facility that accomodates deep water or we might as well send all our brightest and best swimmers, waterpolo players etc to live in auckland .

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

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Comments

I support the developement of these experiences but the only involvement that council should have is maybe providing suitable land , making sure the consent /resouce process is efficeint and helpful. I dont think council should be funding these loss making experiences .

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bus stops . probably in the 7 figures in lost income .

Urban Development

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

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Building a new deep water swimming pool is becoming a priority for quite a few people in wellington who find the existing facilities overloaded . I would like to see the school swimming pool grant scheme be reconsidered and funded to at least the 2mil that was originally set aside . there are still schools who need their pools upgrading and in doing so will take pressure off council facilities allowing a bit more time for council to procrastinate over build a new facility .

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Our Association considers the plan too ambitious and should be moderated. We want spending on commercial ventures be reduced.

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'?

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Comments

The 3.9% is accompanied by an increase in debt to income ratio further compounded by a forecast increase in revenue. End of period interest bill increases to a forecast of more than \$1M per week which is unreasonable. If rates are increased then no additional borrowing should be committed to.

Should Council take action to improve our international air connections?

- Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Our Association does not believe that a business case that relies on seeding with ratepayer funding is worthwhile. Already too much Council money has been pledged on resource consent. Past efforts to gain a direct Adelaide connection have failed miserably & there is now less likelihood than ever of securing airline and government commitment for Asian services.

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Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Support for this but consider that funding should mainly come from the business sector.

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

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Consider that this be mainly funded by the commercial sector unless there are clear advantages to the City including ratepayers.

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Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Support should be limited to reduced Council fees and potential rates holiday when there is direct benefit to the city.

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Need to fully utilise existing buildings and spaces in preference to occupying leased premises for Council admin & for entertainment functions. We also support cost offset by disposal/ lease of Jack Ilott green which is not integral with the square and provided also that a 10 meter (3 levels) height limit be applied to any building on that site.

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Wellington is already a natural choice for NZ wide events due to its central location & good

provincial connections and status quo is considered OK.

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

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We understand this initiative but caution that its location (& ongoing management must allow sharing of existing venue operational costs). Not to be built as a visual blot like the TSB arena. A thorough business case must also be presented to avoid creating a white elephant.

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

With a programmed approach & not just because of minority Councillor or interest group lobby.

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

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Care needs to be taken to limit costs in supporting well meaning Trusts etc. with totally unrealistic business plans. The Zealandia example with its multi-million dollar 'evaluation centre' must not be repeated. Visitors need to be out in the wild & not hung up in video presentations or coffee lounges.

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

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Provided that risk is managed & that where residents are disadvantaged then compensation/ remedial works are undertaken without hassle. Our example of Monorgan Rd. flooding near Scots College entrance is totally unsatisfactory.

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Current manual 'sensing' is flawed and parking compliance is hit or miss, dependant on the

warden's rounds. The revelation that free weekend street parking 'costs' WCC over \$1M should surely also be brought under control. Also the transition should be timed to ensure that there is a cost benefit in the long term.

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

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We consider that sorting the Basin Reserve traffic congestion is an important element to the spine developments & should be given Council priority.

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Need to be careful that financial controls are applied. The costs of these projects become astronomic & are not well received by ratepayers. Examples such as lower Cuba St, Manners St & now Victoria St seem lavish for little gain in areas where few people live.

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As long as they are permanent & not just experimental/ temporary and are cost effective from management & maintenance perspectives.

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Comments

All suburban town centres should be improved on a planned basis spread over agreed intervals. However if these upgrades are as useless as Kilbirnie - then not needed, whereas Miramar is OK. Costs & construction time must be minimised.

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Motorway traffic routing through the City is unsustainable. Vivian St must be cleared to a minor road ASAP to allow the residential quarter of the City to expand in a safe & desirable neighbourhood. Council must lobby Transit to complete the motorway from Johnsonville to Airport and proceed with acceptable plans to achieve this. Grade separation of E-W & N-S traffic flows must be provided at key points - Basin, Taranaki & Victoria Sts as part of their long term plan. The current one way bypass with 6/7 traffic lights in each direction is totally unacceptable as a 10 year option. We do not support the high level of expenditure on cycleways but would rather see wider roads, without unnecessary painted or bollard 'median strips' and reduction of unused and often untidy berms. Sharing of footpath with cycles is considered a practical option in a number of instances. We are astounded that Council has voted to oppose Grenada & Tawa options for the Petone to Grenada highway for reason of unconvincing business case when it is so enamoured with funding all stages of an Airport runway extension which has not yet even delivered a business case. We also strongly support proposals to lift funding for Community Centres and to more widely apply living wage to other than direct WCC employees.

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Submission on *Our Ten-Year Plan – Wellington City Council’s Draft Long Term Plan 2015-2025 (LTP)*

Introduction

The Tertiary Education Union Te Hautū Kahurangi o Aotearoa welcomes this opportunity to submit on the Wellington City Council’s consultation document *Our Ten-Year Plan – Wellington City Council’s Draft Long Term Plan 2015-2025*. The TEU is the largest union and professional association representing staff in the tertiary education sector (in universities, institutes of technology/polytechnics, wānanga, private training establishments, and REAPs). As an affiliated union of the Council of Trade Unions Te Kauae Kaimahi, we extend our industrial and professional interests into the concerns of the wider union movement, society, the economy and the environment.

The TEU is a member of the Living Wage Movement Aotearoa New Zealand (a broad-based community movement committed to addressing poverty and inequality by lifting low wages). The TEU is also an accredited Living Wage Employer. Our members at Victoria University of Wellington are currently campaigning with other staff and communities to seek agreement from university management to implement the Living Wage at this institution. Therefore we strongly support Council’s commitment to becoming a Living Wage council and its commitment in principle to pay the Living Wage to all council staff, including those employed in CCOs and by contractors.

Recommendations

We acknowledge that Council has made numerous commitments to becoming a Living Wage council. This has included voting to direct Council Controlled Organisations to detail how they would implement the Living Wage as part of the 2015-2025 Long Term Plan. Council has also directed staff to carry out work on how to apply the Living Wage to staff employed by contractors, also to be reported back as part of the 2015-2025 Long Term Plan. However the Long Term Plan would be strengthened by more clearly

articulating the Council's Living Wage commitments in the plan, and setting out a timeframe for implementation.

The TEU submits that the following should be included in the LTP:

1. Council's commitment to becoming a Living Wage council
2. Council's commitment to implementing the Living Wage for the whole council workforce, including low paid staff who are employed through contractors.

The Long Term Plan should also include specific details about:

- a. 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;
- b. Council's decision to direct CCOs to report on how they will move their staff to the Living Wage;
- c. Council's decision to investigate the best way to ensure council workers employed through contractors are paid the Living Wage;
- d. 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;
- e. Council's commitment to consult with relevant parties, including Living Wage Wellington, throughout the planning and implementation process; and finally but importantly
- f. Council's commitment to taking a lead in creating a Living Wage Capital.

The Draft Long Term Plan 2015-2025

We note the steps that the Wellington City Council has already taken to progress its commitment to the Living Wage for council employers and contractors. We commend this commitment to helping lift WCC employees and contractors out of poverty. Prioritising the Living Wage was strongly supported by Wellingtonians when Council consulted with the community on the 2014-2015 Annual Plan, and seeing a commitment to meeting the community's expectation is heartening.

With this mandate, Council must continue to move forward in fully implementing the Living Wage for employees and contractors. We recognise that this requires a staged implementation process but this should be clearly outlined in the Long Term Plan so that Wellingtonians can see this priority being progressed. In light of Wellington's strong financial position, as emphasised in the LTP, there is no good reason for not proceeding with a clearly articulated implementation plan.

We note that the LTP focuses on a series of major projects, including very significant expenditure on infrastructure. The Mayoral Overview states that the plan "Invests in our communities' ongoing prosperity"¹. Within the plan there is a pledge to "include the most vulnerable citizens in city life".² It further states that "People and social cohesion matter."³ The LTP says Wellington needs to grow and thus focuses strongly on job creation.

The TEU submits that growth includes the opportunity to earn a decent wage, a Living Wage – anything less than this is not sustainable growth. A decent wage is necessary for social and economic prosperity. A prosperous economic environment depends on consumers having the spending power to support local businesses. Without adequate incomes, Wellington residents are not able to fully participate in everything our city has to offer. The enhanced services and amenities that the LTP focuses on are often out of

¹ Wellington City Council. 2015 *Our Ten-Year Plan – Wellington City Council's Draft Long Term Plan 2015-2025*.

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² Ibid, page 8

³ Ibid, page 20

reach for those Wellingtonians existing on subsistence wages. By becoming a Living Wage employer, Council can lead the way and encourage other Wellington employers to follow this lead, showing the rest of the country that sustainable growth is achievable and that decent wages for all workers benefits everyone.

The Coolest Little Capital – but only for some

We pride ourselves on being “The Coolest Little Capital” – an egalitarian and cosmopolitan place to live and work. However for some Wellingtonians life is anything but ‘cool’. 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. Workers and their families should not be struggling to make ends meet in a city where many enjoy very high incomes. It is appropriate and timely that Wellington City should set a target to lift the lowest quartile of staff wages in the LTP, as a specific strategy to reduce inequality.

A Living Wage has benefits for all

Much research has been undertaken internationally that point to the benefits of implementing a Living Wage. These benefits extend from individuals and their families to the communities they live in, and the businesses and services provided in those communities.

Decent wages make business sense in both public and private sectors. Research in the UK in 2012 reported that a Living Wage contributes to improved recruitment and retention of staff, lower rates of absenteeism and sick leave, enhanced productivity and improved business reputation and public image⁴. In today’s highly competitive environment, where public perception has become increasingly important, these are not insignificant outcomes.

⁴ Wills, J and Linneker, B. 2012 *The Costs and Benefits of the London Living Wage* School of Geography, Queen Mary University of London.

Budgeting for a Living Wage

The Living Wage has been implemented by many local authorities around the world. Usually the experience of these organisations is that actual costs end up being much lower than anticipated or at least similar to the expenditure for contractors. For example (using a tertiary sector example, although this is similar to the experience of other organisations) Queen Mary University of London found that after bringing their contracted cleaning service in-house, the first budget – including start-up costs for the transfer – was similar to that paid for the contracted service (Willis J, et al. 2009:10)⁵

There is no doubt there will be some costs associated with implementing the Living Wage at Wellington City Council. The TEU's view is that these costs are minimal when placed in the context of the Council's overall contracting, salary and wages budgets and when set against the expected benefits of implementation. Living Wage Wellington notes in their submission on the LTP estimates of around \$700,000 (a figure which includes contractors and employees). This is a very modest expense compared to \$300 million for an airport extension, \$10 million for the Peace and Conflict Museum, \$4 million per year for the Convention Centre, and salaries of \$4.5 million per year for 19 council staff.⁶

The TEU is particularly concerned that those employed by contracted service providers are also included in the Living Wage implementation. If this group of workers are not part of the Living Wage implementation, aside from it being an issue of fairness and equity, it sets the scene for further outsourcing of council services, with associated poor employment conditions. Given the statements in the LTP, we do not believe our Council would want to be associated with this kind of inequity.

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

⁵ Willis, J. et al. 2009. *The Business Case for the Living Wage: the story of the cleaning service at Queen Mary University of London*. Queen Mary University of London

⁶ Wellington City Council. 2014 Annual Report 2013-2014. <http://ar2013.publications.wellington.govt.nz/>

total operational cost. Personnel costs are almost \$100 million per year; a Living Wage for the Council's contracted workforce is around 0.7% of this. It will cost less than *a cent a day per resident* to implement a Living Wage. Council has a mandate, and we believe a responsibility to complete implementation of the Living Wage.

Acknowledgements

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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?

- Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

The overall approach of Wellington City Council long term plan is a refreshing change to what many people conceive of local governments playing it safe. The plan rejects the idea that the council is not listening to the views of businesses who need the investment in growth to flourish.

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'?

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Comments

A marginal rates increase across the board is a small price to pay for the ability to live in a vibrant city that welcomes business, visitors and new residents with quality facilities and open arms.

Should Council take action to improve our international air connections?

- Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

For the Hospitality sector to not only survive but grow, the introduction of greater international connectivity will allow for greater visitor spend through a projected increase in visitor numbers. There has been some concern about the need for another international hub, which seems also to have come from the airline sector itself. However this is a somewhat self preserving point of view as they will not want to create further competition for themselves. Once a longer runway is in place, airlines will most likely have no choice but to operate more international flights from Wellington or face loosing a potential new market share.

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Wellington is already well placed to meet the demands of a growing tech center. The combination of accessibility through a runway extension, as well as investment in tech industry will entice not just national tech businesses, but also international companies looking for lower cost operating bases such as NZ. As the country grows and government spreads its operations further afield than Wellington there needs to be a focus on bringing other business to the city. This is essential to fill some of the gaps that may be faced in the future. The continued growth of Wellington as a film destination also increases our global brand, bringing more visitors spending the international dollar.

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

As with the tech industry, the film industry is a perfect fit with Wellington. We have existing facilities and support for film makers with National level tax breaks this allows Wellington to market itself to international film makers as an ideal place to operate. It would be a waste of the work already done not to increase our profile in this space. Bringing in international film makers also enables locals to gain experience on a global level which will in turn help them to eventually produce their own product.

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Although there is a high cost imposed on building owners for strengthening of their buildings, this is a national issue and council should be facilitating central government for a national level fund which supports this.

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Although all buildings may be unaffordable to strengthen, the Civic buildings, including the town hall

are important parts of this city and would be wasted if left to be demolished. The strengthening of TSB however is a waste, as it would be better spent of developing a new facility for larger concerts and events. The TSB is not a high quality venue and does not attract the acts we could be hosting.

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Wellington has a calendar brimming with events and this is a major part of who we are. It is essential for the city to retain its mantle as events capital because this brings a huge amount of revenue into the city for hospitality businesses. There needs to be a good look at our facilities, especially a mid to large size concert venue, to allow the City keep its tag as events capital.

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Yes a larger venue with better acoustics is needed to keep us competitive in the events market and to stay as the Events capital.

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

The current average night stay in Wellington is unfortunately less than 2 nights which minimises the potential visitor spend. International and domestic tourists spend \$1.93 billion in the greater wellington region each year or 7% of regional GDP (2014 TIANZ data). By increasing average visitor night stay by just 1 this could increase the regional GDP but up to 3%

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?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Increased investment in smart technologies will be an initial cost but an increased saving over time. However the indication by electricity companies that they will just increase the line charges to offset their loss in profits from this is of concern.

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

Inner city regeneration to areas such as Bond St have shown how they can improve overall resident enjoyment of public space. However there needs to be a fair approach into what areas are improved. It has been raised with us that by focusing on easy to improve with areas will mean less focus on those places that truly have problems.

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?

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Strongly support
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Do you see other matters as priorities?

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Please continue to support the Museum of Wellington City & Sea. It now has a world wide reputation. I am in favour of the WCC continuing to provide community housing and keeping the buildings well maintained.

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Civic Square does not need large amounts of spending on it.

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Rates increases impact heavily on struggling and vulnerable groups.

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They are businesses and should be treated as such. They should be supported in theory along with all businesses but get no special treatment or funding.

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Comments

No. The film industry should support itself; it has already had too much public funding support.

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Comments

No, owning a heritage building is a privilege and owners should pay for its maintenance.

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

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Comments

Council should return the Town Hall to public use immediately. The panic over possible earthquake damage has been grossly overestimated.

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

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Comments

A pointless and trivial aspiration. It should applaud all the events we have but not aspire to be described by transitory labels.

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

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Comments

Only if they are Council owned.

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

No, we don't want many more tourists, We already have lots of them trooping off cruise ships and others causing serious road accidents.

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Comments

Depends what is meant by the question - what infrastructure?

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Comments

Not sure what parking sensors are. LED lights are ok but if they cost a lot and there are others at a moderate price, no.

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Some of it - not sure if the Victoria Street upheaval will be worth while.

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

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Comments

Do you see other matters as priorities?

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Reopening the Town Hall.

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This and the other Qs do not give the information needed to make a rational choice. I worked in UK Planning Offices where public participation was also abused

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Comments

see comment above

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Comments

see comment above, and NZ has excellent air services for the size of country.

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Comments

Support but no more than other sectors, and not with cash

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Comments

Support where they present a risk to the public

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It's the heart of the city and has risks to the public

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But not with cash

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Comments

We have enough for a modest town (with a CBD of a city)

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'...where (local) need has been demonstrated...'

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Where the infrastructure is a core service to the public

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But only where smart technology is cost-effective & sustainable

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The existg roads are adequate for commerce Main task; persuade Govt to divert RONS \$s to cycling, light rail, trolleys & buses to attract the 'suits'; & the poor will follow them

Urban Development

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Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

But what I've seen is too expensive with an emphasise on aesthetics instead of practicalities.
Council needs me as an adviser

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Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

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Critical core infrastructure for walkway bikeways

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Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

All centres with good PT should permit at least 4 storey bldgs, and often 6 storeys like Palazzo crnr Vivian & Tory

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

Support but start by changing the rules to permit the public to build 4 storey homes boundary to boundary of each home as developers can where PT is v g

Do you see other matters as priorities?

Comments

Give less emphasise on non-energy considerations when granting permission for wind farms.
Energy in Wgton should be entirely wind-driven

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The design of this survey cannot elicit true opinions of rates spend, or the plan. It is a smoke screen. The design should be criticised openly by experts before application

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From: [Daryl Cockburn](#)
To: [Talava Sene](#)
Subject: Re: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Thursday, 16 April 2015 10:39:31 a.m.

thanks T
 pls attach it to my submission when I make it later today
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On 16/04/2015, at 10:30 AM, Talava Sene wrote:

Hello Daryl

We have received many submissions using the template below. But there is nothing in our system with your name.

Does that make sense?

Would you like me to accept your email as your submission?

Thank you,
 Talava

From: Daryl Cockburn [mailto:architects@cockburn.co.nz]
Sent: Thursday, 16 April 2015 10:28 a.m.
To: Talava Sene
Subject: Fwd: Long Term Plan submission

Hi Talava
 Is this in yr system?

Begin forwarded message:

From: Generation Zero <paul@generationzero.org.nz>
Date: 27 March 2015 11:36:42 AM NZDT
To: "architects@cockburn.co.nz" <architects@cockburn.co.nz>
Subject: Long Term Plan submission

This is a copy of the message you have sent via the form.

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| Name | Daryl Cockburn |
| Email | architects@cockburn.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 | Persuade the NZTA and the Crown to use RONS funding for their plan through the city on non-car modes |

The roads are adequate for commercial traffic. We need to attract the 'suits' out of their cars onto bikes or trams

Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? Yes

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I would like the Council to put strong investment into facilities for safer cycling and walking that will get more people out of their cars and develop a healthier population, with the added benefit of reduced road congestion. I would like our council to be a strong advocate for climate change mitigation action in its public transport policies. Ditching the electric trolley buses seems to be a retrograde decision, especially in view of what I understand will be diesel replacements, plus the high cost of removing the many miles of trolley wires. I do not support roading projects that mean even more people will commute into the city. The Council should be making it less attractive for car commuters so that there is even greater take-up of public transport.

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I congratulate the Council for implementing the living wage for it's lowest paid workers. This is very commendable. I now call on the Council to continue to implement its commitment to becoming a living wage council by ensuring that the long-term plan spells out a strategy for delivering a living wage to all workers who provide services to the Council, including those employed by contractors. Contracting out services should not absolve the Council of such a responsibility. Providing a living wage to their employees should be one of the requirements to be met by firms who tender for Council contracts. Workers providing services on behalf of the Council deserve to be treated with dignity and to be paid a living wage so that they can fully participate in New Zealand society. Being paid a living wage leads to a happier workforce, much lower staff turnover and reduced employer training costs. The scandalously high salaries that abound amongst the managerial stratum of workers needs to be curbed and the fruits of productivity shared more equitably.

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For the living wage to be fully implemented, other 'nice' to have city developments may need to go on the back burner for a while, but I think it is worth doing, knowing that vulnerable workers are being treated with respect.

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Comments

The technology sector is already well established in Wellington, with more support from the council it can thrive and has the potential to create many more jobs in Wellington.

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The film industry has given a lot to Wellington, it's only right that we continue to support them and ensure Wellington remains the home of the NZ film.

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Wellington currently misses out on many international acts due the simple fact that we do not have a large, quality and versatile venue. Wellington needs it own 'Vector Arena'.

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Over past years I have been associated with the building of the Johnsonville Community Centre and its extensions, have been an integral factor in getting the Newlands Community Centre built and obtaining \$1 million to improve the initial build and was a strong advocate for the upgrading of the Keith Spry pool ensuring that the new changing rooms were included in this phase of development rather than phase 2 (Building of the library). I was a member of the reference group that evaluated all the different proposals for a new library including the public/private partnership model and agreed conclusively with fellow group members that the best solution for a new library was at the rear of the pool. It is strongly recommended that funding allocated for the new library is confirmed and building commences asap. Since the Johnsonville Community Centre, and more recently the Newlands Community Centre, was built demand for more Community Space has increased such that at times both Community Centres are running at capacity. With this view in mind I have joined the Alex Moore Park Board with a view to assist getting a new Community Facility built on Alex Moore Park. Whilst primarily a sports hub it will also provide extra facilities for school and community groups. Already the Board has received interest in permanent use of the facilities from outside the sports sector. Funding proposed for this facility should now be firmed up and confirmed. Strengthening Community resilience and recreation spaces improve community well being. These two community facilities when completed will greatly enhance the Johnsonville town centre and greater Johnsonville area. There is a well known phrase from the movie 'Field of Dreams'. 'If you build it they will come'. The building of the new library, the sportsville on Alex Moore Park are not just an investment in today but in an every expanding future of the Northern suburbs.

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I support investing to improve Wellington life, but strongly oppose the runway extension, which probably makes up a significant part of this rates rise

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The airport expansion plan is extremely expensive, has questionable economic benefits (recently called into question in the media), and is fundamentally irresponsible considering the need to CUT emissions in light of the threat of climate change. It makes no sense to facilitate increased air travel

at a time when we should be cutting back on it.

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I think we should give *some* support to private owners.

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The Council should definitely invest in strengthening the Civic Square buildings. However, I do not agree with the second part of the question, and in particular I strongly oppose long-term leasing (effective sale) of council land around the Square to finance the strengthening.

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This submission feedback is in relation to the proposal to fence 3 identified dog exercise areas as notified via the Capital Canines E-Newsletter. Central Allbreeds Dog Training School has a 50+ year history of training dogs and their owners in the Wellington region and currently does so from its fenced grounds at 1 Holloway Road, Aro Valley. The experience as dog owners, visiting conventional dog parks in the Wellington region, and instructors, taking classes at our club's grounds, gives us a unique perspective on the concept of fencing local dog parks in Wellington. In general we support the concept of fencing and would like to encourage the council's financial investment in improving the facilities available to the Wellington dog owning public. We would like to be involved in further discussions around this topic, for example dog park design elements e.g double gating and fence height/construction, and would therefore appreciate being invited to present an oral submission when the opportunity arises. We believe there are great benefits to having fenced facilities available and appreciate the council seeking feedback on this topic.

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Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

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Reducing rates and stop wasting ratepayers money

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Reduce the rates, rather than spending more money on useless irrelevant projects so that the council can be seen to be doing something.

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Wellington should be more dog-friendly. Building owners should receive more support regarding earthquake strengthening.

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I am opposed to fluoridation and would like the council to stop adding Fluoride into the water.

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This is just a 'hopeful' approach rather than making a sound investment.

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- Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

I do not believe that the fund for investment for growth would only be 0.8% of the increase in rates. Provide us with really figures and then I might change my mind!!

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Comments

As I heard on radio that this project would mean 5-6 extra flights a week over the next 45 years (I hope this is correct). I do not believe that the amount of money this would take would have a good enough return!! It is not impossible or too inconvenient to travel to overseas destinations from

Wellington. If you look at other larger overseas cities it could take as long to travel to an airport as would to fly to Auckland for an International flight!! So for overseas travellers I do not believe that the status quo is too inconvenient. Also as there is no strong business case and commitment from relevant airlines I think this is a risky investment.

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

It surprising to me that this is on the ten year plan when the council has just contracted an Australian company to update the whole of their IT system!! Somewhat contradictory!!!

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Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

We have significantly wealthy film people from New Zealand (ie. Sir Peter Jackson and Sir Richard Taylor) that could contribute to this rather than ratepayers!!

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

This support does not only have to be financial but it could also be in helping those owners to find funding for this.

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

I strongly support strengthening the Civic building but I do not support selling off assets in Wellington to fund this.

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Let Wellington have it's own unique, boutique quality that does not mean that we have to be the events capital of New Zealand.

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Waste of money!!!

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

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Upgrading being the operative word - not building new facilities!!

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

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I do not believe that we need to develop new tourism experiences - we should support and if deemed appropriate develop further the ones we currently have. Tourists love coming to Wellington already.

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

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This is a very ambiguous question that requires better detail!!! At present Wellington has coped with earthquakes, high seas, extreme storms - instead lets observe and review current infrastructure as we can't predict adverse events!!

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Comments

Parking sensors would cost a lot of money and I can not see why we need to spend money on changing something that is not currently broken!! Led Streetlights would be cost saving in the long run so maybe!!

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Comments

I am hoping that this means cheaper public transport. But I suspect that it is about cycleways!! I do support safer cycleways in areas that NZTA deems to be unsafe!! I am not convinced about separated cycleways however as this is costly and would not be possible to provide consistency throughout Wellington.

Urban Development

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Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

From what I have seen in Wellington so far this has been an expensive process that is unclear whether this kind of spending has reaped a return for Wellington residents.

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Comments

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Comments

At present I oppose this due to the result of this being done in Kilbirnie. I have seen very little improvement to this area and to me it looks pretty much the same as it did prior to the 'improvement' - but would have cost a lot of money!

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Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose Don't know

Comments

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I would love to see the Council take a stance of saving money for ratepayers in the hope that it would reduce rates. This may come across like inaction from the council but I believe that it would be admired by ratepayers!!! I would also like to see the council invest in proper community consultation (not the lip service that is currently being provided) and greater transparency also. I'll keep my fingers crossed!!!!

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Not without a lot more evidence of how this could be done, and how it will be paid for. Any business case must be peer reviewed and the results made public. The figures in the quoted Ernst & Young Report show such variation as to be virtually worthless eg 'independent economic analysis to date has found that, over 40 years, the extension has potential economic benefits to the Wellington region of between \$389m and \$684m in today's dollars ...'

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'where need has been demonstrated' - what does that mean exactly? What does 'upgrading' as opposed to building or developing mean?

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Does this mean WCC would develop new tourism experiences? If this means the Film Museum or the Ocean Exploration Centre proposals why not say so specifically?

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I have found this a most unsatisfactory exercise. The statements one is asked to comment on vary widely from generalities e.g should the Council be supporting the film industry (or the tech sector) to specifics eg LED streetlights. . People respond when they are consulted about specifics and given all the facts. Unfortunately a small number of responses still allows for conclusions such as, for example, '95% of respondents agreed that'. Is there any real value to Council in this type of consultation?

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This submission feedback is in relation to the proposal to fence 3 identified dog exercise areas. I have been a dog owner, directly for 7+ years and indirectly, through having family dogs for much of my life. I have many friends who are also dog owners and know well educated professionals in the field of dog training and behaviour. I personally attend classes for fun with my own dogs, and as they have their own behavioural issues, I have developed over the years an understanding and appreciation for canine psychology. As a result of my dog's challenges I am unable to take them to a local dog park to exercise them and so am forced to leash walk them where I can. Even leash walking is a challenge with the number of off leash dogs and owners who refuse to leash their dog because 'their dog is friendly' causing considerable stress to the experience. I do however accompany others when they visit the dog park and have visited dog parks in the Wellington region with friend's dogs when I have been looking after them so I'm well versed in their benefits and disadvantages. I have subscribed to the Capital Canine's E-Newsletter and that was where I found out about the proposal that has been put forward to fence 3 identified dog parks in the Wellington region. In general I support the concept but as someone who has experience with the existing parks and who has done research into overseas set ups I would strongly advocate that sufficient research is done into the design of the park and it's fencing before the Council commits it's funding for construction. I would like consideration to be given to the following points: Dog parks need to be a reasonable size to allow for natural dog interaction. Too smaller area creates tension between dogs and discourages owners moving around the park and so encourages congregations of people to form. When congregations form tension can increase between dogs and dog fights are more likely to break out as a result. So, while the expense increases the larger the fenced area is, I would rather 2 large areas be fenced rather than 3 smaller areas that become problem areas. Although not exclusive to fenced dog exercise areas, currently many owners bring their dogs to the existing parks with at least some sort of form of coming when called because they need to keep their dogs in the park and away from the road. With the introduction of fencing the 'need' to have a dog come when called for their own safety - which is most owner's motivation for teaching it - is reduced. This has been seen overseas to result in owners with no recall of their dogs in the dog park. Currently owners have a lack of understanding on what 'under control' actually means and I fear without reinforced education on what's expected owners will become lazier with their training as road safety is no longer a concern. This has a wider impact on the public's experience of the dog park in general if, when asked, dogs cannot be called to return to their owners. So signage reminders would be helpful here along with incentives to train a recall. Fencing needs to be appropriate for the function. So not just should it be high enough that dogs cannot jump it but ideally (although more expensive) solid fencing is the best option for a dog park. Dogs can get frustrated when they see things on the other side of a fence and cannot reach them. This barrier frustration can exhibit merely by barking or fence running and if not addressed can actually escalate to aggression. Particularly problematic is redirected aggression onto a friendly dog nearby if the frustrated dog

cannot let out their frustration another way. Also important are the entry and exit gates. A good design includes an air lock, which requires a double gated system for entry and exits. This prevents accidentally letting unleashed dogs out of the dog park and potentially onto a road as any dogs getting through the first gate will be stopped by the second. It also provides an area that people can go into safely before they decide to proceed into the park - as a solid fencing option could limit the owner's ability to check who is already using the facility. There should be a limit on how many dogs a single person should be allowed to supervise at the dog park. There is currently no limit for existing dog parks and this allows for dog walkers to take a large number of dogs for off leash play and profit in public areas. At times regular members of the public are intimidated to walk with so many other dogs and it's also not safe if a dog fight was to break out as there could be insufficient hands available to a) break up the fight and b) deal with any wounded while securing or transporting any other dogs. There are no insurance limitations or laws in NZ for the number of dogs in your care at one time but there is overseas for these reasons. A fenced in dog park facility would encourage more dogs to attend at one time so rules around the maximum number per person or park could be a good idea based on best practice guidelines - often already available and in practice at daycares. Other best practice guidelines overseas have dog parks separated to account for size differences. Although many big dogs can coexist happily with small dogs the risk of injury or death occurring as a result of a disagreement between dogs or predatory drift kicking in is considerably higher when the size differential is significant. I have friends with small dogs who are too scared to go to existing dog parks as there are too many unruly bigger dogs that, while not aggressive, could easily cause unintended injury. There is a small dog social group that has been established in the Wellington region as a result of the growing demand for size appropriate playmates. They are not the only group though that would support a separate area for small vs large dogs. The greyhound owning community is growing in the Wellington region and while many owners are responsible with realising that some greyhounds with racing histories may not be reliable with little dogs, others are either not aware of the level of their grey's predatory instinct or they get complacent over time. They are advised to wear muzzles but do not always comply and even when they do, muzzles have been known to come off in a scuffle. I have personally witnessed this. With separated areas there would be less risk of accidentally injury or death. Overseas some councils have a membership fee that is paid by those who use the facility and in exchange they are given an access card to get into the fenced area. These areas are many acres so I'm not suggesting that we go down this route with our fenced parks but it does raise an interesting idea of having a user pays option for private access. This might be private access for groups only, rather than individuals monopolising it's use, e.g the small dogs or greyhounds group or it could be for local canine related events where a secure location to hold them is desired e.g agility or obedience classes. Currently there are commercial enterprises in public areas who pay no fee for the privilege of using the space and can intimidate members of the public to move on while they are undertaking their activities. If they were able to book out the fenced area then at least there would be income coming to the council for potentially looking at fencing other appropriate locations over time or adding to the amenities available at the fenced facility. For the safety of children at a potentially popular and densely populated dog park, age restrictions would be advisable. While this may upset some of the dog owning public who also have young children, dogs are not permitted on children's playgrounds as they are identified as a health and safety risk so the dog park, where multiple dogs could be running around and playing should be no different except that the restriction should be on children instead of the dogs. Again, it could be a rule only enforced at the fenced dog parks to see what the public's reaction is. I know a number of dog owners who are forever frustrated that children have so many other places they could play and yet they choose a dog park and then unsupervised children or children with uneducated parents can end up putting themselves at risk. Areas of shade and access to water are also important amenities for dogs. Dog parks down south have water fountains and even permanent agility equipment that can double as shelter. Some dog parks have benches of picnic tables but I would suggest those NOT be added as they only encourage people to sit down and bring human grade food to the dog park which could result in scuffles between dogs with resource guarding tendencies. While the above feedback may sound negative in places I really do think there are great benefits to having fenced facilities available and appreciate the council seeking feedback on this topic. I just think that they need to be carefully considered and set up to succeed in order to get the best return on investment.

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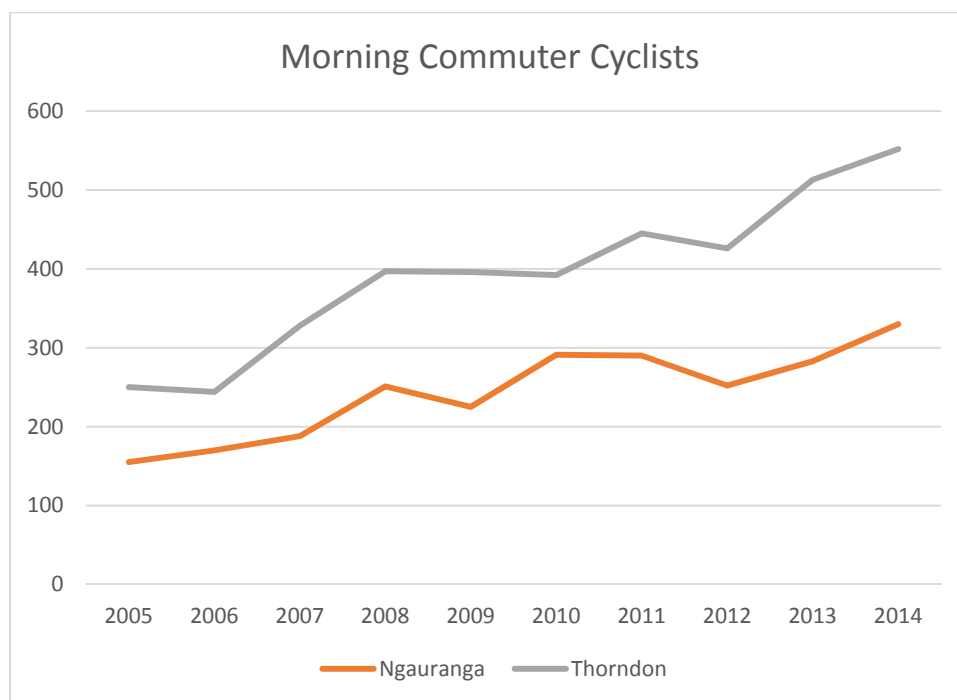
Hutt Cycle Network

April 2015

The Hutt Cycle Network is a collective of over 50 people in the Hutt Valley working to improve cycle infrastructure. We consider the option to be able to safely cycle around our city and region is important for our health, our environment and our economy.

We are submitting on the Wellington City Council Long Term Plan because many Hutt residents work in – and cycle to – Wellington on a daily basis. The following graph shows the average number of people cycling to Wellington between 7 and 9 am (source: WCC Transport Monitoring Surveys).

These numbers have doubled over the last 10 years, and now see well over 300 cyclists a day commuting from Hutt to Wellington. They are joined by a further 200 cyclists from Khandallah and Ngaio. The Hutt Road – Thorndon Quay route is most heavily used cycle route into the Wellington CBD.

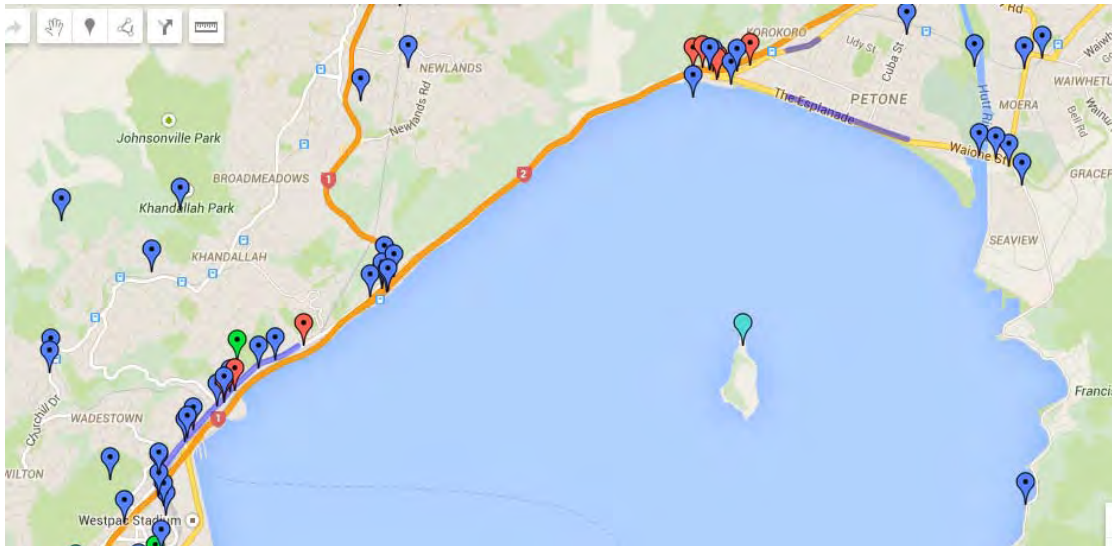


Despite this increased use, cyclists face significant hazards along this route, including:

- Poor surface
- Narrow sections
- Vehicles crossing into businesses
- Regular pinch points or obstructions (eg power poles in the middle of the footpath)
- Parked cars and vehicles unloading
- Close proximity of cyclists at speed with high pedestrian use

If cyclists use the road as an alternative they are faced with a poor road surface, no shoulder to bike on and proximity to fast, heavy traffic.

The danger and frustration of this cycle route is illustrated on the following “black spot” map maintained by Cycle Aware Wellington. Of note, the “motorway” from Ngauranga to Petone is preferred to the “cycleway” from Thorndon to Ngauranga.



Improved cycle infrastructure on this route has been the source of numerous plans and consultations over several decades. **Nothing** has yet been done, other than painting now faded green cycle paths over driveways. NZTA is evaluating options (again!) for a cycle path from Petone to Ngauranga. This is also necessary, but WCC progress on Thorndon to Ngauranga does not need to, and should not, wait for this.

Our recommended option is for one way, protected cycle lanes on each side of Hutt Road, from Thorndon to at least as far as the Onslow Road intersection. This would require the removal of one traffic lane, which is a viable option now due to the extra capacity being added to State Highway 1 from Aotea Quay ramps through to Ngauranga.

Protected cycle lanes will:

- Be suitable for cyclists of all abilities and levels of confidence
- Eliminate risk from passing vehicles
- Separate cyclists from pedestrians
- Reduce risk at vehicle crossings as there will be no counter flow cyclist movements
- Enable intersections to be redesigned to enable safe passage for cyclists

Conclusion

This is the most commonly used cycle route into Wellington. For cyclists from the north there are no alternatives. It is a dangerous and frustrating route. Significant improvements would cost a fraction of the amount being spent on adjacent motorway improvements, would relieve motorist congestion, and would significantly improve the health of cycling commuters.

Recommendation

The Hutt Cycle Network urges the Wellington City Council to make urgent and coordinated progress on a dedicated, high quality cycleway from Thorndon to Ngauranga.

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The choice is not simple. WCC is suggesting economic growth with very little regard to the environmental impacts, and liveability impacts. More people is bound to mean more environmental impact and more stress on existing services unless they are adequately increased.

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Depends how they are used.

Should Council take action to improve our international air connections?

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The due diligence hasn't been done, the figures are way underestimated, no airline is interested etc. The economic benefit is just not there. Wellington will end up paying for this for decades at least. Moreover there is no discussion on the environmental impacts. What will happen to the unique marine environment in Mōa Point? The unique giant kelp forest, at risk of extinction in other countries? the surf in Lyall bay? the wastewater treatment plant outfall? Who will be liable when it doesn't achieve the required mixing and public health issues arise? Who will pay for another extension of the pipe and all the associated expenses?

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do it cleverly. They don't need to be in the city centre and compounding the issue of transport.

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any commercial venture should stand on its two feet rather than be hugely subsidised by the council and government.

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where those buildings are not going to be under threat of climate change. There is no point in throwing money at buildings which will be damaged at every storm we get.

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

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Comments

But do not lose more greenspace. Keep the park.

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

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However, I don't support the new conference centre. Auckland and Christchurch are already building theirs and will have the market stitched up before Wellington even starts to do anything. Travel around NZ is way too easy and cheap to try and compete with three events centres.

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this is typical of keeping up with the Joneses. Any large concert will also be in Auckland and maybe Christchurch. The tourism attraction will be minimal.

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I oppose a film museum, weta cave is already filling that role. I support the Oceans Exploration Centre, which should be funded more than \$6million. You are proposing \$30 million to the film industry and \$6 million to the Oceans Exploration Centre. look at a map, look at your biodiversity brochure. Can you see films or oceans? Will your children and visitors want to see a film museum or an aquarium? Increase the funding to the Ocean Exploration Centre. Ideally give all that money to the Ocean Exploration Centre. Do something for the Blue Belt and to celebrate Wellington's uniqueness.

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don't make it all about cafes but include nature. Increase the number of green spaces in the inner city, regenerate areas of low interest.

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Karori is at capacity: the road, the bus, the schools, the stormwater and wastewater pipes and wastewater plant. Don't increase population there.

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You need to increase park / green spaces where you are developing. Intensification means more people with less gardens. They need increased green spaces for recreation and resourcing.

Do you see other matters as priorities?

Comments

Don't spend \$37 million on cycleways (which might be \$90 million) and \$27 million on stormwater
Don't do nothing about climate change. Act now rather than wait for more modelling. The science has been done, action is needed. Monitoring stormwater is all well, but let's not just monitor the demise of our environment, lets do something about it!

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The consultation is biased and unfair. Is council trying to manipulate the results? Notable examples:
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the LTP document has not enough information and figures are misleading * the LTP speaks about
\$90 million for the airport when council is talking about having to fund half (of \$300 million or more
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this is already committed and with the potential to commit to twice as much * Karori growth
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Submission

I agree with the guiding principles for the Urban Growth Plan to:

- keep our city compact, walkable and supported by an efficient transport network,
- protect our natural setting and reduce the environmental impacts of development and transport, and
- make the city more resilient to natural hazards and the effects of climate change.

I support urban redevelopment that provides clear benefits for Wellingtonians. Therefore, I would like to see the following provided for every project proposed in these plans:

- 1 A measureable Goal/target for each project.
- 2 Performance measures to show ratepayers if/how the projects meet their goals.

I would like the Council to publish data (statistics where available, survey data and cost-benefit analysis) on how the goals of earlier urban regeneration projects have been met – or not. Former projects should be thoroughly assessed, lessons documented and incorporated in the planning of new projects before physical work is started.

Urban Growth Plan projects – priority one

I do not have an opinion on the Convention Centre or Airport runway extension because I have not had time to research them, nor on North Kumutoto because it is underway (what a pity the proposed building is so ugly!).

- 1 Victoria Street precinct – in progress – no comment.
- 2 Lombard Lane – I support this project, including improvements to night safety and particularly the plan to do the publicly funded work after the private redevelopment (as with Kumutoto 10).
- 3 North Lambton Quay – I strongly support increased capacity for pedestrians in this very congested area – at less cost than Lombard Lane! It should be higher priority.

4 Shelly Bay redevelopment – I am not opposed to low key residential development but I'd push it down the priority list behind Adelaide Rd and Kent/Cambridge Terraces. It's sheltered & we don't want people to always drive to the new facilities there - having people on site will make the businesses/area more viable. Ideal for cycling to the city because it's flat, so needs vehicle access to be limited (make the peninsula road one way??), given the narrowness of the road. Improved cycling and walking paths and an amended intersection with Cobham Drive would be required.

5 Watts Peninsula Reserve- good to see Council using Bequest funding and working with others on this. Needs to be integrated with Shelly Bay planning.

6 Te Aro regeneration – I support review of this area to improve planning and to maintain its heritage characteristics wherever possible. I believe the development of Te Aro so far has not been well enough controlled – buildings too high and abrupt, ground levels not attractive to the street, too little set-back from the street and upper floors not set back make it shady and created wind problems. Need more street trees and seats, more cycle lanes and a better environment for pedestrians. Need to encourage more variety in housing provision and cost – not just multi-storey apartments (of which there is now an abundant supply).

7 Special Housing areas and New Medium Density areas – I strongly support medium density housing around existing suburban centres in preference to greenfield development.

8 Adelaide Road – I would like to see this project brought forward and prioritised over projects like Shelly Bay as it is important for increasing growth in the area. Increased attractiveness and safety for pedestrians and cyclists are urgently required on this busy route.

9 Cambridge and Kent Terraces

Before this is designed, I would like to see a thorough evaluation of Victoria Street and Adelaide Road improvements in 2017, incorporating the views of residents, workers in the area and those passing through on foot and bicycle to highlight lessons for the Cambridge & Kent Terrace works.

10 Laneways activation – Excellent idea! The order in which the laneway upgrades are undertaken, and the design of each project, should be publicly consulted.

Other

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 - the Great Harbour Way walk and cycle routes being developed as quickly as possible.
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 - integrated ticketing of public transport modes and giving priority to buses
 - higher pedestrian priority on Bunny Street and other streets around Wellington Station
 - developing the cycle and walkway networks.

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Do you see other matters as priorities?

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 Samoan
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 Tongan
 Niuean
 Chinese
 Indian
 Other (such as Dutch, Japanese, Tokelauan, Somali)

Please state:

Other issues/matters or general comments

Comments

Two days notice in the Capital Canine Newsletter, was not enough time for people to make submissions on the fencing the Dog Exercise Areas. Can I draw your attention to the recently closed online ePetition to the WCC, Submitted by Hannah Barry-Goss on 'More fenced dog parks

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Attached Documents

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More research with guarantees from airlines

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Wellington Regional Employers Chamber of Commerce are better placed to fill this gap.

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Comments

This government has supported this industry including changing our labour laws to suit.

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Heritage buildings belong to all of us no matter who owns it.

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Fix the Town Hall NOW it gathered revenue when it was fully operational as an event and convention centre.

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

With reservations; we have gone from very little to do in the weekends to not knowing which to attend.

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Comments

More research. The question would be 'Which major artist is up for performing to an audience of 5000?'

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

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Comments

Sport facilities are the life blood of health and well being yes support.

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

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Acquire the Crawford Prison in Miramar and built a Hobbit Fun Park with Hotel in conjunction with Jackson.

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You tried that with Manners Mall and failed miserably. Savings in travel time were made on the Northbound route only while we are seriously injuring/killing vibrant Wellingtonians on the Southbound route because the bus driver had less then a second to react on a narrow bus lane facing opposing traffic.

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As signatory to the New Zealand Urban Design Protocol I expect you to aspire to its vision; 'Making New Zealand towns and cities more successful through quality urban design' please read the seven C's. Inner City residents need good infrastructure for access and egress to their buildings. Population counts in Te Aro over the last decade or so exploded by 71% while 74% of these walk to work and/or study daily according to a survey in March 2009. A pedestrian count in this precinct is long overdue with the last one taken on the 27th of March 2009.

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Comments

Open space with sunlight protection was Manners Mall and made for an excellent neighbourhood for inner city residents who opposed its demise. Additionally killing a peoples mall purpose built to compensate the City for loss of public space in Thorndon caused by the destructive Urban Motorway did nothing for this community. With more apartment buildings planned on Victoria Street and the School of Arts in Dixon street attracting some 4000 students pressure on pedestrian networks will increase particularly at peak-times.

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?

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Comments

Walking and cycling is mentioned several times for the different projects in this plan. I am disappointed the Council missed an opportunity to embrace a 'Green Bikes' scheme when the City was presented with 99 bicycles from China. If I was Mayor it would be up and running already between the Railway Station and Wellington Hospital managed by CAW.

Do you see other matters as priorities?

Comments

Pedestrianize Manners Street.

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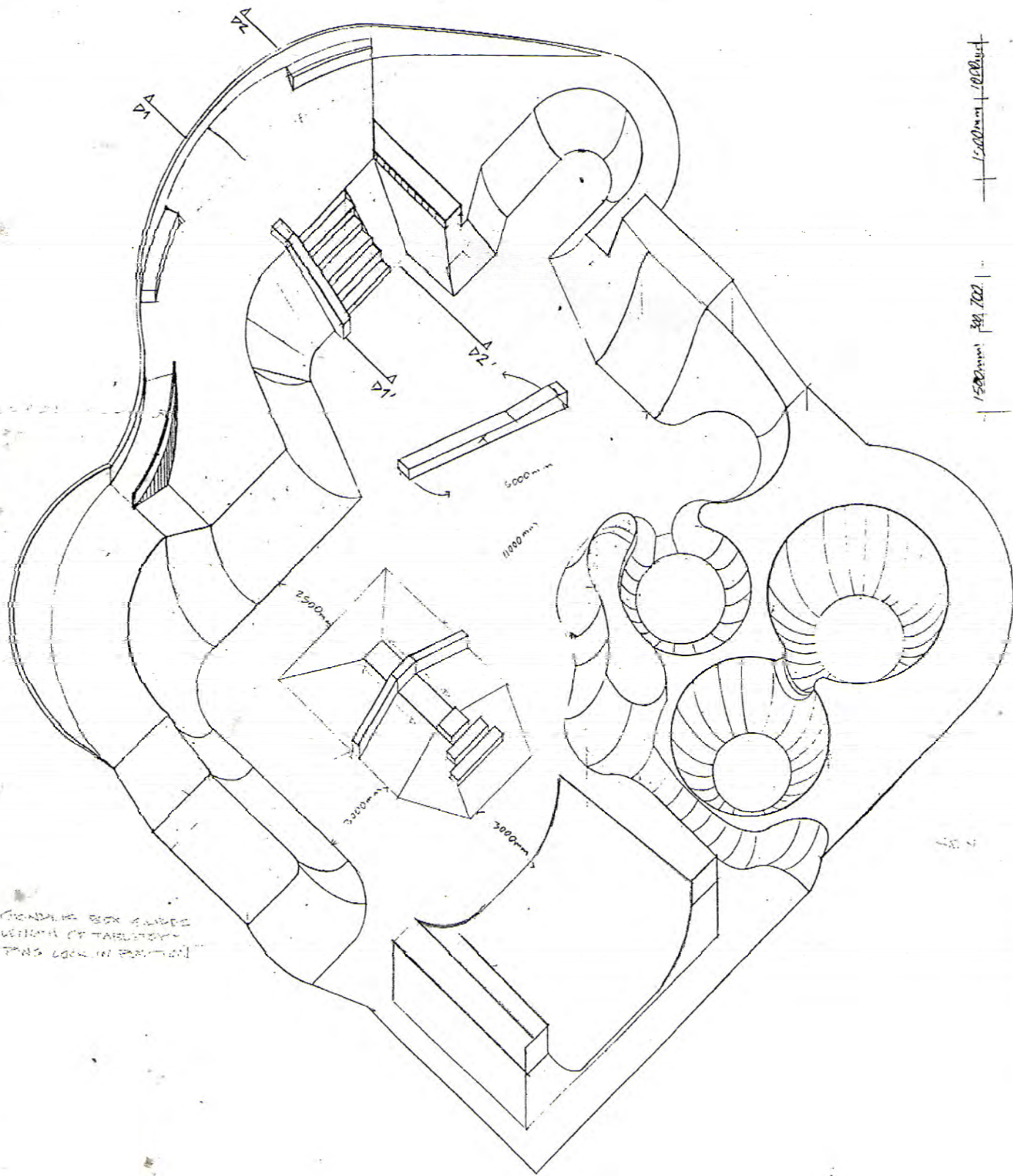
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Revisiting Island Bay Skate-park and subject of the oral submission presented by the original 1740

organizers. Master plan attached. Image 84

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Submission to Draft Long Term Plan 2015

Mary Byrne
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Featherston
South Wairarapa
16th April 2015

Dear Mayor and councillors,

Please take this opportunity to find out about fluoridation. The science on fluoridation has changed since fluoridation was introduced. The evidence now says that fluoridation must be stopped.

Sugar Industry Has Subverted Public Health Policy for Decades, Study Finds

By Dr. Mercola

Who writes the policies for public health, and how? This is an important question, and if your initial answer is that policy is created by medical experts, based on the most scientifically compelling evidence available, you'd actually be wrong.

As recent media reports^{1,2,3,4} have revealed, dental policy, for example, is heavily influenced by *the sugar industry*.

As a result of this collusion, dental policy not only downplays the impact that [sugar](#) and [processed junk food](#) has on dental health, it also ignores the voluminous evidence demonstrating the toxic nature of fluoride.

The situation is virtually identical in the UK. As noted in the *British Medical Journal (BMJ)*:⁵

"An investigation by The BMJ has uncovered evidence of the extraordinary extent to which key public health experts are involved with the sugar industry and related companies responsible for many of the products blamed for the obesity crisis through research grants, consultancy fees, and other forms of funding."

Cavities Are Not the Result of Fluoride Deficiency

Blaming cavities on lack of fluoride is like blaming obesity on lack of exercise. The scientific evidence does not support either of these notions, and yet they persist—in large part thanks to industry lobbyists working to obscure the facts.

In the case of dental policy, industry lobbying has played a key role in perpetuating the fluoride myth rather than attacking the real source of the problem, which is rooted in a diet too high in sugars and too low in vital nutrients.

The sugar industry actually operates in much the same way as the tobacco industry back in its heydays.⁶ For over 30 years, the tobacco industry knew that nicotine was addictive and caused lung cancer, and this information was purposefully withheld from the public.

Big Tobacco executives even lied during Congressional testimony, stating they had no knowledge of adverse health effects.

Today, Big Sugar is being equally evasive about fessing up the truth, despite overwhelming evidence showing that excessive sugar consumption—which is part and parcel of a processed food diet—is a key driver of obesity, metabolic dysfunction, chronic disease and, of course, dental cavities.

According to the World Health Organization⁷ (WHO), people across the US and Europe need to cut their sugar consumption in half in order to reduce their risk of tooth decay and obesity.

But how well will such advice take hold when the soda industry is working hand-in-hand with some of our most trusted nutrition experts, including dietitians,⁸ some of whom recently contributed online posts for American Heart Month that included mini-sized coca-colas in their healthy snack recommendations!

Sure, the can may be smaller, but these mini-colas still contain about 5.5 teaspoons of sugar in the form of high fructose corn syrup. For an adult with insulin resistance, this one mini-can alone maxes out your fructose allotment for the day.

Honestly, this is like Big Tobacco making mini-cigarettes and doctors promoting them as a healthy alternative for smokers...

Many Parents Still Grossly Misinformed on Sugar Hazards

The WHO's guidelines call for reducing sugar consumption to 10 percent of daily calories or less, which equates to about 50 grams or 12 teaspoons of sugar for adults. Ideally, the WHO says, your intake should be below five percent. This is more in line with my own recommendations.

I typically recommend keeping your total fructose consumption below 25 grams per day if you're in good health. If you are insulin resistant, diabetic, obese, or have high blood pressure, heart

disease, or other chronic disease, I suggest cutting it down to 15 grams per day until your health and weight have normalized.

It's important to remember that added sugar hides in most processed foods, beverages, and condiments (typically in the form of high [fructose](#) corn syrup, which research has shown to be far more hazardous to your health than glucose or table sugar).

Fruit juices are also chockfull of added sugars, yet many still mistakenly consider fruit juice to be a healthy beverage choice, especially for young children.

As noted in a recent study² from the Rudd Center for Food Policy and Obesity at University of Connecticut, parents have been grossly misled by marketing and labeling, and have failed to get the message that sweetened drinks are just as hazardous to their children's health as soda.

According to lead author Jennifer Harris, who is also the director of marketing initiatives at the Rudd Center:

"Although many parents know that soda is not good for children, many still believe that sugary drinks are healthy options. The labeling and marketing for these products imply that they are nutritious, and these misperceptions may explain why so many parents buy them."

What's worse, nearly half of all parents surveyed for this study also thought that [flavored waters](#) were healthy, which is a gross miseducation about the facts.

Not surprisingly, the American Beverage Association dismissed the study saying:¹⁰ *"This is just the latest report coming out of an institution with a long history of bashing beverages, and it undermines parents' ability to make decisions themselves."*

The Sugar Industry Has Subverted Public Health Policy for Decades

PLOS Medicine recently published a paper¹¹ titled: "Sugar Industry Influence on the Scientific Agenda of the National Institute of Dental Research's 1971 National Caries Program: A Historical Analysis of Internal Documents."

According to this paper, the sugar industry's interactions with the National Institute of Dental Research (NIDR) significantly altered and shaped the priorities of the National Caries Program (NCP), launched in 1971 to identify interventions that would eradicate tooth decay.

As noted in the paper:

"We used internal cane and beet sugar industry documents from 1959 to 1971 to analyze industry actions related to setting research priorities for the NCP."

The sugar industry could not deny the role of sucrose in dental caries given the scientific evidence. They therefore adopted a strategy to deflect attention to public health interventions that would reduce the harms of sugar consumption rather than restricting intake."

This industry-led deflection strategy included:

- Funding research on enzymes to break up dental plaque, in collaboration with allies in the food industry
- Funding research into a highly questionable vaccine against tooth decay. Another failed research goal included developing a powder or agent that could be mixed or taken with sugary foods to lessen the destruction to teeth caused by the *Streptococcus mutans bacterium*¹²
- Forming a task force with the aim to influence leaders in the NIDR (nine of the 11 members of the NIDR's Caries Task Force Steering Committee, charged with identifying the NIDR's research priorities, also served on the International Sugar Research Foundation's Panel of Dental Caries Task Force)
- Submitting a report to the NIDR, which served as the foundation for the initial proposal request issued for the National Caries Program (NCP)

Omitted from the NCP's priorities was any research that might be detrimental to the sugar industry, meaning research investigating the role and impact of sugar on dental health. According to study author Stanton Glantz,¹³ "the sugar industry was able to derail some promising research that probably would've been the foundation for regulation of sugar in food." And, as further noted in the featured paper:

"The NCP was a missed opportunity to develop a scientific understanding of how to restrict sugar consumption to prevent tooth decay. A key factor was the alignment of research agendas between the NIDR and the sugar industry. This historical example illustrates how industry protects itself from potentially damaging research, which can inform policy makers today..."

*Most importantly, these findings illustrate how the sugar industry has protected itself from potentially damaging research in the past; a similar approach has also been taken by the tobacco industry. **These findings highlight the need to carefully scrutinize industry opposition to the proposed WHO and FDA guidelines on sugar intake and labeling, respectively, to ensure that industry interests do not interfere with current efforts to improve dental public health.**" [Emphasis mine]*

Chemical Industry Writes its Own Laws Too...

The sugar- and junk food industries are not the only companies influencing government and media, and writing their own laws. Toxic chemical producers are notorious for this as well. Case in point: The Frank Lautenberg Chemical Safety for the 21st Century Act, which appears to have originated in the offices of the American Chemistry Council. As reported by San Francisco Gate:¹⁴

"It's a high-stakes bill: If it becomes law, it would be the first update in 39 years of federal regulation of toxic substances like asbestos, formaldehyde and hundreds of other chemicals.... The draft bill, obtained by Hearst Newspapers, is in the form of a Microsoft Word document. Rudimentary digital forensics — going to "advanced properties" in Word — shows the "company" of origin to be the American Chemistry Council.

The ACC, as the council is known, is the leading trade organization and lobbyist for the chemical industry. And opponents of the Vitter-Udall bill have pounced on the document's digital fingerprints to make the point that they believe the bill favors industry far too much... In its current form, the bill is opposed by many environmental, health and labor organizations and several states, because it would gut state chemical regulations....

"We're apparently at the point in the minds of some people in the Congress that laws intended to regulate polluters are now written by the polluters themselves," said Ken Cook, president of the Environmental Working Group... "Call me old-fashioned, but a bill to protect the public from harmful chemicals should not be written by chemical industry lobbyists. The voices of our families must not be drowned out by the very industry whose documented harmful impacts must be addressed, or the whole exercise is a sham," Sen. Barbara Boxer, D-Calif., said..."

Sugar and Beverage Industries Hard at Work Opposing Actions to Curb Sugar Consumption

Overwhelming amounts of research has now identified sugar in all its forms as a driving force in obesity and chronic disease, which is far more serious an issue than dental caries. As a result of the mounting evidence, there's now a proposal to add a line to the nutrition facts label indicating the amount of added sugars in food. Listing the percentage of daily value for sugar on nutritional labels would more readily identify high-sugar foods, and could help rein in overconsumption caused by "hidden" sugars.

Not surprisingly, the sugar and beverage industries are hard at work opposing any and all federal actions that might dampen their sales. For example, the Sugar Association and the American Beverage Association have filed copious amounts of comments with the Dietary Guidelines Advisory Committee, challenging scientific associations between sugar and chronic disease. Industry lawyers have even gone so far as to claim that including "added sugars" on nutrition labels is unconstitutional.

Another effort being vehemently opposed by industry is the proposal to institute local, state, and/or federal taxes on soda. So far, the soda industry has spent \$125 million opposing such proposals.¹⁵ Their efforts have been successful everywhere except Berkley, California, where the nation's first soda tax was passed in November 2014.¹⁶ According to one estimate, the one percent per ounce tax may cut sales by about 10 percent.

The Truth About Sugar

Large sums of money have been spent, and scientific integrity has been tossed by the wayside, in order to convince you that added sugars are a "staple" nutrient that belongs in your diet; and that health problems like obesity, chronic disease, and dental caries are due to some other issue—be it lack of exercise, too much saturated fat, or lack of fluoride. Clearly, the sugar industry's ability to influence policy for public health and research put us decades behind the eight-ball, as it were. It's really time to set the record straight, and SugarScience.org was created to do just that.¹⁷

To counter the propaganda provided by profit-driven industry interests, dozens of scientists at three American universities have created a new educational website¹⁸ aimed at making independent research that is unsoiled by industry cash available to the public.

The sugar industry has not only subverted efforts to investigate the role of sugar in dental caries. The same applies to research looking at sugar's impact on other health problems as well. Case in point: A report¹⁹ published in *PLOS Medicine* in December 2013 looked at how financial interests influence outcomes in trials aimed to determine the relationship between sugar consumption and obesity. The report concluded that studies with financial ties to industry were *five times* more likely to present a conclusion of "no positive association" between sugar and obesity, compared to those without such ties.

SugarScience.org points out that many people are unaware of just how much sugar they're actually consuming every day, primarily because added sugars hide in 74 percent of processed foods under more than 60 different names. For a list, please see SugarScience.org's "Hidden in Plain Sight" page.²⁰ Even foods that are typically considered "healthy" can contain shocking amounts of added sugar. Fruit flavored yogurt, for example, can contain upwards of 19 grams of sugar; 12 grams of which is added sugar. For someone with insulin/leptin resistance, this one small serving of yogurt alone will put you over your daily recommended limit for total sugar!

Tips for Reducing Your Added Sugar Intake

The easiest way to dramatically cut down on your sugar and fructose consumption is to switch to a diet of whole, unprocessed foods, as most of the added sugar you end up with comes from processed fare; not from adding a teaspoon of sugar to your tea or coffee. Other ways to cut down on the sugar in your diet includes:

- Cutting back on the amount of sugar you personally add to your food and drink
- Using Stevia or Luo-Han instead of sugar and/or artificial sweeteners. You can learn more about the best and worst of sugar substitutes in my previous article, "[Sugar Substitutes—What's Safe and What's Not](#)"
- Using fresh fruit in lieu of canned fruit or sugar for meals or recipes calling for a bit of sweetness
- Using spices instead of sugar to add flavor to your meal

Fluoride Is NOT the Answer to Tooth Decay

Instead of focusing on the real cause of dental caries, which is excessive sugar consumption, industry interests were allowed to misdirect scientific inquiry toward prophylactics like [fluoride](#) instead. However, decades of research into fluoride have not only failed to support its purported benefits; it actually shows that the health dangers of fluoride far outweigh the marginal dental benefits it *might* offer. Dental caries can be effectively prevented with means *other* than fluoridation, thereby avoiding the adverse effects of this cumulative toxin.

Over time, accumulation of fluoride in your body can lead to serious health concerns, from hypothyroidism to skeletal fluorosis and much more. The neurological effects are particularly disconcerting. For example, 43 human studies²¹ have linked moderately high fluoride exposures

with reduced IQ. Recent research also claims to have found a strong correlation between water fluoridation and Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD).

As reported by *Newsweek*:²²

"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,²³ 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..."

In the study, the scientists produced a predictive model which calculated that every one percent increase in the portion of the US 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."

In Delaware and Iowa, where water supplies are heavily fluoridated, the diagnosed ADHD rate is 14 percent—or one in eight kids, aged four to 17. For comparison, the national ADHD rate²⁴ reported by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is 11 percent for kids in the same age bracket. William Hirzy, a former risk assessment scientist at the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) commented on the results saying: *"The numbers of extra cases associated with a one percent increase in the 1992 artificial fluoridation [figures] are huge. In short, it clearly shows that as artificial [water fluoridation](#) increases, so does the incidence of ADHD."* Science is replete with warnings such as these; it's high time we stop ignoring them!

Reduce Sugar Consumption to Spare Your Teeth

Water fluoridation really needs to stop. It was never the real answer to tooth decay, and it never will be. Cavities are no more caused by a lack of fluoride than depression is caused by a lack of Prozac... If you want to improve your dental health, look to your diet, and address the diet of your children from day one. Some of the true primary causes of tooth decay cited in the literature include:

- Consistent use of refined sugar and processed fructose found in sugary drinks and processed foods in general
- Children going to bed with a bottle of sweetened drink in their mouth, or sucking at will from such a bottle during the day
- Poor dental hygiene and poor access to and utilization of dental health services, usually related to socioeconomic status
- Mineral deficiencies, like magnesium, which can weaken bones and teeth
- More than 600 medications promote tooth decay by inhibiting saliva

By far, excess dietary sugar is the most significant factor in driving dental decay. WHO and most dental experts agree on this fact. The massive consumption of sugar in the Western diet, particularly fructose in high fructose corn syrup, fuels the fire of tooth decay. Again, one of the reasons why the dangers of both sugar and fluoride aren't common public knowledge is because

the sugar industry was allowed to dictate dental health policy and research agendas. As noted by Cristin Kearns who co-authored the featured study: *"It's extremely shocking to see how closely NIDR [and the sugar industry] worked together, and how the research priorities between the two groups were so aligned to benefit the sugar industry."*

Well, it's time to get over the shock and do something to correct the situation. Part of this course correction is [putting an end to water fluoridation](#), which is doing far more harm than good. The sugar, beverage, and junk food industries have had their way for decades. We now know what kind of world their "science" brings to bear—a world of out of control obesity and skyrocketing disease rates. It's time for a U-turn, and it begins with you.

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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

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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

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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

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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

I congratulate the WCC on it's intention to become a Child Friendly city but to achieve this status requires clear, mandated objectives, enshrined in the Long-term Plan. Cities planned to work for children and young people, work for everyone. My concern is the lack of visibility of children and young people through out the plan. An important aspect of planning is consulting widely with children from all population groups in Wellington and how the LTP intends to do this is not clear. Research on engaging/involving children in matters that concern them (like where they live and how they participate in local affairs) is clear: children and young people want to be involved from the outset. Child impact assessments should be applied to all categories of the LTP and an holistic, ecological approach to inclusive planning should be adopted.

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
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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 |
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| 2015-25 Draft Long-term Plan |



Submission from Living Streets Aotearoa - Wellington

Wellington Long Term Plan 2015, Karori and Tawa plans, and Urban Growth Plan

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Submission

Living Streets Aotearoa would like to see Wellington in 2025 meeting the goal of our organisation – more people choosing to walk more often and enjoying public places. This is entirely consistent with the guiding principles for the Urban Growth Plan to:

- keep our city compact, walkable and supported by an efficient transport network
- maintain the features that support our high quality of life
- protect the city's natural setting and reduce the environmental impacts of development and transport
- make the city more resilient to natural hazards, such as earthquakes, and the effects of climate change.

This would mean that Wellington 2025 would have fantastic walking routes to all parts of the city, with well-connected public transport connecting the walkways. Children and adults of all ages and abilities would be out on the streets walking to and from their daily activities, socialising, keeping healthy and caring for their environment.

It would mean that there were well designed footpaths for pedestrians to stroll and walk or run along, and easy places for pedestrians to cross over the vehicle-paths. There would be a variety of walking environments from urban macadam (Golden Mile) to 'natural' surfaces (Mt Victoria town belt or Hataitai to town walk) that are well signposted.

Schools and child care centres would be at the hub of well-connected walkways with high volume pedestrian traffic along them (e.g. the Basin Reserve with its 3 large secondary schools and 2 primary schools would look like a child-pedestrian friendly place and not a car speedway).

Pedestrians and public transport would be the priority along the entire 'Golden Mile', which would encourage continued strong economic activity in the CBD.

Suburban centres would be designed for pedestrians, connected to their suburbs by walkways and public transport, and would feature high quality public spaces for recreation and socialising.

The wonderful waterfront would be easily accessible from the town side and walkable all the way down to the interisland ferry, with clear signposting of key destinations along the way (replacing the current notices for cheap vehicle parking). This would be the core of the Great Harbour Way, extending from Pencarrow to Red Rocks.

The transport system would be treated as an integrated whole to first serve the access needs of the people of Wellington – with public transport and walking infrastructure well integrated and ubiquitous. Active transport would be favoured over passive private modes, with a range of incentives to get people onto their feet (including pricing). Pedestrian ease rather than vehicle congestion would be a key indicator of transport success.

Innovative solutions including smart technology would ensure that households could meet all their needs without car ownership. Wellington would be known as the walking capital.

We would like to see the following provided for every project proposed in these plans before it is adopted:

1 Performance measures

These should answer how we (the residents) know if the projects meet their goals. For walking this will include the funding for walk projects, and how success will be measured (e.g. crashes footpath falls, physical assaults, numbers of seats, shade/shelter, and toilets per km footpath, gradient-slope/crossfall standards met 95%, crossing time minimum and cross wait times, access to public transport and local services).

2 Goals/targets

What is the measureable goal or target for each project.

For walking we want to see

- an increase in walk2work mode share by 10% to 30% over the 10 years to 2025,
- 100% of short trips done on foot (under 2kilometre).
- 100% of schools with a school travel plan.
- A comprehensive survey of walk activity completed every 5 years to identify opportunities and barriers to walking.

3 Minimum footpath standards

That all projects meet the standards of the NZ Pedestrian Planning and Design Guide, NZS 4121 Design for access and mobility (access at the front of buildings not 'round the back' like at Wellington Railway Station), and RTS 14 Guidelines for vision impaired pedestrians, for all pedestrian facilities and infrastructure, i.e that is all roads. Pedestrians include all people on foot or in wheelchairs, whatever their age, physical, visual or hearing abilities.

We have the following comments on the various plans

Urban Growth Plan projects – priority one

- Urban regeneration – LTP project 3

We support urban redevelopment that provides clear benefits for Wellingtonians. Pedestrian design principles should be at the forefront of these projects. We would like to see low cost trials and pilots done before expensive underground works are started. This would allow more projects to be done and any design issues to be identified before costly work is set in concrete.

1 Victoria Street precinct – we note the cost estimate for this has increased to \$14 million

2 Lombard Lane – we support this project and particularly the sensible plan to do the public funded work after the private redevelopment at modest cost (cf Victoria St). This approach by council working with a developer adds certainty to both parties that improvements will be made and is a good model for other projects.

3 North Lambton Quay – we support increased capacity and priority for pedestrians in this very congested area at reasonable cost. We will be particularly keen to see the minimum standards of the NZ Pedestrian Planning and Design Guide used here – a clear wide dedicated footpath is needed with pedestrian priority at crossings.

4 North Kumutoto site 10 – we have previously submitted on this proposal and would hope to see great pedestrian access on any project along the waterfront.

5 Shelly Bay redevelopment

We support careful development of this area providing better walk and public transport links are created. Shelly Bay should be considered as a potential camp ground for Wellington. We prefer a lower priority for this project to ensure that full consultation and consideration comes first.

6 Te Aro regeneration – Kent Terrace to Taranaki St

We support review of this area to improve planning requirements and to maintain its heritage and other walkability characteristics.

7 Adelaide Road – we would like to see consultation and design for this project brought forward as it is key to increase walkability on this route, and we would expect that this is a key consideration for the project yet it is not mentioned in this document. .

8 Cambridge and Kent terraces

This is a key walk route and we would expect to see walkability improvement mentioned as a priority in this brief. We would like to see pilot and trial of design undertaken before costly alterations are made (this can be done from a paint pot).

9 Laneways activation – we support making the laneways safer for pedestrians to use.

- Transport improvements

We note there are no short term projects for walking nor any mention of walking in the 'Real Transport Choices' section. There needs to be, with walking projects and integration of transport necessary to achieve a compact walkable city.

Our walking network

Walking is the primary and universal mode of transport, and the full implementation of a walking network would have many benefits, some of which are identified and are similar to the cycling network. One barrier to greater walk mode share is lack of awareness of where pedestrian links are and where they go to, not helped by inadequate signposting and waymarking. There are many walkways, paths and pedestrian routes that are not so marked, including those effectively hidden by leading off streets with "No exit" signage, a message relevant to vehicles, not always to people, and conceals useful routes.

1 Bus priority – we support bus priority measures and would like to see them accelerated. This is a key first step to public transport improvements

2 Aro Street

We would like to see performance measures for this project that address the severance caused by Karo Drive and ongoing issues with this poorly designed new road. This should include Level of Service cross wait times at all intersections and adequate cross time. Living Streets should be involved in this project at the beginning.

3 Cycle network

We support improved cycle facilities as part of an integrated transport plan for Wellington with good public consultation.

4 Petone to Grenada – we do not support this project

5 Inner-City RoNS – we do not support this project – it will adversely affect our compact and walkable city creating further severance.

Housing supply and choice – LTP 3 and 6

1 Special Housing Areas

We support new housing that meets good quality criteria in existing areas well connected to public transport. New housing should be encouraged close to public transport rather than at a distance away from public transport. Greenfields development must be the last priority.

2 New medium-density areas

We support well planned quality medium density developments (Karori and Tawa – like J'ville and Kilbirnie) that meet the needs of existing and future residents.

3 Northern Growth Area link roads

Will not be needed unless greenfields development is the only option left after the others are exhausted. This can be deferred.

Performance measures for new developments are required that

- meet minimum pedestrian design standards
- provide connectivity, permeability (walk only routes), walk access to local shops and services and public transport
- includes a range of housing that either meets Lifetime design criteria or full disability accessible design criteria as per NZS 4121.

Resilience

1 Earthquake strengthening of heritage buildings – we support the efforts to maintain our heritage areas and provide an interesting walk environment with this project, including strengthening the Town Hall.

Priority 2 and 3

We would like to see these projects as priority one as they are core business and essential to the success of many other projects

- infrastructure modelling
- supporting facility planning
- Venues review should be undertaken before any investment in new concert, convention or museum facilities starts
- Johnsonville, Kilbirnie, Tawa and Karori suburban centres should have a higher priority
- Network operating framework should proceed before any further changes to road allocations
- Pedestrian Accessibility Plan – we are not aware of this plan and look forward to assisting with its development – we expect that WCC will complete the actions of the Walking Policy (November 2008).
- P36 ‘continue rolling out safety improvements to make the city more pedestrian friendly’ . We are not sure what is included in this ‘roll out’.

Projects to improve walkability and achieve walk mode share increases not included in LTP or Urban Growth Plan

Safer speeds

- a 30 km/hour CBD zone is required which will provide improvements for all road users. This could include installation and monitoring of more red light detection cameras . It could also include pedestrian ‘countdown meters’ both to operate on a “time to cross” and a “time to wait” basis; further long ‘green cross’ phases at intersections (like on Cuba and Manners St); and other innovative crossing technologies (eg PUFFINS).
- Reduce speeds around all schools
- trial 30km/hour speed zones in whole suburban areas, e.g Mt Victoria

Increase walkability

- the Great Harbour Way walk route needs to be developed - particularly around the bays and harbour require a safe and pleasant walk-only route that is accessible all ‘around the bays’

- we support promotion of walk events to highlight the benefits of walking - especially Walk2Work Day, a spring walk event, and for Wellington to make a conference bid for the Walk21 conference
- we support further development of the popular 'walk map' series extending the lunchtime walk range

Minimum standards

- Implement the NZ Pedestrian Planning and Design Guide adopted by WCC in 2008
- Provide a city-wide Level of Service maximum pedestrian crossing wait times (e.g less than 20 second wait)
- Wayfinding - complete pedestrian exit signs on all roads (No Exits)
 - provide improved wayfinding at every major bus stop
 - improve wayfinding to/from airport to public bus and underpass
 - Correctly signpost 'shared paths' to meet the NZ Road Rules (Karo Drive, Buckle St - Taranaki St, Birdwood Road, Thorndon Quay, Cable St, etc, Oriental Parade - we would like to see this returned to footpath only)
- Ensure adequate funding to enforce NZ road transport legislation especially regarding vehicles on footpaths, and vehicles giving way at intersections.
- Ensure adequate funding to enforce the WCC Footpath Policy so that pedestrians have the benefit of verandahs for shade and shelter.

Specific locations

- address pedestrian issues at Wellington Railway Station to provide pedestrian priority
- improve walk access to the Interislander ferry terminal
- address waterfront user conflicts – by creating a cycle lane along the Quays, and highlight the 10km/hour speed limit on the waterfront
- improve Johnsonville railway access for pedestrians
- develop a Kilbirnie to Evans Bay pedestrian route that addresses severance issues (ie across Cobham Drive).
- improve the main Kilbirnie bus stops so they are pleasant to wait at

Public transport interface

- address bus shelter design and location issues and use of adshells on footpaths
- for a good pedestrian environment WCC should be advocating strongly to retain clean trolley buses
- improve wayfinding information at all public transport stops

Funding

Provide a small fund for 'quick fix' pedestrian projects (that meet NZ Pedestrian Planning and Design Guide). Funds for walk projects can come from rejecting all RoNs projects, and, deferring other projects such as the Convention centre until the review of existing venues (priority 2) is complete.

We would like to be heard in support of our submission.

About Living Streets

Living Streets Aotearoa is New Zealand's national walking and pedestrian organisation, providing a positive voice for people on foot and working to promote walking friendly planning and development around the country. Our vision is "More people choosing to walk more often and enjoying public places".

The objectives of Living Streets Aotearoa are:

- to promote walking as a healthy, environmentally-friendly and universal means of transport and recreation
- to promote the social and economic benefits of pedestrian-friendly communities
- to work for improved access and conditions for walkers, pedestrians and runners including walking surfaces, traffic flows, speed and safety
- to advocate for greater representation of pedestrian concerns in national, regional and urban land use and transport planning.

For more information, please see: www.livingstreets.org.nz

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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 | Cycling infrastructure is long overdue, with excellent economic, social and environmental returns on investments. I commute from Hutt Valley to Wellington CBD and back. A separated and dedicated commuter cycleway along that entire route into the CBD would benefit all SH2 commuters and the entire Wellington region. Please give this every priority. |
| I would like to volunteer for Generation Zero - Yes | yes |

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| Write a message to the council | I really love to ride my bike around and hav my route sussed out that I usually ride. But it is pretty nerve wracking riding on the road, and if I want to go somewhere that I don't cycle every day it is much less safe, what with trying to be in the right lane and all. With separate cycle ways and lower speeds in the CBD I would feel much safer cycling around. |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

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| Write a message to the council | <p>Cycling really is the closest thing we have to a silver bullet for many problems facing us - it helps reduce traffic congestion, is good for the environment, and it is good for people's health (particularly important with our obesity issues).</p> <p>For these and other reasons we need to encourage more people to cycle, and one clear way to do that is to make it safe to bike in Wellington. Please commit the funds to support the cycle network and get started with building separated cycleways (including the Island Bay cycleway).</p> |
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| Write a message to the council | Integrated, functional and well signed cycle routes and dedicated paths encourage cycling which is good for business, good for health, good for the environment and good for the community. Stop the piecemeal approach of cycle-paths to no-where and create world class facilities. Be leaders. Be brave. Be THE city everyone wants to cycle in. |
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Comments

A capital city cannot survive without an international airport.

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

This is our growth area and our point of difference.

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

See above, much of the film industry is linked to the tech sector

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

It is one of the best ways of showing off our beautiful city to the rest of NZ and to an international audience

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

Wellington attracts tourists, but we need to extend their stay in the region from an average of 1 night to 4-5 nights. To do this we need a balance between arts, culture and adventure.

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

Council have been at saying NO to a number of roading options (basin flyover) it is now time to make some tough decisions and approve some of the proposals. It makes the Council look weak and puts at risk central government funding.

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

We need to move forward in bringing together the other councils in the region. We cannot survive long term with this go it alone approach. Chch and Auckland will become the two major cities and Wellington will become irrelevant.

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 |
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| 2015-25 Draft Long-term Plan |

From: [Hilary Corkran](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
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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 am a regular cyclist, to work via the train, and in the city. It would be great if this was safer, with more separated cycle lanes to reduce the number of accidents and near misses that happen every day. |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

From: [Georgia Crisp](#)
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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 | Cycling is an amazing mode of transport that I truly believe is the way best forward for a positive environmental and economical future. As I have recently moved down to Christchurch for University it has dawned on me how terrible and dangerous the Wellington cycling network is and this needs to change. In Christchurch the University houses 1000's of bikes per day and has bike racks at every turn compared to Victoria University where it is almost unheard of to cycle. In my studies of transport engineering I have discovered just how terrible the New Zealand Transport system is for being so dependant on motor vehicles and it would be amazing if Wellington could lead by example and drastically improve their cycling system. |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

From: [Simon Cross](#)
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| Write a message to the council | Cycling is a critical part of having a city with long-term stability. Certain corridors are easily cycle-able, such as that from Island Bay through Newtown to the CBD. Were another cycleway such as that proposed built around Oriental Bay to Kilbirnie, the latent cycling demand in the Eastern Suburbs would also be tapped. |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |
| I would like to volunteer for Generation Zero -Yes | yes |

From: [Tim Doyle](#)
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 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Thursday, 16 April 2015 11:31:59 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 | <p>Cycling offers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -High return on investment -Added diversity and mobility -Reduced congestion and associated benefits -Huge health benefits -Resilience against oil shocks <p>We all know these good things about cycling.</p> <p>So why are we pouring money, hand over fist, into motorways that have the opposite effects to the above:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Very poor return on investment -Need to have a car -Induced congestion -You get fat and stressed -Highly exposed to oil prices and supply shocks. <p>It seems crazy. We invest in roading without thinking of cyclists even though they have huge potential to cut costs and make the city more liveable.</p> <p>I support the investment in more, safer cycling</p> |

infrastructure.

Its a no-brainer. We need to pick off easy gains where a small amount of money could provide safe cycling and grow numbers - particularly around schools and high commuting areas.

Investing in safer cycling infrastructure must be a priority for Wellington City Council, more than an short-term aspiration, but instead a long-term goal that will bring benefits to Wellington well into the future.

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 want Wellington to be an even better city than it already is. I want it to encourage environmental options in everything it does. |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

From: [Clarissa Dunn](#)
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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 a dedicated to cycling as way getting to work and as a form of exercise. I have been hit causing injury in the CBD and I have experienced various near misses. At one particular intersection no matter what I do I feel like a target for snipers: totally exposed. This city needs good cycling infrastructure including separated cycle ways. I believe this is the safest option. Without them sharing the road with fast moving traffic is gambling with your life on a regular basis. |
| 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 | It is a no brainer to make the streets safer for cyclists. It's not either/or - both cars and cycles can use the area, but we need to plan for it properly so both can travel safely and with confidence. |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |



Wellington City Council

Thursday 16 April 2015

Submission on the proposed WCC 10-year plan 2015-25

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission on the proposed plan.

We would like to present an oral submission.

The Friends of Taputeranga Marine Reserve Trust was formed in October 2009 to help ensure that the full range of the Marine Reserve's potential benefits could be realised and to give the community both a voice and an involvement in its future. The initiative for the Trust has come from individuals who have either been involved in the establishment of the marine reserve or who have provided crucial support for it from within the local and wider Wellington communities. The Trustees represent or have had experience in marine science, the local community, commercial and recreational diving, central and local government, conservation and marine users. The Trust works closely with the Department of Conservation and the other groups or individuals with a major stake in the marine reserve, including the community. We will only make comments on the parts of the plan which we feel are within the remit of the trust.

Plan for sustainable growth

The plan seems to be for economic growth, with little interest in the impact of that growth on the environment. If anything, it plans to cut its investment in areas that would benefit the environment, such as infrastructure maintenance. Current loss of green spaces and deterioration of the harbour quality will only be increased with such a plan. For example, there is no consideration of impact the change in land use will have on the actual stormwater impact, and integrated catchment management plans would move in that direction. There is also no mention of Water Sensitive Urban Design in the Urban Growth Plan.

A longer runway

The trust is concerned about the weakness of the business case made for the airport, which inevitably will lead to asset sales, increase in rates, and reduction in spending in areas such as the environment.

However, economic aspects have been leading the debate, with very little discussed about environmental effects:

- What will the environmental effects of the build be?
- How will the new extension impact water flows and the surf and quality of the water at Lyall Bay, our prime surfing and swimming spot? We are likely to have unexpected changes in currents and waves due to the extension such as what happened at Chaffers Marina following the build of the “underwater” car park.
- What will the new extension do to the unique marine ecosystem around Moa Point? What will happen to the giant kelp forest in Moa Point? Such forests are at risk of extinction due to climate change in other areas (e.g. Tasmania). What is the impact on commercial and recreational fisheries (crayfish, paua, blue cod for example)
- What is the risk to the wastewater plant outflow? Have hydraulic models been carried out to ensure that the outflow will still be suitably mixed and not sent back to our shores (and see point two above)? The outfall would have been made as small as possible to achieve suitable mixing, so no doubt an extra 300m runway will affect it. What if we have renewed public health issue and we revert back to Poo Point? Where will the liability lie if there is a need for further extension of the pipe / modelling / monitoring?
- Is it a good idea to increase the runway of a low lying airport in these times of climate change? It already gets closed regularly due to storms, which will only increase in intensity and frequency. This April’s storm is the latest, was not even in winter or in king tides, and cost to Council is already huge. It is also in an earthquake and tsunami zone. Where is the resilience plan? What if the climate change modelling says this shouldn’t be done? International studies have already concluded this much and we should not wait in making the right decision.
- What is the risk of sediment plumes to the proposed new Ocean Exploration Centre and how might it impact on its water intake?

Celebrating Wellington’s culture and environment

The Trust fully supports the Ocean Exploration Centre and commends the WCC for supporting it. It is however surprised at the level of funding, whereby WCC is prepared to fund a film museum to the tune of \$30 million but only \$6 million towards the Ocean Exploration Centre. The blue belt surrounding Wellington is what makes it unique, and the Trust urges WCC to redress this imbalance and provide more funding to the Ocean Exploration Centre.

Key infrastructure

In all the financial statements, key infrastructure such as the provision of water, and the management of wastewater and stormwater are classified as “environment”. This is misleading at best and should be split into key infrastructure. We suggest that if WCC stopped providing these services, it would be a social and health matter before an environmental matter.

The Trust is worried about the proposal for reducing infrastructure renewals by \$101 million, particularly in the light of the push for business and therefore population growth and therefore increase use of those services. It understands that asset renewal modelling has just been developed, but would recommend that some funding be kept in the plan until this brand new tool is proven reliable. The last plan did not provide adequate funds for

renewal of pipes and related equipment before their end of life (as we had commented), and leakage and cross connections are still a huge issue in Wellington. The Trust would welcome further details on this proposal and how it might impact on the quality of the environment, in particular stormwater and wastewater discharges which are of such importance for the marine environment.

The Trust supports real-time stormwater monitoring, but sees \$9 million as quite an expensive sum for modelling and would like to see some of these funds diverted to implementing actual solutions to stormwater issues, rather than merely monitoring them. The Trust also urges Council to move towards Integrated Catchment Management Plans. It's not just what goes in and comes out of the pipes that impacts the receiving environment, but also the land use and activities in the entire catchment.

Understanding the impact of climate change is a valuable task, but the Trust feels Wellington City Council should not delay including climate change in its decisions while the model is being developed. Such models are notorious for being very difficult and timely to build and verify. International science and modelling has already been carried out (including by Victoria University) to guide decision-making around the world; and there is a "Climate Change Action Plan" available (2013). Now is the time to act, and action requires both mitigation (of our emissions) and adaptation (of how we live and do business). Climate Change should be the centrepiece of any Council decision, from Airport, to land transport, and include urban growth. Let's not invest in areas which will inevitably be impacted by climate change. The recent storms have showed Wellington is already impacted by Climate Change.

We hope the points raised above will be taken into consideration.

For Murray Hosking
Chair
Friends of Taputeranga Marine Reserve Trust

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| Write a message to the council | <p>A huge hazard for cyclists, and walkers, is the saturation of carparks on even the steepest streets: Ellice, Pirie, Marjoribanks.</p> <p>It is dangerous for drivers, too, as seeing what is coming from the sidestreets and footpaths is very difficult when obscured by the parked vehicles.</p> |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

From: [Errol Greaves](#)
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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 | Come on Council! Stop dragging the chain on this cycling development! More cyclists on safer cycling streets will increase the harmony, the quirky ambiance, and the vital charm of this city for those who live and work here, and for the many visitors from around NZ and abroad who are delighted with the qualities they discover here. I've lived in another cycle-friendly city - Amsterdam, in the Netherlands - and the cycling culture and street trams contribute to such a pleasant aspect of the city ilfe. It has the canals too, but we have the harbour splendor. |

From: [Stephanie Grose](#)
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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 |

From: [Sue Hamill](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: submission regarding the addition of fluoride to water
Date: Thursday, 16 April 2015 9:14:27 p.m.

I would like to see fluoride removed from our water supply.

Fluoride is in the family of halogens, and so is iodine. Unfortunately fluoride can attach to receptor sites ahead of iodine. Fluoride inhibits the uptake of iodine by the thyroid gland. As far back as 1854 fluoride was found to cause goiter in dogs.

It has been known for over 60 years that iodine concentrates in breast tissue and is secreted by mammary glands. For men, it concentrates in the prostate glands.

When iodine is insufficient there is competition for iodine by both the thyroid and the breast tissue.

Researcher David Brownstein believes iodine deficiency is linked to breast cancer and that fluoride and chlorine have a role in iodine deficiency.

David Brownstein, M.D Iodine: Why you need it, why you can't live without it. 4th ed. Medical Alternative Press, 2009.

Thanks you
Sue Hamill

Raf Manji talk [to Kim Hill](#), National Radio, about our debt-based money supply, and how Christchurch can be rebuilt without creating more government debt.

“One of the most fundamental insights is that banks simultaneously create new credit and new money ex nihilo [from nothing]. And that is one of the most fundamental, important things for people to be taught, which economic undergraduates should be taught about the nature of how monetary economy with banks works.” Lord Adair Turner, former Chairman of Financial Services Authority, United Kingdom.



HEALTH CARE AOTEAROA
SUBMISSION TO WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL
DRAFT LONG TERM ANNUAL PLAN – 2015-2025

Introduction

The New Zealand Primary Health Care Strategy developed in 2001 was based on the Health Care Aotearoa (HCA) members' community based, multidisciplinary approach with capitation-based funding and equity as a cornerstone of this strategy.

The principles underlying the NZ Primary Health Strategy include "Good health and wellbeing for all New Zealanders throughout their lives".

HCA is a national network of community and iwi controlled primary health care services highly regarded for their community-driven approach focused on serving Maori, Pacific people, refugee and low income individuals and their whanau.

Several HCA members deliver health and social services and support to vulnerable populations in the Wellington district including Newtown Union Health Service, Oratoa, Evolve and Wellhealth Trust. Many of them see the direct link between low pay and poor health including high prevalence of chronic heart disease, rheumatic fever and respiratory disease and poor access to warm and affordable housing and healthy food.

Poverty and Inequality

New Zealand has gone from one of the most equal countries in the OECD to one of the most unequal in the past 20 years.

It is estimated that 270,000 children are living in poverty – one in 3 are Maori, one in 4 are Pacific children. 40% of poor children come from families where at least one person is in full time work or self employed.

A disproportionate amount of illness, hospitalisations and early deaths occur amongst people on low incomes, and in the Maori and Pacific communities.

Massey University School of Medicine Professor Don Matheson said at the Wellington launch of the Living Wage Movement "this unfairness, in household inequality and access to healthcare will impact on the life chances of poor people and people on low wages. This will

mean that people on low incomes will experience more illness, earlier deaths and a higher chance for them not to reach their full potential”.

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.*

A living wage can improve the health and wellbeing of low income earners. It will mean they will not have to rely on multiple low paid jobs to feed their whanau, reduce stress on affording necessities including adequate health care and increase more time with their whanau. A living wage will also help remove barriers for them to participate in society and improve access to activities and events available in their communities.

Health Care Aotearoa is a living wage partner and some of our members have chosen to become living wage employers too. We have joined other community organisations, churches and unions to support the living wage in Aotearoa because we see this is fundamental to eliminating poverty, reducing health inequalities and building healthy vibrant communities.

The living wage rate is reviewed regularly. Charles Waldegrave of the Family Centre Social Policy Unit Network announced the adjusted NZ Living Wage rate of \$19.25 an hour in February 2015.

The Living Wage Movement is building momentum in our communities. Business owners of La Boca Loco and Nice Blocks have chosen to become a living wage employer.

HCA acknowledges the numerous commitments WCC has made so far towards becoming a living wage council and this must continue.

Health Care Aotearoa welcomes this opportunity to make a submission on the Wellington City Council's Draft Long Term Annual Plan for 2015-2025.

We call on WCC 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 entire Council workforces, including the lowest paid workers who are employed through contractors.

We welcome the opportunity to make an oral submission.

Muriel Tunoho

HCA National Co-ordinator

14 April 2015

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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 | Separate cycleways are the only safe cycle paths. |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

From: [Ashley Koning](#)
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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 | Having been a commuting cyclist for the past 40 years in 4 different cities I have been more injured and had more close calls riding in Wellington over the past 5 years. |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

From: [Patrick Maloney](#)
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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 | The Council needs to give greater emphasis on encouraging cycling to work in the city to reduce vehicle congestion and reduce the cities carbon emissions, as well as encouraging greater exercise habits. |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

From: [Jess Mazengarb](#)
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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 | Investment in cycling infrastructure provides excellent value for money. The benefits of increasing the cycling transport modal share are well researched and documented. There are no good reasons not to build good cycle networks, now. |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

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| Write a message to the council | You can only expect people to change behaviour if the network/infrastructure is in place. Once the roads are safer, only then more parents and children will get on bikes. Till then it's Russian roulette, especially at night. |
| 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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Wellington City Council's Draft Long Term Plan 2015 – 2025 **16 April 2015**

This submission has been prepared on behalf of Mt Cook Mobilised, a group which represents residents of Mt Cook, and is affiliated to the Newtown Residents Association.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Wellington City Council's Draft Long Term Plan. In general we found the plan forward-looking, and quite ambitious. The online version of the LTP was well put together.

Infrastructure – Protecting our City

We support the real-time monitoring of the city's stormwater network, and the development of a model that will help to predict the impacts of climate change. In Mt Cook we already experience severe flooding at times of torrential rain. We also have an interest in keeping pollutants out of small streams with native fish living in them, such as Papawai Stream in Mt Cook.

HPOWR

We would like to see a resolution to the financial impasse regarding the proposed 35 mega-litre Hospital Prince of Wales Reservoir. The reservoir has been identified as necessary to both the future growth of the city and to provide a 30-day emergency water supply for the Wellington Regional Hospital. In 2011 the Council approved a recommendation to bury the reservoir in the town belt area above Prince of Wales Park, after years of discussion to determine the best location for the reservoir, going back to 1974. The financial discussion with the hospital has been ongoing for several years already. The City would benefit by having this resolved.

Inorganic Rubbish Collections

We are keen to see the return of the inorganic rubbish collections. For householders, this collaboration between the Council and community groups was valuable. The fact that inorganic goods often disappeared from the streets before collection day, to be re-used elsewhere, was a great measure of the success of the inorganic rubbish collection.

Rubbish Bins

We would like to see more rubbish bins installed, especially at the southern end of Hanson Street near the Countdown supermarket. There is a lot of foot traffic down Hanson Street where no rubbish bins are available, consequently there is rubbish deposited on foot paths and in the drains.

Shop owners should be encouraged to take more responsibility for cleaning and maintaining the areas around their premises (e.g. Countdown, Pizza Hut, McDonalds and the petrol stations).

Infrastructure – Housing our City

Adelaide Road

We support the concept of redeveloping the northern end of Adelaide Road in preparation for increased housing densification in this area. We agree that there is scope for more housing to be located here, and we ask the Council to adhere to effective height restrictions. We also ask the Council to keep in mind the importance of green spaces, child and family-friendly spaces, and safety, as this area is developed.

We understand that Adelaide Road is to be widened on the western side (in 2017/18) to improve the transport corridor between the Basin Reserve and John Street. This is likely to have an impact on businesses in the area. We urge the Council to consult and communicate with the Adelaide Road businesses during the planning and construction period in order to minimise the impact, and the frustration for businesses.

Emergency Housing for Women

We would like to see a Women's Night Shelter built in Wellington, as we believe there is a need for more emergency accommodation for women. In recent times there has been a noticeable increase in the number of women on the city's streets asking for alms.

Site on the Corner of Tasman Street and Rugby Street

The site on the corner of Tasman Street and Rugby Street is rumoured to have been bought by the Chinese government as the site for a new embassy, accommodation and other facilities for use by embassy staff and families. Mt Cook Mobilised wishes to be a good neighbour, and will endeavour to meet with members of the embassy staff to discuss the intention for the complex, as we did when the site was owned by Foodstuffs.

Mt Cook Mobilised is keen to avoid having a walled compound on this site, as that would not enhance the area or promote opportunities to engage with our new neighbours. We are also keen to see the two yellow Edwardian terraced houses, 53-55 Rugby Street which are part of this land parcel, retained as the last examples of the Edwardian houses that once characterised this area around the Basin Reserve. We favour these two houses being listed on the District Plan with a heritage classification, a stance that we have held for the last seven years.

The completion of this complex will bring a large increase in the population of the Basin Reserve / Adelaide Road area, aside from the other new housing developments.

Transport

Mt Cook Mobilised encourages the use of walking, cycling and public transport rather than dependence on private vehicles for as many journeys as is practical. Making public transport journeys faster, cheaper and reliable will help to encourage more people out of their cars. Safe bike lanes, and increasing the amount of reliable and affordable public transport in peak hours is desirable, given the increasing population. Buses are more attractive when they are not crowded and unsafe (especially during winter). Mt Cook is a thoroughfare for access to many

other suburbs and we support the development of well-maintained, safe and people-friendly walking and cycle paths.

On 28th October last year, Mt Cook Mobilised and eight other community organisations wrote a letter jointly to Geoff Dangerfield (NZTA), Mayor Wade-Brown (WCC) and Fran Wilde (Greater Wellington Regional Council). In the letter we asked that community groups such as Mt Cook Mobilised be included in discussions and consultations on all transport projects proposed along the Ngauranga to Airport Corridor. We would like to take this opportunity to reiterate this request.

Recreation Space

Basin Reserve

The draft LTP includes \$21m to fund a Basin Reserve Master Plan. The Master Plan will include maintenance on the R A Vance Stand, basic infrastructure needs for wiring and plumbing, renovating the groundsman's cottage, floodlighting for night games and to allow the Basin to be open to the public later in the evening, temporary seating to increase capacity for games when required, and some beautification to improve the flow between the new Pukeahu National War Memorial Park and the Basin Reserve. One of the aims of the Basin Reserve Master Plan is to make the Basin Reserve more open and attractive, as it is the gateway to the city for visitors arriving from the airport, and to increase its popularity as a public recreation space with a 'village green' feel, where people are encouraged to spend time, and perhaps enjoy a picnic. With the planned densification around the Adelaide Road area, increased recreation opportunities at the Basin Reserve would be welcome.

Mt Cook Mobilised supports reinstating a children's play area at the Basin Reserve as part of the Master Plan. We support giving the Basin Reserve a 'village green' feel and encouraging people to use it for recreation when it is not in use for games. A decision on the outcome for the heritage-listed Museum Stand has not been made to date - this work is estimated at \$6-8m for earthquake strengthening. The Basin Reserve Master plan is still being developed.

Mt Cook Mobilised would like to see a Basin Reserve Community Forum created, consisting of representatives from the surrounding suburbs of Mt Victoria, Mt Cook and Newtown, and the neighbouring institutions (schools and Government House) who can provide input to, and discuss any concerns as the Basin Reserve Master Plan is developed, in the same way that a Community Forum was very successful during the construction of Pukeahu National War Memorial Park.

Wellington High School Tennis Courts

On Tasman Street, not far from the Basin Reserve and northern Adelaide Road, are two neglected and rarely used Tennis/Netball Courts belonging to Wellington High School. We agree with Wellington City Council's approach of enabling multiple-use for facilities in the City. We would like to see a partnership set-up between Wellington High School, Wellington City Council, interested neighbouring educational institutions, and the community, to enable the tennis courts to be refurbished and used for active recreation by students and the community. In this age of an approaching obesity epidemic, opportunities for active recreation are particularly important.

The courts need to be resurfaced, and the fences have gaps at the base allowing balls through to the road. A key feature of the Wellington High School tennis courts is that they are sited away from the school campus, alongside Tasman Street, making them accessible to the public, and an ideal facility for a partnership approach to upgrading the tennis courts. Wellington High School is also interested in exploring the options for a partnership approach.

Swimming Facilities

Mt Cook residents regret the loss of the former Boys and Girls Institute swimming pool some years ago. We believe it will be useful for the Council to consider what options are possible for a replacement, given the expected growth in the Mt Cook population over the coming years. Such a facility could be developed in partnership with pre-schools, schools, tertiary institutions and the community. We are unsure as to the status of the Wellington East College pool currently in development and whether access will be enabled for users other than the College community.

Mt Cook Community Centre Space

Mt Cook does not have a dedicated community centre. We seek some community space where Mt Cook people can meet on a casual basis. N.B. There are spaces available to hire, but they are primarily dedicated to other groups, e.g. in churches, schools or sports clubrooms. It is not easy for casual users to find out where available spaces are. For small groups the cost of room hire can be prohibitive.

The new developments in Mt Cook may provide a solution for some community space. Some of the possibilities are: space in a new development in the Adelaide Road area; space in the refurbished Basin Reserve; space in the old Dominion Museum building; space in the Home of Compassion Creche building (in Pukeahu National War Memorial Park). Another option might be to site the new Arlington community room closer to Taranaki Street and encourage the wider community to make use of it to find information, to meet, or for playgroups.

Culture

War Memorial Museums

Mt Cook Mobilised supports the City contributing to retaining the temporary war memorial museums and exhibitions as permanent exhibitions to support the meaning of Pukeahu National War Memorial Park and in respect of the Fallen. It is pleasing to see parts of the old Dominion Museum being returned to their original purpose as a museum.

Adopt a Memorial

We are interested in the Council considering this programme (as practised in several Italian cities) where schools, scout/guide or other youth groups “adopt” a city asset (memorial, statue, art or historical feature) and contract with the Council to partner in its maintenance, sharing responsibility for making information concerning the feature available and accessible to residents and visitors. Many short and long term benefits accrue to each party in the contract. We are prepared to develop this concept further with the Council if there is interest in progressing the idea. We see this as a logical extension of the strong relationship that developed between Mt Cook School and the Pukeahu War Memorial team during construction of the Park.

Wooden Bus Stops

We support murals being added to the old wooden bus stops, rather than replacing them all with glass bus stops. Adding art to our bus stops gives them character, making them interesting and each bus stop is unique. In Mt Cook, there is a wooden bus stop near Bidwill Street / Wallace Street intersection. We support adding a mural to this bus stop. We note that when this bus stop is crowded, it is difficult to see the bus times display, which results in people stepping out onto the road to see the display.

Democracy

We would like to see funding made available for oral hearings to be held on a Saturday. We note that the public consultation hearings are held during business hours, when it is often not possible for submitters to attend, unless they are not working, or can be excused from work.

Conclusion

In conclusion, Mt Cook Mobilised supports sustainable growth through people-focused activities and projects. This Long Term Plan contains some innovative projects for infrastructure modelling. It is also important to ensure that people are cared for, for instance, by providing adequate emergency housing for women, as well as men.

The Basin Reserve revamp is another exciting opportunity that will give Wellingtonians a greater sense of ownership of one of their best assets. Collaboration is important to us, and we also believe that collaboration between the Council and other parties could make the Wellington High School tennis courts usable again.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the LTP. We would like to speak at the oral hearings.



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Submission on Draft Long-term Plan 2015-2025

This submission focuses on some key aspects of the Draft Plan which we believe are integral to realising the Council's stated community outcomes: a connected city, an eco-city, a people-centred city, and a dynamic central city.

A representative of the Association would like to speak at a submission hearing.

General comments

1. The Mt Victoria Residents' Association Inc (MVRA) finds the presentation and marketing tone of the Consultation Document make it difficult to sift out the concrete facts needed by Councillors and submitters like ourselves to arrive at well-informed judgements on the merits of the Draft Plan. Understanding is also not helped by information being spread through the whole suite of documents or buried in Appendices, for example the information required by Schedule 10 of the Local Government Act on council-controlled organizations is provided at the end of the Statements of Service Provision, but there is no financial data on them anywhere. In addition, we hope Councillors are provided with clearer and more consistent financial data than that provided in the suite of documents. Lack of a summary overview and inconsistencies in the data belie the statement "We want to be transparent about likely costs" (page 17) and do not inspire any confidence in the accuracy of data given. For example:
 - a. The documents do not provide a clear summary overview of the 10-year total proposed operational expenditure and capital expenditure (such as Appendix 1 below), or a similar summary of the eleven major projects discussed in the Consultation Document.
 - b. The total (\$5,197 million) and components of the proposed 10-year total operational expenditure (Consultation Document pie chart on page 15) do not match the total (\$2,604 million) and components in the Infrastructure Strategy data (see Appendix 1 below) despite the Infrastructure Strategy including data on the social, recreation, cultural and council activities.
 - c. Although the total proposed 10-year total capital expenditure (\$1,763 million on page 17)



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matches the total in the Infrastructure Strategy data (see Appendix 1), the components do not match – see Transport for example. Nor does the total match the total applications of capital funding (\$1,814 million) in the Funding Impact Statement.

- d. None of the documents gives a breakdown of the \$6.5 billion of assets as a base reference when considering capital and operational expenditures.
2. In addition, the Draft Plan's documents do not appear to comply with some provisions of the Local Government Act 2002, for example, the Infrastructure Strategy does not contain some information required by section 101B including significant decisions about capital expenditure, their timing, the main options, and estimated costs. Some of this information is provided in the Consultation Document, but not in a coherent way.
3. The MVRA is concerned the focus of the Draft Plan on economic growth seriously undermines progress on our city's community outcomes. The 2014 Wellington Region Genuine Progress Index (GPI) shows from 2001-2013 the economic and environmental well-being aspects increased by 11.1% and 11.6% respectively, but the social aspect improved by only 0.7%, and the cultural aspect declined by 7.6%. This suggests the Draft Plan should concentrate on developing our social and cultural capital.

Key choices

4. We are concerned the Draft Plan lacks a sense of fiscal restraint.
5. We note the rates increase choices are either a 10-year average of 3.1% (but 4.1% over the next three years) or 3.9% (4.5% over the next three years). Both exceed the Statistics NZ data and Treasury forecasts for the Consumers Price Index which has been below 2% since December 2011, and is forecast to be around 2% out to 2019. Operating spending (including depreciation) is proposed to increase by 43.5% from \$423.8 million in 2014/15 to \$608.0 million in 2024/25. Half of the increase is in payments to staff and suppliers. It is unreasonable for the Council to continue to expect ratepayers to tolerate such increases when ratepayers themselves must continue to live within tight financial constraints. In the interests of fiscal responsibility, we urge the Council to review its own staffing and pay rates, particularly the CEO's and managerial salaries, to reflect the representation of a city with fewer than 200,000 residents.
6. Part of the rates increase is to service the proposed doubling in borrowing over 10 years from some \$409 million in 2014/15 to \$815 million by 2024/25. We agree borrowing is an effective mechanism for spreading the cost of long-term investment across the years when residents reap the benefits, but disagree with such a large increase as it is being proposed to finance some projects we do not agree to (see below).
7. It is apparent from the Infrastructure Strategy data (see Appendix 1 below) that \$478 million or 45% of the 10-year capital investment of \$1,763 million is going to 'Property and corporate assets'. Of this, \$100 million is apparently proposed for the Civic Square precinct, but for what projects the rest is being spent is unspecified as the description of this activity is vague, and the



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information on page 16 of the Consultation Document shows spending only for the Town Hal (59 million) and strengthening Civic Campus (\$13 million).

8. Appendix 1 below also suggests capital funding for renewals is being diverted from transport, the three waters and social infrastructure to fund the large increase for Property and corporate assets – the Consultation Document states three-water renewals are being reduced by \$101 million compared to previous LTP forecasts. This appears unwise in light of higher risks from more extreme climate-change events.

The Wellington economy and jobs

9. The Mt Victoria Residents' Association believes that a people-centred city that is creative, diverse, environmentally sustainable and inclusive is a key ingredient in keeping jobs in Wellington and attracting new businesses and jobs. The Council can contribute by ensuring its own services and contracts encourage local entrepreneurship and provide good quality jobs, not casualised labour in contracted-out core services. We urge the Council to maintain its core services in house, and continue its commitment to paying its staff a living wage rate to reduce poverty and inequality, and also because it means there is more money to support local businesses.
10. Having a dynamic centre is key to maintaining what's special about Wellington. The Council should be more strategic in granting resource consents. For example, it should not grant any further consents for new office blocks on the waterfront environs (such as those between Queen's Wharf and the stadium) or for suburban shopping malls, such as the development at Lyall Bay, (malls are being closed all over the United States as young people prefer inner-city living and active or public transport modes for moving around).
11. As we commented in our 13 March 2015 submission on the Council's proposed Urban Growth Plan, a people-centre, eco, connected and dynamic city means keeping the city compact, with population increases accommodated in the CBD, along the growth spine, and within some existing suburbs where infrastructure and services already exist. We do not support greenfields developments where there are no infrastructure, services or shops and where people would be reliant on private cars to access work and services.
12. We are pleased the Council has worked with other councils to establish the Wellington Regional Economic Development Agency and agree to its funding. We also welcome the ideas of a central-city tech hub and a screen production enterprise zone to attract new residents, create jobs and attract tourists, although the budget implications of the enterprise zone are not provided. We also suggest that the proposed international film museum is located in this zone, rather than in the central city where space is highly-prized, as it would enhance the Wellywood character of this Miramar area.
13. We strongly oppose the proposed airport runway extension. The irreparable damage to the coastal marine environment outweighs any potential economic gains. Stated gains are mostly to



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private interests, including Infratil, it is very expensive, it is not supported by the airline industry itself (BARNZ), and financial support from central and surrounding local government is dubious.

14. We also oppose Council funding for a single-purpose convention centre, and to Council's agreeing not to compete with it through Council-owned venues. As stated in our 14 August 2014 submission, the benefits are mainly to private interests, the growth in large conferences may not materialise, and any new jobs will be mostly casual, low-paid hospitality jobs. Once the Town Hall is reopened, Positively Wellington Venues will again have six flexible, multi-purpose and closely-located venues which can adequately cater for most conferences and which should be used more often.

Venues, events and visitor attractions

15. We welcome in principle the proposed \$21 million allocation for redevelopment of the Basin Reserve, provided a reserve management plan, as required by legislation, is prepared and consulted on before any development plans proceed. This should precede any further development of the 'Master Plan', which must be made publicly available for comment prior to any implementation. We urge that plans include enhancing the Basin Reserve as a multi-purpose public recreation space, as required under its Deed, strengthening and upgrading the historic 1924 pavilion, refurbishing the Groundsman's Cottage, and some restoration of the north and south gate entrances. The Council's continuing support for the flyover and a new building inside the Basin Reserve is deplorable given the findings of the Board of Inquiry, and the secrecy surrounding future plans is contrary to good governance and stewardship of public assets.
16. We support the proposal to strengthen and upgrade the Museum of Wellington City & Sea to provide greater access to this historic building and its maritime collection.
17. We do not agree to spending on a new indoor arena as a venue for occasional large music events. We suggest instead the Council explore ways of partially or fully covering the stadium for such events. This would have the added advantage of increasing the stadium's multi-purpose usage.

Valuing and enhancing Wellington's attractiveness

Mt Victoria heritage value

18. Mount Victoria is the most visible of Wellington's inner-city residential neighbourhoods as seen from the central city. Its many nineteenth-century villas and cottages are a unique and defining feature in the international context. Currently there is a risk that incremental individual changes will result in the city unwittingly and irreversibly losing one of its most appealing and distinctive features. Internationally, heritage or character neighbourhoods near city centres are increasingly being valued as economic and social assets. They attract young entrepreneurs, new skills and people who seek walkability, compactness and safety.
19. It is critical that the City now take stock of the heritage houses and buildings in such a prominent neighbourhood. This will provide a baseline record, ensuring that changes are consciously



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chosen avoiding haphazard, short-sighted detrimental change. The Association urges Council to include an allocation of \$60,000 over three or four years in its Long-term Plan for phased implementation. Further information is provided in Appendix 2 below.

Civic Square developments

20. We applaud spending \$75.2 million to earthquake strengthen the Town Hall, Central Library and Civic Building, and the Municipal Building should also be included. Civic Centre was originally designed as an integrated whole, today it is the best public civic space in Aotearoa/NZ; and it should remain in public hands. The Town Hall has served Wellington very well over long years as a multi-purpose venue with wonderful acoustics for music. Keeping it multi-purpose means it can serve as a 'music hub' alongside other activities. We do not agree it become a single-purpose music venue. We urge the Council to reconsider its misguided decision regarding a convention centre so that the Town Hall and Michael Fowler Centre can continue as convention venues. Pending strengthening, we would like to see it open again until work starts, as is the case for the St James Theatre and the Opera House.
21. The Central Library with its wavy glass face leavens the otherwise solemn facades in Civic Square, and we would strongly oppose any further 'design and build of a modernized library' as completely unnecessary. We also strongly oppose any 'rationalisation' of library services that might involve closures or their being turned into a 'community-driven model', which implies devolution.
22. We strongly oppose any long-term leasing of the Municipal Building, Michael Fowler Centre car park and Jack Ilott Green as this would effectively mean their privatisation. Leasing is apparently necessary to fund earthquake strengthening, but we suggest the strengthening could be more than funded from not proceeding with the airport runway extension and indoor arena. The Green and small lawn above Capital E are the only larger green spaces in the whole Civic precinct. Leasing the Municipal Building when the Draft Plan indicates Council staff will occupy space in the Civic Building and Central Library but also need to lease further space elsewhere makes no sense. Instead, Council could continue to occupy some of the Municipal Building and rent out the rest. We also disagree with spending large amounts of money on unnecessary workplace redesign and modernization for Council staff, and question the real need to separate the shared building services if the buildings are all to be strengthened.

Frank Kitts Park

23. We agree that the large areas of open lawn should be retained at Frank Kitts Park, and the children's playground could be expanded a little as it is very popular and one of the few inner-city playgrounds. But we disagree with re-orienting the Park to face straight into the north-westerlies, and to adding a Chinese garden here. The Chinese garden does not need to be on the waterfront, so should be located elsewhere such as in the Botanic Gardens.

North-south routes

24. We agree in principle to funding for the upgrade of the city end of Adelaide Road, and of Kent



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and Cambridge Terraces. Prior to any development, a reserve management plan, as required by legislation, should be prepared, as parts of Kent and Cambridge Terraces are Canal Reserve land governed by a Trust Deed. We do not want to see a repeat of the development of Victoria Street with removal of large trees of various varieties, five lanes of traffic that will be alienating and dangerous for pedestrians and cyclists, and fringed with the same tussocky mono-culture that prevails across the city. The Terraces have the potential to be a proper ceremonial route from the sea to the historic precinct including the Basin Reserve, Pukeahu Memorial Park, and Government House. Ideally, the New World supermarket could be relocated so the route looks down from the Basin Reserve across Chaffers Park to the sea, and the underlying stream opened up in parts of the Terraces, as historic reminders of the canal.

25. In addition, we urge a formal review of District Plan provisions for both Adelaide Road and Kent and Cambridge Terraces before planning begins, and also of Taranaki Street. It is important that planning rules governing height limits, sunlight planes, view shafts etc. be thoroughly reviewed and consulted upon before concept plans and designs are finalised. Hence it is our plea that the Urban growth Plan specifically set aside funds for these reviews.

Upgrading Home and Hania Streets

26. Home and Hania Streets in Mt Victoria run across the foot of Mt Victoria and are tucked in behind the vehicle yards that line Kent Terrace. We suggest the streets' attractiveness for residents and many visitors to the Greek Orthodox Church, its public venue and The Church next door could be enhanced by an allocation of \$100,000 for tree planting and rubbish bins, in consultation with the businesses and the Greek Church.

Town Belt and other green open spaces

27. We urge the Council to respect the intentions of the city's founders as set down in the 1873 Town Belt Deed in all of its actions regarding the Town Belt and to retain this green backdrop to the CBD and surrounding suburbs as public open recreation space for the enjoyment of all Wellingtonians. The Association continues to oppose any legislative change, unless such legislation specifies that the 1873 Deed is the over-riding guide, or that the Town Belt is a legal person (similar to the Whanganui river). Otherwise, we believe legislation will weaken protection of the Town Belt because it gives the Council flexible powers to manage the Town Belt which could enable a larger unitary local authority to have little or no regard for the intent of the original Deed. The Town Belt and other green open spaces become even more attractive as further development of the CBD and growth spine occurs to accommodate population increase.
28. We support funding for tracks and walkways, including separating walkers and cyclists, further planting, and pest control as proposed in the Mt Victoria Matairangi landscape plan, but urge that it remain focused on serving the citizens of Wellington, and not just visitors (see our submission of 23 March 2015).



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Strengthening and protecting heritage buildings

29. We are pleased to see funding provided for grants to strengthen heritage buildings, but \$1 million per year seems woefully inadequate. We urge that some of these funds are directed towards St Gerard's Monastery, a significant landmark not just for Mt Victoria, but for the whole city.
30. In our past discussions with Councillors and council staff we have expressed our concern that the District Plan rules are not being enforced to preserve the heritage character of Mount Victoria. Instead, Council actions are accommodating inappropriate demolition and new development which does not comply with the planning rules re site coverage and re the North Mt Victoria Character Area, and is undermining the amenity values of the suburb. We urge the Council to play its part by opposing any demolitions of pre-1930s buildings, with demolition only as a last resort. Any assessment of structural integrity when considering demolition must be done by a truly independent structural engineer.
31. We note increased funding for rates remission, including where the owner chooses to remove the building. We do not agree with this, as we are concerned that this may encourage the removal of further character buildings from Mt Victoria, in particular fine examples of art deco, rather than encouraging their owners to strengthen them.

Waterfront and Clyde Quay Boat Harbour

32. Apart from the mention of upgrading Frank Kitts Park, the Draft Plan appears to be silent on other waterfront developments. The number of people on any day on Wellington's waterfront, enjoying the ambience, is a testament to the need to keep this area as public open space. Now that the Council has brought waterfront activities back in-house, unfortunately with the same people, we urge that the Council not continue the company's history of privatising public space and proposing unsympathetic developments that result in expensive court cases with local groups. We also urge the Council not to proceed with the building at north Kumutoto as it still exceeds height limits specified by the Environment Court and is out of character with surrounding waterfront heritage. We also oppose the grandiose proposal to put more structures in the space next to the Meridian building as this is an unnecessary waste of money and ruins the open space feeling of the area.
33. We oppose any further development of buildings on Chaffers/Waitangi Park, including the proposed transition building adjacent to Te Papa. Wellingtonians have clearly stated for many years their desire to see the Park kept as public open space.
34. While the Clyde Quay Boat Harbour is not specifically mentioned in the Draft Plan, we continue to support improving some public access around it, and preserving it largely as is. As an important historical feature in a publicly-owned space, this marina deserves careful and widespread consultation if any changes are to be made. Accordingly, we believe that any resource consents required from the City Council for land-based features need full unrestricted public notification. We suggest funds be allocated for further historical research into the founding intentions for the boat harbour and the boat sheds. It is expected that this will reinforce the view that the offshore



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moorings and the intrinsically necessary sheds were built as a publicly owned and controlled facility. Such evidence will greatly assist the public debate on the future of the historically unique boat harbour.

Transport choices

35. We oppose Council's support of NZTA's state highway plans as these are likely to encourage more cars to come into the CBD. We are very concerned to see \$433 million, the majority of transport capital funding, being spent on maintaining and renewing roads, primarily to support private car use. The funds should instead be invested in sustainable, long-term solutions which reduce dependence on car travel. Priority should be given to making our city accessible and safe for people on foot and bicycle, and encouraging public transport use. Public transport plans should take a long-term view and include a light rail link between the railway station and the airport, utilising the Pirie Street bus tunnel.
36. Part of the attraction of Wellington as a people-centred city, and our point of differentiation from other large New Zealand cities, is our relative lack of huge motorways and flyovers slicing through our city. We strongly oppose Council's support of NZTA's short-sighted plans for the Basin Reserve flyover, a second Mt Victoria tunnel, the seizing of Town Belt land to widen Ruahine St, and widening of Wellington Rd. We urge instead the Council work on developing the Basin Reserve roundabout along the lines of the Basin Reserve Roundabout Improvement Option presented to the Board of Inquiry. The severity of congestion in the area is exaggerated and occurs only during a few peak times per week. It could be better addressed by encouraging people out of their cars and into active or public transport modes.
37. We support the Council's plan to invest \$45 million in cycling as a priority, and would like to see more invested in improving pedestrian infrastructure and safety. We urge the Council to lobby the Regional Transport Committee to reconsider its decision to abolish the trolley buses and replace them with diesel and hybrid buses. This is a regrettable and retrograde step. Rather, we would like to see a commitment to full electrification of the bus fleet as soon as possible. We also question the advisability of the larger buses for Bus Rapid Transit as these are more likely to increase bus congestion in the CBD because they will need to stop for longer to allow more passengers to enter and exit.
38. We would like to see air quality monitors in the inner city at bus stops and high-volume roads. Nanotechnology has significantly reduced the cost of air quality monitoring devices. Of great concern is the concentration of diesel exhaust near bus stops during peak hours. By having display panels on the monitors, the travelling public can be more informed on the long-term cumulative health impacts they are being subjected to.

Craig Palmer
Interim President



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Appendix 1

Summary of Infrastructure Strategy data - 10-year totals 2015/16-2024/25 (\$ million)

Source: Data extracted from the 2015-2045 Financials

| | Capital projects | | | | Operating projects | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------|--------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| | Renew als \$m | Upgra des \$m | Growt h \$m | Total \$m | Operatin g \$m | Stew/d epn \$m | Incom e \$m | Total \$m |
| Transport | 270 | 238 | 37 | 545 | 295 | 292 | (72) | 515 |
| Stormwater | 28 | 28 | 2 | 58 | 120 | 68 | 0 | 188 |
| Water supply | 127 | 71 | 6 | 204 | 355 | 140 | 0 | 495 |
| Wastewater supply | 153 | 6 | 4 | 163 | 358 | 151 | (7) | 502 |
| subtotal 3 waters | 308 | 105 | 12 | 425 | 833 | 359 | (7) | 1,185 |
| subtotal transpt & 3ws | 578 | 343 | 49 | 970 | 1,128 | 651 | (79) | 1,700 |
| Libraries & community services | 30 | 20 | | 50 | 227 | 58 | (15) | 270 |
| Parks & open spaces | 41 | 17 | 4 | 62 | 218 | 44 | (6) | 256 |
| Recreation services | 32 | 4 | | 36 | 323 | 64 | (126) | 261 |
| Community health services | 15 | 2 | | 17 | 45 | 9 | (9) | 45 |
| City housing | 43 | 107 | | 150 | 153 | 131 | (288) | (4) |
| Property & corporate | 266 | 212 | | 478 | 26 | 50 | 0.000 | 76 |
| subtotal social infrastructure | 427 | 362 | 4 | 793 | 992 | 356 | (444) | 904 |
| Total | 1,005 | 705 | 53 | 1,763 | 2,120 | 1,007 | (523) | 2,604 |



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Appendix 2

WHY A HERITAGE AUDIT IN MOUNT VICTORIA? ADVANTAGES TO THE CITY

Overlooking the eastern shore of Lambton Harbour, Mount Victoria is the most visible of Wellington's inner-city residential neighbourhoods as seen from the central city.

Nineteenth-century Victorian two-storey villas and single-storey cottages, made entirely of irreplaceable indigenous timbers, are a unique and defining feature in the international context.

Currently there is a risk that incremental individual changes will result in the city unwittingly and irreversibly losing one of its most appealing and distinctive features.

It is critical that the City now take stock of the heritage houses and buildings in such a prominent neighbourhood. This will provide a baseline record, ensuring that changes are consciously chosen avoiding haphazard, short-sighted detrimental change.

On the international scene, heritage or character neighbourhoods so near to a city centre are increasingly being valued as economic and social assets for cities at large and for the surrounding regions.

Congenial living conditions with backyard gardens and safe playing spaces for children will increasingly be a drawcard for new enterprises and new skills. In the world of academia, talented academics and researchers are increasingly averse to seeking posts involving long commuting times. Walkability, compactness and safety are powerful attractions worldwide. Retailers benefit when the walk-by traffic is high. In times of economic downturn, heritage residential areas lose value less, more slowly. Conversely, they gain value more quickly in good times. This helps in protecting a city's rating base. (Quote from Donovan Rypkema, a Washington-based consultant who recently again visited Wellington).

Such neighbourhoods are also more often net contributors to local government finances. The homes have high rateable value, and generally the residents are less dependent on public transport and do not require new infrastructure over long distances.

Those cities that value their heritage neighbourhoods and ensure that their economic and cultural importance is recognised gain by deriving net tax revenues which can be applied to other parts of the city.

Retention of these valuable areas gives physical links back to the collective memory of the city's past. They provide the landmarks for the myriad stories, anecdotes and colourful characters. A sense of continuity and belonging is thereby imparted to succeeding generations as well as to newcomers and visitors.

CONCLUSION

This is an opportune time for the Capital City to take measures that will underpin the economic and cultural value of one of its highly visible heritage neighbourhoods. The city's economy is in transition and new directions are being sought. Heritage areas providing walkability, compactness and safety need to be accorded due recognition for the important role they can play in attracting new ventures and talented newcomers.

Significant resources already exist, including the extensive research and expertise of the Mt Victoria Historical Society and in the Wellington City Archives, and would reduce the costs to the Council.

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| Write a message to the council | Make all cyclist obey present road codes, and if they ride on the footpath, endangering pedestrians, give them a traffic infringement ticket. |

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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>As cycling continues to grow in Wellington city, up some 21% from the counts last year and over 200% in the last 10 years....yikes! What is the question Councillors?!</p> <p>It is time that our council provide us with more cycling infrastructure and more opportunities to ride, thereby ensuring safer and happier cyclists (not to mention less congestion on the roads) .</p> <p>It would be great if we could get more cycling/pedestrian access to the CBD by lowering the speed limits - a quick and easy win for everyone.</p> <p>Wellington City Council you are doing well (and have been doing some great stuff), but we think you can do better. Now is your time to shine!!</p> |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | Yes |



NEW ZEALAND COUNCIL OF TRADE UNIONS
Te Kauae Kaimahi

16 April 2015

To: Wellington City Council

Re: Wellington City Council Long Term Plan 2015/2025

The New Zealand Council of Trade Unions, Te Kauae Kaimahi, (CTU) endorses the call for the inclusion of the full implementation of the Living Wage in the Wellington City Council (WCC) Long Term Plan 2015/2025.

We commend the WCC for the steps taken in the last two years in implementing the Living Wage for all directly employed WCC employees. The transfer back in-house of parking warden services results in very low-paid parking wardens being lifted to Living Wage rates. The provision that WCC has made for workers at the Wellington Zoo and the Museums Trust to be paid a Living Wage is also recognised.

We applaud the WCC for these steps. They indicate a strong support for and a commitment to the Living Wage. It is vital, however, that WCC signal in the Long Term Plan a commitment to the full implementation of the Living Wage for workers in all Council Controlled Organizations and for employees working in services under contract to WCC. Not to do so will undermine the Council's support of the Living Wage and could result in more services being contracted out and undercutting of wages and conditions.

Growing inequality gaps and high poverty rates are one the most pressing economic and social issues that New Zealand faces. Great hardship has been incurred by workers and families from New Zealand's high inequality rates. The worst evidence of this is reflected in appalling statistics of child poverty. Concerns about low and stagnant wage levels are increasing. CTU research shows that real wages have fallen significantly behind labour productivity growth in the market economy since 1989 and would have been an estimated 16% higher in 2012 if they had kept up with productivity.

Local Government has a critical role in combatting low wages, poverty and addressing inequality. Local communities, their leaders and community organizations are looking for solutions to reduce poverty and address income gaps in their communities. These concerns have led to widespread local and community support for the Living Wage.

The CTU has made previous submissions to the WCC in support of the Living Wage and cited research that demonstrates the many benefits that are created by the implementation of

the Living Wage^{1,2}. The benefits include increased worker productivity, improved morale, and reduced turnover. There is a fast growing body of evidence supporting the economic rationale for the payment of higher wage rates and the implementation of Living Wage rates. We are very willing to engage in these discussions again about the benefits derived from Living Wage implementation.

Wellington City Council is in a strong position to take leadership and implement the Living Wage for all its employees - directly or indirectly employed. Wellington City has the highest median household income of any territorial authority in New Zealand according to the 2013 Census. But the Census also shows that the Wellington region has the second highest household income inequality in the country³. This shows that Wellington has both the capacity and the need to lift wages to Living Wage levels. Hence the call for the WCC to take a lead on this issue in the Long Term Plan.

The Living Wage movement and CTU affiliated unions appreciate that the Living Wage has to be phased in as contracts are renewed to reflect Living Wage commitments in re-negotiated contracts. Unions have already worked constructively with the WCC and are experienced and well placed for this exercise.

The draft WCC LTP outlines a number of big ideas and potential projects. We strongly encourage the WCC to continue their leadership on the Living Wage and commit to its full implementation in the Long Term Plan. Committing to the progressive implementation of the Living Wage in all WCC services will make not only a substantial and significant difference to the lives of workers and their families but also have a positive spillover effects for Wellington citizens, communities and the city itself.

Yours sincerely



Sam Huggard

NZCTU Secretary

¹ <http://union.org.nz/sites/union.org.nz/files/2014%20CTU%20LW%20Submission%20to%20WCC.pdf>

² <http://union.org.nz/sites/union.org.nz/files/2013%20CTU%20Submission%20on%20LW%20-%20WCC%20.pdf>

³ Equb, S. (2014). *Growing apart: regional prosperity in New Zealand*. Wellington, New Zealand: Bridget Williams Books, p.11

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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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| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | Yes |
| I would like to volunteer for Generation Zero -Yes | yes |



Methodist Church Te Haahi Weteriana - Public Issues Network

SUBMISSION: WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL LONG TERM PLAN RE THE LIVING WAGE. APRIL 2015

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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 Tauwiwi. Tauwiwi 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 Wesley Church Taranaki St. has 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 would like to speak to our submission.

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Introduction

Wesley Church is part of the Public issues Network of the Methodist Church, which 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 earns 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, **Wesley Church**, join 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

Rev. Motekiai Fakatou

On behalf of Wesley Church, Taranaki St. 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>

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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 | I lived in a small city in the Netherlands for 6 months and saw the fantastic impact that good, separated cycle ways had on the city: no traffic jams as everyone who could use a bike, fit healthy citizens of all ages, and safe cycling where people don't fear or suffer accidents every time they get on their bike. Please do what you can, including the above steps, to help bring Wellington up to date for our citizens too! |
| 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>Hi,</p> <p>I'd like to see safer cycling and separated cycleways profiled in the 10 year plan.</p> |

From: [Ben Schrader](#)
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| Write a message to the council | <p>I have been cycling in the city for 40 years and have been hit or cut off by cars on many occasions over that time - fortunately not seriously. On these occasions the motorist always claims s/he didn't see me. If the speed in the city was slowed down it would make the streets safer for cyclists and pedestrians as well as make motorists more alert to what is around them.</p> <p>It's time the council stops dilly-dallying over cycleways. It keeps claiming it wants to make Wellington a liveable city. As cities from Copenhagen to New York have shown, a key factor in this aim is the provision of cycleways and pedestrian friendly spaces.</p> <p>A decade ago Wellington was renowned for its innovative urbanism, but it is now being surpassed by Auckland and Christchurch, both of which have strong commitments to cycleways/shared space. It's time for Wellington to catch up!</p> |



Submission to the:
WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL

on the:
WELLINGTON CITY 2015-25 DRAFT LONG-TERM PLAN

Submission from:
TENNIS CENTRAL REGION (INC.)

This submission is representing the 7,000+ members of Tennis Central Region Inc., including the 3,000+ that reside in Wellington City.

Date:
16 April 2015

Representatives of Tennis Central Region (Inc.) wish to discuss the main points in this written submission at a hearing.

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Introduction

Tennis Central Region (Inc.) is one of six regional tennis organisations recognised by Tennis New Zealand as responsible for the delivery of grass-roots tennis. Created in 2007, Tennis Central Region services the lower part of the North Island, specifically Taranaki, Manawatu, Wanganui, Wairarapa, Kapiti Mana, Hutt Valley and Wellington.

Tennis Central has four key focus areas, which are:

- Regional performance programmes and events;
- Game development – promoting tennis in all forms;
- Organisational excellence – off court performance and relationships with external partners; and
- Sustainability (e.g. financial management, asset management)

In the Wellington City context, Tennis Central works with its affiliated tennis clubs and tennis participants to promote tennis and tennis participation opportunities at all levels.

The Renouf Tennis Centre

Tennis Central Region operates out of the Renouf Tennis Centre. That facility is owned by Wellington Tennis Inc., with the land leased from the Wellington City Council. The Renouf Tennis Centre is a critical asset to tennis in Wellington, providing the only indoor tennis facility in the city. It is used extensively throughout the year, most notably in the winter months. Local players use the facility for casual pay-for-play participation; professional coaches operate from the facility; and Tennis Central Region uses the facility for local, regional and national competition hosting, its regional high performance centre and for various tennis events.

The Renouf Tennis Centre is classified a tier 2 international facility, which allows national events and junior International Tennis Federation events to be held in Wellington. The facility currently meets Tennis New Zealand's requirements for hosting tournaments with its mix of six indoor and twelve outdoor tennis courts.

The Renouf Tennis Centre is more than just the home of tennis in Wellington City. It is a sport facility that is available for use to all residents of Wellington and is the envy of many other tennis communities throughout New Zealand.

Long-Term Maintenance

Tennis Central Region has a long-term asset plan that identifies future requirements in relation to court and infrastructure capital maintenance. While the plan identifies future capital requirements, Tennis Central Region does not have the financial reserves to undertake the bulk of the maintenance that is proposed as necessary in the next five years. Those works are estimated to be in the vicinity of \$500,000 to \$700,000.

It would be beneficial in 2015 or 2016 to have a suitably qualified independent professional review the Renouf Tennis Centre to verify the works required over the coming ten years to ensure the facility remains fit for purpose and available to the people of Wellington for their on-going use well into the future. Tennis Central Region has to date only obtained informal estimates of the likely cost of such a review, with \$50,000 an estimated upper limit.

One of the reasons it is requested that the Wellington City Council take the lead in this process reflects the view of Tennis Central Region that the Renouf Tennis Centre has capacity to be more than just a tennis facility. The review should also consider what needs to be done to enable the facility to be suitable to be used for other purposes. For example, the main indoor tennis court area has high quality acoustics, so it may be desirable to consider the true capacity for the indoor tennis courts to be a venue for small concerts and events.

Once the review is completed, then clarity will exist as to what needs to be done to maintain the facility and even enhance the facility for alternate uses. This can then be the foundation document used as the basis for further engagement between Wellington City Council and Tennis Central Region in the 2018 Long-Term Plan process to maintain the facility for future generations of Wellingtonians.

Future Funding Model

Tennis Central Region will continue to engage with its members and funders to generate revenue to provide for annual operational maintenance. Once there is clarity regarding the works required to maintain the facility long-term it will also be possible to consider options to realise increased funding levels from these sources. As a result, while Tennis Central Region may not have capacity to provide for all of the projected future capital maintenance costs, it is approaching this process on the basis of a partnership model. Tennis Central Region certainly expects to be a contributing partner to meeting the required costs.

Conclusion

It is appropriate to recognise that the Wellington City Council has supported the Renouf Tennis Centre in the past. This has not only been through the provision of a suitable site 30 years ago to develop the facility, but also by way of financial contributions towards the development and expansion of the facilities. Most recently this was in the form of support to enable an additional two indoor courts to be developed in 2006, bringing the number of indoor courts to its current level of six. This support in the past has been greatly appreciated.

It is hoped that the Wellington City Council is willing to continue to support tennis in Wellington and the Tennis Central Region by contributing to the future capital maintenance of the Renouf Tennis Centre. This support would be in the form of:

- Undertaking a professional review of the Renouf Tennis Facility (estimated cost < \$50,000); and
- Contribute to the capital maintenance costs to commence in 2018.

Thank you for the opportunity to make this submission. Representatives of Tennis Central look forward to the opportunity to discuss this submission in further detail with councillors at the hearings process and with appropriate Council staff over the coming months.

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From: BUS: Long Term Plan
Subject: FW: Submission re DRAFT 10-YEAR PLANS 2015-2025 - please forward internally as required

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> From: Alan Smith (alanesmith@xtra.co.nz)
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 > **Date:** 16 April 2015
 >
 > Dear 10-year Draft Plan teams at both WCC and at GWRC,
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 > 1. This is our shared consultation submission to both Wellington councils. Please acknowledge that you've each received it. The Civic Trust has had a continuing (since 1981) interest in the urban quality of Wellington and appreciates the positive relationships built up with both the City and Regional councils for the national capital.
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 > 2. Both "Our 10-year Plan" (WCC) and "Shape your Region" (GWRC) are out for consultation at the same time with the same group of citizens and organisations. We accept that they are a statutory requirement for each council to do separately at this time; but there is greater value to them than just legal obligation. The plans of each council affect this same group of organisations and citizens: so our comments aim to emphasise the fit between the two, recognising that the GWRC plan covers a wider population and area than the WCC
 > one.
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 > 3. One failing in both Draft Ten-Year Plans is that there is little or no mention of the shared involvement of WCC and GWRC in Wellington's prosperous future. The relationship between the two councils and the gains from thinking and working in synergy have to be a central feature of Wellington over the next 10 years. Both draft plans tend to take this as an unspoken assumption. This is not good enough - explicit inclusion of the inter-council relationship is surely central to the success of both councils' ten year thinking. Quite possibly the present case for "amalgamations" could have been defused had much stronger and more overt inter-council thinking been well evident already in WCC and GWRC planning.
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 > 4. Several current issues on which the Civic Trust has publicly expressed a position feature in these 10-year draft plans:
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 > 4.1. Transport links from the north to the airport for both people and freight. This necessarily needs more than just the current NZTA solution of pushing more SH1 vehicles through

> inner city streets. The 10-year plans of both councils ought to be much bolder about this, given its acknowledged high strategic fit with other projects.

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> 4.2. The natural environment - both as an attraction in itself and as part of overall sustainability. Both councils have a huge investment in open spaces (e.g. Town Belt, regional parks,

> Zealandia, beaches). Both have the capability to provide better environmental amenity benefit from council asset management projects (e.g. port futures at the Kaiwharawhara

> "Northern Gateway"). Building collective "whole of Wellington" thinking and planning into 10-year plans may well achieve better outcomes.

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> 4.3. Revitalising the inner city - the regional CBD.

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> 4.4. Growing the usage of public transport. The failure in recent years of WCC's Kilbirnie street upgrade to align with GWRC's bus exchange needs there should not be allowed to

> be repeated in other places These 10-year plans are the right place for both councils to commit to this.

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> 5. The WCC's "Smart Capital 2040" strategy of recent years seems to us to continue to be a sound one. It remains good context (directly for WCC and indirectly for GWRC) but

> does not feature as such in either plan - unless it has been rebranded, in which case the link to the former name deserves to be made clearer.

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> 6. As these plans refine into projects, the Wellington Civic Trust looks forward to making public comment in line with its kaupapa to:

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> a. promote the liveability and prosperity of Wellington so that its built and natural environment becomes a better resource for the use, benefit and enjoyment of all.

> b. stimulate public interest in the beauty, heritage and character of Wellington and its dignity as the capital city.

> c. support high standards in urban design, landscape management, architecture, building, transport and other infrastructure.

> d. provide a forum for citizens to freely and frankly express their aspirations for their city.

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> Yours faithfully

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ST PETER'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, WILLIS STREET, WELLINGTON

WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL LONG TERM PLAN SUBMISSION

Introduction

St Peter's has had a presence in central Wellington for 167 years. During that time the parish and its people have been deeply involved in responding to the needs of the local community. St Peter's founded the Wellington Chinese Mission, the Wellington City Mission, St Peter's School (which formed the basis for Te Aro School), Downtown Community Ministry (with Wesley Methodist and Kent Terrace Presbyterian), and has been an active force in many other community-focused projects. Since 1848 our church has believed that people are at the heart of Wellington, and those who are the most vulnerable must be prioritised.

In recent years St Peter's has joined the ranks of those concerned about the rising gap between the rich and poor in our country and community. Having spent many decades providing assistance to those without work, we have become particularly distressed by the increasing instances of poverty in households where people are working fulltime. Wellington has the highest average income in the country, but this is offset by the vast gap between those earning exceedingly well and those struggling on very low wages. As one way of responding to our concerns St Peter's became a foundation member of the Living Wage Aotearoa Movement, and this will form part of our submission below.

The Council's Record

In general we believe Wellington City Council has a reasonable record of addressing issues of need and inequality in our city. Funding provided to groups and organisations such as DCM, The Soup Kitchen, Wellington City Mission and the Night Shelter is an essential aspect of this and has made it possible for those organisations to both survive and meet the needs they exist for.

Along with many others, we were overjoyed when council agreed to lift the minimum wage rate for all directly employed staff to the then Living Wage rate of \$18.40. We know the immediate difference that made in hundreds of households. We have also applauded the council's commitment to extend that policy. Prior to the last local body elections St Peter's was very happy to host a meet the candidates forum where all candidates present committed themselves to doing all in their power to ensuring the Living Wage was extended to all council staff, including those employed by CCOs and contractors, within this council term.

The Long Term Plan

Our immediate response to the LTP is it is focussed entirely on stuff. While there is a lot of rhetoric around making Wellington a people-centred city, in reality the plan outlines hundreds of millions of dollars of capital investment and infrastructure upgrades that simply assumes the benefit will trickle down to the people who live there. It is precisely that kind of trickle-down thinking that has led to the ever-widening income gap we are witnessing and the deprivation that goes with it.

While we recognise the need to invest in infrastructure and business growth, our concern is that little or no attention appears to have been paid to the real everyday needs of people. There seems to be an all-too familiar philosophy at work which assumes that if we make businesses bigger and wealthier everyone will benefit; a philosophy we would strongly challenge.

Our Recommendations

We would like to see the people prominently placed in the Long Term Plan, and in particular those people who are most vulnerable in our community. To this end we recommend:

- 1) That council leads the way towards a higher wages economy (a key trigger for growth in international experience) by recommitting itself to its stated policy of ensuring all council employees, including those employed by CCOs and contractors, are paid at the minimum the official Living Wage rate. We support Living Wage Wellington's recommendations for a staged implementation of this and strongly urge council to make a clear commitment to making this happen. This commitment should be clearly spelled out in the LTP.
- 2) That a clear commitment to furthering the Te Mahana strategy for addressing homelessness is included in the LTP.
- 3) That part of this commitment includes a clear statement of support for a supported accommodation facility in Wellington for those with alcohol and substance addiction issues – a so-called 'Wet House' programme.
- 4) That the LTP includes a clear strategy for continuing to address social inequality issues in Wellington. One form this might take would be a Social Development Agency that fulfils a similar aim to the proposed Urban Development Agency, but with people rather than business as its primary focus.

Conclusion

We at St Peter's do want to congratulate council on its people-focused achievements to date. We are concerned however that the LTP seems to be leaning in a different direction, and we would strongly encourage council to look for a better balance.

St Peter's would like to speak to this 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 |
| Write a message to the council | <p>The cycling demand survey shows the big expected gains are from separate cycle ways. Future transport will rely a lot on electric bikes and Wellington is far too dangerous for all but the most daring to take up this mode, Please makes the investments now to start a proper cycle network - not the half measures - and do the Island Bay one that is easy as a means to test the results of a first class cycle way and work from there.</p> <p>Thank you for your work.</p> <p>Simon</p> |
| 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:-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 |

WCC LONG TERM PLAN SUBMISSION

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I am a ratepayer.

I have been a Wellington resident for over fifty years.

I do not wish to speak at a submission hearing.

I am making this submission as an individual.

MY SUBMISSION

1 The broad approach of investing for growth, in addition to providing current levels of service.

I support the broad approach only if the points made in the rest of this submission are attended to, especially:
Priority for Town Hall strengthening, provision of a second Mt Victoria tunnel, retention of trolley buses and social services such as provision of a 'wet house'.

2 Rates

I support the proposed 3.9 increase in rates on average over 10 years if Council makes some economies and does not over invest.

3 A longer airport runway

I strongly oppose the construction of a longer runway as there is no firm evidence that this will bring larger and more international planes as shown by the comment from major airlines.

4 and 5 Film and tech industries

I agree with some limited support for these industries

6 Heritage buildings

I agree with limited support for private owners to strengthen heritage buildings.

7 Civic Square buildings strengthening

I strongly support the strengthening of the Town Hall and Capital E, the Public Library and the City Gallery but there needs to be some explanation of how the Council propose to offset the cost.

I strongly oppose any building on the Ilott Green as this was rejected when first planned.

8 Events Capital

I am not sure that this title is held or deserved, or necessary, but do not accept that the Council should incur debt to pursue this aim.

If work on Civic buildings and environment and social provision is achieved, events should follow anyway.

9 New and improved venue for concerts

What sort of concerts are included in this? Where is the site?
The priority must be strengthening of the Town Hall.

10 Upgrading sports facilities where need is demonstrated

I support this

11 New tourism experiences to attract new visitors

I strongly support the retention of the open walkways on the Wellington waterfront as they are a major tourist and residents attraction

I support the Marine aquarium where it is not on the foreshore side of the road.

I strongly oppose the building of a new war and peace museum. We have two excellent museums in Wellington and the cost is not justified

12 Council activities to optimise infrastructure, to realise savings and cope better with adverse events.

I support this if details are publicised first.

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13 Parking sensors and LED street lights

I support LED street lights

I oppose parking sensors.

14 Proposed improvements to transport

I strongly oppose any transport plans unless they meet the urgent requirement for reducing congestion across town to and from the airport with a second tunnel to relieve the pressure on the Basin Reserve and Mt Victoria tunnel routes.

I support the retention of trolley buses for environmental reasons.

15 Regeneration of inner city precincts

I support this provided that there is low cost inner city housing suitable for families and not just students who seem well provided for at present.

This is needed so that people in essential but not highly paid jobs are not forced to live long distances from their employment

16 Improving public spaces

I support this.

17 Strengthening suburban town centres

I support this for Johnsonville, Karori and Tawa.

18 Priority projects in the Urban Growth Implementation plan

I strongly oppose the Petone –Grenada link road

I support environmental priorities

Other matters

I note the mention of Te Mahana in the papers and strongly support budget and planning for housing support for the homeless and financial support for a 'wet house.'

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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

We are pleased to see that the Council is committed to the current levels of service, particularly those which promote and protect public health. We support the broad approach to invest for growth in order to maintain a sustainable rates base to fund council services and boost prosperity. However we encourage a move away from solely focusing on GDP as a measure of progress, to full cost accounting approaches such as the GPI (Genuine Progress Index).

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

We acknowledge the need to ensure a sustainable rates base to fund services, however, decisions about where to invest need to more explicitly assess the impact (positive and negative) on those who have limited or low incomes.

Should Council take action to improve our international air connections?

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

The consultation document provides insufficient detail on the costings for this investment, the level to which the Government and airlines are supportive and what their share of contribution might be. The proposed expenditure is large and the projected timeframe for investment return is extremely long, which poses questionable economic value. It also fails to make explicit the indirect costs, such as increased carbon emissions and air pollution. We suggest further work is needed on this proposal.

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

We support the Council's role in investing in the tech sector as an example of an industry which can stimulate employment, generally has a low carbon emissions, and has a focus on innovation.

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

We support efforts by the Council to support the film industry to stay local and grow. The film industry is an important employer and contributes to the creativity and diversity of the city. Story-telling through film is an important vehicle for reflecting our populations diversity, our past, our present and our stories.

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

We support the retention of heritage buildings, which reflect a sense of history, a sense of place and promote an attractive, diverse and liveable city. Given the City's vulnerability to earthquakes, it is important that our urban environment is safe, and the buildings we live, play, learn and work in are made as safe as possible. We support the Council providing grants or limited loans to private owners where the strengthening is supported by Historic Places Trust, and is undertaken to an acceptable level of engineering. Any decisions need to be undertaken with an assessment of cost, heritage value, risk to human health and impact on the neighbouring environment.

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

We support earthquake strengthening of its key Civic Square buildings, where reasonable. It is vital the the city's centre reflects a sense of history, and place, and these spaces are safe and attractive places to live, learn, work, play and congregate in and around.

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

We support the Council's role in promoting events which reflect our diversity, encourage social cohesion, physical and social wellbeing and enjoyment. We would like to see the Council continue to ensure that events are managed in such ways which promote health and safety, such as minimising the harm from alcohol, are smoke-free, promote sun-safety and have venue food policies that promote access to affordable healthy food and drinks.

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 Q.8

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

We support the Council's investment in those sports facilities (such as swimming pools, mountain biking tracks, sports grounds, courts, etc) which are accessible and affordable to all. The benefits of engaging in sport and recreation go beyond promoting physical activity and are significant for other aspects of health, such as mental health, child development, and social cohesion. Obesity and cardiovascular disease will be the number one health issue facing Wellington residents, and are issues that the WCC has significant influence, through its promotion of physical activity.

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

We support the investment in key infrastructure, to improve air, soil and water quality. We strongly support the Council taking a long-term view regarding seismic strengthening and climate change adaptation measures, such as waterways, sea walls, as well as extreme weather event and emergency preparedness. We recommend also that all investment decisions consider the value of climate change mitigation (prevention).

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

We support the use of smart technology, where this improves the health, safety and wellbeing of residents and visitors. Adequate streetlighting reduced crime and promotes walking and cycling. LED street lighting is also carbon efficient and we encourage the Council to limit its carbon footprint in all investment decisions regarding the city's infrastructure.

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

We are strongly supportive of investment proposals which promote in active transport (walking, cycling), road safety and accessible, reliable and affordable public transport. Such measures will lead not only to a more vibrant, cohesive, less polluted and congested city, but improve the physical and mental health of its residents.

Urban Development

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

We are supportive of proposals to improve the urban environment in ways that promote safe walking and cycling, reduce exposure to vehicle emissions, encourage access to nature/green spaces, and promote social connectedness.

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

See above comment (Q.15) We would like to see that developments to public spaces have a strong focus on providing access to non-commercial green spaces, and which are safe, smokefree and accessible to all age groups, in particular children and young people.

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

We support proposals to revitalise suburban town centres in ways that promote health and wellbeing are reflect the needs and aspirations of the residents.

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

We are generally supportive of most proposals. However, we do not support the proposed investment in the extension of the airport runway, and suggest further work is done to assess the broader impacts and tradeoffs of the proposal.

Do you see other matters as priorities?

Comments

Wellington's greatest asset is its people. Given that all local authorities have a role to improve, promote and protect public health within its district we ask that the Council enter into a formal partnership with the DHBs to identify shared objectives and work together on an agreed plan to improve the health of its residents. In particular we ask for commitment and investment to develop a shared 'Healthy Wellington Plan', to ensure we have a healthy and thriving population as our city grows into the future. Some of the major issues threatening the wellbeing of Wellington residents now and in the future are a poor start to life, obesity, cardiovascular disease and cancer. We ask that the Wellington City Council takes bold steps to support efforts to tackle three priority health issues: 1. child and youth focused planning to support a healthy start to life, 2. obesity, and 3. smoking: 1. Children (and Youth) Friendly City - We are pleased that the WCC has recently signed-up to become an accredited Child (and Youth) Friendly City. Children and young people should be at the heart of the Council's long-term investment and growth strategy. We strongly recommend that being a Child (and Youth) Friendly City is included as one of the defined items in your Sustainable Growth Agenda and subject to specific planning and investment. This will provide the foundation and help achieve success in all other priorities identified in the Long Term Plan. 2. Preventing obesity. Aspects within the Council's influence include how urban design promotes physical activity and active, safe transport; introducing healthy food and drink policies in all Council venues and events; and promoting access to affordable healthy food (community gardens, fruit and vegetable markets, water fountains) including placing controls on the density of high energy fast food outlets. 3. A Smokefree Wellington. A health determinant that can be immediately addressed by Council is the visibility, normality and convenience of smoking. Local Government is increasingly a major partner in the nationwide plan for a Smokefree Aotearoa by 2025, and we commend the Council on efforts to date. But there is much more to do. We ask that within a Healthy Wellington Plan, there is specific planning and investment for a) communication of WCC smokefree policies, and b) evaluation (with performance measures) to assess the impact of current and future smokefree policies. A Smokefree Wellington offers not only a healthier population, but also lower street cleaning costs from smoking litter, and world level branding as a clean/green/smart city - that is attractive to shoppers, tourists, and high-skilled workers. Other issues/priorities we ask for greater visibility in the Long Term Plan are: 4. Housing is one of the major determinants of health. We

support WCCs proposals to continue its role in social housing provision, investments to upgrade the stock and support the wellbeing of tenants. We are also supportive of efforts to expand the availability of affordable housing. The quality of rental housing continues to be a major issue. WCC has been a leader in the rental housing WOF (Warrant of Fitness) pre-test. We ask that the WCC continue to progress this groundbreaking initiative which has the potential to improve the health outcomes of a great many Wellingtonians. 5. Alcohol harm reduction - The social and economic costs of alcohol-related harm continue to be a major issue for Wellington City. We urge that the Council take steps to recommence the process to develop a Local Alcohol Plan, which better reflects a focus on harm minimisation and the recommendations from the recent Ministerial Forum on Alcohol Advertising and Sponsorship and the earlier Law Commission report. 6. Addressing poverty through a living wage - we commend the WCC in its leadership for supporting a Living Wage, and proposals to extend this out to other Council-run services over time. We ask that the Council be more ambitious, however, and extend a Living Wage to many other entities and services over the next ten years. Other issues: Continuation of Community Water Fluoridation - This is an issue outside of the scope of the LTP , however we are aware that the Council frequently receives submissions from those opposed to fluoridation. There is overwhelming scientific evidence showing that community water fluoridation protects against tooth decay, promotes optimal oral health and is safe. We strongly support the continued fluoridation of WCC water supplies and discourage any reconsideration of this policy. Should any WCC staff or Councillors wish to seek evidence-based advice on this issue, we recommend they contact Regional Public Health. Thank you for the opportunity to make this submission.

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

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| 2015-25 Draft Long-term Plan |

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Not sure why the WCC needs to increase rates at above rate of inflation. After the essentials, such as roads, sewage etc we need to access the current ROI on what already happens and how this could be improved. For example why are art galleries, museums free but you have to pay for swimming pools. There is no logic.

Should Council take action to improve our international air connections?

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Comments

I want proof that we will actually get more larger jets. Whilst I would personally like to have direct flights to Asia I havent seen an independent report to back up the huge expense needed.

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

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Comments

Growth industry which attracts high value employees.

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

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NO, complete waste of money. We dont need a 'music' centre, both Massey and Victoria Uni have Music departments. A VERY small % of NZ's go to classical music, as shown by the fact that it has top be heavily subsidised by government funding. Better to build a purpose built convention centre there instead.

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

We arent the events capital its total PR spin by WCC, Auckland is the events centre! get over it,. we have an awesome outdoors lets build on that instead..

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Comments

We are a very small country, our population would fit into many international cities. Do we really need yet another major events centre for top acts. WE had the stadium built for that and top sport and yet WCC wants to fund development on Basin reserve for Cricket and another entertainment centre. Sounds like yet another white elephant that will lose money as the Stadium, the ASB centre and Basin do already.

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Hockey stadium sounds essential, but Basin reserve upgrade-more cyclists and pedestrians go through there than people play cricket.

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

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Comments

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Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

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Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

LED street lighting sounds great idea. For parking sensor, surely we should be reducing the parking and instead increasing opportunities for alternative transport - buses, cycling, walking options. More park and ride , congestion charges, etc

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly Oppose

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There is a huge amount of evidence to show the benefits of more sustainable transport options. All progressive cities are moving AWAY from encouraging the use of cars and instead providing cycle lanes, better public transport AND measures to discourage car use. Such as congestion charges, min' limits on numbers of people travelling by private vehicle at peak times into CBD etc . Councillors seem to have buried their head in the sand regarding global warming, and the huge contribution car use makes to carbon emissions. As a city we need to have active measures to REDUCE car use. IF we had safe cycle lanes, more bus lanes, pedestrian / cycle precincts in the CBD - from Courtney place to Parliament as many cities around the world now do we will have ; faster moving public transport, more people walking and cycling, so less cars on the road. Sustainable transport options need to be at the CORE of all decisions the council makes, whether its providing new housing (provide bike parks for residents) new entertainment centres, etc. So that the priority becomes NOT providing car parking but better infrastructure for sustainable transport. This is the way of the future NOT more facilities for cars to move around. The result - happier and healthier people, increased income for local businesses, less congestion (less stress) and a modern future proofed city. Lets become the most liveable city in the southern hemisphere.

Urban Development

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Include cycle lanes from the areas around so people can easily access these precincts. Make them car free, look how successful Cuba st is.

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

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Whats a lane way

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

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Include cycle lanes from the residential areas around so people can easily access these centres without cars. Local businesses will benefit as all the evidence from overseas is that cyclists spend more in local businesses than motorists. Its really easy to stop your bike outside a shop and buy some goods than find a car park. I live in Newtown and invariably use my bike to go to local shops in Kilbirnie / Newtown. But streets such as Crawford road and Constable st are really dangerous so I often go on the pavement. But for most people they consider it too scary and unsafe and drive.

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Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose Don't know

Comments

Do you see other matters as priorities?

Comments

Cycleways. I have recently cycled along the new shared way in Kilbirnie and its great but too short, it needs to have safe, protected cycleway all the way into Kilbirnie and all the way into Newtown and from there the City. If we had a series of dedicated protected cycle routes to and from suburban centres into the city hundreds more people will cycle. Especially now with the growth of electric bikes, our hills are no longer an issue!

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Please can WCC stop and think carefully about how they spend MY and other residents money, what the real ROI will be. We have had a council who loves spending money on nice to haves. Instead neglects low cost infrastructure like cycleways which contribute far more in the long run to creating a liveable city that people will love living in, will attract more businesses and then jobs, then fancy new events centres, spending millions on renovating a Town hall when for half the price we could a purpose built building etc.

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| Name | Jill Ford |
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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>Make the CBD pedestrian, cycle and bus only. Make sustainable transport the priority NOT cars. The world is changing,global warming is a reality, petrol prices will go up in the long run,congestion will increase UNLESS the WCC gets into the 21st century and shows show leadership and vision. Caring on as we are is not the way of the future, we need to make more sustainable transport options the priority NOT cars. We need to reduce parking in the CBD and on major arterial roads, reduce peoples dependency on cars BY offering safe, attractive alternatives, such as improved, faster public transport, safe protected cycleways, more pedestrian friendly CBD and suburban centres,so people can walk, cycle to the centres and in the centres safely. Lets have a sustainable liveable city, not a 20th century, car oriented city.</p> |
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Long Term Plan
Wellington City Council
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Wellington City Council's Draft Long Term Plan

Submission by NZ Bus

1. NZ Bus supports the choice to invest for growth and believes that a strong investment in transport infrastructure and public transport services are imperative to facilitate growth, help attract and retain business and enhance the experience of residents.
2. In this submission, we promote greater levels of coordination with other authorities and greater levels of investment in public transport infrastructure.

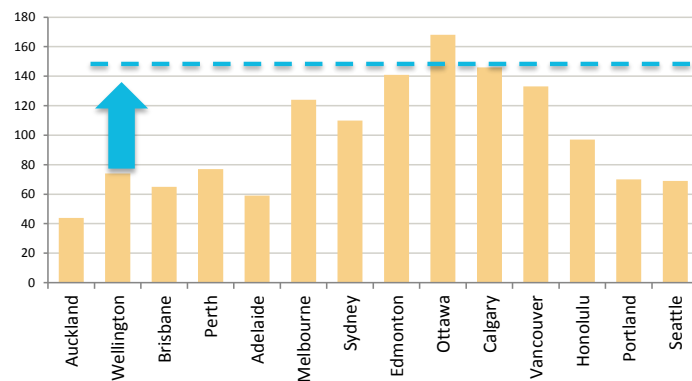
PLAN INTEGRATION

3. NZ bus considers rail, bus, ferry, cycling and walking as public transport and believe that a coordinated investment in all modes alongside those for private cars is required to maximise opportunities and optimise investment.
4. The value chain for public transport is complex, with multiple parties needing to coordinate decisions and investment. Operation of rail, ferry and bus services are directed and partially funded by the Greater Wellington Regional Council ("GWRC") with funding from the New Zealand Transport Agency, while Wellington City Council (the Council) supports bus services through its investment in roads and other infrastructure. It is critical that the plans of the two Councils are aligned such that the design and timing of implementation of fit for purpose infrastructure supports service design enhancements such as the new bus network. NZ Bus would like to see the plan illustrate how the Council plans to coordinate its activities with GWRC.
5. Integration should also extend to the areas of Investment for Growth outlined in the Plan such as the airport runway, film museum, tech hub and performance arenas. Careful planning of location and transport needs, particularly public transport access, must form part of the integrated planning of the Council and GWRC.
6. Parking plans must also integrate with the public transport plans. It is not clear how the planned investment in parking technology (including pricing plans) supports the overall goal of increasing public transport use and we encourage a multi-modal approach with clear priority towards public transport goals.

INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT

7. We are pleased to note that the Plan highlights committed funds for transforming Victoria Street and redeveloping Kent and Cambridge Terraces, with one of the aims being to strengthen transport connections for buses, cycles, pedestrians and private cars.
8. A sum of \$45 million has been allocated for cycleways, while an insignificant sum of \$10 million has been allocated for bus priority measures over a 10 year period.
9. NZ Bus supports multi-modal integration and therefore is a strong supporter of cycling infrastructure, particular if it provides a safer environment while generating better connectivity and choice.
10. NZ Bus does not want to reduce the spending on cycling, but notes that the investment in each mode bears no resemblance to the economic significance of each. The Plan notes that Wellingtonians use public transport more often than other New Zealand cities, but this does not mean that we can stop investing. In fact, comparable cities in North America achieve public transport usage at rates double those in Wellington, and this should be our aspiration.

PT Trips per capita in NZ are lagging exemplars



11. Both the Council and GWRC must work together to provide the environment for public transport to flourish. Greater investment in priority measures to speed up journeys are imperative, as are safe and high quality bus shelters and amenities to encourage people out of their private car.
12. The new network planned by GWRC will require a much greater level of interconnection of services, meaning more vehicle transfers for bus customers. Infrastructure must be provided to ensure this is as seamless as possible.
13. We emphasise the need for all-day priority bus lanes along Adelaide Road in both directions between John Street & the Basin Reserve and believe this is covered in the plan already. Other examples if GWRC's new network is introduced, could include:
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 - Separating bus passengers from pedestrians on Riddiford Street (outside and opposite Hospital entrance) and Kilbirnie Shops.

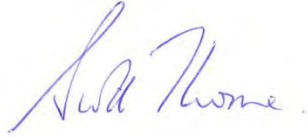
- Enhancements to flow of buses along Upland Road, Glasgow Street, Kelburn Parade, Salamanca Road and the Terrace.
- The proposals to extend southern routes to Newlands/Johnsonville requires bus priority all way from Ngauranga through to Courtenay Place in both directions at peak times.

NZ BUS BACKGROUND

14. NZ Bus is the leading supplier of public transport services in the Wellington Region, operating close to 400 buses and employing over 600 staff. NZ Bus currently operates both contracted and commercial services making up 872,000 trips per annum over 13.7 million kilometres, equating to 79 per cent of public bus services in the region. Annually, we carry 20 million passengers in the Wellington region which amounts to 80 per cent of all bus passenger trips across the various operators in the area.
15. NZ Bus also operates the largest bus services business in Auckland, carrying 72 per cent of Auckland passengers on over 650 buses.
16. In keeping with, and in support of, both the partnership and commercial incentive principles required to deliver great service, NZ Bus has continued to demonstrate its commitment to public transport despite the contractual uncertainty in the Wellington market over the past few years. NZ Bus has invested \$60 million into its Wellington business over the past five years and over \$220 million in total across the entire business.
17. NZ Bus leads the Wellington market in commitment to innovation and efficiency:
 - We have introduced a new standard of vehicle to the market with 60 state of the art, Euro 5 buses acquired for Wellington and 294 for Auckland since 2011;
 - Together with GWRC, NZ Bus has developed and implemented service improvements in the wider Wellington area on an ongoing basis, and continues to assist in identifying and improving areas of need within the current network; and
 - NZ Bus is investing substantially into health and safety systems, driver training and performance monitoring, which will be game changers for the industry and its customers.
18. We are committed to the communities we serve, the authorities we partner with and the Government, agencies and other stakeholders that we work with. Together we are able to provide:
 - A zero harm approach to safety and the environment;
 - A focus on meeting customers' needs and growing public transport;
 - A coordinated strategy to develop multi-modal networks where pedestrians and cyclists rank together with buses, trains and ferries to support public transport aspirations; and
 - Excellent systems and processes that provide best practice in effective and efficient service delivery, network planning and development projects.

19. NZ Bus will be happy to present its comments to the Council as part of the submission process and look forward to receiving a copy of the consultation summary.

Yours sincerely



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Comments

Wellington needs to remain competitive as a destination for new residents, especially those involved in technical and innovative industries.

Should Council take action to improve our international air connections?

- Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Being a family of multiple citizenships, we would love to see international travel options from

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

I'm concerned about dilution effects resulting from tech precincts in Wellington and at the Gracefield Research Park. The two concepts must be complementary for either to be successful.

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Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

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The film industry is changing very rapidly. So long as it's economically viable to support the local industry, I'm happy to see it stay. If some components of the industry become massively uneconomic, let those components go.

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Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

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Support should be limited to buildings of significant historical value. There are some marginal heritage buildings that could have much more value as a redeveloped site than their present historical value.

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

Although I like the current Civic Square area, I think it could be improved as a music precinct. The lengths of leases are a concern, but seems like a reasonable compromise.

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Growing the inner suburbs should be one of the highest priorities for the council. The costs of service are much lower than those to greenfield suburbs and inner city residents contribute to vibrancy much more than suburban counterparts. This helps drive the tourism and brings in technical talent.

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Similar to growing inner city residents, inner city spaces are critical to urban vitality.

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Local communities are healthier communities. It's important to have local amenities for suburbs, especially those in walkable areas and connected by strong public transport routes.

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In general, I support the growth plan. However, I find it unfortunate that WCC must support the NZTA Roads of National Significance wholesale. Regardless of how the roads change over the coming 30 years, there will be issues with parking all of the cars and capacity within the inner city. Transport modes need to further diversify for a future Wellington to succeed.

Do you see other matters as priorities?

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I am interested in seeing some money set aside for interim work before major projects start. I get the sense that council focusses too much on major projects and misses out on trials and temporary work. Having said that, the Bond Street space is the sort of thing that I want much more of.

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Comments

The presentation of the Long Term Plan has been very interesting. It's great to see new types of engagement with residents. Similarly, please continue with the streaming council meetings.

Attached Documents

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| 2015-25 Draft Long-term Plan |

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Submission

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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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Should Council take action to improve our international air connections?

- Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

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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

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

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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

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Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

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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

Comments included in attached document.

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
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My age is

- under 18 years
 18-29 years
 30-39 years
 40-49 years
 50-59 years
 60 years and older
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Have you ever made a submission on a draft annual or long-term plan before?

- Yes
 No
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Which of the following best describes you?

- Residential ratepayer
 Commercial ratepayer
 Residential and commercial ratepayer
 I rent
 Other
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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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Support the broad approach taken in the plan of investing for growth, in addition to providing current levels of service?

Support

Support 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'?

Support

Airport extension

Support.

Comments:

We recognise the benefits an airport runway extension would bring to the city – direct flights to Asia and West Coast of the United States would make Wellington more of an international hub for business and tourism.

We're not in a position to comment on the return on investment. However, if the numbers included in the long term plan are accurate, then it makes sense to invest in the airport extension as a piece of meaningful long-term infrastructure.

We're also not in a position to fully understand the intention of the airlines, who will deliver the economic growth and we wouldn't like to see the airport turned into an international 'hub' that is then underutilized by airlines. However, we trust that the consent process required to commence this work will ensure sufficient rigour surrounds the decision to go ahead.

With the extension of the runway, our concern is that the airport-to-city-to-suburb transportation would cause congestion problems spilling into citizen transport congestion. We would expect the Council's priority, if the airport extension was to go ahead, would be to seriously invest in transportation infrastructure, which is currently weak, to meet the needs of increased visitors to the City. We'd also like to see Council investment and concerted efforts towards a light rail connection from the airport to the Hutt, and from the airport to the northern suburbs, with road improvement around the Basin Reserve. We'd strongly support any initiative to address City transport congestion issues, even if the airport extension proposal doesn't proceed.

Should the Council support the tech sector to stimulate it to grow?

Strongly support.

In general, we strongly support the Council making it easier for businesses to operate in Wellington. We'd suggest the Council looks at incentives to bring a variety of growing businesses to Wellington.

Specific to the tech industry, we strongly support the concept of a tech innovation / incubator type facility or hub. The tech industry is one of Wellington's competitive advantages, and should be actively nurtured and grown. Options for this may include providing start-ups with capital or grants and access to subsidies for required technology and cheap office spaces.

We'd caution against initiating a completely new Tech Hub without involvement from existing incubator/innovation players, and from businesses in the technology space and perhaps local tertiary institutions also. We'd suggest the Council reviews all existing arrangements, and find ways to work with existing providers, who are already trying to increase tech involvement. If it hasn't already, the Council could engage further with outfits such as Biz Dojo, Creative HQ, Enspiral Dev Academy and Summer of Tech, to name a few, and collaborate on ways parties may work together to bring and keep the best IT talent in the region.

An advantage of a Tech Hub is the connections that are developed by people being in close proximity to others in the industry. Existing successful programmes encourage innovation and it may help those programmes if they are under one roof in a Tech hub, or alternatively, if kept separate, that the range of tech innovation players are connected to each other well.

In order for the tech innovation facility to work well, we'd like to see the close involvement of existing tech companies, who will indirectly reap benefits of the facility. Tech businesses like Trade Me and Xero could provide mentorship and access to technology and people. If the Tech Hub has the support of all relevant players in the industry, it would make it easier for established ICT companies to connect with local talent and startups, to address industry problems, challenges and opportunities and connect the sector.

There should be an equal emphasis on encouraging talented graduates to connect with local jobs. Programmes such as Summer of Tech are doing this, and should be supported to continue their work. The Summer of Tech Programme helps Wellington (and non-Wellington) ICT employers find and hire local ICT graduates. Council could look at ways to host relevant parts of Summer of Tech in the Tech Hub, which could become a place to connect talent with opportunity. Through supporting this existing successful programme, Council could help ICT companies hire local graduates, through encouragement (whether through publicity, story-telling etc), or financial or other incentives to hire and train junior ICT graduates, instead of companies waiting for experienced senior tech talent to arrive fully formed.

The initiative we've mentioned in the open comments section at the end of this submission around opening up Council data through APIs, which would allow third parties to develop real time applications, is something that could work in conjunction with the proposed Tech Hub.

Should Council support private owners with the strengthening of heritage buildings?

Neutral.

To some extent, the Council should support private owners strengthen heritage buildings. We need some historical buildings to preserve the heritage and also make the city more interesting. However, it's not practical to put money into saving all buildings. Sometimes it's simply better to knock something down and start again. We need to build a city for the next hundred years, rather than tip millions into buildings that will require millions more in 30-40 years. The Council should also be consistent in its dealings with all developers/private owners and not be supportive to some developers, to the disadvantage of other developers.

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

Support.

The Town Hall is a special building, which should be looked after so people can continue going to concerts, festivals and conferences there for decades. We'd support the strengthening of the Town Hall, and other earthquake prone buildings in the Civic Square as long as the cost is not absurd.

We also support the concept of leasing out land and office space in order to offset costs, as long as it doesn't prohibit ongoing public use of the key facilities.

Wellington's civic and business sector strength is built on people being able to easily walk around the town and meet with people, and to walk from office to café to civic space. We'd suggest Council should look at the concept of a civic square with fresh eyes, and wider than the existing Civic Square precinct. Perhaps Wellington's true civic square should extend from the Basin Reserve to the Railway Station, with an idea to pedestrianise further.

Support Council's plan to provide a new and improved venue for concerts?

Support.

Yes, but only if it is fit for purpose, addresses the needs of the acts that would come, and the business case stacks up. The lack of a decent indoor venue is a huge gap in our community facilities. The venue would need to be a similar size as the Vector Arena in Auckland, in order to attract big concerts. It would also need to be in a central location, accessible from the railway station. We don't want to see a venue built that is not fit for purpose and later find that it is under-utilised.

We also support the concept of Council funding for a convention centre. In terms of funding, \$4m seems like a small investment. However, if a new convention centre would increase the number of conferences in Wellington, attract events, increase Wellington's international profile, help Wellington businesses and research organisations strengthen connections with counterparts overseas, then we'd be supportive of the investment.

Support upgrading sports facilities where need has been demonstrated?

Support.

Depends on what we mean by sports facilities. Wellington's geography makes it hard to find suitable flat ground for sports fields. The limited amount means that they are typically overused and of poor quality. Synthetic fields have helped, but we are at a disadvantage to Auckland, where large field space is more readily available. We need the city to be a great place to work and live, which means upgrading facilities that enable people to easily get out and play sports of all types, and in all weathers, are needed.

Regarding the Basin Reserve, we appreciate the history of this venue, and its uniqueness to New Zealand. While we may not expect significant financial benefits from the redevelopment, we'd like to see it preserved as a Wellington asset and retained as the premier Test cricket venue in New Zealand while increasing its usage for all community groups.

Support the development of new tourism experiences to attract new visitors and get them to stay longer?

Support.

In general, we support the development of new tourism experiences to attract visitors and get them to stay longer.

We question whether a WWI museum would cause additional people to come to Wellington that are not already visiting the city. The concept of an international film museum is appealing, and we would stress the importance of executing this idea alongside and with close involvement from Sir Peter Jackson and other industry experts. We also support the concept of supporting the establishment of an Ocean Exploration Centre to provide opportunities to discover Wellington's marine life and ocean environment. Given the presence of many hills around Wellington, including the scenic Mt Victoria, perhaps an additional drawcard for tourists could include activity based options similar to the Queenstown or Rotorua luges.

Alongside the concept of creating new museum attractions, we'd like to see sufficient funding for Te Papa, to ensure it remains an appealing national museum.

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

Neutral.

We support the concept of better, more efficient street lighting. However, we question the idea of immediate investment in LED street lights if the technology may reduce in price considerably over the next few years. We'd also suggest investigating other options, such as solar, in an attempt to mitigate LED being redundant in the next 5 – 10 years. Perhaps wait, investigate other options, and then replace the current ones towards the end of their life.

While the concept of installing wireless car park sensors in the central city sounds interesting, we don't think this should be a high priority Council initiative. We think there would be better cost/benefits for other technology opportunities. For example, extending free wifi across the CBD, and increasing broadband pipes.

Another initiative the Council should consider, and one that we'd strongly support, which would help reduce Council costs and benefit the community, would be to consider opening up its data through APIs. The Council should do this as part of any system it plans to build that does not require disclosure of personally identifiable information. Third parties could be free to develop real time transport applications using Greater Wellington Regional Council live data, for example, to extend a car park lease remotely, and check traffic conditions easily, to name a few examples. The parties working on these initiatives could work alongside the proposed Tech hub.

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

Strongly support.

We strongly support the implementation of a safe cycling network to encourage people to cycle. We have one of the most compact cities in the world and consider that a world class cycling infrastructure would fix a lot of the City's congestion problems. We stress the need for a safe cycling network, particularly at the end of the motorway, where cycles currently travel in the same lane as vehicles. For

inner city cycling, it would be great to see a bike share network set up as an alternative public transport system.

Support proposal to improve public spaces such as laneways?

Support.

We should continue to improve the appearance, accessibility and safety of our public places. Lanes should be made safe and more enjoyable and appealing to walk in. However, any improvement should be measured, as you can always do more but there may only be marginal benefit.

If the Council does want to foster a Tech Hub, particularly in the central city, that part of the city needs to be safe, lively and useable for the people who work there. Generally, up and coming tech businesses attract young workers living centrally, and developing activities and fostering business in the lanes is certain to be a positive for that demographic. The climate does need to be considered though – allowing some lanes to be partially roofed over, and allowing for outdoor heating, would encourage innovative and day/night uses. Development first of lanes around the Manners St/Dixon St/Opera House area seems logical.

There are many opportunities to enliven Wellington's lanes with street art, lighting works, exhibitions and performances. Those uses dovetail with investment in events - like CupaDupa, which bring the community together and make people proud of their city. Events like this inspire people to get active within their community and create a sense of acceptance amongst all kinds of people. Wellington should harness its wonderful weirdness!

We support the broader initiative of creating a sense of place, and strengthening Wellington's identity and culture as a place of creativity. This in turn encourages innovation and business and attracts people to the tech industry.

Our tech & healthcare industries in Wellington are going to continue to hire people from overseas, and many will settle in the city centre, often living in the apartment areas and inner suburbs. They're attracted by high quality of life, and the ease of walking around town in civic and work life (they often don't own cars). "Selling" Wellington to its future tech & creative innovators will increasingly be based on civic life. We shouldn't underestimate the importance of civic development in attracting tech industry to Wellington.

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

Neutral.

We support this concept to an extent, particularly in relation to housing and utilities where there is an element of 'build it and they will come'. Council's contribution to high density developments should be around transport and commercial hubs. The suburbs of Johnsonville, Karori and Tawa appear to be suburbs that may be able to absorb future scale. Development shouldn't just be limited to outer Wellington suburbs, but also inner Wellington suburbs, like Newtown. We also consider that there is an element of considering what the commercial sector is building also. For example, if Westfield revamp the Johnsonville Mall, then the Council should also invest in the surrounding suburb and area.

Do you see other matters as priorities?

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Dear Sir/Madam

2015 Long Term Plan – support for a Citizenship Education Centre for New Zealand children on Wellington’s waterfront

Councillor Simon Woolf is proposing that the Council’s Long Term Plan 2015-25 should include provision to support the establishment of a Citizenship Centre on the Wellington waterfront.

Support would take the form of a conditional undertaking to gift a long-term lease on Site 9.

To enable Councillors and officials to consider Councillor Woolf’s proposal, we have attached a preliminary Business Case.

The Citizenship Trust and its professional advisors, including Warren and Mahoney and Grant Thornton, would welcome any opportunity to provide any further information to the Council.

We would also like to make an oral submission on the inclusion of the proposed conditional gifting of Site 9 in the Council’s Long Term Plan.

Yours sincerely

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1. Executive Summary

The Citizenship Trust seeks to establish and operate a Citizenship Centre for New Zealand. The Centre will occupy an iconic new building strategically located on Wellington's waterfront.

The Centre will make citizenship education programmes delivered 'on location' in Wellington a realistic goal for all New Zealand school children. It will complement Council-funded citizenship education initiatives and the work of our local and national institutions.

Establishment of the Citizenship Centre is a once-in-a-lifetime legacy project that will make an enduring and tangible contribution to citizenship education and ultimately to the strength of New Zealand's democracy.

This Business Case has been prepared for the Wellington City Council and outlines:

- the need to which the Centre will respond
- the modest nature of support sought from the Council
- how the Centre will be funded
- the benefits that the Centre will deliver for Wellington and the whole of New Zealand, and
- the nature of risks to Council and how they may be mitigated.

This Business Case is intended to provide the Council with the information necessary to allocate support for the Centre within its Long Term Plan 2015-25. The Citizenship Trust and its professional advisors, including Warren and Mahoney and Grant Thornton, would welcome any opportunity to provide further information to Council.

2. The issue – declining participation

New Zealand's democracy is the foundation for the stability and security that its citizens enjoy. However declining participation in democratic processes is a deep-seated and worrying trend within New Zealand society, particularly amongst our young people.

Research suggests that the non-participation of the young is now both higher and lasting for longer. The 2013 Inquiry of the Justice and Electoral Committee into the 2011 New Zealand General Election¹ reported that:

- voter turnout in 2011 was 6% lower than in the previous election in 2008
- voter turnout in 2011 was at the lowest level since 1882; and
- there was a clear trend for young people who did not vote at their first opportunity to also do not vote in subsequent elections.

Voter turnout in local body elections is considerably lower.

¹ refer <http://www.citizenship.org.nz/images/docs/Inquiryintothe2011generalelection.pdf>

Effective citizenship education is widely accepted as being essential to achieving sustained increases in democratic participation.

3. Citizenship Education

Effective citizenship education enables young people to:

- explore questions about democracy, justice, and inequality, how we are governed and organised
- learn to work together to create solutions that try to address challenges facing neighbourhoods and wider communities, and
- develop political literacy and efficacy so that they may make a positive contribution to society as informed and responsible citizens.

Evidence suggests that citizenship education is likely to be more effective if it is not simply delivered in the classroom.

In 2012 research undertaken by Wellington Museums Trust (WMT)² noted that:

1. two thirds of schools felt that all children should at some stage during their formal education visit Wellington, but
2. a very small percentage of our total school age population currently visited Wellington - only 9,500-10,500 students and teachers from outside Wellington each year
3. the barriers that currently limit school visits include:
 - cost
 - the lack of a centre agency or source for bookings
 - limits on the availability of accommodation suitable for children
 - the lack of a joined up approach to teaching about civics and citizenship.

Following WMT's research, the Council and WMT have committed funding to address some of these barriers. Amongst recent initiatives a teacher portal has been launched and a one-off project is underway to bring low decile Wellington region schools to Wellington for a day - '150 years: 150 Buses'.

4. A Citizenship Centre for New Zealand children on Wellington waterfront

In an iconic building on Wellington's waterfront the Centre will address a long standing and significant barrier to citizenship education programmes in Wellington – access to central, safe and affordable accommodation suitable for school children.

The Centre will provide:

- appropriate accommodation and related facilities for up to 200 children and their accompanying teachers and parents
- a proactive visit planning service that will assist schools with fund raising, arrange affordable transport, arrange their itineraries and make their booking with Wellington destinations, and

² <http://www.wmt.org.nz/PDF/LearningaboutNationhoodFINALREPORT.pdf>

- a focal point for citizenship and participation issues that will raise awareness throughout New Zealand.

The facilities and services of the Citizenship Centre will also be available to supervised groups of children and young people visiting Wellington for educational, sporting, cultural, religious or other purposes. For example the Centre will provide:

- Inner City classrooms: there is strong interest in this concept from Wellington schools
- Career focused programmes: working with Wellington's tertiary education providers and professional groups, the Centre may offer career-focused programmes to assist senior secondary students to decide on their tertiary education/career preferences
- Holiday sport and recreation programmes: working with local sport and recreational groups, the Centre may offer experiences such as sailing training, which might otherwise be inaccessible to young New Zealanders from inland or lower socio-economic areas

Groups such as the *Globe Theatre Trust*, the *Skylight Trust* and the *Spirit of Adventure Trust* have indicated their enthusiasm to use the Centre's facilities in pursuit of their particular goals.

All of these complementary uses of the Centre will support the broader concept of 'participation as a way of life' for young New Zealanders.

Equality of access, irrespective of decile rating or distance from Wellington is a key goal for the Citizenship Trust. To achieve this the Trust will:

- operate a charging regime which offers rebates based on the school decile and its distance from Wellington
- support the Council's proposal to central government for a discount scheme for school travel to Wellington similar to the PACER scheme that assists Australian schools to visit Canberra.

5. The importance of Site 9

Located on Site 9 at the northern end of Wellington waterfront, the Citizenship Centre will:

1. fully realise its potential benefits to both Wellington city and the whole of New Zealand
2. provide appropriate levels of convenience and safety for school children visiting Wellington, and
3. best meet Wellington ratepayers' desire for the use of their waterfront.



Fully realising the potential

On Site 9 the Centre will become:

- a significant national institution, strongly connected to Te Papa, the National War Memorial Park, Parliament and other major institutions within the parliamentary precinct
- a local and national focal point for participation and citizenship education, and
- an iconic addition to the Wellington cityscape.

This potential will not be realised unless the Centre is established in a location with the profile and exposure offered by Site 9.



Safety and convenience for visiting school children

Site 9 is located within safe and easy walking distance of:

- the most common central city destinations for visiting schools - Parliament, Te Papa and Capital E, and

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- the arrival points for scheduled transport services that many school groups will use, i.e. inter-island ferry terminals, bus terminals (local and intercity) and Wellington Railway Station.

The ability to walk along the waterfront to and from their common destinations will save school children time, reduce their local travel expenses and increase safety.

The combination of convenience, cost savings and safety offered by the Site 9 location will make a visit to Wellington a more attractive and realistic option for more schools.

Wellington ratepayers' desire for the use of their waterfront

Wellingtonians are vocal about the use of their waterfront.

The Trust believes that the iconic design of the Centre and its intended use will be well received by the community and will attract very limited opposition in comparison to an alternative commercial or residential use for Site 9. Importantly the Centre will be considerably below the height limit suggested by the Environment Court.

The 2001 Waterfront Framework and the 2012 Design Brief for North Kumutoto represent the Wellington ratepayer's aspirations for the use of their waterfront. In mid-2013 Wellington Waterfront Ltd's Technical Advisory Group considered the Citizenship Centre against the Waterfront Framework and the Design Brief, and concluded:

"The concept is strongly supported. This is a compelling idea that would be strategically good for the city and would offer significant social benefits.

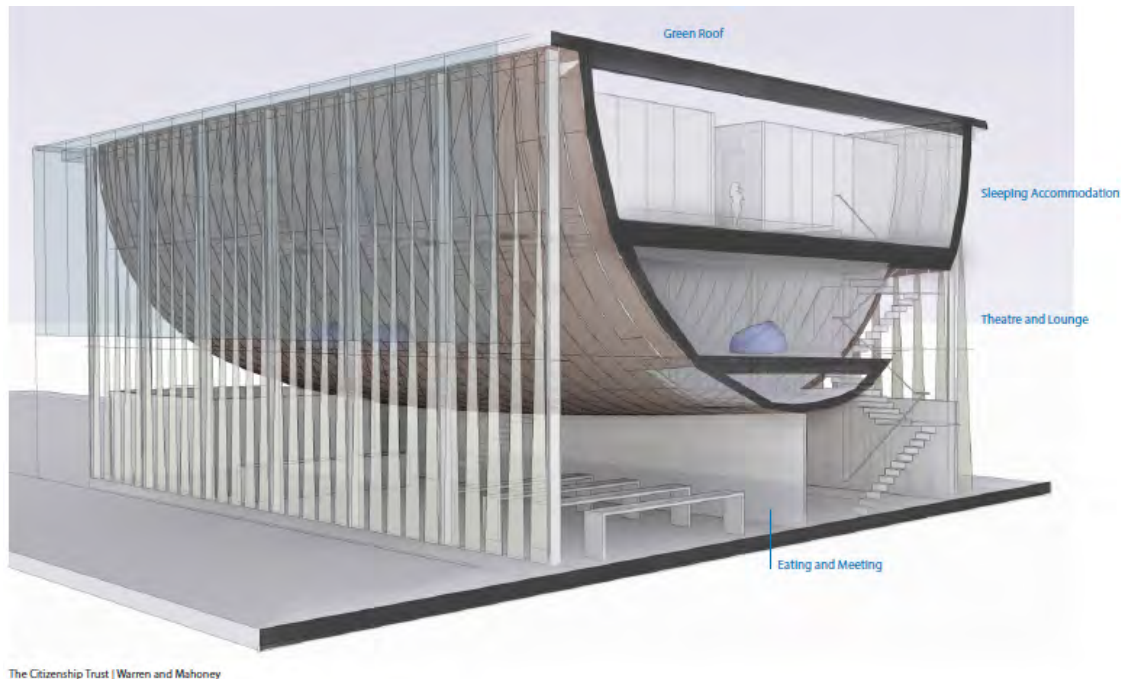
- a) *The project focuses explicitly on civic amenity /public good*
- b) *Having visiting children on the waterfront would be positive, and would enliven this part of the waterfront with occupation and activity particularly after hours*
- c) *The site would showcase the best of Wellington to young visitors. This gives visiting children a 'front row seat'*
- d) *Site 9 is demonstrably well-located at the centre of the attractions for the intended visitor group*
- e) *The building would bring a new and different demographic to the waterfront."*

6. Initial Design

Leading Wellington architects Warren and Mahoney have created an iconic design for the Citizenship Centre.

A largely transparent glass exterior encloses a suspended hammock clad in timber.

The ground floor provides facilities for school groups to gather, eat, learn and rest.



The hammock provides safe and secure dormitory-style accommodation for up to 200 children, teachers and accompanying parents, along with a multi purpose theatre and teaching space.

Space may be available to provide a long-term location for organisations with complementary areas of interest, for example the Electoral Commission or Capital E.

Warren and Mahoney's initial architectural design and planning is attached to this Business Case. The Trust understands that the design will be subject to Council approval following a public consultation process.

7. Evidence of Demand

There are more than 700,000 school age children and young people in New Zealand, and more than 2000 schools.

The Citizenship Trust has accumulated solid evidence of demand from schools for the services that the Centre will provide. The sources of this evidence include:

- A survey conducted by the Kidz Hotel Trust in 2002
- A repeat of that survey conducted in 2013
- Booking inquiries received
- Many hundreds of supportive letters and emails from teachers and others.

The table below summarises and compares the findings of the 2002 and 2013 surveys.

| | 2013 survey | | | 2002 survey | | |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|------------|------------|
| Respondent numbers | 336 schools | | | 543 schools | | |
| 1. Do students from your school currently visit Wellington | | | | | | |
| Yes | 50.3% | | | 53.7% | | |
| No | 49.7% | | | 46.2% | | |
| 2. If yes, how frequently? | | | | | | |
| Annually | 25.1% | | | 43.1% | | |
| Less than annually | 60.6% | | | 55.8% | | |
| More than annually | 14.3% | | | Not asked | | |
| Didn't answer | (161) | | | (251) | | |
| 3. Regarding accommodation please rank the following in order of priority | | | | | | |
| | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 1st | 2nd | 3rd |
| A safe facility | 81% | 10.0% | 8% | 92% | 2% | 6% |
| A central location | 31% | 30% | 40% | 50% | 37% | 12% |
| An affordable price | 50% | 35% | 16% | 58% | 12% | 30% |
| 4. Ideally how many nights would your students stay? | | | | | | |
| 0 | 3.0 % | | | Not asked | | |
| 1 | 7.4 % | | | 5 % | | |
| 2 | 21.1 % | | | 17 % | | |
| 3 | 37.8 % | | | 32 % | | |
| 4 | 25.6 % | | | 46 % | | |
| 4+ | 5.1 % | | | Not asked | | |
| 5. How many students would you typically wish to bring to Wellington on a single group? | | | | | | |
| No classes | 2.5% | | | Not asked | | |
| 1 Class | 56.3% | | | 57 | | |
| 2 classes | 30.7% | | | 34 | | |
| 3 classes | 10.4% | | | 9 | | |
| Didn't reply | (20) | | | - | | |
| 6. Would you consider the availability of learning spaces to be: | | | | | | |
| Very Valuable | 43.4% | | | 43.8% | | |
| Useful | 47.2% | | | 42.0% | | |
| Not necessary | 9.5% | | | 10.7% | | |
| Didn't reply | (20) | | | | | |
| 7. Would your school be interested in full IT facilities being available? | | | | | | |
| Yes | 72.8% | | | 84.5% | | |
| No | 27.2% | | | 9.4% | | |
| Didn't reply | (20) | | | | | |
| 8. Value of visit planning service? | | | | | | |
| Very valuable | 60.1% | | | 70.7% | | |
| Useful | 32.9% | | | 21.0 | | |
| Not necessary | 7.0% | | | 4.0% | | |
| Didn't reply | (20) | | | | | |
| 9. What is a reasonable and affordable price for bed and breakfast? | | | | | | |
| Less than \$10 | 18.4 | | | Not included in 2002 survey | | |
| \$10 - \$20 | 81.6 | | | | | |
| Didn't reply | (20) | | | | | |
| 10. If staying overnight in Wellington what is your most likely choice for an evening meal? | | | | | | |
| Self-catered | 59.5% | | | Not included in 2002 survey | | |
| Takeaway | 27.5% | | | | | |
| Affordable Restaurant | 13.0% | | | | | |
| Didn't reply | (20) | | | | | |
| 11. In the next few years how much prominence do you expect to give to teaching your students about the opportunities, rights and obligations of being a citizen? | | | | | | |
| More | 35.4% | | | Not included in 2002 survey | | |
| About the same | 63.3% | | | | | |
| Less | 1.3% | | | | | |

The Trust would welcome the opportunity to present further evidence to Council officials of demand for the facilities and services that the Centre will offer.

8. Funding the establishment of the Citizenship Centre

Having secured Council support in the form of a conditional undertaking to gift a long-term lease on Site 9, the Citizenship Trust will implement a campaign to raise funding to complete the establishment of the Centre.

The campaign will seek \$14 million comprising:

- Building - \$11m
- Fit Out - \$1m
- Working Capital - \$2m

The campaign will be targeted at:

- high net-worth individuals
- corporates
- philanthropic organisations
- the Lottery Grants Board via the Significant Projects or Community Facilities Fund, and
- other individual donors.

The Trustees' initial discussions with a range of potential funders provide confidence that this campaign will be successful.

No funding will be sought from the Council to meet building construction or fit-out costs.

9. Funding the operation of the Citizenship Centre

The Citizenship Trust is committed to operating the Centre on a financially viable basis that will be sustainable over the long term. To achieve this:

- operating costs of the Centre will be met by accommodation and other user charges
- there will be no expectation of, or reliance on operational grants from the Council or the government
- accommodation rebates to low decile/distant schools will be funded independently through corporate and philanthropic support, and
- a very lean cost structure will be maintained.

Examples of how a lean structure will be achieved include:

- teachers and accompanying parents will provide supervision – the Trust will not employ staff to provide supervision
- children will bring sleeping bags and towels – avoiding the cost of providing a linen service, and
- evening meals will be prepared by accompanying parents or volunteers such as tertiary catering students seeking work experience – the Trust will not employ kitchen staff except in a supervisory capacity.

The Trust's financial modelling has been prepared by Grant Thornton. We would welcome the opportunity to present this financial modelling to Council officials.

10. Benefits to Wellington

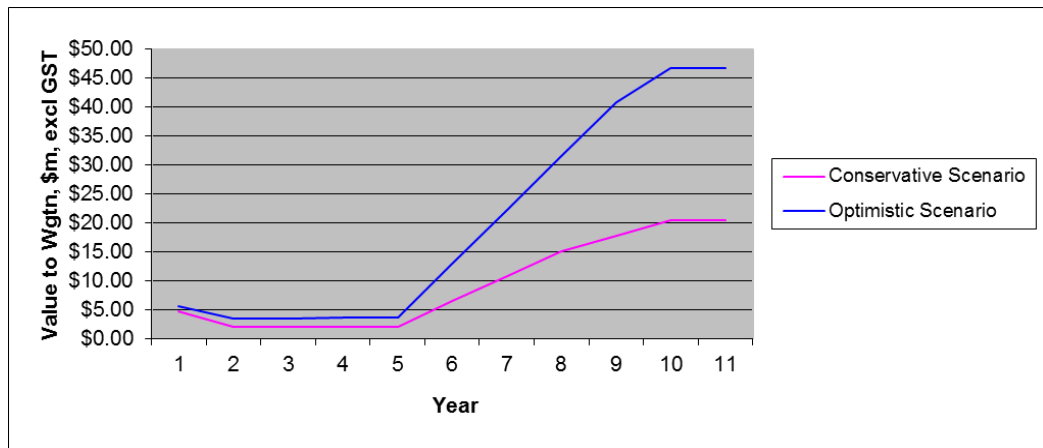
The Citizenship Centre will provide a broad range of social economic benefits to Wellington:

- add an additional dimension to the existing attractions of the Wellington waterfront
- provide a high profile focal point in Wellington for positive engagement with young New Zealanders
- bring enormous vitality to the north Kumutoto area of Wellington waterfront
- add significantly to visitor levels and revenues for key attractions in Wellington – Parliament, Te Papa, Wellington Zoo, Zealandia, the Museum of Wellington City and Sea, Capital E, Pukeahu National War Memorial Park
- leave young New Zealanders with a very positive impression of Wellington and a strong desire to return later in life to study, work, and live or to visit.

"Hitting Wellington at night was just so amazing, whichever way you turned there were bright lights and big tall buildings. There were historical landmarks and architectural wonders. Places I could see myself living in one day...the impact of all these sights blows you away a million times if you come from a place as small as Nuhaka."

Courtney Smith, student, Nuhaka School, East Coast

The Trust has quantified the economic benefits that will arise for Wellington from the operation of the Citizenship Centre. This modelling shows that the values of the economic benefits will reach between \$20.5m (conservative) and \$46.8m (optimistic) per annum after 6 years:



The model also projects direct increases in Wellington tertiary student numbers and young adult workers:

| (Optimistic scenario) | Tertiary Students | Adult workers | Total |
|-----------------------|-------------------|---------------|-------|
| In Year 6 | 181 | 181 | 363 |
| In Year 7 | 363 | 363 | 726 |
| In Year 8 | 544 | 544 | 1088 |
| in Year 9 | 726 | 726 | 1452 |
| In Years 10+ | 907 | 726 | 1633 |

The conclusions that can be drawn from this economic modelling are:

1. The immediate economic benefits to the Wellington economy of spending by school groups staying at the Citizenship Centre are estimated at \$1.8m - \$3.2m per annum.
2. A reasonable estimate of the amount of school expenditure in Wellington that would be spent at ratepayer subsidised destinations (e.g. Capital E, Te Papa, the Zoo, the Cable Car, Carter Observatory, and Zealandia) is 33%, i.e. \$460,000 - \$850,000 per annum.
3. The full economic benefits that will arise from the influence of a visit to Wellington on children's subsequent decisions regarding study and work location are very significant – within 10 years reaching \$17.4m - \$40.2m per annum.
4. Importantly these are all net inflows to the Wellington economy. By contrast an office or residential development on Site 9 on Wellington's waterfront would be unlikely to create any net economic benefits from Wellington beyond the one-off value of building construction.

The Trust would welcome the opportunity to present its modelling to Council officials.

11. Risks to Council

The Trust believes that support for the Citizenship Trust need not create a material financial risk to the Council or ratepayers.

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With respect to establishment:

- The Council's only contribution will take the form of a long term lease on Site 9
- the Citizenship Trust will seek the balance of its capital funding requirement from the philanthropic sector
- if the Trust is unsuccessful in its capital fund raising programme, Site 9 would be available to the Council for an alternative non-commercial or commercial development.

With respect to the operation of the Citizenship Centre, the Council will not become a default 'funder of last resort' because:

- there is proven evidence of actual, current demand that will yield sufficient revenue via user charges to fully meet operating costs
- the Trust is absolutely committed to a sustainable, lean cost structure described above, and
- if as seems unlikely the Centre becomes unsustainable from user charges:
 - central government would be the logical default funder, as citizenship education is a national rather than local need; and
 - the Trust's building could readily be adapted for other public purposes.

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How are all these things going to be financed is my question. Can all ratepayers afford yet more of a burden.

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In the past 10 years Wellington residential rates have risen 61%. The average wage used by the government when determining pension increases has risen 36% in the same period. What does this mean for the pensioner and others on fixed incomes, it means going without healthcare, good nutrition, home heating and other things that promote well being.

Should Council take action to improve our international air connections?

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Comments

This is not an immediate priority as with such a low population airlines do not see Wellington as a viable international hub. We see some international services to Christchurch being withdrawn. A portend of things to come.

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We need full time positions created, not the short term ones the film industry generates using massive subsidies.

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In life there are always risks, and we as private owners need to take the good with the bad.

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Demolish the town hall and build a replica if it works out to be less expensive.

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

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Where it can be conclusively substantiated that such events bring money into the city we must maintain them.

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Affordability is the question to be asked.

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As long as the costs are carried by the private sector and not the ratepayers.

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The topography of Wellington does not lend itself to such except in a few areas. Creating such will require a rethink on if we should be mixing modes of transport on the city streets.

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I urge all WCC councillors to consider affordability recognising the incomes on many are stretched already.

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| WCCsubmissionFLINDERS |
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An example of the income versus the WCC rates for a Karori resident on the single pension.

| YEAR | GROSS Pension | NETT Pension | WEEKLY after tax | INCREASE \$ | INCREASE % | RATES | Minimum Wage/hr | Average Wage/hr |
|-------|---------------|--------------|------------------|-------------|------------|-------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 2004 | 15669 | 12952.68 | 249.09 | | | | 8.50 | 20.21 |
| 2005 | 16105 | 13302.12 | 255.81 | 436 | 2.71 | 2800 | 9.00 | 20.96 |
| 2006 | 16646 | 13722.80 | 263.90 | 541 | 3.25 | | 10.25 | 22.25 |
| 2007 | 17505 | 14407.12 | 277.06 | 859 | 4.91 | 3238 | 11.25 | 23.14 |
| 2008 | 18084 | 14865.24 | 285.87 | 579 | 3.20 | 3514 | 12.00 | 24.45 |
| 2009 | 18954 | 16169.40 | 310.95 | 870 | 4.59 | 3661 | 12.50 | 25.42 |
| 2010 | 19425 | 16542.24 | 318.12 | 471 | 2.42 | 3944 | 12.75 | 25.71 |
| 2011 | 20235 | 17675.84 | 339.92 | 810 | 4.00 | 4173 | 13.00 | 26.53 |
| 2012 | 20803 | 18143.84 | 348.92 | 568 | 2.73 | 4262 | 13.50 | 27.27 |
| 2013 | 21336 | 18585.84 | 357.42 | 533 | 2.50 | 4386 | 13.75 | 27.98 |
| 2014 | 21931 | 19080.88 | 366.94 | 595 | 2.71 | 4500 | 14.25 | 28.62 |
| 2015 | 22417 | 19475.56 | 374.53 | 486 | 2.07 | | 14.75 | |
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| 2005 | 16105 | | | | | 2800 | 9.00 | 20.96 |
| UP BY | 5826 | | | | | 1700 | 5.25 | 7.66 |
| UP % | 36 | | | | | 61 | 58.33 | 36.55 |

What this shows is the idea of a property value reflecting ability to pay is incorrect and some means of addressing this imbalance needs to be instituted. For a start the long awaiting introduction uniform charges for various services would ensure that most who live in Wellington contribute to the cost of the services they enjoy.

The average home, which I believe has a value of \$500,000, may contain several wage earning adults who pay a quarter or less per head for the same WCC services an elderly person on the pension pays.

The suggestion from the Mayor that those struggling to pay their rates should in effect take out a reverse mortgage, by using the rates payment deferral option, overlooks a vital issue. Not all will die in their own homes and many may have to go into expensive rest home care will be relying on the proceeds of their homes to finance such.

If the WCC had kept rates increases to the same level as pension increases, in percentage terms, then there may be a case for affordability. However the ratepayers are seen as cash cows for councillors' flights of fancy. Again for the next financial year we see that residential rates will rise at least 3.1% again being 50% more than the pension increase 2015/2016.

What WCC councillors see as an increase of less than a cup of coffee per week, actually represents to some a day in the winter they leave their heaters off.

Keith Flinders

23 Homewood Ave

Karori.

From: [Panna Patel](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Friday, 17 April 2015 10:32:50 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 |
| Write a message to the council | It would be great if the council could commit to making cycling in Wellington safer so that cyclists, pedestrians and drivers can all use the roads safely without fear of being in the way or hurting each other. |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

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Antoinette Bliss

From: Neill Barr <n.barr@niwa.co.nz>
Sent: Sunday, 29 March 2015 10:30 p.m.
To: BUS: Long Term Plan
Subject: Long Term Plan submission

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Yes
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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
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- Cook Island
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Other issues/matters or general comments

Comments

Attached Documents

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| 2015-25 Draft Long-term Plan |

From: [Rose Bridger](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: SUBMISSION ON LONG TERM PLAN (LTP)
Date: Friday, 17 April 2015 9:43:17 a.m.

Please find below my SUBMISSION ON LONG TERM PLAN (LTP) 2015-2025

Based in the UK I am the author of a book about aviation: [Plane Truth: Aviation's Real Impact on People and the Environment](#) and a founder member of the [Global Anti-Aerotropolis Movement \(GAAM\)](#).

SUBMISSION ON LONG TERM PLAN (LTP) 2015-2025

To: Wellington City Council

From: Rose Bridger, 68 Barcroft Road, Huddersfield HD4 6LD, UK

Date: 16 April 2015

I would like to make a few points regarding the exaggerated claims of economic benefits from airport expansion by drawing attention to relevant research from Europe and at the international level:

There is substantial credible evidence that the purported economic benefits of airport expansion are routinely exaggerated. For example, a report commissioned by HACAN (Heathrow Association for the Control of Aircraft Noise) 'The economics of Heathrow expansion', exposed the inadequacies of the methodology used to determine the necessity of a third runway <http://www.hacan.org.uk/resources/briefings/ce.delft.press.release.and.key.points.pdf>

One important aspect that was not factored into the case for a third runway at Heathrow Airport was the economic loss through the substantial tax breaks that the industry receives, including on aviation fuel and VAT.

In Germany the tax break on aviation fuel and VAT amounted to to €10.4 billion in 2011-12, over ten times higher than the €1 billion paid in air travel tax.

http://www.bund.net/fileadmin/bundnet/publikationen/verkehr/131120_bund_verkehr_auswirkungen_luftverkehrsteuer_studie_gesamt.pdf

Worldwide, economic losses through fuel tax breaks is estimated at €60 billion annually.

<http://www.euractiv.com/sections/climate-environment/responsible-flying-grounded-aviations-fuel-tax-exemption-313831>

Europe is littered with underutilised, and totally unused, 'ghost airports' which have been built with taxpayer funds. Taxpayers also prop up these airports through enormous subsidies to operating costs.

<http://rt.com/business/214503-ghost-airports-europe/>

Evidence is mounting that airports' claims that they act as an 'economic engine' for the wider region - including through 'aerotropolis' type associated commercial development - is overstated, particularly in comparison with other local infrastructure.

<http://blogs.lse.ac.uk/usappblog/2014/11/04/claims-that-airports-are-a-citys-economic-engine-are-overstated-especially-when-compared-to-other-local-infrastructure/>

Runway expansion would inevitably bring negative economic impacts resulting from environmental damage to coastal tourist attractions, the marine reserve and fisheries.

These economic arguments against runway extension add to the devastating environmental damage that would be caused by aviation growth. Climate change impacts are already impacting on Wellington Airport operations i.e. rising sea levels and increasing incidences and severity of strong winds, storms and rough seas.

Yours sincerely,

Rose Bridger

[Blog](#)

From: [Rosalind Atkinson](#)
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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 | Supporting cycling in Wellington is win-win: less carbon emissions, happier people, healthier population, more support for smaller local shops, keeping the \$\$ in the city. Cycling is NOT just the arena of vocal lycra-clad middle aged men who clump together on sunday mornings. It is an increasingly popular, practical, cheap, easy, fun and hip way to get around that more and more people are getting into. However the MAIN barrier is the feeling that cars are trying to kill you. This is not present in other cities I have cycled in in Europe and we can move beyond this also, but not without council guidance and investment. Getting behind separated cycleways is not just spending on cyclists, it is an investment in freeing up the roads, atmosphere and healthcare system for everyone. |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | Yes |

From: [Ellis Dawson](#)
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| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |
| I would like to volunteer for Generation Zero -Yes | yes |

2015-25 Draft Long-term Plan

Submission form

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Enter your name and contact details

Mr Mrs Ms Miss Dr

First name Michael

Last name Gunson

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Suburb Botany

City Auckland 2163

Phone 0226940898

Email info@surfbreak.org.nz

I would like to speak at a submission hearing Yes No

I am making this submission as an Individual Organisation

Name of organisation Surfbreak Protection Society Incorporated (SPS)

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?
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 Comments:

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Urban Growth Plan

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Other issues/matters or general comments

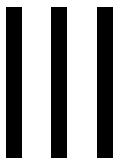
The Surfbreak Protection Society is opposed to the proposed Airport Extension South in to Lyall Bay until such time as an Assessment of Environmental Effects is provided that Adequately addresses our concerns for the protection of the immediate areas surf breaks and swell corridors.

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Wellington City Council

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SUBMISSION ON LONG TERM PLAN (LTP) 2015-2025

To: Wellington City Council

From: Martyn Howells, 35 Moa Point Road, Moa Point, Wellington 6022

Contact: Tel 04 3888518 martyngh@paradise.net.nz

Date: 16 April 2015

I have lived at Moa Point since 2003, as a residential ratepayer since 2006. I obviously have more concerns than most Wellingtonians about the proposal to extend the airport runway since such a development would seriously disrupt my way of life. I have chosen to make my submission on the LTP in this way because many of the questions in the Consultation Document are biased or obfuscating. I note that Survey Question 3 asks about support for 'improved international air connections'. This makes no reference to the proposal to extend the airport runway. Some of the arguments in favour of the proposal are questionable eg that more international students will come to Wellington because it will be easier to get here. Don't students choose an educational institution because of the courses it offers rather than the ease of travel? Its not as if international students plan on going home every weekend.

I hope that the council undertakes a rigorous and comprehensive analysis of the business case being developed by WIAL and expect to see a robust challenge of the assumptions underpinning the business case. But I am not confident that this will happen given that WCC has already committed \$2.95 million before any airline has expressed interest in long-haul flights in/out of Wellington.

My greatest fear is that WCC will be tempted into contributing more than NZ\$90 million if there is a shortfall on the estimated \$300 million (or is that \$350 million?) or whatever the final construction costs are. Lets have some guarantee that the ratepayers don't end up writing an open cheque.

Will there be any binding contracts with airlines that prevent them from terminating long-haul services? I doubt it so the worst case scenario could be a Runway to Nowhere to add to New Zealand's tourist attractions.

Much of the LTP and the Big Ideas makes me think of a hypochondriac searching the internet for cures for an imaginary disease.

I and my neighbours need assurance that our interests will be fully protected, no matter what the outcome - our expectation is that Wellington City Council will be

seeking the best outcome for its residents and that if the proposal were to proceed that the Council will look after the rights of those residents who will be significantly and negatively impacted by it.



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Methodist Church Te Haahi Weteriana - Public Issues Network

SUBMISSION: WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL LONG TERM PLAN RE THE LIVING WAGE. APRIL 2015

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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 Tauwiwi. Tauwiwi 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 Trinity Church Newtown has 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

Trinity Church and Public Issues, as a member of Living Wage Wellington, would like to speak to our submission.

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Introduction

Trinity Church is part of the Public Issues Network of the Methodist Church, which 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 community 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".ⁱ 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 where 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 and Trinity Church, join 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

Yvonne Curtis

On behalf of Trinity Church, Newtown

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>

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Thursday 16 April 2015

**Submission to Wellington City Council - Draft Annual/Long Term Plan 2015/2016-
Flouride in Wellington's Water Supply**

I do not give permission for my personal details to be released to persons under the Official Information Act 1982

Submitter:

Further to previous submissions, I write again *to ask the Wellington City Council, through your 2015/2016 Annual Plan, to stop the practice of water flouridation in our city's water supplies.*

The main reasons being:

1. Fluoride is not a water treatment like chlorine and it is not an essential nutrient.

The EU Commission of Health and Consumers recently stated that, 'people do not need fluoride for normal growth and development. I pay my rates to receive pure, clean water but I do not expect certain ingredients put in that pure water whether it is meant to treat our teeth or not.

Fluoride is added to the water as **treatment for the disease** of dental caries therefore it is a **medicine**. Fluoridation provides an uncontrolled fluoride dose. Local councils provide no dosage information or specific warnings for their fluoridated water supplies. If I want to ingest fluoride, I can get fluoride tablets from my pharmacy or brush my teeth with fluoridated toothpaste.

Further Wellington's water supplies are fluoridated with unapproved, unlicensed hydrofluorosilicic acid (HFA) or sodium silico fluoride (SSF). In Wellington, the fluoride added to our water is purchased from the Belgium company called Prayon - http://www.prayon.com/media/cms/PRAYON_OHSAS_18001.pdf. Why are we persisting in this practice when in August 2002 [Belgium became the first country in the world to prohibit fluoride supplements](#) .

2. Water Fluoridation as a medical treatment for the prevention of dental caries has been shown to be ineffective.

A recent World Health Organization survey reports a decline of dental decay in western Europe, which is 98% unfluoridated. Wellington Dentist Stan Litras also advises that:

"Robust reviews of the science suggest that in modern societies, water fluoridation is of negligible benefit, and there is no plausible evidence that it benefits adults, nor that it helps address social inequalities in oral health. On the other hand, recent research raises strong concern over damage to health, particularly in poorer communities".

3. Recent Studies Add Weight to Evidence that Fluoride is Potentially Dangerous to our Health

A 2013 study published in the journal *Archives of Toxicology*¹ showed a link between fluoride exposure and male infertility in mice. The study's findings suggest that sodium fluoride impairs the ability of sperm cells in mice to normally fertilize the egg through a process known as chemotaxis. This is the latest in more than 60 scientific studies on animals that have identified an association between male infertility and fluoride exposure.

According to a study in the journal *The Lancet Neurology* titled "Neurobehavioural effects of developmental toxicity," the effects of water fluoridation are shown to be devastating to brain health.²

It states:

Neurodevelopmental disabilities, including autism, attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder, dyslexia, and other cognitive impairments, affect millions of children worldwide, and some diagnoses seem to be increasing in frequency.

Researchers from the University of Zaragoza in Spain³ have also looked at the effects of water fluoridation on the progression of vascular calcification in renal (kidney) disease. It was observed that, for five days, the rats, all of whom had experimental chronic kidney disease (CKD), experienced calcification of their aortic smooth muscle cells. The rats also experienced further declines in renal function as a result of exposure to fluoride, demonstrating the nephrotoxicity of this common water additive.

In closing, many other municipalities around the world are moving to stop the practice of fluoridation. For example in 2013, [the Supreme Court of Israel ruled](#) that Israel must stop adding fluoride into public water supplies in one year, following a decision on fluoride's potential toxicity to humans by the [Israeli health minister](#)⁴.

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

Yours faithfully

¹ Lu, Z, et al. "In vivo influence of sodium fluoride on sperm chemotaxis in male mice.." *Archives of Toxicology* Jul 24 (2013). In vivo influence of sodium fluoride on sperm chemotaxis in male mice. (accessed November 20, 2013).

² [http://www.thelancet.com/journals/laneur/article/PIIS1474-4422\(13\)70278-3/abstract](http://www.thelancet.com/journals/laneur/article/PIIS1474-4422(13)70278-3/abstract)

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http://www.naturalnews.com/047357_water_fluoridation_calcification_cardiovascular_health.html

⁴ <http://www.washingtonsblog.com/2013/08/israel-joins-most-of-the-world-in-banning-water-fluoridation.html>

From: [Thomas Werry](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Thursday, 16 April 2015 10:01:27 p.m.

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| Name | Thomas Werry |
| Email | thomas.werry@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 |
| 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 think the speed limit should be reduced on most residential streets in wellington - (obviously not on the major thoroughfares). |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

From: [Sam Wevers](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Thursday, 16 April 2015 2:43:46 p.m.

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| Name | Sam Wevers |
| Email | sam.wevers@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 | <p>In the 1970s, Amsterdam was choked with cars. Then, a bold mayor made the decision that the city should be reclaimed. It was a contentious decision at the time. Now, Amsterdam is cycling heaven. You can cycle in the CBD, hop off, and have a coffee in a roadside café without any car exhaust in your face. Seville is also an example of how bold cycling policy can totally change a city.</p> <p>Further, pedestrianising (or significantly lessening car thoroughfare) improves retail turnover. It makes cities fun and liveable. It will make people want to move to Wellington. If we can't compete with Auckland on size, we have to on liveability.</p> <p>Then, there are the obvious positive side-effects of cycling - combating climate change, and obesity.</p> <p>Wellington is embarrassingly behind the times on cycling. Please fix that.</p> |

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

From: [Alan White](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: SUBMISSION
Date: Friday, 17 April 2015 10:46:08 a.m.

I am a Hutt resident (retired) who cycles into the CBD from Waterloo approximately once a month.

The Council needs to act on the dangerous Ngaraunga – Thorndon shared pathway as a matter of urgency. The injury stats clearly illustrate the dangers we face as we ride this route and it is frustrating to see the roadway space is there to provide safe separated infrastructure but there appears no real desire evident from Council to deal to the issue. The time has come to stop risking the lives of the 500 cyclists who daily cycle this route and get this to priority one status. I do support the Council in its endeavors to get a safe separated cycle way from Island Bay to the CBD as this is also a challenging route to ride. There is a need for strong leadership from the Council – roads are public space provided for transport not private parking. Just get on with it.

Alan White
18 Burnside Street
Waterloo
Phone 567 2012

From: [Murray Whyte](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Friday, 17 April 2015 10:03:13 a.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 |
| 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: [Jorle Wiesen](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: Long Term Plan submission
Date: Thursday, 16 April 2015 6:01:44 p.m.

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| 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 |
| 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 |

Talava Sene

From: Trafford Wilson <ceo@wellingtonhockey.org.nz>
Sent: Friday, 17 April 2015 9:56 a.m.
To: BUS: Long Term Plan
Cc: Paul Andrews; Glenn McGovern
Subject: Long Term Plan Submission
Attachments: WCC Long Term Plan Submission 2015 - FINAL.docx; 3rd turf location sketch (April 2015).pdf; Wellington Hockey Strategic Plan 2015 - 2020.pdf; SW Letter of Support - WHA Third Turf 2015 LTP.pdf; HNZ Letter of Support Wellington City Council Submission - April 2015.pdf

Importance: High

Dear Wellington City Council,

WELLINGTON HOCKEY ASSOCIATION AND TRUST – SUBMISSION

Please find attached a copy of the Wellington Hockey Association and Trust joint submission & the following supporting documentation:

- Sport Wellington – letter of support;
- Hockey NZ – letter of support;
- Aurecon turf location sketch; and the
- 2015 – 2020 Wellington Hockey Association Strategic Plan.

Please note, we would like the opportunity to speak to this submission. I look forward to hearing from you once oral submission dates/ times have been confirmed.

Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,

Trafford Wilson • Chief Executive • Wellington Hockey Association
National Hockey Stadium , Mt Albert Rd , Newtown , (P.O Box 2891) , Wellington
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Wellington Hockey Association & Regional Hockey Stadium Trust
Submission
 Wellington City Council Long Term Plan 2015 – 2025

Thank you for including the 3rd turf project at the National Hockey Stadium within the Wellington City Council Long Term Plan. This submission is made on behalf of the Wellington Hockey Association (WHA) and the Wellington Regional Hockey Stadium Trust (the Trust), formerly the National Hockey Stadium Trust. The purpose of this submission is to:

- confirm the turf utilisation demands at the National Hockey Stadium based on 2014 Wellington Hockey membership numbers (updated from our last submission);
- provide an update on the geotechnical work undertaken since we last submitted and a 3rd turf location recommendation; and to
- highlight how Wellington City Council (WCC) could best support WHA and the Trust to progress the 3rd turf project.

This submission follows the feasibility work undertaken in 2014 and our ongoing discussions with WCC management and councillors to highlight the need to access more turf space to cater for both the current needs and the projected growth of our sport. Our members are excited about the proposed turf and have submitted as individuals to indicate their support for the project. We look forward to continuing our work with WCC and the officers to jointly implement this project.

Utilisation

Hockey New Zealand (HNZ) who are the national body for hockey in NZ and responsible for advising on facilities development across the country, analyse turf usage by looking at the amount of “Full Time Equivalent” (FTE) turfs. HNZ stipulate that a FTE turf is one that is accessible by the community for a minimum of 54 hours during any given week. This is defined as a turf that “provides full access during the peak periods of 4pm - 10pm weekdays (30 hours), all day weekends (2 x 12 hours), but excludes early morning weekdays for practices”. The National Hockey Stadium turf usage times WHA have made available are Monday – Friday: 7am – 8am and 3pm – 10pm; and Weekends: 8am – 10pm (63 hours in total).

Fig 1.1 below highlights the % of available hours (63) that were booked in the 2014 season at the National Hockey Stadium.

Fig 1.1 WHA turf bookings at the National Hockey Stadium (2014)

| | Weekdays/35 hours | Weekends/28 hours | Total Hours Used/63 hours | 63 hours/per week capacity | HNZ 54 hours/per week capacity |
|---------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| NHS 1 | 28.5 | 21.25 | 49.75 | 78.97% | 92.13% |
| NHS 2 | 29.5 | 22.375 | 51.875 | 82.34% | 96.06% |
| Average Usage | 29 | 21.81 | 50.81 | 80.66% | 94.11% |

As shown above, currently the hours that the turfs are used have been maximised to cater for demand. The average usage across our National Hockey Stadium facilities is at 80.66% of the full capacity, based on 63 hours of usage a week. However it should be noted, the hours used such as late night slots between 9-10pm are unpopular/ sub-optimal, particularly during the week and act as a barrier to participation. If the turf's utilisation is adjusted to take out this time slot each week and the same level of usage was required, our facilities would be running at **94.11%** capacity, based on HNZ guidelines of 54 hours availability per turf per week.

Capacity Overflow

Due to turf capacity issues and time unavailability, WHA currently leases artificial turf space from schools to accommodate for our primary and mini hockey programmes. These turfs are not full fields and are multipurpose surfaces that are only suitable for primary school fixtures. Fig 1.2 below highlights the additional hours of turf space that was booked in 2014, to accommodate for primary and mini hockey programmes, which cost the Association a total of \$6,126.95 last year.

Fig 1.2 Additional turf facilities used by the WHA

| | Hours used per week |
|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Scots College | 3 |
| Raroa Intermediate | 7.5 |
| Newlands Tennis Club | 3 |
| Total hours per week | 13.5 |

Growth

Wellington Hockey's overall membership has experienced 8% growth from 2012 – 2014. Key growth areas in the past 3 years include our primary and open grade membership groups.

Based on the 2015 – 2020 Wellington Hockey Strategic Plan, our player numbers are conservatively projected to grow by 5% each year until 2020. To support this projected growth, Wellington Hockey will substantially expand its community hockey programmes and this will put huge pressure on existing playing infrastructure.

In 2015 a total of 11,570 youth across 40 schools will participate in our eight week Small Sticks in Schools programme, a further 820 youth will participate in new secondary school competitions and over 1,400 adults will participate in Summer Hockey modules delivered by Wellington Hockey.

Third Turf

Aurecon New Zealand Ltd was engaged by the Trust to carry out an investigation and provide geotechnical recommendations for the proposed 3rd turf development. Two stages of geotechnical investigations were carried out as described below:

- Stage One - 7 x Test Pits, 2 x Shallow Test Trenches, 13 x Dynamic Cone Penetrometer Tests; and
- Stage Two - 5 x Cone Penetrometer Tests, 3 x Cross-Sections.

A full copy of the Aurecon New Zealand Ltd report has been provided to WCC officers. In summary, this report concluded that the site was suitable for the turf but identified two possible site complications:

- the North West side needs significant retention due to the steep bank down towards Mount Albert Road; and
- the South end needs to be retained up against the lower National Hockey Stadium carpark edge.

These two complications and alternative turf location options were discussed with WCC officers in March. Following this meeting, Wellington Hockey has produced a recommended turf location sketch which is enclosed for Councils consideration. Please note, the turf dimensions represented in this sketch have been informed by Tiger Turf and STI Poligras respectively and reflect ideal turf playing surface, dug out and run off areas.

This recommended turf location will enable Wellington Hockey to avoid expensive geotechnical complications (described above) and the need to encroach onto the National Hockey Stadium car park, which at peak times throughout the season operates at full capacity. This recommended turf location does however adversely impact the Wellington Car Club's drive way and parking access.

Wellington Hockey believes that there is an opportunity in partnership with Wellington City Council to enter negotiations with the Car Club that results in a favourable outcome for both parties to be reached e.g. alternative access and parking options.

Wellington Hockey and the Trust look forward to working with the Council to progress the 3rd turf project and working towards the achievement of the milestones below:

- reach agreement on the recommended 3rd turf location;
- to confirm the condition of public storm-water, sewer drains and other turf requirements; and to make appropriate provisions;
- to enter negotiations with the Wellington Car Club to allow confirmation of the final site for the National Hockey Stadium project;
- work with WCC to consult with the other neighbouring clubs (Rifle and Pistol); and to
- develop a project timeline, budget and draft MOU.

Keith Binnie
Chair
Wellington Region Hockey Stadium Trust

Trafford Wilson
Chief Executive
Wellington Hockey Association

Enclosed:

- Hockey New Zealand letter of support
- Sport Wellington letter of support
- 2015 – 2020 Wellington Hockey Association Strategic Plan
- Aurecon 3rd turf location sketch



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16th April 2015

Trafford Wilson
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Proposed Third Turf at the National Hockey Stadium

Wellington City Council has indicated in their 2015-2025 Long Term Plan that the Council is considering a proposal for installation of a third artificial turf sports field at the National Hockey Stadium.

Demand has clearly indicated a need for a third hockey turf at the National Hockey Stadium. Hockey New Zealand states that a single turf needs between 600 and 850 players per turf for it to be sustainable. We recognise that the proposed turf aligns with the Hockey New Zealand Strategy as well as the Sport NZ National Facilities Framework by meeting an identified need.

We encourage the development of facilities that are sustainable in the long-term, developed in partnership, fit-for-purpose, future proofed, and accessible. Sport Wellington supports a proposal that targets these stated strategic priorities and is supported by good planning. We also encourage the development of a well-planned system in place to replace turf damage over time.

Sport Wellington supports the development of facilities that enable sport participation levels to be maintained or increased. We would expect that with the addition of a third turf, the National Hockey Stadium would be considered as a significant regional hockey facility that would be able to deliver quality events and support talent development whilst also increasing participation opportunities.

Through their partnership with Sport Wellington, Wellington Hockey has made consistent efforts to develop the capacity and capability of their organisation in order to deliver positive sporting experiences in the Wellington community and wider region.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Michelle Hayward".

Michelle Hayward
Community Sport Manager, Sport Wellington



Making great hockey happen

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Wellington Hockey Association's
Strategic Plan 2015 - 2020





Wellington Hockey Association's Strategic Plan 2015-2020

Our Vision: Hockey is the sport of choice for Wellingtonians
Our Mission: Making great hockey happen

OUTCOMES BY 2020

More and better people supporting hockey

- 80% retention of Wellington Hockey coaches and umpires, at all levels
- 80% of stakeholders rate Wellington Hockey's performance as excellent or very good

More people playing hockey, more often

- More than 15,000 participants involved in Wellington Hockey programmes
- 5,250 registered members

Wellington teams winning, more often

- Wellington teams consistently winning at all levels
- 20% of Blacksticks players are from the Wellington region

Effective partnerships that benefit the hockey community

- 200,000 cash reserves position
- 25% more turf space is available to support the growth of hockey across the Wellington region

THE FOUR KEY PRIORITIES OF THE STRATEGIC PLAN ARE:

PEOPLE



PARTICIPATION



PERFORMANCE



PARTNERSHIPS



OUR FOCUS:

- More volunteers supporting hockey at all levels
- High quality coach and umpire workshops are locally delivered to support schools and clubs
- Capable and well supported clubs and schools
- Best practice governance and administration
- A strong and vibrant Wellington Hockey culture

- Strong player growth in targeted communities
- Best practice hockey participation programmes are offered at all levels
- More youth are making the transition from school to club hockey

- Wellington representative teams consistently win national championships
- Comprehensive player, coach and umpire performance pathways
- Clear linkages between high performance and community hockey programmes

- A strong and unified Wellington Hockey brand
- The Wellington Hockey and WRHST partnership provides tangible value to the hockey community
- Strong commercial and funding partnerships
- Quality turf facilities are accessible across the Wellington region
- Wellington is the first choice region to stage international and national events

OUR STRATEGIES:

- A regional plan is developed which clearly articulates how we will recruit, develop and recognise volunteers, at all levels
- More and better workshops will be offered to support volunteers
- Strategies to improve the Wellington Hockey Board and administration team's performance will be prioritised
- Formal and informal opportunities to recognise players, coaches and umpires achievements will be established

- Expand the delivery of our Small Sticks programme across the Wellington region
- Rejuvenation of secondary school competitions and programmes
- Deliver successful national and regional events that increase participation
- Targeted providers (schools and Universities) are supported to deliver progressive hockey programmes and competitions
- Develop programmes that improve linkages between clubs and schools

- Develop transparent talent development pathways and selection processes
- More and better opportunities will be offered to identify and support athletes, coaches and umpires that feed our performance programme
- Opportunities to involve high performance players in the delivery of community hockey programmes will be maximised
- Personalised support for players involved in NHL campaigns and national programmes will be provided

- Opportunities to build the Wellington Hockey brand and profile will be maximised
- Cultivate new partnerships that support the growth and development of hockey across the Wellington region
- Strengthen the hockey community through a coordinated facilities strategy
- Clubs and schools will be supported and actively engaged in Wellington Hockey participation programmes

From: [Brian Wolfman](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Thursday, 16 April 2015 10:41:00 p.m.

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| Name | Brian Wolfman |
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| Postcode | 5028 |
| 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 | Please get on with making Wellington a safe and enjoyable place to cycle for people of all ages and abilities. This means separation from traffic and continuation of facilities through intersections. I do not feel safe riding from Tawa to the CBD. Middleton Road and Johnsonville Rd are on a strategic route connecting Porirua and the CBD and need protected lanes through from Takapu Rd Station through to the Ngauranga Gorge. Please make this a priority, after Island Bay-CBD which is ready to go now. |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

From: [Sandra Zukerman](#)
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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 | We regularly visit our children and grandchildren in Wellington who are all keen cyclists. They commute with bikes and we enjoy recreational riding with them. Having separate cycleways would encourage us all the more to come to Wellington as a cycle destination and also would give us peace of mind for the safety of our family. |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

From: [Jinna Zwanikken](#)
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 Subject: Long Term Plan 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 | I cycle with my son on the bike (we have no car) and feel so limited as to where we can go, as I don't feel safe taking him on most of wellington's roadways. I'd love this to change. I'd also like to ask why (where there are cycle lanes) are we STILL putting cyclists between moving traffic and parked -and parking- vehicles? how much safer and less stressful would it be for EVERYONE to have cycle lanes on the footpath side of parked vehicles? (footpath, cycleway, parking spaces, road.) it's not a new idea, other -more forward thinking countries- are already doing it. |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

2015-25 Draft Long-term Plan

Submission form

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| Draft Long-term Plan consultation survey questions | |
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| 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 type="checkbox"/> support <input type="checkbox"/> neutral <input type="checkbox"/> oppose <input type="checkbox"/> strongly oppose Comments: Not a question I can answer in its present form. The I do not agree with the assumptions used to pose the question. | |
| 3) Should Council take action to improve our international air connections? <input type="checkbox"/> strongly support <input type="checkbox"/> support <input type="checkbox"/> neutral <input type="checkbox"/> oppose <input type="checkbox"/> strongly oppose Comments: See above but strongly oppose lengthening the runway which is what is suggested!! | |
| 4) Do you think Council should be supporting the tech sector to stimulate it to grow? <input type="checkbox"/> strongly support <input type="checkbox"/> support <input type="checkbox"/> neutral <input type="checkbox"/> oppose <input type="checkbox"/> strongly oppose Comments: See above this is not the issue that is shown in the document. | |

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:

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:

These questions do not address the actions in the draft document. I might support the general principle instead but not the actual proposals.

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:

What are they???

I do not support some of the ^{proposals} ~~actions~~ detailed.

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:

See above

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

strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments:

See above

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 don't know

Comments:

Do you see other matters as priorities?

Yes Living wages for people employed or contracted by the WCC for the Council to address the approach they are now using for the "long-term" planning process.

Who we are reaching

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I am male female

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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: Yes but don't feel the Council should totally fund a Film Museum - private sector should pay half, as suggested.

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

strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments: yes, through Rucker rebates

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

strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments: Please keep the Michael Fowler Centre carpark as is - particularly important for (evening) concert goers, the carpark opposite is still closed so it is important to have an ongoing carpark in area.

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

strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments: Yes, we are a vibrant and exciting city now, with some great events annually/bi-annually.

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

strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments: Not if that involves finding a new Convention Centre - property developers should pay for that, assuming they gain the financial benefits. A contribution towards costs only from WCC.

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

strongly support support neutral oppose strongly oppose

Comments: Especially a new hockey turf.

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: Key infrastructure is essential - that should be the main aim of Council's.

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: Support LED streetlights.
Do not support parking sensors.

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: Not so supportive of cycling lanes - as Wellington is not a city suitable, in many places, to cycling - too hilly!

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
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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: Please keep funding of Community Center / Coordinator as is - or increase these! They are very important ways of ensuring communities get together. Increased funding of the Hataitai Community House (different from all other, except Brooklyn) would be helpful.

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

- strongly support
- support
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- oppose
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Comments:

Do you see other matters as priorities?

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*Not enough financial information.
Comments of "commercially sensitive" not acceptable!*

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- No Building on Public open space!
- Better and regular maintenance in suburban streets, foot-paths, road surfaces. Cleaning of stormwater swamps. Cutting of foliage over hanging footpaths! etc.

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↳ Keep the Town Hall and upgrade.
 = Michael Fowler Car Park. Allow development of low rise building. If private development short-term lease, not 99 years!
 = Keep Jack I Hott Green open space.

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WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL'S LONG TERM PLAN 2015-25

Over many years we have made submissions to Council plans and yet again of concern is the comment on Page 3 - 'THIS IS AN AMBITIOUS PLAN"! It is hard to find any reference to the basics most ratepayers expect ie. Regular cutting of grass verges, hillside banks, and play areas, cleaning of gutters and drains of leaves, and in particular cabbage tree leaves, which do not compost down and block drains. However, we are pleased to read on Page 8 - Current Services - "We will maintain existing levels of service for pools, recreation centres, sportsfields and other Council-funded facilities"

We have concerns with regard to some of the projects;-

Page 22- OUR SUSTAINABLE GROWTH AGENDA- A Longer Airport Runway - **We have grave doubts as to its need** with no airline committed to flights and the recent loss to Christchurch by ANZ

with cancellations to flights to Tokyo. The extension is estimated to cost up to \$300 million and the council has already contributed to the funding for an application for Resource Consent along with the Airport. However on Page 25 there are many "Assumptions" and we are asked to "tell us what you think" and "SHOULD THE COUNCIL EXPLORE AN INFRASTRUCTURE THAT HAS THE POTENTIAL TO BRING UP TO \$680 million of investment into Wellington". **Until a valid business case, with detail proving economic justification is provided to the public we will continue to oppose this project.**

Revitalise Civic Square ...**We totally support the strengthening of the Town Hall** and have made previous written and oral submissions on this subject and agree that the 100 year old Town Hall is not only a Category 1 Heritage building but its acoustic quality makes it one of the world's top venues for performing and recording music. In an oral submission March 27th 2014 I quoted from a music review by John Button on a Chamber Music Concert during the NZ Festival about the unsuitable size of the Michael Fowler Centre and I understand he has repeated his concern at the recent performance of the Brodsky Quartet where it was hard to hear the programme unless you were right in the front.

Apart from retaining the artificial turf in the Square and temporary seating for any functions, **we can see no need for more cafes** as Clarks at the Library and Nikau are very popular as are cafes in Wakefield Street but sadly the Michael Fowler café had to close due to lack of patronage.

Pages 28 and 29 - Promoting housing Choice and a vibrant Inner city. **We have difficulty accepting the need for development of up to 2500 new dwellings and 51,000 square metres of commercial space at the city end of Adelaide Road.** There is currently medical centres, shops, apartments in this area and Newtown has a very busy and well used shopping centre. **Also, developing Kent and Cambridge Terrace with up to 2100 new dwellings and 180,000 square metres of commercial and office space.** One has to question what this would do to Courtenay Place and the already empty office space and shops on Lambton/Featherston Street. Currently we have few concerns with the traffic to and from the tunnel to the Eastern suburbs and use Taranaki Street to get to the Southern suburbs but the suggestion of these new dwellings and office/shops is of concern. Would recommend a walk or bus trip from the Railway station to Courtenay Place to see the number of to Lease signs on office blocks and empty shops.

We cannot understand the second bullet point as Kent and Cambridge already has a wonderful "green edge" with the pedestrian promenade down the centre of grass, trees, shrubs and the much photographed Queen Victoria Statue.

Strengthening Heritage Buildings – **We totally support this expenditure** as Wellington has lost too many of its Icons and good to see the restoration of the Public Trust Building on Lambton Quay and plans for the Wellesley Boutique Hotel and Conference centre.

Page 30 – We have already covered the need to strengthen the Town Hall and plans for Civic Square but **we are totally opposed to leasing Jack Ilott Green to allow construction of a high rise building.** This land was given back to the city by Sir Jack Ilott and a building would block out views from the Library, Art Gallery to the Harbour and would also cast shadows across Civic Square. We disagree that the park is underused as there are many groups who gather there to play games and many members of the public who enjoy sitting reading on a warm sunny day and although the Rugby Statue was we understood meant to be temporary it is much photographed by visitors to Wellington. The Petanque court is not well used but a hop scotch park would be popular with young and old.

Page 33 – Redeveloping Frank Kitts Park – **We have always supported a Chinese Garden in Waitangi Park but do not consider a move to Frank Kitts Park is suitable.** A Chinese garden should be a place of rest and contemplation. The suggestion of moving the play area closer to Jervois Quay is a bad move and over the years have spoken with many families and "awesome" is often quoted but more equipment would be great, and the undulating grass surrounding the play area is very popular with young children who like to roll and tumble down the slopes from the slides etc. and of course the "bouncy" and the new attraction over the holidays has been the small cars. Of interest would like to quote from Page 39 of the 2014-2043 Wellington Urban Growth Plan Draft "COMPLETE THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE WATERFRONT – WE CONSIDER FRANK KITTS PARK SHOULD BE THE PREMIER RECREATION ARE FOR THE CITY, PARTICULARLY CHILDREN." 

The loss of the amphitheatre which provides plenty of comfortable seating space for the many concerts, family entertainment etc., room for stalls, and shelter from the wind would be missed. This well used area is the heart of the waterfront and its close proximity to the CBD makes it a favourite destination for many office workers, lunch hour keep fit classes and school parties who after visiting the Museum of City and Sea gather in the Amphitheatre for lunch and games. The upper level of the amphitheatre and battlements (which have seats on the Promenade side and display many memorial plaques of events from the past) provide elevated vantage points for events on the harbour (like the dragon boat races, yacht racing and of course the Cancer Society's Run for Life Relays.)

WE DO NOT SUPPORT A NAME CHANGE TO FRANK KITTS PARK - not mentioned in this long plan but in the DRAFT WELLINGTON WATERFRONT 3 YEAR DEVELOPMENT PLAN.

Page 36 – New and Improved venues for Music, Sport and Conventions –

An Indoor Arena-

If a decision is made to proceed further, a business case should be developed and partnership funding options explored. Until this is done we do not agree there is need for an indoor arena for 8,000-12,000 in the Central city. How many events would be held a year and at what cost and there is already so much on offer at the Michael Fowler, Town Hall, Opera House, St James , Te Papa, TSB Arena etc and we would hardly consider “the city is less lively and vibrant”.

We would refer you to the Positively Wellington Venues Autumn Issue 11 (24 pages) with all the events coming to Wellington over the next two months.

Wellington Convention Centre – We have previously addressed the council on this matter and still waiting for the reply to How Many conventions of a 1,000 or more would be held a year as currently there are many venues which are available. As ratepayers we would like more details on the so called benefits and “assumptions” we would be asked to contribute 60% of the costs.

Basin Reserve development – Over so many years the council has allowed the deterioration of the various stands, gardeners cottages and the loss of the children’s playground and now we are told there is a 25 year vision and the Master Plan will be brought to the Council for approval later in the Year. Can only say get on with it.

Finally Page 54 – Options considered for the Michael Fowler Car Park - Of concern is the recent article on the state of the Wellington Regional Council 10 storey quake prone building in Wakefield street opposite the Michael Fowler Car Park where it was stated it was built on land classified as having a high potential for liquefaction and bore tests found the top three to four metres of soil was loose, sandy and likely to liquefy in a large earthquake!

What engineering assessment has the Council made on this site before the options considered!

There is much more we could add but would like to record our concern as to the difficulty in obtaining the relevant documents from the Council Office as they were not on display.

Yours sincerely,



Pauline and Athol Swann

We would like to speak at a submission hearing.

* One of the many events held in the amphitheatre!



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| Name | Julie Baga |
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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 | The 30 kph speed limit is not working in Kilbirnie, but the 40 kph limit works in Oriental Bay and Newtown. I think the idea of lower speeds in congested areas makes sense. Then bicycles are safer and so are pedestrians. Thank you. |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |



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Submission on the Draft Long Term Plan 2015-2025

This submission is made on behalf of an organisation, **Mt Victoria Historical Society Inc.**

It is an incorporated society with the aims of researching and sharing the history of the suburb of Mt Victoria and promoting interest in, and preservation of, its unique heritage.

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This submission addresses only issues in the Long Term Plan which can be considered the mandate of Mt Victoria Historical Society.

Heritage

We note in the *Statements of Service Provision* that one of the Economic Performance Objectives is “city vibrancy” (pg 27), and that under Cultural Wellbeing (pg 28) one of the objectives is “sense of place”. Heritage preservation, in the form of the Built Heritage fund is mentioned in this context and we applaud the proposed increase in this fund. In relation to this, we urge that funding be allocated to St Gerard’s Monastery, which is not only a Mt Victoria landmark but one of the most iconic Wellington heritage buildings.

While the fund is important, however, it will not go far in protecting Wellington’s “sense of place”; for that a wider view of heritage is required. Valuing and retaining built heritage in areas such as Mt Victoria is an important contributor to Wellington’s sense of place, and also to “city vibrancy”. It is one of the things which attracts and retains skilled, creative residents and draws tourists, thus making an important contribution to the economy.

We continue to be concerned that Council disregards its own District Plan and allows developments and subdivisions in Mt Victoria which breach its rules (e.g. 13 Porritt Avenue, 78 Ellice Street). We ask that this situation be addressed. We also urge Council to give more weight to the Demolition Protocol and only allow demolition of pre-1930 buildings if there is no other option.

We request, again, that a heritage audit be conducted in Mt Victoria. This would provide Council and the public with comprehensive and accurate information about heritage characteristics and values, providing a database to inform District Plan development, aid consent decisions, and inform other decisions and activities. Such a holistic view of the environment would help ensure that the value of this high-profile heritage area could not be slowly and inadvertently whittled away until it was effectively destroyed. Such destruction would be detrimental to tourism, the visual interest and attractiveness of the city, to residential character and to rating/property values. (We support Mt Victoria Residents' Association's background paper on a heritage inventory.)

We understand that a heritage inventory could be carried out for a reasonable cost, drawing on existing resources at Wellington City Archives and Mt Victoria Historical Society in particular. We request that \$60,000 over three or four years be allocated to a staged heritage audit, focusing for example on identified special character areas first.

Kent and Cambridge Terraces

We note, in the *Statements of Service Provision* and the *Consultation Document*, that it is intended to allocate funds to an upgrade of Kent and Cambridge Terraces:

Kent and Cambridge terraces will be redeveloped to:

- strengthen transport connections for buses, cycles, pedestrians, and private cars
- use planting and streetscape improvements to give the city a “green edge” and strengthen connections with the waterfront, central city and Memorial Park
- support more apartment and commercial/retail development, ultimately providing for up to 2100 new dwellings and 180,000 square metres of commercial and office space. (pg 20 Consultation Document)

In principle, we support upgrading of Kent and Cambridge Terraces. Large parts of them, however, remain Canal Reserve land and governed by a Trust Deed. A Reserve management plan, as required under the Reserves Management Act, should be developed before planning on any redevelopment gets underway to provide the essential framework for this. All existing Reserve management plans contain the statement “provide Wellington City Council with a clear framework for day to day management and decision making”, and one is also required for the Canal Reserve. This is a very important part of the Wellington landscape and also borders the intensely residential Mt Victoria, so we would also like to see a formal review of District Plan provisions for this area before planning gets underway.

This approach is supported by the fact that the Draft Long-Term Plan (*Statements of Service Provision* pg 45) aligns regeneration of Kent and Cambridge Terraces with “Built heritage development” under Group of Activities and with “Character protection” under Rationale.

Basin Reserve

We are concerned to read the following on Pg 42 of the *Statements of Service Provision*:

Improvements are also needed to the vehicle network. We support NZTA's programme for Wellington, which aims to unlock the city's economic potential by improving transport routes into the city, and from the city to the airport.

This implies that Wellington City Council supports NZTA's attempt to overturn the Board of Inquiry decision on the Basin Reserve flyover and its proposal to build the flyover, buildings on the Basin Reserve and related works. We strongly oppose the flyover because of the adverse impact on the heritage of the Basin Reserve, the surrounding landscape and southern Mt Victoria.

The Council's website structure makes it very difficult to bring all the relevant documents for the Draft Long Term Plan together but fortunately an officer provided a copy of the single page outline of the 'Basin Reserve Master Plan' which is briefly mentioned in the *Statements of Service Provision*.

We appreciate that this is an outline, therefore only comment on some of our greatest concerns, as follows:

- There is still no reserve management plan for the Basin Reserve, which is an essential pre-requisite and framework for any development of this nationally significant Reserve and a requirement under the Reserves Act. This must be an immediate action and be developed before the Master Plan is worked up in more detail. Funding should be allocated for this in the Long Term Plan, presumably under the *Infrastructure Strategy*, Parks and Open Spaces. (In Appendix 1 we attach extracts from other Reserve Management Plans acknowledging the importance of such instruments.)
- We are concerned that there has not been wider consultation on development of this outline.
- In principle, we support refurbishment of the Groundsman's Cottage but defer judgment until what is meant by "incorporate it into the building design" is explained.
- We oppose demolition of the old Museum Stand and support its strengthening and refurbishment.
- We are extremely concerned to see that a "Northern Gateway and player pavilion" described as "operating facilities that include offices for Wellington Cricket, fit for purpose entrance/ticketing facilities . . . etc" are in the plan. This looks very like the original NZTA plan. If space for buildings is an issue, we question why Cricket Wellington has its offices within the Basin Reserve. (The Phoenix and The Hurricanes, for instance, do not have offices within sporting venues.)

While we express these concerns, we applaud the very-overdue allocation of funding to maintain the seriously neglected Basin Reserve.

The Basin Reserve is registered as an Historic Area in the National Register of Heritage New Zealand and it is therefore a serious omission that it is not included in the District Plan. We also request that the Council take immediate action to remedy the omission and include the Basin Reserve in the District Plan heritage inventory.

We also note that one of the four "activities" of the Basin Reserve Trust is listed as "Preserves and enhances the heritage value of the Basin Reserve". In light of this, and reviewing the membership of the Trust, we suggest that it is time that a Wellington heritage expert be appointed to a Board which is otherwise weighted unduly towards cricket.

Extracts from WCC Reserves Management Plans

Showing how they are considered essential to management and decision-making about the reserves they cover.

From: Introduction, Northern Reserves Management Plan 2008

The purpose of the Northern Reserves Management Plan (NRMP) is to provide Wellington City Council with a clear framework for day to day management and decision making for the Council-owned reserves and open spaces in the northern area (northern reserves) for the next 10 years. Objectives and policies give guidance for the development, management, protection, operation and public use of the northern reserves.

A primary objective of the NRMP is to ensure that the local and wider connections, recreational and ecological, are well integrated as development proceeds. The extent, location, form, and connectedness of open space at the local as well as the wider landscape scale are key determinants of visual amenity values as well as the wider landscapes character and quality.

From: Introduction, Town Belt Management Plan 2013

The purpose of the Wellington Town Belt Management Plan is to provide Wellington City Council with a clear framework for making decisions and managing the Town Belt for at least the next 10 years.

The plan provides a framework for addressing issues common to the Town Belt and managing them in a comprehensive and consistent way. Objectives and policies give guidance for the development, management, protection, operation and public use of the Town Belt.

From: Introduction, Draft Suburban Reserves Management Plan 2014

Within any community, open space holds important landscape, recreational, social, ecological, amenity and cultural or heritage values. As Wellington grows and changes, it is important to ensure open space across the city is well planned for and managed. Preparation of a management plan for suburban reserves¹ enables the values of these reserves to be managed in a way that reflects their particular role in the open space network. Suburban reserves have a unique set of functions and values that, while part of the citywide open space network, have an important neighbourhood role.

The purpose of the Suburban Reserves Management Plan (SRMP) is to provide Wellington City Council with a clear framework for day-to-day management and decision-making for Council-administered reserves and open spaces

WCC DRAFT LONG-TERM PLAN 2015-25**Submission in relation to the development of Frank Kitts Park and provision of the Chinese Garden**

I wish the Council to consider an alternative location for the Chinese Garden and consequently an amended approach to the redevelopment of Frank Kitts Park.

The draft plan intends to place the Chinese Garden within the area currently occupied by Frank Kitts Park. At a recent plan information meeting in Johnsonville the Mayor described the essential characteristic of such a garden as being '*a contemplative place*'. My own experience of such gardens suggests that is a very apt description and one I believe the Chinese Society and the intending sponsors would wish to achieve.

But is creating a contemplative place a reality on a relatively small plot of land bordered on one side by a busy 6-lane road and on the other by the promenade, with a stream of runners, skateboarders, cyclists and families with shouting happy children? I think any attempt to put the Chinese Garden in the planned position is doomed to result in disappointment; our ratepayers may find it of little attraction and the sponsors may end up regretting the misconceived carrying through of a lovely idea.

The offer of this garden is a marvellous opportunity for the city and we should be looking for a result without compromise, placed in a serene and peaceful setting. I suggest the Magpie Lawn in the Botanic Gardens offers such a place. It is a sizeable level area, away from roads, surrounded by beautiful mature trees. There is no intrusion from buildings; they are almost completely screened from view.

I did hear a suggestion that a small hill could form part of the garden. If a "hill" theme is the sponsor's wish then the sloping hillside at the south end of the lawn could possibly be sculpted to become an integral part of the garden.

Moving the garden from Frank Kitts Park would achieve what in my view is another important objective – keeping the present area as "open" as possible. The present park often hosts large events and still leaves room for the public to picnic and children to run freely, And when walking or driving along Custom House Quay, the very extent of the space suggests a sense of being 'beside the harbour' even though the water is out of sight. I suggest the redevelopment should take account of that valuable effect; it occurs nowhere else along our built-up waterfront.

Before coming to any decision on the location of the Chinese Garden I would urge each member of Council to spend a few minutes on the Magpie Lawn, contemplating the possibilities.

John Tiley

April 16 2015

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I support this because:

I want to live in a city where people can live comfortably, and be happy. I don't want to live where people are unhappy and desperate. Lead by example!

Name Nic Bannette

Signature 

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I wish to make an oral submission

Submission to Draft Long Term Plan Wellington City Council 2015-25

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We do NOT wish to speak to this submission

Supporting the planned increase in funding for the Enviroschools Programme

We would like to support the planned increase in funding for the Enviroschools Programme through this Wellington City Council (WCC) Draft Long Term Plan. The proposed increase will enable significantly more Wellington City young people, their families and communities to be part of a network that has been operating in Wellington City since 2006.

Experience derived from a National Network

Partnering with Enviroschools offers WCC the benefits of over 10 years of programme development derived from experience across a National Network. The Enviroschools Programme is an action-based community resilience programme, using schools as a hub from where young people can plan, design and implement sustainability projects and become catalysts for change in their communities. Enviroschools was originally developed in the late 1990's by councils in Waikato as a non-regulatory tool and has now been adopted by 51 councils, including most of the larger councils and two-thirds of the total sector.

The programme is managed nationally by The Enviroschools Foundation (a charitable trust). The Foundation has funding from the Ministry for the Environment and works closely with the Department of Conservation. Regional implementation of Enviroschools is through partnerships with Local Government and other community agencies. This multi-sector collaboration has enabled nearly 1,000 schools and early childhood education (ECE) centres to now be involved – representing 30% of the school sector and 5% of the large early childhood sector. Wellington City will now be a leader in a region where the full complement of Territorial Authorities and both Kindergarten Associations are partnering with the Enviroschools Programme. Fifteen schools and 7 early childhood education centres are currently registered as Enviroschools in Wellington City and at least 8 additional schools and ECE centres are connecting in with the network. The funding increase proposed will enable improvements in both quality of participation (depth of practice) and quantity of participation (numbers of school and early childhood communities participating).

Highlights from recent programme evaluation

The Enviroschools Foundation has been working with a team of external evaluators to quantify the actions undertaken and record the beneficial outcomes of the programme observed by schools and ECE centres participating in Enviroschools. In late 2014 a nationwide survey of all Enviroschools was conducted as part of the evaluation process. The survey is very robust, with a 73% response rate and highlights include:

- *Wide participation* - Schools were equally able to participate in the Enviroschools Programme across all deciles, sectors and regions.
- *All age groups (early childhood, primary and secondary) are taking environmental action* – across a wide variety of areas including waste, water, biodiversity, food production, energy and eco-building.
- *Community collaboration*- Enviroschools fosters significant community collaboration, creating leadership pathways for students and real connections to families, outside agencies and communities.
- *Zero Waste* – Almost all Enviroschools (100%)¹ are taking actions to reduce waste.

¹ Due to rounding - of 688 schools surveyed, 686 are taking actions to reduce waste.

- *Food production* – Most Enviroschools (97%) are growing and harvesting produce from their gardens/trees for cooking, selling and gifting.
- *Biodiversity projects are well developed, with clear links to community* – 96% of respondents had biodiversity projects with 86,859 trees planted in 2014 (86% of which were native trees).
- *Successful water projects* – Three quarters of Enviroschools (75%) are undertaking a range of actions for water quality and conservation, including 19,264 meters of riparian planting in 2014.
- *Tackling energy usage* – Just over two-thirds of Enviroschools (69%) are involved in energy projects, including actions for sustainable transport (47%) and energy conservation actions (34%).
- *Enviroschools is contributing to a range of other outcomes* including citizenship, health, cultural understanding, motivated learners and community participation.
- *Depth of practice is related to the extent of outcomes* - Results showed that the depth of practice increases with the length of time a school or ECE centre is involved in Enviroschools. Nearly two thirds of participating schools/centres (62%) report ‘quite well developed’ or ‘deep embedded’ practice. Further, the survey results show a clear link between depth of practice and the extent to which the programme is contributing to outcomes. This reinforces the value of the long-term approach of the Enviroschools Programme.

“The strength of Enviroschools lies in the collaborations and multiple relationships that have been established and continue to be nurtured through its model of facilitated, networked and distributed leadership, engaging communities, schools and other stakeholders in action aimed at creating sustainable communities.” *The evaluators, Kinnect Group*

Conclusion

The Enviroschools Programme has a proven track record of being an effective approach for engaging schools and communities in environmental and social action. WCC gains full advantage from this in extending their funding for this programme.

With the backbone support of The Enviroschools Foundation, and a network of councils around the country, the programme catalyses learning and action among thousands of young people, their families and communities from early childhood to secondary school. By connecting and coordinating resources and people, openly building and sharing knowledge across communities, widespread action is enabled on a broad scale.

Having a strong Enviroschools network operating in Wellington City provides WCC with multiple points of leverage across the community, extending the possible impact of its funding beyond what might be expected with a more traditional educational approach. We are confident that this increase in funding for the Enviroschools Programme will make Wellington a better city.

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I support this because:

The cost of living is high
 My minimum wage barely covers cost
 Living day to day is hard
 Solo father living on minimum wage
 is difficult
 It will benefit me and my family to
 achieve goals financially

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I support this because:

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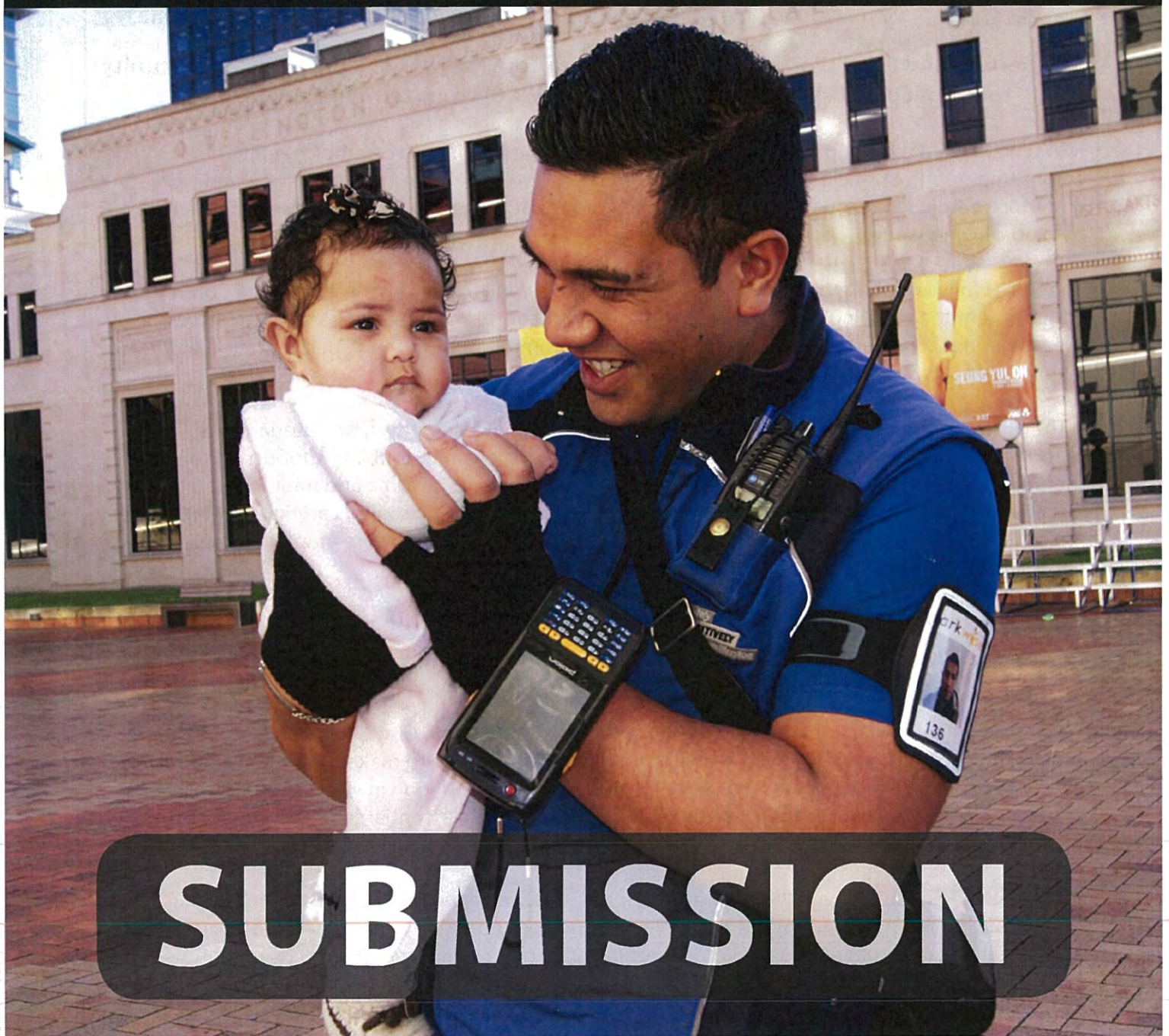
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From: [Matt Paterson](#)
 To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Friday, 17 April 2015 11:25:05 a.m.

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| Name | Matt Paterson |
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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 | <p>Wellington talks itself up as the 'coolest little capital' but actions speak louder than words.</p> <p>Prove we really are by using the millions you spend on consultation documents and other dead bits of paper to make our city - the cafes, the shops, the galleries - more livable, by making it safer and more accessible for locals and visitors to enjoy with these blindingly simple common-sense steps.</p> <p>I want people to rave about our progressive urban design when they talk about Wellington back home in Shanghai or Los Angeles, not how they got hit by a car!</p> |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL

Long-term Plan 2015-2025



SUBMISSION

SFWU
Nga Ringa Tota



The Service and Food Workers Union Nga Ringa Tota (SFWU) welcomes the opportunity to submit on the Wellington City Council (WCC) Long-term Plan 2015/2025.

SFWU welcomed the Council's decision in 2013 to become a Living Wage employer and commitment to the principle of the entire Council workforce, including directly-employed workers and those employed through Council controlled organisations, and through Council contractors, to be paid a Living Wage.

The SFWU fully endorses the submission of Living Wage Wellington and the call for the Council's commitment to the Living Wage to be included in the Long-term Plan. It is the submission of our union that the Long-term Plan should include a clear commitment to the implementation of the NZ Living Wage rate for the whole Council workforce.

- 1 The SFWU is a union of 22,000 workers employed in cleaning, security, food catering and manufacturing, hospitality, entertainment and in the aged care and disability support sectors. Our membership is 70% female and has sizeable percentages of Māori, Pacific and migrant workers within its ranks. We represent cleaners, security guards, parking officers and catering workers who are part of the Wellington City Council workforce. Many of our members are employed by contractors or Council controlled organisations.
2. The general factor that characterises a large section of our membership is that their rates of pay are low and they only achieve a reasonable income for themselves and their families through working long hours or additional jobs.
3. Nearly 3,000 of our members live in the boundaries of Wellington City. Our members, including those employed as part of the WCC workforce, tell us they struggle to make ends meet and pay for even the basic necessities of life. The very high cost of accommodation in Wellington City leaves them counting every cent of their wages. Our members provide essential services in Wellington City for very low pay. This includes those within the Wellington City Council workforce.
5. The SFWU joined the Living Wage Movement because we are not only interested in supporting our members to earn a Living Wage but have a strong commitment to the principle of workers being able to earn a wage that supports and enables participation in their community, whether it be attending school, church or whanau functions, or merely having time to relax with their families.
6. A Living Wage is also about having good education and health outcomes that are necessary for workers and their families to lead decent lives, being able to afford to use the amenities of the city and to spend in the local economy.
7. The advantages to business have been well established. Not only does receiving a Living Wage result in greater staff loyalty and reduced turnover, but it also enhances the reputation of the organisation. For Wellington City Council, the Living Wage offers the opportunity to provide workforce development to existing staff, particularly contract workers, who have not received training and skill development opportunities.

8. The momentum for the Living Wage is rapidly building in New Zealand, with growing awareness of the gap between rich and poor and the injustice of many New Zealanders not being paid enough to meet their basic needs or participate in society in a meaningful way. It is timely that Wellington City Council has responded by taking leadership on this important issue.

9. The SFWU submits that the Council's Long-term Plan should include a strong commitment to the staged implementation of the Living Wage for all Council staff, including those employed by Council controlled organisations and contractors.

We support WCC becoming a “Living Wage Council” because:

- A Living Wage is a significant step to enable low-paid workers and their families to meet the costs of basic needs, mainly housing, food and power, and the costs for children to fully participate in school and out of school activities.
- The testimony of workers, such as our members, on low wages, long hours and often multiple jobs is that there is no time for parents to be with children and participate in community activities. We support the importance of work and employment that allows reasonable expectations for refreshment and family time.
- The Living Wage is making a very important contribution to reducing inequality, which is widely recognised as weakening the fabric of our society.
- The Living Wage is an expression of collective responsibility. We support the ongoing commitment of WCC in ensuring a positive community ethic in terms of economic participation.
- A Living Wage will increase economic prosperity in our city: a prosperous economic environment depends on consumers having the spending power to support local industries. Workers like SFWU members spend almost their entire incomes in the local economy.
- WCC's endorsement of the Living Wage will positively promote the Wellington labour market for students, migrants and others considering moving to Wellington and sends a clear message about a commitment to social outcomes.

The SFWU submits that the costs of implementing the Living Wage for staff of all Council controlled organisations and Council contractors will be offset by the benefits that are derived from paying a Living Wage and that there are a range of ways to meet any increased costs that can be further explored.



Our members' stories

Esau Taniela

When Esau Taniela was employed to work as a parking warden at Wellington City Council, he was receiving little more than the minimum wage. With a partner and a baby on the way, Esau was working up to 70 hours a week to make ends meet. Esau was employed through a contractor. When he was on \$14.46 an hour, Esau said: "I want a future where I don't have to worry constantly about the bills to be happy and not stressing all the time and to have enough time to spend with my partner and our baby."

When Wellington city Council brought the parking wardens in-house in 2014, they were lifted to the (then) Living Wage rate of \$18.40 — a rise of nearly \$4 an hour.

After his rate was lifted to the Living Wage, Esau told the Dominion Post that with a higher income, he could reduce his hours. "The Living Wage means going and doing things families are supposed to be doing, other than me living at work," he said. Because Wellington City Council decided to value the work of Esau and the other parking officers, the quality of life of his whole family has improved.



Tasi Leasi and Esau Taniela

Tasi Leasi

Tasi is employed by a contractor to clean the Council's public toilets. His pay rate is very close to the minimum wage (currently \$14.75 an hour).

Even though, like Esau, Tasi provides an important service to the Council and to the community, Tasi has to work very long hours for very low pay.

During the 2014 Annual Plan process Tasi told councillors that his family was really struggling. With three little children and a wife, his pay is nowhere near enough for them to have a decent life. Two of his children have special needs and his wife needs to be home to care for them. Because Tasi's work for the Council is so undervalued, his family are struggling to get by.

We would like to address the Council on this matter.

Yours sincerely,

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I support this because: *The cost of living is more than what ~~we~~ we get paid. To improve quality of living standards.*

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I took a pay drop to work for WCC because I wanted to be part of helping Wellington grow better. I am very concerned about my wellbeing & family now as I cannot afford the basic things to support them. I now rely heavily on church support from SAT and even have some days I cannot afford to pay for my bus to work, resulting in me losing more money. I am not in a good space with income and am just hoping things will change.

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I wish to make an oral submission



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I support this because:

I want Wellington City Council's workers to be able to live as full participants in the life of my city, and

I want them to be able to not have to find other work to be able to make ends meet. I don't want workers to be at risk of injury and accidents from 1) not eating 2) working extra jobs 3) not getting medical treatment when they need it.

I want the city to benefit from them spending their money here

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I support this because:

① WCC should contract directly to sub contractors.

② WCC could take back employees they contracted their work out too.

These step will enable X Employee of WCC to

A Quality of life.

B Be lifted out of child poverty.

C Be able to spend quality time with family.

I call upon WCC to look at the above and do right by its ~~as~~ constituent/

People NOW!!!

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I wish to make an oral submission

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I support this because:

I want everyone to be able to

① go to the dentist

② let their kids take part in sports and go on school trips.

③ not put off going to the doctor. ④ have the heater on in winter.

⑤ not suffer huge mental stress from having less than a living wage.

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I wish to make an oral submission

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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

see attached document

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

see attached document

Should Council take action to improve our international air connections?

- Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

see attached document

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

see attached document

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

see attached document

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

see attached document

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

see attached document

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

see attached document

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

see attached document

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

Strongly support Support Neutral Oppose Strongly oppose

Comments

see attached document

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

see attached document

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 attached document

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
See attached document

Attached Documents

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| 2015-25 Draft Long-term Plan |

To the Wellington City Council

Submission on Draft Long Term Plan

Deadline 5pm on Friday 17 April 2015.

The Wellington Underwater Club is one of the oldest scuba-diving clubs in New Zealand and represents members of many generations. Our members are active users of Wellington Harbour and coast line, along with other recreational users. As such our primary concern is for coastal water quality, the health of the marine environment and safety – we consider this to be our remit.

We would like to present an oral submission when suitable.

Waste- / Stormwater and Infrastructure

Resilience of key infrastructure is becoming increasingly important facing growing challenges due to effects of climate change with predicted higher frequency and severity of storms, sea level rise, the possibility of extended droughts and increasing population density in cities. WUC also feels that WCC has to closely consider potential implications on council water management resulting from the GWRC Whaitua process.

We urge the council to allocate sufficient funds to maintain and renew wastewater infrastructure to avoid untreated waste discharge due to infrastructure age and increasing pressure on stormwater infrastructure. We received regular advice about discharge of wastewater into the marine environment and note the effects on the local residents, tourists and recreational activities (notification during Seaweeek). Smart sensor systems could provide useful real-time water quality data in respect of eco-toxicity and can help identifying problematic areas. However, acquisition of data has to be balanced with timely implementation of effective mitigation actions.

Peer reviewed data and models are available (international and national) and reports have been published on effects of climate change in NZ (e.g. by the Parliamentary Commissioner for the Environment, Nov 2014). Raising awareness about Climate Change implications on Wellington's infrastructure and effect on communities as well as the need to address these by updating council regulations and council actions is becoming more important. Managing Climate Change risks is expected as due diligence. It is as well an opportunity for Wellington to become a national leader in resilient city planning.

WUC mentioned the Water Sensitive Urban Design Plan in recent submissions and we feel that it should be central in planning key infrastructure across private and public developments.

To affect impact and action in the above mentioned points specific projects have to be included in the LTP (including mandate, budget and accountability).

Extending the Airport Runway

WUC recognises that the airport extension is to a large extent an emotional discussion. Putting emotions aside, an increase in rates and cutting of spending are very likely and this might in turn affect longevity of key infrastructure and have indirect impact on the environment. We raise concerns over the fact that the public and potentially even the council might not have full

transparency of the business case due to the involvement of a private entity and commercial sensitivity.

The extension of the runway will also directly impact the environment (during the build) and could have long term effects on Lyall Bay (effect on water flows and surf, impact on community), Moa Point (effect on wastewater treatment plant outflow and giant kelp forest) and the wider Wellington South Coast (effect of sediment movements). Those impacts need to be considered in detail and should be captured in the business plan. Where will the liability lie to fund work on the wastewater plant outflow if required - including a potential outfall extension, for modelling and monitoring? Impact of Climate Change on large scale infrastructure projects has to be considered carefully including measures for mitigation and adaptation. How will more frequent storms and sea level rise impact on the design and costs of runway extension?

Even in the best case and with an extended runway - the airport and contracted airlines will still only cater a limited number of international destinations. International travellers will still rely on other connections at the start of their journey or fly into Auckland or other airport hubs that are already connected to Wellington. On domestic scale it is inevitable that Wellington will keep competing with Auckland and Christchurch for business, talents and visitors.

Instead of locking large investments in the airport extension, money should first be spent on transforming Wellington into an attractive and international competitive place for businesses and a place offering talents and entrepreneurs an attractive place to live. This is particularly relevant in a region focusing on knowledge intensive and high value / low volume products and technologies. We encourage to further investigate alternatives to increase airport and passenger capacity e.g. by better and more frequent links to key transport hubs (Auckland, Christchurch and internationally). Well-built connections could open up an extensive network of overseas destinations feeding into an attractive and resilient destination Wellington.

Ocean Exploration Centre

The Ocean Exploration Centre will be a key attraction showcasing Wellington's marine habitats and raise awareness of visitors for the marine environment. We feel it could be a great example for 'Blue Urbanism' – connecting people to our aquatic environment and building emotional connection. If funded adequately exhibitions could educate the public about other challenges marine and nearshore environments will be facing globally (climate change, plastic pollution, biodiversity). We advocate to increase funding to the Ocean Exploration Centre.

Finally, we want to thank you for the opportunity to make a submission on the draft long term plan. We hope the points raised in our submission will be considered.

Kind regards,
Nicole Miller (Secretary)

For the Wellington Underwater Club

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I support this because: I am one of the worker in a company.

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From: [Lottie Boardman](#)
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 Subject: Long Term Plan submission
 Date: Friday, 17 April 2015 1:27:43 p.m.

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| 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 |
| 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 | Cycling is enjoyable, good for people and good for the environment. I think that the Council should be doing everything it can to encourage people to cycle in Wellington, particularly by making cycling safer. |
| Would you like to deliver an oral submission to council in person? | No |

From: [Chitty, Chris](#)
To: [BUS: Long Term Plan](#)
Subject: FW: airport extension If the airport company won't invest neither should the councils
Date: Friday, 17 April 2015 1:49:14 p.m.

From: Chitty, Chris
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To: 'longtermplan@wcc.govt.nzc'
Subject: airport extension If the airport company won't invest neither should the councils

If the airport company won't invest neither should the councils

If the councillors do invest then each councillor should be made liable and have their assets seized [including family trust and other business interests] for putting the council in to a position of insolvency that could only be repaid by fining the rate payer in the form of higher rates.

What other civic, social and job creation initiatives will be shelved for the next 50 years to pay for this.

Where will we put the monument to the people that FU**ED Wellington. Put their heads on then break water concrete caissons and dance as they get swept away with every storm.

The only people it would benefit are the politicians who for the rest of their lives will be able to fly out of wellington and go far afield at our expense, and sadly they will come back. And the airport company who at no risk and no investment will get far greater fees for running the airport.

Councillors must pay for this crime in progress Accountability

Chris chitty
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Antoinette Bliss

From: BUS: Long Term Plan
Subject: FW: airport extension If the airport company won't invest neither should the councils

RE: the plan

The long term plan will need to be adaptive, compliant and evolutionary. At present it seems to be very reliant on the film industry and to a major extent the tourism built on that. The film industry is very fickle and the council for far too long appear to have listened to their own spin and walked their own red carpet. Darwin's theories suggest this is the path of many extinctions.

Even with the film industry the last 6 years have seen a flat response to growth, it would be interesting to see figures "sans" the film industry

Foreign students as a reliable long term money earner?. Wellington would need to provide purchasable housing and land for the "foreign students" before it would really take hold. But unlike Auckland

Land which it does not have. [could reclaim Lyall Bay?]

It would also need to invest the \$600million + that it will end up wasting on the runway extension on the construction of university buildings and accommodation. [that would create and keep a lot of jobs and upskill the workforce etc.]. During the Christmas break the accommodation could be marketed to provide summer accommodation for tourists and generate northern hemisphere winter escape to summer comedy and culture, adventure and fine dining. You would not have to wait 50 years to break even.

The extension of the runway is presented as the magic bullet, however the council may in their enthusiasm/desperation be firing the magic bullet at themselves.

I fear you are in same position as the safety officer for the pike river mine prior to its demise.

Take care
Chris

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I support this because:

We need to lift people out of poverty & create high paid jobs

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The system of contracting used by the council totally vitiates the bargaining power of workers. Large companies like CHH contract to the Council and get the work done by sub-contractors who cannot get any more out of CHH which then is effectively dictating the wages of employees of sub-contractors.

The Council should sack CHH and take on the sub-contractors directly as a first step to paying a living wage.

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We need well paid jobs to lift people out of poverty and hence better communities that they live in.

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I support this because:

I have been working hard as a cleaner, for very long time. I only get paid minimum wage. we cleaners deserve better, we deserve living wage.
 WCC should be paying living wage to it's cleaners.

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I support this because:

Because the wages people get these days isn't enough to live on and needs to be raised ~~for~~ people

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SUBMISSION TO THE DRAFT WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL 2015 – 2025 LONG TERM PLAN & DRAFT FINANCING POLICY 2015

To: The Chief Executive,
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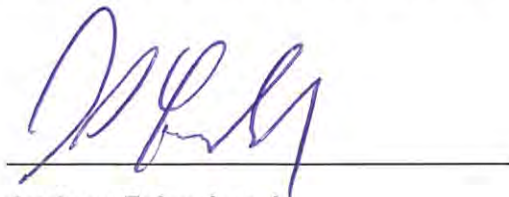
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Meridian Energy Limited (Meridian) makes the following submissions on the Draft Wellington City Council 2015 – 2025 Long Term Plan as set out in the **attached** document.

Meridian would like to be heard in support of its submission.



Andrew Feierabend

For and behalf of Meridian Energy Limited

Dated this 17th day of April 2015

SUBMISSION TO THE DRAFT WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL 2015 – 2025 LONG TERM PLAN & DRAFT FINANCING POLICY 2015

Submitter: Meridian Energy Limited (**Meridian**)

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

1. Meridian appreciates the constructive relationship it has with the Wellington City Council and welcomes the opportunity to submit to this draft Long Term Plan.
2. We note the Council has also acknowledged the benefits Meridian brings to the community through its renewable power generation assets which are located within the Wellington City boundaries.
3. In valuing the relationship, Meridian wishes to make a fair and reasonable contribution to the functioning of the City, however believes it is not being treated fairly with the current and proposed rating of its assets.

NATURE OF MERIDIAN'S OPERATIONS IN THE DISTRICT

4. Meridian's primary renewable generating assets within Wellington City are its consented wind farms at West Wind and Mill Creek. Combined both windfarms consist of 88 wind turbines, a substation and associated transmission. Meridian also has a wind turbine at Brooklyn. The nature of the wind turbines with the exception of Brooklyn is that they make up a very small footprint of actual land occupied with the significant majority of the land being used for agricultural purposes. The wind farm layout and location is shown in Appendix A to this submission.

COUNCIL RESPONSIBILITY

5. The Local Government Act 2002 governs the powers and requirements of local authorities. In particular, subpart 3 sets out requirements for financial management.
6. We refer specifically to Section 101(3):

"The funding needs of the local authority must be met from those sources that the local authority determine to be appropriate, following consideration of –

- (a) *In relation to each activity to be funded, -*
 - (i) *the community outcomes to which the activity contributes; and*
 - (ii) *the distribution of the benefits between the community as a whole, and any identifiable part of the community, and individuals; and*
 - (iii) *the period in or over which those benefits are expected to occur, and*
 - (iv) *the extent to which the actions or inaction of particular individuals or a group contribute to the need to undertake the activity; and*
 - (v) *the cost and benefits, including consequences for transparency and accountability, of funding the activity distinctly from other activities; and*
- (b) *The overall impact of an allocation of liability for revenue needs on the community"*

7. The above considerations in Section 101 are inclusive. In considering the use of differentials, charging one property a higher rate than another, the Council needs to demonstrate that there is:
- a higher level of service, or
 - a higher share of benefits, or
 - the cost of providing the service to one group is higher than the cost of providing the service to others.

The difference needs to be measurable and not “unreasonable”.

CURRENT CONTRIBUTIONS

8. Current rate payments by Meridian to Wellington City Council are as follows

| | | Land Area | Rates (Net GST) | |
|-----|----------------------|-----------|-----------------|--------------|
| 830 | Makara Road | 5.7 ha | 937.20 | (rural) |
| 653 | Makara Road | 724.0 ha | 12,856.16 | (rural) |
| 651 | Makara Road | 260.0 ha | 130,678.02 | (commercial) |
| 224 | South Makara Road | | 154,294.53 | (commercial) |
| | Mill Creek | | 96,434.00 | (commercial) |
| | | | \$395,199.91 | |

9. These figures include the Regional Council rates, amounting to approximately 11%.

The footprint of the combined wind farm accounts for approximately 1.5 % of the total land area.

- the underlying zoning of the area is rural.
 - the wind farms require no additional services from the Wellington City Council than the surrounding rural properties, indeed the demand would be substantially less.
 - the benefits received by Meridian related to these properties are no greater than the surrounding rural properties.
 - the largest portion of the property is used as farming, and given its zoning, cannot be used other than for rural purposes.
 - wind generation is sustainable energy and has a positive impact on the social, cultural, economic and environmental wellbeing of the community.
10. The nature of wind farms requires a substantial capital investment on a very small footprint. Unlike other capital investments such as office buildings, residential or factories, the wind farms do not create wider demands on council services. Access is minor, and there are no discharges, contribution to congestion, or demand and/or benefit from amenities provided by the Council to the community. (refer attached Appendix B extract from Draft Revenue & Financing Policy).
11. Given this discussion and Meridians contribution to environment sustainability (a point acknowledged in the Council’s LTP), it would be justifiable, appropriate fair and reasonable for the Council to remove the commercial differential on the capital improvements in favour of Meridian.

Relief sought:

That the properties referred to are all rated as rural properties and the commercial differential is not applied.

That any associated and necessary changes be made to the Council’s supporting financial policies to achieve this outcome.

CONSERVATION LAND

12. As part of Meridian's wider contribution to the environment and conservation, 148.24 hectares of its land holding has been set aside for protection of its natural vegetation. Not only does this area not generate income, Meridian does incur costs in its preservation. As such, this land should be treated as non-rateable. Refer to Appendix C of this submission.

Relief sought:

The area set aside by Meridian be non-rated, or if rated, then that proportion of rates be postponed in recognition of its heritage value and wider community benefit.

GENERAL COMMENTS ON THE LONG TERM PLAN AND FINANCIAL STRATEGY

13. The LTP indicates an average rate increase under "business as usual" of 4.1% per annum for years 1 to 3, and under the "growth" scenario, an average of 4.5% per annum for years 1 to 3. Both of these scenarios are against a CPI running at 1%.
14. The rating examples indicate the impact will be greater on higher valued properties, a \$5 million property is shown as 4.97%. The Council's LTP shows that the Wellington household incomes are the highest in the country, yet the Council does not look to share the rating burden through the use of a Uniform Annual General Charge.
15. The Uniform Annual General Charge is used by most Councils to recognise many of council services are related to people and not properties. These costs usually relate to such activities as libraries, sports facilities and a portion of democratic services. Considering the cost of these services and the benefits as identified in your Financial Strategy, a UAGC of \$180 (plus GST) is justifiable and well within the Statutory limits.
16. At this level, it is also estimated that this UAGC would not breach the Council's self imposed limit relating to rates affordability being no more than 3.5% of the average household income and well below the 5% national rates affordability guide.
17. It is Meridian's submission that the Wellington City Council introduce a Uniform Annual General Charge to: 1) recognise the services that are people related so that the contribution is fair as to the costs incurred / benefits received (s101(3)(ii); and 2) shares the additional costs proposed more equitably between properties.
18. The Long Term Plan provides for options of business as usual and growth scenarios. In assessing growth scenarios, Council must ensure that the benefits are measurable against the costs incurred. The City has seen a period of modest growth. The additional costs do not appear to make a demonstrable difference to this..
19. On the face of it, this does not appear that the Council has undertaken a robust cost/benefit analysis. In a business, the additional costs would only be incurred if it were to increase revenue and/or reduce operating costs. The simple fact that under the "growth" scenario rates are forecast to increase at a higher level. There does not appear to be any business case existing for the additional expenditure.
20. It is accepted Council undertakes some services for community benefit rather than solely based on a rate of return. If these services are to be extended, they should still be subject to a rigorous cost / benefit analysis. If the additional services are to enhance the

lives of the people living in the city, the funding method should reflect this (refer to comment on Uniform General Charge).

21. It is Meridian's submission that in adopting its Long Term Plan, the Council must satisfy itself that the growth projects have been subject to a robust cost / benefit analysis. This should also be applied to the proposed runway extension as well as the other projects listed. Having undertaken this analysis, the funding of the net expenditure should be undertaken in such a way that best represents the beneficiaries of the additional rates expenditure.

Relief sought:

That the Wellington City Council introduces a Uniform Annual General Charge to recognise the services that are people related are more fairly and equitably allocated between properties.

That any associated and necessary changes be made to the Council's supporting financial policies to achieve this outcome.

Appendix A: Wind Farm Location & Layout for West Wind and Mill Creek Windfarm



West Wind and Mill Creek
October 2007

Appendix B: Extract Draft Revenue & Funding Policy WCC Draft LTP 2015 - 2025 Rating Categories

“4. The Council’s application of the requirements of the Act

This section shows how the operating expenditure associated with each of the Council’s activities are funded through applying the requirements of section 101 (3) of the Local Government Act 2002. Our activity analysis is organised under the following headings:

• **Community outcome.** The Council has four community outcomes:

- Connected city
- Dynamic central city
- People centred city
- Eco City

We make reference to the community outcome to which each activity relates in our analysis.

• **Activity Area.** The Council’s activity areas consolidated into seven strategic areas in which we provide a service to the community. These are:

- Governance
- Environment
- Economic development
- Cultural wellbeing
- Social and recreation
- Urban development
- Transport.

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5. The general rates differential

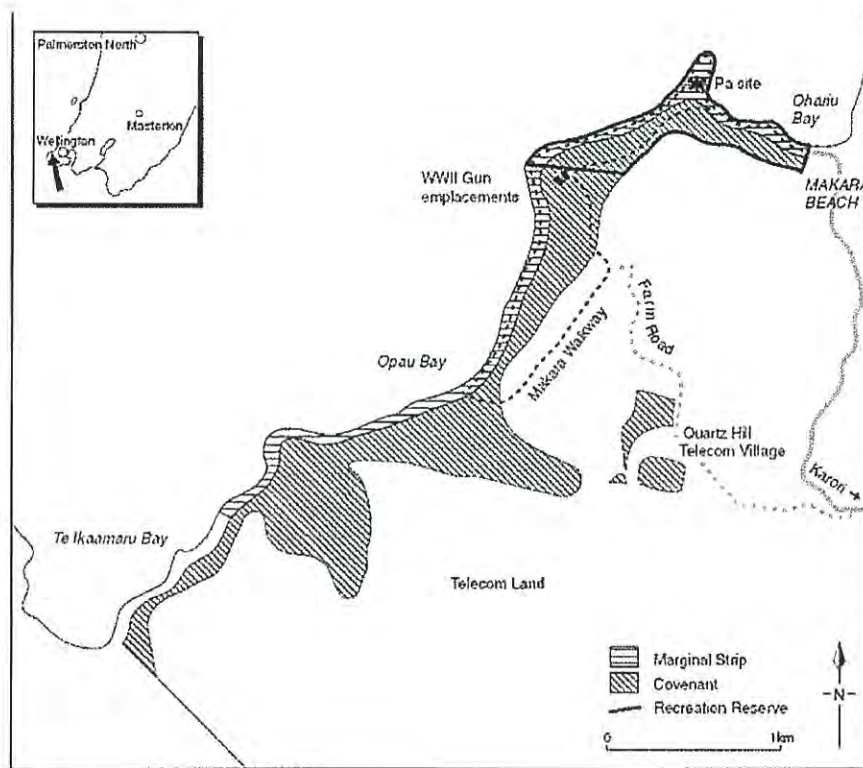
The general rate is split between the base differential rate, which applies to residential ratepayers, Community organisations and rural land, and the commercial, industrial and business differential rate.

Historically, the Council has applied a modifier to alter the rates differential (the rates split) that decides the share of general rate paid by residents (base differential) and by businesses (commercial, industrial and business differential). In setting the level of the differential, the Council has considered the requirements of the Local Government Act and number of factors including:

- The benefits each sector derives
- The ability of ratepayers within each sector to pay
- The historic relationship between various groups of ratepayers and the existing level of the differential
- Ensuring any change to the differential, or rate of any change, does not impact unreasonably on any particular group of ratepayers
- To determine equity and fairness, the entire rating system for Wellington City must be considered and it is not appropriate to focus on the differential only
- The impact on the Social, Cultural, Economic and Environmental well-being of the community.

In 2015/16 the Council proposes no change in the rates differential. This means that a commercial sector ratepayer will contribute 2.8 times more to the general rate than residential ratepayer for each dollar of rateable property capital value.”

Appendix C: Covenanted Conservation Areas – West Wind Farm Wellington City
Approximately 148 hectares



Plan showing covenants, recreation reserve and walkway

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Submission by:

Opus International Consultants Limited (Opus)

Please note that Opus does not wish to be heard in support of this submission

Submission on Wellington City Council's Draft Long Term Plan 2015-25

Opus welcomes the opportunity to make this submission in response to WCC's invitation for local private businesses to provide feedback on the Wellington City Council's Draft Long Term Plan 2015-25. Opus employs approximately 3,000 staff, many of whom are technical professionals with around 300 based in Wellington and the wider Wellington Region, and therefore has a strong interest in the success of the Region as both an employer and a business.

The particular points within our submission are as follows:

- 1) Opus supports the overall intent of the Plan. The concepts of investing for growth as opposed to the status quo is one that will serve Wellington well in lifting our performance on the national and international stage.
- 2) Opus commends the Council's integrated and sustainable approach to growth, and its preparedness to adapt the Plan as necessary to optimise success.
- 3) Opus considers that there are several aspects of the Plan of particular merit, including:
 - i. Improvements to the City's resilience against the risks of natural hazards and climate change;
 - ii. Encouraging urban growth that contributes to the city's economic, social and environmental success;
 - iii. Enhancing Wellington's attractiveness to high tech and innovation industry (and employees);

- iv. Investing in transportation modal choice and increasing the efficiency, safety and sustainability of the City's multi-modal transportation network;
- v. Investing in community and social infrastructure, and in social outcomes;
- vi. Investing in liveable communities;
- vii. Investing in a uniquely Wellington sense of place, identity, culture and environment;
- viii. Investing in a vibrant inner city;
- ix. Taking a strategic approach to growth in conjunction with other Councils.

4) Enhanced Financial Business Case

From a private sector perspective, investments in projects are analysed to establish the likely risks and returns. To aid clarity in the presentation of the plan it is suggested that a prioritised set of investments with each having some comments as to their likely economic returns including other non-tangible criteria is presented.

The plan is predicated on significant population and business growth. One comment that would enhance the credibility of the overall plan is the inclusion of Professor Natalie Jackson's study on New Zealand demography in relation to the current population projections for the Wellington area. Then in conjunction with this information, establish clear linkages between these projections, the proposed enhancements and the plan's population projections. Providing more direct linkages in this way, together with flexibility to changes in the assumptions, will go some way to responding to those commentators who ask how all these projects can be sustainably funded.

5) Clearer Consideration of Future Demand Management Scenarios

Opus supports the draft plan, in that it sets the framework for realistic sustainable urban growth by combining Greenfield development and densification concepts along with an integrated approach to transport and urban renewal.

We are aware of the increased interest Central Government is placing on Local Government to more clearly articulate the active use of advanced tools for future demand management. It is suggested that the Long Term Plan therefore includes a section that outlines the scenarios and future demand assumptions behind many of the projected projects and overall "invest for growth" theme. These might include expanded road and water pricing models, immigration and population trends, integrated transportation, urban design and public transportation models

The recent two day National Infrastructure Unit's infrastructure forum included a presentation from Professor Tony Seba. His presentation of disruptive technology included the impacts of electronic vehicles and autonomous driven cars. It is suggested that Wellington might well be the most appropriate city in New Zealand to take a leadership role in addressing these technologies and their impact on proposed city infrastructure.

6) Regional Impacts on City Directions

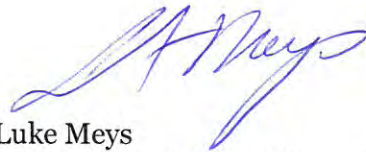
We are of the opinion that once there is clarity on the way forward around any regional amalgamation it would be beneficial to revisit the plan to make sure the growth plan is aligned with the outcomes from this process. Again, these will include an emphasis on revisiting the Demand Management assumptions mentioned above.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Plan.

Yours sincerely



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Submission of the Tawa Community Board on the Wellington City Council Long Term Plan 2015-2025.

The Tawa Community Board welcomes the opportunity to comment on the Draft Long Term Plan 2015-2025. The Board wishes to make an oral submission to Councillors.

We will be commenting on areas within the plan that we feel affect Tawa.

Investing For Growth

We feel that the Wellington City Council should pursue opportunities to work with the other councils in the region. The ratepayers of these neighbouring councils are likely to benefit from increased economic activity from these projects and thus should shoulder a portion of the costs.

We are weary of the rates increases proposed under this plan, in that a 3.9% p.a. increase equates to 47% over the life of this plan. The Board questions whether this level of rates increases are sustainable for the venerable residents in our communities.

Airport Runway Extension

While the Board recognises the benefits Council has outlined in the plan, and agree that this project will provide benefits to both tourism in the Wellington Region and to businesses in Wellington the Board remains to be convinced that this is a viable project and recommends that it be deferred indefinitely until there is more widespread support for this project.

In particular:

- We feel that the costs of this project should be shared between both central government and the Councils of the Wellington Region and Lower North Island.
- It is questionable that the current location of the airport is viable in the longer time given is location is susceptible to the effects of climate change and sea level rise, and natural disasters of tsunami and storm surge. A better position maybe to focus international connections from the likes of Ohakea airport to serve the lower North Island with Rongotai being maintained a city shuttle connection airport.
- The airlines themselves appear not to have a stated position on supporting any additional international flights to an expanded Wellington airport.

Film and Tech

We feel this investment will be positive for the growth of Wellington. The Council should also seek to foster greater co-operation between businesses and educational institutes to provide better links between education and employment in these industries.

The Board supports the proposed Wellington Region Economic Development Agency (WREDA), and would strongly recommend that this agency does not solely focus on the Wellington CBD, but also has regard to outlying communities in Wellington.

Promoting Housing Choice and a Vibrant Inner City

The Board supports the proposed establishment of an 'Urban Development' Agency. We feel that as part of this agency, it is vital that residents of Wellington are able to have a say in the development of projects this agency undertakes, as this is a way for Wellingtonian's to actively shape how they want their city to look in the future.

Civic Square

The Board wishes for Council to undertake detailed planning before agreeing to commit approximately \$10 million to this project.

Strengthening Town Centres

The Board strongly encourages Council to develop Greenfield areas in order to accommodate this predicted growth.

Additionally, we feel that housing choice is crucial. We cannot constrain residents to a particular type of house in order to accommodate growth in population. We must endeavour to provide, where practical, housing for all ages and tastes.

We feel that any development needs to be sensitive to the existing character of the surrounding area. Additionally, the physical, and social, infrastructure must exist in these areas before development can occur including schools and playgrounds, green open spaces, libraries and community centre meeting facilities.

Tawa Town Centre

The Board would strongly encourage Council to undertake processes to gain community buy in and participation in this development. If the Tawa Community participates in this project, the outcome will not only be better, it will be one that the community is proud of. This will return the Tawa business centre to a modern attractive and commercially viable centre that the local community is willing to support without the need to travel to the car-centric mega malls outside of the suburb.

New and Improved Venues

We feel that Council must ensure that the infrastructure is in place to support these venues. We feel that the Council should seek investment from other Councils as they stand to benefit from these venues.

An artificial turf was proposed for Tawa in the 2012/2022 Long Term Plan. This was subsequently removed by the 2014/15 Annual Plan. While there have been some recent interim improvements to some sports facilities in Tawa there is still strong local interest in a local artificial sports ground.

It is therefore recommended that the Long Term Plan include provision for an artificial sports turf to be located in Tawa in later years of the Long Term Plan after progress with the potential impact of the Petone - Granada link road impact on existing sporting facilities and the desires of the various sporting codes have been further assessed. We feel that this is a needed community facility and would be well used by the many sports clubs within Tawa and the surrounding area.

Use Smart Technology

The Board fully supports the proposed investment in smart LED lighting. We have seen the dramatic difference these lights have made in several streets in Tawa.

Real Transport Choices

The Board feels that transport choice should be taken to mean that there is accessible and safe transport for all residents of Wellington. This includes both the young and old, and must seek to remove barriers for those residents who currently find the transport network to be inaccessible.

The Board also recommend that the Council explore the addition of a safe pedestrian and cycle route from Tawa to Johnsonville along Middleton Road. The current route is not safe, and should be a priority for Council to improve. This builds on the current valuable asset of the Tawa Valley Pathway through Tawa and links up with similar pathways to the north through Porirua.

Local Government reform

It is disappointing that mention of any form of Local Government reform is omitted from the Long Term Plan. There appears to have been no obvious allowance within the Long Term Plan for any provision for the future effects of a potential local government reform (in whatever form that might take) either in any potential savings through greater regional co-

operation/sharing of resources, or in potential integration costs associated with some form of amalgamation.

Meanwhile Greater Wellington continues to shed some of its costs to Territorial Authorities; e.g in the pest management and biosecurity area, and it is unclear from the Long Term Plan whether the Wellington City Council has made provision to fully pick up its share of these costs from Greater Wellington - if not there will be a gap in coverage.

Tawa Community Board

Robert Tredger (Chair)

Margaret Lucas

Graeme Hansen

Richard Herbert

Jack Marshall

Alistair Sutton

The Wellington City Youth Council welcomes the opportunity to comment on the proposed Long Term Plan 2015-2025.

The Youth Council wishes to make an oral submission to Councillors.

Investing for growth:

The Youth Council, in principle, supports the proposed plan of investing for the growth of Wellington as outline in the Long Term Plan.

We do feel that some options proposed in the plan are of greater value than others, as we will outline in the following submission.

We will submit on these projects when they are consulted on further in future.

A longer Airport runway:

We think that the economic benefits that an extension of the airport runway will bring are of great value to Wellington, not just Wellington City, but the entire region. As such, the Council should seek investment in this project from the other councils in the region.

The Council should seek and contract at least one major airline to utilise the added capacity of the runway extension before proceeding with construction.

Film and Tech Industries

The Youth Council has previously supported the development of the CBD into a tech friendly city. It is vital if Wellington is to continue to be attractive for 21st century businesses that this investment continues.

Inner City Regeneration

The Youth Council supports the development of an Urban Development Agency. We feel this will enable Council, and Wellington residents, to have a say in the style of the Wellington CBD into the future.

We would strongly encourage the Council to ensure that input from young people forms part of the process this agency undertakes when developing new projects. We consider this to be vital, as young people are the future of the city and it is important that the city is one we are proud of.

Revitalise the Civic Square Precinct

We support the proposed moves to revitalise Civic Square. However, we feel that before pursuing development of the Jack Illot green, Council should first pursue earthquake strengthening and redevelopment of the space previously used by "Capital E"

Reigniting our sense of space

We support the proposed “cheering up” of laneways and streets. The Youth Council has been extremely pleased with the “cheering up” of Bond Street. We hope to see quirky and unique projects such as this one spread across the CBD in future.

We support the redevelopment of Frank Kitts Park as proposed. We would additionally suggest the addition of equipment that enables play across all ages of Wellington Residents. The Youth Council has previously submitted on this proposal several times, and are pleased to see this phrase included in the Waterfront Development Strategy. We feel this would be an excellent place for Council to include this type of equipment.

Strengthening Town Centres

We support the development of the Karori Events Centre as a community facility. We would encourage Council to ensure housing choice is available to accommodate the predicted growth of Wellington.

New and Improved Venues

We support the development of the proposed Central City venues. Wellington is skipped by international artists far too often due to the lack of a suitable venue. The economic benefit of such a venue is clear.

We support the development of the Basin Reserve. We feel that any changes made during this development need to be in keeping with the Basin’s character to ensure that it continues to be a great place to watch a test match, far into the future.

We support the proposed artificial turf at the National Hockey Stadium. It is a needed resource, which will clearly be utilised by users of the facility.

New Visitor Attractions

We support the development of an Ocean Exploration Center.

The Youth Council supports the proposal that the Long Term Plan 2015-25 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.

The Youth Council believes that the City Council should support the Citizenship Centre because there is a clear need for improved civics and citizenship education. The Youth Council first identified this in 2012.

After hearing from Chris Laidlaw, a Trustee of the Citizenship Trust, we believe that the Citizenship Centre would enable many more school children to experience high quality citizenship education and Wellington.

Use Smart Technology

We support the installation of smart sensors for parking in the CBD. This will enable the turnover of parks in the CBD, which will support more people be able to access the CBD.

We also support the installation of LED street lighting. Members have noted that the trial streets around the city, have far greater visibility and greatly improved safety and feel.

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Wellington City Council – Draft Long-term Plan 2015-2025

Submission on behalf of Lyall Bay Surf Life Saving Club

This submission is prepared on behalf of the Lyall Bay Surf Life Saving Club Incorporated (**Club**).

The Club supports the Council's ongoing support for the Club's new building project which has been in Council's annual plans since approved by Council in March 2010.

We would like the opportunity to present an oral submission in support of our funding as part of the Council's long term plan deliberations. This will allow us to provide an update to all Councillors about the current status of our project and the challenges the Club has faced since the original funding was approved and a funding agreement signed in October 2012.

In summary, the key update and points in our oral submission will cover the following:

- 1 The Club's current and proposed facilities are the only dedicated surf life saving facility within Wellington City. The other beaches that are patrolled regularly (Oriental Bay and Scorching Bay) do not have permanent surf life saving facilities.
- 2 We provide a unique and essential rescue service, as well as a facility that is used by a number of community groups. Some recent examples of this are:
 - a During the recent large swells (14-16 April 2015) the Club's members responded to a call out from Police to search for a surfer who was reported as in distress in the surf. Our inflatable rescue boat and facilities were used as a base for this operation. The surfer was located safely and we were able to confirm there were no other surfers in the water in danger.
 - b In November 2014 we hosted the first round of the National surf boat series. Over 40 surf boat crews entered this event and we had over 200 competitors and supporters from around the country at Lyall Bay for the event. We also used this as an opportunity to engage with our local community.
- 3 The replacement of surf life saving facilities nationally is a significant issue with a large number of facilities that will need to be replaced within the next 10 years.
- 4 The Club has raised \$1.67 million to date towards the estimated total project cost of \$3.1 million. The Club requires a further \$1.5 to \$1.7 million to complete the project.
- 5 Council agreed to contribute a combined total of \$650,000 at a time when the total cost of our project was approximately \$1.8 million. Since that time, the project costs have increased by over 55% and are now estimated to be around \$2.9 to \$3.0 million. This increase has been due to additional requirements for the piling and foundation design and the changing standards for building resilience. The project cost has also increased as a result of a significant increase in construction and material costs.
- 6 The Club is now faced with raising the balance of funding required which is significantly more than originally estimated. If costs had come in at the level originally estimated, we would have over 92% of the funding required and the balance would have already been raised through members and community trusts.

- 7 We are currently undertaking a value engineering process to consider alternative construction techniques such as glass fibre reinforced concrete (as opposed to traditional concrete) which may allow the piling and foundation design to be simplified, lowering construction costs. This process will also provide the Club with an updated estimate of our construction costs. We are expecting to get this information before the hearing on the draft long-term plan and can provide a further update at the hearing.
- 8 As a result of the increased costs, we would also like to request that Council considers additional funding to assist the Club replace what is an out of date facility that is rapidly deteriorating. Our request would be for an additional \$350,000 towards the cost of our building. That amount would bring the Council's contribution to our project to a level which is consistent with the Council's original contribution.
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We will provide a further update on the status of our project during our oral hearing.



Arie Moore
Chairman

Lyllall Bay Surf Life Saving Club Incorporated.

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Introduction

This submission is made by Te Runanga o Toa Rangatira Inc (the Runanga) the mandated iwi organisation for Ngati Toa Rangatira (Ngati Toa). Ngati Toa is one of two recognised tangata whenua groups within the Wellington City Council boundaries. A formal relationship through a Memorandum of Understanding has been in place with the Council and Runanga since March 2007.

LTP Comments and feedback

The Runanga would like to congratulate the staff and councillors for the innovative and creative approach that has been taken in presenting this document. The Runanga are generally supportive or have taken a neutral position on the questions asked on the submission form.

We would like to make specific reference to the following areas where we are currently working alongside council and also provide high level comments regarding the plan where we think would provide benefit to Ngati Toa and for Maori. We seek to have continued support for the following:

Taputeranga Island

The Runanga has been working closely with staff of Wellington City Council regarding the ongoing restoration of the island. In addition Ngati Toa has identified the need for commemorative signage and carved pou to be erected to share the story of the Ngati Toa relationship and association to the Island. This would be in keeping with the existing heritage pou whenua heritage trail and other public art marking sites of significance that has been done for the other tangata whenua iwi.

Signage and pou reflecting the stories and associations of Ngati Toa to the Wellington area could also be included within section 5 of the LTP headed – *Reigniting our sense of place through events and public space improvements.*

Te Awarua o Porirua Strategy and Action Plan

The Runanga views the continued participation of Wellington City Council critical to the success of the objectives within this strategy and action plan. This piece of work is based on a whole of catchment and a multi-agency approach. Wellington City has a number of land developments currently being undertaken that will have impacts of the harbour and its tributaries.

National Museum Te Papa Tongarewa

The Runanga endorses the continued support of Wellington City for funding to Te Papa Tongarewa. This venue provides a critical role to the preservation to taonga Maori and provides a platform iwi Maori to share their stories and rich history. Ngati Toa would encourage Council to allocate a certain amount of funding given to Te Papa specifically for the iwi in residence program that Te Papa runs. Currently Ngati Toa is the iwi in residence through to 2016. This is hugely valuable for the iwi in terms of provided (at a national and regional level) the story and history of our tribe. In addition this platform would also be valuable for the various Maori within the city and having their stories and taonga displayed if and when their iwi are in residence.

Major Maori Events

The Runanga would be supportive and would encourage Wellington City Council in holding a key Maori event annually or bi-annually. A key Maori event for example could be Te Matatini or national Maori sports events.

In summary

In summary we would like to reiterate that we are supportive of the proposed long term plan but would like our detailed recommendations to be taken into account when preparing and considering budgets.

We would finally like to make special mention and acknowledge the contribution made to this plan by Brian Hannah, Director Strategy and External Relations.

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Comments

I disagree with the projects in the long term plan. Not ONE CENT of ratepayer money should be allocated to the airport extension

Should Council take action to improve our international air connections?

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Comments

NOT ONE CENT! This is a Muldoonist ThinkBig disaster. The cost projection is laughable - ratepayers cannot be expected to take \$1m/1m or runway seriously. Those responsible for the cost

projection are incompetent or liars - either way they should be fired. There is no support from industry, ratepayers, the airport owners or from airlines. I strenuously oppose council spending on any proposed extension.

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Comments

Finally, a good idea. The tech sector needs high quality innercity

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No, the film industry pays little tax, and employs few locals and relies on largely on tax payer funding. It has no sustainable future in Wellington compared to the tech sector.

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Tourists are annoying and provide economic opportunities to a limited sector of the economy. They either come to sevens and ruin the weekend for locals or stand around on Lambton Quay getting in the way.

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We need to invest heavily into understanding how our region will change over the next 200 years. I am opposed to expensive short term mitigation efforts - we must be prepared to abandon low lying areas such as Kilbirnie in the coming decades. Property owners should be advised now what to expect with 1m of sealevel raise, and this information should be added to all property LIM reports.

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Comments

I think the consultation process on this has been poorly run - this is a really hard question to answer, and information is hard to find. I do not think any mandate can be taken from this process of consultations.

Do you see other matters as priorities?

Comments

Cycle lanes first, second, third and fourth. I am sick of obstructionist Councillors and council staff fighting against building cycle infrastructure - you are the people holding this city back. There is

massive mandate for cycling. Build the damn cycle lanes the voters voted for.

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This consultation has been really poorly managed by the council. No information has been sent to my address about this. It is concerning that the response to this plan, particularly the airport extension slush fund, will be taken as a mandate to make changes. Finally I am concerned at the extremely high salaries paid to management within council. They are public servants, and should be paid accordingly. The CE earns an obscene amount that cannot be justified except for great personal greed. I suggest aligning salaries of management with those salaries within the secondary school sector.

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From: Matthew Crawford <taranaki@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, 28 March 2015 7:12 p.m.
To: BUS: Long Term Plan
Subject: Long Term Plan submission

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| Name | Matthew Crawford |
| Email | taranaki@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 |
| 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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There is a huge need for more aquatic facilities in the city, particularly deep water pools. I am personally involved with water polo and flippaball development in the region and have seen a massive decline in the numbers of participation in both. However, this decrease is not from a decline in interest but availability of deep water space. Our club is forced to have anywhere between 25-40 children packed into a small area which makes teaching difficult and places a greater demand on coaches. I feel a lack of deep water space is not only detrimental to our sport but also the general population as studies have shown children should not be expected to replicate swimming competencies conducted in safe, calm environments (such as swallow pool water) (Kjendlie et al., 2013). It is a lack of deep water space and opportunity to test children's swimming ability that has surely contributed to the proven over-estimation of swimming competency in New Zealand Swimmers (Moran, 2006) and has contributed to our inexcusable drowning rates as a nation (New Zealand Herald, 2013). Finally, with the increasing migrant population in Wellington there should be an emphasis on trying to provide an opportunity for 'new' New Zealanders to develop the water competencies needed to survive in 'high risk' activities (such as swimming in ocean water)(Moran, 2013) by having the opportunity to learn in challenging yet safe environments provided by deep water aquatic facilities. My recommendations for the long term plan would be for: 1) A commitment to reducing the high rates of drowning and increase the levels of swimming competency in high risk populations such as Children and migrants. 2) Need deep water spaces (1.8m and up) capable of hosting events (Water Polo, Underwater Hockey, Diving, under water rugby, Synchronized swimming, Swimming). 3) Development of existing school pools, particularly those that have existing structures that could accommodate deep water spaces. Thank you, Tim Chambers Research Fellow and PhD Candidate University of Otago, Wellington Department of Public Health. References Kjendlie, L., Pedersen, T., Thoresen, T., Setlo, T., Moran, K., Stallman, K. (2013). Can you swim in waves? Children's Swimming, Floating and entry skills in calm and simulated unsteady water conditions. International Journal of Aquatic Research and Education, 7, 301-313. Moran K (2006) Re-thinking drowning risk: the role of water safety knowledge, attitudes and behaviours in the aquatic recreation of New Zealand youth. Massey University, New Zealand. mro.massey.ac.nz/bitstream/handle/10179/642/02whole.pdf?sequence=1. Moran, K., & Willcox, S. (2013). Water Safety Practices and Perceptions of 'New' New Zealanders. International Journal Of Aquatic Research & Education, 7(2), 136-146. New Zealand Herald (2013) http://www.nzherald.co.nz/nz/news/article.cfm?c_id=1&objectid=10858598

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3.1% compounded is bad enough, the additional 0.8% is unaffordable to people on low incomes.

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Comments

We do not need an airport extension that airlines are not interested in supporting. The damage caused yesterday at the Lyall Bay car park should be alerting you to the dangers of extending further into the ocean. This development directly contradicts your plans to strengthen sea defences etc.

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Comments

Xero didnt need to be supported to be in Wellington. Couple of councillors have told me that this is about providing talking space for the ICT sector....there are a number of local social enterprise models that the ICT sector could be using itself e.g. Biz dojo, MakersSpace, shared space on Cuba etc. the sector isn't poor. It does not need rates to support it.

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Comments

Please tell me who this film industry is? From Film Welington it is Peter Jackson and Creative NZ sponsored, local, new talent....the local talent every place in the world has! Mr Jackson has a cinema for his staff on Park road. He's funded BATS and can build his own museum, because I'm struggling to find significant wellington made films that haven't involved him! We have leveraged lord of the rings to the max, as a city and country. It's finishing soon so let's find something new rather than spend money for statues to Sir Peter.

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Would like to know which buildings and owners are prioritised and how. Something for your resilience strategy?

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Really unclear as to how you off set the cost. If it's the unclear income to be generated from more buildings for promoting european composers then no. I think some real discussions with people living in Wellington would generate a huge range of ideas about how we could pay for the civic buildings. The civic square does not need upgrading.

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Comments

I do not believe that we are. It has been interesting watching the council close and then Appropriate a number of local community events, most recently Cuba carnival / cubadupa

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Let's use what we have already. Your proposals seek to duplicate rather than utilise and enhance our current assets.

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Would want to know which sports spaces and how prioritised.

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People come because of what we have already. An accessible transport system that can get them to the activities outside of the city centre would be a good start.

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Still looking for figures about the savings for this particular set of investments ...maybe this is something you can include in future key financial facts?

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There are huge differences between led lights and parking sensors! Support led but on a phased in and well costed basis.....not seen that yet. The parking sensors will create accidents, do you really want people checking screens when they should be driving carefully in a pedestrianised city centre?

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Again which proposed improvements?

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Who is asking for these ? Appalling mess made in Kilbirnie Really unclear why this is being proposed when small businesses are frequently complaining about the high rates in the city centre, and many haven't left or closed down leaving us with the usual glut of Australian chain stores....

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But not if Kilbirnie is used as the model. An approach that actively engages with local shoppers and residents is needed in the planning stage.

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We do not need another convention centre or changes to the civic centre space! Really unclear why we're spending Wellington money on Parliament precinct. I ride a cycle, I pay no ACC costs, no road tax etc and heard that the developments in Iyall Bay cost around 6m. Cyclists need to contribute to these costs. Your approach to housing is flawed and contradicts your apparent commitment to green space. I live in Houghton Bay and have direct experience of your approach.

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homelessness, including begging on the streets, and no not your ratepayers giving directly to charities! Transparency about how rates are being funnelled to WREDA and other businesses, universities and polytechnics 'partnering' with the council to spend rates. Improved outsourcing requirements around health and safety so that men collecting our refuse and recycling do not work alone on dark, wet and windy wellington streets. That accident which killed Junior Hunt was inevitable.

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There are numerous benefits for Wellington City Council. These include:

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- contributing to Wellington's Smart Capital goals of a people-centred city (healthy, affordable and resilient) and of an eco-city (reduced demand for resources)
- supporting and encouraging the uptake of solar energy in particularly in new homes, alongside the Home Energy Saver Programme
- promoting sustainable building in design and construction, as required under the Building Act 2004 (sections 3, 4 and 172)



- being a key mechanism for championing sustainable design within the Council and feeding back into the development of council policy
- generating positive feedback by offering free, impartial advice and assistance to residents, designers and the building trade – the EDA service is one of the few “carrots” Council can offer in the building compliance area
- showing the Council as proactive and leading in sustainability issues.

Supporting information

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1. Introduction

- 1.1. The NZSO supports the Investment for Growth Strategy and the Sustainable Growth Agenda outlined in the Draft LTP. As New Zealand's international standard national orchestra resident in Wellington, the NZSO plans to contribute substantially to making the city even more vibrant and exciting through its performance and related musical activities, collaborations with other national arts companies, diversification of services and presentation of international artists in Wellington and New Zealand.
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2. Project 1

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- 2.1. The NZSO is an international standard professional symphony orchestra and engages its artists from around the world. Each year in excess of 100 international soloists, conductors, musicians including orchestral players and administrative personnel undertake return international air travel to New Zealand for their work with the Orchestra. Being able to fly directly into Wellington will improve the NZSO's scheduling efficiency, lower operational costs and also produce other business benefits including reduced travel down time for NZSO management personnel travelling overseas.

3. Project 2

Supporting smart and sustainable economic growth

- 3.1. The NZSO is a part of Wellington's screen production sector and has recorded the sound tracks for over 20 films since 2000 including two films in the Hobbit trilogy, *The Desolation of Smaug* and *The Battle of the Five Armies*. As in the wider New Zealand film sector this work is sporadic and mostly involves one-off productions. The establishment of an Industry Enterprise Zone would create a foundation on which to foster growth and a more continuous flow of film and film scoring projects. It would increase New Zealand's international profile and improve economic returns from the sector including the NZSO's third party revenue streams.
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4. Project 4

A national music hub, more activity, and a strengthened Town Hall

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- 4.4. The music hub would have the auditorium with its internationally acclaimed acoustic at its heart. This would be unchanged and continue to be used for recording, film scoring and as a performance venue presenting a wide range of music and events.
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Reigniting our sense of place through events & public space improvements

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6. Project 7

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- 6.1. The NZSO supports the development of an 8,000 to 12,000 seat indoor arena in the central city. Care would need to be taken to ensure that it is designed to support a wide range of large scale music performances including orchestral performances.
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- 6.3. A recent example was the symphonic *Doctor Who* concert presentations in a joint venture with the New Zealand Festival in 2014. The TSB Arena, where the performances were mounted, is unsuited to such performances with poor sight lines, acoustics, music presentation facilities and sound proofing. In addition, the economics of such performances are often marginal. Larger seating capacity and more attractive facilities will substantially improve the viability of arena type music projects in the city.
- 6.4. It is clear that such a venue will produce the three stated benefits of more international music presentation, more visitors and increased city vibrancy.

7. Project 8

Celebrating Wellington's culture and environment

- 7.1. Adding to Wellington's visitor attractions, such as the proposed International Film Museum, and enhancing existing facilities such as the Museum of City and Sea will build the critical mass of arts and cultural institutions and experiences available in Wellington.

This will contribute to the growing reputation of Wellington as a key New Zealand destination in its own right.

- 7.2. From the NZSO's perspective continued development of the city's cultural and arts infrastructure supports the Orchestra's role as New Zealand's national orchestra resident in Wellington. It brings both visitors and new residents to the city, helps build audiences, increases opportunities for collaboration and increases the capability of Wellington's creative industries as more artists and cultural sector professionals are drawn to the city.
- 7.3. The commentary in the LTP for this project asks 'These additions (and the events and festival funding) aim to showcase the best of Wellington: the arts, film, nature, our capital city status, and our very own stories. Have we got the mix right?' It is appropriate to expand and enhance the institution based museum sector. This is a common feature of capital cities internationally and often, as is the case in Wellington, the institutions of government such as Parliament are also a part of the visitor experience.
- 7.4. However, it is important to ensure that there is comparable ongoing investment in the performing arts sector. This sector brings a special vibrancy to cities. It gets people into the city and out in the evenings, if built on a strong professional foundation, offerings are consistently available throughout the year maintaining the flow of people to restaurants, cafes and other city businesses. The LTP could include more specific initiatives for the consolidation and development of this sector. They are a part of both this project and *Project 5 Reigniting our sense of place through events and public space improvements*.

8. Project 10

Reduce energy use, make streets safer, and make parking easier

- 8.1. The wireless parking sensors and LED street lighting projects will vastly improve the utility of the CBD, making it easier for people to attend events, and enhance the ambience of the streetscape. Improved access to parking will make it more convenient for patrons of concerts and performances and reduce the impact of this impediment to attendance. More intelligent lighting will, in addition to the benefits of reduced long-term costs and other network sensing initiatives, facilitate a more attractive and dynamic inner city for patrons pre and post performance in the city's entertainment precincts.

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- 9.1. A key differentiator and advantage for Wellington is its capital city status. The Draft LTP does make some connections with this status but it may be worth exploring the benefits of this unique relationship with central government more comprehensively in the final Long Term Plan.
- 9.2. The Investment for Growth Strategy has an appropriate balance of economic, social and cultural projects and initiatives that recognises the range of investments necessary to build an attractive and liveable city. The NZSO supports the strategy and looks forward to playing its part in ensuring that Wellington achieves these goals.

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