## Absolutely Positively **Wellington** City Council

Me Heke Ki Pōneke

File ref: IRC-3689

23 August 2022

Kia ora,

## **Rates Increase Queries**

Thank you for your request made on 02 August, you requested the following information:

- I would like to see the spreadsheet of average rates increases per suburb and for the impact separately for residential and commercial rating units. This information was obviously used to populate the website so I'm assuming it is readily available.
- Would you also clarify how many ratepayers received the letter.? The first email said 27k ratepayers whilst a subsequent email said 20K. Would you also confirm the criteria for being sent this letter.

Please see the below response to your questions, as well as the attached spreadsheet.

The information published on the website was for both Commercial and Residential. We only published the median values for suburbs greater than 100 rate payers and excluded Makara (which had large commercial rates and small residential ratepayer population).

I would like to see the spreadsheet of average rates increases per suburb and for the impact separately for residential and commercial rating units.

Attached is the spreadsheet with the pivot tables which split out the median increases for residential and commercial rating units.

Would you also clarify how many ratepayers received the letter? The first email said 27k ratepayers whilst a subsequent email said 20K. Would you also confirm the criteria for being sent this letter.

The number of ratepayers receiving letters is around 20,000. There was an initial estimate of 27,000, however when data was extracted and validated through the QA process the actual number was closer to 20,000. The criteria for sending out the letter was for ratepayers (commercial and residential) who received increases greater than 15%

Please note, we may proactively release our response to your request with your personal information removed.

Kind regards

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	Number of assessments	Median of 2022-23 rates	Median % change 2021-22 to 2022-23 rates
Aro Valley	966	\$ 3,608.9	10%
Berhampore	1,224	\$ 3,418.2	6%
Breaker Bay	128	\$ 4,603.4	15%
Broadmeadows	638	\$ 3,309.2	12%
Brooklyn	2,516	\$ 3,908.6	11%
Churton Park	2,726	\$ 3,826.9	8%
Crofton Downs	736	\$ 3,826.9	13%
Glenside	174	\$ 2,435.4	7%
Grenada North	247	\$ 2,764.2	24%
Grenada Village	714	\$ 3,568.0	12%
Hataitai	2,204	\$ 4,426.3	10%
Highbury	164	\$ 4,330.9	13%
Houghton Bay	392	\$ 3,690.6	6%
Island Bay	2,881	\$ 4,072.1	10%
Johnsonville	4,382	\$ 3,254.7	15%
Kaiwharawhara	249	\$ 5,325.4	9%
Karaka Bays	331	\$ 5,488.9	10%
Karori	5,475	\$ 3,772.4	9%
Kelburn	1,332	\$ 5,025.7	7%
Khandallah	3,261	\$ 4,535.3	10%
Kilbirnie	1,487	\$ 3,527.2	12%
Kingston	481	\$ 3,472.6	13%
Lyall Bay	1,290	\$ 3,717.9	8%
Maupuia	560	\$ 3,513.5	9%
Melrose	474	\$ 3,731.5	3%
Miramar	3,549	\$ 3,908.6	14%
Mornington	320	\$ 3,636.1	12%
Mt Cook	2,260	\$ 2,702.9	1%
Mt Victoria	1,925	\$ 4,344.5	-1%
Newlands	3,042	\$ 3,117.3	14%
Newtown	2,691	\$ 3,745.1	8%
Ngaio	2,263	\$ 3,881.4	12%
Ngauranga	194	\$ 8,131.6	25%
Northland	1,289	\$ 3,990.3	11%
Ohariu	185	\$ 3,552.3	5%
Oriental Bay	544	\$ 6,394.3	-3%
Owhiro Bay	383	\$ 3,336.4	12%
Paparangi	989	\$ 3,200.2	13%
Pipitea	519	\$ 2,212.4	-4%
Rongotai	412	\$ 3,608.9	15%
Roseneath	686	\$ 4,508.0	1%
Seatoun	1,045	\$ 5,788.7	13%
Southgate	420	\$ 3,908.6	10%
Strathmore Park	1,217	\$ 3,772.4	19%

Tawa	5,165	\$ 3,200.2	15%
Te Aro	7,738	\$ 1,964.9	-1%
Thorndon	2,044	\$ 3,145.7	0%
Vogeltown	362	\$ 3,554.4	13%
Wadestown	1,394	\$ 4,317.3	5%
Wellington Central	3,149	\$ 1,371.1	-1%
Wilton	808	\$ 3,731.5	14%
Woodridge	689	\$ 3,418.2	10%
Other*	439		
Grand Total	80,753	\$ 3,525.1	9%
Split as :			
- Base (refer Base			
worksheet)	<i>75,138</i>		
-Commercial (refer			
Commercial			
Worksheet)	4,901		
-Non Rateable (no			
further breakdown*)	714		
	80,753		

<sup>\*</sup>Is a grouping of suburbs with less than 100 ratepayers therefore not broken down or analysed any further

## Commercial

	Number of	Median of	Median of Commercial
	Commercial	Commercial 2022-23	% change from 2021-
	assessments	rates	22 to 2022-23 rates
Grenada North	113	\$ 9,279.64	38%
Johnsonville	100	\$ 15,911.49	14%
Kilbirnie	127	\$ 8,090.82	9%
Miramar	154	\$14,052.30	25%
Mt Cook	151	\$ 15,208.22	27%
Newtown	176	\$ 9,269.98	21%
Ngauranga	144	\$13,977.50	25%
Pipitea	134	\$32,783.97	16%
Tawa	103	\$13,197.51	34%
Te Aro	1,534	\$7,552.88	8%
Thorndon	139	\$6,768.97	9%
Wellington Central	1,152	\$3,719.47	8%
Other*	874		
Grand Total	4,901	\$ 9,629.26	15%

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