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Ordinary Meeting of Kōrau Tōtōpū | Long-term Plan, Finance, and Performance Committee Ngā Meneti | Minutes

9:30am Rāpare, 15 Huitanguru 2024
9:30am Thursday, 15 February 2024
Ngake (16.09), Level 16, Tahiwī
113 The Terrace
Pōneke | Wellington



PRESENT

Mayor Whanau
Deputy Mayor Foon
Councillor Abdurahman
Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair)
Councillor Brown (via audiovisual link)
Councillor Calvert
Councillor Chung
Councillor Free
Pouiwi Hohaia
Pouiwi Kelly
Councillor Matthews (Chair)
Councillor McNulty
Councillor O'Neill
Councillor Pannett
Councillor Randle
Councillor Wi Neera
Councillor Young

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1. Meeting Conduct

1.1 Karakia

The Chairperson declared the meeting (hui) open at 9:30am and read the following karakia to open the hui.

Whakataka te hau ki te uru,	Cease oh winds of the west
Whakataka te hau ki te tonga.	and of the south
Kia mākinakina ki uta,	Let the bracing breezes flow,
Kia mātaratara ki tai.	over the land and the sea.
E hī ake ana te atākura.	Let the red-tipped dawn come
He tio, he huka, he hauhū.	with a sharpened edge, a touch of frost,
Tihei Mauri Ora!	a promise of a glorious day

1.2 Apologies

Moved Councillor Matthews, seconded Councillor McNulty

Resolved

That the Kōrau Tōtōpū | Long-term Plan, Finance, and Performance Committee:

1. Accept the apologies received from Councillor Calvert and Councillor Wi Neera for lateness.

Carried

(Councillor Randle joined the hui at 9:35am)

1.3 Conflict of Interest Declarations

Pouiwi Hoaia declared a conflict of interest in relation to part of Item 3.1 CCO Board Appointments, moved away from the table, and did not participate in debate or vote on that part of the item.

1.4 Confirmation of Minutes

Moved Councillor Matthews, seconded Councillor O'Neill

Resolved

That the Kōrau Tōtōpū | Long-term Plan, Finance, and Performance Committee:

1. Approves the minutes of the Kōrau Tōtōpū | Long-term Plan, Finance, and Performance Committee Meeting held on 7 December 2023, having been circulated, that they be taken as read and confirmed as an accurate record of that meeting.

Carried

1.5 Items not on the Agenda

There were no items not on the agenda.

(Councillor Wi Neera joined the hui at 9:35am.)

1.6 Public Participation

1.6.1 Steve Francis

Addressed the meeting on behalf of Pirate Swim Team regarding 2.1 2024-34 LTP Draft Budget & Plan Report.

1.6.2 Courtney Johnston, and Dame Fran Wild

Addressed the meeting on behalf of Te Papa regarding 2.1 2024-34 LTP Draft Budget & Plan Report.

1.6.3 Julian Hughes

Addressed the meeting on behalf of Tawa Swimming Club regarding 2.1 2024-34 LTP Draft Budget & Plan Report.

1.6.4 Michael Gray

Addressed the meeting on behalf of Nada Bakery and the Johnsonville Business Improvement District regarding 2.1 2024-34 LTP Draft Budget & Plan Report.

1.6.5 Jill Day, Bernadette Palister, Rachel Allan, and Tim Davin

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1.6.6 Todd Morton

Addressed the meeting on behalf of Easyswim Swim School regarding 2.1 2024-34 LTP Draft Budget & Plan Report.

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1.6.7 Heather Baldwin, and Gary Parson.

Addressed the meeting on behalf of The Karori Community Hall regarding 2.1 2024-34 LTP Draft Budget & Plan Report.

1.6.8 Rodney Barber

Addressed the meeting on behalf of Newlands Resilience regarding 2.1 2024-34 LTP Draft Budget & Plan Report.

1.6.9 Luke Pierson

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1.6.10 Maree Newson

Addressed the meeting regarding 2.1 2024-34 LTP Draft Budget & Plan Report.

1.6.11 Daniel Hardie

Addressed the meeting regarding 2.1 2024-34 LTP Draft Budget & Plan Report.

Attachments

- 1 Te Papa Presentation
- 2 Luke Pierson Presentation
- 3 Heather Baldwin Handout
- 4 Michael Gray (Johnsonville Business Group) Handout

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(Councillor Randle rejoined the hui at 10:51am)

2. General Business

2.1 2024-34 LTP Draft Budget & Plan Report

Moved Mayor Whanau, seconded Councillor Apanowicz

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18. Note that the above recommendations for increased investment in three waters and other reductions and changes to the programme, delivers an average proposed rates increase (after growth) of 7% over the ten-year period, and a 15.4% rates increase after growth for the first year of the 2024-34 LTP, and a capital programme that exceeds Council's proposed debt limit over the first two years of this LTP.
19. Note that the estimated sludge levy for 2024/25 is an increase of approximately 1.6% over and above the draft rates increase.
20. Agree the draft budget as outlined in the Activity Reports (Operating and Capital) in Attachment 8 and note that these will be updated to reflect any decisions from this meeting.
21. Agree to use sale proceeds from the divestment of non-strategic assets to fund operating expenses for 2024/25 (Year 1) of the LTP. This is deemed financially prudent and in the community's interest to reduce the rates increase in Year 1.
22. Note that the draft budget includes further unfunded depreciation on assets that are unlikely to be replaced to reduce the rates increase over the ten years of the plan.

Consultation Document

23. Note that, after consideration of Council's Significance and Engagement Policy and legislative requirements, the significant issues for the Consultation Document are:
 - a. Investment levels in three waters (Attachment 9)
 - b. Waste collection and funding changes (Attachment 10)
 - c. Establishment of a Perpetual Investment Fund through the sale of airport shares (Attachment 11).
24. Agree the significant consultation issues and the options, including the preferred options, for each issue as outlined in Attachments 9 to 11.

Secretarial Note: The motion moved differed from the recommendations in the officer's report, the changes are marked in red.

The hui adjourned at 11:15am and resumed at 11:40am with all members present.

(Councillor Wi Neera left the hui at 12:23pm and returned at 12:27pm.)

(Councillor Apanowicz left the hui at 12:30pm.)

The hui adjourned at 12:34pm and resumed at 1:15pm with all members present.

Amendment

Moved Councillor Young, seconded Councillor Chung the following amendment:

Resolved

20. Agree the draft budget as outlined in the Activity Reports (Operating and Capital) in Attachment 8 and note that these will be updated to reflect any decisions from this meeting **with the following changes:**
- a. Increase our capital investment for water infrastructure for 2024/25 by rephasing \$10M to maintain 2023/24 levels of \$61m.
 - b. Reduce the Cycleway Planning operational budget for each of the years 1-3 by 50% saving \$6M.
 - c. Maintain the Climate Change response operational funding at the 2023/24 budget level (\$4.1M) for years 1 and 2 saving approximately \$5M.
 - d. Defer all LGWM projects for the next three years, except for Courtenay Place noting that most CBD parking revenue will be maintained.
 - e. Defer waste collection and funding changes (attachment 10) for 2 years.

Secretarial Note: A division was called for under Standing Order 27.6(b). The motion was voted on in parts, voting was as follows:

Clause a.

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Randle, Councillor Young

Against:

Councillor Brown, Councillor Wi Neera

Majority Vote: 15:2

Carried

Clause b.

For:

Councillor Brown, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Councillor Randle, Councillor Young

Against:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Wi Neera

Majority Vote: 5:12

Lost

Clause c.

For:

Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Brown, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Councillor Randle, Councillor Young

Against:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Wi Neera

Majority Vote: 6:11

Lost

Clause d.

A division was called for, voting on which was as follows:

For:

Councillor Brown, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Councillor Randle, Councillor Young

Against:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Wi Neera

Majority Vote: 5:12

Lost

Clause e.

A division was called for, voting on which was as follows:

For:

Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Councillor Free, Councillor Randle, Councillor Young

Against:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Brown, Deputy Mayor Foon, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Wi Neera

Majority Vote: 5:12

Lost

Challenge of a Chairpersons ruling.

The chair's ruling under Standing Order 21.10 to not accept some proposed amendments was challenged under Standing Order 16.3, requiring a vote of 75% majority uphold the challenge.

A division was called for, voting on which was as follows:

For:

Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Councillor Free, Councillor Randle

Against:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Brown, Deputy Mayor Foon, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Wi Neera, Councillor Young

Majority Vote: 4:13

Lost

Amendment

Moved Councillor Randle, seconded Councillor Calvert the following amendment:

25. Request officers to report back by 29th February 2024 on the proposed operational (\$308 million) and capital expenditure (\$592 million) for city social housing and what options there are to reduce/adjust the proposed expenditure to reduce the burden on rates and Council debt.
26. Request officers to provide the amount from the proposed sale of Council's assets assumed in this LTP, and how the funds will be applied.

Secretarial Note: A division was called for under Standing Order 27.6(b). The motion was voted on in parts, voting was as follows:

Clause 25.

For:

Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Councillor Free, Councillor Randle, Councillor Young

Against:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Brown, Deputy Mayor Foon, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Wi Neera

Majority Vote: 6:11

Lost

Clause 26.

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Brown, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Randle, Councillor Wi Neera, Councillor Young

Against:

Councillor O'Neill

Majority Vote: 16:1

Carried

(Councillor McNulty left the hui at 1:58pm and rejoined at 2:00pm.)

The hui adjourned at 2:02pm and resumed at 2:12pm with the following members present: Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Brown, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Pouwi Hohaia, Pouwi Kelly, Councillor Matthews, Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Randle, Mayor Whanau, Councillor Wi Neera and Councillor Young.

(Councillor Apanowicz rejoined the hui at 2:14pm.)

Amendment

Moved Councillor Brown, seconded Councillor Matthews the following amendment:

Resolved

27. Direct Council officers to provide advice on changing Council's accounting policy from 1 July 2024 to capitalise (as opposed to expense) interest on a portion of Council's debt for consideration by the Unauahi Māhirahira | Audit and Risk Subcommittee.

Carried

Amendment

Moved Councillor McNulty, seconded Councillor Pannett the following amendment:

Resolved

16. Agree the changes to the draft fees and user charges as outlined in Attachment 7 with the following changes:
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 - b. **Paid suburban parking, including motorcycle parking, to be included within the primary consultation document and on the Let's Talk website.**

Carried

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Against:

Majority Vote: 17:0

Carried

The hui adjourned at 2:45pm and resumed at 3:05pm with the following members present: Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz, Councillor Brown, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Pouiwi Hohaia, Pouiwi Kelly, Councillor Matthews, Councillor McNulty, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Randle, Mayor Whanau, Councillor Wi Neera and Councillor Young.

(Councillor O'Neill rejoined the hui at 3:08pm)

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17. Note that the draft budget has a closing debt balance (based on the capital programme) that exceeds our debt to revenue ratio limit (including insurance headroom) for the first two years of the 2024-34 LTP. From year 3 of the LTP, should the proposed establishment of a perpetual investment fund be approved, the debt to

revenue ratio calculation would exclude the insurance headroom and the debt to revenue ratio limit would not be exceeded.

18. Note that the above recommendations for increased investment in three waters and other reductions and changes to the programme, delivers an average proposed rates increase (after growth) of 7% over the ten-year period, and a 15.4% rates increase after growth for the first year of the 2024-34 LTP, and a capital programme that exceeds Councils proposed debt limit over the first two years of this LTP.
19. Note that the estimated sludge levy for 2024/25 is an increase of approximately 1.6% over and above the draft rates increase.
20. Agree the draft budget as outlined in the Activity Reports (Operating and Capital) in Attachment 8 and note that these will be updated to reflect any decisions from this meeting **with the following change:**
 - a. **Increase our capital investment for water infrastructure for 2024/25 by rephrasing \$10M to maintain 2023/24 levels of \$61m.**
21. Agree to use sale proceeds from the divestment of non-strategic assets to fund operating expenses for 2024/25 (Year 1) of the LTP. This is deemed financially prudent and in the community's interest to reduce the rates increase in Year 1.
22. Note that the draft budget includes further unfunded depreciation on assets that are unlikely to be replaced to reduce the rates increase over the ten years of the plan.

Consultation Document

23. Note that, after consideration of Council's Significance and Engagement Policy and legislative requirements, the significant issues for the Consultation Document are:
 - a. Investment levels in three waters (Attachment 9)
 - b. Waste collection and funding changes (Attachment 10)
 - c. Establishment of a Perpetual Investment Fund through the sale of airport shares (Attachment 11).
24. Agree the significant consultation issues and the options, including the preferred options, for each issue as outlined in Attachments 9 to 11.
25. **Request officers to provide the amount from the proposed sale of Council's assets assumed in this LTP, and how the funds will be applied.**
26. **Direct Council officers to provide advice on changing Council's accounting policy from 1 July 2024 to capitalise (as opposed to expense) interest on a portion of Council's debt for consideration by the Unaunahi Māhirahira | Audit and Risk Subcommittee.**

Carried

Secretarial Note: A division was called for under Standing Order 27.6(b). The motion was voted on in parts, all clauses were carried and voting was as follows:

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Clauses 1-7

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Brown, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Randle, Councillor Wi Neera, Councillor Young

Against:

Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung

Majority Vote: 15:2

Carried

Clauses 8, 8a, and 8b

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Brown, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Wi Neera

Against:

Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Randle, Councillor Young

Majority Vote: 13:4

Carried

Clauses 8c and 8d

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Brown, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Wi Neera

Against:

Councillor Calvert, Councillor Randle, Councillor Young

Majority Vote: 14:3

Carried

Clause 9

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Brown, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Wi Neera

Against:

Councillor Calvert, Councillor Randle, Councillor Young

Majority Vote: 14:3

Carried

Clause 10

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Brown, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Randle, Councillor Wi Neera, Councillor Young

Against:

Councillor Calvert

Majority Vote: 16:1

Carried

Clause 11

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Randle, Councillor Wi Neera, Councillor Young

Against:

Councillor Brown

Majority Vote: 16:1

Carried

Clause 11a

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Wi Neera, Councillor Young

Against:

Councillor Brown, Councillor Randle

Majority Vote: 15:2

Carried

Clause 11b

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Brown, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Randle, Councillor Wi Neera, Councillor Young

Against:

Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Councillor Pannett

Majority Vote: 13:4

Carried

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Clause 12

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Brown, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Wi Neera, Councillor Young

Against:

Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Councillor Randle

Majority Vote: 14:3

Carried

Clauses 12a and 12b

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Brown, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Wi Neera, Councillor Young

Against:

Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Councillor Randle

Majority Vote: 14:3

Carried

Clause 13

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Brown, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Randle, Councillor Wi Neera, Councillor Young

Against:

Councillor Calvert, Councillor Pannett

Majority Vote: 15:2

Carried

Clause 13a

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Brown, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Randle, Councillor Wi Neera, Councillor Young

Against:

Majority Vote: 17:0

Carried

Clause 13c

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Wi Neera, Councillor Young

Against:

Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Brown, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Councillor Randle

Majority Vote: 12:5

Carried

Clause 13d

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Brown, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Wi Neera, Councillor Young

Against:

Councillor Randle

Majority Vote: 16:1

Carried

Clause 13e

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Wi Neera

Against:

Councillor Brown, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Randle, Councillor Young

Majority Vote: 13:4

Carried

Clause 13f

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Brown, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Wi Neera

Against:

Councillor Calvert, Councillor Randle, Councillor Young

Majority Vote: 14:3

Carried

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Clause 13g

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Brown, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Randle, Councillor Wi Neera, Councillor Young

Against:

Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung

Majority Vote: 15:2

Carried

Clause 13h

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Brown, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Randle, Councillor Young

Against:

Councillor Wi Neera

Majority Vote: 16:1

Carried

Clause 13i

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Randle, Councillor Wi Neera, Councillor Young

Against:

Councillor Brown

Majority Vote: 16:1

Carried

Clause 14

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Randle, Councillor Wi Neera, Councillor Young

Against:

Councillor Brown, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung

Majority Vote: 14:3

Carried

Clause 15

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Brown, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Wi Neera, Councillor Young

Against:

Councillor Calvert, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Randle

Majority Vote: 14:3

Carried

Clause 15a

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Brown, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Randle, Councillor Young

Against:

Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Wi Neera

Majority Vote: 14:3

Carried

Clause 15b

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Brown, Councillor Calvert, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Randle, Councillor Wi Neera, Councillor Young

Against:

Councillor Chung, Councillor Pannett

Majority Vote: 15:2

Carried

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Clause 15c

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Brown, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Randle, Councillor Wi Neera, Councillor Young

Against:

Councillor O'Neill

Majority Vote: 16:1

Carried

Clause 15d

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Wi Neera

Against:

Councillor Brown, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Free, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Randle, Councillor Young

Majority Vote: 11:6

Carried

Clause 15f

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Brown, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Randle, Councillor Young

Against:

Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Wi Neera

Majority Vote: 12:5

Carried

Clause 15g

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Brown, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Wi Neera, Councillor Young

Against:

Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor Pannett, Councillor Randle

Majority Vote: 11:6

Carried

Clause 15h

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Brown, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Wi Neera

Against:

Councillor Calvert, Councillor Randle, Councillor Young

Majority Vote: 14:3

Carried

Clause 15k

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Brown, Deputy Mayor Foon, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett

Against:

Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Councillor Free, Councillor McNulty, Councillor Randle, Councillor Wi Neera, Councillor Young

Majority Vote: 9:8

Carried

Clause 15l

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Brown, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Randle, Councillor Young

Against:

Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Wi Neera

Majority Vote: 14:3

Carried

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Clause 15m

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Brown, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Wi Neera, Councillor Young

Against:

Councillor Calvert, Councillor McNulty, Councillor Randle

Majority Vote: 14:3

Carried

Clause 15n

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Brown, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Randle, Councillor Wi Neera, Councillor Young

Against:

Majority Vote: 17:0

Carried

Clause 16

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Brown, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Wi Neera, Councillor Young

Against:

Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Calvert, Councillor McNulty, Councillor Randle

Majority Vote: 12:5

Carried

Clause 16a

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Brown, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Wi Neera

Against:

Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Calvert, Councillor Free, Councillor McNulty, Councillor Randle, Councillor Young

Majority Vote: 10:7

Carried

Clause 16b

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Brown, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Randle, Councillor Wi Neera, Councillor Young

Against:

Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair)

Majority Vote: 16:1

Carried

Clauses 17, 18, and 19

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Brown, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Randle, Councillor Wi Neera, Councillor Young

Against:

Councillor Calvert

Majority Vote: 16:1

Carried

Clause 20

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Randle, Councillor Wi Neera

Against:

Councillor Brown, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Young

Majority Vote: 14:3

Carried

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Clause 20a

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Randle, Councillor Wi Neera, Councillor Young

Against:

Councillor Brown

Majority Vote: 16:1

Carried

Clause 21

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Brown, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Wi Neera

Against:

Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Free, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Randle, Councillor Young

Majority Vote: 11:6

Carried

Clause 22

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Brown, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Wi Neera

Against:

Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Councillor Randle, Councillor Young

Majority Vote: 12:5

Carried

Clauses 23, 23a, and 23b

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Brown, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Wi Neera, Councillor Young

Against:

Councillor Calvert, Councillor Randle

Majority Vote: 15:2

Carried

Clause 23c

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Brown, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Wi Neera

Against:

Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Calvert, Councillor McNulty, Councillor Randle, Councillor Young

Majority Vote: 12:5

Carried

Clause 24

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Brown, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Wi Neera

Against:

Councillor Calvert, Councillor Randle, Councillor Young

Majority Vote: 14:3

Carried

Clause 25

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Brown, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Randle, Councillor Wi Neera, Councillor Young

Against:

Majority Vote: 17:0

Carried

Clause 26

For:

Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz (Deputy Chair), Councillor Brown, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Holden Hohaia, Liz Kelly, Councillor Matthews (Chair), Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Randle, Councillor Wi Neera, Councillor Young

Against:

Majority Vote: 17:0

Carried

Moved Councillor Matthews, seconded Deputy Mayor Foon

Resolved

That the Kōrau Tōtōpū | Long-term Plan, Finance, and Performance Committee:

1. Extend the meeting beyond six hours, in accordance with standing order 11.7.

Carried

The hui adjourned at 4:23pm and returned at 4:31pm with the following members present: Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Pouiwi Hohaia, Pouiwi Kelly, Councillor Matthews, Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Randle, Mayor Whanau and Councillor Young.

(Councillor Wi Neera rejoined the hui at 4:32pm)

2.2 Actions Tracking and Forward Programme

Moved Councillor Matthews, seconded Councillor O'Neill

Resolved

That the Kōrau Tōtōpū | Long-term Plan, Finance, and Performance Committee:

1. Receive the information.

Carried

3. Public Excluded

Moved Councillor Matthews, seconded Councillor Free

Resolved

That the Kōrau Tōtōpū | Long-term Plan, Finance, and Performance Committee:

1. Pursuant to the provisions of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, exclude the public from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting namely:

General subject of the matter to be considered	Reasons for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
3.1 CCO Board Appointments	7(2)(a) The withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of a deceased person.	s48(1)(a) That the public conduct of this item would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under Section 7.

2. Direct officers to consider the release of the publicly excluded information in this report after the appointments are complete.

Carried

The hui went into public-excluded session at 4:33pm.

The hui returned from public-excluded session and concluded at 4:41pm with the reading of the following karakia:

Unuhia, unuhia, unuhia ki te uru tapu nui	Draw on, draw on
Kia wātea, kia māmā, te ngākau, te tinana, te wairua	Draw on the supreme sacredness To clear, to free the heart, the body
I te ara takatū	and the spirit of mankind
Koia rā e Rongo, whakairia ake ki runga	Oh Rongo, above (symbol of peace)
Kia wātea, kia wātea	Let this all be done in unity
Āe rā, kua wātea!	

Authenticated: _____
Chair



Te Papa Tongarewa

Request to preserve WCC's
sponsorship of Te Papa

What are we here to talk about?

AC7 – ‘a grant provided to a national organisation that has opportunities for alternative funding’

A quarter-century partnership

- WCC has been a Founding Partner with Te Papa for 26 years
- The \$2.25 million p.a. sponsorship directly funds the exhibitions, events and programming we deliver to visitors
- 70% of this funding is from the Downtown Commercial Levy, for activities that bring people and spend into city businesses
- For the first time, Te Papa may lose the financial support of WCC
- This will directly impact what Te Papa is able to offer to Wellington residents and visitors to the city.

Myth-busting

- Government provides approx. 60% of Te Papa's annual budget
- Government funds our core purpose to collect, protect and make our nation's taonga accessible
- Te Papa must generate an additional \$30 million itself per year to continue operating
- Government's 7.5% savings programme also applies to Te Papa.
- WCC sponsorship is tagged to delivering visitor-attracting exhibitions and events including an annual drawcard exhibition.

The return on WCC investment

BERL data

- \$304 million in GDP p.a. to Wellington
- \$129 ROI for every \$1 WCC invested
- 3,802 jobs p.a.

Visitation

	Jul-23	Aug-23	Sep-23	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23
Te Papa	113,065	74,163	90,112	92,370	95,367	121,302
Attraction 2	73,721	44,808	70,038	84,768	89,923	102,875
Attraction 3	56,195	44,842	52,999	55,133	51,029	59,605
Attraction 4	26,176	14,304	18,558	23,723	17,093	24,951
Attraction 5	9,872	7,187	7,957	11,099	12,797	15,579
Attraction 6	8,582	7,513	6,602	7,855	8,355	10,476

Kantar Brand Research



Trip Advisor

- #1 Wellington
- #4 South Pacific

What does WCC sponsorship achieve?

Ngā Taniwha o Rūpapa | Dinosaurs of Patagonia – first 5 weeks:

- Nearly 37,000 tickets sold
- 38% Wgtn City | 19% Wgtn Region | 27% rest of NZ | 16% Overseas
- Satisfaction rate – 96%
- 91% of visitors from Wellington City and Region agree that *events like Dinos make Wellington a more enjoyable place to live*
- 85% of visitors from outside of the Wellington Region agree that *events like Dinos make Wellington a more appealing travel destination*

What happens if funding is reduced or removed?

- Removal of annual drawcard summer exhibition
- Reduction in other events, exhibitions and marketing campaigns
- Slower progress updating and replacing ageing exhibitions – less regular fresh content to attract visitors
- Smaller, slower and less ambitious audience programme
- Negative impact for Wellington region residents, tourism, hotel and hospitality sectors and their workforces
- Negative impact for Wellington's reputation as a creative capital

What are we asking for?

- **Vote against this recommendation**, invest in Te Papa and the city's success
- If you do not do this, at least name Te Papa as the recipient of the funding that is proposed for axing, so business owners and residents know what this cut actually means.

Feb 2024

WCC Draft 2024 LTP
A dose of reality

Myths and Reality

Council Statements

Financial Reality

“Wellington has had low rates for many years”

WCC has had higher rates and operating expenses have been higher than other councils for a decade

“Wellington has low levels of debt”

WCC’s debt levels are now higher than most other councils

“An in-depth cost review could not immediately identify a single item that could be cut”

- December 2023

There are opportunities to reduce costs

- WCC spends 54% more per person than the metro council average
 - Non-core spending is 64% of total spending
 - FTE’s are up 13% over the past 5 years
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“Cutting costs would mean cutting services”

A substantial amount of spending in Year 1 of the draft LTP is for new services

If activity cost increases were capped at 20%, \$72m p.a. could be reduced from operating expenditure

“The cost pressures that the council faces arise from the need to look after existing infrastructure and assets”

- Nov 2023

Rates increases are being driven by investment in new assets, not replacing or repairing existing assets

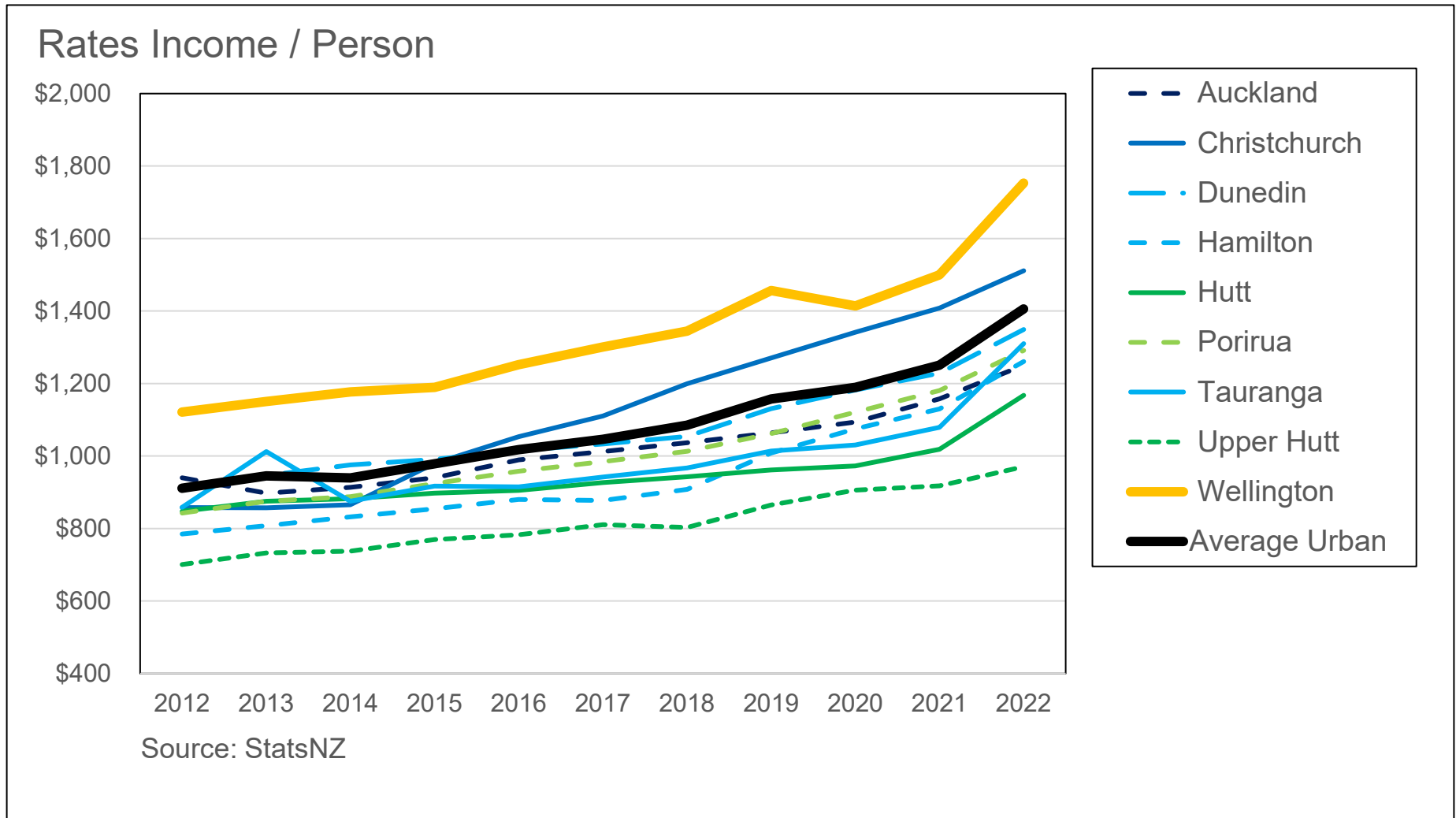
- 66% of capital expenditure over the last 3 years has been on new assets
 - Share of capital expenditure for Wellington Water has declining from 22% to 11%
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“Council denies financial crisis”

- November 2023

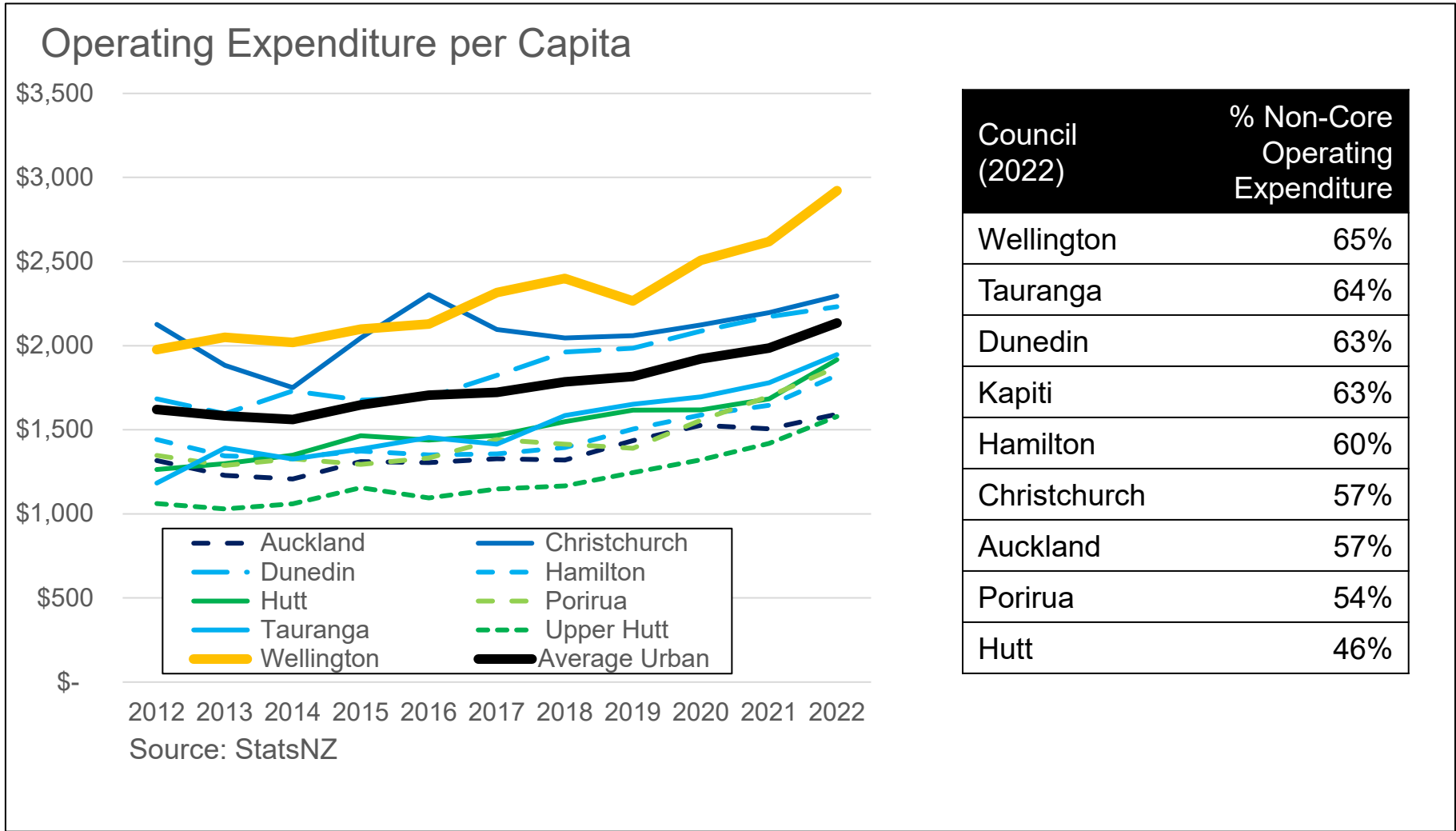
A \$1b of unfunded capital expenditure will lead to an immediate 20% increase in rates

WCC rates have been higher than other councils for a decade



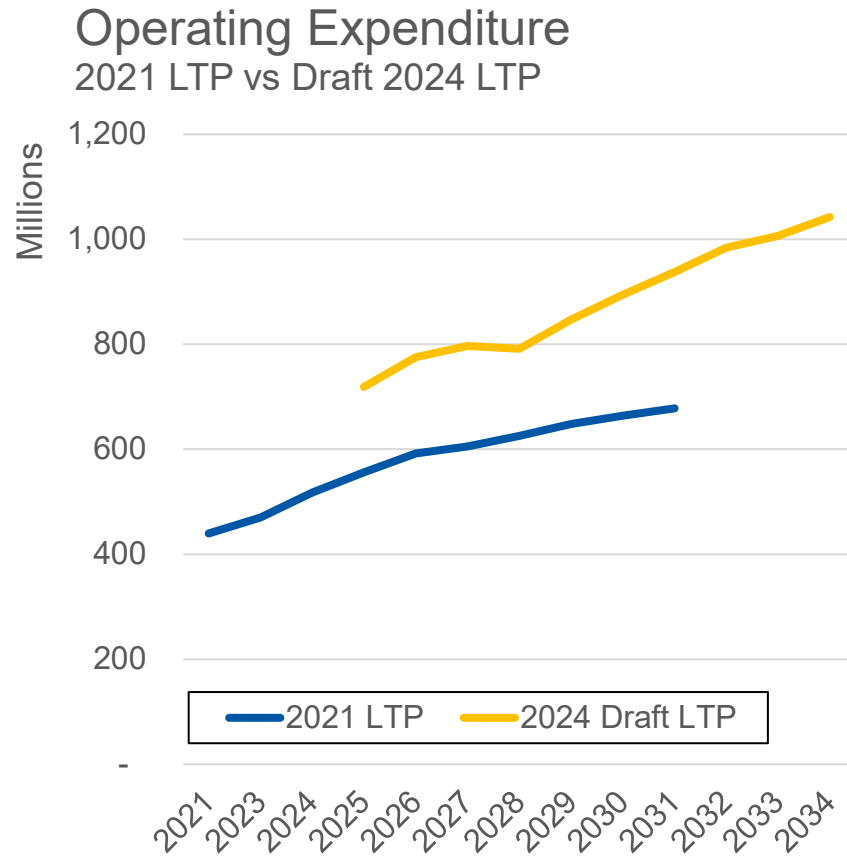
WCC has spent more per person than any over council over the past decade – mostly on non-core expenditure

A total of \$1.2b more than the average metro council over the past 10 years



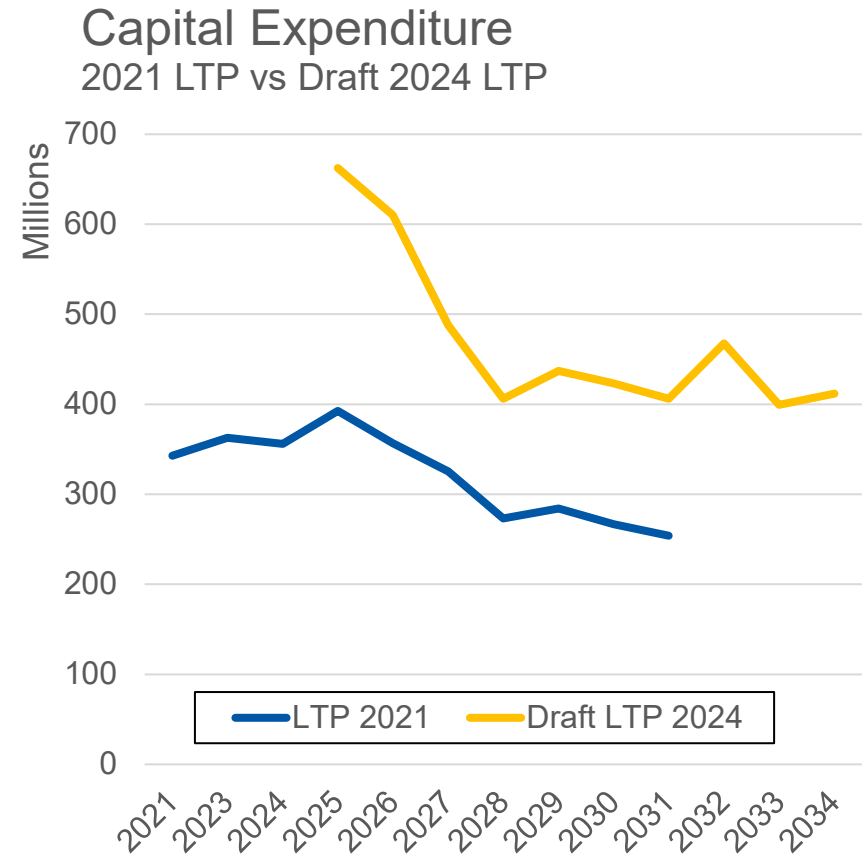
The proposed LTP spending is substantially higher than the last plan

OpEx up ~30%, Capex up ~60% - more than just inflation, insurance and interest costs



Increase

Year	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031
Increase	29%	31%	32%	27%	31%	35%	38%



Increase

Year	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031
Increase	69%	71%	50%	49%	54%	59%	60%

WCC spends significantly more on non-core services than other councils

Example: Christchurch

Example (\$m, unless otherwise stated)	WCC Actual (22/23)	WCC Draft LTP Year 1 (24/25)	Per Capita (\$ 22/23)	Christchurch City Council Actual (22/23)	Per Capita (\$, 22/23)	% difference
Economic Development – excluding venues	14.4	14.9	67.61	16.4	42.05	61%
Libraries	31.0	41.4	145.54	48.1	123.33	18%
Recreation Centers, Playing Fields Swimming Pools	41.1	53.7	192.96	51.2	131.28	47%
Housing (net of income)	12.9	18.7	60.56	2.1	5.38	1025%
Governance	31.1	40.4	146.01	44.0	112.82	29%

Source: StatsZ

There are many opportunities for cost reduction

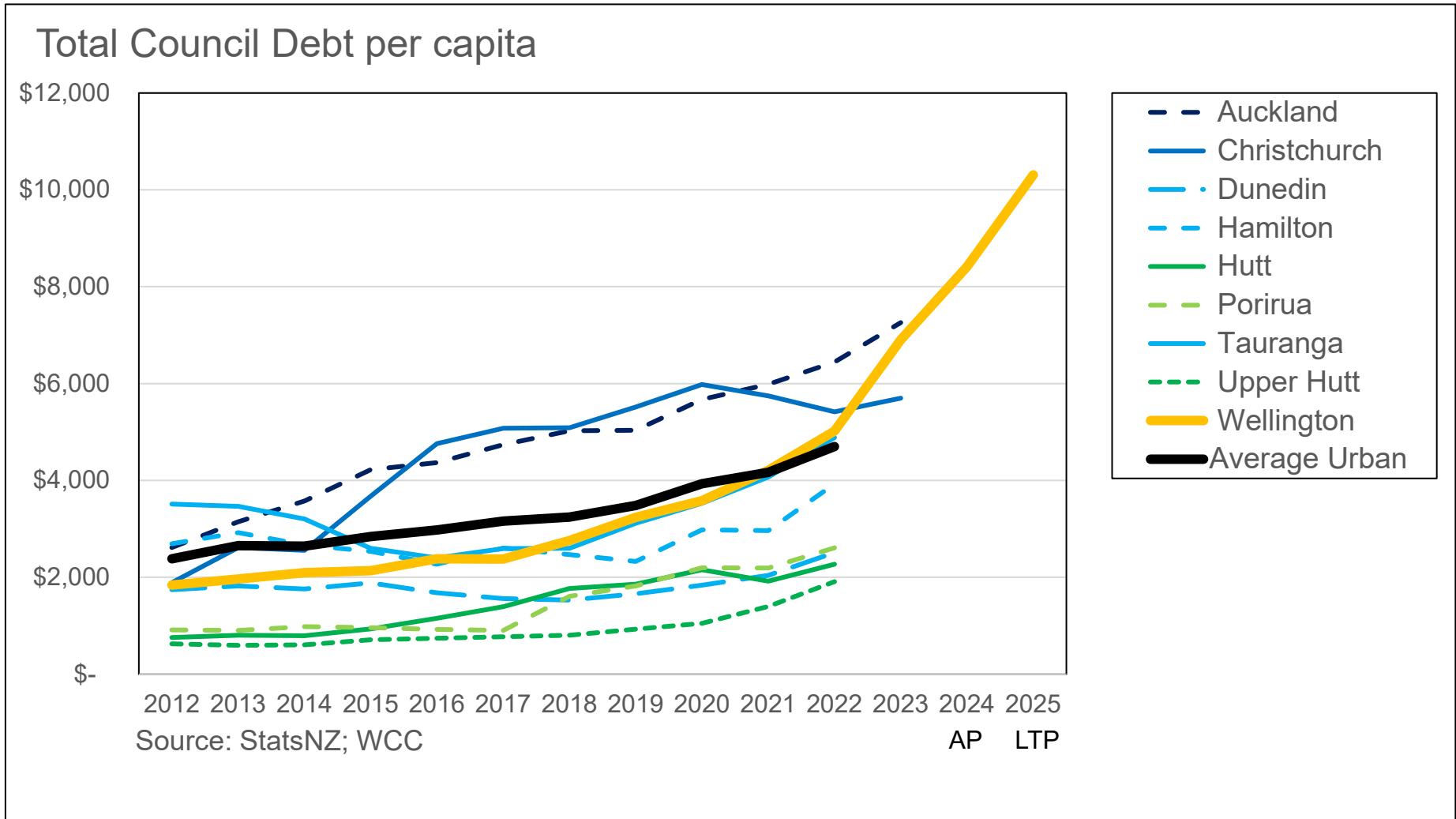
Some Examples

Activity	FY 22/23	LTP Year 1	% Change
Te Ngakau Programme	2,318	9,202	301%
Takina (WCEC)	5,638	19,354	243%
Climate change response	2,848	7,204	153%
Cultural Grants Pool	1,288	2,924	127%
Footpaths Asset Management	6,593	14,541	121%
Housing Investment Programme	7,228	15,920	120%
Traffic Control Asset Management	3,097	6,476	109%
Community Advice & Information	1,961	3,937	101%
Waterfront Public Space Management	8,771	15,567	77%
Waste Minimisation	3,396	5,804	71%
Public Space-Centre Development Plan	3,553	5,741	62%
Synthetic Turf Sport Operations	1,671	2,651	59%
Toi Poneke Arts Centre	2,044	3,156	54%
Playground and Skate Facility Maintenance	1,298	1,981	53%
Basin Reserve Trust	1,908	2,867	50%
Safe City Project Operations	2,137	3,211	50%
Safety Asset Management	3,491	5,080	46%
Street Lighting Maintenance	2,778	4,042	46%
Wellington Venues	14,889	20,238	36%
Library Network - Wide Operation	14,137	19,096	35%
Domestic Recycling	7,502	10,046	34%
Branch Libraries	10,004	13,021	30%
Archives	2,015	2,617	30%
City Events Programme	3,575	4,317	21%

Capping each activity at a 20 p.a. % increase would save \$72m

Source; WCC

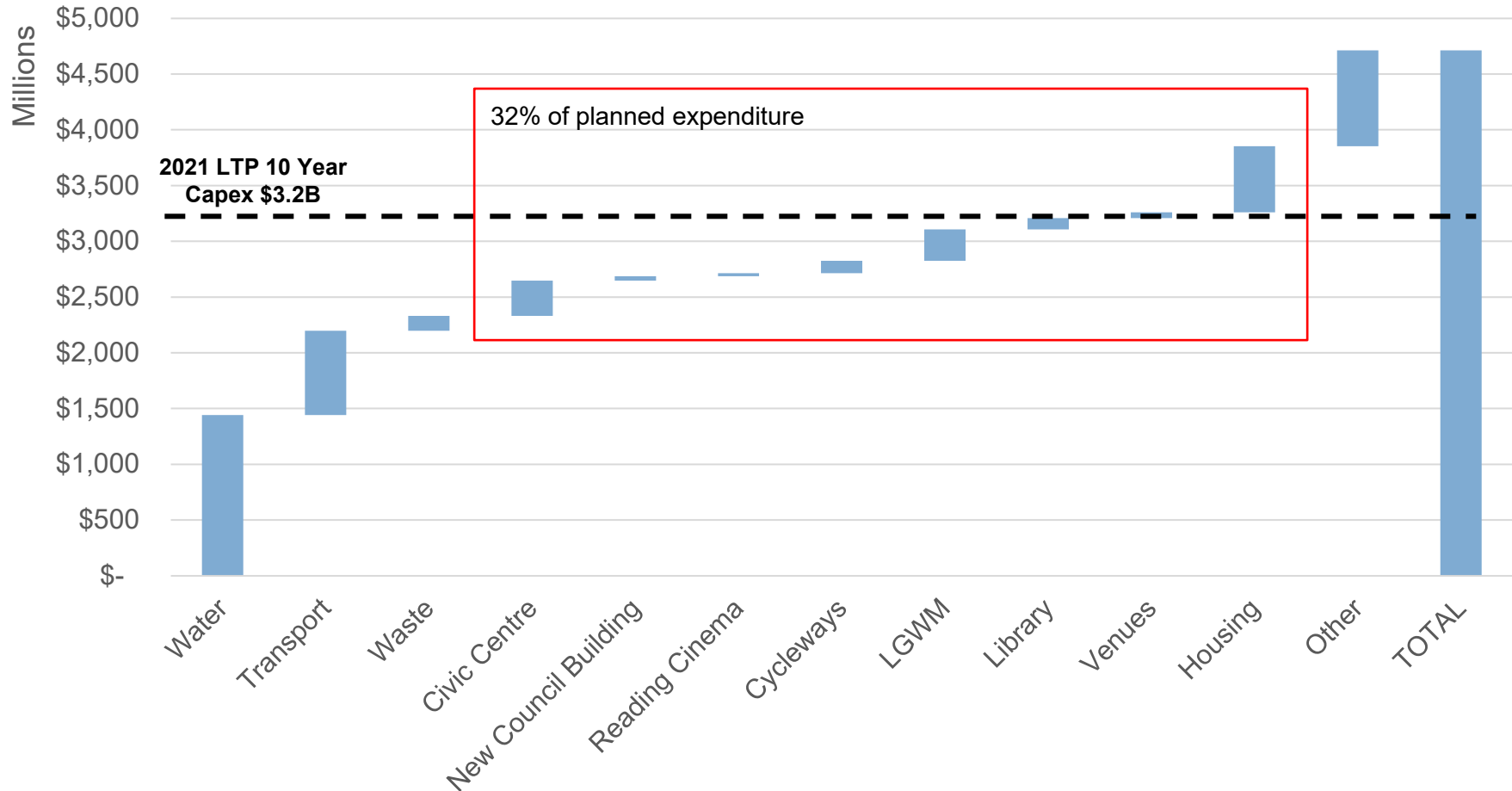
WCC will shortly be one of the most indebted councils in New Zealand



Capital Expenditure remains on non-core assets with no economic return

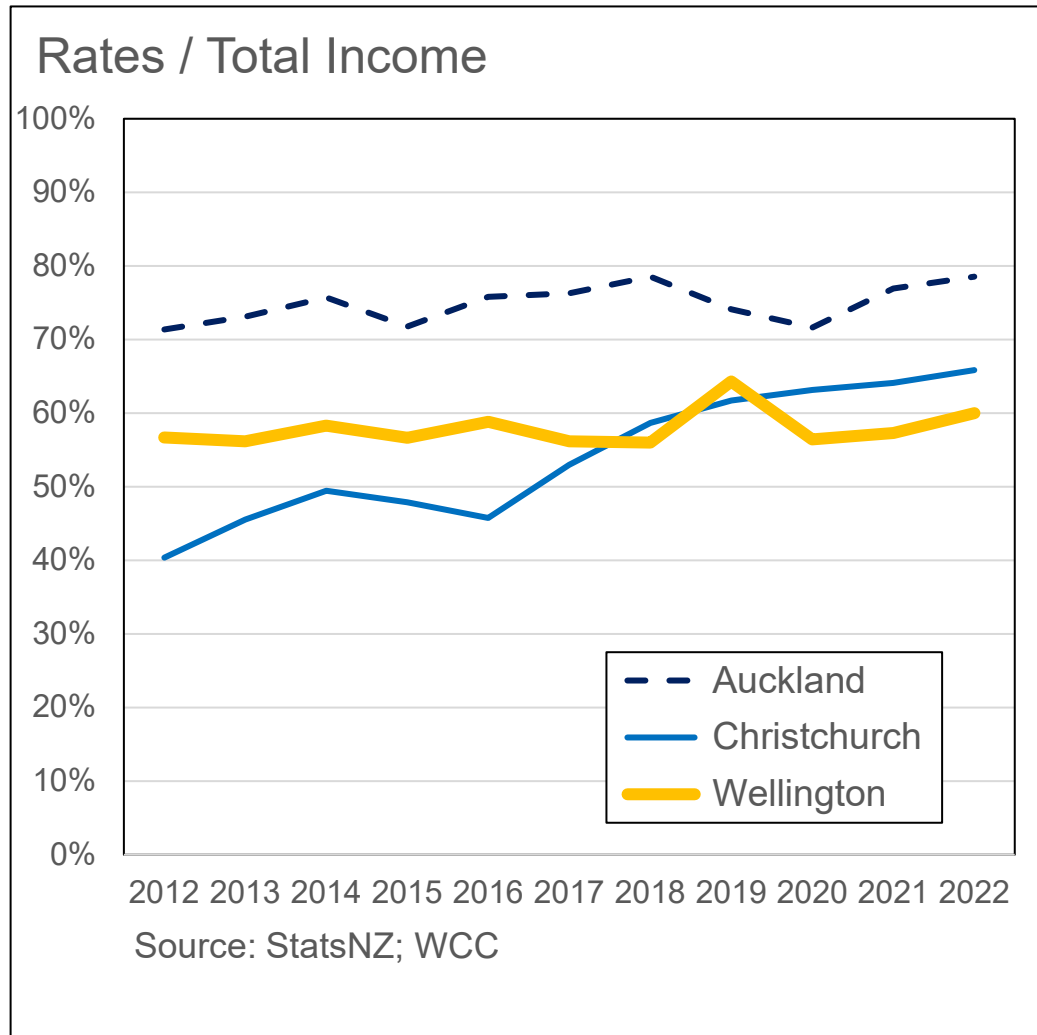
Ten year capital expenditure spending summary

Draft LTP 10 Year Capital Expenditure



Source; WCC

WCC's debt servicing outlook is weak



WCC revenue outlook is weak relative to other councils

- Slow growth in the ratepayer base – 0.6%
- More reliant on declining non-rates income e.g. parking revenue is expected to decline \$8m in the next year
- More reliant on commercial rates which are more volatile than residential

WCC also has a weak balance sheet

- No saleable assets except for the airport which will be diverted under the proposed LTP

Summary

- Wellington has 'overspent' other councils for a decade or more
 - Compared to Christchurch, WCC has spent more than \$1.2b 'extra' since 2012.
 - Most of that spend has been on non-core services
- The proposed LTP continues excessive levels of spending
 - Spending over the plan is \$8.8b, 51% more than the previous LTP
 - Capital expenditure over the plan is \$4.7b, 44% higher than the previous LTP
- There are clearly opportunities for substantial cost reductions. The current incremental approach being taken ignores:
 - The substantially higher cost base when compared to other councils
 - New expenditure being added to the cost base that is beyond just inflation, insurance and investment costs
 - As a blunt estimate, capping activity cost increases at 20% p.a, that four times the inflation rate, would save \$72m p.a.
- Likewise, a debt funded capital expenditure spending program has left WCC with a weak balance sheet and a declining revenue base
 - If the known Capex requirements are taken into account, WCC has already breached its debt limit
 - Forecast population and ratepayer growth is well below other councils and the Wellington region
 - WCC is more reliant on non-rates income (which is declining, partly due to council policies), and commercial rates which are more vulnerable to economic cycles
- WCC is on the verge of a fiscal cliff of rising costs and declining revenues that will burden ratepayers for a generation
 - WCC is now the most expensive to run and one of the most indebted councils in New Zealand
 - Additional costs in the later years of the LTP as a result of current capital expenditure plans, deferred expenditure and depreciation, record debt levels, declining rates revenues and a lack of growth in the ratepayer base will make an already unaffordable city, totally unaffordable

Councillors are taking advice from an organisation that continues to make poor financial recommendations.

We recommend councillors pause planning for any new funding, and commission an independent, bottom-up operational cost reduction review.

Additionally, a detailed plan is needed for civic square, where there are substantial unknown costs (MFC, MOB). These costs need to be fully understood before the LTP process continues.

**“FUND
FINISH
OPEN”**

**KARORI EVENT
CENTRE**

THE PETITION

PURPOSE FOR THE PETITION

This petition is a way to demonstrate to WCC Councillors that there is widespread support from the residents of Karori and across Wellington, seeking the completion of the Karori Event Centre. It says:

“The signatories of this petition respectfully ask that Wellington City Council retain in the Long Term Plan 2024-34, the Council’s existing commitment of \$1.9m to FUND, FINISH and OPEN the Karori Event Centre.”

RESULTS

The petition was launched on 17 January 2024. In the **4 week** campaign period the petition has gained over **1,300 individual signatures** from the individuals in community.

METHOD

The online petition platform ‘change.org’ was selected for this petition as it offered the ability for those signing, to also share their reasons why they were adding their name to the petition.

In this report we share the feedback received through the campaign and from talking with local business owners and community groups.



PETITION RESPONSE THEMES

Theatre Public amenity
Integrity Support
Meeting space Commitment
Arts performance Residents
Spaces needed
Keep your Promise Completion needed
Need Multi-purpose Get it Open
Benefits Event centre Community Local
Long overdue
Entertainment Funding Vibrant
Venue Culture Infrastructure
Arts Functions
Investment

PETITION RESPONSE REASONS

"A lot of people have donated and counted on the Events Centre's bringing some life, opportunities and culture and energy to the suburb. **It is REALLY vital for the spirit of Karori that the Events Centre is completed!** It would bring so much life to Karori, and be so beneficial to the community and future and current arts and talent of the suburb. As a long-term resident, and a full-time performing artist nationally and internationally, I would like to see a long-term plan to support culture and arts performance in the Karori community. In the absence of the Teachers Training College, which had numerous excellent facilities that were taken away with the demolition of that site, there is now a vacuum."

- Justin Clarke, Karori Resident

Petition Signatories

"We chose to live in Karori when we moved to Wellington and we love the vibrant community. We need these facilities to maintain the community. Please invest as promised in a facility that benefits all of Karori. "

Ana Hughes



Karori residents have devoted time and money to get the building to the current stage. To NOT complete is wasteful. A suburb as large as Karori needs this facility.

Kerry Lloyd

Having KEC open is a way of keeping it local and being **climate friendly**.

Olivia Sawrey



WCC have funding pressures, but they will also spend \$570m on capital works this year - \$2m (1/3 of one 1%) on the KEC to Fund, Finish and Open this facility **makes sense**.



TELL WCC
"FUND
FINISH
OPEN"

anonymous

There are many events that we simply miss out on that require a big space and having the infrastructure in place and a **great location**, I see no reason why it is not opening up for us.

Adnan H

TELL WCC
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Allan Frazer

Morally, and I believe legally, they have made a **commitment** and must act as good citizens in adhering to what they have agreed to.



"WCC should honour its commitment and there is a need for the event centre"

Manjit Grewal

"Karori Resident for forty years. Our community needs this facility for our community who have lost so many community facilities over the years. So many groups would use this. An Event Centre for all residents in comparison to money spent on bike lanes for a few. **Please listen to Karori Residents** and have our event centre finished."

Vicky Squires



"I've taught at a **local school** in Karori for 17 years and it's been so devastating to see the significant **decrease in available spaces, particularly for arts and cultural activities.**



Kane O'Connell

"The Karori community needs the event centre. . . driving elsewhere is becoming expensive. . . **We are being engineered out of cars, so please help us to have our local centre so we don't need to use them to travel to events.** . . . please listen now; **our community does want and need the event centre.**"

Penny Darwin

"We need the Events centre to be able to hold our functions in Karori **rather than in other suburbs.**"

Kiran Thakrar



It would be wonderful for adults, children & families to be able to **use the space for events, classes and local productions.**"

Susan Henry



KARORI **EVENT** CENTRE

"My children, the children of Karori (and surrounding suburbs) will get immense value from having a 220 theatre seat auditorium with stage and large cinema screen. With the kitchen, changing rooms and wooden performance floor **there is SO much potential**. From fundraising events for schools, music & cultural events, exhibitions, theatre / shows & performances (fringe festival anyone?), fairs & markets, weddings & other family celebrations, fitness & martial arts classes, conferences, movie nights, dance & drama classes, school activities... **the list goes on**.

It's a multi-purpose, purpose-designed centre for events. It will make our community more colourful and benefit a wide range of people into the future."

Murray Martin

“

The KEC would be great for Karori businesses, giving the suburb more to offer therefore bringing in more people. For example, I know of dance companies and musicians who have expressed interest in using it for practice space. Years ago the council said they would come to the party, but nothing has ever happened. Currently it's a bit of an eye sore and we should do something useful with it sooner rather than later."

**Penny Hocking,
Owner of Penny's Deli**





“ If KEC opens we will see all the positivity it will bring to businesses in the catchment by bringing more people and customers to Karori. More so, the community will also prosper with more activities and events which will create a greater togetherness and that has to be a good thing.”

TELL WCC
“**FUND
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— **New World Karori Staff**

“ People have been eagerly anticipating this event centre for years, they see it as a vital space needed for community activities. We understand the constraints the council has regarding resources, and they should allocate them judiciously. But this is something they have committed to, and I truly believe there will be huge benefits to all members of the community including our businesses.”



— **Rubbana Adnan**
Karori Community Centre Manager

THE HISTORY TO THIS PROJECT

“ The history behind the development of the Karori Event Centre, and the council’s commitments to fund and finish it, are crucial to understanding why it would be wrong to cut the funding.”

- Heather Baldwin, Karori Event Centre Trustee

The St John's site at the corner of Karori Road and Campbell Street is where previously three community halls were located. In 1999, the Methodist Church partially gifted this site to the Council for community use. In recognition of this gift and its intent, Council originally agreed to provide the proceeds from the sale of this site for the new KEC.

WCC still holds this corner site as an asset, and the eventual sale of this land will offset the funding of the KEC.

KARORI EVENT
CENTRE

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URGENT NEED FOR A COMMUNITY HALL

The Council has repeatedly recognised the need for this facility. Reports WCC commissioned in 2006 and 2016 both confirmed there is a strong need for a new community hall. That need has only increased as the population has grown and other halls have been lost.

TIMELINE OF EIGHT FACILITIES NO LONGER AVAILABLE FOR COMMUNITY USE

Old wooden hall and Lighthouse Centre were demolished.

2007

The Karori Community Hall Trust (KCHT) was established.

St Mary's Church Hall identified as Earthquake risk and closed.

2008

St Phillips Anglican Church closed to the public and now in private ownership.

St Ninian's Church Hall identified as Earthquake risk and closed.

2012

Victoria University Karori Campus closed including Allan Ward VC Hall, Mackie Hall and the Dance Studio.

The St John's Church was demolished after being declared an earthquake risk.

2016

2017

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\$1.9 MILLION MUST GET THE KEC OPEN

We understand the financial pressure WCC is facing. We simply request the funding previously committed to this project to remain in the LTP budget so completing the KEC is be prioritised, completed and opened to the public.

Karori Community Hall Trust are committed to working cooperatively with WCC officers to ensure that the fit out can be completed and the facility can open.

**KARORI EVENT
CENTRE**



15 February 2024

All Councillors
Wellington City Council
Long-term Plan, Finance, and Performance Committee

Emailed copy to; councillors@wcc.govt.nz

Dear Wellington City Councillors

Long-term Plan, Finance, and Performance Committee Johnsonville Parking Consideration

We are aware that the agenda for the Long-term Plan, Finance, and Performance Committee meeting on 15 February 2024 raises the possibility of charging for public car parking in Johnsonville. The Johnsonville BID (Johnsonville Business Group) on behalf of 253 local businesses and rate payers wish for Wellington City Council to not proceed with this option.

Our concern;

Our wider community who utilise services in Johnsonville do so due to its ease of access. This includes families, elderly, and tradespeople stopping for a short period of time to visit the post shop, banks, pharmacies, or to pick up lunch. Charging for parking for such a short stay would discourage our community from shopping in Johnsonville.

We are a priority growth area and it is critical to ensure the services we provide to our community remain feasible and accessible. Additional charges to our catchment will encourage these services to be sought elsewhere outside the confines of Wellington boundaries i.e. Porirua and Lower Hutt, thereby losing revenue for our city as a whole and eroding our achievable rating base.

The current parking limits work well to allow both convenient access to services and a healthy level of turnover of vehicle parking in our centre. We believe that the immediate outlay of installing parking meters would be unfeasible given the small amount of car parks available and their locational spread.

Our members we wish to keep our community employed and to allow our centre to flourish.

Proposed solution:

We believe that the first 30 minutes should remain free of charge for public car parking. Charges after this duration should be investigated by WCC to ensure that any potential charge will generate a substantive level



of income for WCC. Income should be assessed against the initial outlay of installing parking meters, maintaining them, monitoring, administration, and the cost of enforcement.

Secondly, we are aware there is pressure in our surrounding suburban streets due to the limited amount of park and ride parking for the transport hub. We are not transport experts but suggest that investigation into residents and coupon parking may be warranted. This may be a more lucrative source of income for WCC as the outlay would be significantly reduced.

Michael Gray will speak on behalf of the Johnsonville Business Group during the public participation.

Again, we encourage you not to proceed with the car parking charges as currently proposed. As always, we welcome your feedback and further discussion on this matter.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Mark Kirk-Burnnand', written in a cursive style.

Mark Kirk-Burnnand

Chair - Johnsonville Business Group