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	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-04-08 19:13:23 +1200
	Login name*:	Bormsby	Online Submission ID:	1883770

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Omāroro reservoir (funding increase and timing), Moe-i-te-Ra/Bell Road reservoir (funding increase and timing), Kilbirnie pump station (funding increase and timing), Built Heritage Incentive and Resilience Fund (increase the fund and broader focus), Coastal Structures (increase in funding), Band Rotunda (new funding)
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	I support the proposed changes
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Arlington development (reallocation of funding), Alex Moore Park (change in funding), Community housing support (new funding)
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	I support the proposed changes
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	Cycling programme (change in timing)
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	I support the proposed change
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Convention and Exhibition Centre (reduction in cost)
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	I support the proposed change
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	St James Theatre (funding increase and timing), Town Hall (funding increase and timing)
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	I support the proposed changes
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	I support the 'restoring the environment' programme of tree planting, the carbon emissions/zero carbon capital plan, Makara peak, and responsible camping. I support the bus shelters progress, Safer speed limits in the CBD. Intersection improvements in Hataitai, Brooklyn and Te Aro. Safer shopping area speed limits in Tawa, Linden, Karori and Marsden Village. I think that all of the city centre should be 30km/hr with 10km/hr on the golden mile. I support making Wellington more accessible. I support the LGWM project, but any budget should be clearly identified for what it's going to be spent on. I only support spending on sustainable modes such as walking, cycling and public transport. I do not support the Petone to Granada link as a road only solution. It should be primarily focussed on public transport, walking and cycling infrastructure. I support the cycling masterplan. I support planning for growth and spatial planning work proposed.
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	I strongly support the proposed change
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	Business benefits significantly from public infrastructure

Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I strongly support the changes to parking fees
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	I think all the on street parking fees (residential, coupon, casual) should be paying for the privilege of storing their private property (their vehicle) on public land. I think the amount charged for residents parking is too low. I think there should be a reduction in on street car parking with the space reallocated to public uses such as footpaths, protected cycleways, and amenities such as trees and gardens.
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	
Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Online
Q20	Other - please specify	

	Respondent No:	2.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-04-08 19:22:27 +1200
	Login name*:	howdystranger	Online Submission ID:	1883827

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Omāroro reservoir (funding increase and timing), Moe-i-te-Ra/Bell Road reservoir (funding increase and timing), Kilbirnie pump station (funding increase and timing), Built Heritage Incentive and Resilience Fund (increase the fund and broader focus), Coastal Structures (increase in funding)
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	All of these projects sound like a good use of public money to increase the resilience of the city
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Arlington development (reallocation of funding), Alex Moore Park (change in funding), Community housing support (new funding)
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	I strongly support investment in public housing in the city
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	Cycling programme (change in timing)
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	It's not okay that cycling infrastructure is getting slowed down. We urgently need better infrastructure - we're so far behind cities like London. Community engagement is important but let's get on with it!
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Convention and Exhibition Centre (reduction in cost)
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	I don't see this project as a priority for the city. In my opinion it would be much better to put the money towards the library.
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	St James Theatre (funding increase and timing), Town Hall (funding increase and timing)
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	I support the strengthening of these important civic buildings
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	Neutral
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I support it
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	I support the increases to parking fees. WCC should be encouraging people to use active transport.
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas,	

	community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	
Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Other
Q20	Other - please specify	Press releases feed on WCC website emailed to me

	Respondent No:	3.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-04-08 20:31:08 +1200
	Login name*:	mjohns	Online Submission ID:	1883921

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Coastal Structures (increase in funding)
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	Cycling programme (change in timing)
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	The Kilbirnie connections are fantastic, and the Council should be proud of their achievements on this front. It is now a lot safer to ride between Kilbirnie and Newtown, and a lot more attractive for beginner riders. The delay in progress on the Southern Suburbs cycleway plan is very disappointing, it has always been known that undertaking a cycleway plan in these suburbs would prove challenging and a lot of positive consultation has taken place already so the Council should feel confident enough to proceed. I would also like to raise the point that this is a Wellington "Cycling Masterplan", yet suburbs outside of Kilbirnie, Newtown, Mt Cook, Berhampore and Island Bay are not mentioned. A citywide network connecting all suburbs and the CBD is essential if the Council is to deliver on its First to Zero initiative. I'm hopeful that the lessons learnt in implementing cycleways lead to speedier implementation in other suburbs.

Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	Neutral
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I strongly support the changes to parking fees
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	I agree with these changes. Cheap parking incentivises more driving which ramps up congestion. It would be good if these changes were made at the same time as a reduction in public transport fares, with cheap/free weekend rates.
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	
Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Email
Q20	Other - please specify	

	Respondent No:	4.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-04-10 16:53:45 +1200
	Login name*:	Alice	Online Submission ID:	1886822

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Kilbirnie pump station (funding increase and timing)
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	As noted, the stormwater pumpstation, proposed to be built at Evans Bay Park at an estimated cost of \$8.3 million, was originally set for 2019 and has been re-timed to begin in the 2021/22 year, with the increased costs to be considered as part of the next 10-Year Plan - should their be further delay to this then the implications are that residents in the at risk areas remain vulnerable to flooding, and as an area with low-socio economic status, to have flooding as an annual issue due to progressive delays in starting is going to have further implications (heath and social outcomes) in the long run. The need to have this fixed is now late, and coming into winter, another year without a solution is not putting the people first.
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Community housing support (new funding)
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Having a roof over Wellingtonian's heads need to be at the forefront of conversations around what get's brought forward vs. delayed. There is no community to make best use of facilities if there is not enough housing for those that need it.
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	Cycling programme (change in timing)
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Cycling is a great investment, but keep up with the times in terms of e-bikes, e-scooters and other modes of transport that are faster than push bikes but still able to use side-walks. Is this safe for everyone? Think broad on this issue, there is no need to silo cycling when there are also many other forms of transport that would benefit of a cohesive plan to manage the flow of people around the city. A cycle route that is not used because people use better options (electric options) becomes outdated quickly.
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Convention and Exhibition Centre (reduction in cost)
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	If there is an ability to incorporate learning centers for students that would be an excellent way to have a vast range of interactions of people within one center, rather than a typical business-based convention center.
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	Is there a particular reason Karori (area with high levels of wealthy homes and little infrastructure to get in and out of) was selected for the BID programme. Areas like Newtown and Miramar could benefit greatly from this sort of investment and attention in particular to achieve what is stated as key city objectives "vibrant centres, business creation and development and increased employment"
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	Not sure
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes	Don't pay rates, I am a renter.

to rates

Q14 How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I strongly oppose the changes to parking fees
Q15 Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Limit free parking for Freyberg Pool and Gym members to two hours per day, but with an additional two hours available at the hourly rate of \$2.50.<ol style="list-style-type: none">1.a) think about class sizes, back to back classes for parents with children and the impact this will have on families with multiple children who NEED a car and parking to get to and from school, home and extra-curricular activities.2. Increase Coupon Parking, including suburban trade coupons (Monday to Friday) from \$8.50 to \$12, per day. The monthly rate would move from \$135 to \$200.<ol style="list-style-type: none">2.a) Think about how practical this is to add additional living costs on people who need a car for work but their work do not provide onsite parking, is it logical to up their parking when other forms of transport are impractical.3. Change the 60-minute free parking zone in upper Cuba St to 120 minutes metered parking.<ol style="list-style-type: none">3.a) a good change, the 60 minutes on the outskirts/comfortable walking distance to the city was not logical.4. Change the cost of metered parking on the city fringe from \$1.50 to \$2.50 per hour, seven days a week.<ol style="list-style-type: none">4.a) the people who can afford to park in the city and are not significantly impacted by this will continue to be complacent - those that ARE impacted by it are families looking to come into Wellington city from the outer suburbs that have to pay for parking, in addition to whatever other activity (also contributing to Wellington businesses) they do. Think about the affordability of those families that do not have the luxury to not be bothered by this increase. Using public transport (with a current system that is broken) is not a positive experience or convenient for families.5. Increase the cost of metered parking (Monday to Friday) from \$3 to \$3.50 per hour in the green zone and \$4 to \$4.50 per hour in the yellow zone (see maps and zone descriptions in the Changes to Fees and Charges section from page 31 for the zones).<ol style="list-style-type: none">5.a) the people who can afford to park in the city and are not significantly impacted by this will continue to be complacent - those that ARE impacted by it are families looking to come into Wellington city from the outer suburbs that have to pay for parking, in addition to whatever other activity (also contributing to Wellington businesses) they do. Think about the affordability of those families that do not have the luxury to not be bothered by this increase. Using public transport (with a current system that is broken) is not a positive experience or convenient for families.6. Change the annual cost of a Residents Parking Permit from \$126.50 to \$195.<ol style="list-style-type: none">6a) Resident parking is for those in the inner city suburbs that typically have NO OTHER ALTERNATIVE to park their car. The extent of cost to provide these spaces is a sign, so where is the reasoning for increasing the price. If you have a car and need a car to travel to your job, increasing pricing impacts those that are already struggling to afford this. Especially when you consider that apply for parking in resident areas typically occurs at the time you move into the area, meaning now an additional \$195 on-top of bond, rent, facilities set ups, and other fees. Is this realistic during a housing crisis? Is this realistic with the public transport system being broken?7. Change the Coupon Exemption Permit from \$71.50 to \$120 per annum.<ol style="list-style-type: none">7a) Coupon Exemption Permit is for those in the inner city suburbs that cannot apply for resident parking due to council rules and regulations on which houses/flats are able to apply, and typically have NO OTHER ALTERNATIVE to park their car. The extent of cost to provide these spaces is a sign, so where is the reasoning for increasing the price. If you have a car and need a car to travel to your job, increasing pricing impacts those that are already struggling to afford this. Especially when you consider that apply for parking in resident areas typically occurs at the time you move into the area, meaning now an additional \$120 (on-top of bond, rent, facilities set ups, and other fees. Is this realistic during a housing crisis? Is this realistic with the public transport system being broken? In Mount Cook/Newtown coupon parks have been taken over by residential

	<p>parks, so why are you lessening the parking spaces and upping the price?</p> <p>Council HAS to understand that having a car is a luxury, and those that struggle to afford to have one in Wellington do so out of necessity. It is the first thing to sell when you cannot afford it. Upping prices directly impacting on car owners who DO NOT HAVE THEIR OWN GARAGES TO PARK IN therefore have to apply for permits and coupons debilitates them further. Using the "well they can use public transport" reason is not realistic due to:</p> <p>a) the current public transport system is broken b) the majority of coupon/permit parks are in Wellingtons hilly suburbs (Clifton, Kilbirnie, Kebab, Mount Victoria, Te Aro) are these residents expected to walk if they cannot afford a car or rely on broken public transport?</p>
Q16	<p>Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.</p> <p>Increase fees on items that are non-essentials not on things that impact your average wellingtonian (house, car, food, well-being)</p>
Q17	<p>Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?</p> <p>The people most vulnerable to your changes, they need to be at the centre of all you do.</p>
Q18	<p>Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?</p> <p>No</p>
Q19	<p>How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)</p> <p>Online</p>
Q20	<p>Other - please specify</p>

	Respondent No:	5.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-04-11 21:04:46 +1200
	Login name*:	ZaphodHarkonnen	Online Submission ID:	1889189

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Built Heritage Incentive and Resilience Fund (increase the fund and broader focus)
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	I would rather see money reinvested into other resilience programmes. If building owners have not invested the money into these buildings I do not believe they should be receiving a handout in reward.
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	Cycling programme (change in timing)
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	I would like to see investment moved from the events centre and conference centre moved into bringing the cycle network forward. Active modes of transport will help increase the livability of Wellington moreso than those two buildings.
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Convention and Exhibition Centre (reduction in cost)
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	I do not believe Wellington will be able to attract enough usage of a convention centre over those located in more populas and well connected cities.
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	As part of the transport resilience I believe public and active modes of transport need to be prioritised ahead of private vehicles. The roadas are at capacity and building more will generally only induce more demand. Denser modes of transport will improve the ability of Wellington to absorb problems as they occur on our transport networks.
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	Neutral
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	To me the bigger issue than the proportion of rates is the way the centre of the city seems to be struggling under the gridlock of vehicle use.
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I strongly support the changes to parking fees
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	In my view roads are for the movement of people and not the storage of vehicles. Increasing the fees for vehicle storage is fair, especially in areas where an extra lane or segregated cyling lanes could be added.
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming	

pools, sports fields, marinas,
community centres/halls, burial
cremations, dog registration and
alcohol licensing.

Q17 Is there anything else you think we
should consider for the 2019/20
Annual Plan that has not been
mentioned?

Q18 Would you like to include a document in support of your
submission? **No**

Q19 How did you find out about this
consultation? (select as many options
as applicable) **Online**

Q20 Other - please specify

	Respondent No:	6.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
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	Login name*:	kiwitours	Online Submission ID:	1889769

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	Frank Kitts park - I oppose the Chinese Garden plan for the Waterfront because Frank Kitts is functional and beautiful as it is, and it is also sheltered from the wind whereas the Garden would not be. Plus what is the point in having a public garden that is closed at night? That makes no sense.
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	

Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	More facilities for toursits - esp with more cruise ship passengers coming in. Cruise ship shuttle stops outside Old Govt Building and Amora Hotel need shelters and/or toilets. Better signage and administering of bus-stops, esp those used by tour buses outside Amora on Wakefield on cruise days. Cars still frequently park there despite not being allowed to.
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	E Newsletter (This week our Wellington, Nona te Ao etc)
Q20	Other - please specify	

	Respondent No:	7.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-04-12 17:01:11 +1200
	Login name*:	iapperley	Online Submission ID:	1890552

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Omāroro reservoir (funding increase and timing), Moe-i-te-Ra/Bell Road reservoir (funding increase and timing), Kilbirnie pump station (funding increase and timing), Built Heritage Incentive and Resilience Fund (increase the fund and broader focus), Coastal Structures (increase in funding)
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	It's good to see an increased focus on resilience given the precarious nature of the environment and the changing climate coupled with earthquake risk.
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	It's hard to know what the actual changes are. What does reallocation and change in funding actually mean?
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	Cycling programme (change in timing)
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	What does change in timing mean? Sooner or later?
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Convention and Exhibition Centre (reduction in cost)
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	This is a complete waste of money.
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	I oppose it
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I strongly oppose the changes to parking fees
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	This just hurts people who need to use a car, of which there are many, many more since the bus disaster.
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial	You can't comment on hundreds of changes. Save to say, while the WCC plans on increasing rates it also plans on increasing fees, which sounds like double-dipping. For a lot of people, this will create additional hardship.

cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.

Q17 Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?

Q18 Would you like to include a document in support of your submission? **No**

Q19 How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable) **Online**

Q20 Other - please specify

	Respondent No:	8.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-04-13 21:23:27 +1200
	Login name*:	mateusz	Online Submission ID:	1894078

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	Cycling programme (change in timing)
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Bring Karori forward if others don't want this. Why is there no connection to the biggest biking destination in town - Makara Mountain Bike Park?
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I strongly support the changes to parking fees
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	

Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	
Q20	Other - please specify	

	Respondent No:	9.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-04-15 13:50:40 +1200
	Login name*:	Northland Guy	Online Submission ID:	1895562

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	Cycling programme (change in timing)
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Support
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Convention and Exhibition Centre (reduction in cost)
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	Should be reviewed under context of sea-level rise and master plan for CBD
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Town Hall (funding increase and timing)
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Should be reviewed in the context of sea-level rise, housing needs and master planning.
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	There is no focus (budgeted) on council's energy conservation, even though carbon emissions and energy conservation are mentioned in the document and 'Smart Energy' is listed as an activity. Energy efficiency is a good investment of rates, to reduce long term costs (rates) and reduce emissions.
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	I support it
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I support it
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	

Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	Prepare LTP for climate friendly capital expenditures.
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Online
Q20	Other - please specify	

	Respondent No:	10.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-04-15 22:32:54 +1200
	Login name*:	SamT	Online Submission ID:	1896576

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Coastal Structures (increase in funding)
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	What are the benefits and to whom?
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	I oppose it
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I strongly oppose the changes to parking fees
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	Coupon parking increase is disproportionately high.
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	

Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Email
Q20	Other - please specify	

	Respondent No:	11.	Name*:	
	Submitting as: (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-04-16 14:10:31 +1200
	Login name*:	andrew	Online Submission ID:	1897435

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Omāroro reservoir (funding increase and timing), Moe-i-te-Ra/Bell Road reservoir (funding increase and timing), Kilbirnie pump station (funding increase and timing), Built Heritage Incentive and Resilience Fund (increase the fund and broader focus)
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Support enhancements to our resilience through investing in these developments. Council needs to get MUCH better at accurately identifying the cost of these developments and holding to the budget.
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Community housing support (new funding)
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Support funding for Dwell. Council should create an arms-length Community Housing Provider, or divest its community housing to entities like Dwell, and exit from this work. The Community Housing sector does a much better job than the Council does, and can benefit from philanthropic sources of capital (both equity and debt) that Council cannot access. Council's long-term asset management of the housing stock has been appallingly bad and it should no longer control these assets for the good of the tenants.
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Convention and Exhibition Centre (reduction in cost)
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	Reduce cost if it doesn't impact on the benefits - or don't do any of it at all. Don't skimp on the project to get it across the line - it should only be done if we can do it sufficiently to deliver on the benefits identified.
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	St James Theatre (funding increase and timing), Town Hall (funding increase and timing)
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Agree
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	Transport: I support the council's focus on improving public transport - but the council seems blind to some simple, low cost measures that would substantially improve bus reliability and travel times. Dedicated bus lanes - particularly where we already have time-constrained bus lanes - would substantially improve the reliability of bus travel times. For example - get rid of parking on Courtenay Place - this should be a dedicated 24/7 bus lane. Same is true on Lambton Quay - get rid of parking. Same is true of Adelaide Road - 24/7 bus lane. Green space: Council does not spend enough money on maintaining street trees and parks / gardens. Council plants trees that are not suitable for their location - i.e. the pocket park outside St James on Courtenay Place. These trees are in a very poor state - too fragile to survive the drunk people that inhabit this area at night. Be practical - put in large, well developed specimens. Plant actual plants around the trees rather than using permeable paving / stones.
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	I support it

Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	Businesses benefit substantially from council expenditure, so they should contribute more. This level should be maintained.
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	Neutral
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	Residents parking: Do not support the proposed increase in the cost of residents' parking permits - many residents have no choice for parking because Council has for many years prevented changes to properties in the inner city that would enable offstreet parking.
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	Fees for swimming pools should rise - the annual cost to rate payers for these facilities is outrageously high.
Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	More expenditure on enhanced green space and parks in downtown Wellington, as well as more parks and revitalized greenspace on Te Aro flat to prepare for and encourage more apartment development. More street trees to make the streets a desirable place to 'inhabit' for people, rather than cars.
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Email
Q20	Other - please specify	

	Respondent No:	12.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-04-16 14:15:16 +1200
	Login name*:	fredalbert	Online Submission ID:	1897461

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	I agree with these changes
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Social housing is very important for our city. We should be accelerating work in this area.
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Convention and Exhibition Centre (reduction in cost)
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	We should scrap this vanity project. We do not need public funding in this area. If there is such a need, then let some private sector organisation fund and build it.
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	I support it
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I strongly support the changes to parking fees
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	

Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Email
Q20	Other - please specify	

	Respondent No:	13.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-04-16 16:22:38 +1200
	Login name*:	Sue Geale	Online Submission ID:	1898130

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	Cycling programme (change in timing)
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Great idea but not sure the cycle lanes are even being used by the cyclists as they still seem to be using the narrow roads that the cars are trying to use. Has a survey been done to ask them why and ensure that the 'why' is not implemented in other areas of Wellington. There is only so much money to go around so lets learn of those that the changes are for.
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	Neutral
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I support it
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	Fully for user pays and hopefully it might also mean that it will free up car parking spaces with people only parking for 1 hour due to the increase. Parking in the city is diabolical. BUT you can't rely on the bus service to get you into the city in time for meetings so you don't have much option if you are from the Eastern Suburbs.

<p>Q16 Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming</p>	<p>Recreation increases I have an issue with. We are trying to reduce the cost of medical costs and CCDHB strain and do to this we need our people to be active on a regular basis to remain healthy physically and mentally. Us rate payers already pay enough towards the WCC facilities so why are we getting hit with rates contributing and also having to pay an increase as individuals as users. The elderly in particular cannot afford an increase as cant most young families. The ones that we want to be active. There has to be a better way to cover these costs.</p>
<p>pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.</p>	
<p>Q17 Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?</p>	<p>I would like a stronger emphasis put on the roading infrastructure to and from the Eastern Suburbs to the Northern Suburbs and beyond. Currently the traffic going through the city to connect up with the wider Wellington Region (and for those wishing to get to the airport) is stuck in a grid lock with traffic at a standstill, pollution builds up from cars sitting idling waiting for the traffic to move ever so slightly forward, peoples stress levels and mental health are pushed to the extreme, up to the Terrace tunnel. Then it is like the new world where you have open roading and very little traffic. It takes longer to get from the Eastern Suburbs to the Terrace tunnel than what it does to get from the Terrace tunnel to Taita. It is ridiculous. To add insult to injury - the bus system to and from the Eastern Suburbs is nothing but a joke. Miramar and Seatoun residents cannot rely on the bus service to get them in and out of the city due to the wonderful changes that were implemented by the WCC. Strong feedback has been provided around this and yet there is still no change. Reality is - all these changes have done is increase the number of cars on the road due to a very unreliable public transport system or the need to take 3 buses just to get to Newtown. Don't get me started on the change of the bus routes. They are not supporting the need of the residence either. Please listen to rate payers and people in the Eastern Suburbs and get this City Moving for the health and well being of many.</p>
<p>Q18 Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?</p>	<p>No</p>
<p>Q19 How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)</p>	<p>Social media (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter), Email, Word of mouth</p>
<p>Q20 Other - please specify</p>	<p>The transport issues are not new issues with ample feedback given on this. Don't talk clean green image or wanting less cars in the city if you are not going to provide the roading infrastructure to get cars passed the city or reliable public transport.</p>

	Respondent No:	14.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-04-17 12:59:13 +1200
	Login name*:	Christina	Online Submission ID:	1900944

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Moe-i-te-Ra/Bell Road reservoir (funding increase and timing)
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	<p>The plain for the bike lanes wasn't really thought through. Firstly our roads in Wellington are hilly, and narrow.</p> <p>Secondly there is a lot of house in the suburbs most actually all of the house have drive on access to the house to car parks.</p> <p>So when the decision was made to do these bike lanes was this very considered for the public!!!</p> <p>As well does the cost of doing these bike plains out weight the amount of time that certain members of the public will yes them !!!</p> <p>I don't think so as we are heading into winter they are really being used let along in summer .</p> <p>Instead that money could of gone into sorting out the big issues at hand which is there Mt Victoria tunnel and how long it takes to get from Miramar Seatoun into town it takes over 1 hour to get anywhere.</p> <p>So if there is a emergency good luck into getting any where.</p> <p>I understand why the bikes lanes are there . So maybe only put them where there the roads are wide and safe . As well need to sort the buses again what was good why change it .</p> <p>We had the best public transport now it's a big joke busses cancelling there routine while you are that the bus stop , Which them makes the public bring in their cars to work .</p> <p>Regards Christina</p>
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Already had my say this matter
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed	

	changes?
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.
Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission? No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)
Q20	Other - please specify

	Respondent No:	15.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-04-18 16:12:01 +1200
	Login name*:	Katy Jordan	Online Submission ID:	1903602

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	Cycling programme (change in timing)
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	The cycling programme is fraught with controversy when it didn't need to be and creating a backlash against cyclists. As a cyclist myself I ask why the cycling lanes have to be so wide, taking up a good portion of the road when many roads around Wellington City are already quite narrow. It's not as if cyclists are being encouraged to ride abreast when single file will do! The cycleway in Victoria Street, which is single file, hasn't generated the same degree of negative feedback like those of Kilbirnie and Island Bay.
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming	

	pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	
Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	All I have seen is mention of mainly big, expensive projects. What really needs to be considered is the way we are dealing with our waste. I was shocked recently to discover that the Council green recycling bags weren't being recycled, and also that the Council doesn't have a plan for dealing with waste generated at some major events - all being siphoned off into landfill. Along the same lines, why isn't the Council actively involved in getting the soft plastics scheme up and running again? Plastic is the biggest environmental issue we need to deal with and I have seen very little real effort from the Council to address this problem. Sustainability Trust appears to be one of the only places that accepts things like batteries for recycling, and used eco light bulbs. But you have to bring them in bulk or spend \$2 per bulb if you want them to take it. This is ridiculous and highly unlikely to encourage many to recycle these items.
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Newspaper
Q20	Other - please specify	

	Respondent No:	16.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-04-23 22:55:09 +1200
	Login name*:	tel-pet	Online Submission ID:	1909070

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Omāroro reservoir (funding increase and timing), Moe-i-te-Ra/Bell Road reservoir (funding increase and timing), Kilbirnie pump station (funding increase and timing), Band Rotunda (new funding)
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Core business guys.
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Be handy if you stated the estimates for each project, could this be a cunning move?
Q5	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Waste of time, money and roading.

Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	You should priorities 4 major projects. 1 Get the library building sorted first, 2 St James to be sorted, 3 Demolish the Town hall and build the 4 Convention center in its place. Just saved to \$100m
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	see previous.
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	Don't have time to review this at this time, I suspect you are making this as complicated and lengthy as possible. I don't think anyone believes you really want feedback or comments. This council under J1 and J2 is not known for inclusiveness or honesty.
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	Neutral
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	A novel thought, try budgeting. How come you committed \$120m to the town hall and just 1 week later the library was closed. Very poor planning or pulling the wool?
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I strongly oppose the changes to parking fees
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	Spare a thought for the retailers and business that are trying to make a living. You are going to end up with a couple of dozen cycles and a ghost town.
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	
Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	Live to a budget and start being honest and open.
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Other
Q20	Other - please specify	Stumbled across it on line.

	Respondent No:	17.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-04-24 12:05:54 +1200
	Login name*:	Michael Lowe	Online Submission ID:	1909410

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	'More preventative measures need to be taken to reduce our reliance on water. In particular: - implementing stronger district plan standards for water efficiency in buildings. What's the point in building new reservoirs if people are still specifying poor water-efficient fixtures. - charging for water (above a certain threshold)
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Rather than WCC relying on the commercial market to offer affordable housing options, why isn't WCC a rental accommodation provider? This would enable Wellington to respond to the economic segregation brought on by gentrification by offering residents opportunity to live in different parts of the city (not just wealthy people living in wealthy areas, and less wealthy living in the outskirts).
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	Cycling programme (change in timing)
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Wellington's cycle infrastructure is very poor. Cycling is not a safe and viable transport option for children or less confident cyclists. This is a significant issue for transport in Wellington as it further increases the cities reliance on car use. More needs to be done to speed up the rollout of cycle infrastructure. More needs to be done ASAP. Council's current cycle implementation methodology doesn't go far enough in exploring temporary short term measures to improve cycling. Council should consider using the same mechanisms that construction contractors use to instantly make temporary changes to road layouts in order to experiment more with cycle infrastructure on a weekly basis. If you want to test a new cycle route for 2 weeks then do so. It's no different than having road works on a street.
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	How does this project take climate change into consideration? Civic buildings have a 50-100 year life span. Will this building be usable in 30 years time?
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	How do these projects support climate change resilience in the light of sea level rise?
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	'SAFER ROADS The international literature is very clear that reducing speed limits (and design speeds) from 50km/hr to 30km/hr in high pedestrian use areas is fundamental for reducing road accidents and deaths for pedestrians. WCC historically have chosen to not make whole scale reductions in speed limits throughout the city, instead, limiting them to small commercial areas. This is problematic for two reasons: - As the literature points out reducing speed limits alone is not the best practice measure to reducing speed, and much more needs to be done to implement traffic calming measures (such as speed tables, kerb build outs, etc) that actually reduce the overall 'Design Speed' of these areas.

		<p>- Reducing speed limits in commercial areas alone is a poor approach to safety and not in line with best practice. The current 30km/hr areas only accommodate for a very small part of the cities roading network and fundamentally exclude not only other pedestrian activity generators (such as schools, civic buildings, sports fields etc), but also the key walking commuter routes to these places (both for children heading to school, university students, CBD workers etc). Please update your road safety methodology to reflect international best practice.</p> <p>REDUCING CARBON FOOTPRINT</p> <p>Wellington district plans currently still have a very outdated rule around minimum parking requirements for buildings. International best practice has agreed for decades now that this rule, which requires buildings to be designed with off street parking, is unnecessary and bad for the environment. This is because it:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Encourages car use, by giving people door to door parking facilities. - Results in less efficient building and site design as valuable space is used for carparks instead of essentials like more housing, amenity, or building area. Which has an accumulative effect on the overall city in that growth potential (an all the environmental benefits of compact living) becomes limited. - Increases the cost of development, as the site can't be maximised. Best practice has concluded the only reason for keeping this rule is to promote car convenience. As an Urban design professional WCC need to be aware of their ethical position in continuing to retain the 'minimum off street parking requirement' in all suburbs (as required by the district plan). <p>Please update your district plan to remove this rule and promote a more sustainable approach to development.</p>
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	I support it
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I support it
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	<p>'However, more needs to be done to support the mobility impaired, socially vulnerable (single parents with children) and the disabled. Remember not everyone chooses to drive, some people actually have no choice. Please consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - a financial measure to waver residential parking fees for mobility card holders - a financial measure to support children on public transport.
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	<p>'Our landfills are too cheap, and more revenue should be generated to fund preventative measures such as</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - introduce domestic composting schemes - paying for more staff at the landfill to help police and sort what actually is being thrown into the landfill. Currently, it cost \$25 to properly dispose of a TV. I question how many people will ethically want to do this as appose to throwing it directly into the landfill. If you watch what people throw away at the barrier you will see how much of the waste could actually be recycled (timber, scrap metal, etc). Why not fund a landfill police team that help people dismantle and sort stuff before it ends up in the hole. Also please increase the price of the domestic rubbish bags to help pay for domestic kerb side compositing.
Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	These kind of consultations are notoriously bad at reaching out to a wide range of demographics. Following your team's analysis fo the respondents' demographic profiles a second round of targeted consultation will be required depending on who was missed (i.e. youth, teenagers, lower social demographics).
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Online
Q20	Other - please specify	

	Respondent No:	18.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-04-24 13:02:59 +1200
	Login name*:	psykke	Online Submission ID:	1909551

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	Newlands Community Park development - make sure you fix drainage in the park, the grass areas between the park and the school become mini-swamps for a whole week after major rainfall.
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	I support it
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I strongly support the changes to parking fees
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	Will hopefully make more people think about walking/cycling/public transport.
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	

Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Online
Q20	Other - please specify	

	Respondent No:	19.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-04-27 12:58:50 +1200
	Login name*:	Tessa	Online Submission ID:	1912219

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Omāroro reservoir (funding increase and timing), Moe-i-te-Ra/Bell Road reservoir (funding increase and timing), Kilbirnie pump station (funding increase and timing), Built Heritage Incentive and Resilience Fund (increase the fund and broader focus), Coastal Structures (increase in funding), Band Rotunda (new funding)
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	I'm in support of any projects which build our ability to deal with severe weather events and water shortages. I'm not in support of projects like the Band Rotunda refurb. While I'm all for valuing and restoring heritage buildings in our city, but pumping millions into one that sits over the water and in the coming decades be threatened by being underwater seems short-sighted and foolish.
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Arlington development (reallocation of funding), Community housing support (new funding)
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Yes, I support funding being put into affordable community housing. I would like to see this housing also supportive of our Zero Carbon Capital goals, ie. make them very energy efficient houses.
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	Cycling programme (change in timing)
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	I'm incredibly disappointed to see these works put off again. I cycle most days to work, and feel constantly under threat by our poor infrastructure (not to mention aggressive and entitled drivers). When my husband is out of town, I catch the bus, because I worry that I will get hit by a car and no-one will be there to pick my daughter up from kindergarten. Just get on with it. Stop prioritising parking needs over people. Take the bold action both Council and cyclists know is needed both for us to meet our carbon reduction goals as well as keep our people on-time and safe in their travel.
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Convention and Exhibition Centre (reduction in cost)
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	You should reallocate the funding for this entire project to a new Central Library. Put your community first.
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	St James Theatre (funding increase and timing), Town Hall (funding increase and timing)
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	I support these restoration projects
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	I support it
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I strongly support the changes to parking fees

Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	I support these because higher parking fees have been shown to decrease congestion. However, I don't think you should be doing anything that's not legal (referring to the increase in Residents Parking fees).
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	Businesses should be being charged much more for their waste. They need to be incentivised to reduce, reuse and recycle materials.
Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	See attached letter
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	Yes - document follows below
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Newspaper
Q20	Other - please specify	

Wellington City Council
101 Wakefield St
Wellington

April 27, 2019

Re: Annual Plan 2019-20

The Annual Plan 2019-20 is mess of mixed messages and futile compromises which fails to address to most important issue facing our community right now - climate change.

On one page you're talking about the Council's steadfast commitment to climate change mitigation and sustainable transport modes, and then on another saying you can't build more cycle lanes yet because people want to be able to park their gas guzzling cars, private property, indefinitely and for free on the road and you don't want to annoy them too much.

On one page you're saying you're committed to sustainable growth that takes into account the impact of climate change, and then outline a multi-million dollar convention centre project that will dial up the city's air transport emissions and, if we don't address climate change, will be underwater by the end of the century.

You're saying how important the three waters' infrastructure are to our resilience and ability to deal with climate change, and then saying you have to pick and choose which projects we fund this year because you can't bring yourself to spend more money on pipes, opting instead to spend it on unneeded vanity projects.

Climate activist Greta Thunberg said it better than I can to leaders in January: "I want you to act as you would in a crisis. I want you to act as if our house is on fire. Because it is."

Now is a critical moment in history, where decision-makers like yourselves, entrusted by a public that are frankly too tired or busy to engage with the issues, need to be making tough calls for our future.

The decisions won't always be popular, they might even get you voted out. But history will show you to be the innovative and future-thinking leaders your political campaigns often promise.

Council and councillors need to stop tinkering around the edges and doing a little here and there to address these pressing environmental issues. They're human issues now. They're issues of life and death.

My daughter, now a lively, spirited and optimistic aged four, will only be in her 30s when we reach tipping point, and rather than reaching towards the privileged milestones we now have - parenthood, career progression, travel, buying a house, or hey, voting - she'll be staring down

the barrel of extreme weather events such as droughts and floods, sea level rise and coastal erosion, wildfires, species extinction, water and food shortages and migration crises.

Right now she's mastering how to spell her name - she doesn't have the ability to write decision-makers sternly-worded letters right now, and I've not been able to bring myself to talk to her about the future we're facing anyway.

But if she knew and one day she will, I'm quite sure she'd be begging for the same thing I am right now - for those in power to be doing everything they can to stop this crisis and give our children a certain future.

You are currently consulting on a Zero Carbon Plan, that sits as separate and nice to have against all your other planning. In fact, this should be the core document that underpins all your work and integrated into everything you do.

Any decision made from here on it should be measured by its yardstick. It should be assessed on whether it has a positive, negative or neutral impact on our carbon goals. It's a good plan, I've just said so in a separate submission on it - but you have to actually do it. First it was the Climate Change Action Plan in 2013, then the slightly more ambitious but still ineffectual Low Carbon Capital Plan in 2016, and now this one. I've seen very little meaningful progress on any of these plans. The time for procrastination is over. These plans must become the first assessment of any work in the next year and in the years to come, not the after-thought.

I dutifully signed up for the Future Fit app you've talked proudly of in your Annual Plan, it's a nifty and good-looking tool. But it will in no way promote any behaviour change if it's not supported by the infrastructure to make that change.

Take cycling and transport as an example. Why would anyone switch to cycling if they fear for their life on the roads? Is an app promising them points for a ride really lead to them taking that risk? If on top of Wellington's wind, rain and hills they face patchy, missing and at times dangerous cycling infrastructure why would anyone make the change? Why would they catch a bus when the bus system is inefficient, unreliable and runs on diesel anyway?

Local government may be limited in its powers, but you certainly have a lot more power than the individual. As the wise Stan Lee once wrote: With great power there must also come great responsibility.

As council staff and elected councillors you now have the responsibility of helping Wellington city set carbon reduction and the prevention of the worst impacts of climate change as the number one priority for our communities. Nothing has ever been more important.

I understand a balanced approach needs to be taken in any plan that covers such a wide range of areas and communities. But now is the time for strong leadership and action on climate change. I don't feel your Annual Plan reflects the urgency of the issues we're facing.

As a side-note on our Central Library, a beloved and important community resource. While it's an unexpected expense, I very much support putting aside non-essential capital projects so that the library can be reinstated, whatever that may take. It's vital at a time like this that we give people space to feel safe and warm, learn, be supported and make connections. Our suburban libraries are doing a pearler job of filling the gap, but strengthening or rebuilding our library should be a priority to make sure those living and working in the central city aren't further alienated. At the very least in this year's Annual Plan money should be set aside for assessing and developing a project plan which will see us on the way to restoring the service.

Thank you for your time

Tessa Johnstone

	Respondent No:	20.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-04-28 01:28:19 +1200
	Login name*:	blacha	Online Submission ID:	1912703

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	Neutral
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I support it
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	

Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Online
Q20	Other - please specify	

	Respondent No:	21.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-04-28 11:43:03 +1200
	Login name*:	patrick	Online Submission ID:	1912778

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Omāroro reservoir (funding increase and timing), Moe-i-te-Ra/Bell Road reservoir (funding increase and timing), Kilbirnie pump station (funding increase and timing), Built Heritage Incentive and Resilience Fund (increase the fund and broader focus), Coastal Structures (increase in funding), Band Rotunda (new funding)
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Strongly supportive of change that improve the resilience of Wellington, this has been neglected for far too long and we need to invest now to ensure that Wellington is still able to function after a major event.
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Arlington development (reallocation of funding), Community housing support (new funding)
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Very supportive of initiatives to increase the supply of housing to those most in need.
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	Cycling programme (change in timing)
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Council is taking far too long to develop proper cycling infrastructure and needs to prioritise this work. The delay to 'Newtown connections' is not acceptable and the lack of leadership and inaction on Thorndon Quay - where cycle counters show there is already strong demand - is just a shame. Climate change is here, the time to act is now, people have already shown that they want to play their part, but Council is about talk and no action in these key areas.
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	St James Theatre (funding increase and timing), Town Hall (funding increase and timing)
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Wellington needs these iconic buildings and they need to protected for future generations.
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	Neutral
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I strongly support the changes to parking fees
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	It is a privilege for people to be able to park their car on the street. Current charges do not reflect the actual cost or the opportunity cost of the council providing this car park. Charges should increase

	to reduce demand and encourage people to use other forms of transport.
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.
Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission? No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable) E Newsletter (This week our Wellington, Nona te Ao etc)
Q20	Other - please specify

	Respondent No:	22.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-04-28 12:08:30 +1200
	Login name*:	pīwakawaka	Online Submission ID:	1912787

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Omāroro reservoir (funding increase and timing), Moe-i-te-Ra/Bell Road reservoir (funding increase and timing), Kilbirnie pump station (funding increase and timing), Built Heritage Incentive and Resilience Fund (increase the fund and broader focus), Coastal Structures (increase in funding), Band Rotunda (new funding)
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	I support these projects. Please carry on making Pōneke more resilient.
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Arlington development (reallocation of funding), Community housing support (new funding)
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	I support community housing. Please carry on with projects to increase the supply of community housing.
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	Cycling programme (change in timing)
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Please do NOT delay the Newtown bike track connections, or any other cycle paths. You haven't even completed the very inadequate changes to Thorndon Quay that you were going to make. 'In the next financial year' is not good enough. If you are serious about making Wellington a leader in slowing climate change, you must vastly improve its use for cyclists. A friend of mine could cycle from Melrose to the city but doesn't because she doesn't feel safe enough to do so, and since she doesn't always travel at peak times, and the bus timetable has changed, she now can't get a bus into the city so has to drive. It's NOT GOOD ENOUGH. Sort out the bike paths! There's always resistance to it. FYI I myself do not cycle into the city because I work at home in the northern suburbs. I just care about our children's future.
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	St James Theatre (funding increase and timing), Town Hall (funding increase and timing)
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	I do not support funding increases to these projects if it means that new bike paths take longer to happen. New bike paths (aka 'people's lives') are more important than saving old buildings.
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	Neutral
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	I can think of many small and independent businesses, renting retail space, that might need to close down if increased rates mean higher rents. That would not be a good outcome for Wellington.
Q14	How do you feel about the eight	I strongly support the changes to parking fees

	proposed changes to parking fees?	
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	letstalk.wellington.govt.nz/fees-and-user-charges is not an 'available page' on your site. I support increases to dog registration fees and alcohol licencing. I support increased fees for waste as long as there is enough funding for Parks and Rec people to keep an eye on Wellington's green spaces to make sure waste isn't being dumped there.
Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	It's hard to believe that you're serious about addressing climate change when you're still prevaricating about bicycle lanes. Please have the strength of your convictions and be stronger in the face of objections from businesses that are misled about the effects of having less motorised traffic whizzing past their doors.
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Word of mouth
Q20	Other - please specify	

	Respondent No:	23.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-04-28 20:45:41 +1200
	Login name*:	Rohan Biggs	Online Submission ID:	1913164

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Convention and Exhibition Centre (reduction in cost)
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	An unnecessary imposition on the ratepayer.
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	St James Theatre (funding increase and timing), Town Hall (funding increase and timing)
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Knock down the old buildings, leave money in people's pockets. If you can't get legal permission to knock them down, just erect a large plywood fence around them and eyeball central govt.
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	The planned increase to rates from 3.5% (planned) to 3.9% is an unnecessary. Focus on your core business and leave money in people's pockets. Stop spending other people's money on your version of utopia.
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and	

	alcohol licensing.	
Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	Please refer to attached submission.
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	Yes - document follows below
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Email
Q20	Other - please specify	

Submission on the Wellington City Council Draft Annual Plan

Summary of key issues

The draft Annual Plan:

- makes no mention of the fiscal trade-offs faced by the Council despite identifying over \$100m of project cost increases
- indicates the Council remains resolute in investing significant amounts of capital on unnecessary high-risk projects
- continues to implement a Long Term Plan that is unfair to future ratepayers due to the amount of debt today's decisions impose upon them for things they may not value
- is fiscally reckless in continuing the plan to incur significant amounts of debt while the times are good, limiting the options available to manage if the times turn bad, and
- fails to adhere to the planned level of rates increases in only the second year of the Long Term Plan.

Introduction

1. Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Wellington City Council Draft Annual Plan ('the Plan'). I have become increasingly concerned with what I consider to be the fiscal irresponsibility of the Council and the lack of transparency with ratepayers over the mounting financial issues caused by unnecessary projects and project cost increases.
2. The Plan appears designed to elicit warm applause for pursuing motherhood and apple pie priorities like "housing and community wellbeing" and "resilience and the environment". What's not to like? Literally anything the Council wants to spend could be tidily categorized under the priority headings and I see no point in engaging with them. Instead I want to get "under the hood" of where you are leading the Council's finances.
3. My feedback starts with some context setting drawing on the current Long Term Plan and some commentary on the scope of local government. It then delves into the Plan itself, noting the financial issues that are scattered throughout, and offering some strategies for managing them. I conclude with some responses to what have been some weak arguments used to address my concerns expressed via e-mail and social media.

4. It remains unclear to me how much you understand about budgets and finance. I hope this blunt feedback will give you pause for thought. You will need to form a judgment about whether I'm a crank or have something important to convey. By way of context, I'm an ex-Treasury official; I have degrees in accounting, public policy, psychology, and philosophy; and my current role involves producing a central government agency's equivalent to your Long Term Plan.

Context – the Long Term Plan

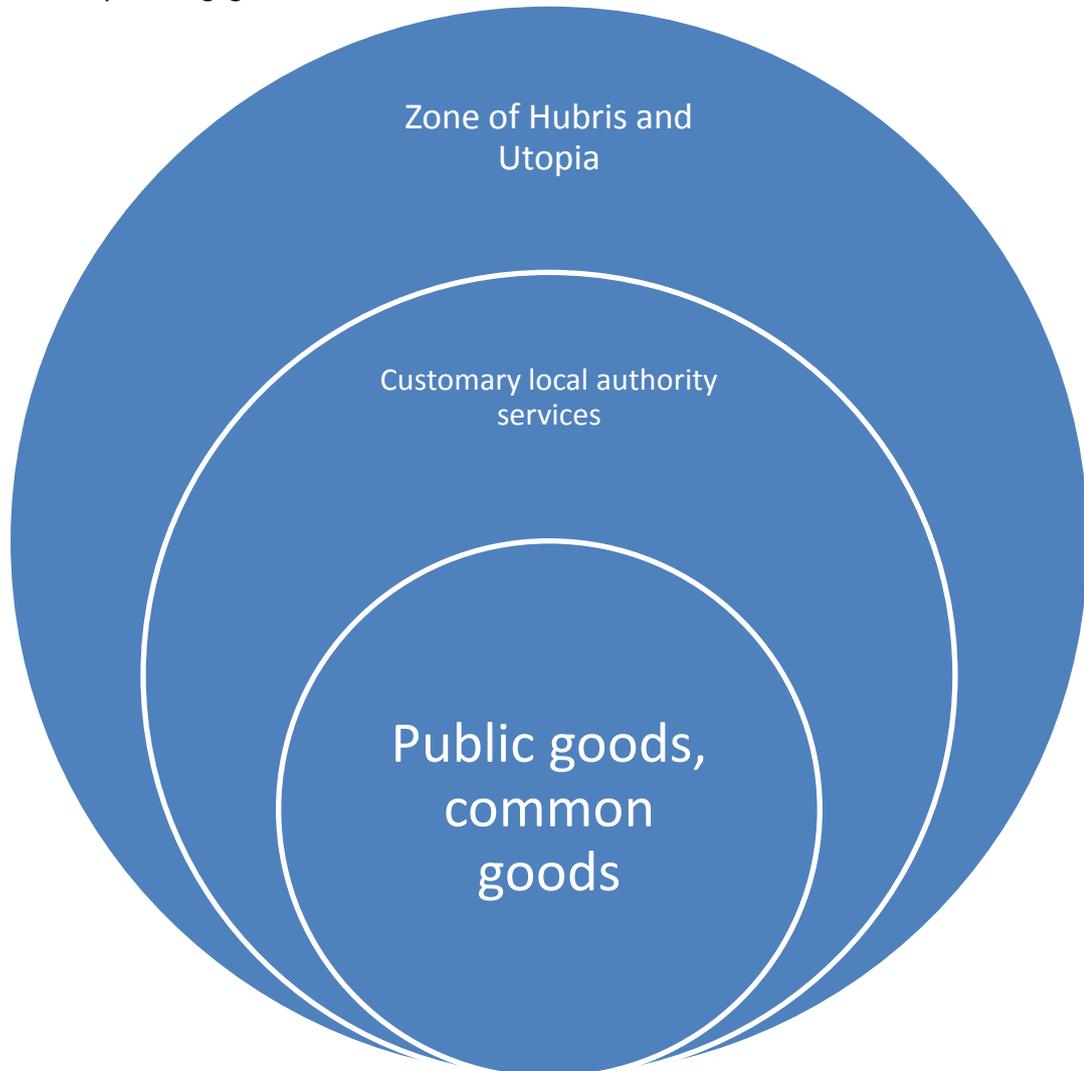
5. The Plan implements year two of the Council's Long Term Plan which thus provides important context for assessing its merits, particularly in light of the cost increases identified across a number of major projects and the increase in rates rising from the planned 3.5% to 3.9% for the 2019/20 year.
6. The Long Term Plan states: "Our starting borrowing position of \$507 million equates to \$2,400 per person in Wellington. This borrowing position will move to \$1.16 billion by year 10 and will equate to \$5,100 per person in Wellington. Our forecast maximum ratio through the duration of Our 10-Year Plan 2018-28 is 167 percent and our limit is 175 percent. This level of borrowing still leaves approximately \$157 million of borrowing capacity in 2028 for use, for example, in the event of a natural disaster."
7. To some extent this statement sounds comforting, conveying the impression there remains plenty of financial flexibility, but there are two particular issues that arise.

Issue One: rising debt servicing costs risk crowding out other expenditure

8. The first issue is relatively straightforward to explain. The level of borrowing capacity is predicated on the Council being able to increase rates at 3.5%/annum for three years and then at 4% per annum for the next seven, increasing the nominal rates bill by 46% over the period (and against Treasury-forecasted inflation of 2% per annum). This may be feasible if income growth is strong but will become increasingly challenging if incomes stall.
9. This is where the proportion of total operating costs devoted to finance costs becomes important. In 2018/19 this figure is \$25m, representing 5% of total operating funding. By 2027/28 this is forecast to rise to \$66m representing 9% of total operating funding. However, this assumes that nothing gets in the way of the level of rates increases planned.
10. The Long Term Plan has been written in relative times of plenty. New Zealand hasn't seen a recession since 2009. If New Zealand does face a recession in the next decade imposing annual compounding 4% rates increases might become unfeasible. The impact of rates not rising as much as planned is that the forecast financing costs could start consuming a far larger proportion of total operating funding than 9%. And in doing so it would start to crowd out other Council expenditure.
11. Given the dynamic nature of long term planning, there would of course be the opportunity to reduce planned capital expenditure and limit the debt that is created if economic conditions dictate. However, the Plan includes a number of high cost projects that are creating a lot of debt *right now*. This is where the downsides of debt funding come into play. Once created, you can't just get rid of it. Such debt, created when the times looked good, continues to require servicing when the times get ugly. As a consequence it is core services that must bear the brunt of any necessary cost reductions.

Issue two: create debt for priorities, not nice to haves

12. The need to protect core Council services that communities rely on brings me to my second issue, which is that **you should be very confident that the assets created by debt now when the times are good will still look sensible in the rear view mirror** if economic conditions deteriorate and people are losing their jobs and houses.
13. At this point it is helpful to provide a simple categorization of Council funding to emphasise the point about priorities. The following diagram shows three layers of activity that a local authority can engage in.



14. In the core of the diagram are “public/common goods” the provision of which even your hard-nosed libertarian would be willing to support. In economics, a “public good” is a good that is both non-excludable and non-rivalrous in that individuals cannot be excluded from enjoying its use, and where use by one individual does not reduce availability to others. In such circumstances there can be no private market – if you can’t stop someone using the good for free you’ll never get them to pay for it! That’s why a Council needs to step in.
15. There are many other goods and services that don’t meet these strict tests for a public good but that get close enough. In particular, “common goods” are non-excludable but rivalrous to some extent (think of a dual use trail or footpath with runners and bikers on it). Without getting into a definitional argument, things in this central core of activity include, for

example, road maintenance, some aspects of waste management, and the services provided by the three waters.

16. In the next layer of the diagram I have included a category called “customary local authority services”. Libertarians would question their provision *per se* but I don’t. Things in this category include subsidization or uncharged provision of pools, playgrounds, libraries, sports fields and so on. While I am generally relaxed about this category, as a general principle, the higher the cost/recipient to the Council of any given good or service, the less supportive I become.
17. The outside layer of the diagram I have called the “Zone of Hubris and Utopia”. There are many things that could fall into this category, but large building projects (excluding essential infrastructure) would be the key example. Things falling into this category would typically cost a lot and benefit a relatively select (although often vocal and well-connected) few. They are things you could simply not do and very few people would be particularly concerned about it. A convention centre would be a prime example. Nice to have, but there wouldn’t be protests in the street if you didn’t build one.
18. So what does this categorization have to do with creating debt-funded assets? You need to choose what you’re funding really carefully. For assets that fall within the inner two layers of the diagram, there is probably a strong case to use debt funding. For example, even in a time of recession, few would begrudge debt created to ensure the supply of clean drinking water and the removal of wastewater. As you move into that outer layer, opinions are likely to change quickly. For example, who will really want to fund debt for a convention centre and a strengthened Town Hall when their job is in peril?
19. A slight variant on this second issue concerns intergenerational equity. In the Long Term Plan the Council states: “We borrow to fund upgrades and renewals to our assets or to invest in new infrastructure. This allows us to spread the cost of funding this expenditure over multiple generations who will benefit from the investment.” Again, this makes sense for a wastewater plant. But something like a convention centre is discretionary. Funding that through debt is to impose today’s views about priorities onto future ratepayers who may not share them.
20. This is not to argue that debt should never be used for today’s discretionary items, it is simply a matter of scale. The current plan leverages up the balance sheet to the extent that it largely exhausts the opportunities of future rate payers to prudently choose their own debt-funded discretionary investments. Not every council will have the opportunity that has presented itself to you. Perhaps you should leave a little flexibility for those in the future rather than maxing out the credit card. That strikes me as a fairer approach.

Issues arising from the Annual Plan

21. The preceding section has focused on the Long Term Plan by way of context. I didn’t think it was fiscally responsible when I read it last year. The Plan being consulted on at present draws attention to a number of issues that aren’t making the Long Term Plan look any better.
22. The two most obvious issues are project cost increases and projects being pushed into a future period and “for the increase in costs to be considered as part of the next 10-Year Plan”. Key examples are:
 - a. Omaroro reservoir cost increase from \$41m to \$88m
 - b. Bell Road reservoir cost increase from \$22m to \$31m

- c. Storm Water Pump at Evans Bay Park – \$8m deferred for consideration in next Long Term Plan
 - d. St James Theatre cost increase from \$15m to \$31m
 - e. Town Hall cost increase from \$91m to \$112m (excluding contingency)
 - f. A net \$1.4m increase for the Alex Moore park sports hub to be budgeted “through the next 10-year plan”
 - g. Unknown costs of repairing the Wellington City Library.
 - h. Let’s Get Wellington Moving – implied consideration of additional cost in next Long Term Plan.
23. What I can’t find in the Plan are proposals to stop previously planned expenditure in light of these cost increases (although I note the \$8m cost decrease for the convention centre). It looks like a lot of issues are being deferred until the next Long Term Plan. You are facing real trade-offs right now and the consultation document does not make that clear. Without taking some action now to reflect the issues listed above, some difficult choices are being stored for the future. Neither the Mayor’s nor the Chief Executive’s introductory statements in the Plan so much as hint at the mounting fiscal issues. This lack of acknowledgement is quite breathtaking and risks lulling ratepayers into a false sense of security.

Options to manage the cost increases

24. The Council has a variety of options to respond to the cost increases identified above.
25. The first would be to identify projects that fall within the Zone of Hubris and Utopia and make the courageous decision not to invest. The obvious example is the \$158m convention centre. You could rescind the decision to build it. A number of you think it is too big. Councilor Sarah Free is quoted as saying "The numbers on their own can't say it all. This isn't so much about economics, this is about an aspirational building for the city." As ever the question is “whose aspiration?” Not mine. Probably not the ratepayers stacking shelves at Pak n Sav Kilbirnie. It is (always) someone else’s utopian vision. A convention centre is both rival and excludable. It is well outside of the core remit of a Council. Councilor Andy Foster said “We're going into it with our eyes open, this is a risky business.” In my view it’s not your wide eyes you are entering this with so much as someone else’s money (the ratepayers’).
26. Another obvious project in the Zone of Hubris and Utopia is the Town Hall strengthening project. If I accept the vehement defense of the project based on an inability to demolish a Category 1 listed building, my next response would be “then do it cheaper”. I bumped into Mark Dunajtschik and engaged him in conversation about this issue. He reiterated his comments reported in the Dominion Post that the Council will spend a lot of money on strengthening a building that will lack functionality at the end of the process and protecting the façade and creating a modern building within it remained a cheaper and more functional alternative.
27. Kevin Lavery has been quoted as saying the price of the Town Hall contract could not be fixed citing high demand in the construction industry, which made the council just one of many customers in the city. Interestingly this raises *another option* for the Council. Build a fence around the Town Hall and await the opportunity to engage in some countercyclical investment. I.e., rather than engaging in procyclical investment when there is fierce competition for contractors, sit on your hands until the construction industry needs the work. Is it ideal? No. But is it better to squander ratepayer money? My hunch is that each of you cope with the ‘less than ideal’ in your own homes when your own money is at stake.

28. Another option would be to continue the plan to load up on debt but to reduce operational expenditure to accommodate the interest and depreciation costs the debt imposes. You can take your pick where to start, but the Priority Area Arts and Culture strikes me as a good hunting ground for expenditure that provides a relatively high private benefit to a relatively select group of individuals (to be blunt it looks at high risk of middle class capture). Perhaps you could scrap the “initiatives in the plan include exploring dynamic shuttles to move people around where there is not adequate public transport”. This sounds rather like Auckland’s disastrous folly in Devonport (involving a \$41 per ride subsidy for a shuttle to take residents to the ferry terminal).
29. Revising upwards the planned level of rates increases would also be a possible solution but my hunch is you haven’t left yourself much political room for maneuver on that front.
30. In summary, my two key issues with the plan are the continuation of high cost non-essential investments, and the lack of acknowledgement (let alone a plan for managing the impact) of material cost increases across the capital works programme.

Responses to some of the arguments I’ve read on facebook and via e-mail

31. I have engaged with a number of you via e-mail and facebook. I want to acknowledge my genuine appreciation for the time and effort taken to respond to my comments and critiques. We remain blessed with a democracy where engagement counts for something. That said, I didn’t find any of the arguments made particularly compelling (acknowledging that facebook isn’t a great forum for debate!)
32. First, my commitment to contributing rates for services that all ratepayers can enjoy was questioned. Nothing could be further from the truth. I am a huge fan of many Council services and happy to contribute. This is particularly the case towards the ones that the Chief Executive indicates in his introductory note in the Plan that you don’t talk about much. In fact, I’d quite like it if you just focused on them, I think it would be a lot cheaper. What I don’t like are expensive procyclical building projects for things that aren’t strictly necessary in an environment when rates are getting increased at twice the rate of inflation for a decade and a variety of budgeted projects are facing material cost increases. In addition, you would not meet any philosophical objection from me if the Council funded benefits enjoyed by the running club I belong to were cut. Such subsidies are hardly the core purpose of a Council and I don’t see why others should be forced to fund my hobby.
33. I was told that some people’s “nice to haves” are other people’s “must haves”. As set out in my categorization above, the only “must haves” that government need step in to provide because no market could are public and common goods. Beyond strictly public goods there are various good rationales for funding things like welfare, health and education. The arguments for convention centres and Town Hall strengthening being “must haves” are remarkably thin by comparison.
34. I have been told there is strong public support for the Town Hall strengthening project. I presume this support is based on your personal interactions and on feedback on consultation documents. I have already alluded to my concerns about the framing of the current Plan. It is presented as though there are no significant financial challenges that require tradeoffs. Some cost increases are noted but their implications are gloriously absent. So my question back to you is how popular do you think \$112m on the Town Hall would be if juxtaposed against provision of \$112m additional housing for the homeless? Or funding the

re-opening of the library? Or managing to reduce the decade of rates increases at twice the rate of inflation? It equates to a capital cost of roughly \$1590 per household. Imagine that amount being spend on the capital costs of home maintenance across Wellington! In the absence of framing about the choices and trade-offs, people are probably indicating they like old buildings. So do I. But I'd happily drive the first bulldozer into the Town Hall to avoid the current costs involved in strengthening it.

35. I was challenged to compare my annual rates bill with what I spend on phone and internet services. I have two responses to that – I don't like fiscal irresponsibly whatever the cost (and my internet keeps getting cheaper, not going up in price). More critically, I have choice about my internet provider. I can choose to have one, or not have one or to change them. I have no damn *choice* with the Council, only *voice* (which requires I spend my time composing this feedback). The revenue-raising authority vested in the Council comes with a profound obligation to act prudently and responsibly.

Conclusion

36. I was struck by the comment in the Plan that in 2019/20 Council services will cost "\$6.87 per day, per resident – less than two cups of coffee". The choice I make with my own money is to buy Nescafe Espresso instant coffee. I last paid \$4.99 for 100 grams which will make about 50 cups. I don't know your preferences and how you choose to pursue value in your lives, and you can't possibly know the preferences of any significant number of ratepayers. My parting plea is to ask you to focus on reducing the impact of your plans on the cost of rates, thereby providing individuals with more economic freedom to pursue the things that matter to them.

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Band Rotunda (new funding)
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	I don't really think this is a necessary change compared to the other proposals, seems like it doesn't need to be a priority
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Arlington development (reallocation of funding), Alex Moore Park (change in funding), Community housing support (new funding)
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	The proposed changes need to factor in a disability perspective, most of Wellington is not easily accessible to people living with physical disabilities. Existing housing needs to be updated and made fit-for-purpose. Former refugees need to be included more, and thought needs to be given to where they are placed such as near their family members and not spread out all over Wellington.
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	Cycling programme (change in timing)
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Wellington is NOT a cycle city, or at least make sure cyclists are smart cyclists and do not create hazards for drivers, maybe introduce a smart/safe cyclist course. Widen roads for cyclists where possible, but do not take away parking to do it. Parking is already limited, people who want to and can own cars should not be penalised for people who choose to cycle.
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	Housing and Community Wellbeing - Homelessness needs to be tackled immediately, in my opinion this CANNOT wait. Transport- bus infrastructure needs to be better, this cannot wait two years. if GWRC is to get better the WCC needs to work better and provide services to improve the bus situation in Wellington
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	Neutral
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	I don't have a house so it doesn't affect me really, but it shouldn't increase so much that it drives renting prices up as Wellington is already so expensive to rent
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I strongly oppose the changes to parking fees

Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	Parking is already hard enough, it wont discourage people to stop driving. It's also unfair to those who rely on coupon or residential to park near their homes. More parking spaces should be introduced and it can balance out the proposed fee increase.
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user	
	charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	
Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	No but don't increase parking. ALSO weekend parking fees suck but I understand why they needed to be. However, the time limit of 2 hours needs to be rethought, people often don't come in for two hours... especially if they're shopping and going to eat. Four hours should be the minimum.
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Email
Q20	Other - please specify	

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Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Convention and Exhibition Centre (reduction in cost)
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	Fund pre-existing independent arts organisations and local artists
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	St James Theatre (funding increase and timing), Town Hall (funding increase and timing)
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Ensure these structural changes do not negatively affect funding for pre-existing independent arts organisations and local artists. It is important to show the creative talents of local artists as well as fund the organisations who are doing work to support them. Arts are important for wellbeing.
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	Fund pre-existing independent arts organisations and local artists
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	Neutral
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and	

	alcohol licensing.	
Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	Fund pre-existing independent arts organisations and local artists
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Other
Q20	Other - please specify	

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Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	I support it
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I strongly support the changes to parking fees
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	

Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Online
Q20	Other - please specify	

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:
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Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	This is a pretty hopeless way to present information and get feedback - you make readers jump all over the place ! WAs this website user tested?.. and not transparent for a public body that I pay my rates to. I can not find any information anywhere on the planning for growth proposal - I strongly oppose the proposal to allow wellington's character housing in places like mt Victoria and elsewhere in central wellington to be destroyed to make way for high rise and apartment blocks . Please can you spell out exactly what you are planning to do with our city instead of burying the information on your website and making it impossible to find !!! Please can you send me the information or a copy of this aspect of the plan.
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Newspaper, Other
Q20	Other - please specify	Letter to the editor in today's dompost

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Omāroro reservoir (funding increase and timing), Built Heritage Incentive and Resilience Fund (increase the fund and broader focus), Band Rotunda (new funding)
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Re Omaroro: Essential to build. Should be fast-tracked Re BHIRF: Scrap the fund and allow new sustainable and resilient (but beautiful or sensitively designed) buildings to be built. Re Bad Rotunda: Demolish and allow private developer to build new facility
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Community housing support (new funding)
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Scrap Council Community Housing and focus on streamlining of consent for new private developments to alleviate current and future housing needs.
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	Cycling programme (change in timing)
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Significantly slow down cycling programme and develop cycle ways of main streets on existing footpaths on secondary or 'backstreets' particularly on narrow busy streets eg all of Western suburbs.
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Convention and Exhibition Centre (reduction in cost)
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	Scrap the convention centre (it'll be a white elephant) and integrate with a future indoor arena.
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	St James Theatre (funding increase and timing), Town Hall (funding increase and timing)
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Re St James: Get this over and done with quickly. (The construction of the temporary ballet facility is a disgraceful waste of money). Re Town Hall: Gut/demolish the building and build something exciting, new and resilient where the Convention Centre is proposed to be.
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	Neutral
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I support it
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	Residential parking should be much more costly than was recently announced
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming	Hike up alcohol licensing (for businesses only), marina fees, dog fees to double or triple their current - these have no 'public good' compared to pools and sports fields. Keep fees low for facilities with a public good.

	pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	
Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	Scrap "character" areas of housing. For resilience and sustainability they'll eventually go. Be smart and encourage new quality housing which will address demand for housing. An aesthetic component needs to be included in consents to eliminate the problem of Soviet style buildings
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Newspaper
Q20	Other - please specify	

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Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	Cycling programme (change in timing)
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	The locations of dedicated cycle lanes should be determined based on observations where cyclists impede traffic flow, specifically from encroaching onto traffic lanes and especially when travelling uphill. Salamanca Road beneath Victoria University is a particularly bad example where traffic is slowed down considerably due to the inability to pass a cyclist pedalling uphill. Ideally, cyclists should be directed onto footpaths and required to slow down for pedestrians. This system works well in Japan, where bikes are fitted with a bell to alert pedestrians and allow them to move out of the way to let the cyclist pass. Road traffic is unimpeded as a result. This would work especially well for cases like Salamanca Rd, where there is limited ability to widen the road to allow construction of a dedicated cycle lane.
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Convention and Exhibition Centre (reduction in cost)
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	The plan doesn't specifically indicate the causes of the anticipated reduction in cost, beyond proceeding with confirmation of what appears to be the original design for integration with Peter Jackson's Movie Museum. Now that this deal has fallen through, there is potential to address accessibility concerns of having main conference spaces situated above the ground floor, with what appears to be restricted egress for the large anticipated headcount of particular events at the venue. Given that the location is inadequately served by public transport, the lack of parking space, especially for logistics/catering/production staff, as well as delegates with limited mobility, is of significant concern. I am also concerned that the plenary capacity would be inadequate in comparison with competing conference venues on other cities, particularly Auckland. The design of this venue needs to be revised on order for this project to avoid being an impractical and expensive mistake.

Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	St James Theatre (funding increase and timing)
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	The St James restrengthening project must be completed as soon as possible. Its closure has had considerable impact on the arts & culture scene, as well as other significant events including Webstock (which attracts hundreds of delegates, many of whom are from other parts of New Zealand and overseas). A related impact is the relocation of the RNZB to the temporary building constructed in the MFC carpark; this has a knock-on effect of reducing the accessibility of events at the MFC.
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	<p>CBD Building conversions: This needs to be carefully managed to ensure that an adequate supply of office space is still available in the CBD in buildings that are resilient in strong earthquakes. My company has now had to move office twice in the last 5 years, due to both buildings being converted to student accommodation.</p> <p>Homelessness / Supported Living: I support the plans to reduce homelessness and equip the affected people with skills to live sustainably in some form of housing.</p> <p>Libraries Strategy: The Central Library needs its services restored ASAP. Apart from being a valuable resource for access to books, it has become very useful for its large DVD collection - especially in the wake of wholesale closures of video rental stores, for those of us who don't subscribe to streaming services.</p> <p>'Safer roads': This section is vague and doesn't mention what specific safety improvements are proposed for Brooklyn, Hataitai and Te Aro intersections. I am directly opposed to reduction of speed limits in</p>

the Wellington CBD for the following reasons:

- * As part of the Road Code, drivers are expected to drive to the road conditions within the speed limit. In built-up areas they have a responsibility to reduce speed if town is busy.

- * Outside of peak times, when roads (and footpaths) are less busy, a lower speed limit is impractical and needlessly impedes traffic flow.

- * Pedestrians who walk onto roads bear the responsibility for their actions, especially if their attention is consumed by their mobile phones while doing so.

Furthermore, the proposed limit of 30 km/h (as has been reported in the media) is too low. To maintain speed within this limit directs too much attention away from hazard identification and response; I have often found that when I am otherwise reducing speed according to the road conditions, my speed is around 40 km/h.

Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	Neutral
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	This is mainly dependent on the types of business affected. Typically I anticipate that businesses would more easily absorb the rates increase than a residential property, especially when wages/salaries are not increasing at a similar rate. On the other hand, many smaller businesses would struggle with the additional rates burden while still paying their staff - thus potentially affecting the feasibility of their entire operation. How committed is Wellington City Council in retaining businesses in Wellington?
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I strongly oppose the changes to parking fees
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	<p>There is no justification for the proposed changes to these fees, especially at the rate proposed. I am unconvinced that costs have really risen by 67% in the past year (which corresponds to the proposed city fringe parking increase on weekdays; this is even more on weekends). The residents' parking increase of 54% is also obscene, especially when most of these properties lack off-street parking.</p> <p>In response to some related arguments put forward:</p> <p>* re. managing supply & demand: Parks have already had a time limit, even when weekend parking was free of charge. The enforcement of these time limits meant that supply was continually being refreshed.</p> <p>* re. encouraging public transport: Public transport is often inadequate, especially when trains do not run frequently enough, especially in off-peak times; train ticketing is not integrated with the same Snapper system that buses use, making transfers impractical (both economically and in regards to time spent waiting for connecting transport); many errands involve transporting many items and/or large items, which is impractical to carry via public transport or road bikes (in addition to walking the remainder of the journey from origin to destination); and reliable, efficient public transport does not run overnight, e.g. between 4am and 5am.</p>
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	
Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	Transport: The southbound bottleneck approaching the Terrace Tunnel needs to be resolved, e.g. by drilling a second parallel tunnel or expanding the existing tunnel vertically to support a double-deck configuration that allows 2-3 lanes in both directions. As it currently stands, the resulting congestion also affects much of the CBD, as many vehicles become backed up while bypassing the tunnel via The Terrace, Ghuznee St, and Victoria St before rejoining onto Vivian St.
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Online
Q20	Other - please specify	

	Respondent No:	30.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-05-06 13:09:55 +1200
	Login name*:	Grant Corleison	Online Submission ID:	1923062

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	<p>Rates change proposed for Commercial Property; I'm given to understand that the rating differential is proposed to be increased from circa 2.85 to 3.25 times that of residential - a n approx 15% increase.</p> <p>I strongly oppose any increase and in fact the City should be reducing the differential to rank equally with residential. Should this proceed then that increase added to the proposed general rate increase of 3.9% will place an undue burden on the owners of commercial property and their tenants. This will adversely affect office tenants, retailers and self employed people working from their own premises.</p> <p>The Councilors have no Ratepayer mandate to increase the differential.</p> <p>The City must learn to live within it's means - and not engage in endless increase in Rates - well beyond CPI.</p> <p>Councillors and management should look to contain costs - and not adapt the thoughtless process of cost plus mentality.</p> <p>My business partner and I already pay Rates in excess of \$2.5m pa and any increase becomes a real burden.</p> <p>Sincerely, Grant Corleison</p>
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	I strongly oppose the proposed change
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes	See my comments earlier. The management and Councillors have no mandate to increase the differential. The current ratio of 2.8 is

to rates	already an unfair ratio and a burden on commercial property owners and their tenants and any unjustified cost becomes a burden on office tenants, retailers and owner operators. I am appalled that WCC would even consider increasing the differential when the industry has spent years lobbying to have it reduced - if not eliminated. WCC must live within its means - it simply has no Rate Payer mandate to increase the differential. WCC should be working in the best interests of all participants in the City and not isolate one sector for a special increase in Rates. Sincerely, Grant Corleison
Q14 How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	
Q15 Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	
Q16 Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	
Q17 Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	
Q18 Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19 How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	
Q20 Other - please specify	With great difficulty - navigating your web is convoluted and messy.

	Respondent No:	31.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-05-06 14:02:52 +1200
	Login name*:	Ingrid	Online Submission ID:	1923126

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Community housing support (new funding)
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Thank you for supporting Dwell Housing Trust by waiving the Development fees for their latest new build. You should strongly consider a policy whereby all Registered Community Housing Providers are by right offered a waiver of their WCC Development fees
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	<p>Homelessness and Supported Living: While I am pleased to see a one-off grant to the City Mission (they do fantastic work), I am wondering what this money will be used for. Will it produce new homes in Wellington? If it is for new homes, you should make additional money available to Registered Community Housing Providers to increase the supply of new affordable housing in Wellington. A contestable fund that can be applied for by housing organizations for projects that provide new housing is the most transparent way to meet the City's goals for increasing affordable housing for those most in need.</p> <p>SHIP: Underperforming City Housing assets - While this is a great way to recycle funds back to City Housing, please consider giving housing organizations the right of first refusal for purchasing land and properties from WCC. This does not need to come with a discount on price, but allowing housing organizations the first option will mean that it can be a "win-win" for City Housing (they will get a market rate for what they are selling) and for housing organizations (they will not have to compete with cashed up/well financed developers on the open market).</p> <p>SHIP: CBD building conversions. Require a small percentage of the units delivered by the developer to be leased to a Registered Community Housing provider to provide the Income Related Rent subsidy to tenants. This will provide a mix of people into these buildings and help stabilize people's lives, rather than concentrate them all in large developments of only public housing. These tenants will be well supported by the Registered Community Housing Trust and can live alongside their neighbors harmoniously.</p>

Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I strongly support the changes to parking fees
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	You should be bold and figure out a way to charge every car that parks on Wellington streets - so that any car owner, should they need to use Wellington streets for their personal car, must pay a small, fair amount for that privilege. No free parking on the street anywhere in the City, collect various fees for parking as appropriate for the street (i.e. more in the central city and for guaranteed Residential parks and a bit less for open parks in the suburbs)
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	
Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Online, Social media (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter), E Newsletter (This week our Wellington, Nona te Ao etc)
Q20	Other - please specify	

	Respondent No:	32.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-05-06 15:47:18 +1200
	Login name*:	a	Online Submission ID:	1923320

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Moe-i-te-Ra/Bell Road reservoir (funding increase and timing)
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I oppose it
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	Please don't put the prices up on swimming pools - we have people drowning every summer and no where for them to learn to swim. Put some of the money you are putting into cycling into the pools more as it is a better form of exercise and more people can do it (even people with disability - can't say that of cycling, but the pools are too crowded! It would be even better if there was more of them so they are easier to access, especially as parking is a nightmare and the prices are going up!

Q17 Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	Can you please get the lights to work in Brooklyn most mornings some part of Brooklyn is in the dark which is unsafe for any walkers - so put more money into getting the basic infrastructure working before anything else.
Q18 Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19 How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	
Q20 Other - please specify	

	Respondent No:	33.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-05-07 09:05:30 +1200
	Login name*:	Maggie	Online Submission ID:	1923996

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Band Rotunda (new funding)
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Arlington development (reallocation of funding)
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	Cycling programme (change in timing)
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Convention and Exhibition Centre (reduction in cost)
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Town Hall (funding increase and timing)
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	I strongly oppose the proposed change
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I strongly oppose the changes to parking fees
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	

Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	Making residential parking, parking for people who are resident on the Street rather than a zone. Thompson Street residents parking is filled up by people parking their cars in the morning with a Te Aro resident sticker but they don't live in Thompson Street and take up parking spaces for people who do live in Thompson Street
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	E Newsletter (This week our Wellington, Nona te Ao etc), Newspaper
Q20	Other - please specify	

	Respondent No:	34.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
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	Login name*:	timo	Online Submission ID:	1924424

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Omāroro reservoir (funding increase and timing), Moe-i-te-Ra/Bell Road reservoir (funding increase and timing), Kilbirnie pump station (funding increase and timing), Built Heritage Incentive and Resilience Fund (increase the fund and broader focus), Coastal Structures (increase in funding), Band Rotunda (new funding)
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	I support all of the proposed changes.
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Arlington development (reallocation of funding), Alex Moore Park (change in funding), Community housing support (new funding)
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	The changes and new funding seem fine. I especially support the new funding for community housing.
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	Cycling programme (change in timing)
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	It is disppointing that there is going to be a delay to the Berhampore, Newtown and Mount Cook routes. These are very busy routes that are currently unpleasant to ride with a high degree of perceived and probably actual danger. More people would cycle around these suburbs and into the CBD if the routes were improved. This needs to be done sooner rather than later. I understand the delay to the Island Bay work. Hopefully the court case in a couple of weeks will be quick and easy and WCC will be able to do the work!
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Convention and Exhibition Centre (reduction in cost)
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	Very happy to see a cost reduction. I remain to be convinced that this project will really bring that many people and spending in given the convention centre competition from Auckland and Christchurch.
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	St James Theatre (funding increase and timing), Town Hall (funding increase and timing)
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	The city is suffering without these venues. I'm really looking forward to them being completed and support the funding increases.
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	Carbon emissions and adapting to sea level changes: need to be at the forefront of everything WCC does. Landfill: It's good to se work proposed on reducing waste. I think the target of reducing by a third in eight years should be stricter. Safer roads: I wholeheartedly support the suggestions for reduced speed cameras and improved enforcement. Although I question the need for a trial period for camera enforcement and think it should just be introduced.
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	I support it
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I strongly support the changes to parking fees

Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	If I had my way the proposals would go much further! There is far too much space given over to parking. It causes congestion and encourages car use. Bring on more demand management measures!
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	
Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Social media (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter), E Newsletter (This week our Wellington, Nona te Ao etc)
Q20	Other - please specify	

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I strongly oppose the changes to parking fees
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	The proposed changes to parking, particularly residents and coupons, seem unjustifiable high for the level of service received. The jump in price now puts the parks on par, and in some cases higher, than a private car parking building which offers a guaranteed park and better security. Residents and coupon parking does not offer this. While appreciating there is a focus on active and alternative forms of transport to a private car, in some cases a private car is the only and or best option. The proposed price increase, particularly after the increase last years and the introduction of weekend parking charges (which was opposed by the majority and still went ahead) will make owning and driving a vehicle into wellington city unaffordable for many families.

Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	
Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Online
Q20	Other - please specify	

	Respondent No:	36.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-05-07 22:38:40 +1200
	Login name*:	Miramar3	Online Submission ID:	1925319

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Coastal Structures (increase in funding)
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Will this cover the road at Shelly Bay? The coastal road being mended houghton - Island problematic without a subdivision will cyclists still be safe over next 4 years in the peninsular area?
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Can this actually be delivered safely? Will traffic lights supporting cyclists, penalties for poor driving around cyclists & adequate road barriers/markings all be considered or is it just "throw some money around with no cause" just like Island bay - like the bus only the contractors & consultants win not the rate paying public :(
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	St James Theatre (funding increase and timing), Town Hall (funding increase and timing)
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	There should be at least 1 of them fixed but again like all previous projects please scope realistically in advance then work out if rebuild/new build or strengthen
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	Sh1 roading What clearway/traffic calming is going to be applied
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	I oppose it
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	For more rates I don't believe council transparency exists the buses I mean they had poor procurement & picked the cheapest and then they paid all our rates to consultants to be told that. Only ones laughing are the consultants they probably suggests rates go up to pay them & expect they are JAFFAS flown in at rate payers expense to disappointing.
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I oppose it
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	I have to drive and park as buses are terrible and cycle lanes a joke. Am I able to use my city or is my rates being used to close me out?
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas,	

	community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	
Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	Dog licence penalty revoke if caught not picking up after your dog - use dog licence money for poo bins on south coast has anyone walked those streets terrible "environment" lack of single use bags seems to be convenient therefore council step up and provide bins
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Social media (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter)
Q20	Other - please specify	

	Respondent No:	37.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-05-07 22:52:13 +1200
	Login name*:	Kay	Online Submission ID:	1925293

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Omāroro reservoir (funding increase and timing), Moe-i-te-Ra/Bell Road reservoir (funding increase and timing), Coastal Structures (increase in funding), Band Rotunda (new funding)
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	I support increasing funding for our reservoirs and for parks and reserves as part of WCC resilience and environmental work. I see coastal erosion as a real threat and don't want to waste WCC resources by building structures that will be overwhelmed by sea level rise and storm surges within the next 30 years. This includes coastal roads such as Shelly Bay Road. I also oppose spending money on the Band Rotunda as it is too close to the rising sea and this would not be a good use of WCC funds.
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Community housing support (new funding)
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	I support an increase in community housing above the proposal for 14 new units. I also support calls for the application of Universal Design principles so that more housing units will be accessible, especially for people with mobility issues. Friends who are wheelchair users face tremendous difficulties finding somewhere to live and are often unable to use the bathroom to wash or to reach all parts of the kitchen. We have an aging population and disabled people are also living longer thanks to medical advances so more suitable housing will be needed. While it would be great if private housing providers could meet this need, the reality is that they won't and the public sector including local government has to pick up the challenge.
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	I want to see more support for public transport. While the Greater Wellington Regional Council is the lead agency for land based public transport, WCC can do more to influence this. Talking nicely won't do it. Threatening to close roads might. However WCC chooses to engage, whether carrots or sticks, Wellingtonians need more reliable bus services, more capacity, and Wellington Rail bus stop to become a Hub. The #2 bus service should go back to being separate Karori and Miramar buses for better alignment with needs. WCC also needs to do more to make Wellington a truly walkable city. Currently traffic signals at crossings are too quick for older pedestrians, there aren't enough sheltered benches on hilly suburban streets, and some footpaths need more regular repair.
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Convention and Exhibition Centre (reduction in cost)
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	This Convention centre is a commercial business that WCC has no business investing in. Is it even legal under the Local Government Act? I oppose any expenditure on this project other than legal costs to back away from it. I don't oppose the construction if a private developer chose to do this at their own expense. WCC should have nothing to do with it.
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	St James Theatre (funding increase and timing), Town Hall (funding increase and timing)

Q10 Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	I strongly endorse the Wellington Town Hall project. I also endorse repairs and upgrades to St James Theatre. Even more than these those, I'd like to see WREDA required to pay events staff at least the Living Wage, to re-hire the staff member recently dismissed for asking for a mat to stand on (ref stuff.co.nz) and apologise to Peter Frater and re-hire him at a higher pay rate if he wants to return. Hasn't WREDA heard of decent work and loyalty to staff?
Q11 Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	<p>I support transport initiatives including Safer roads including a reduction to 30km/hr in CBD and near schools; better bus shelters with co-design with older and disabled passengers; community input on identifying and acting on hazards (note only 1 z - please get a proof reader for Fiona).</p> <p>Re VMS only if linked to broader Smart City work and better algorithms otherwise its a waste of money & confusing. If yes, add it to Sean Audain's innovation work for link ups with better design and tech.</p> <hr/> <p>Re Arts and Basin Reserve. No information on what is proposed so it's hard to say Yay or Nay. If you mean more use like Night market concerts and festivities, absolutely Yes. The Basin Reserve and nearby areas would also be good for a Lux Festival and community music and performance events. It's more sheltered than Waitangi Park or the waterfront and may be good for a Pacifica Festival or Diwali or a Multicultural event.</p> <p>Re Planning for Growth: Frank Kitts Park. I'd like to see some upgrade but to maintain this park as an open space which fits well with active uses like Relay for Life and Summer City events.</p> <p>Re Housing and CBD Building Conversions: Good idea, especially if conversions can be made accessible and suitable for older or disabled tenants. This may free up space further out in the community for family tenancies. Smaller units or offices would be easier to renovate for older singles or couples use. Please also reserve some funds or capacity for green spaces whether rooftop or courtyard gardens, possible with vegetables, flowers and beehives.</p> <p>I support upgrades of Newtown and Aro Valley Community Centres but would also like to see more investment in the Mt Victoria Community space, even if its just extending the lease to the space adjoining the current Mt Victoria Hub.</p> <p>Much more support and guaranteed funding is needed in respect of Homelessness. There should be annual funding to the Night Shelter and support for the Homeless Women's Trust and Boarding House. Like many Wellingtonians, I love the library. It's the heart of the city. It's great for books of course but is also a community space for education and networking with students, mentors, families and others meeting there as a safe warm space to study and learn. Free Wifi is also essential. Linking this up with Citizen's Advice Bureau and/or Community Law works well too.</p>
Q12 How do you feel about the proposed changes?	Neutral
Q13 Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	It's easier for businesses to claim expenses and get recompense from taxes. On the other hand small businesses may be less sophisticated in claiming such costs. I have some sympathy for business owners who have faced additional expenses in upgrading propeperities because of earthquake damage or risk and would like to see some flexibility for extending payment time if costs are difficult for businesses.
Q14 How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I support it
Q15 Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	WCC should support moves to get people out of private cars and into public transport. However the recent decline in bus services in some areas makes this difficult. Until GWRC comes to the party and makes improvements this shouldn't be pushed. Plan it but don't implement it until improvements are proven. One metric could be passenger complaints about bus services.

Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	Charges for swimming pools should be lower. Learning to swimming is an essential life skill. Community sports events should also be viewed positively and fees kept affordable especially for younger grades. Commercial charges could be higher. Dog registration fees shouldn't be so high that people are put off registering dogs. Aim for 100% registration and reasonable incentives like free zoo pass. Similar for waste charges. Aim at waste reduction but responsible disposal. Don't make tip charges so high that people dump rubbish. Pay investigators to track down polluters and tippers and prosecute them. Alcohol licensing charges could be doubled.
Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	Prioritise what we have and what makes people happy like our library, parks, open spaces, sports and arts over new buildings like a Convention centre that we don't need or a longer airport runway. For every significant infrastructure proposal get an independent climate and environment impacts assessment to go alongside Wellington's dream of being a Zero Carbon Capital. Raise awareness amongst WCC staff of principles of inclusiveness - how will disabled and younger or older residents be able to access services or facilities? What will changes mean for them?
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Online
Q20	Other - please specify	

	Respondent No:	38.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-05-07 23:31:43 +1200
	Login name*:	David	Online Submission ID:	1925382

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	Neutral
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I support it
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	

Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	Under Housing and Community Well-being the Council remains committed to CBD building conversions, the outcome of which would be to increase the residential density of the inner city. On its own this would not be an issue, however it appears that no provision is being made for acquiring or improving green space in the CBD. In particular the provision of children's play areas in the CBD is inadequate and the Frak Kitts Refurbishment does little to address this. If the Council is serious about bringing more families to live in the CBD then it also needs to commit to making greater provision of play areas and green spaces.
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Online
Q20	Other - please specify	

	Respondent No:	39.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-05-08 11:58:37 +1200
	Login name*:	knicknooper	Online Submission ID:	1925662

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Omāroro reservoir (funding increase and timing), Moe-i-te-Ra/Bell Road reservoir (funding increase and timing), Kilbirnie pump station (funding increase and timing), Built Heritage Incentive and Resilience Fund (increase the fund and broader focus), Coastal Structures (increase in funding), Band Rotunda (new funding)
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Band Rotunda needs to be fully privately funded. Kilbirnie pump station needs careful consideration given likelihood of coastal inundation risk. Agree with funding on others
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Arlington development (reallocation of funding), Alex Moore Park (change in funding), Community housing support (new funding)
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Agree. What opportunities are there for private funding support for Alex Moore Park?
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	Cycling programme (change in timing)
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Agree that it is better to seek funding for package of works in one go.
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Convention and Exhibition Centre (reduction in cost)
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	Agree
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	St James Theatre (funding increase and timing), Town Hall (funding increase and timing)
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	WCC residents as ratepayers should get discounted tickets to events for the St James ;f we are stumping for increased costs. For the town hall its fair as long As long as Vic Uni and NZSO are paying their share of increased costs. Again WCC ratepayers should have access to discounted tickets.
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	Neutral
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	Does that proportion reflect the value uplift that a commercial property gains? Should commercial rates in different areas (such as Golden Mile) be higher versus rates in commercial areas such as Tawa?
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I support it
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	Also WCC needs to increase the availability of service vehicle parking within the CBD area.
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user	Why can't rates or Council charges reflect environmental costs, such as households which have designed space for more than 1 vehicle?

	charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	
Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	as above for section 8.
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Online, Newspaper
Q20	Other - please specify	

	Respondent No:	40.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-05-08 16:08:10 +1200
	Login name*:	Libraries1st	Online Submission ID:	1926017

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Coastal Structures (increase in funding), Band Rotunda (new funding)
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	I don't understand what you mean by 'coastal structures'. A new band rotunda is not something we can afford right now especially as the Central Library needs to be renovated/replaced.
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	I see that the Central library is slotted in to beyond year 3 and it is a critical area for community wellbeing.
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Don't agree with the emphasis on cycling, want to see more focus on pedestrians.
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Convention and Exhibition Centre (reduction in cost)
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	Don't want it, never wanted it. Show me the business case.
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Town Hall (funding increase and timing)
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Now with the closing of the Central Library it is more important than ever that the Town Hall project is accelerated.
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	I want a decision made about the Central Library - repair or demolish? I also want a timeline of when it will happen which will be adhered to. I do not want to see another Town Hall fiscal blowout with no result 8 years later.
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	I support it
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	Again - where is the business case for this? How many businesses might become vulnerable? Perhaps there could be a trade off between not increasing parking and increasing commercial property rates.
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I oppose it
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	Now that parking is at a premium with so many parking buildings closed because of earthquake damage , increasing parking charges makes it look like you are exploiting the situation to make up the shortfall. Presenting it as a trade off against rate increases is risible.
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas,	By all means increase alcohol licensing and marinas.

	community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	
Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	The central library was the heart of the city and where I found my tribe. Its closure and possible non replacement for several years is heartbreaking. Without the library, and all manner of popups won't do it, many people have nowhere to go in the central city where they can be warm, dry and enrich their lives. I want the council to take action, make a decision, make a plan, be transparent and get on with it.
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Social media (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter), Email
Q20	Other - please specify	

	Respondent No:	41.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-05-08 18:09:15 +1200
	Login name*:	Camilla	Online Submission ID:	1926413

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	I am frustrated that there are already requirements for an increase in funding for the Omaroro reservoir and the project hasn't already started. Given this has already happened I have little faith that the project has been properly scoped and the timeframes the community have been given are accurate.
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	I strongly support the proposed change
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I strongly oppose the changes to parking fees
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	As a Mount Cook resident who is going to be directly impacted by a parking shortage as a result of the council's planned projects suggesting an increase to resident parking while taking away a significant amount of parking feels like a kick in the teeth. We will have over 4 years of impact to our street and we are expected to pay more if we are able to find parking? Surely this doesn't make sense.
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial	

	Respondent No:	41.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
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	cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.
Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission? No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable) Social media (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter)
Q20	Other - please specify

	Respondent No:	42.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-05-08 20:29:32 +1200
	Login name*:	robynlc	Online Submission ID:	1926646

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	Karori Events Centre. I believe that it is essential that you meet the funding gap to enable the Karori Events Centre to be completed. As a community facility that fills a gap in part created through the sale of the College of Education, the events centre is part of a hub of community facilities. The community has worked hard on fundraising to date, and requires a comparatively small amount to complete the fit out.
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	

Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	Fund the balance of the Karori Event Centre in year one of this plan. Don't wait for year 2.
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Online, Social media (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter), E Newsletter (This week our Wellington, Nona te Ao etc)
Q20	Other - please specify	

	Respondent No:	43.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-05-08 20:37:20 +1200
	Login name*:	S	Online Submission ID:	1926630

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Omāroro reservoir (funding increase and timing), Moe-i-te-Ra/Bell Road reservoir (funding increase and timing), Kilbirnie pump station (funding increase and timing), Built Heritage Incentive and Resilience Fund (increase the fund and broader focus), Coastal Structures (increase in funding), Band Rotunda (new funding)
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Reservoirs are essential areas and part of WCCs core business. They should be a priority. Don't know about the pump station Heritage fund doesn't look like core business and should not be a priority. Coastal structures not sure about this. Not a priority but the rotunda needs replacing the band rotunda (I remember some published design proposals). Get someone else to do it
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Arlington development (reallocation of funding), Alex Moore Park (change in funding), Community housing support (new funding)
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Not sure about these nit enough detail here (this survey is vague)
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	Cycling programme (change in timing)
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	The cycling programme is not core business and so far is a disaster and an example of poor unsound decision making. It's a white elephant and should be stopped immediately. Shift funding to those reservoirs WCC has the money to address the core areas don't waste other peoples money on ideologically driven nonsense
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Convention and Exhibition Centre (reduction in cost)
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	Abandon the convention centre, it's not core business and doesn't provide rate payers with money for value. Also WCC doesn't have the skill, knowledge or capability to carryout such a project effectively.
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	St James Theatre (funding increase and timing), Town Hall (funding increase and timing)
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Get private backing for these projects eg naming rights like Westpac stadium. The Town hall is starting to look like a white elephant and is not core business and is beyond WCCs capability. St James should be more muliti-purpose like a music auditorium for pop concerts. This happens overseas (look at Royal Albert Hall)
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	All of them. This survey is poorly designed
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	I oppose it
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	How about reduce spending on non core business>

Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I strongly support the changes to parking fees
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	this actually makes sense
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	not sure what's proposed
Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	Stop spending money on projects which are the domain of the private sector. Just do a good on consents and infrastructure we actually need like the reservoirs, not cycleways. Encourage more quality development and and do a proper job on inspections so we don't see repeats of problems with existing housing stock.
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Word of mouth
Q20	Other - please specify	

	Respondent No:	44.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-05-08 21:11:13 +1200
	Login name*:	Richard	Online Submission ID:	1926686

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	Karori Events Centre. The Karori community has worked hard have a functioning Events Centre. Currently, the building is complete and closed in but more money is need to complete the fitout of the building. With the lost of 'event type' space at the VUW College of Education with its sale, the new Karori Events Centre is now needed more than ever. I believe that WCC should now contribute to this project to match the community fundraising that has occurred to date.
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and	

alcohol licensing.

Q17 Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?

Q18 Would you like to include a document in support of your submission? **No**

Q19 How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable) **Social media (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter)**

Q20 Other - please specify

	Respondent No:	45.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-05-08 22:21:31 +1200
	Login name*:	Wellington Commuter	Online Submission ID:	1926766

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Omāroro reservoir (funding increase and timing), Moe-i-te-Ra/Bell Road reservoir (funding increase and timing), Kilbirnie pump station (funding increase and timing)
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	I prefer funding to improve the city's water supply over ratepayer funding of heritage buildings.
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Alex Moore Park (change in funding)
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	I would prefer the WCC fund community facilities over subsidised housing.
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	I am not a support of the huge amount planned for cycling when the bus service is so broken and lacking funding support. I note the WCC did plan to spend \$3.2M on bus priority but now plans to cut \$2.5M from this high priority investment. Buses are more important to where I (and most Wellingtonians) live than cycling. The Bus Priority funding should be restored and, if any transport funding cut is needed, then take it from the \$9M allocated to cycleways.
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	I oppose the WCC "investment" in a Convention and Exhibition Centre. This is a vanity project being pursued when there are much more important things that need to be fixed such as the Central Library.
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	I opposed the huge ratepayer funding support for both these projects. I would prefer the WCC actively pursue building a new town hall which would likely be both a better quality building for a lower cost. There are more important investments needed to make out city work.
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	The WCC is responsible to PT infrastructure yet has actually cut funding for bus priority. Suburban ratepayers who are expect to fund costly works in the CBD cannot even get there reliably. The WCC should concentrate more on better basic services across the city such as water supply and roading.
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	Neutral
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	I oppose the increase in WCC spending and the rates increase needed to fund it. Who pays ... well no one gets a good deal from a spendthrift council.
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I strongly oppose the changes to parking fees
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	The WCC cannot keep increasing parking fees when the alternative PT service is getting worse rather than better.

		The time to increase parking fees is when the PT service is be a viable and reliable alternative to driving. Until then, the WCC should leave the fees at their current levels.
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	Again the WCC increases fees above inflation without good reason. The council should cut some of the vanity projects and live within the same constraints as its ratepayers.
Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	The WCC is a party to Let Get Wellington Moving ... a key transport project that has totally failed to deliver even a basic plan to improve travel in our city.
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Online
Q20	Other - please specify	

	Respondent No:	46.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
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	Login name*:	Victoria	Online Submission ID:	1926783

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Community housing support (new funding)
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	We should work hard to help our homeless community anyway we can - for their wellbeing and the general wellbeing of the city. I really support extra funding for community housing
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	Cycling programme (change in timing)
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	I support doing all the work in one go, but it is very important to me to have safe, well-designed cycleways connecting the city
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	Not sure
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I strongly support the changes to parking fees
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	Anything to encourage cycling, walking, bussing around the city, and take costs away from ratepayers
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	

Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	Food waste recycling
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Online
Q20	Other - please specify	

	Respondent No:	47.	Name*:	Bernard O'shaughnessy
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Written submission	Responded At:	May 01 19 09:31:32 am
	Login name*:		Online Submission ID:	1916998

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Omāroro reservoir (funding increase and timing), Moe-i-te-Ra/Bell Road reservoir (funding increase and timing), Kilbirnie pump station (funding increase and timing), Built Heritage Incentive and Resilience Fund (increase the fund and broader focus), Coastal Structures (increase in funding), Band Rotunda (new funding)
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. (Omāroro) - Get on with it urgently 2. (Bell Rd) - another important project for the future before building dunnies/pop up cafes on Mt Kaukau. 3. (Kilbirnie pump station) - Urgently needed ahead of the tawa flood issues. 4. (BHIF) - debatable 5. (Coastal structures) Yes/no - for 8 years now I have advocated building sea walls for a 20-30 year project. But an alternative is to close our sea coastal roads like Shelly Bay Road, Island Bay and Lyall Bay Rds/Parades, Cobham Drive etc. 6. (Band Rotunda) Sell it.
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Arlington development (reallocation of funding), Alex Moore Park (change in funding), Community housing support (new funding)
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. (arlington) We actually need more social housing units and manage the tenants better 2. (Alex moore) Great hub plans but does it meet needs of all ratepayers? 3. (community housing) Yes, assist good old Dwell Trust as they do an excellent job, pity not more like that.
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	Cycling programme (change in timing)
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. I gave up my car to save the planet but.. b. bus hubs and GWRC are killing me c. I have always supported the call (B. Jones) to make Lambton Quay a mall (with bike lanes) d. I have advocated for light rail for over 15 years - bit of a dream actually.
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Convention and Exhibition Centre (reduction in cost)
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	<p>Don't do it. I'm speechless. but (points) 1-8. I list them in priority order</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Frank Kitts Park \$3m 2. BIDs \$1m 3. Newlands hub \$4m 4. Chinese garden \$5m 5. Indoor arena \$80m 6. Planning 4 growth \$10m 7. North kumutoto space \$10m 8 Convention centre \$165
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	St James Theatre (funding increase and timing), Town Hall (funding increase and timing)
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. yes - theatre is important just like at the/in the chamber 2. I'm starting to worry that its a bottomless pit to pour money down (I support Ian Cassels comments). 3. Auckland has surpassed us - OMG - (beam me up scotty)!
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section	There are "13" projects that embrace many other projects! I will list them in my priority order!

'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Wellington city library 2. Libraries and community facilities 3. City Housing policys 4. Stakeholder partnerships 5. SHIP (housing) 6. Housing strategy 7. Newtown and Aro CC (community centre) upgrades 8. Waitohi Jonsonville hub 9. CBD conversions 10. Homelessness and support living 11. Improving community wellbeing (cohesive) 12. Karori events centre 13. Take 10 Booze safe <p>Key 1-2 = Libraries 3,4,5,6,9,10 = House/Homes/land 7,8,11,12 = community centres 13 = booze!</p>
Q12 How do you feel about the proposed changes?	I strongly support the proposed change
Q13 Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	Well the only Councillor I have heard explain with clarity at a public meeting was B Pepperell (RIP) anyway the business community make big \$ off the backs of us lowly rate (house) payers - so I would increase the ratio to 4.75 to 1. Also tax the churches
Q14 How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I strongly support the changes to parking fees
Q15 Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	<p>Well, the increases are only % inflation adjustments plus a bit of creative accounting - but/and I say</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. no cars/vehicles in peak hour traffic except buses/taxi/service vehicles 2. have CBD "Golden mile" poll taxed (like London) <p>or</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. all cars in peak hour traffic be T3 that is must have 3 people in them or cop a fine of \$200 unless owner shows purchase of a snapper card and a months use 4. free parking on weekends.
Q16 Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	<p>I agree to all basic % fee increases and/but note -</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. all licensing should be like dog registrations, that is, totally self funding so therefore I would b. increase the swimming pool fees (double them) after all your CEO Kevin rightly points out the swimming pools are under utilised and over funded! c. but booze license fees should be tripled. <p>Also the cost of operations of the DLC and Council staff should be charged against the industry.</p> <p>d. also time to have bike registration to pay for mountain bike tracks that are killing our plant environment.</p>
Q17 Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	Yes - there are 6 things not mentioned so will table that in the chamber
Q18 Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	Yes - document follows below
Q19 How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Other
Q20 Other - please specify	Each Annual report is my bedtime reading so I look forward each year to add to my piles

Changes to the Year 2 (2019/20) budget



Resilience and the Environment | Te manahua me te taiao

We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:

- 1 Omārōro reservoir (funding increase and timing)
- 2 Moe-i-te-Ra/Bell Road reservoir (funding increase and timing)
- 3 Kilbirnie pump station (funding increase and timing)
- 4 Built Heritage Incentive and Resilience Fund (increase the fund and broader focus)
- 5 Coastal Structures (increase in funding)
- 6 Band Rotunda (new funding)

Share your thoughts on the proposed changes

Please indicate which project/s you are referring to by ticking the options above.
See page 20 of the 2019/20 Annual Plan consultation document for more information.

- ① get on with it **urgently**
- ② another important project for the future before building dummies/pop up cafe's on Mt Kankau.
- ③ **URGENTLY** Needed **ahead** of the Tawa flood issues.
- ④ Debatable.
- ⑤ Yes/No - for 8 years now I have advocated **building sea walls** for a 20-30 year project. But an alternative is to close our sea coastal Roads like Shelly Bay Road, Island Bay & Lyall Bay Rds/Parades, Cobham Drive etc.
- ⑥ Sell it.



Housing and Community Wellbeing | Te oranga ā-whare ā-hapori

We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:

- 1 Arlington development (reallocation of funding)
- 2 Alex Moore Park (change in funding)
- 3 Community housing support (new funding)

Share your thoughts on the proposed changes

Please indicate which project/s you are referring to by ticking the options above.
See page 30 of the 2019/20 Annual Plan consultation document for more information.

- ① We actually ^{need} more social housing units and ^{manage} the tenants better
- ② Great Hub plans but does it meet needs of ^{all} ratepayers?
- ③ Yes, assist good old Dwell Trust as they do an excellent job, pity not more like that.



Transport | Ngā waka

We are proposing to make changes to the following project:

- Cycling programme (change in timing)

Share your thoughts on the proposed change

See page 40 of the 2019/20 Annual Plan consultation document for more information.

*NB we have also proposed changes to parking fees. There is a question dedicated to this change later in the survey.

- A) I gave up ^{my car} to save the planet but
- B) Bus hubs and ^{AWRC} are killing me
- C) I have always supported the call (B. Jones) to make Lambton Quay a Mall (with bike lanes)
- D) I have advocated for ^{light Rail} for over 15 yrs - bit of a dream actually.



Sustainable growth | Te Kaunake Tauwhiro

We are proposing to make changes to the following project:

- Convention and Exhibition Centre (reduction in cost)

Don't do it

Share your thoughts on the proposed change

See page 48 of the 2019/20 Annual Plan consultation document for more information. ⁰ I list them in priority order



Arts and culture | Ngā toi me te ahurea

We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:

- St James Theatre (funding increase and timing)
- Town Hall (funding increase and timing)

Share your thoughts on the proposed changes

- 1 Frank Kitts
- 2 Bids
- 3 mayors. Hub
- 4 Chinese Box
- 5 Indoor Arena
- 6 Plan & growth
- 7 North Kaimatoto
- 8 Convention Centre

Please indicate which project/s you are referring to by ticking the options above.
 See page 56 of the 2019/20 Annual Plan consultation document for more information.

① Yes - Theatre is important just like at the (in) the Chamber.

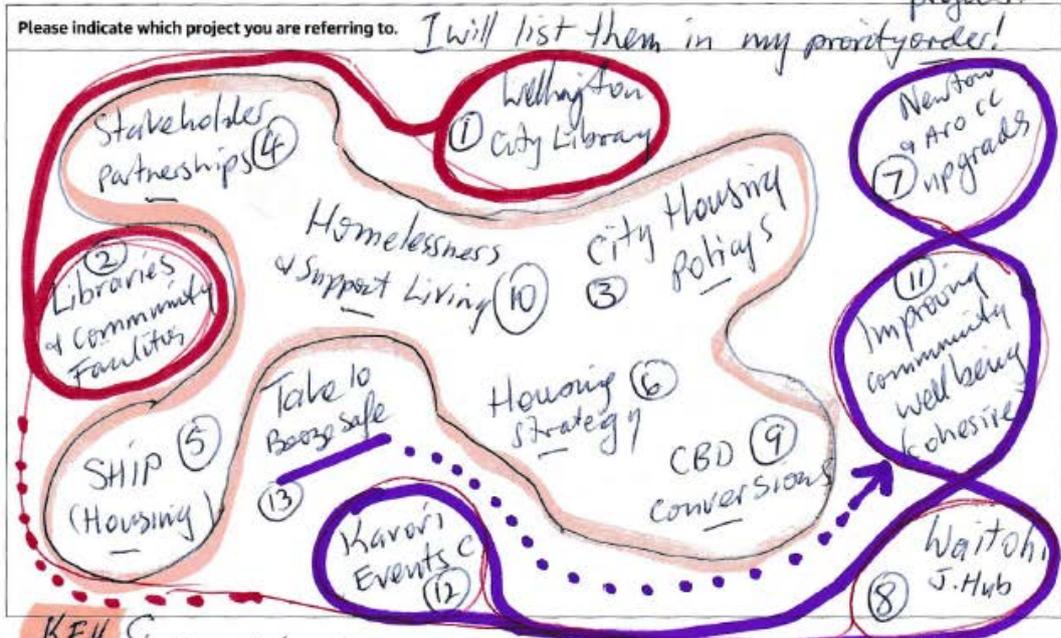
② I'm starting to worry that its a bottomless pit to pour money down (I support Ian Cassels comments).

③ Auckland has surpassed us - oma - (beam me up Scotty.)!

2019/20 and future key projects

There Are "13" Projects that

Under each priority area we have listed key projects that are occurring in 2019/20 and beyond. *embrace many other projects!*
Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the sections 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'.



KEY Rates
 1-2 = Libraries
 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10 = House/Homes/Land
 7, 8, 11, 12 = Community centres
 13 Booze!

The general rate is paid for by the 'Base' differential rating category (i.e. residents) and 'Commercial, Industrial and Business' differential rating category.
 Currently a commercial property pays 2.8 times more in general rates than a residential property, if they were of the same capital value.
 We are proposing to increase this ratio to 3.25 to 1. This would maintain the proportion of total rates contributed by each differential rating category.

How do you feel about the proposed change? (circle your preference)
 See page 17 of the 2019/20 Annual Plan consultation document for more information.

1 I strongly oppose the change	2 I oppose it	3 Neutral	4 I support it	5 I strongly support the change	X Not sure
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Share your thoughts on the changes to rates.

Well the only councillor I have heard explain with clarity at a public meeting was B. Peppetall (Ald) anyway the business community make big \$ off the backs of us lowly rate (house) payers - so I would increase the ratio to 4.75 to 1. Also tax the churches.

Changes to Council fees

Parking

Wellington City Council manages approximately 10% of the parking spaces in the central area as well as eight resident parking zones in Wellington City. We are proposing to change eight different parking fees to ensure users pay for the parking spaces instead of increasing rates.

How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees? (circle your preference)
See page 70 of the 2019/20 Annual Plan consultation document for more information.

1	2	3	4	5	X
I strongly oppose the changes	I oppose it	Neutral	I support it	I strongly support the changes	Not sure

Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees. Please indicate which fee you are referring to.

Well, the increases are only % inflation adjustments plus a bit of creative accounting - but/and I say

- 1) No cars/vehicles in peak hour traffic except buses/Taxi/ service vehicles
- 2) have CB13 "Golden mile" poll taxed (like London)
- 3) ^(or) All cars in peak hour traffic be T3 that is must have 3 people in them or cop a fine of \$200 unless owner shows purchase of a snapper card and a months use.
- 4) free parking on week-ends.

Other proposed changes to Council fees

Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the landfill, sewage networks, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burials/cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.

Please indicate which fee or user charge you are referring to.

See page 64 of the 2019/20 Annual Plan consultation document for more information.

I agree to all basic % fee increases and (but note :-

A) all licensing should be like Dog registration, that is, totally self funding so therefore it would

B) Increase the swimming pool fees (double them)

after all your CEO Kevin rightly points out the

swimming pools are under utilised, & over funded!

c) But booze license fees should be tripled.

Also the cost of operations of the DLC and Council

Wellington City Staff should be charged against the industry.

Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?

1) Also time to have bike registration to pay for mountain bike tracks that are killing our plant environment.

Yes - there are 6 things not mentioned so will table that in the chamber

	Respondent No:	48.	Name*:	Kara Lipski
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Written submission	Responded At:	May 01 19 09:36:00 am
	Login name*:		Online Submission ID:	1917011

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Omāroro reservoir (funding increase and timing), Kilbirnie pump station (funding increase and timing)
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	<p>"Water</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - With reference to the proposed Kilbirnie pumping station, it would be far cheaper to raise the floor of houses in the area that will be affected by surface flooding. Resource consents for new buildings (residential and commercial) should require a minimum space between ground and floor. - Even though it might look unsightly, placing slimline tanks along the side of buildings (taking in the rain runoff) to store water. - Your booklet did not provide a map of where the Town Belt is affected by the construction of the Omaroro Reservoir and such activity should not be conducted in the Town Belt. Otherwise this important area will slowly be nibbled at until nothing is left. <p>Resilience</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - in the same way that WCC successfully facilitated workshops regarding the eastern cycleways, similar workshops (at community level) to discuss environmental threats and risks will increase resilience in the community. A plan is only as good as the number of people who are (a) party to that plan and (b) actively involved in the planning process.
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Arlington development (reallocation of funding), Community housing support (new funding)
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	<p>"Housing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - social housing is a basic service which WCC must continue to provide. Partnering with other agencies will not ensure high quality residences and/or service. - Housing NZ Corp. has not recently been seen to be a good landlord and it would be good to know exactly who runs the Dwell Housing Trust. - Even though it will cost, WCC needs to retain control over social housing in Wellington City. This is a MUST HAVE. - There appears to be a sprouting prof the Auckland "little boxes" apartment problem. Whoever is providing resource consent for these apartments, should look at what make a habitable apartment. - I support WCC's program to house the homeless. Recent weather has been very cold and those sleeping on the streets need somewhere warm to sleep which is also a supported environment.
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	Cycling programme (change in timing)
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	<p>'- With reference to the cycleway on Crawford Road (Kilbirnie) all that needed to be done was removing the car parking on the uphill side and using the ready-made cycle lane. I have seen people walking uphill in the cycle way between Duncan Tce and the top of Crawford Rd. A little bit of education is needed as to whether this a shared lane.</p>
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Convention and Exhibition Centre (reduction in cost)

Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	Any new development of a convention and exhibition centre should be privately built. It is after all something which will benefit commercial concerns.
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	St James Theatre (funding increase and timing), Town Hall (funding increase and timing)
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	<p>' - It is becoming a nonsense that WCC seems to have not factored in possible cost increases for the retrofitting of the Town Hall and St James Theatre.</p> <p>- Te Tuhinga akoako does not identify the name of the group that carried out "intensive building survey and detailed design" of these buildings and Wellingtonians like myself, who have attended concerts in both buildings wonder how they survived the large earthquakes. Notably some modern buildings in Wellington received damage about the 7th level, indicating that resonance characteristics of part of these buildings was the same as the earthquake resonance. (further comments in attachment).</p>
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	<p>Community wellbeing Some factors contributing to community wellbeing are:- - being able to access warm (and economically cost effective) housing; - cultural events; - education facilities; - recreational facilities; - health facilities; - work.</p> <p>Many of the planned increases in fees (in the next section) will affect Wellington City's residents ability to access these. I have included work in this list because even though WCC does pay the living wage, many small and large businesses in Wellington do not. Living in Strathmore Park and working on a minimum adult wage in the CBD would not leave much after the cost of bus travel (if it is available). Governance I assume that democratic services comes under this section. The recent online survey for feedback on this 2019/20 Plan is one example of money miss-spent. WCC needs to allow those of us wishing to provide feedback online, to do so without having to register first. The registration process would not even recognise my cell phone number as a phone number. It was a total waste of time which is why you are now receiving a hard copy submission. Sustainable growth</p> <p>- I oppose any runway extension (any extension should be fully borne by Infratil anyway). We do not need long haul large aircraft breaking our night time curfews.</p> <p>- Placing a large auditorium on Centreport land is asking for trouble. The recent 7.8 earthquake proved that (Shed 39 is uninhabitable on it's eastern side). We already have the TSB arena and that could be improved for use by music acts and exhibitions.</p> <p>- Instead of building a new convention centre (Indoor arena), place a roof on the cake tin. That would ensure that rock concert noise would be muted and paying audience would be sheltered from the weather.</p> <p>Transport</p> <p>- Your statement that "a transport system... should benefit people's overall quality of life" shows that you do not understand what is acutally happening to our public transport system in the city. Along with 3 WCC Councillors, I have made numerous submissions to GWRC's Regional Sustainable Transport Committee. There has been some success with the No.18E returning to full timetable coverage. But there is also a large bus (No.18) which goes round in circles covering the same route as the 18E. However, there is no direct route from Strathmore Park to the city (nor a late night bus anymore) and this is a major deficit. Unless a direct route (Strathmore Park, via Newtown, Basin Reserve, Courtenay Place to the rail) is reinstated, car purchase will increase.</p> <p>- I am looking forward to a time when Fulton Hogan and Downer and Higgins Group are not ploughing up our streets (the seem to arrive one after another instead of all together). Presently it is not worth riding my bike due to the road works which seem to take an very long time to complete.</p> <p>- Bus shelters need to be weather proof. Most of the present collection are not and the nonsensical "shelter" that GWRC wasted funds on the Wallace St rebuild is an example of what not to do. So the design of shelters should include the following:- front and side walls down to the ground, roofs extended so they actually deflect the rain away from the seating.</p>

- Intersections could be painted with KEEP CLEAR on the road. It works on the North Shore in Auckland and I am sure it would also work here.
- Please revisit the permits you have given to the very large charter and tour buses which are driving through our suburban street. Tour buses must be limited to mini bus size (and be electric) and school charter buses must be reduced in size as well.
- The LGWM is a waste of money. It hasn't delivered a modern integrated transport system and in the last 12 months has taken us backwards.

Waste

- I support WCC's plans for the kitchen waste diversion. Requiring apartment developers to include rooftop gardens (with appropriate composting) would help reduce food waste going into non-recyclable rubbish collection.

Ranking your projects

Project / ranking: MUST HAVE

- community centres
- good public transport (and if not) low cost parking - cycleways
- libraries
- pools, playgrounds and sports fields
- cemeteries and crematoriums
- roads and footpaths
- social housing
- water (including reservoirs)
- waste
- zealandia

Project/ranking: NICE TO HAVE

- Botanic gardens
- Built heritage (since 1800s)
- indoor arena (another one?!)
 - makara peak
 - Town Hall and St James theatre retrofit
 - Zoo

Project/ranking: NOT NEEDED

- band rotunda
- convention centre
- Shelly Bay development
- Basin Reserve
- runway extension

Q12 How do you feel about the proposed changes?

Q13 Share your thoughts on the changes to rates

I thoroughly oppose the policy on the base differential. In the base category are rentals and it is not fair to expect renters to fund the majority of rates. Therefore the differential should be 56% General (commercial, industrial and business and 44% bas

Q14 How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?

Q15 Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees

'- By increasing parking fees during the weekend (when public transport is at its weakest), WCC will ensure that residents will avoid coming into the CBD for recreation and entertainment. If WCC is prepared to increase parking fees to supposedly get us to use public transport, then WCC's Mayor and officials need to support Wellingtonians' campaign with GWRC/Metlink and put pressure on GWRC to return our decent pre July 2018 public transport.

- Please remember that on Friday evenings a group of volunteer swim instructors at Freyberg Pool begin setting up at 5pm for children's swimming lessons which finish by 7pm. We volunteer our swimming instruction to keep fees low for families and those of us (instructors and parents) who need to use cars would appreciate an extra 30 minutes to cover cleanup.
- With the public transport system in Wellington City needing vast improvement, it would help to keep the free parking (1800 to 0800) in the CBD for Saturday and Sunday. Public transport in the weekends is worse than during the week and unless it improves soon, you will get congestion.
- Please keep the 60 minute free parking in Upper Cuba St.
- Do not increase metered parking on the fringe of the city from \$1.50 to \$2.50 per hour. All you will achieve is those who can afford parking will use it and those who can't - avoiding the CBD.
- Unless WCC helps us to change the GWRC's attitude to public transport in the outer suburbs, all that will result in the CBD is a ghost town. Think back to the week immediately following the 2016 earthquake and you will know what I mean.

Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	<p>'- I oppose any increase in access fees to pools owned and operated by WCC. The fee of \$6.00 is already too steep for many families and WCC needs to look at how it can better facilitate access for those on low incomes.</p> <p>- Groups hiring the community halls often do so without seeking a profit. I have had the experience of hiring community halls in Newtown and Miramar for well attended meetings on bus issues. I was then in a position to pay the fee, but any rise in fees will deter me from performing this community service - it feels as though WCC is increasing fees in various areas to pay the rates cut required by GWRC. It's high time WCC actively questioned GWRC's proposed rates increase for Wellington City.</p>
Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	<p>'Rates remission</p> <p>- This statement on p.71 could have been in plain language. However since it mainly refers to commercial entities I do not agree with giving them rates remission. That should be for home or apartment owners (or those with tenants so that our rents do not keep rising). Major developers and commercial groups can always claim the expenditure and loss of revenue on their tax returns or insurance. Small businesses and home/apartment owners should be the groups receiving rates remission under this policy.</p>
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	Yes - document follows below
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Newspaper
Q20	Other - please specify	

WCC 2019/2020 ANNUAL PLAN FEEDBACK

EXPENDITURE CHARTS

A. Operational

- Council (5%)
- Cultural Wellbeing (4%)
- Economic Development (5%)
- Environment (34%)
- Governance (4%)
- Social and Recreation (24%)
- Transport (16%)
- Urban development (6%)

Suggested % Change to Plan

- Nil change
- Maintain
- Maintain
- Nil change

B. Capital

- Council Projects (11%)
- Cultural Wellbeing (7%)
- Economic Development (2%)
- Environment (25%)
- Governance (?)
- Social and Recreation (14%)
- Transport (23%)
- Urban development (18%)

Suggested % Change to Plan

- Decrease to 10%
- Nil change
- Nil change
- Nil change
- no percentage available on chart
- Maintain
- Nil change
- Maintain

ARTS and CULTURE

- It is becoming a nonsense that WCC seems to have not factored in possible cost increases for the retrofitting of the Town Hall and St James Theatre.
- Te Tuhiinga akoako does not identify the name of the group that carried out the "*intensive building survey and detailed structural design*" of these buildings and Wellingtonians like myself, who have attended concerts in both buildings wonder how they survived the large earthquakes in 1942, 1968, 2013 and 2016. Notably some modern buildings in Wellington received damage above the 7th level, indicating that resonance characteristics of part of those buildings was the same as that earthquake resonance. Other minimally supported (cave like) buildings such as the Readings cinema complex suffered damage whereas older cinemas such as the Embassy did not.
- If, as you state on p.61, that "*the highly competitive construction market has ... impacted on projected costs*" - why is the cost increasing? Competition usually results in a decrease in cost.
- I agree with WCC maintaining ownership of these theatres but the Council must reign in costs associated with retrofitting.

COMMUNITY WELLBEING

Some factors contributing to community wellbeing are:-

- being able to access warm (and economically cost effective) housing;
- cultural events;
- education facilities
- recreational facilities;
- health facilities
- work.

Many of the planned increases in fees (see next section) will affect Wellington City's residents ability to access these. I have included work in this list because even though WCC does pay the living wage, many small and large businesses in Wellington do not. Living in Strathmore Park and working on a minimum adult wage in the CBD would not leave much after the cost of bus travel (if it is available).

FEES INCREASES

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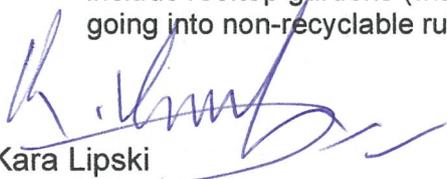
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- I am looking forward to a time when Fulton Hogan and Downer and Higgins Group are not ploughing up our streets (they seem to arrive one after another instead of all together). Presently it is not worth riding my bike due to the road works which seem to take an very long time to complete.
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WATER

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- Even though it might look unsightly, placing slimline tanks along the side of buildings (taking in rain runoff) to store water.
- Your booklet did not provide a map of where the Town Belt is affected by the construction of the Omaroro Reservoir and such activity should not be conducted in the Town Belt. Otherwise this important area will slowly be nibbled at until nothing is left.

WASTE

- I support WCC's plans for the kitchen waste diversion. Requiring apartment developers to include rooftop gardens (with appropriate composting) would help reduce food waste going into non-recyclable rubbish collection.



Kara Lipski

RANKING YOUR PROJECTS

PROJECT / RANKING: MUST HAVE

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| Community centres | Cycle ways |
| Good Public transport (and if not) | Low cost Parking |
| Libraries | Pools, playgrounds and sports fields |
| Cemeteries and crematoriums | Roads and footpaths |
| Social Housing | Water (including reservoirs) |
| Waste | Zealandia |

PROJECT / RANKING: NICE TO HAVE

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|---|-------------------------------|
| Botanic gardens | Built heritage (since 1800's) |
| Indoor arena (another one?!) | Makara Peak |
| Town Hall and St James Theatre retrofit | |
| Zoo | |

PROJECT / RANKING: NOT NEEDED

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| Band Rotunda | Basin Reserve |
| Convention Centre | Runway extension |
| Shelly Bay development | |

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ANNUAL PLAN 2019/20 WCC

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	Respondent No:	53.	Name*:	Lara Bland
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Changes to Council fees

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How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees? (circle your preference)

See page 70 of the 2019/20 Annual Plan consultation document for more information.

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I strongly oppose the changes	I oppose it	Neutral	I support it	I strongly support the changes	Not sure

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Resident Parking Increase. → 54% !!!

- I live in Mt Victoria in a flat. As such, I am entitled to only one permit for the household. My flatmate + I can not each have a permit, despite needing separate cars.
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- This and the increase penalises those of us who have less money. Wealthy houses have garages.
- The street is increasingly harder to find a space - I will therefore be paying more under this increase for a reduced service - how about increasing the number of resident parks + decreasing coupon? as this system is open to abuse like my neighbour's case. The council can then make more money off having more residents permits, which cost more.
- The reality is that many of us live in the city suburbs. Their purpose is for people to live there and parking is part of the required infrastructure. I ~~do~~ need a car while the public transport system is so poor. Until this is fixed, ~~the~~ increases the proposed increase is an unfair burden on those with less.

Wellington City

Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?

Please extend Resident Parking in Mt Victoria - replace some coupon zone with residents.

	Respondent No:	54.	Name*:	Toby Bourke
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Written submission	Responded At:	May 01 19 10:37:15 am
	Login name*:		Online Submission ID:	1917056

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Omāroro reservoir (funding increase and timing), Kilbirnie pump station (funding increase and timing), Coastal Structures (increase in funding)
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Yes to (ticked) 3 and no to others.
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Arlington development (reallocation of funding), Community housing support (new funding)
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	(ticked projects) yes but I understand social housing needs better management. Why did the budget blow out? because of bad management.
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	Cycling programme (change in timing)
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	The cycleways being built for millions for a very few is crazy.
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Convention and Exhibition Centre (reduction in cost)
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	No the projects are too expensive!
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	St James Theatre (funding increase and timing)
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Yes to St James but stop keep the Town Hall facade & rebuild it inside! Kirks building was rebuilt like that.
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	We are so annoyed that all the talk costs us more yet we see little outcomes - may shift to Lower Hutt!
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	I strongly support the proposed change
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	The CBD businesses are ripping off us ratepayers
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	Ok to maximise fees except make it free on weekend.
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	All fees should be increased even more than proposed What happened to "user pays".

Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	The buses project was so wrong and WCC and GWRC are to blame so we support Vote Them All Out! VTAO and so is our church group.
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	Yes - document follows below
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Other
Q20	Other - please specify	At library



Housing and Community Wellbeing | Te oranga ā-whare ā-hapori

We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:

- Arlington development (reallocation of funding)
- Alex Moore Park (change in funding)
- Community housing support (new funding)

Share your thoughts on the proposed changes

Please indicate which project/s you are referring to by ticking the options above.
 See page 30 of the 2019/20 Annual Plan consultation document for more information.

please urgently work on a total no smoking ban for ALL council housing properties, both ALL inside areas & ALL outdoor areas, for both residents & visitors. This is a serious harmful health danger, for physical health, mental health, financial health. Also fire hazard, causes toxic litter & damages the properties inside causing '3rd hand' smoke poisons for people. A ban can help reduce illegal drug use such as Cannabis, which is also a major problem in WCC housing, as well as tobacco, which contains 5000 toxins & kills 2000 NZers yearly plus 500 from 2nd hand smoke. Council needs to prioritise health of tenants, to become smoke free before 2025 as Aotearoa is far behind in reaching this goal. Mauri ORA.

Wellington City

Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?

PLEASE urgently work on total smoking ban across ALL WCC Housing both inside & out. I have talked with the Fire Department who wholeheartedly support this as do The Cancer Society, asthma and Heart Foundations, stroke Foundation, Capital & Coast District Health & Salvation Army, also majority of WCC tenants are in favor, as are neighbors of WCC housing complexes. There are many free support services that council can help connect residents to become & remain smoke-FREE. I have seen neighbors die early from this & its heartbreaking. This is a serious Fire hazard too. I have suffered from neighbors second-hand smoke causing me sinus infections, throat infections, chest infections, asthma attacks, migraines, sleeping problems and chronic fatigue. It will be wonderful for Council to take a positive, proactive lead in this crucial area of Well-being to become a world-leader in promoting healthy living in our blessed city. Kia ORA

	Respondent No:	55.	Name*:	David Fraser
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Written submission	Responded At:	May 01 19 01:11:08 pm
	Login name*:		Online Submission ID:	1917286

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Coastal Structures (increase in funding)
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	MIRAMAR DOCKS. AOTEA O/S 'TERMINAL' I am referring to the area, on the Miramar Peninsula, the old Army and AirForce Base, as well as the Wharf Structure, which remains, in 'Bad Shape', and is a bit of an 'eye-sore', at the moment. It would be a good idea if the Council could increase funding, for the wharf, to be re-vitalised, and upgraded, as valuable space for Boat Harbours. This would be a Good Investment for Tourism and Wellington Harbour upgrade. Wellington could do with a new Overseas Passenger Ship Point, for Entry and Departures, in the Summer Season, Tourist Attraction, for tourists coming here! The Present terminal, Passenger Ship station, at Aotea Quay is not adequate, and is right next to logging freight ships,! hardly adequate, at the moment, for large tourist ships, the present terminal, is badly placed, and too small!
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Community housing support (new funding)
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	I live in a nice apartment in C.P.F in Mt. Cook. The flats and complex are very nice, however, I think the Council could look at changing a few things. In the last 6-8 months, the community at C.P.F, has declined? not too sure why? We had a great community spirit here but with the cuts to finance, things have sadly been, not the same. I would like to see the funding and amenities restored, so as to improve the neighbourhood community spirit, this is in the spirit of true Diversity.
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	Financial Sustainability - 'Long-term' Adopt, social credit, financial management, practice. In light of present world financial practice, the social credit system, cancels borrowing of large amounts of capital at astronomical interest charges, by market banking! Social credit practice, believes that 'Usury charges', are illegal, and enslave the borrower, of the loan, interest rates have a nominal charge for bookeeping charges.
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	International events and entertainment The council has been, a main investor in Arts, culture and entertainment, over the years, providing venues, and events in these areas. However, Wellington, sadly falls, a bit short, on the promotion, of International events, especially in the entertainment side. I'm sure, that this is why many musical acts and bands, skip, coming to Wellington on tours especially in the music areas. Some thought has to go into promoting, and 'raising the standard' of Wellington, as an International City and competitor.

Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	I support it
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	I support the change. The Council, has to obtain revenue, to pay for infrastructure. The best way, is to obtain revenue from Taxation of things which are considered 'luxury items'. In other words 'not really needed', by 'user - consumers!' why spent revenue on facilities which are 'not required' and waste of money and resources? Central Govt. #(our taxes) - should pay for this.
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I oppose it
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	
Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	2019-2020 WCC (Budget) Financial management (Council Budget 2019): In light of the measures adopted by, the current Minister of Finance, it would appear that the Govt. (Central) want to borrow more money, probably from the Bank of China, and the I.M.F., Local Govt, WCC would 'show the way', here in adopting the policies of the 'social credit', financial system! No, this is not 'funny money', this is financial wisdom and makes perfect sense! This system works!! Very well indeed! It worked in 1935 under the savage Labour Govt. and it can work better now! # Uses. Housing. WCC. Infrastructure - Assets.
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	Yes - document follows below
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Other
Q20	Other - please specify	Local WCC office (Wakefield St)

Changes to the Year 2 (2019/20) budget



Resilience and the Environment | Te manahua me te taiao

We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:

- Omāroro reservoir (funding increase and timing)
- Moe-i-te-Ra/Bell Road reservoir (funding increase and timing)
- Kilbirnie pump station (funding increase and timing)
- Built Heritage Incentive and Resilience Fund (increase the fund and broader focus)
- Coastal Structures (increase in funding) *≠ (AOTEA O/S TERMINAL) WHARF*
- Band Rotunda (new funding)

Share your thoughts on the proposed changes

Please indicate which project/s you are referring to by ticking the options above. See page 20 of the 2019/20 Annual Plan consultation document for more information.

*MIRAMAR DOCKS.
AOTEA O/S TERMINAL*

I am referring to the Area, on the Miramar Peninsula, the old Army and Air Force Base, as well as the Wharf Structure, which remains, in 'Bad-Shape', and is a bit of an 'eye-sore', at the moment. It would be a good idea if the Council could increase funding, for the Wharf, to be re-vitalised, and upgraded, as valuable space for Boat harbouring. This would be a Good Investment for Tourism and Wellington Harbour upgrade. Wellington could do with a New Overseas, Passenger Ship Point, for Entry and Departures, in the Summer Season, Tourist Attraction, for tourists coming here! The Present terminal, Passenger Ship station, at Aotea Quay is not adequate, and is right next to logging freight ships! hardly adequate, at the moment, for large tourist ships, the present terminal, is badly sited and too small!



Housing and Community Wellbeing | Te oranga ā-whare ā-hapori

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- Community housing support (new funding)

Share your thoughts on the proposed changes

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I live in a nice apartment at C.P.F in Mt. Cook. The flats and Complex are very nice, however, I think the Council could look at changing a few things. In the last 6-8 months, the Community at C.P.F, has declined? not too sure why? We had a great community spirit here, but with the cuts to finance, things have sadly been, not the same. I would like to see the funding and amenities restored, so as to improve the neighbourhood Community in the Spirit of true Diversity.



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Sustainable growth | Te Kaunake Tauwhiro

We are proposing to make changes to the following project:

- Convention and Exhibition Centre (reduction in cost)

Share your thoughts on the proposed change

FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY

See page 48 of the 2019/20 Annual Plan consultation document for more information.

✓ Financial Sustainability - 'Long-term' Adopt, Social Credit, financial management, practice. In light of Present world financial practice, the Social Credit system, cancels borrowing of large amounts of Capital at astronomical Interest charges, by Market Banking! Social Credit practice, believes that 'Usury charges' are illegal, and enslave the borrower, of the Loan, Interest rates have a nominal charge for bookkeeping charges.



Arts and culture | Ngā toi me te ahurea

We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:

- St James Theatre (funding increase and timing)
- Town Hall (funding increase and timing)

Share your thoughts on the proposed changes

#International events and Entertainment.

Please indicate which project/s you are referring to by ticking the options above.
See page 56 of the 2019/20 Annual Plan consultation document for more information.

The Council has been, a Main Investor in Arts, culture and Entertainment, over the years, providing venues, and events in these areas. However, Wellington, sadly falls, a bit short, on the promotion, of International events, especially in the entertainment side. I'm sure, that this is why ~~we~~ many musical acts and bands, skip, coming to Wellington on tours especially in the Music Areas. Some thought has to go into promoting, and 'raising the standard' of Wellington, as an International City and Competitor.

Rates

The general rate is paid for by the 'Base' differential rating category (i.e. residents) and 'Commercial, Industrial and Business' differential rating category.

Currently a commercial property pays 2.8 times more in general rates than a residential property, if they were of the same capital value.

We are proposing to increase this ratio to 3.25 to 1. This would maintain the proportion of total rates contributed by each differential rating category.

How do you feel about the proposed change? (circle your preference)
See page 17 of the 2019/20 Annual Plan consultation document for more information.

1	2	3	4	5	X
I strongly oppose the change	I oppose it	Neutral	I support it	I strongly support the change	Not sure

Share your thoughts on the changes to rates.

I support the change. The Council, has to obtain revenue, to pay for infrastructure. The best way, is to obtain revenue from Taxation of things which are considered 'Luxury items'. In other words 'not really needed', by 'users' - Consumers! Why spent Revenue on facilities which are 'not required', and waste of money and resources? Central Govt. # (our Taxes) - Should pay for this.

Changes to Council fees

Parking

Wellington City Council manages approximately 10% of the parking spaces in the central area as well as eight resident parking zones in Wellington City. We are proposing to change eight different parking fees to ensure users pay for the parking spaces instead of increasing rates.

<p>How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees? (circle your preference) See page 70 of the 2019/20 Annual Plan consultation document for more information.</p>					
1	2	3	4	5	X
I strongly oppose the changes	I oppose it	Neutral	I support it	I strongly support the changes	Not sure
<p>Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees. Please indicate which fee you are referring to.</p>					

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2019-2020 (Budget) ^{W.C.C}

Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned? 2019-20.

Financial Management: In light of the measures (Council Budget 2019) adopted by the current Minister of Finance, it would appear that the Govt. (Central) want to borrow more money, probably from the Bank of China, and the IMF. Local Govt, W.C.C. could 'show the way', here in adopting the policies of the 'Social Credit' Financial system! No, this is not 'Funny Money'; this is Financial Wisdom and makes perfect sense! This system works!! Very well indeed! It worked in 1935 under the Savage Labour Govt, and it can work better now!

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How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees? (circle your preference)					
See page 70 of the 2019/20 Annual Plan consultation document for more information.					
1	2	3	4	5	X
I strongly oppose the changes	I oppose it	Neutral	I support it	I strongly support the changes	Not sure
Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees. Please indicate which fee you are referring to.					
<p>ok to increase fees except make it free on weekend.</p>					

	Respondent No:	56.	Name*:	Catharine Underwood
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Written submission	Responded At:	May 06 19 02:53:49 pm
	Login name*:		Online Submission ID:	1923251

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Band Rotunda (new funding)
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Band Rotunda – Totally support this restoration. Am very disappointed that the council hasn't done this to date. It, like other assets, have been left to rot and disintegrate. Taking action earlier would have been a cheaper option.
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Convention and Exhibition Centre (reduction in cost)
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	Convention Centre – The more I read about this the less I support it. We have other benefits that we, as a city, should be promoting. We also have a number of buildings that if restored and/or strengthened would be a great opportunity to attract visitors. An apartment block with responsible social housing and unit title would be a good alternative and leave Shelley Bay alone.
Q9	We are proposing to make changes	Town Hall (funding increase and timing)
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Strengthening the Town hall – fully support this. I am disappointed that this wasn't acted on sooner. It is a great building with super acoustics. Based on this kind of track record I don't expect the Public Library to be opened again before 2025...
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	<p>Overview of Core Business</p> <p>Under the Environment section, I would like to see noise and light pollution included in the range of activities. It's not just about the physical environment of flora, soil and water. It is about the space that we live in – the environment as an all-encompassing ideal. The whole lot. It ties in with cultural wellbeing – if you have an environment that is not conducive to a good life then the total environment needs attention.</p> <p>Our Priorities talks about looking after the environment. Again, this should include the total environment not just the physical elements. Need to include noise and light pollution for consideration when talking about the environment.</p> <p>I am not sure anyone understands the 'in simple terms' of the rates differential. It seems to conflict with what is said earlier. If I am wrong, then it hasn't been outlined in simple enough terms...</p> <p>Page 15 talks about fees for alfresco dining. Why should those who supply a smoke-free outside environment receive a free pass i.e. a 100% discount to use your words. Why aren't café's paying for space they use – often to the detriment of those trying to use the pavement for walking on? They are a business after all and had the opportunity to make money. Ratepayers subsidising private business. Makes a bit of a mockery of the rates differential being changed in favour of commercial operators.</p> <p>Road reserve users have to pay for their space - they don't get free</p>

parking.

Our Work programme in year 2 (page 17). I notice the goal of 1.69million trees. Perhaps this could extend to include plants as well as trees. Not all habitats need trees. It could be a wetland habitat that has plants that are part of the environment that was there. I'd like to see amenity planting plans reviewed in favour of using native plants instead of exotic plants. It is a chance to promote New Zealand, Wellington and what is great about our environment.

Makara Peak - I support the councils involvement in this initiative. Zealandia – While I understand the initiative – I'd rather the funds were spent on improving facilities within the fence to benefit the valley and the visitor experience.

Responsible Camping – I am against any funds going towards 'freedom' campers. I am of the view that freedom camping should be banned. Why should Wellington residents be exposed to tourists washing, cooking and getting changed in front of thier houses/places of work - basically in public. Why should areas that were for Wellingtonians now be set aside for tourists in vehicles that don't meet the self contained vehicle standards.

Adaption to rising sea levels. Why is the council still determined to build on a waterfront that by your own admission will be subject to increased water level. Leave the waterfront for recreational purposes.

Landfill/waste reduction – good initiatives to reduce waste.

Lobbying central government to have packaging reduced would be a good way to reduce the councils need to deal with more waste.

Housing page 21. Harrison Street is in Brooklyn. Please consult/liaise/advise the Brooklyn Residents Association of plans for this area. They have some ideas and would welcome the contact and inclusion.

Why is the council selling off underperforming assets (pg 21) Wouldn't it be better to make them perform? Like the flats in Britomart Street that were demolished and then rebuilt better (but a revolting colour).

Grant to DCM – good stuff.

Safer roads (page 25) – Please extend the 30km zone on Ohiro Road Brooklyn located just north of McKinley Cescent/Ohiro Road intersection further south to include Butt Street. It will be much safer and some traffic may even abide by the speed limit. This should be a no brained and implemented immediately.

Intersection improvements (page 26) – Brooklyn. Please discuss any and all proposals for Cleveland Street/Todman St/Ohiro Road with the Greater Brooklyn Residents Association. They have made a raft of positive possible suggestions which so far have been ignored.

Frank Kitts Park

Why, why, why is the council hell bent on spending rate payer funds on a play area that is in a great spot, has play equipment for children and a view for parents. If a flying fox is needed, put it elsewhere in the park. The amphitheatre is needed as a lunchtime spot out of the wind for workers, residents and others. It is so disappointing that after years and years and years the Council still hasn't listened. New councillors have just taken the council officers line and not read up on the history of the Waterfront. Forging ahead with the revamp so a Chinese Garden can take up public space is a great example of not listening. I am not against a Chinese Garden, just not on the waterfront. This is public space which will be 'locked' at night. The waterfront is for all - 24 hours a day, seven days a week. All other Chinese Gardens I've been to have an entry fee.

I do not support a revamp which involves moving the lighthouse from its position or any part of the play area closer to the road where it will be shaded earlier and for longer.

Site 9 North Kumototo – I am opposed to the construction of any building over 1 storey which isn't of a kiosk nature. It is totally out of place in that area. The new building on site 10 is a huge disappointment in so many ways – design and bulk to name a few and I'd hate to see the same treatment handed out across the way on site 9. Why can't this become a city park as well. Just cross on site 8, there is a lovely park – albiet tooooo small. Including site 9 and moving the 'slipway road' west against the main road would be far more beneficial than any building. Think long term and not about instant gratification of rates take or keeping developers happy. Consider the impact of climate change, rising sea levels, increased population wanting spaces in the city to 'be' and stop the proposed bulk building on this site. Site 10 was too small of the developers to

	<p>make money without trying to exceed the height limit and make the building as bulky as possible. What's to say they won't try the same thing here. It is a great chance to increase the public park amenity on the waterfront. We already have CBD which has many places for offices and buildings. Leave the waterfront for people, parks and past times. Who is going to stand up and say no to a building on site 9?</p> <p>It is lovely looking at this space (site 8 and 9) either by car or by bike and being able to see such a wide expansive view of the harbour, the hills, the other side of the bay and get a perspective that isn't squashed between two lumps of concrete. Please consider giving Wellingtonians a view of their city and not of some concrete mausoleum for the sake of rates take.</p> <p>Basin Reserve – I support the restoration of the Museum Stand.</p>
Q12	<p>How do you feel about the proposed changes?</p>
Q13	<p>Share your thoughts on the changes to rates</p> <p>I am not sure anyone understands the 'in simple terms' of the rates differential. It seems to conflict with what is said earlier. If I am wrong, then it hasn't been outlined in simple enough terms...</p>
Q14	<p>How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?</p>
Q15	<p>Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees</p> <p>Transport- page 24. I agree with limiting the parking at Freyberg pool to 2 hours for pool users. Why do the gym members get free parking. Gym members in other parts of the city don't get free car parking? Is it too difficult to monitor? In which case better monitoring systems should be developed.</p> <p>There is wild variance in the increase in parking charges. Some as little as 25% and some almost 100% i.e. 71.50 to \$120. It is disgusting to have increases at that level.</p> <p>In my view, I recommend waiting until the weekend parking charges have been in for a full year, then revisit parking fees. What has been the impact on revenue? Has it gone down with the introduction of weekend parking fees? What is the revenue of weekend parking compared with the number of parking tickets handed out prior the charge and post parking charge.</p> <p>Has this proposed increase in fees come about due to no one parking in town anymore in the weekends and going to Queensgate to shop? Any increase should be equal. At present, there isn't a reliable alternative to using ones car if you are not walking or cycling. Public transport is a complete and total mess. It is wrong of the council to add extra costs to already stressed, annoyed residents.</p> <p>If you are moving to a user pays system, then the waterfront cafes should have to pay as well.</p> <p>If you are to review your parking policy, may I suggest that you also look at the multi unit houses that currently don't have to provide an off street car park because the rules don't apply. What happens with a 3 flat house with 5+ cars and no off street parking needed to be provided? Yet new builds in the 'burbs have to have 1 car park per unit.</p>
Q16	<p>Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.</p> <p>Page 15 talks about fees for alfresco dining. Why should those who supply a smoke-free outside environment receive a free pass i.e. a 100% discount to use your words. Why aren't café's paying for space they use – often to the detriment of those trying to use the pavement for walking on? They are a business after all and had the opportunity to make money. Ratepayers subsidising private business. Makes a bit of a mockery of the rates differential being changed in favour of commercial operators.</p>
Q17	<p>Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?</p> <p>Other matters</p> <p>Shelley Bay – I can't understand how the council continues to promote a development that is totally out of character for this area. This is Wellington not Sausalito or Florida or Tenerife or the Gold Coast. Can't we be different and be clever, creative and classy with what happens to this area.</p> <p>Airport Extension – please stop this madness on environmental grounds if nothing else. The council wants to make Wellington the most liveable city but seems hell bent on not taking the steps to</p>

make it so. We don't need to have that much air traffic. In both these matters Shelley Bay and the Airport extension I support the successful efforts of Miramar Enterprise and the Guardians of the Bay. Given that we are about to have a 'kindness' budget, how about including 'intrinsic' value into the consideration of waterfront and peninsular developments. I say there should be no more buildings between the road and the sea from Oriental Bay around to the Red Rocks Information centre. Those that are there already can be replaced at no bigger footprint or envelope. It is a marvellous drive/cycle/walk/run around there and we should promote it as a 'great' trail.

Niggly bits
Please sort out the bus system failure. It is disgusting. Please stop NIS buses using roads that aren't a bus route. With the demise of the trolley buses, NIS buses now drive wherever they like whenever they like. This has got to stop.

Can the council please use asphalt on the 'round the bays' road, from Oriental Bay all around the coast and back through Brooklyn. It will be more pleasant for cars but more enjoyable for cyclists. This is a popular cycle route for training and recreational riding. To install chip seal is madness. In the interests of being a cycle friendly city, this would go a long way to making it so.

Please do a review of the LED lighting. It was installed for environmental reasons i.e. not using sodium, saving energy and money. The result is less than desirable. It has increased the light pollution over the whole of Wellington. Yet in some places there is less light. There are too many lights now and they are too bright. I'd like to see the council give consideration to noise and light pollution in the measures/plans/policies that are implemented. It's not just about soil, water and air that are important – light and noise are important too for the welfare of flora, fauna and the residents of Wellington.

Q18 Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	Yes - document follows below
Q19 How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	
Q20 Other - please specify	

ANNUAL PLAN 2019/20 WCC

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Submission from Catharine Underwood

Here are my thoughts on the Annual Plan as proposed by the Wellington City Council.

Overview of Core Business

Under the Environment section, I would like to see noise and light pollution included in the range of activities. It's not just about the physical environment of flora, soil and water. It is about the space that we live in – the environment as an all-encompassing ideal. The whole lot. It ties in with cultural wellbeing – if you have an environment that is not conducive to a good life then the total environment needs attention.

Our Priorities talks about looking after the environment. Again, this should include the total environment not just the physical elements. Need to include noise and light pollution for consideration when talking about the environment.

I am not sure anyone understands the 'in simple terms' of the rates differential. It seems to conflict with what is said earlier. If I am wrong, then it hasn't been outlined in simple enough terms...

Page 15 talks about fees for alfresco dining. Why should those who supply a smoke-free outside environment receive a free pass i.e. a 100% discount to use your words. Why aren't café's paying for space they use – often to the detriment of those trying to use the pavement for walking on? They are a business after all and had the opportunity to make money. Ratepayers subsidising private business. Makes a bit of a mockery of the rates differential being changed in favour of commercial operators.

Road reserve users have to pay for their space - they don't get free parking.

Band Rotunda – Totally support this restoration. Am very disappointed that the council hasn't done this to date. It, like other assets, have been left to rot and disintegrate. Taking action earlier would have been a cheaper option.

Our Work programme in year 2 (page 17). I notice the goal of 1.69million trees. Perhaps this could extend to include plants as well as trees. Not all habitats need trees. It could be a wetland habitat that has plants that are part of the environment that was there. I'd like to see amenity planting plans reviewed in favour of using native plants instead of exotic plants. It is a chance to promote New Zealand, Wellington and what is great about our environment.

Makara Peak - I support the councils involvement in this initiative.

Zealandia – While I understand the initiative – I'd rather the funds were spent on improving facilities within the fence to benefit the valley and the visitor experience.

Responsible Camping – I am against any funds going towards 'freedom' campers. I am of the view that freedom camping should be banned. Why should Wellington residents be exposed to tourists washing, cooking and getting changed in front of thier houses/places of work - basically in public. Why should areas that were for Wellingtonians now be set aside for tourists in vehicles that don't meet the self contained vehicle standards.

Adaption to rising sea levels. Why is the council still determined to build on a waterfront that by your own admission will be subject to increased water level. Leave the waterfront for recreational purposes.

Landfill/waste reduction – good initiatives to reduce waste. Lobbying central government to have packaging reduced would be a good way to reduce the councils need to deal with more waste.

Housing page 21. Harrison Street is in Brooklyn. Please consult/liaise/advise the Brooklyn Residents Association of plans for this area. They have some ideas and would welcome the contact and inclusion.

Why is the council selling off underperforming assets (pg 21) Wouldn't' it be better to make them perform? Like the flats in Britomart Street that were demolished and then rebuilt better (but a revolting colour).

Grant to DCM – good stuff.

Transport- page 24. I agree with limiting the parking at Freyberg pool to 2 hours for pool users. Why do the gym members get free parking. Gym members in other parts of the city don't get free

car parking? Is it too difficult to monitor? In which case better monitoring systems should be developed.

There is wild variance in the increase in parking charges. Some as little as 25% and some almost 100% i.e. 71.50 to \$120. It is disgusting to have increases at that level.

In my view, I recommend waiting until the weekend parking charges have been in for a full year, then revisit parking fees. What has been the impact on revenue? Has it gone down with the introduction of weekend parking fees? What is the revenue of weekend parking compared with the number of parking tickets handed out prior the charge and post parking charge.

Has this proposed increase in fees come about due to no one parking in town anymore in the weekends and going to Queensgate to shop? Any increase should be equal. At present, there isn't a reliable alternative to using ones car if you are not walking or cycling. Public transport is a complete and total mess. It is wrong of the council to add extra costs to already stressed, annoyed residents.

If you are moving to a user pays system, then the waterfront cafes should have to pay as well.

If you are to review your parking policy, may I suggest that you also look at the multi unit houses that currently don't have to provide an off street car park because the rules don't apply. What happens with a 3 flat house with 5+ cars and no off street parking needed to be provided? Yet new builds in the 'burbs have to have 1 car park per unit.

Safer roads (page 25) – Please extend the 30km zone on Ohiro Road Brooklyn located just north of McKinley Cescent/Ohiro Road intersection further south to include Butt Street. It will be much safer and some traffic may even abide by the speed limit. This should be a no brained and implemented immediately.

Intersection improvements (page 26) – Brooklyn. Please discuss any and all proposals for Cleveland Street/Todman St/Ohiro Road with the Greater Brooklyn Residents Association. They have made a raft of positive possible suggestions which so far have been ignored.

Convention Centre – The more I read about this the less I support it. We have other benefits that we, as a city, should be promoting. We also have a number of buildings that if restored and/or strengthened would be a great opportunity to attract visitors. An apartment block with responsible social housing and unit title would be a good alternative and leave Shelley Bay alone.

Frank Kitts Park

Why, why, why is the council hell bent on spending rate payer funds on a play area that is in a great spot, has play equipment for children and a view for parents. If a flying fox is needed, put it elsewhere in the park. The amphitheatre is needed as a lunchtime spot out of the wind for workers, residents and others. It is so disappointing that after years and years and years the Council still hasn't listened. New councillors have just taken the council officers line and not read up on the history of the Waterfront. Forging ahead with the revamp so a Chinese Garden can take up public space is a great example of not listening. I am not against a Chinese Garden, just not on the waterfront. This is public space which will be 'locked' at night. The waterfront is for all - 24 hours a day, seven days a week. All other Chinese Gardens I've been to have an entry fee.

I do not support a revamp which involves moving the lighthouse from its position or any part of the play area closer to the road where it will be shaded earlier and for longer.

Strengthening the Town hall – fully support this. I am disappointed that this wasn't acted on sooner. It is a great building with super acoustics. Based on this kind of track record I don't expect the Public Library to be opened again before 2025...

Site 9 North Kumototo – I am opposed to the construction of any building over 1 storey which isn't of a kiosk nature. It is totally out of place in that area. The new building on site 10 is a huge disappointment in so many ways – design and bulk to name a few and I'd hate to see the same treatment handed out across the way on site 9. Why can't this become a city park as well. Just cross

on site 8, there is a lovely park – albeit toooooo small. Including site 9 and moving the ‘slipway road’ west against the main road would be far more beneficial than any building. Think long term and not about instant gratification of rates take or keeping developers happy. Consider the impact of climate change, rising sea levels, increased population wanting spaces in the city to ‘be’ and stop the proposed bulk building on this site. Site 10 was too small of the developers to make money without trying to exceed the height limit and make the building as bulky as possible. What’s to say they won’t try the same thing here. It is a great chance to increase the public park amenity on the waterfront. We already have CBD which has many places for offices and buildings. Leave the waterfront for people, parks and past times. Who is going to stand up and say no to a building on site 9?

It is lovely looking at this space (site 8 and 9) either by car or by bike and being able to see such a wide expansive view of the harbour, the hills, the other side of the bay and get a perspective that isn’t squashed between two lumps of concrete. Please consider giving Wellingtonians a view of their city and not of some concrete mausoleum for the sake of rates take.

Basin Reserve – I support the restoration of the Museum Stand.

Other matters

Shelley Bay – I can’t understand how the council continues to promote a development that is totally out of character for this area. This is Wellington not Sausalito or Florida or Tenerife or the Gold Coast. Can’t we be different and be clever, creative and classy with what happens to this area.

Airport Extension – please stop this madness on environmental grounds if nothing else. The council wants to make Wellington the most liveable city but seems hell bent on not taking the steps to make it so. We don’t need to have that much air traffic.

In both these matters Shelley Bay and the Airport extension I support the successful efforts of Miramar Enterprise and the Guardians of the Bay. Given that we are about to have a ‘kindness’ budget, how about including ‘intrinsic’ value into the consideration of waterfront and peninsular developments. I say there should be no more buildings between the road and the sea from Oriental Bay around to the Red Rocks Information centre. Those that are there already can be replaced at no bigger footprint or envelope. It is a marvellous drive/cycle/walk/run around there and we should promote it as a ‘great’ trail.

Niggly bits

Please sort out the **bus system** failure. It is disgusting. Please stop NIS buses using roads that aren’t a bus route. With the demise of the trolley buses, NIS buses now drive wherever they like whenever they like. This has got to stop.

Can the council please use **asphalt** on the ‘round the bays’ road, from Oriental Bay all around the coast and back through Brooklyn. It will be more pleasant for cars but more enjoyable for cyclists. This is a popular cycle route for training and recreational riding. To install chip seal is madness. In the interests of being a cycle friendly city, this would go a long way to making it so.

Please do a review of the **LED** lighting. It was installed for environmental reasons i.e. not using sodium, saving energy and money. The result is less than desirable. It has increased the light pollution over the whole of Wellington. Yet in some places there is less light. There are too many lights now and they are too bright.

I’d like to see the council give consideration to noise and light pollution in the measures/plans/policies that are implemented. It’s not just about soil, water and air that are important – light and noise are important too for the welfare of flora, fauna and the residents of Wellington.

I'd like to speak to my submission.

Many thanks

Catharine Underwood

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Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	<p>I wish to object strongly to the proposed re-organizing of Frank Kitts Park and particularly to the proposal to put the Chinese Garden into Frank Kitts Park, BECAUSE:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Putting a Chinese Garden into Frank Kitts Park means subtracting open land from our wonderful waterfront --- the envy of other New Zealand cities, including Auckland which largely built on its waterfront. 2) The auditorium in F.K Park is very popular for free concerts, family entertainment and other events, particularly during the Festival of the Arts. Flattened, it will not be nearly as attractive. 3) The Chinese Garden will be locked at night, preventing that area of Frank Kitts Park from providing for pleasant evening strolls as it does now over summer evenings. 4) It is unwise to put the children's playground closer to traffic, for obvious safety reasons. 5) There are so many parts of Wellington that urgently need attention (Central Library, Town Hall etc), why spend money on Frank Kitts Park which Wellingtonians love? <p>I think Chinese Gardens are lovely — the one in Dunedin is sensibly placed without taking views and open spaces away, as it would in F.K Park. The Chinese Garden should go into the Botanic Gardens; or at the end of Oriental Parade near Point Jerningham where the park is largely unused.</p> <p>I do not wish to speak at the Annual Plan 2019/20 meeting but would like my views to be noted.</p>
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	Respondent No:	58.	Name*:	Rachel Brown
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
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Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	Response to WCC Annual Plan 2019/20: Residents' Parking Scheme Increase for annual permit - yes increase but institute necessary changes. 1. I agree that the annual cost for a resident parking permit should increase but only if changes are made to the administration and monitoring and rules around it are updated. 2. The resident parking permit programme has not changed possibly since it began an dif the annual cost is to increase there need to be changes to it. 3. Below (attached) are changes that would improve the scheme. [See attachment for proposed improvements]

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5 May 2019

Response to WCC Annual Plan 2019/20: Residents' Parking Scheme Increase for Annual Permit – Yes increase but institute necessary changes

1. I agree that the annual cost for a resident parking permit should increase but only if changes are made to the administration and monitoring and rules around it are updated.
2. The resident parking permit programme has not changed possibly since it began and if the annual cost is to increase there need to be changes to it.
3. Below are changes that would improve the scheme.

a) Need a further parking coupon type- Visitor Coupon

The five parking coupon types are not flexible. For example having a visitor for a cup of coffee in my area Monday to Friday during working hours is too difficult. How come there is not a visitor coupon?

In my geographical place visitors either need to park up by Seddon Memorial, or down Bolton Street in the metered parking. It is very hard place to walk to Easdale Street if you are elderly, or disabled which my visitors can be as it is either up a hill or down a hill. How come there is not a parking permit that is paid for by the owner for say two hours duration. This type of permit is available in Richmond Surrey. This would bring in more money to WCC and lead to better social cohesion.

b) Temporary permit to park in period of ill-health

I have had a period of ill health. One friend discovered that WCC does have a permit that can be used for visitors in this situation. How come this is not well promoted? Recently someone was dying in the street and parking became a nightmare as the nursing staff were all over the pavements. Do nursing agencies know this is available? Is it well publicised?

c) Getting a parking permit

Getting a residents' permit is an identification nightmare. How come the council does not the electoral rolls as a check to see if people live where they say they do? I can see for tenants it is necessary to be vigilant. But for owners of houses it seems excessive. I received the attached email when applying for my renewal recently.

A utility bill does not prove you live at an address, (despite the explanation in the email attached from Tangi Uriarau) as maybe you rent the house out and keep a utility in your name for this exact purpose. Yet that is what I was asked to provide in this email.

Yet in my case the following happens

- The form to complete was sent to Easdale Street and I returned it promptly so the letter was not forwarded
- I am on the electoral roll at this address
- My rates bill comes to this address
- I write letters to the Council from this address
- This is the address for my library card.
- This is the address for my car registration

These are all evidence I live at the address. How come one or more of these sources is not confirmation I live at this address?

A utility bill is not proof!

d) Fraudulent use

The form for a permit needs to ask for people's work address – this may help with proving that they are misusing the permit when their car is in an area Monday to Friday which happens to be closer to their workplace than their residential address!

For example there is one car that parks 80% or more of each working week in Easdale Street or Bolton Street and has done for more than eight years. Yet the car actually "lives" in Salamanca Road/Kelburn Parade. Action taken by WCC in this period – none.

The owner of this particular car works in one of the buildings on The Terrace but chooses to drive the short distance between home and work (No Active Transport as per the current government policy), and then walks the short distance down to work. Is this the purpose of the residents' parking?

He is not the only one doing this. Often Easdale Street is full with many cars, with resident stickers, but not actually belonging to a house in the street and then leaving at the end of the working day. The cars are never there overnight or at the weekend. Misuse – of course. But again no action taken by WCC.

Another area in which there is a similar situation is Clifton terrace. If one looks at the cars parked in the residents' area in Clifton Terrace funny how there are not so many cars during the evening or weekend but the area set aside for residents' parking during the working week is full. Are there people using this as a parking place whilst working? Another fraudulent use.

Yet another area is Hill Street which seems to have the same situation, that is full during the working week in the residents' area but empty at the weekend.

e) Actions taken by WCC for this misuse?

Once a permit is sent out misuse is not well-monitored. Fraudulent use of parking does not result in the permit being cancelled!

What action is taken by the Council when this misuse of a parking permit is brought to their attention? How come there is not on the form a sentence that says misuse of a resident parking will ensure the person is prevented from being eligible for a permit for the rest of the year and the following year? Fraudulent use of a parking coupon should deem the permit invalid ie it is rescinded

f) Use and requirements of trade parking coupon

Once when I bought a batch of trades parking coupons I was asked if it was vehicles that had signwriting on it. This is an interesting requirement. My cleaner does not have his car signwrited on, neither does my painter. Both of these people have enough work and don't need to use their vehicle as a mobile advertising board. So the requirement is restrictive. (There is a possibility the staff member who asked the question was overstepping the mark)

When the Sofitel was being built at the Bolton Street the tradies on that site parked in Easdale Street every day with a tradie parking coupon, it made parking very difficult for everyone else.

g) Trade parking coupon put the address where work being done

How come on the trade parking coupon there is not a space to write the address of the property being 'fixed'/worked on" as well as scratch the date. This would confirm that the trade is legitimately in the street/area but also inform people who wanted the car moved for example where to go to get the owner of the vehicle. The purpose of tradies being able to park in residents parking area is as their van is there mobile shed.

h) Undoing residents' parking – need a formula (houses, garages, offstreet parking etc)

Also, to "undo" parking restrictions requires one to get some form of neighbourhood consent.

Actually, part of Easdale Street could easily have P120 parking on it which would be very useful for the visitor situation as mentioned above as well as the fact that many of the houses in Easdale Street have garages so don't require off street parking. Easdale Street neighbours may not concur. S

Surely WCC employs people with sense who can see that there is plenty of residents' parking in the street and that P120 parking is appropriate, as opposed to residents with incredible self-interest.

The council needs a formula to work out how much residents' parking is required in an area based around number of houses and number of houses with off street parking. As Easdale Street has quite a lot of garages the amount of on street parking is not as much as required in some streets. And then there could be some P120 parking in the street which would at least allow people to have friends to visit during the working week.

i) Is the parking coupon system still fit for purpose?

The lack of changes in WCC's parking coupon system over the years reflects badly on WCC as it shows that the arrangement is not being evaluated.

4. Conclusion

- a) Yes increase the price of the permit. But use the money to make the scheme fit for purpose.
- b) Ensure WCC staff investigate complaints of misuse seriously and remove access to the permit when it is being misused.
- c) Ensure that people are able to have visitors come during working hours or when the parking restrictions are on. I attach information about the Richmond Surrey visitor parking scheme.
- d) The number of neighbourhood disputes in Wellington that have hit the media or are known about shows that the idea that neighbours can agree on the fractious situation around parking is a pipe dream. Have a formula that can be used (see 3(h))

Rachel Brown

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Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	I oppose it
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	I would like to submit on the annual plan 19/20 as follows; I support the Property Council submission in its entirety. The discretion that WCC are using under the Rating Act is unfair and also very short sighted for the good of the city. If we cannot support business in this city then there will be no jobs for our residents. Wellington is already grossly out of touch with the rest of the country in regards to the total quantum of rates being paid by commercial businesses.
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	Respondent No:	60.	Name*:	Frances Lee
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
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Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	<p>) Development of Waterfront - I am totally against all the proposed buildings on the waterfront – meant to be a public Open Space area. I was – and remain – dismayed at WCC approving Site 10 development of an office block and now Site 8 development.</p>

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3. Transport.

The reduction of motor vehicles in the city centre first requires a vastly improved public transport system. This is a MUST for Wellington.

WCC has concentrated so much on cycling but done little to improve walking to work. (I have suggested before that maps could be produced to show pleasurable routes into town from some suburbs. This might mean in a few cases WCC opening up a small section to provide access. I used to walk to work at times via Trelissick Park, Hanover St, down an upper wadestown road into town.)

Regarding parking fees, I object to paying increased fees at w.ends in the city fringe. I attend the Cathedral on Molesworth St regularly both morning and evening. Yet Molesworth St has only one shopping centre – New World – which has its own large carparks, so shopping is hardly a reason for these fees. The flats there have their own parking floors. The cathedral does have some private carparks but for special occasions, a lot of people come. I would rather gift my parking money to charity than WCC.

4. Priority Areas.

a) Development of Waterfront - I am totally against all the proposed buildings on the waterfront – meant to be a public Open Space area. I was – and remain – dismayed at WCC approving Site 10 development of an office block and now Site 8 development. WCC is totally ruining the whole waterfront with its plans. And now for the Chinese Garden and removal of the children’s – frequently used – play area.. I just do not go to the waterfront these days – too heart breaking. I am also opposed to the plans for the Indoor Arena on the Harbour Quay site. With likely sea rises, it is surely injudicial to encourage more buildings along the waterfront.

(It is extraordinary that on p.53 there is an aerial photo of the port area before the effects of the earthquake.)

b) Convention Centre. I am opposed to WCC finances of \$165.5m being spent on this structure. The commercial sector should pay for such a building if it is necessary whilst WCC first pays for essential core services.

5. Work Programme in Year 2.
- a). Growth. Extreme care needs to be given for types/specific areas for extra housing – going ‘upwards’ in large complexes is not always acceptable for residents (and financially dubious in some instances) whilst removal of old houses (as suggested recently in Oriental Bay area) is not the answer. Wellington needs to retain its character housing which is so much a part of the city.
 - b). Frank Kitts Park. Definitely NO.
 - c). BIDS – will wait and see what happens in Karori before commenting.
 - d). Indoor Arena. Definitely NO.
 - e) Newlands Community Park. This seems useful development for this area.
 - f) Making Wellington more accessible. What on earth does this mean?
 - g). Arts and Culture. Agree to strengthening special places like St James and Town Hall, and assisting some special cultural events like Wearable Arts and NZ Festival but wonder about the costs of some other suggested events.
 - h). N Kumutoto. Definitely NO.

This has been written in a hurry as I thought that Friday was the day it was required! I found the way the Plan as presented was confusing and did not contain some details which I would have thought should have been included.

	Respondent No:	61.	Name*:	Alex gray
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	
	Submission channel:	Written submission	Responded At:	May 08 19 04:38:06 pm
	Login name*:		Online Submission ID:	1926133

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	<p>weather conditions are not ideal for either walking or cycling especially with children on board. Also, with the current hiatus with the bus network some people have reverted to using cars and should not be penalised by the City for the Regional Council's shortcomings.</p> <p>2. The proposed increase from \$8.50 per day to \$12.00 per day represents a 41% increase. The proposed monthly increase from \$135 to \$200 is a 48% increase. There is no justification for such a large increase. It looks punitive to me. The people who use coupon parks are often those on limited incomes who cannot afford the higher fees in the commercial car parks.</p> <p>3. All of the current coupon parking zones are well outside the CBD. Many of the outer commercial parks only charge \$15 or \$16 per day for early bird parking. If Council actually implement a \$12 per day coupon parking rate they might find that some motorists decide to drive further into the city and pay the extra \$3 or \$4 per day to be closer to work. This is opposite of what Council is trying to achieve of encouraging more walking, cycling and public transport use.</p>
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Q20	Other - please specify

From: [REDACTED]
To: BUS: Annual Plan
Subject: Annual plan 2019-2020. Submission from Alex Gray Brooklyn resident-- Coupon Parking Charges- Proposed Increase

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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I wish to present my submission to Council and request a 5 minute speaking slot.

Regards

Alex Gray

Submissions by organisations (xx)

	Respondent No:	62.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	Wellington City Youth Council
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-05-06 13:54:22 +1200
	Login name*:	jacksonlacynz	Online Submission ID:	1923183

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Omāroro reservoir (funding increase and timing), Moe-i-te-Ra/Bell Road reservoir (funding increase and timing), Kilbirnie pump station (funding increase and timing), Built Heritage Incentive and Resilience Fund (increase the fund and broader focus), Coastal Structures (increase in funding), Band Rotunda (new funding)
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	<p>OMĀRORO, BELL RD, KILBIRNIE</p> <p>Youth Council believes that increasing Wellington’s capacity to recover from earthquakes and ability to deal with the pernicious effects of climate change are rightly identified as the issues of paramount importance. In particular, we believe that measures should be pre-emptively taken to mitigate the destabilizing impacts of rising sea-levels and increasing extreme climatic events (e.g. storms, floods). This should look like upgrades to seawalls and storm water pipe upgrades. Thus, we note that the Kilbirnie stormwater pump station upgrades and increased regional standards for stormwater pipes in new subdivisions are steps in the right direction.</p> <p>Reservoirs</p> <p>We also believe the Omaroro Reservoir development is a crucial milestone for safeguarding Wellington against imminent earthquake threats. In the status quo, suburbs in Eastern and Central Wellington will lose their water supply for up to 100 days in the event of an earthquake which causes significant damage to pipes, rendering these densely populated suburbs very vulnerable. Even though the costs of completing this project has gone up by 42% compared to its estimated costs in the 10-year Plan, we don’t believe its construction should be hindered. Funding should be prioritized to build this reservoir which is very important for Wellington’s earthquake resilience. Youth Council also sees the Moe-i-te-Ra Bell road reservoir as an important project for safeguarding Wellington from earthquakes, albeit slightly less so than the Omaroro Reservoir due to the greater marginal benefit of undertaking the latter project. Hence, we see Council’s decision to prioritize funds towards the Omaroro reservoir first to be a wise one.</p> <p>BUILT HERITAGE</p> <p>As William Shakespeare said, “Parting is such sweet sorrow”. In keeping with the sentiment of this quote, Youth Council sees the Built Heritage Incentive and Resilience Fund as an area which may be of less importance to Wellington, given the costs of the Fund that Council must invest compared to the benefit that the Fund returns to Wellington. On one hand, heritage buildings preserve a certain sense of history and tradition in Wellington. On the other, these buildings are commonly lacking in functionality, or at least possess less intrinsic functionality than most buildings in Wellington.</p>

Moreover, these buildings are also typically very costly to maintain, with earthquake strengthening being one of the most significant costs. One could make the argument that the benefit we are receiving from the existence of these buildings, being their addition to the cultural amenity of Wellington, are in some cases unable to justify the costs to maintain them.

Wellington City Council faces a variety of causes which compete for limited ratepayer-funded resources. Given this need to compare costs and benefits, Youth Council would argue that maintaining these buildings is comparatively less important than protecting Wellington against the effects of climate change or ensuring functionally important buildings are maintained, strengthened, and accessible. (and therefore, don't suffer the same fate as the Central Library).

Thus, we would urge Council to earnestly consider which heritage buildings are vital to the fabric and culture of the city, and which ones aren't, on balance, worth the resources to maintain compared to the benefit they provide to the city, given the opportunity cost. After such an assessment, we believe Council should only divert funding into funding 20% of the current Fund's value to support the safety and resilience of heritage buildings which possess the most cultural and historical value. The Heritage Policy was last updated in 2010, meaning that

Wellington's views on heritage is nearly 10 years old. This policy should be considered for review urgently to allow Wellington to provide views on the importance of heritage compared to other competing interests, including increase density housing. COASTAL STRUCTURES, BAND ROTUNDA

Coastal structures

17. As we outlined in point 5, we believe that improving Coastal structures is important in the face of rapidly rising sea levels.

Band rotunda

18. Youth Council agrees with Council's assessment that the Band Rotunda is indeed an iconic building on Wellington's waterfront which merits redevelopment.

19. Thus, we believe the \$300,000 in operational funding is justified for maintain it.

Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Arlington development (reallocation of funding), Alex Moore Park (change in funding), Community housing support (new funding)
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	<p>Arlington development</p> <p>33. Youth Council is supportive of the Arlington development, and notes that changes to the timing and needs of the development mean that capital funding can be released for other housing projects. Given the need to increase housing supply in Wellington, we agree with this change in funding. Alex Moore Park sports hub.</p> <p>34. We also agree with advancing work in Johnsonville on the Alex Moore Park sports hub. The hub would increase and enhance the community spaces available in the north of Wellington. The planning for this hub is well advanced but have taken a long time to come close to fruition. 35. Care should be taken regarding the geotechnical concerns over the proposed location, and funding needs of the hub build. Due diligence will be important to ensuring that this project is a success and not an expensive, lengthy, and unbeneficial endeavour. 36. General community support and support from local sporting clubs strengthens the case for advancing funding for this hub sooner. The space proposed would be a significant improvement on the sporting spaces available to young people in Johnsonville. Community Housing support 37. Due to the continued high need for additional housing in Wellington, Youth Council supports Council's plan to provide a grant for the development contributions on a development in Kilbirnie. We would urge that this development be built with community housing tenants in mind, with a variety of build sizes to accommodate different tenants.</p>
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	Cycling programme (change in timing)
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	<p>Cycling Masterplan</p> <p>68. Youth Council supports a fully connected cycle network throughout Wellington. We believe that this proposed cycle network will help enable and encourage young people to get out and about and get to their destination using alternate modes of transport. We also believe that linking back to safety is crucial to ensure young people, and all people for that matter who use these new cycleways are comfortable and safe.</p>

Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Convention and Exhibition Centre (reduction in cost)
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	<p>Convention and Exhibition Centre</p> <p>86. Youth Council welcomes the opportunity the Convention and Exhibition Centre brings to diversifying the city's economy. Some Youth Councillors expressed concern over the high cost, however, we hope that the economic benefits from the project outweigh the cost.</p> <p>87. We recognise the potential this space has for young people to enjoy and make use of for events or simply as a 'hang-out' space. This is in particular in relation to the public spaces on the ground floor as stated in the Annual Plan draft.</p> <p>88. In relation to the concern over carbon emissions from delegates attending events at the Centre, Youth Council recognises this concern and would like to emphasise the importance of having accessible public transport options from transport hubs such as the airport and train station to the convention centre to minimise the impact this will have.</p>
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	St James Theatre (funding increase and timing), Town Hall (funding increase and timing)
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	<p>109. Youth Council strongly supports the work programme for Council in the Arts and Culture Sector, noting the importance of Wellington retaining its reputation as the cultural capital.</p> <p>110. Youth Council understands the need for renovations to our two main cultural centres, St James Theatre and the Town Hall, and supports the work being done to improve these significant buildings</p> <p>111. However, it seems lacking that the Central Library has not been mentioned here as a centre of culture. Although very different to the two other buildings under renovation, the Central Library is of crucial significance particularly for those unable to access events at either the St James Theatre or the Town Hall.</p>
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	The index of our written submission covers our thoughts on all the programmes contained in the Plan
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	Not sure
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	Youth Council has not discussed this change but generally supports an equitable and sustainable rating system.
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	Not sure
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	<p>Proposed increase in parking fees</p> <p>69. Youth Council has significant concerns over proposals to substantially raise parking fees in Wellington.</p> <p>70. We note the importance of lower private vehicle usage to reduce our impact on the environment, and that higher parking costs could incentive a shift away from private vehicle use.</p> <p>71. However, Youth Council is concerned that the possible burden of this change would be largely borne by younger people with cars who are more likely to have no access to off-street parking.</p> <p>72. Moreover, higher parking fees would make transport costs higher for Wellingtonians, without a viable alternative transport option for some. Not only do severe concerns remain over the state of public transport in Wellington, but some jobs require use of a private vehicle or are when there is limited access to public transport (either through location of transport routes, or times of transport).</p> <p>73. Large increases to parking fees will have the greatest effect on lower income households, who often have less ability to meet increased costs. Council notes that the changes proposed are to "encourage more people to walk, cycle or ride public transport, instead of using private vehicle transport and parking." However, these transport options may not be as viable as first thought for various groups, particularly without a reliable public transport system.</p>

74. Without significant improvements to public transport access and reliability, changes to parking fees will not be effective at reducing car usage in Wellington, and instead will only be an additional burden on household incomes. For this policy change to be effective in reducing car usage, an increase in parking fees need to go hand in hand with better public transport access and reliability, otherwise serves only to earn Council more money from those without another transport option.

75. Public comments from elected members highlight a potential shift towards cost recovery and a more 'user-pays' system. Although viable, Youth Council would question how Council determines when full cost recovery, via a user-pays system, is the best method of payment and when general rates payments are the best payment method.

76. Many Council services are not full user-pays, but there is little publicly available justification over what services should be user-pays and which should be subsidies by ratepayers generally.

77. Youth Council would ask that Council make clear what services should be user-pays, and which should be ratepayer subsidised, with a justification for each decision.

78. On the specific proposal to increase parking charges, if they were to go ahead, Youth Council would ask that Council consider a staggered approach to rises in fees, instead of one large increase in one year.

making changes to parking fees before it reviews its parking policy, which "sets the principles for parking management decisions into the future". Charging parking fees prior to any change in parking management principles implies a predetermined outcome for parking management and means that significant changes to parking are proposed when there has been no shift in policy stance by Council.

79. Youth Council is also interested that Council is considering

80. Youth Council submits that any parking fee changes should be determined only after the review of the parking management policy review, to avoid both a predetermined outcome, and a need to change fees again to align with any new policy.

Q16 Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.

Youth Council has not discussed the proposed changes but supports fee structures that balance access to services with cost recovery.

Q17 Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?

Advisory Group funding

117. Youth Council urges Council to consider allocating a total of \$40,000 in operating funding to Council's advisory groups to bolster their ability to engage with their communities, and to advance the professional development of members.

118. This funding would be split equally across the four advisory groups and would be controlled by Council officers to maintain oversight of spending. Advisory groups could make applications to Council officers where there is a good reason for funding to be used. 119. For Youth Council, around half of this funding would be broadly used for expanding our reach and engagement activity, which over the past year has assisted with Council engaging with a wider group of young people who are traditionally more difficult to connect with.

120. The other half would be for professional development opportunities and would sit alongside usual internal professional development activities. At current, Youth Councillors have incredible passion for making a difference to Wellington, but no way to formally upskill themselves in how their actions could be more focused and create more impactful outcomes.

121. Experience through action is the only way currently that Youth Councillors can expand their skill sets, with voluntary assistance for similarly focused organisations. Funding from Council would allow Youth Council to investigate and engage with more professional development opportunities outside of Council.

Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	Yes – document included in attachments, pg 283
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Other
Q20	Other - please specify	Presentation to Youth Council by Planning and Reporting Team

	Respondent No:	63.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	The Village Goldsmith
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-05-07 10:05:15 +1200
	Login name*:	The Inertia Council	Online Submission ID:	1924005

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Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	Cycling programme (change in timing)
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	With crucial infrastructure projects stalled, it's time to postpone further developments in these areas and focus funding on urgently fixing various council owned buildings, most particularly the library, a key social amenity.
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Convention and Exhibition Centre (reduction in cost)
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	Another debacle. Justin Lester's poor relationship with Peter Jackson and his inability to mediate and create a satisfactory solution to this issue is another major opportunity lost. We will now have a watered down lack lustre version that simply fills a gap and speaks volumes about a council with no grasp of business relationships and what makes a city actually work.
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	St James Theatre (funding increase and timing), Town Hall (funding increase and timing)
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Procrastination and inertia are the signature bylines of this council. The inability to make bold decisions and to commit to solutions continues to cost the rate payer. Every month that goes by increases the cost and risk, but their solution is to postpone and 'wait and see'. Complete inertia.

Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	I strongly oppose the proposed change
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	Council intends to raise the increased burden of rates on to business. Sadly, their failure to recognise that Wellington businesses already are facing other significant financial increases. Insurance costs are a major concern, retailing is suffering as car parking is significantly reduced and council buildings sit idle, mothballed whilst the council sits on its hands. John Key was correct when he said Wellington is a dying city. It's been done by a thousand cuts, various ill considered proposals that actually reduce personal interaction with the businesses in the city. Retailing in the city is suffering, shoppers cannot park and no amount of blue sky pontificating is going to encourage those who don't actually live in the city to visit it, when easy solutions exist in outlining suburbs.
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I strongly oppose the changes to parking fees
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	The fees are sufficient, the only problem is there are not enough parks. The loss of Reading, James Smith, The Michael Fowler, the Library, and a council publicly dedicated to reducing parking simply adds to a situation where parking in Wellington is a major problem and means cars spend more time on the roads than necessary as they search for limited parking, raising congestion and increasing pollution.
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Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	This council needs to radically rethink its attitude to business in Wellington. A fixation with cycle ways and alternative transportation means urgent infrastructure projects are postponed and delayed. There is a balance to be achieved between current and future transport systems, but this councils inability to create a logical and practical solution, blinded by cycle ways and green philosophies, is seriously holding back growth and prosperity for Wellington. Those elements can be fostered quiet easily, but not as the be all and end all of planning, which is the current approach.
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Email
Q20	Other - please specify	

	Respondent No:	64.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	Newtown Community and Cultural Centre
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-05-07 17:08:36 +1200
	Login name*:	NCCC	Online Submission ID:	1924632

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Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Community housing support (new funding)
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Very pleased about more housing to be built, however - it's still not enough! We also need to ensure that the housing provided (and the rules/regulations) will work for the people that are in them - which sometimes they do not. They also need to have wrap-around support in place, for people transitioning from the streets or temporary accommodations can struggle with more permanent housing - and often there are complex issues such as addiction and mental-ill health which resulted in their unstable housing - support must be holistic and complete.
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	Cycling programme (change in timing)
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Building a cycle-friendly city should be a priority for WCC.
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Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	
Q20	Other - please specify	Would suggest you don't have about 7 submissions on at the same time (on differing topics), makes it challenging for those that like to submit to these.

	Respondent No:	65.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	Karori Community Centre
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-05-08 10:08:53 +1200
	Login name*:	Karori Community Centre	Online Submission ID:	1925563

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Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	"The Council will work with the Karori Events Trust in the coming months on options to secure funding to progress the fit out, finalise future operations of the centre, and to consider options for a more coordinated hub of community facilities in Karori."
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Q20	Other - please specify	

5 May 2019

Attention:
Wellington City Councillors



SUBMISSION TO THE WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL ANNUAL PLAN 2019 / 20

The Karori Community Centre strongly supports Wellington City Council's proposal to include funding of the Karori Event Centre so that it can be finished, open for use as soon as possible and supported for the first years of operation¹.

Karori Community Centre's mission is to develop, nurture and manage a Community Centre for activities that contribute to the strength and wellbeing of Karori by enabling and fostering positive relationships with and within our community. We look forward to having the Karori Event Centre as a facility that we manage on behalf of the Hall Trust for the benefit of our community. It will be the only public community hall in Karori and will serve Wellington City's largest suburb as well as surrounding communities.

It will be a multi-purpose venue for activities, performances, exhibitions, meetings, events and civil defense purposes. It will be run on a not-for-profit basis with affordable rates allowing for community use while being a facility of a standard that is attractive for professional and commercial events. It will cater for community needs today and well into the future.

A Needs Assessment Report carried out in 2006 identified that in the medium to long term future there would be greater demand for hall use in Karori and if the community hall and St John's hall were to be lost there would be a shortage of hall space. Since the 2006 report, Karori has lost the use of the community hall (demolished) and three church halls (St Phillips, St Ninian's and St Mary's) due to sale and safety concerns. A subsequent report carried out in July 2014 identified that there was a shortage of community hall space in Karori and the surrounding suburbs due to the loss of the above facilities and the lack of access to affordable facilities at Victoria Karori Campus.² Subsequent to this report, St John's was demolished and Victoria Karori Campus was sold and facilities withdrawn from public use.

Over the last three years, there has been a lot of discussion to establish what the vision for Karori is, and what strategies will achieve this vision. We (Council and community) have agreed we want Karori to be a **MAGNET**, to have an improved **ECONOMY**, an increased sense of **CONNECTEDNESS** and to **LIVE GREEN**.

The opening of the Karori Event Centre will contribute strongly to achieving these goals. It delivers on almost everything the community has asked for and its completion was well supported in the recent public meetings and working group discussions³.

Let's finish this incomplete multi-million dollar asset we have sitting in the middle of our town centre, so it will draw people together, creating support for local businesses and get Karori humming.

Our community needs the Event Centre open NOW.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Heather Baldwin'.

Heather Baldwin
Chair

¹ WCC's 2019-20 Annual Plan Consultation document (page 36): Our work programme in year 2 '... The Council will work with the Karori Events Trust in the coming months on options to secure funding to progress the fit out, finalise future operations of the centre, and to consider options for a more coordinated hub of community facilities in Karori.'

² Wellington City Council Needs Assessment, Karori Recreation and Sport, October 2016, Page 48

³ 2017 Wellington City Council's Karori Project Community Consultation process and 2018 Wellington City Council's Public Consultation on Public Space Improvement in Karori.



	Respondent No:	66.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	Dwell Housing Trust
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-05-08 14:30:48 +1200
	Login name*:	Dwell Housing Trust	Online Submission ID:	1924187

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	'Thank you for supporting Dwell Housing Trust to deliver 14 new homes for people in need by providing a grant to cover the development contribution. We of course support this initiative as a way of helping to grow the supply of housing and social housing
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	Homelessness and Supported Living: Fantastic to see the support given to organisations working to reduce homelessness. We would like to see a contestable fund that can be applied for by registered community housing providers for projects that provide new housing. This is the most transparent way to meet the City's goals for increasing social and affordable housing for those most in need. SHIP: Underperforming City Housing assets - Please consider giving registered community housing providers the right of first refusal for purchasing land and properties from WCC. This does not need to come with a discount on price, but allowing CHPs the first option will mean that it can be a "win-win" for City Housing (they will get a market rate for what they are selling) and the CHPs (they will not have to compete with cashed up/well financed developers on the open market). we ask that WCC officials and politicians note that our organisation is not only interested in land or property for development of social housing but we are also interested in opportunities to create homes that can be part of our shared home ownership or rent to buy programmes. It is our aim to provide mixed tenure communities that can house a range of people. We would like to see WCC work with Dwell to achieve a range of housing options. We also have a highly successful example of working in partnership with WCC to build more homes. Dwell purchased surplus WCC land and built 4 homes on the site. At the time the evaluation showed a positive outcome for WCC and for Dwell and of course the people living in the homes.
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed	

	changes?	
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	
Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Email
Q20	Other - please specify	

	Respondent No:	67.	Name*:	Marl Greening
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Organisation	Organisation name:	Karori Community Hall Trust
	Submission channel:	Written submission	Responded At:	May 07 19 03:41:30 pm
	Login name*:		Online Submission ID:	1924491

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	<p>In the Council's 2019-20 Annual Plan Consultation document under the heading "Our work programme in year 2" (page 36) they have stated: "The Council will work with the Karori Events Trust in the coming months on options to secure funding to progress the fit out, finalise future operations of the centre, and to consider options for a more coordinated hub of community facilities in Karori."</p> <p>The Karori Community Hall Trust (the Trust) support the Council's aspiration in the 2019-20 Annual Plan to secure funding for the fit-out of the Karori Event Centre in Year 2 (between 1 July 2019 and 30 June 2020). The Trust also wish to make an oral submission. Request for funding: Let's get this Open!!</p> <p>The Karori Community Hall Trust (the Trust) request that \$800,000 be set aside in the 2019-20 Annual Plan for the Karori Event Centre "fit-out" to be completed, so that the Centre can open and be fully operational by year end. The Trust also requires a level of operational funding for an interim period, while the fit out is completed and a revenue stream is established. In the absence of any support, it is anticipated that the Trust will have to raise additional funds to cover interim operational costs.</p> <p>At present, the building shell has been completed (December 2017) for a total cost of around \$2.4 million, and the Trust hold around \$260,000 (\$330,000 in cash, less \$70,000 building retention payments) towards a total fit-out cost of around \$1.1 million. While the building shell is not connected to power, the</p>

	<p>building is fully insured, secure, and water tight. A further \$800,000 is required to complete the fit-out and open the building for public use. At present, the building cannot be used, until the building fit-out is completed.</p> <p>This means the Trust is unable to raise income from the facility to off-set operational costs. In the interim, the building is incurring ongoing maintenance and operational costs, totaling around \$30,000 per annum. The main operational cost is insurance (\$25,547). See Schedule 1 for Annual Reports and March 2018-19 accounts.</p>
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.
Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission? Yes - document included in attachments, pg 306
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)
Q20	Other - please specify

	Respondent No:	68.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Individual	Organisation name:	Cheops Holdings Limited
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-05-08 17:00:54 +1200
	Login name*:	Maurice	Online Submission ID:	1926164

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	I strongly oppose the proposed change
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	This proposal will further diminish the value of Wellington commercial properties. Wellington property owners are already faced with significant seismic issues in their buildings, and the insurance issues associated with this. The proposal substantially alters the already borderline feasibility of restoring heritage buildings, to an extent that they will not happen in future. Tenants of Wellington commercial buildings are already resistant to paying market rents that are adjusted for the real cost of insurance and ongoing restrengthening as required by continual building code changes. I strongly oppose this change.
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	

Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	
Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Word of mouth
Q20	Other - please specify	

	Respondent No:	69.	Name*:	Xavier Quilambaqui
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Organisation	Organisation name:	Big World Zoo Ltd
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-04-17 10:42:00 +1200
	Login name*:	Xavier Quilambaqui	Online Submission ID:	1900608

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	I have been working in the live events industry since I arrived here with my young family. 14 years later and the amount of events taking place in the capital keeps increasing, the main issue clients, AV providers and public in general is that we do not have a big dedicated Exhibition Centre. When we go ahead and do it, please please use feedback from people using those facilities to design/implement it os it's a truly "fit for purpose" centre.
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Town Hall (funding increase and timing)
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	These talks have been going on for far too long and the price tag keeps rising... How about keep only the facade and start with a entire new building, built to code? I wonder how much budget we could save here and tick every single box in all the required standards
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	I support it
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	I support it
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user	

	charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	
Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Online
Q20	Other - please specify	This is one of the worst online surveys. Too convoluted, too difficult to find the info you are talking about. This survey layout DOES NOT WORK.

	Respondent No:	70.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Organisation	Organisation name:	Cricket Wellington
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-04-18 12:36:57 +1200
	Login name*:	Nick Hogan	Online Submission ID:	1903222

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Alex Moore Park (change in funding)
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Support
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
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Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	

Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	Yes - document follows below
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Word of mouth
Q20	Other - please specify	



CRICKET WELLINGTON INC.

CREATING OUTSTANDING CRICKET EXPERIENCES FOR THE PEOPLE OF WELLINGTON

25th March 2019

Wellington City Council
101 Wakefield Street
Wellington 6011

Council Submission Letter:

Strategic Context

Cricket Wellington is one of the six Major Associations of New Zealand Cricket with a current playing population of 7700 participants. Cricket Wellington aims to create outstanding cricket experiences for the people of Wellington. We have five clear strategic pillars, a vibrant, integrated and participant focussed environment that inspires, a high performance environment to maximise Wellingtons performance, organisational excellence, a high performing culture adding value to its community, commercial excellence and quality facilities for all.

A goal of the Wellington City Council Long Term Plan is to promote healthy lifestyles to Wellingtonians and enable them to have a high quality of life, be fit, be happy and accepted. The enabling strategy of access to and participation in recreation through facilities that give sporting groups the ability to run organised sport is something that Cricket Wellington fully supports. Cricket has the ability to help the community achieve healthy lifestyles while connecting different cultural groups in a social environment. A key to achieving this goal is to provide excellent facilities which are well maintained and upgraded when needed.

Cricket Wellington supports the key projects in the Long-Term Plan including the High-performance sport unit and Grenada North community sports hub. One of our own strategic goals is to have quality facilities for all and the facilities strategy designed by Cricket Wellington in 2018 can help to advise the council on the current and future issues and opportunities facing Cricket Wellington and provide actions that will support the development of the game.

The Living Well Wellington Region Sport and Active Recreation Strategy is a collaborative approach to enable our communities to lead healthy, active and successful lives through sport and recreation and a positive and productive relationship between Council and Cricket Wellington is important in achieving this outcome. Through a coordinated approach to providing an accessible, fit-for-purpose network of regional, spaces and places that support and encourage sport and active recreation Cricket Wellington and Councils will be able to provide more people better places to participate in sport.

Background

We currently have over 7700 male and females using cricket grounds and facilities across the city and we provide cricket experiences for a further 11,500 participants through our school visit program. We have recently completed a youth review which highlights that currently 43% of youth (college-based students) do not have cricket available to them and in 2018-19 we have introduced a Youth Strategy aimed at addressing this and the decline in participation. Part of this strategy has been to introduce a club U15 T/20 league which has been run using council facilities. It is hoped that this will help to bridge the gap that players currently fall into when they leave their junior club for five years at secondary school.

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	Respondent No:	71.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Organisation	Organisation name:	Wellington Windsurfing Association
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-05-08 16:09:10 +1200
	Login name*:	Wellington Windsurfing Association	Online Submission ID:	1926065

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Kilbirnie pump station (funding increase and timing), Coastal Structures (increase in funding)
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Please see attached submission
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	Please see the attached submission in relation to Lyall Bay water quality from Wellington Windsurfing association
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	Please see the attached submission in relation to Lyall Bay water quality from Wellington Windsurfing association
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	

Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	Please see the attached submission in relation to Lyall Bay water quality from Wellington Windsurfing association
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	Yes - document follows below
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Online
Q20	Other - please specify	



Wellington Windsurfing Association submission to Wellington City Council on Annual Plan

Date 6 May 2019

Wellington Windsurfing Association

Address 209 Marine Parade, Seatoun, Wellington 6022

Email: admin@wwa.org.nz

Phone: 0274394061

Contact representative: Esteban Funes and Alex Dean

Summary of submission

The Wellington Windsurfing Association (WWA) is submitting on the Wellington City Council sewage discharges and plans to upgrade the storm water system - *Priority Area: Resilience and the environment.*

- Wellington prides itself on its “Blue Belt” and has been recognised internationally as the world’s most liveable city.
- However, many of the city’s beaches are often unsafe for swimming, especially following rain.
- This problem is caused by sewage overflows.
- Which in turn is caused by ageing infrastructure and illegal stormwater and sewage connections.
- This particularly affects us as windsurfers and surfers at Lyall Bay, one of New Zealand’s premier windsurfing and popular surfing spots.
- We are disappointed that there does not appear to be any significant investment in improving sewerage infrastructure and compliance monitoring to address this problem.
- We submit that appropriate investment in sewerage infrastructure and compliance monitoring be employed to enhance the quality of the Blue Belt so that Wellington can truly be the World’s Most Liveable City.

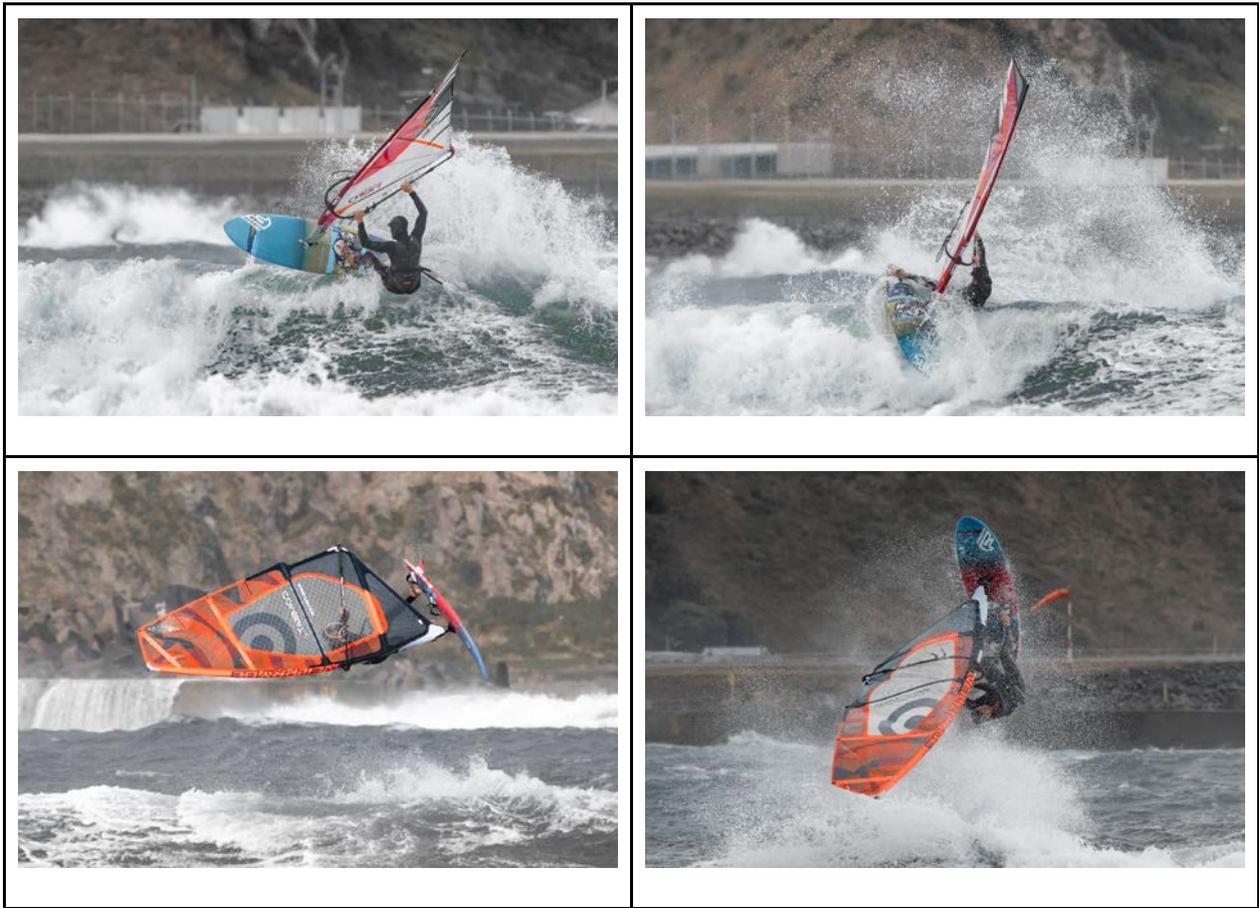
Background on Wellington windsurfing and WWA

The Wellington Windsurfing Association, established in 1984, consists of around 100 members and represents a collective windsurfing interests of up to 500 people in the Wellington Region. Wellington windsurfing is one of the strongest in the Southern Hemisphere due to the City’s frequent and consistent strong winds combined with unrestricted access to the coast. It is one of the key reasons people choose to live and play in Wellington.

Importance of Lyall Bay for windsurfers

Lyall Bay is an extremely popular windsurfing location and is the only easily accessible wave sailing location in central Wellington. Characteristics of the Bay that make it a regionally and nationally recognised windsurfing location include:

- Exposure of the beach to strong southerly swells and southerly and northerly winds.
 - The pitching nature of the wave providing high jumps and challenging wave riding
 - The curved shape of the beach, which allows sailors to easily penetrate the shore break, even during onshore winds
 - Good parking, especially during winter southerlies, and grassy rigging areas adjacent to the western toilet block.
- Windsurfers can use Lyall Bay between 80 and 180 days a year. Some photos taken recently at Lyall Bay are shown below.



Photos by Richard De Groen

In addition to windsurfing, Lyall Bay is also the most popular beach in Wellington for surfing, kite boarding, paddle boarding and hosts both the Lyall Bay and Maranui Surf Life Saving Clubs. The surf clubs regularly host carnivals along with weekend club sessions. While this submission is from the WWA, it is as relevant for the other thousands of recreational users of the Bay.

In relation to surfing, on a good day, the Wellington Boardriders Club has previously estimated there would be approximately 60 surfers closest to the rocks in the corner break (nearest the airport), 30 to 40 to the right of this and up to 100 other surfers across all over the bay. This number could turn over twice to three times on a very good day.

Wellington's "Blue Belt"

Wellington is currently rated as the most liveable city in the World by Deutsche Bank for the second year running¹. The rankings look at purchasing power, safety, health care, cost of living, property price to income ratios, traffic commutes and pollution.



Wellington's promotional website (www.wellingtonnz.com) describes the city's Blue Belt as:

Our sparkling harbour is popular for getting on, under and next to. You may be surprised at the number of golden sand beaches close to the city. In summer Wellingtonians flock to Scorching Bay, Island Bay, Days Bay and Oriental Bay (just a short walk from the waterfront), but there are many other smaller, secluded beaches dotted around the coastline.

Watersports of all kinds, from surfing, windsurfing and kitesurfing to kayaking, scuba diving and more are all easily accessible.

Boaties can enjoy sailing, fishing or cruising from one of the four marinas on the harbour, or the many boatramps around the harbour and southern coast.

It then describes some of the key beaches and bays, including Lyall Bay:

Located on the south coast, just 10 minutes drive from the city, Lyall Bay beach is Wellington's most popular surf beach. Although great for surfing, it's still a safe beach for swimming and is patrolled by lifeguards during summer. It's also the best place to watch windsurfers and kitesurfers make the most of the wind that sometimes breezes

¹ <https://www.stuff.co.nz/dominion-post/capital-life/104217247/wellington-named-most-liveable-city-for-second-year-running>

through Wellington. You'll find a range of tasty cafes, including the Maranui Cafe, and one of Wellington's flagship vegetarian cafes, The Botanist.

Many international and domestic visitors come to Wellington and the website includes the following photos:



The reality is somewhat different!

A Blue Belt or a Brown Belt?

Signs such as this appear all too frequently along Wellington's Blue Belt²

² First photo from: <https://www.stuff.co.nz/environment/92132386/whats-polluting-our-urban-harbours-and-streams>;

Second by Greg Thomas, date:



This is reported regularly in the media and on social media:

Health warning after sewage-laden stormwater discharged into Wellington bay

16 Mar 2017³

Thousands of litres of sewage-laden stormwater has been discharged off Wellington's south coast after a key piece of equipment failed.

Over two hours on Wednesday night, about 5000 litres of untreated wastewater was discharged off Moa Point, near Wellington Airport, through a short outfall pipe near the dog pound.

The wastewater was discharged between 8.30pm and 10.30pm after one of the plant's programmable logic controllers (PLC) failed.

Sewage spill at Wellington's Lyall Bay

20 Feb, 2017⁴

Wastewater has leaked at the popular Wellington surf beach of Lyall Bay. According to Wellington Water, a network fault caused the leak at the airport end of the bay.

³ <https://www.stuff.co.nz/dominion-post/news/wellington/90498464/health-warning-after-untreated-wastewater-discharged-into-wellington-bay>

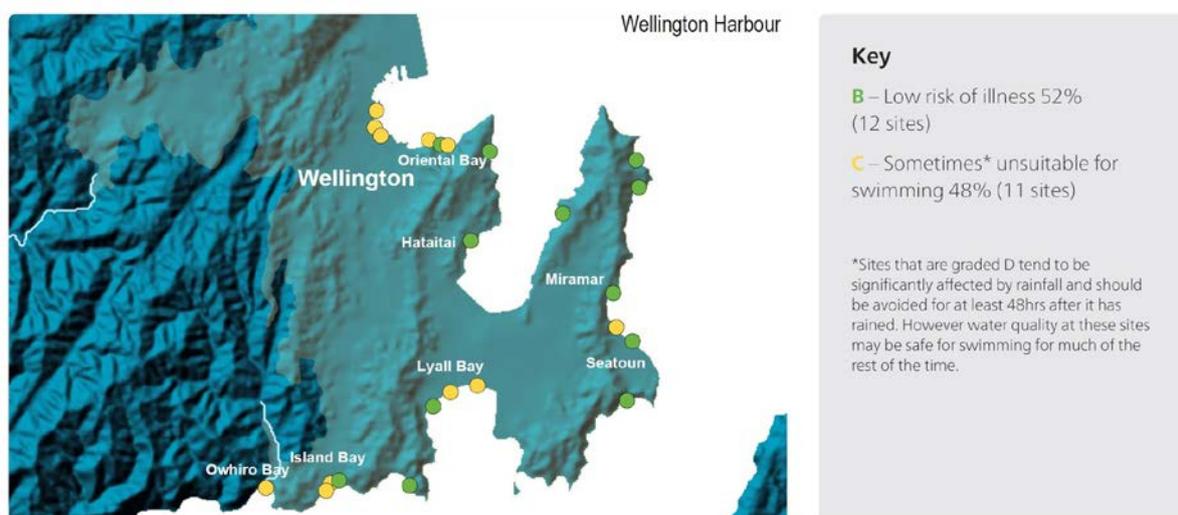
⁴ https://www.nzherald.co.nz/nz/news/article.cfm?c_id=1&objectid=11804193

It's the second such incident this year. A sewage spill on February 3 forced beaches in the Wellington region to close for two days.



Water quality at Wellington beaches

Greater Wellington Regional Council regularly monitors and reports water quality of Wellington's beaches. Recreational water quality monitoring results for the 2017/18 summer are summarised below⁵:



⁵ From: Greater Wellington (2018) Is it safe to swim in Wellington?

Eleven sites (48%), including two at Lyall Bay are “sometimes unsuitable for swimming”. The report notes:

Wellington ... contains some of the poorest sites in the region including three inner harbour sites, two Island Bay sites, two Lyall Bay sites and Owhiro Bay. Sewage overflows during wet weather continue to be an issue for inner harbour sites and Wellington Water are working to improve the sewer and stormwater infrastructure in this area.

The risks for windsurfers and surfers may even be higher than indicated here - see below.

The problem

Wellington invested millions when constructing the Moa Point treatment plant, removing the gross discharge of largely untreated sewage into the foreshore at Moa Point. The problem we face today is the sewage that does not get to the treatment plant or is discharged when the capacity of the plant is overwhelmed. As noted in the Greater Wellington report, the water problems are due “sewage overflows during wet weather”.

In a January 2018 submission to the the Proposed Natural Resources Plan for the Wellington Region, Stephen Hutchison (Chief Advisor Wastewater at Wellington Water Ltd) provided the following information:

"The wastewater systems also provide environmental protection, however due to their age and intrinsic design are not able to operate without some discharges to the environment."

"many of the original earthenware pipes from the early 1900's still in service in Wellington"

"12% of the WCC network does not meet current design standards for flow capacity"

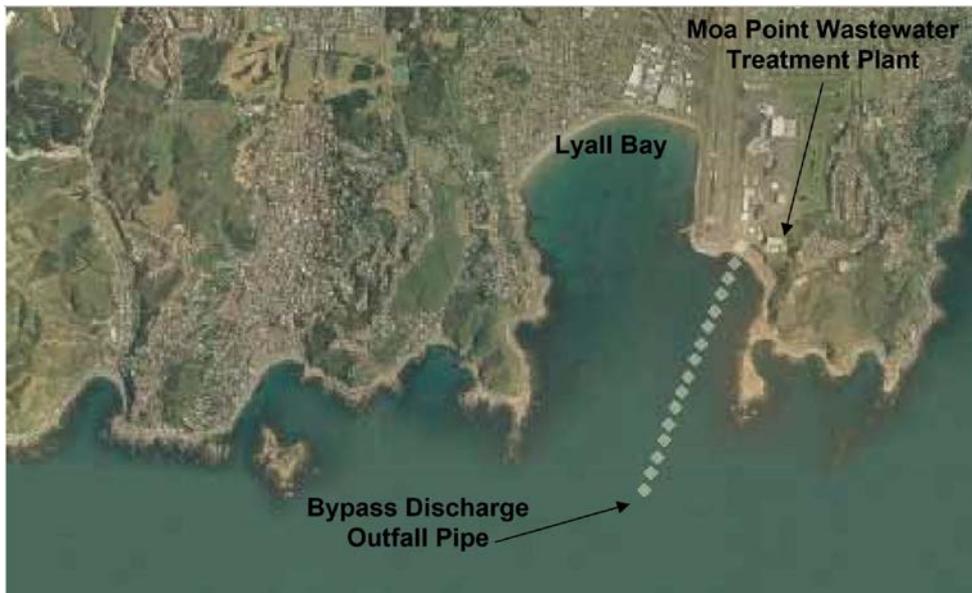
Mr Hutchison’s submission included a table of network non-consented sewage overflows:

Council	Jul-16	Aug-16	Sep-16	Oct-16	Nov-16	Dec-16	Jan-17	Feb-17	Mar-17	Apr-17	May-17	Jun-17	Total
WCC	9	9	15	3	45	5	2	11	13	34	10	6	162

WCC had 162 unconsented overflows between July 2016 and June 2017. In contrast Hutt City Council had 3 unconsented overflows in the same period.

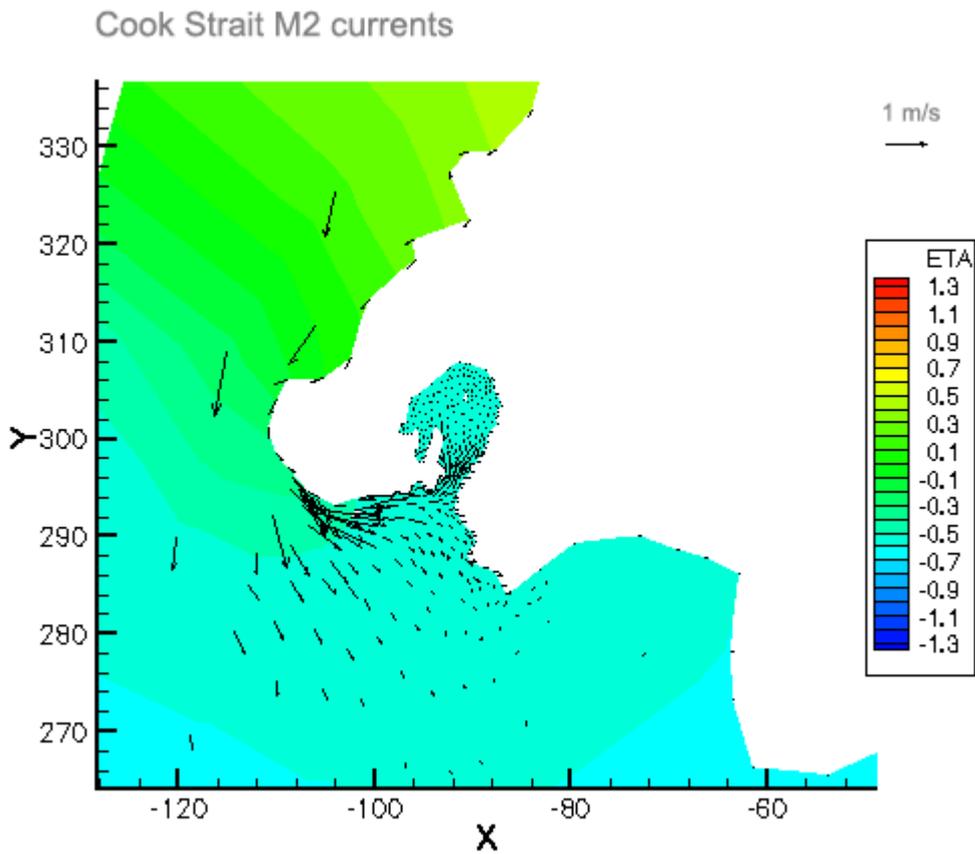
Lyall Bay

Lyall Bay suffers the problem of sewerage and pumping station overflows that malign many of Wellington’s beaches. It has a number of stormwater outfalls into it. However, its proximity to the Moa Point wastewater treatment plant, which treats wastewater for the majority of Wellington City, creates additional problems. This wastewater routinely is discharged out of a long outfall. The treatment plant has also has a resource consent to discharge partially treated wastewater bypass flows from the Moa Point outfall if required. The location of the outfall is shown below:



The Wellington south coast experiences strong tidal currents (see below⁶), as well as strong currents generated by southerly winds. These can sweep wastewater into the Lyall Bay surf zone.

⁶ <https://www.niwa.co.nz/our-science/coasts/research-projects/all/physical-hazards-affecting-coastal-margins-and-the-continental-shelf/news/cookmov>



Wellington CC provides some information on sewage spills from the Moa Point treatment plant⁷.

Date	Treated volume during discharge	Partially treated volume during discharge
11 April 2019	59,315 m ³	6,349 m ³
7 April 2019	11,906 m ³	235 m ³
8 March 2019	11,906 m ³	200 m ³
8 July 2018	204,942 m ³	7,304 m ³
20 February 2018	145,113 m ³	6,841 m ³

⁷ <https://wellington.govt.nz/services/environment-and-waste/sewage-and-wastewater/sewage-discharges>

13 July 2017	98,124 m ³	9,780 m ³
5 April 2017	232,652 m ³	35,051 m ³
15 March 2017*	N/A	6,000 m ³
12 March 2017	56,021 m ³	3,151 m ³
2 February 2017	361 m ³	78 m ³

* This was a discharge through the short outfall into Tarakena Bay

In 2016/17, there were 7 discharges from the Moa Point treatment plant into Lyall Bay, totalling 852,071 cubic metres, of which 94,333 cubic metres was only partially treated.⁸

The risk associated with bypass discharges from Moa Point will be higher for surfers and windsurfers than for the population at large. Water quality samples are typically taken in shallow water, allowing more dilution. Furthermore, a quantitative microbiological risk assessment associated with the Moa Point bypass discharge showed that⁹:

The risk is higher for surfers [and windsurfers] because ... they are exposed to aerosols generated by wind from any direction, not just the on-shore winds experienced by people sitting, walking or exercising at or in the water's edge.

The solution

Mr Hutchison's evidence notes:

⁸ <https://www.stuff.co.nz/environment/92132386/whats-polluting-our-urban-harbours-and-streams>

⁹ J.M.Crawford, G.B.McBride and R.G.Bell (undated) Quantitative microbial risk assessment - recent advances in New Zealand and their application to Moa Point WWTP bypass discharges

The primary service goal for wastewater pipes is to protect public health by safely draining wastewater from properties. To achieve this, the wastewater pipes have to be structurally intact and free of major blockages such as tree roots.

His evidence (quoted above) clearly shows that much of Wellington's sewage is aged and 12% does not meet standards. Clearly some investment is required here.

The evidence goes on to note:

A secondary goal for the wastewater system is protection of the environment from significant contamination. The main method for protection of the environment is through the treatment of wastewater at the treatment plants sites. Leakage or illegal connection of wastewater to stormwater can cause environmental contamination. Management of this leakage is achieved through a combination of techniques, including routine environmental monitoring and specific

investigation to reported instances of contamination. This contamination may be during dry weather or wet weather and the source can be very difficult to determine. In some cases illegal or inadvertent cross connections have been made at private properties from wastewater to stormwater. While building inspections generally ensure that consented plumbing work is undertaken correctly not all such work is undertaken to the necessary standards and can be

difficult to detect.

Water quality monitoring data and beach closures indicate that routine monitoring and specific investigations are insufficient.

Wellington Water proudly stated the following in its 2017/18 Annual Report¹⁰:

We minimise public health risks associated with wastewater and stormwater.

There are network capacity and condition issues that cause wastewater overflows and result in contamination of urban stormwater catchments. This can result in public health concerns. Work is ongoing throughout the region to minimise the number of wet weather overflows. Eliminating dry-weather overflows continues to be a challenge.

¹⁰ <https://www.wellingtonwater.co.nz/>

We will enhance the health of our waterways and the ocean

We currently monitor freshwater sites and beaches, and some of these sites exceed pollution target levels. This is a long-term ongoing initiative to identify then remove sources of pollution. Test results from freshwater monitoring sites has shown a decline in water quality in the past 12 months. Current water quality is less than the minimum national bottom-line described in the National Policy Statement for Fresh Water.

We have until 2040 to rectify this. Wellington Water is mapping a pathway for the enhancement of our networks to achieve these limits.

Wellington City Council has stated

The public is protected from direct exposure to untreated wastewater onto beaches

Percentage of days during the bathing season (from 1 November to 31 March) that the monitored beaches are suitable for recreational use: 100% WCC

This statement is at odds with Wellington Water and also what about the other 6 months of the year that surfers, lifesavers, windsurfers and kites are using the beaches?

Wellington Water acknowledges that “Intervention [is] required” for the first objective and “Significant intervention [is] required” for the second objective. So WWA’s question and concern is what is being planned? Especially as the city is planning to grow.

Key projects

We commend WCC and Wellington Water for proposing to invest in three waters infrastructure, including sewage sludge management and flooding in Tawa. However, we are very concerned that no substantial investment appears to be planned for upgrading sewers and increasing the monitoring of compliance regarding illegal sewage and stormwater connections. Unless this investment occurs, we will continue to see the Blue Belt often becoming the city’s Brown Belt.

WWA submission

- Wellington prides itself on its “Blue Belt” and being recognised internationally as the world’s most liveable city.
 - However, many of the city’s beaches are often unsafe for swimming, especially following rain.
 - This problem is caused by sewage overflows.
 - Which in turn is caused by ageing infrastructure and illegal stormwater and sewage connections.
 - This particularly affects us as windsurfers and surfers at Lyall Bay, one of New Zealand’s premier windsurfing and popular surfing spots.
 - We are disappointed that there does not appear to be any significant investment in improving sewerage infrastructure and compliance monitoring to address this problem.
 - We submit that appropriate investment in sewerage infrastructure and compliance monitoring to enhance the quality of its Blue Belt such that Wellington can truly be the World’s Most Liveable City.
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	Respondent No:	72.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Organisation	Organisation name:	Royal New Zealand Ballet
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-05-08 16:47:51 +1200
	Login name*:	Royal New Zealand Ballet	Online Submission ID:	1926109

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	St James Theatre (funding increase and timing)
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	The Royal New Zealand Ballet wholeheartedly endorses WCC's emphasis on supporting arts and culture as part of annual and long term plans for the city. As the resident company at the St James Theatre we welcome WCC's increased investment in the St James, firstly in the vital seismic strengthening of the complex and secondly in the proposal to increase investment to upgrade the theatre's facilities and systems for both audiences and performers. We look forward to working with WCC as plans develop and to providing knowledge and insight to ensure that the theatre and its facilities will continue to serve Wellington's audiences and performers from the city, New Zealand and the world. As a starting point for future conversations with WCC, we have prepared a short proposal which outlines the work which we believe is necessary (attached to this submission) to bring the St James and its facilities into the 21st century. We would be very glad to collaborate with Council officers on plans to ensure that the re-opened theatre meets the future needs of audiences of all ages, of the RNZB, as resident company, and also the many other organisations which use its facilities.
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	
Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	

Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	
Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	Yes - document follows below
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Other
Q20	Other - please specify	Contacted by Council officers and encouraged to make a submission. We are pleased to have this opportunity and consider it an important part of our regular engagement with WCC as a valued funder of our organisation.

Submission on Wellington City Council's 2019/20 Annual Plan, May 2019

Submitted by: Lester McGrath, Executive Director
Susannah Lees-Jeffries, Director of Marketing and Development



The Piano: the ballet, premiered by the RNZB at the St James Theatre in February 2018

The Royal New Zealand Ballet's interest in Wellington City Council's Annual Plan

- . The Royal New Zealand Ballet is a flagship cultural organisation based in Wellington. In addition to presenting high quality ballet performances nationally the company employs a staff of 76 people, including 38 dancers, and provides a comprehensive programme of education, community and access programmes. In 2018 the company celebrated its 65th anniversary by presenting 77 performances nationally, playing to an audience of over 73,000 people, with 18,000 people attending free or low cost events.
- ∴ The Royal New Zealand Ballet is the resident company at the St James Theatre, where it has been based since the theatre was reopened in 1997. The company is currently in the process of re-locating to the temporary Dance Centre built by Wellington City Council

and into a temporary office in Willeston Street while seismic strengthening is undertaken at the St James.

3. While the St James is closed the RNZB is performing its major repertoire at the Opera House, as well as presenting education and community based events at venues such as Te Papa and local libraries.
4. The Royal New Zealand Ballet is extremely grateful to Wellington City Council for its decision to build the temporary Dance Centre on Wakefield Street. Without the support of Wellington City Council the Royal New Zealand Ballet's operations in Wellington and indeed nationally would have been seriously compromised.
5. The Royal New Zealand Ballet is funded directly by the Ministry for Culture and Heritage and generates approximately 30% percent of its revenue from charitable trusts, donations and through sponsorship, and 30% through ticket sales. Wellington City Council is a major supporter of the Royal New Zealand Ballet and the company is extremely grateful for Council's support over a long period of time.
6. As an anchor cultural institution in Wellington the Royal New Zealand Ballet is a key player in the city's creative eco-system and welcomes the opportunity to make a submission to the Wellington Council's 2019/20 Annual Plan.

Submission

7. The Royal New Zealand Ballet wholeheartedly endorses Wellington City Council's emphasis on supporting Arts and Culture in its annual and long term plans for the city. We regard investment in arts and culture to maintain the city's position internationally as a vibrant, capital as essential, in that arts and culture are a defining feature of Wellington and an important contributor to making the city a desirable place to live, work and visit.

Strengthening Cultural Facilities

8. The Royal New Zealand Ballet strongly agrees that a "thriving arts and culture sector requires the right facilities to showcase talent".
9. The Royal New Zealand Ballet is therefore entirely supportive of Wellington City Council's plans to invest in the future of the St James, firstly in the vital seismic strengthening of the theatre complex, and secondly in the proposal to increase investment to upgrade the theatre's facilities and systems.
10. The company is also completely supportive of plans to restore the Town Hall to its former glory. Like the St James Theatre this is a cornerstone facility in the city's cultural infrastructure, as well as being a focal-point for democratic, social and community activities.
11. We note that the consultation document states that "key facilities are missing from the city's repertoire", but does not refer to what these gaps in venue provision are.

12. The Royal New Zealand submits that consultation with the arts and culture sector, along with the sector's stakeholders such as Creative New Zealand, will be a vital part of the process to determine how best to fill gaps in the matrix of facilities located in Wellington. Without addressing gaps in the provision of facilities Wellington City Council will struggle over time to retain its position as the Cultural Capital of New Zealand.

The future of the St James Theatre

13. As the St James's resident company and a frequent user of the theatre over many years, the company would welcome the opportunity to work with Wellington City Council on the plans for both the audience and performer facilities.
14. The St James is Wellington's only international-standard lyric theatre. It is an important venue for both local and international performers and the theatre's presence as a lively arts venue on Courtenay Place, has a vital role in making the downtown area a vibrant and welcoming destination for people of all ages and at all hours of the day and night.
15. It is important to note that Wellington has changed considerably since the St James Theatre was re-opened in 1997. Demographics have changed, as has Courtenay Place itself.
16. Technology is now an integral part of everyday life and the expectations for customer service and delivery of high quality food and beverage experiences cannot compare to twenty-five years ago, when the facilities for the 'new' St James were designed.
17. It is also important to recognise that the performing arts sector has changed considerably over this time. There are now a plethora of independent arts organisations, many of them operating successfully on a year round basis but which are struggling to find suitable accommodation and production (set and costume construction) facilities.
18. The Royal New Zealand Ballet recommends that Wellington City Council leverage its investment in the seismic strengthening and upgrade work at the St James by encouraging Council officers in 2019/20 to collaborate with key institutions that have a stake in the future of the St James to scope out a fresh vision for the St James Theatre. This will strengthen Wellington's arts and culture sector and deliver to future user, audience and community needs.
19. Such an appraisal would also determine whether there are synergies between performing arts and other organisations which can be harnessed and what resources might be required from public and private sources to deliver such a vision.
20. At the most basic level the Royal New Zealand Ballet would be glad to explore ways in which the company can have a greater year-round presence in the theatre complex, including a digital presence in the foyers and working closely with Venues Wellington to develop a more customer-focused in-house ticketing operation.

Current Works Programme at the St James Theatre

21. To date the Royal New Zealand Ballet is unaware of what improvements are being made to the St James Theatre other than the seismic strengthening. We note however, that mention is made in the Consultation Document to the project also including theatre system upgrades.
22. As the works at the St James progress, and in order to ensure that it becomes and remains fit for purpose for both audiences and performers at the most basic level when the theatre re-opens, the Royal New Zealand Ballet recommends the consideration be given to the following specific areas which require attention:
 - a. Facilities for audiences
 - Accessibility, with provision (including bathrooms) for audience members with limited mobility, including wheelchair users and those with visual and hearing impairments.
 - Front of house spaces suitable for multiple community and education events, including those involving participants with accessibility needs, as well as for corporate and other hosting events around performances, which are vital for arts organisations' ongoing business relationships.
 - In-house accessible box office, open during regular business hours as well as around performances.
 - We would also add that a welcoming foyer café and bar adds immeasurably to the theatre's atmosphere both during the day and around performances.
 - Increased toilet facilities for women, as there is currently a significant shortage
 - New seats as many of the current seats in the auditorium are well beyond their use-by date, noting that theatre seats are normally replaced every ten to twenty years.
 - b. Facilities for performers
 - A general upgrade of dressing rooms and provision of adequate toilet facilities backstage.
 - c. Theatre operating systems
 - General re-wiring of the building
 - Installation of a stage/stage surface which works for musicals, theatre and dance (or which can have a sprung dance floor laid on it; critical for the health and safety of performers)
 - Flying system upgrade
 - Front of House operator position / control booth which is on a level surface and shielded from the audience
 - DMX network upgrade and waylines
 - Dedicated Wi-Fi network of sufficient capacity for visiting companies and hirers
 - Front of House lighting positions and equipment
 - An in-house PA system.

Studios and administration floors at the St James

23. The studio, wardrobe and office facilities on levels 2 and 3 of the St James are largely unchanged since the RNZB's move to the theatre in the late-1990s.
24. We note that there is limited upgrade work planned for the levels two and three of the St James Theatre where the Royal New Zealand Ballet operates from as resident company. As far as we are aware the extent of the works extends to seismic strengthening, a new roof (to address the current leaks) and repairs to windows so that they open. There have been discussions about HVAC and air-handling but we are unsure whether where this has landed in the current scope of works.
25. Over the last twenty years the Royal New Zealand Ballet has grown in size. There are also long term aspirations to increase the number of dancers engaged by the company from 38 to 50, in order to provide training pathways for young dancers the start of their careers.
26. Many of the facilities and the spaces occupied by the company are in need of an upgrade, even if to keep in line with current working practices and requirements. In particular, the toilets on level 2 and 3 of the St James Theatre are inadequate for the number of people using them.
27. The Royal New Zealand Ballet respectfully requests that Council Officers be encouraged to collaborate with the company in 2019/20 to determine the future needs of the Royal New Zealand Ballet as resident company. If a proper needs assessment was undertaken and a plan devised to meet them, the Royal New Zealand Ballet would then be in a position to develop a funding plan to assist with the cost of any capital works required.
28. The Royal New Zealand Ballet submits that the needs assessment for its own requirements be done in conjunction with the recommendation made above regarding theatre facilities.

The Opera House

29. We have now been unable to perform at the St James for more than a year, with the prospect of at least another two and a half years presenting our Wellington performances at the Opera House. The Opera House's shortcomings for both audiences and performers are well-documented; we would add that performing there also restricts the repertoire that we are able to perform and has had an ongoing impact on income from ticket sales, due to both the smaller capacity of the theatre compared to the St James, and the inferior quality of the seats and sight lines.
30. Like the St James, the Opera House is a key component of Wellington's cultural infrastructure. It is also in need of an upgrade to meet the needs of to better serve the performing arts sector, commercial hirers and the community organisations which make use of it.

Investment in the Arts

31. The Royal New Zealand Ballet is fully supportive of Wellington City Council's commitment to continue its investment in professional and community arts and cultural projects via three-year funding contracts for established organisations and funding for one-off projects.
32. We welcome support being offered for high-quality new local theatre and dance works being offered via the Arts and Culture Fund.

Arts and Culture Strategy

33. The Royal New Zealand Ballet welcomes the news that Wellington City Council will review its Arts and Culture Strategy. The company looks forward to participating in the consultation process or in whatever way Council deems appropriate.

	Respondent No:	73.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Organisation	Organisation name:	Newtown Residents' Asociation
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-05-08 16:48:38 +1200
	Login name*:	Newtown Residents' Asociation	Online Submission ID:	1926030

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Omāroro reservoir (funding increase and timing), Built Heritage Incentive and Resilience Fund (increase the fund and broader focus)
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Omāroro reservoir - we support this project and approve of increasing funding if this is required for it to be completed as soon as possible. We are pleased to hear about increased funding and scope for the Built Heritage Incentive and Resilience Fund and support this initiative.
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Community housing support (new funding)
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	We approve of the proposal to support Dwell Housing Trust in developing community housing in Kilbirnie.
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	Cycling programme (change in timing)
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	The Newtown Connections Project is expected to have a very significant effect on Newtown and the surrounding suburbs. We agree with taking time for careful planning.
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	Restoring our environment. We support the tree planting project. We want to advocate for more street planting - we enjoy the street trees through much of our area, and would like this planting to be extended. In some places the trees have died and haven't been replaced - we would like this to happen. Zoo Upgrade - we support this project. Stormwater. We would like stormwater and flooding issues to be considered more widely. We advocate for water sensitive design to reduce the amount of water running off hard services leading to flooding - even more important if housing density increases and more of the surface is covered with buildings. Landfill. Initiatives to reduce waste are welcome. We are very interested in the kitchen waste diversion trial and the future transformation of the Southern Landfill. Improving Community Wellbeing. We are closely involved with the Newtown Community Facility upgrade - our main concern is whether the funds available will be sufficient for the job. We are pleased that this is happening after so long waiting. Homelessness and Supported Living. Services for vulnerable populations have been a focus for several years, and yet there is still a long way to go with the provision of effective services. We would like more action on the provision of housing and meaningful activities. We have supported the development of the Bloom Collective but there is still no permanent accomodation for this or

	<p>similar services in Newtown.</p> <p>Safer Roads - we want to see safety improvements prioritised. We don't need to wait until the Newtown Connections project is completed to make some immediate improvements. As a starting point we recommend reducing the speed limit through Newtown to 30mph.</p> <p>Lets Get Wellington Moving - we look forward to the proposed outcomes being announced, and expect to have a lot of opportunities for community involvement when decisions are being made.</p> <p>Arts and Culture Strategy. We are very interested in this and want to have input into the discussions and decision making. We have a particular interest in support for community events and other cultural initiatives, big and small. At times the strategy seems to be focussed on the inner city and on the major events which attract visitors from outside this region, with the goal being to increase Wellington's national and international reputation as a the Capital of Culture. This is an important aim, but we advocate for an equal focus on the local events which contribute to placemaking and which give a wide range of people the opportunity to participate and develop their talents. This makes a major contribution to individual and community wellbeing.</p>
Q12	<p>How do you feel about the proposed changes?</p> <p>I support it</p>
Q13	<p>Share your thoughts on the changes to rates</p>
Q14	<p>How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?</p> <p>I oppose it</p>
Q15	<p>Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees</p> <p>We understand that there is going to be a review of parking policy throughout the city in 2019. We question the timing of these proposed increases as it seems sensible to consider parking charges as part of this review.</p> <p>We particularly oppose the increase in residents' parking permit fees.</p>
Q16	<p>Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.</p>
Q17	<p>Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?</p>
Q18	<p>Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?</p> <p>No</p>
Q19	<p>How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)</p> <p>Online, Social media (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter), E Newsletter (This week our Wellington, Nona te Ao etc), Email, Word of mouth</p>
Q20	<p>Other - please specify</p>

	Respondent No:	74.	Name*:	
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Organisation	Organisation name:	Strathmore Park Residents Association Inc.
	Submission channel:	Online submission	Responded At:	2019-05-08 18:03:18 +1200
	Login name*:	Strathmore Park Residents Association Inc.	Online Submission ID:	1925964

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Kilbirnie pump station (funding increase and timing), Built Heritage Incentive and Resilience Fund (increase the fund and broader focus), Band Rotunda (new funding)
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Kilbirnie pumpstation is important to our environment. Support band rotunda to preserve heritage & encourage commercial use.
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Community housing support (new funding)
Q4	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Support Community housing improvements
Q5	We are proposing to makes changes the following project:	Cycling programme (change in timing)
Q6	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Encourage more care & more widespread consultation in cycleway initiatives. Loss of parking near to Suburban Centres & bus hubs has gone too far. Cycleway OPEX "stewardship" of \$2.4M in the AP needs justification. What is it & where is it heading over time?
Q7	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	Convention and Exhibition Centre (reduction in cost)
Q8	Share your thoughts on the proposed change	Our Association is not enamoured by this project. Most promoted concepts have been missed to date & the spending change looks like even further change in scope or project delay is now being factored in. The Auckland & Christchurch centres will now be ahead of Wellington's and it is questioned whether utilisation expectations will ever be reached.
Q9	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	St James Theatre (funding increase and timing), Town Hall (funding increase and timing)
Q10	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	Both of these venues need to be speedily completed to get facilities back into economic & safe use.
Q11	Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.	
Q12	How do you feel about the proposed changes?	I strongly support the proposed change
Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	The residential sector rates go far to provide an economic environment & infrastructure for business to thrive. The share of rates has given commercial lower increases for years & the balance should now be addressed.

Q14	How do you feel about the eight proposed changes to parking fees?	Neutral
Q15	Share your thoughts on the changes to parking fees	
Q16	Share your thoughts on other proposed changes to fees and user charges for the waste, swimming pools, sports fields, marinas, community centres/halls, burial cremations, dog registration and alcohol licensing.	User fees need to be adjusted with time to allow these facilities to continue operating.
Q17	Is there anything else you think we should consider for the 2019/20 Annual Plan that has not been mentioned?	In our local area we have continued to press for toilet and drinking fountain facility at the Monorgan Rd playground. An e-Petition in support was presented to Council in March 2019. In addition there has been identified a dangerous intersection at Monorgan, Leveson, Sidlaw & Strathmore Avenue, particularly for pedestrians many of which are children heading to & from schools. We would like to see focus on priority for these projects from the relevant budgets.
Q18	Would you like to include a document in support of your submission?	No
Q19	How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)	Other
Q20	Other - please specify	Our Association had no contact at all this year. We were advised by a Councillor in attendance that the consultation was out at our last monthly meeting.

	Respondent No:	75.	Name*:	Melissa Ludlow
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Organisation	Organisation name:	Thorndon Residents Association
	Submission channel:	Written submission	Responded At:	May 02 19 08:57:40 am
	Login name*:		Online Submission ID:	1918508

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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:	Built Heritage Incentive and Resilience Fund (increase the fund and broader focus)
Q2	Share your thoughts on the proposed changes	<p>Built Heritage Incentive and Resilience fund The built heritage incentive and resilience fund now focuses on listed commercial 'heritage' building with incentives for costs associated with engineering, traffic management etc. This specifically eliminates support for heritage listed housing in Thorndon. Thorndon Residents Association would like to see the Council commit to a specific fund for equivalent costs which fall on the private owners of heritage listed domestic buildings. These owners equally need assistance to meet associated costs of remediating seismic risks and upgrading to a warm and dry home.</p> <p>Restoring our Environment Queens Park, the oldest of Thorndon's parks, developed in the 1890s from bare areas of Town Belt, is presently neglected, lacks any interpretive signage and has fallen into disuse. The restoration work programme should be in line with the Council's commitment to the restoration of a similar inner-city suburb's heritage park: Central Park in Brooklyn. TRA submits the Queen's Park restoration work programme as a highly suitable candidate for funding from The Plimmer Bequest. Thorndon Residents see the Park's restoration as an ideal fit with the objects of The Bequest, which exists to promote spending on the beautification of reserves around Wellington, amongst other things, through planting and beautification works. Such spending aligns well with The Bequest's funding of the upgrade for Central Park, Brooklyn, in recent years. Queen's Park is the oldest formal park in Wellington's oldest suburb, but its present state is a testament only to prolonged neglect. Adequate funding from The Bequest would allow a formal and complete community-led restoration for Queen's Park, for both the community's benefit and the City's enjoyment of this unique, if overlooked, historic site.</p>
Q3	We are proposing to make changes to the following project:	
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Subject: Annual Plan 2019/20 Consultation document

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	Submission channel:	Written submission	Responded At:	May 07 19 04:05:29 pm
	Login name*:		Online Submission ID:	1924531

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	Respondent No:	77.	Name*:	Clive Moon
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Organisation	Organisation name:	Inner City Wellington
	Submission channel:	Written submission	Responded At:	May 07 19 04:30:50 pm
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INNER-CITY WELLINGTON

Te Reo Pokapū o Pōneke

VOICE OF TE ARO AND WELLINGTON CENTRAL

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On behalf of an organisation	Inner City Wellington
We would like to speak at an oral hearing. We don't have a preference to time.	

Submission on the Draft Annual Plan 2019-20

This submission is divided into key overarching points followed by responses on specific initiatives and fees and charges/finances.

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Responses to specific initiatives

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- Changes to rates remission of targeted rates when parts of building are vacated for strengthening
 - ICW supports the proposed amended wording.

Priority area: housing and community wellbeing

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Central Library remediation investigation and resolution

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Financial

Discount on alfresco dining licences

- ICW supports the removal of the existing 50% discount where premises do not make the outdoor area smoke-free. This is consistent with ICW's position in our 2017/18 annual plan submission.

Increase to alcohol licensing fees

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SUBMISSION

WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL ANNUAL PLAN 2019-20

Thank you for the opportunity to submit against your Annual Plan 2019-20

Sport Wellington is the independent body for sport and recreation. We were established in 1990 with charitable status under the Charities Act. Our main funding partners are Sport NZ, New Zealand

Community Trust, Eastern and Central Community Trust, Ministry of Health, and Wellington Community Trust. We are one of 14 Regional Sports Trusts (RST) operating throughout New Zealand.

We operate within a wide geographical area, spanning the region between Otaki in the west across to Masterton in the east and Wellington City in the south so have a regional focus. We are committed to everyone in the greater Wellington region having a life-long involvement in sport and active recreation and provide region-wide leadership and support to the sport and active recreation community wherever they are in the region. We have an office in Wairarapa where our dedicated team works across a wide range of areas.

The spectrum of our work extends from play, to active recreation, sport and health. The core focus of our work is capability building to realise the value of sport and active recreation through increased participation.

Living Well – the Wellington Region Sport and Active Recreation Strategy

Living Well implementation is underway through two current projects – the development of the Wellington Region Spaces and Places (Facilities) Plan and the Regional Play Plan. It is within the context of these two pieces of work that we provide specific feedback on the changes outlined in your annual plan consultation documents.

Specific feedback on Annual Plan proposals

We acknowledge Wellington City Council's wide-ranging work in support of play, active recreation and sport across the city, in particular your focus on community wellbeing.

To that end we support:

- ***Investment in the Alex Moore Park sports hub***

From the work completed to date towards the development of a regional spaces and places plan we know that, in general, the region does not have many facility gaps. However, there are capacity issues in key locations, at peak times, and for certain facility types such as indoor court spaces and specialised indoor venues such as those used for gym sports (amongst others).

As a region, the location and type of sport and recreation facilities and services will need to adapt and respond to growth in our population, changes in the demographic breakdown of our population and the resulting changing demand for activities.

As we look to optimise the regional network of facilities, the development of sports hubs that can service a number of different sport and recreation needs provides a great solution to meeting changing demand and preferences especially if they are developed with the future in mind. Additionally, hubs are a great way of maximising available space.

Working together and sharing resources help to reduce the costs of provision and ultimately the cost to participants. Sports hubs help to drive this collaboration and contribute to a more efficient delivery system for community sport. They can also support skill sharing which is a credible way of increasing the capability of volunteers who run community sport. Other benefits include linking transport plans and walking and cycling strategies with sports hub development ensuring integrated planning and facilitating greater community use.

- ***Frank Kitts Park***

Another regional project arising from Living Well is the development of a regional play plan that provides a framework to support the development of play across the region and coordinate the work already underway within a common vision.

Play is an essential part of a happy and healthy childhood and every child deserves to develop to their unique potential where play is an important part of that process.

Two of the five areas of focus within the framework can be supported through the upgrade to the Frank Kitts playground, these being:

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- ***Basin Reserve***

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The findings of the work completed to date to support the development of the Regional Spaces and Places Plan identify that one of the major concerns with the overall network of facilities is that the age and location of many of our key assets means that the network has potential resilience challenges.

As a key sporting asset, it makes sense to invest in improving the resilience of the Basin Reserve to sustain its usual use. As well, given the proven role of sport and recreation in supporting and maintaining community resilience post traumatic event and the opportunity that would be afforded by the Basin Reserve in such times, Sport Wellington supports the upgrade of the Museum Stand.

Comment

- ***Council fees and user charge increases***

While we understand the challenges of maintaining and servicing facilities, and in particular sports fields, most sport and recreation activities are reliant on access to a council-owned facility or sports ground. Increases in fees and user charges have a flow-on effect when organisers are no longer able to absorb increases and end up passing these on to participants. Increasing costs pose challenges to clubs, secondary school sport and RSOs affecting their ability to continue to provide services and opportunities and grow participation. RSOs also seek consistency across the region around fees and user charges and assurances around value-for-money as these increase.

Again, it is important that there is monitoring of the impact of increasing user charges on participation levels, in particular for those communities whose participation levels are low and for whom cost is already a significant barrier.

Thank you again for the opportunity to comment on your Annual Plan 2019-20. We are happy to discuss our submission further with you.

Kind regards

Phil Gibbons

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	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Organisation	Organisation name:	Trelissick Park Group
	Submission channel:	Written submission	Responded At:	May 08 19 04:11:41 pm
	Login name*:		Online Submission ID:	1926071

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Sent: Wednesday, 8 May 2019 3:04 p.m.
To: BUS: Annual Plan
Subject: COMMENTS FOR WCC ANNUAL PLAN 2019-20 FROM TRELISSICK PARK GROUP

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The Trelissick Park Group (TPG) wants to ensure that WCC has sufficient budget in 2019-20 to ensure the protection and enhancement of our special natural environment within the city boundaries. The tongues of native bush within the urban areas make our City unique and need to be preserved.

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- Wandering willie (tradescantia) under and adjacent to forest areas.
- Climbing asparagus below Oban Street.

I do not wish to speak to this submission.

Thank you,

Peter Reimann
Trelissick Park Group
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	Respondent No:	80.	Name*:	Kirk-Burnnard
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Organisation	Organisation name:	Property Logic
	Submission channel:	Written submission	Responded At:	May 08 19 04:22:48 pm
	Login name*:		Online Submission ID:	1926085

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Q13	Share your thoughts on the changes to rates	Property Logic (responsible for paying circa \$250,000 in rates in the region) would like to submit on the annual plan 19/20 as follows; We support the Property Council submission in its entirety. Our national and multi-national tenants are deeply concerned that their rates burden is far higher than in other parts of the country and this is pushing them to look elsewhere outside of Wellington when setting up new sites.
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Sent: Wednesday, 8 May 2019 11:57 a.m.
To: BUS: Annual Plan
Subject: Annual Plan 2019/20 submission

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Hi

I would like to submit on the annual plan 19/20 as follows;

I support the Property Council submission in its entirety. The discretion that WCC are using under the Rating Act is unfair and also very short sighted for the good of the city. If we cannot support business in this city then there will be no jobs for our residents. Wellington is already grossly out of touch with the rest of the country in regards to the total quantum of rates being paid by commercial businesses.

Regards,

Mark Kirk-Burnnand

	Respondent No:	81.	Name*:	James Kennelly (Senior Government Relations Advisor)
	Submitting as (individual or organisation)	Organisation	Organisation name:	The Property Council
	Submission channel:	Written submission	Responded At:	May 08 19 04:29:33 pm
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8 May 2019

Wellington City Council
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By email: busannualplan@wcc.govt.nz

Re: Submission on Wellington City Council Annual Plan 2019-20

1. Recommendations

1.1 The Property Council opposes the business rates differential increase for the following reasons:

- It is inherently unfair and disproportionately burdens the commercial sector.
- Compared to other councils, the commercial sector pays a higher portion of total rates which creates a large imbalance with residential properties.
- Increasing rates on commercial properties, coupled with higher insurance costs and a massive seismic strengthening burden will be an issue for attracting business investment and lead to businesses relocating to other cities to reduce their rating base.

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2. Introduction

2.1 Property Council New Zealand's Wellington Branch (Property Council) welcomes the opportunity to submit on WCC Draft Annual Plan 2019/20 (Annual Plan).

2.2 Property Council is a member-led, not-for-profit organisation representing New Zealand's commercial, industrial and retail property owners, developers and professional service providers such as architecture, engineering, planning and construction firms.

2.3 Property Council's Wellington Branch has 144 businesses as members. The property sector contributes \$3.3b or 11 per cent of total GDP in the Wellington area and employs 17,260 people. That makes it the region's second largest economic sector.

2.4 Property Council members design, develop and own the buildings that house the businesses, communities and people of Wellington. Our primary goal is the creation and retention of well-designed, functional and sustainable (including economically) built environments which

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contribute to New Zealand's overall prosperity. We support cities that provide a framework to enhance economic growth, development, liveability and growing communities.

3. Changes to rates differential

- 3.1 WCC has announced that it will be increasing the rates differential from 2.8:1 to 3.25:1 for commercial, industrial and business to mitigate against residential properties having to pay extra rate increases. The Property Council does not support a rates differential, as alternative funding mechanisms are more appropriate. We are disappointed that after many years of keeping the rates differential stable, WCC has proposed an increase to the rates differential when other councils around New Zealand (such as Auckland Council) have committed to reducing the rates differential for commercial properties.
- 3.2 Business rates differentials are contrary to the 2007 Local Government Rates Inquiry (also known as the Shand report) which recommended that in the interest of transparency business differentials should be abolished and replaced with targeted rates.⁴ Submissions received from business sectors to the inquiry were essentially matters of equity and transparency, rather than matters of affordability. The Property Council's reasoning for opposing rates differentials aligns with the recommendations of the Shand report.
- 3.3 For WCC to increase the business rate differential before the Productivity Commission's report into local government funding and financing is very disappointing. We would strongly recommend that WCC defer this decision until after the release of the Productivity Commission report in November 2019.

Mounting costs on commercial property will discourage business

- 3.4 WCC needs to take a more strategic approach. If rates go too high businesses will likely relocate outside of the CBD which in turn will result in a reduced rating base. It is also an issue for attracting business investment, as increased rates and financial costs will discourage businesses from setting up in Wellington.
- 3.5 Ultimately increased rates on commercial property will be eventually met by the businesses, whether the lease is gross or net, market adjustments during the term of a lease will be adjusted in such way so that rent is higher if rates are higher. For a new building, cost of rates will be added when setting new rent and rates for older buildings are benchmarked as a proportion of new build rent. WCC is punishing the business community by over-rating those providing jobs in the CBD.
- 3.6 Increased rates are not the only problem that commercial properties in Wellington have been recently hit with, experiencing substantial increases in insurance costs and a massive seismic strengthening burden (which will become even greater when the new MBIE guidelines are implemented). It is very unfortunate that during these difficult times WCC propose to add further costs onto businesses.

Wellington has the highest commercial rates in New Zealand

- 3.7 Wellington CBD has higher rates for commercial properties than both Auckland and Christchurch. Property Council's 2018 Operating Expenses Benchmark shows below that Wellington's rates are 32 per cent more than Auckland and 39 per cent more than Christchurch.

⁴ Funding Local Government, *Report of the Local Government Rates Inquiry*, August 2007

Table 1. Median cost summary of fixed charges (rates and insurance)

Cost Item	Median Cost Summary (\$/m ² p.a.)				
	Wellington CBD	Auckland CBD	Auckland Non-CBD	All Christchurch	All NZ Office
Fixed Charges					
Rates	48.35	36.61	22.04	34.63	34.51
Insurance	17.86	5.86	4.56	15.12	7.10
Total Fixed Charges	66.53	42.40	27.00	51.85	43.17

- 3.8 This is further evidenced by research conducted by JLL² which shows that commercial rates in Wellington are considerably higher than Auckland. For example, a commercial property valued at \$2 million would pay rates on average \$26,000 in Auckland, \$16,500 in Hamilton and \$32,000 in Wellington. The increase in rates differential will only make the current situation worse.

Business rate differentials are unfair

- 3.9 WCC continues to have a heavy reliance on business rate differentials, a political decision that appeals to the largest number of individual votes. Businesses are paying about 14 per cent of their rental incomes in rates which is ultimately passed onto tenants. However, residents, are paying only about 2.8 per cent of their income on rates. This is inherently unfair and disproportionately burdens the commercial sector.
- 3.10 There is no evidence why WCC has historically maintained the portion of total rates paid by commercial and residential properties at the current rate. Compared to other councils in the table below, WCC has the highest proportion of general rates attributed to commercial property. In addition, WCC has the second highest differential rate and is likely to be the highest next year as councils, such as Porirua and Hutt City, have committed to reducing the differentials in their long-term plans.

Table 2. Percentage of General Rates to Commercial Property 2019/20

Council	General Rate	Differential	UAG C	% of General Rates [†]
Auckland Council	Urban Business	2.79	Yes	32.4%
Hamilton City Council	Commercial	2.2938	Yes	30.96%
Tauranga City Council	Commercial	1.134	Yes	18%
Wellington City Council	Commercial	3.25	No	44%
Porirua City Council	Business	3.32	Yes	28%**
Hutt City Council	Business	2.86	No	24.4%**

² JLL, *Property Council NZ Rates Research*, December 2015

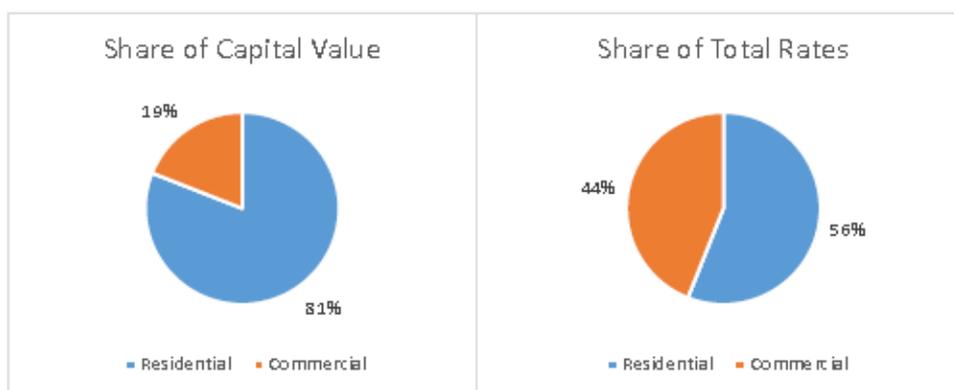
Council	General Rate	Differential	UAG C	% of General Rates*
Upper Hutt City Council	Business	2.7	No	N/A
Christchurch City Council	Business	1.697	Yes	31.1%
Dunedin City Council	Commercial	2.45	No	35.4%

*Excludes UAGC in calculation

**2018/19 financial year

- 3.11 The rates differential sees the commercial sector pay 23 per cent more than its share of the capital value. This means the commercial sector is paying a much greater share of rates than its share of capital value and creates an imbalance with residential properties.

Fig 1. Share of capital value cf. to share of total rates



WCC has not established the rate benefits to the commercial sector

- 3.12 Economic evidence does not show that commercial ratepayers benefit more than residential ratepayers. Commercial ratepayers are footing a significant portion of the public funding burden, despite being a major employer and driver of economic growth and prosperity. Most of what Wellington City Council spends its money on benefits residents, not businesses.
- 3.13 Rates collected from rates differentials need to show direct benefits to businesses. The additional rates that businesses pay through rates differentials should be separated and specifically allocated to projects that support the commercial sector. WCC does not provide information as to where the differential is spent. This results in a lack of confidence and transparency for businesses and the commercial property sector that the additional rates they pay will be spent on projects that benefit economic growth of the city.
- 3.14 KPMG, "Study of Consumption of Tax Supported City Services" report for the City of Vancouver, identified that the commercial sector received lower proportion of benefits from local expenditure, however, pays a higher proportion of tax. This case study encouraged the Vancouver City Council to shift property taxes away from businesses and onto residential properties, as residents received the greater benefits from rates. We urge the Council to provide the commercial sector with details of how the proposed rates will benefit this sector.

Property Council's alternative funding suggestions

- 3.15 We recommend WCC begin reducing the rates differential in future years with the aim that it be phased out. While the differential exists, the extra funding it generates should be ringfenced for projects that specifically support and benefit those commercial ratepayers who pay the differential. There should be specific consultation with commercial ratepayers on what those projects should be.
- 3.16 In addition, we suggest that WCC look at alternative funding methods such as targeted rates. Targeted rates support the Local Government Act 2002 and Local Governing (Rating) Act 2002 principles of transparency and objectivity. For example, money collected via targeted rates are specifically targeted to projects or geographic areas that will benefit the area or sector. In comparison, differential rates are collected as 'general rates' and are added to the overall pool of money making it more difficult for council to track the amount received, and where it was spent. This results in a lack of transparency as commercial ratepayers are uncertain as to what their additional rates are being spent on.
- 3.17 Other alternative funding mechanisms include Public-private partnerships (PPPs), toll roads, the Government's regional development fund and potential new funding solutions in the future that the Government is investigating.

4. Conclusion

- 4.1 The rates differential is inherently unfair and disproportionately burdens the commercial sector. Compared to other Councils, the commercial sector pays a higher portion of total rates which creates a large imbalance with residential properties.
- 4.2 The Property Council strongly opposes the business rates differential and recommends WCC look at alternative funding methods for allocated projects or investments that will benefit the commercial sector. This will increase transparency and understanding as to where the rates are spent.
- 4.3 Property Council wishes to thank the Council for the opportunity to submit on the Annual Plan consultation document. We would like to speak in support of our submission at an oral hearing.
- 4.4 Any further queries do not hesitate to contact James Kennelly, Senior Government Relations Advisor, email: james@propertynz.co.nz or cell: 021 779 312.

Yours sincerely,



Denis Wood
Wellington Branch President
Property Council New Zealand

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8 May 2019

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Annual Plan 2019/2020
Wellington City Council
Planning and Reporting team (261)
PO Box 2199
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By email: busannualplan@wcc.govt.nz

Dear Sir or Madam,

**RE: SUBMISSION FROM HERITAGE NEW ZEALAND POUHERE TAONGA ON ANNUAL PLAN 2019-2020
CONSULTATION – WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL**

1. Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission on the Wellington City Council Annual Plan Consultation for 2019/2020 (The Annual Plan).
2. Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga (HNZPT) is an autonomous Crown Entity with statutory responsibility under the Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Act 2014 (HNZPTA) for the identification, protection, preservation and conservation of New Zealand's historical and cultural heritage. Heritage New Zealand is New Zealand's lead heritage agency.

Proposed changes to the Built Heritage Incentive and Resilience Fund

3. The annual plan consultation proposes a change to the Built Heritage Incentive and Resilience Fund. This would result in an increase in the fund from \$450,000 to \$1 million per year.
4. Heritage New Zealand supports the continuation and increase in this fund. Together with other available funding sources (for example, Heritage New Zealand's Heritage Preservation Incentive Fund), this forms one of a set of important tools (regulatory and non-regulatory) to assist in the conservation of Wellington's heritage places.
5. The increase will enable the Council to review how the existing fund is functioning and to develop an appropriate detail in relation to funding criteria.
6. Heritage New Zealand, notes that the consultation refers how such criteria is to be further developed. Heritage New Zealand offers its general support to the identification in the consultation document as follows:

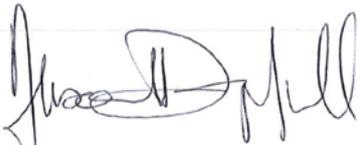
"It is anticipated that funding will be directed towards buildings where successful heritage and resilience outcomes would be unlikely without assistance."

5. *Decision sought*

Heritage New Zealand supports the increase in funding in the Built Heritage Incentive and Resilience Fund and seeks that the proposed change is accepted.

6. Heritage New Zealand does not wish to speak to this submission at a hearing on the annual plan. However, Heritage New Zealand is available to answer any queries that Council may have regarding the submission.
7. Heritage New Zealand continues to be able to offer advice to Council and other owners of heritage buildings regarding heritage conservation, and advice concerning archaeological authority requirements under the HNZPTA.

Yours sincerely



Alison Dangerfield
Area Manager, Central Region
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	Respondent No:	84.	Name*:	Clare Bibby
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Glenside Progressive Assn. Inc.

c/- 267 Middleton Road

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Barry Blackett, M 027 244 5484

Claire Bibby, M 022 186 5714

We would like to make an oral submission.

Glenside Progressive Association

Submission to the Wellington City Council draft Annual Plan 2019-2020

8 May 2019

Introduction

Our submission this year relates to expenditure under the heading Environment 2.1 Gardens, Beaches and Green Open Spaces. In particular, we are asking for funds to be set aside for track development in Glenside Reserve and more Opex funding for grass cutting and weed control over the whole of the Wellington District.

We have tried to track the budget provisions for these types of items over recent years but there are gaps in the on-line record and changes in designation, so we are unable to make trend comparisons. However, we do note that the capex budget for track development in the Draft Annual Plan (\$641,000) has been reduced by 37-39 % relative to the 2017/18 and 2016/17 Annual Plans, and ask that this gap be closed.

CAPEX 2019/20 Environment 2.1 Gardens, beaches and green open spaces

1014 Parks Planning – track development

In a number of previous submissions since 2006, the Association has asked for funding for the construction of walking tracks within or close to our suburb to fill a gap in the track network in the Northern suburbs. These have not been progressed by Council for various reasons such as anticipated housing development or suitable land not being available. An opportunity which has been considered from time to time and avoids these barriers is a loop track within the Glenside Reserve.

The Halfway House Heritage Gardeners also recognise that there is a demand for walking access to the Glenside Reserve. Local residents advise they want to access the Glenside Reserve which is on easy level walking distance whereas existing and proposed tracks in Churton Park are uphill access and too far away to access on foot with children or elderly people. Visitors who have driven to the Halfway House garden, want to spend more time in the area as they have made the effort to get there and they want to walk around the wider Reserve. The Reserve is outside the scope of track design for Outer Town Belt.

In 2017 and in 2018 the Association wrote to Mr David Halliday, of WCC's Parks Projects Team and met with Council on site to discuss the development of a walking track on scrub land in the Glenside Reserve outside the area set aside for horse grazing.

In 2019 (this year) we held the conversation again with Tim Harkness of Parks and Reserves and were told that we needed to seek funding in the Annual Plan to get this work underway. We were advised the following budget.

- Year 1 Design 1.5 m wide track, budget \$4000.
- Year 2 Develop track, budget unknown dependent on design and length.

Recommendation:

We ask that Council set aside the appropriate funding for the design work for the Glenside Reserve loop track for the year 2019-2020 and keep in mind that we would like an actual track to be constructed as soon as possible after that which will require funding in the next Annual Plan.

OPEX 2019/20 Environment 2.1 Gardens, beaches and green open spaces

Eradication of Invasive Weeds

We strongly recommend that Council make a much greater provision for the eradication of weeds that present the greatest threat to our environment over time. These would include the so called Dirty Dozen and in particular, Old Man's Beard. It should be possible for Council to work more formally with volunteer groups in a similar manner to the Predator Free Programme by offering backup assistance through herbicide spraying.

Recommendations:

1. We recommend a substantial increase in WCC's budget for weed control and an increase in emphasis on total species eradication for the worst of the dirty dozen weeds in the Wellington District.
2. Instead of receiving free plants for eradicating Old Man's Beard vines as is offered on Council's website, we suggest the alternative option of a credit for use of the

Weed Control Team to spray other outbreaks of Old Man's Beard or other noxious weeds on Wellington Council sites where it is impractical to treat by stump dosing.

We realise that priorities under this heading may require further debate depending on the view taken by the final version of Greater Wellington's Regional Pest Management Plan which is due to be made available shortly (see Appendix).

Mowing along Walkways, Swales, Roadsides and Local Reserves

Council's provision for mowing is very inadequate. Demand in spring has left many grassed areas looking unkempt and some smaller parks and reserves unusable just when demand is at a peak.

Where contractors are used to supplement Council's resources, we strongly recommend that Council set clear performance standards for this (length of grass, areas to be mown, due care and avoidance of collateral damage). The Council officer responsible should conduct inspections after each item of work is completed.

Weed Control on Planting Sites

We also suggest more funds be allocated for weed control associated with Community Greening initiatives. The Glenside Progressive Association is currently involved in restoring the Stebbings Stream Road Reserve. Weeding and weed control has involved us in about three times as much effort as planting and plant maintenance. We have taken this task on but there are some aspects of weed control we can't perform such as herbicide spraying of blackberry or gorse within the planting sites. We would like to be able to call on the WCC's Weed Control Team whenever we need this support. This could perhaps be catered for under 'Unplanned Maintenance'.

Recommendation:

We seek increases in the budgets for the subheadings Opex 1015 (Unplanned Maintenance), 1024 (Road Corridor Growth Control) and especially 1033 (Weed Control), and any others that might be appropriate.

Funding - Future Reserve, Glenside West

The Association has asked for the survey peg for the centre line of New Zealand's longest double track railway tunnel to be preserved as an historic site within a reserve as part of the Glenside West-Upper Stebbings development. Please could funding be set aside to make this happen. Our website refers: <http://www.glenside.org.nz/railway-heritage-heritage-101.html>

Recommendation:

That funding be set aside for incorporating the existing historic 1927 survey peg for the centre line of the railway tunnel within a reserve, or as a reserve contribution.



Appendix:

Weed eradication and control for Old Man's Beard and the Dirty Dozen weeds

The GPA put in a submission to Greater Wellington Regional Council on their Draft Regional Pest Management Plan and we understand the final version is about to be released.

We are sharing our submission points on eradication for Old Man's Beard and the Dirty Dozen weeds as we feel they equally apply to City Council's approach to revegetation and weed control.

1. We understand that Greater Wellington Regional Council's role in weed eradication and control includes Policy, Research and Enforcement, and they manage the Regional Parks whereas Wellington City Council operate Revegetation and Weed Control Teams, and the Berhampore Nursery.
2. We supported most aspects of the Greater Wellington draft plan, namely that priority should be given to the **exclusion** or **eradication** of exotic pest plants and animals that had not yet established themselves (bottom of the **Invasion Curve**) and follow a policy of **containment** or **control** for others since this would offer a better benefit-to-cost outcome.
3. However, we pointed out that Predator Free (Eradication) is a departure from this policy since rats, possums and stoats are spread throughout New Zealand and already occupy the top of the **Invasion Curve**, phase 6, (Entrenched).
4. We therefore proposed that a few of the most threatening weeds such as Old Man's Beard also be given priority since their spread to the top of the Invasion Curve would be just as damaging to our natural environment as the three key predators.
5. Our proposal would be to assign **Eradication** thresholds on the Invasion Curve for each of the Dirty Dozen weeds depending on their damage to native flora, their rate of growth, longevity and propensity to spread.
6. Some might still be placed low on the curve, e.g. phase 2, (Establishing) whereas others should be moved up to phase 3, (Expanding) or even phase 4, (Exploding) for instance.
7. For a detailed discussion of these concepts, see Peter A Williams, Conservation of Invasive Weeds, Conservation Sciences, Publication No 7, 1997.

Thank you for reading our submission. We are available to discuss these matters further.

Barry Blackett,

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	Respondent No:	85.	Name*:	Ellen Blake
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Q11	<p>Share your thoughts on any of the specific projects listed in the section 'our work programme for year 2' and 'looking ahead'. Please indicate which project you are referring to.</p> <p>"Safer roads Living Streets support a review of speeds in Wellington and would like to see a reduction in speeds outside all schools to 30 km hour. Speed is a key factor in reducing road crashes, and the impact of those crashes reduces with lower speeds.</p> <p>We support the funding for safer roads provided it includes safer footpaths, free from slippery surfaces and uneven surfaces, e.g the slippery new shared zone on the waterfront by Whitmore St which needs slower vehicle speeds in this area. We support an urgent review of street tree-pit design and maintenance to ensure they are kept level with the walk surface and do not cause trips and falls.</p> <p>We would like to see the temporary footpath along Wakefield St around the Civic Square widened so that a pushchair and a pedestrian can pass each other easily. All temporary footpaths that will last more than a month should be wide enough for the area it serves e.g Stewart Dawson corner temporary footpath is too narrow. These temporary footpaths are lasting a long time and need to be of a higher standard.</p> <p>Resilience We support work to improve resilience and suggest that pedestrian access should be the first priority. Ngaio Gorge has a completely inadequate pedestrian access around the slip where a pushchair can not fit, and cars and buses travel too fast. This has existed for several years already and needs to be improved.</p>

	<p>More accessible streets Living Streets support the plan to improve accessibility. This should include accessibility on footpaths, for instance ensuring all intersections have drop-down kerbs from the footpath to allow easy access for buggies and wheelchair users, and all drop-down kerbs have tactile markings for vision impaired people. All intersections should be re-engineered to have slow corners for vehicles to improve safety for pedestrians. The excess footpath maintenance budget could be used to do a footpath review of accessibility.</p> <p>We support rapid implementation of the LED lighting upgrade. We would like to see this include a review of lighting adequacy. We are aware of many intersections and crossing desire lines that do not have good street lighting, this can be exacerbated by the brighter LED lights.</p> <p>Supporting public transport use and the walk to work Wellington has great train and bus services. Promoting use of these services would reduce congestion on roads and is the safest way to travel. Wellington City Council could do some of this promotion for city routes.</p> <p>We note the budget for bus shelters is doubled. Living Streets would like to see audits around train stations and main bus stops to see what improvements can be made before new shelters are installed. We would like to see shelters that are user friendly and not the standard adshel design e.g. well-designed shelters and seating, wayfinding signs and maps for visitors, timetable information, and minimum footpath standards to access the stops. "</p>
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Revenue and finance

We note that there is now a positive non-compliance for footpath maintenance. This is due, for the first time, to a FAR for footpath maintenance being available. We strongly urge the council to use this increase in funding to improve and accelerate footpath maintenance work and not to sit back and wait for NZTA to come up with a level of service for pedestrians. The purpose of the FAR is to improve footpaths and the amenity for pedestrians. Wellington does not need to wait for LGWM to do this. We offer our services to identify footpaths that need maintenance and improvement.

Walk to school

Living Streets is concerned by the nationwide drop in the numbers of children walking to school.

A school travel programme for every school in Wellington would be a step in the right direction to get students more active. We would like to see an ambitious target for children walking to school in Wellington. Improvements in physical and mental health and alertness of students, and reduction in congestion would all improve with more walking to school.

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

Living Streets Aotearoa



Submission from Living Streets Aotearoa to Wellington City Council on Wellington City Annual Plan 2019

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Date: **29 April 2019**

Submission

Living Streets Aotearoa thanks the Council for this opportunity to submit on the 2019 Annual Plan.

Good pedestrian infrastructure, slower speeds, encouraged by good urban design, make towns and cities safer and more attractive and encourage visitors and residents alike to linger, enjoy and spend. Walking is people's favourite active leisure activity so better connected suburbs and parks, footpaths and reserves will be popular with residents.

We would like to see work start on a walking masterplan (similar to the cycling one) or at least a review of the 2008 walking policy in this financial year.

Revenue and finance

We note that there is now a positive non-compliance for footpath maintenance. This is due, for the first time, to a FAR for footpath maintenance being available. We strongly urge the

council to use this increase in funding to improve and accelerate footpath maintenance work and not to sit back and wait for NZTA to come up with a level of service for pedestrians. The purpose of the FAR is to improve footpaths and the amenity for pedestrians. Wellington does not need to wait for LGWM to do this. We offer our services to identify footpaths that need maintenance and improvement.

Parking fee changes

We support the increases in fees proposed. We support increasing the coupon exemption parking fee in line with resident parking fees. We support extending resident and coupon parking schemes to all parts of Wellington to recognise this private use of public road space.

We support a lower fee payable in accessibility parking spaces for those with an accessibility sticker and who need to use a car.

We take issue with some of the statements made in the background paper on parking. A more informed view needs to be set out in a proper review of parking in Wellington. We urge the council to get on with the parking review rather than piecemeal changes to fees.

Walk to school

Living Streets is concerned by the nationwide drop in the numbers of children walking to school.

A school travel programme for every school in Wellington would be a step in the right direction to get students more active. We would like to see an ambitious target for children walking to school in Wellington. Improvements in physical and mental health and alertness of students, and reduction in congestion would all improve with more walking to school.

Safer roads

Living Streets support a review of speeds in Wellington and would like to see a reduction in speeds outside all schools to 30 km hour. Speed is a key factor in reducing road crashes, and the impact of those crashes reduces with lower speeds.

We support the funding for safer roads provided it includes safer footpaths, free from slippery surfaces and uneven surfaces, e.g the slippery new shared zone on the waterfront by Whitmore St which needs slower vehicle speeds in this area. We support an urgent

review of street tree-pit design and maintenance to ensure they are kept level with the walk surface and do not cause trips and falls.

We would like to see the temporary footpath along Wakefield St around the Civic Square widened so that a pushchair and a pedestrian can pass each other easily. All temporary footpaths that will last more than a month should be wide enough for the area it serves e.g Stewart Dawson corner temporary footpath is too narrow. These temporary footpaths are lasting a long time and need to be of a higher standard.

Resilience

We support work to improve resilience and suggest that pedestrian access should be the first priority. Ngaio Gorge has a completely inadequate pedestrian access around the slip where a pushchair can not fit, and cars and buses travel too fast. This has existed for several years already and needs to be improved.

More accessible streets

Living Streets support the plan to improve accessibility. This should include accessibility on footpaths, for instance ensuring all intersections have drop-down kerbs from the footpath to allow easy access for buggies and wheelchair users, and all drop-down kerbs have tactile markings for vision impaired people. All intersections should be re-engineered to have slow corners for vehicles to improve safety for pedestrians. The excess footpath maintenance budget could be used to do a footpath review of accessibility.

We support rapid implementation of the LED lighting upgrade. We would like to see this include a review of lighting adequacy. We are aware of many intersections and crossing desire lines that do not have good street lighting, this can be exacerbated by the brighter LED lights.

Supporting public transport use and the walk to work

Wellington has great train and bus services. Promoting use of these services would reduce congestion on roads and is the safest way to travel. Wellington City Council could do some of this promotion for city routes.

We note the budget for bus shelters is doubled. Living Streets would like to see audits around train stations and main bus stops to see what improvements can be made before new shelters are installed. We would like to see shelters that are user friendly and not the standard adshel design e.g. well-designed shelters and seating, wayfinding signs and maps for visitors, timetable information, and minimum footpath standards to access the stops.

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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Q1	We are proposing to make changes to the following projects:
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Yes - document follows below

Q19 How did you find out about this consultation? (select as many options as applicable)

Q20 Other - please specify



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Victoria University of Wellington Submission on Wellington City Council Draft Annual Plan 2019-20

Victoria University of Wellington is pleased to have the opportunity to comment on Wellington City Council's Draft Annual Plan 2019-2020. The University has supported the content and direction of the Council's previous annual plans and, once again, supports the broad direction for the current draft.

As the largest and oldest tertiary education provider in Wellington, and one of the region's biggest employers, the University plays a vital role in the city. We contribute around \$1 billion to the regional economy every year, employ more than 2,500 staff, and educate more than 20,000 students.

In addition to providing access to tertiary education, continuing education and professional and executive development programmes, our academic staff conduct research of the highest quality as demonstrated by the Performance-Based Research Fund assessment for 2019 conducted by the Tertiary Education Commission, which showed us to be the leading research quality intensive university in the country.

Victoria University of Wellington works closely with the Council on a broad range of initiatives that contribute to the city and the wellbeing of its people. It is, therefore, with great interest that we read the Council's draft plans, and we have a number of comments on the priority areas set out below.

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Housing and Community Wellbeing, and Transport

As we have stated in the past, we strongly believe that affordable, high-quality housing should be available to everyone in Wellington. This is particularly important for the University, given our aim to double the student population over the next twenty to thirty years. Finding suitable and affordable accommodation is already a concern for our students and these pressures will only increase.

While the Council must show leadership on these issues, we submit that the most effective way of increasing the supply and improving the quality of housing is likely to be a range of public-private partnerships. In addition to the measures proposed by the Council, we recommend that consideration also be given to how new housing areas developed further out from the CBD would be serviced by public transport. We understand that the provision of public transport is an issue for the Greater Wellington Regional Council, but we urge the WCC and GWRC to work together closely to ensure that additional housing stock is serviced in such a way that residents are still able to conveniently access the CBD. In addition, we suggest that there may be a need for increased housing intensification within the CBD and inner suburbs, where road and public transport infrastructure can support an increased population.

Beyond increasing the supply of affordable housing, we would also support initiatives that encouraged sustainable design in new housing. Sustainability in housing design is a way of supporting a number of the Council's other goals set out in the Annual Plan, specifically

ensuring a low carbon capital and a healthier living environment, and enhancing Wellington's reputation as a clean, green and safe city. The University's Faculty of Architecture and Design, and the cross-University Sustainability and Resilience academic theme would be pleased to discuss these possibilities in more detail.

Arts and Culture

Victoria University of Wellington has a particularly strong reputation for the humanities and the performing arts as well as the creative fields more generally. In this respect, our academic strengths and international connections align closely with the Council's own ambitions to confirm Wellington's reputation as the cultural capital of New Zealand.

We are already collaborating closely with the Council on the refurbishment of the Town Hall and the establishment of a national music centre of excellence, which will be an outstanding resource for our students and the capital's residents alike, and enliven Te Ngākau Civic Square. In a similar vein, the Miramar Creative Centre is proving to be a fruitful collaboration between the University and the film companies based out at Miramar, and the new Computational Media Innovation Centre in the CBD emphasises university-industry partnerships in virtual and augmented reality. Together, these ventures not only provide a model for how academic research and teaching can engage with the city's and the national creative sector more broadly, we hope that they will help position Wellington as a key location for new technologies.

We look forward to learning more about the Council's Arts and Culture Strategy, which is to be developed this year. As planning for this strategy gets underway, we encourage the Council to consider additional ways to enhance the city's artistic and cultural credentials, beyond investing in its existing built infrastructure or new events.

For example, consideration might be given to how new technologies such as virtual reality or mobile apps can be used to showcase, preserve and enhance Wellington's heritage. In this respect, the academics and students in our School of Engineering and Computer Science, and our Museum and Heritage Studies Programme would be more than happy to advise and collaborate, as would Wai-te-ata Press and the School of Design, who have developed the LitAtlas app to tie in with the Wellington Writers' Walk. Te Kawa a Māui (School of Māori Studies) also have developed an interactive digital map of significant individuals and histories in Māoridom.

We also encourage the Council to consider supporting smaller pop-up venues to help reach new audiences in low-cost ways, in addition to the significant investments being made in established venues. Our School of English, Film, Theatre and Media Studies has

considerable experience in best practice in partnering with communities on these alternative ways of bringing the region's arts and culture to life and expanding its reach to new audiences, and would be interested in being involved in helping strategic planning in these respects.

We would note there is no significant discussion in the draft Annual Plan on the role to be played by other languages, cultures and cross-cultural perspectives, in advancing the Council's ambitions to provoke new forms of creativity and a unique "sense of place" that would be emblematic of New Zealand's capital city. We are confident these issues will be considered in due course but we wish to emphasise the importance of these considerations, of both innovation and inclusion, particularly in the wake of the Christchurch mosque attacks. The Council has already done much to celebrate the city's diversity – for example, through its emphasis on bilingual place names and its Matariki festival – but we would hope to see similar initiatives placed at the heart of future Arts and Culture strategies.

Finally, in recognition of the major role the university and its 22,000 students make to the vibrancy of the city, the arts, creativity and the economy, the university would welcome an opportunity to work with the Council to develop and execute a strategy for making Wellington the best student city in New Zealand.

On behalf of the University, I would like to thank you for this opportunity to comment on the Draft Annual Plan 2019-20.

Yours sincerely



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JCA Johnsonville Community Association

Submission to the Wellington City Council 2019/20 Annual Plan

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The Johnsonville Community Association (JCA) would also like the opportunity to speak to the WCC about its submission on the Annual Plan

Resilience and the Environment

The JCA supports the investment in improved infrastructure resilience for the city including the Omāroro reservoir, Moe-i-te-Ra/Bell Road reservoir and the Kilbirnie pump station. The JCA also believes funding for infrastructure resilience should be prioritised over other projects.

Housing and Community Wellbeing

The JCA strongly supports the Alex Moore Park project and the completion of Johnsonville's new Waitohi community hub. We also support WCC investment in suburban facilities across the city. The JCA also supports the re-establishment of the Central Library as a more important priority over projects such as the Convention Centre.

Transport

North Wellington City is the major area of population growth for Wellington City and it is also the farthest from the main employment area in the Wellington CBD. Being so far (and also elevated) means our area is very dependent on motorised transport such as cars and public transport. The JCA continues to be disappointed at the lack of investment to support and improve transport from North Wellington other than the many millions in cycleways that will only benefit a small percentage of our residents ... most people have neither the time nor the ability to cycle up/down Ngaurunga Gorge plus the 20 kms each day.

In particular, the last \$5M of planned roading improvements for the Johnsonville Triangle are not even mentioned in the WCC transport plans. Where are the promised traffic signals for the Moorefield Road to make safe the access to/from the Johnsonville Shopping Centre access and the planned on-street bus stops ? It is clearer every day that Stride will not be developing the mall and Johnsonville suffers from an incomplete and congested roading network.

The JCA also asks the WCC to support our submission to the GWRC to **not** move the Stop B from beside the Railway Station to being outside the new Library until these busy intersections are made safe by having traffic signals installed.

More broadly, the JCA is very disappointed at the absence of any significant investment by the WCC for public transport in any part of the city (other than some additional funding for bus shelters that

mainly fund themselves with advertising). The new GWRC bus service is both slower and less reliable (as well as more expensive) leading to more of our residents choosing to drive. The WCC Long Term Plan did outline a plan for \$3.2M for Bus Priority which did give our community some hope that some improvements would finally be made in 2019/20. But the WCC Annual Plan actually cuts 3/4s of this funding from the area of transport that most obviously requires investment !

The JCA is also disappointed at the postponement of the Grenada to Petone Link Road that promised to provide some relief to the daily congestion at Ngauranga Gorge which would benefit both cars and our bus service.

Finally it must be noted that the Council has repeatedly stated the leading role for improved PT will come from the “Lets Get Wellington Moving” project with the planned improvement was supposed to have been announced in August 2018 ... it is nearly a year on and still Wellingtonians are still waiting. Despite annual promises, the WCC is unable to implement any meaningful improvement for transport for North Wellington.

Parking

The JCA does **not** support the proposed increases in parking fees. As outlined in our submission to the traffic regulation changes, the WCC needs to provide effective transport alternatives to driving before it increases the charges for our residents who have to drive to work. Only when North Wellington has an effective and reliable PT service can further increases to parking charges be supported.

The JCA also highlights that street parking in Johnsonville is under huge pressure with people trying to get to work and shopping retails in Johnsonville or park to use the bus and train services. The WCC is making this problem worse by continually approving residential developments in Johnsonville that do not include the minimum off-street parking required under the district plan. The JCA also reiterates its ongoing opposition to any proposed introduction of parking metres to Johnsonville.

Sustainable growth

The JCA does not support the huge investment in the convention centre.

Arts and culture

While the JCA does support funding for Wellington Arts and Culture but it is a concern that so much of this funding (nearly \$130M) is essentially for two heritage building projects for the St James Theatre and the Town Hall.

Rates and Charges

The JCA supports the proposed change in the rating differential as this will maintain the balance between the residential and business contributions towards the city's rates.

The JCA opposes charge increases more than the rate of inflation.

Attachments

Wellington Youth Council

2019-20 Annual Plan Submission

Wellington City Council

March 2019

We would like to appear in person to support our submission

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Introduction

1. The Wellington City Youth Council (Youth Council) welcomes the opportunity to submit on the 2019-20 Annual Plan.
2. Youth Council generally supports the Plan but believes adjustments and improvements can be made.
3. In particular, Youth Council highlights the Built Heritage Incentive and Resilience Fund, Take 10 and the Wellington City Library, the proposed increase in parking fees, the Planning for Growth project, and the issue of Advisory Group funding as issues worth particular consideration.
4. The submission by Youth Council on the 2019-20 Annual Plan will address the five priority areas highlighted in the Plan's consultation document, as well as the issue of advisory group funding.

Resilience and the environment

5. Youth Council believes that increasing Wellington's capacity to recover from earthquakes and ability to deal with the pernicious effects of climate change are rightly identified as the issues of paramount importance.

6. In particular, we believe that measures should be pre-emptively taken to mitigate the destabilizing impacts of rising sea-levels and increasing extreme climatic events (e.g. storms, floods). This should look like upgrades to seawalls and storm water pipe upgrades.
7. Thus, we note that the Kilbirnie stormwater pump station upgrades and increased regional standards for stormwater pipes in new subdivisions are steps in the right direction.

Reservoirs

8. We also believe the Omaroro Reservoir development is a crucial milestone for safeguarding Wellington against imminent earthquake threats. In the status quo, suburbs in Eastern and Central Wellington will lose their water supply for up to 100 days in the event of an earthquake which causes significant damage to pipes, rendering these densely populated suburbs very vulnerable. Even though the costs of completing this project has gone up by 42% compared to its estimated costs in the 10-year Plan, we don't believe its construction should be hindered. Funding should be prioritized to build this reservoir which is very important for Wellington's earthquake resilience.
9. Youth Council also sees the Moe-i-te-Ra Bell road reservoir as an important project for safeguarding Wellington from earthquakes, albeit slightly less so than the Omaroro Reservoir due to the greater marginal benefit of undertaking the latter project.
10. Hence, we see Council's decision to prioritize funds towards the Omaroro reservoir first to be a wise one.

Built Heritage Incentive and Resilience Fund

11. As William Shakespeare said, "Parting is such sweet sorrow". In keeping with the sentiment of this quote, Youth Council sees the Built Heritage Incentive and Resilience Fund as an area which may be of less importance to Wellington, given the costs of the Fund that Council must invest compared to the benefit that the Fund returns to Wellington.

12. On one hand, heritage buildings preserve a certain sense of history and tradition in Wellington. On the other, these buildings are commonly lacking in functionality, or at least possess less intrinsic functionality than most buildings in Wellington.
13. Moreover, these buildings are also typically very costly to maintain, with earthquake strengthening being one of the most significant costs. One could make the argument that the benefit we are receiving from the existence of these buildings, being their addition to the cultural amenity of Wellington, are in some cases unable to justify the costs to maintain them.
14. Wellington City Council faces a variety of causes which compete for limited ratepayer-funded resources. Given this need to compare costs and benefits, Youth Council would argue that maintaining these buildings is comparatively less important than protecting Wellington against the effects of climate change or ensuring functionally important buildings are maintained, strengthened, and accessible. (and therefore, don't suffer the same fate as the Central Library).
15. Thus, we would urge Council to earnestly consider which heritage buildings are vital to the fabric and culture of the city, and which ones aren't, on balance, worth the resources to maintain compared to the benefit they provide to the city, given the opportunity cost. After such an assessment, we believe Council should only divert funding into funding 20% of the current Fund's value to support the safety and resilience of heritage buildings which possess the most cultural and historical value.
16. The Heritage Policy was last updated in 2010, meaning that Wellington's views on heritage is nearly 10 years old. This policy should be considered for review urgently to allow Wellington to provide views on the importance of heritage compared to other competing interests, including increase density housing.

Coastal structures

17. As we outlined in point 5, we believe that improving Coastal structures is important in the face of rapidly rising sea levels.

Band rotunda

18. Youth Council agrees with Council's assessment that the Band Rotunda is indeed an iconic building on Wellington's waterfront which merits redevelopment.
19. Thus, we believe the \$300,000 in operational funding is justified for maintain it.

Carbon emissions

20. Youth Council is generally supportive of all measures for reducing Wellington's carbon footprint and contribution towards climate change.
21. We believe the Zero Carbon Capital Plan is an important document for continuing Wellington's climate leadership. It should be ambitious and aim to position Wellington as a world-leading city in Carbon reduction.

Housing and community wellbeing

22. Youth Council strongly supports the work programme for Council in the housing and community wellbeing priority area.
23. However, Youth Council also strongly urges Council to be bold and be more ambitious in the housing area, to ensure that the conditions are accommodative for additional quality housing to be built in Wellington, with a focus on housing where people want to live, with high-quality infrastructure and amenities to service new residents.
24. We note the ongoing work as part of Council's Planning for Growth work and expect the District Plan will need substantial changes to drive further building activity to house Wellington's growing population, while maintaining a high quality of life and a vibrant city.
25. Youth Council recognises that building more housing for people, without corresponding community activities, space, and amenities would ensure people had somewhere to live, but would detract from their overall lifestyle.

26. As such, we fully endorse Council's plans to advance housing developments and housing policy in tandem with additional community spaces and additions to Wellington's community and civic stock.
27. Youth Council notes that with any plans for future developments for housing in Wellington, it is critical that these developments occur in partnership with community and are not just dumped on their doorstep.
28. Consultation and codesign are necessary to ensure that new developments, particularly of social or community housing, do not create a sense of 'intrusion' into an area, where those living in new developments are stigmatised and isolated by where they live.
29. Council should also focus on a variety and wider spread of social and community housing throughout Wellington, integrating it into existing communities rather than creating contained new developments which concentrate different groups in different parts of the city.
30. Much more work is needed to ensure that better housing outcomes are realised for all Wellingtonians, and although we recognise the progress made and currently underway, there is always more that can and should be done, and Council will need to be committed to improving housing outcomes and unafraid to challenge certain groups in the community to allow for greater housing to occur.
31. Housing in Wellington should be focused on all Wellingtonians having access to high quality living conditions. As part of this, decisions on planning and development of housing policy must include all parts of the community, not just those who are already direct ratepayers or house owners.
32. Council also should not, and cannot afford to, allow any particular group to dominate discussions over housing policy. If Council encounters situations where some groups are not as well represented as others, or whose views it is obvious are being missed, it is important that Council proactively seek those views in all ways possible, rather than just accepting the views that are presented to them.

Arlington development

33. Youth Council is supportive of the Arlington development, and notes that changes to the timing and needs of the development mean that capital funding can be released for other housing projects. Given the need to increase housing supply in Wellington, we agree with this change in funding.

Alex Moore Park sports hub

34. We also agree with advancing work in Johnsonville on the Alex Moore Park sports hub. The hub would increase and enhance the community spaces available in the north of Wellington. The planning for this hub is well advanced but have taken a long time to come close to fruition.
35. Care should be taken regarding the geotechnical concerns over the proposed location, and funding needs of the hub build. Due diligence will be important to ensuring that this project is a success and not an expensive, lengthy, and unbeneficial endeavour.
36. General community support and support from local sporting clubs strengthens the case for advancing funding for this hub sooner. The space proposed would be a significant improvement on the sporting spaces available to young people in Johnsonville.

Community Housing support

37. Due to the continued high need for additional housing in Wellington, Youth Council supports Council's plan to provide a grant for the development contributions on a development in Kilbirnie. We would urge that this development be built with community housing tenants in mind, with a variety of build sizes to accommodate different tenants.

Stakeholder partnerships

38. Youth Council endorses Council's proposed audit of Council owned land for development. We would also urge that this audit include considerations of

current Council housing assets and whether additional housing could be added to existing sites, as well as new conversions or additional land builds.

39. Council should also consider an audit of current land use in Wellington compared to what is possible under the current District Plan, to easily inform developments of potential opportunities for developments. This should include collaborative action to determine viable building opportunities and streamlined consenting processes where opportunities are identified.

Strategic Housing Investment Plan (SHIP)

40. We agree with Council's work programme under the SHIP to develop additional Council housing assets to deliver additional housing stock.
41. Consideration should be given to additional capacity already available in infrastructure assets which could speed up potential development plans, or areas where reduced development contributions are required.
42. This analysis should be shared proactively with community and private sector housing development organisations.

CBD building conversions

43. Youth Council strongly endorses plans for a pilot programme of conversions into rental housing. Considerations should be given to the earthquake rating of both the conversion buildings and those surrounding, to limit future exposure to earthquake concerns which could see converted buildings shuttered.
44. Designs for the conversions should also incorporate insights from potential renters, particularly students and young professionals.
45. Cornerstone conversion developments should also contain amenity plans to ensure that either there is sufficient existing infrastructure and recreation options locally, or that these amenity options are planned for and resourced in tandem with any conversion developments.

Karori Events Centre

46. Youth Council supports Council's work with the Karori community to enable their centre to meet the needs of the local community.

Improving community wellbeing

47. Youth Council strongly supports additional work to increase community wellbeing through ensuring there are strong community hubs with local linkages and communities of interest.
48. Given work underway in Karori, Johnsonville, Newtown, and Te Aro, Council should consider better understanding what areas are not able to access similar services, and work to establish community groups to determine interest and advance plans for similar hubs elsewhere in Wellington, particularly where there may not be a strong and coordinated community group who can champion such a concept for their local area.

Take 10

49. Youth Council strongly endorses Council's grant for the Take 10 initiative, but also strongly urges Council to go further and provide regular funding for this initiative. Take 10 is an important programme for young people in Wellington, providing a safer experience in the city on weekend evenings.
50. Concerns around alcohol related harm in the CBD remain high, and Youth Council would ask that Council consider ongoing funding to ensure this programme remains viable over the medium-term.

Wellington City Library

51. Youth Council understands the need to close the Central Library and is supportive of a swift plan for both the short and long-term outcomes for library services in Wellington.

52. Safety of the community is a paramount consideration, and the closure of the Central Library was made necessary by changes to the understanding of how buildings may respond to an earthquake.
53. However, the Central Library being out of action also leaves a large hole in Wellington's available community and civic spaces. Not only is the knowledge contained in the Library itself difficult to fully access, but the ancillary services provided by the library, including as a warm, dry space for vulnerable members of the community, local citizens, and particularly students to study and congregate, are also critical to restore quickly.
54. Alternative plans for library access throughout Wellington are a positive step, but Youth Council urges Council to advance plans as quickly as possible for other buildings with warm, dry spaces that would provide additional spaces for Wellingtonians to congregate at, with a focus on our vulnerable communities and their ability to have a space to go to.
55. A plan for the future of the Central Library should also be advanced quickly, with full community engagement and information sharing occurring throughout to ensure that all parties are aware of the complexities and competing needs at play.
56. Decisive action on the future of the library is necessary - a long wait with no plan or resolution in sight would be an unwelcome distraction and provide unnecessary uncertainty to the community over access to one of Wellington's most used, and most important, community spaces.

Transport

57. Youth Council strongly supports the work programme for Council in the Transport priority area.
58. Youth Council emphasises the idea of encouraging more people to use alternative transport methods rather than using private vehicle transport and parking.

59. Youth Council also acknowledges that although having limited free parking may cause some issues for some people, it would strongly urge people to use alternate modes of transport.
60. Youth Council also asks that Council take into consideration that some people will be unable to cover the steep costs of the new proposed pricing.
61. Youth Council also strongly supports the Cycling Masterplan, and we also acknowledge that an effort must be made to make things easier and safer for people on bikes and on foot. This will benefit young people in Wellington to feel safer when using alternate modes of transport.

Bus shelters

62. Youth Council fully supports the idea of implementing bus shelters as young people are often reliant on public transport as our primary mode of transport and are often caught short in bad weather. The further development of bus shelters additionally increases the accessibility and resilience of the public transport network, contributing to Wellington's environmental goals.

Identifying hazards

63. Youth Council is also in favour of the increased budget to help with identifying and removing hazards. Fix It is an initiative that could do well to be promoted through schools, in an attempt to change the behaviour of young people towards identifying hazards.

Variable messaging signs

64. Youth Council supports the idea of implementing electronic signage across the city. Careful consideration and planning need to go into the necessary building works - Wellingtonians' days shouldn't be interrupted for lack of information about a project intended to increase information.

Safer roads

65. We believe that helping to ensure that safer speed limits in the CBD, intersection improvements, and safer shopping area speed limits will all help contribute to helping young people to feel safe around different areas of Wellington. We believe that further educational efforts can be taken in promoting safer roads and better educating drivers.

Transport resilience

66. Youth Council strongly supports improving the resilience of roads, including the Ngāio Gorge rock bluffs, as the status quo poses a safety hazard.

Let's Get Welly Moving

67. Youth Council fully supports the Let's Get Welly Moving joint initiative and its potential outcomes through an integrated transport network.

Cycling Masterplan

68. Youth Council supports a fully connected cycle network throughout Wellington. We believe that this proposed cycle network will help enable and encourage young people to get out and about and get to their destination using alternate modes of transport. We also believe that linking back to safety is crucial to ensure young people, and all people for that matter who use these new cycleways are comfortable and safe.

Proposed increase in parking fees

69. Youth Council has significant concerns over proposals to substantially raise parking fees in Wellington.
70. We note the importance of lower private vehicle usage to reduce our impact on the environment, and that higher parking costs could incentive a shift away from private vehicle use.

71. However, Youth Council is concerned that the possible burden of this change would be largely borne by younger people with cars who are more likely to have no access to off-street parking.
72. Moreover, higher parking fees would make transport costs higher for Wellingtonians, without a viable alternative transport option for some. Not only do severe concerns remain over the state of public transport in Wellington, but some jobs require use of a private vehicle or are when there is limited access to public transport (either through location of transport routes, or times of transport).
73. Large increases to parking fees will have the greatest effect on lower income households, who often have less ability to meet increased costs. Council notes that the changes proposed are to “encourage more people to walk, cycle or ride public transport, instead of using private vehicle transport and parking.” However, these transport options may not be as viable as first thought for various groups, particularly without a reliable public transport system.
74. Without significant improvements to public transport access and reliability, changes to parking fees will not be effective at reducing car usage in Wellington, and instead will only be an additional burden on household incomes. For this policy change to be effective in reducing car usage, an increase in parking fees need to go hand in hand with better public transport access and reliability, otherwise serves only to earn Council more money from those without another transport option.
75. Public comments from elected members highlight a potential shift towards cost recovery and a more ‘user-pays’ system. Although viable, Youth Council would question how Council determines when full cost recovery, via a user-pays system, is the best method of payment and when general rates payments are the best payment method.
76. Many Council services are not full user-pays, but there is little publicly available justification over what services should be user-pays and which should be subsidies by ratepayers generally.

77. Youth Council would ask that Council make clear what services should be user-pays, and which should be ratepayer subsidised, with a justification for each decision.
78. On the specific proposal to increase parking charges, if they were to go ahead, Youth Council would ask that Council consider a staggered approach to rises in fees, instead of one large increase in one year.
79. Youth Council is also interested that Council is considering making changes to parking fees before it reviews its parking policy, which “sets the principles for parking management decisions into the future”. Charging parking fees prior to any change in parking management principles implies a predetermined outcome for parking management and means that significant changes to parking are proposed when there has been no shift in policy stance by Council.
80. Youth Council submits that any parking fee changes should be determined only after the review of the parking management policy review, to avoid both a predetermined outcome, and a need to change fees again to align with any new policy.

Sustainable growth

81. Youth Council recognises the importance of sustainable and planned growth for Wellington, in particular in relation to maintaining the compact nature and vibe of the city.
82. Youth Council emphasises the importance of risk management for climate change, and the importance of working towards a more sustainable city.
83. We want to ensure that the accessibility of sustainable transport options such as cycling and public transport are priorities for the Council in their upcoming development.
84. We also emphasise the importance of building sustainable, attractive, and adaptive spaces when new projects are in the picture.

85. The artsy, welcoming vibe of Wellington should be maintained, and projects with a focus of strengthening the bond of community should be prioritised.

Convention and Exhibition Centre

86. Youth Council welcomes the opportunity the Convention and Exhibition Centre brings to diversifying the city's economy. Some Youth Councillors expressed concern over the high cost, however, we hope that the economic benefits from the project outweigh the cost.
87. We recognise the potential this space has for young people to enjoy and make use of for events or simply as a 'hang-out' space. This is in particular in relation to the public spaces on the ground floor as stated in the Annual Plan draft.
88. In relation to the concern over carbon emissions from delegates attending events at the Centre, Youth Council recognises this concern and would like to emphasise the importance of having accessible public transport options from transport hubs such as the airport and train station to the convention centre to minimise the impact this will have.

Planning for Growth

89. Youth Council welcomed the opportunity to submit under Planning for Growth.
90. As noted in the submission made by Youth Council, the importance of maintaining the compact nature of the city whilst still retaining a diverse range of housing options was emphasised. To this end, Youth Council generally preferred Scenario 2 of suburban centres.
91. The importance of growth in the city centre was recognised, however, the high hazard risk of this area was a limiting factor in Youth Council's support of Scenario 1 where the focus of growth would predominantly be in the city centre.
92. Scenario 2 provided for growth within the city centre, which promotes the continuation of the compact nature of Wellington that Youth Council values, whilst also allowing for a more diverse range of new housing to cater to a wider range of people.

93. We recognise the lesser impact Scenario 2 has on inner suburb character areas such as in Newtown compared to Scenario 1.
94. Youth Council wants to ensure that sustainable transport in the future of Wellington is accessible and reliable and recognises the importance of the city being compact for the cost effectiveness of a comprehensive public transport network.
95. Youth Council recognises the possible impact of people moving to distant centres such as Kāpiti for larger back yards and more space. This is a supporting factor for the proposed low-density Greenfields suburb as transit from this area would have a lesser impact on the environment than transit from more distant centres such as Kāpiti to Wairarapa to the city centre.
96. The importance of commercial and residential mixing is emphasised by Youth Council, and Scenario 2 provides an opportunity for this to occur.
97. Ensuring that Council is looking into the future when further growth is expected is incredibly important to Youth Council, and therefore ensuring that all new developments are designed with this in mind is essential.

Frank Kitts Park

98. Youth Council recognises the importance of high quality and well-maintained public parks and green spaces as the city grows.
99. Youth Council supports the proposed upgrade to the playground in Frank Kitts Park
100. We support the development of a Chinese Garden in the space and believe that it would add additional rich cultural flavour to the area as well as providing in oasis from city life.

Business Improvement Districts (BIDs)

101. Youth Council supports the introduction of BIDs and believes that this is an innovative and encouraging step towards promoting cooperation and engagement between local businesses and local authorities.

Indoor Arena

102. Youth Council fully supports the proposal to build an indoor arena and recognises the huge potential this brings for Wellington in terms of venues for concerts and events. We recognise the importance of Wellington having an appropriate venue for large acts, especially with regard to Wellington being seen as the ‘culture capital’ of New Zealand.
103. We raise concern over the viability of the proposed site for the development due to natural hazards such as earthquakes, however, understand that the Council is looking into potential solutions for this.
104. Youth Council recognises the potential for this site as it is an area of the Waterfront that is not frequented by the public due to its ownership by CentrePort. Youth Council supports conversations between CentrePort and the Council on the viability for this site to be used for this purpose with regards to both stakeholders’ needs.
105. Youth Council recognises the potential for a concert and events venue in Wellington decreasing carbon emissions from concertgoers/attendees who typically travel to Auckland or other urban centres to attend events that are unable to be held in Wellington.

Newlands Community Park Development

106. Youth Council supports the proposed development to Newlands Community Park, especially as a space for young people and families to enjoy.

Making Wellington more accessible

107. Youth Council supports the proposal to make Wellington more accessible and looks forward to hearing about the recommendations made by the Accessibility Advisory Group.

North Kumutoto waterfront space

108. Youth Council supports the continuation of the development of the North Kumutoto waterfront space and would like to remark on the brilliant addition to the waterfront that is the previous Kumutoto development.

Arts and culture

109. Youth Council strongly supports the work programme for Council in the Arts and Culture Sector, noting the importance of Wellington retaining its reputation as the cultural capital.
110. Youth Council understands the need for renovations to our two main cultural centres, St James Theatre and the Town Hall, and supports the work being done to improve these significant buildings
111. However, it seems lacking that the Central Library has not been mentioned here as a centre of culture. Although very different to the two other buildings under renovation, the Central Library is of crucial significance particularly for those unable to access events at either the St James Theatre or the Town Hall.
112. Due to this we believe there should be a clear plan as to how to fill the gap that the loss of our Central Library has left the city. Alongside these short term plans we believe Wellington would profit from a deeper explanation of why the library is closed and what the likely timeline of this closure is.
113. We fully support Council's plans to strengthen free public events, believing these to be of most benefit to the widest group of Wellingtonians
114. However, the emphasis on the importance of these free events could be far more prevalent in Council plans, the current descriptions of this issue only

briefly comment on it as opposed to highlighting this is as a key issue within the arts and culture sector.

115. Youth Council wants to further highlight just how crucial these events are and encourages Council to consider these a higher priority than events such as World of Wearable Arts which although are important in sustaining Wellington's cultural image, don't benefit the majority of the Wellington community.
116. Council should attempt to ensure that renovations of the Basin Reserve's Museum Stand have a minimal impact on ability to hold events at this location. Considering two of our largest event venues are currently under restoration we need to ensure other venues are able to operate as smoothly as possible to make up for the shortage.

Advisory Group funding

117. Youth Council urges Council to consider allocating a total of \$40,000 in operating funding to Council's advisory groups to bolster their ability to engage with their communities, and to advance the professional development of members.
118. This funding would be split equally across the four advisory groups and would be controlled by Council officers to maintain oversight of spending. Advisory groups could make applications to Council officers where there is a good reason for funding to be used.
119. For Youth Council, around half of this funding would be broadly used for expanding our reach and engagement activity, which over the past year has assisted with Council engaging with a wider group of young people who are traditionally more difficult to connect with.
120. The other half would be for professional development opportunities and would sit alongside usual internal professional development activities. At current, Youth Councillors have incredible passion for making a difference to

Wellington, but no way to formally upskill themselves in how their actions could be more focused and create more impactful outcomes.

121. Experience through action is the only way currently that Youth Councillors can expand their skill sets, with voluntary assistance for similarly focused organisations. Funding from Council would allow Youth Council to investigate and engage with more professional development opportunities outside of Council.

Summary

122. On the whole, Youth Council supports the proposed 2019-2020 Annual Plan.
123. Youth Council highlights the need for realistic thinking in consideration of the funding of the Built Heritage Incentive and Resilience Fund and supports a 20% diversion in funding.
124. Youth Council supports the Take 10 initiative and believes that the gap left by the closure of the Central Library, as an indoor social and community hub, needs to be filled.
125. Youth Council is concerned by the process surrounding the proposed increase in parking fees.
126. Youth Council generally supports Scenario 2 in the Planning for Growth framework.
127. Youth Council believes that the targeted allocation of operational funding to Council's Advisory Groups can strengthen and improve the work that the Advisory Groups do.

Karori Community Hall Trust

Submission to Wellington City Council Annual Plan 2019



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Annual Plan 2019

The Council has stated on their consultation webpage that:

“This year we are reviewing what year two of that plan looks like and how we will be investing to make sure we can deliver this ambitious 10-Year Plan” (see <https://letstalk.wellington.govt.nz/annualplan>).

In the Council's 2019-20 Annual Plan Consultation document under the heading "Our work programme in year 2" (page 36) they have stated:

"The Council will work with the Karori Events Trust in the coming months on options to secure funding to progress the fit out, finalise future operations of the centre, and to consider options for a more coordinated hub of community facilities in Karori."

The Karori Community Hall Trust (the Trust) support the Council's aspiration in the 2019-20 Annual Plan to secure funding for the fit-out of the Karori Event Centre in Year 2 (between 1 July 2019 and 30 June 2020).

The Trust also wish to make an oral submission.

Request for funding: Let's get this Open!!

The Karori Community Hall Trust (the Trust) request that **\$800,000** be set aside in the 2019-20 Annual Plan for the Karori Event Centre "fit-out" to be completed, so that the Centre can open and be fully operational by year end.

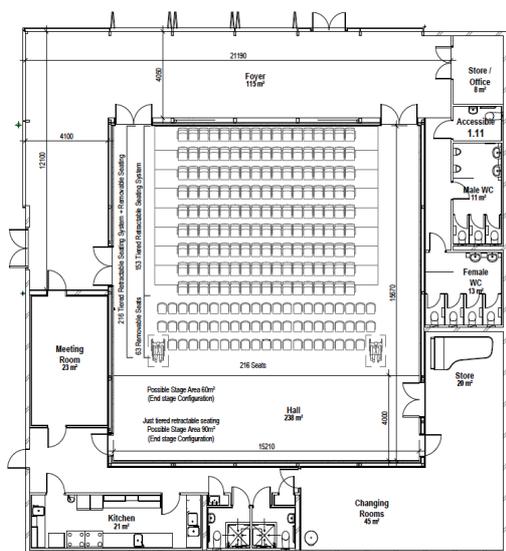
The Trust also requires a level of operational funding for an interim period, while the fit out is completed and a revenue stream is established. In the absence of any support, it is anticipated that the Trust will have to raise additional funds to cover interim operational costs.

At present, the building shell has been completed (December 2017) for a total cost of around \$2.4 million, and the Trust hold around \$260,000 (\$330,000 in cash, less \$70,000 building retention payments) towards a total fit-out cost of around \$1.1 million. While the building shell is not connected to power, the building is fully insured, secure, and water tight. A further \$800,000 is required to complete the fit-out and open the building for public use.

At present, the building cannot be used, until the building fit-out is completed. This means the Trust is unable to raise income from the facility to off-set operational costs. In the interim, the building is incurring ongoing maintenance and operational costs, totaling around \$30,000 per annum. The main operational cost is insurance (\$25,547).

See Schedule 1 for Annual Reports and March 2018-19 accounts.

What is being delivered



PERFORMANCE AREA NOTES
Seating 216 Seats (Timed retractable seating with removable seating) Performance Area 15.2m x 4.4m (60m²)
Seating 153 Seats (Timed retractable seating, no removable seating) Performance Area 15.2m x 4.2m (60m²)



The completed building will provide a multi-purpose event centre for Karori and the wider Wellington region, a 238 sqm sound proofed auditorium, 216 theatre seats (153 retractable seats and 63 removable seats), a sprung wooden floor, sound and lighting systems, a large cinema screen, a gallery foyer, toilets, changing rooms, kitchen facilities, storage rooms, and a meeting room.

The facility offers space for music and cultural events, exhibitions, theatre productions, festivals, practice sessions, meetings, fitness classes, fundraising events, wedding parties, and conferences.

Capital costs

The total building cost (including fit-out) is expected to be around \$3.5 million. The building shell was completed in December 2017 for a total cost of around \$2.4 million. The building fit-out is expected to cost around \$1.1 million.

This project is an extraordinary feat in cost management and delivery, and reflects both the good will of contractors (Freear Philips) in providing the Trust very competitive prices, but also sound project management (Shand Sheldon), by ensuring there have been no surprises.

Operational costs

For the 2018-19 financial year, operational costs were around \$30,000 per year. In the previous financial year, they were around \$29,000. When the facility is open, estimated operational costs are expected to be around \$80,000 per year.

Capital and operational expenditure forecasts are outlined in Schedule 3.

What funding has been raised

To date, the Trust has raised around \$2.8 million. This is made up of around: \$800,000 from the community, \$600,000 from local philanthropic organisations, \$500,000 from lotteries, and \$920,000 from Council (comprising a \$310,000 grant, and \$610,000 advance for the future sale of the St John's site).

In the 2018-19 year, the Trust raised \$68,397 in grants, \$15,354 in "final push" donations, and \$4,813 in interest. A total of \$88,564. To date, around \$25,000 in grants and donations has been received for the 2019-20 year (this includes the recent \$4,000 grant from Lions on 2 May 2019).

Local community

Karori is the largest suburb in the western area of Wellington. The usually resident population of Karori and the surrounding suburbs was 28,269 (2013 Census), which represents 14.8% of the Wellington City population.

Around \$800,000 has been received from individuals and businesses in Karori. These have been by way of general donations, sponsorship, and the sale of naming rights for seating. This accounts for 1/3rd of the funds required to complete the building shell and shows a very high level of support for this community facility.

Council funding

Around \$610,000 of Council funding was received by the Trust (in 2013), as an advance payment of the future net sale proceeds of the St John's site. This payment arises from an obligation to only use the St John's site (or its equivalent value) for community purposes. The sale has yet to happen. The Trust have had the St John's site valued at \$900,000 in 2014 (see letter from WCC to the Trust, dated 29 March 2016).

The council granted \$310,000 towards the cost of construction (in 2016).

Philanthropic grants

Around \$600,000 has been received from philanthropic organisations that include: Four Winds, Infinity Foundation, Nikau Foundation, Lion Foundation, and the Trust Community Foundation. Another \$500,000 has been received from Lotteries.

Tied funding

Around \$156,000 of the funds held by the Trust are for specific elements of the fit-out. For example, sponsored seating (around \$51,500), kitchen fit-out and other equipment (around \$46,500), Toilets and other equipment (around \$17,000 from Four Winds and \$30,000 from Lion Foundation), and Foyer (\$10,000 from Nikau). These funds will have to be returned to the respective donors if the fit-out is not completed.

Much of the grant application funding is also tied to completion dates. If work is not started or completed by a specified date (normally 3 to 6 months from receiving the grant), the grant funding has to be returned. In most cases, the Trust has sought an extension of time (although this is not always granted).

Securing the final \$800,000 in fit-out funding would also assist in obtaining further extensions of time, so that existing grants are not lost, and the fit-out can be completed by year end.

While some specific smaller fit-out work could be undertaken within the building to avoid the loss of some grant funds, this would also mean that the Trust risk incurring multiple site charges for each instance of work undertaken. Understandably, the Trust prefers to undertake all of the fit-out work in one single period to avoid incurring multiple site charges.

Tied Funds	
Seats	\$51,500.00
Four Winds (Toilets)	\$17,858.00
Pickle Jar (Kitchen)	\$46,500.00
Nikau (Corridor)	\$10,000.00
Lion Foundation (Toilets)	\$30,539.00
Total Committed Funds	\$156,397.00

How has funding been raised

The Trust had raised around \$2.8 million from grants, donations and sponsorship. The main funding stream has been grant applications. By 2017, it became apparent that donor fatigue had set in. The construction of the building shell had also caused some confusion with the general public.

Due to resource constraints and donor fatigue, the Trust undertook to recruit four new trustees in 2018. It also refocused its marketing strategy on high value donors and grant applications. To rejuvenate donor and media interest a

new “topical” use was also promoted – “eSport”.

The Trust also sought to correct any mis-understanding the general public might have held from the building shell being completed, with a new “Let's Get it Open” campaign.

To engage donors and sponsors, two new brochures were created. One for high value donors and grant applications, and one for eSport sponsors. Both brochures are attached to this submission. The Trust also sought to relaunch a [crowd funding campaign](#), under a new “eSport” banner (see <https://givealittle.co.nz/cause/esport-in-the-community>).

A separate funding stream of \$400,000 is required to enable eSport to be offered at the Event Centre. A separate brochure was developed to promote this funding stream. This funding request does not seek funding for eSport. However, the fit-out will ensure that appropriate cabling, power points, and server space, are provided to enable eSport in the future.

In previous financial years, the Trust has spent around \$6,500 on marketing (\$6,448 in 2017-18, and \$6,765 in 2016-17). The main costs were printed materials (brochures, poster boards, and donation forms) and website maintenance (\$2,457). The [website](#) is hosted on SquareSpace and the underlying database provided by Wild Apricot (www.wildapricot.com) that utilises an automated payment system for online donations.

In 2018-19, the Trust spent \$2,534 on printed materials (Poster and Flyers \$446, plus Brochure \$2,088). Moving forward, the Trust are developing bequest donations as an ongoing source of donation revenue.

Grant applications and donor activity has been outlined in Schedule 2.

Why council should provide funding

There are six principal reasons to support granting \$800,000 to the Trust, so the Karori Event Centre can be open:

- Community support,
- Fit with council objectives,
- Net cost to council,
- Lack of adequate hall resources in Karori,
- Funding stream exhaustion, and
- Trust solvency.

Community support

There is broad support for the Event Centre, both within Karori and the wider Wellington region. This is evidenced from:

- membership numbers for Karori Event Centre [facebook page](#) is 511 followers (a 13% increase since 2018) and a further 496 likes (including the Karori Residents Association),
- membership numbers for friends of Karori Event Centre email group is 921 (a 15% increase in numbers since 2018).
- a number of recent submissions from the public on the Karori improvement project, calling for council to get the Karori Event Centre open,
- online petitions calling for council to get the Karori Event Centre open,
- letters of support from individuals, schools, local organisations, local associations, and local businesses, both within Karori and the wider Wellington region, and
- statements of support from local MP's (ie Grant Robertson).

To date, the Trust have received many "*Letters of Support*" from the local and wider Wellington community. These include: Karori Community Centre, Karori Youth Centre, New Zealand Symphony Orchestra, Chamber Music New Zealand, Music Up Close, New Zealand Fringe Festival, Festival of the Arts, New Zealand School of Dance, Kelburn Scottish Country Dance Club, Musical Stars Performance Trust, Karori Normal School, Karori West Normal School, and Karori Lions Club. Letters of support are enclosed in Schedule 5.

A public petition (launched in April 2019), asking for Council to support the Karori Event Centre fit-out completion, also has around 270 supporters (see www.change.org/p/lee-wilson-the-karori-event-centre-needs-your-vital-help-to-open).

General public support is also evident in an earlier council commissioned report discussed below (O'Regan and Lynch, 2006), which observed that there was "support amongst suppliers and users of hall space in Karori for a replacement hall".

Given the Community Hall and St John's have both been demolished since this report was written, it highly likely that support has grown in strength for the Karori Event Centre to be opened. This is certainly evident from more recent submissions on the Karori Town Centre: Public Space Improvement Project (see <https://wellington.govt.nz/have-your-say/public-inputs/feedback/closed/karori-town-centre-public-space-improvement-project>), where many submissions asked for the council to complete the Karori Event Centre.

Fit with Council objectives

The Karori Event Centre delivers on the four shifts identified in the 2017 Karori Plan. The 2017 Karori Plan outlined four “shifts”, to take Karori from where it is now, to where it should be. These are:

- (1) Having Green to Living Green: reflecting the desire to move towards more sustainable ways of living;
- (2) Outpost to Magnet: reflecting the desire to become an attractive centre of activity rather than an ‘outpost’ of Wellington;
- (3) Dormitory to Daytime Economy: reflecting the desire to have sustained economic activity in the town centre. This would encourage people to stay, work and shop in Karori; and
- (4) Split to Connected: reflecting both the desire to address the physical disconnection caused by Karori Road and the social disconnection in Karori.

The “Green to Living Green” shift has a “sustainable living” focus. The Karori Event Centre is not only designed to operate in a sustainable way (ie heat and noise insulation, and power efficiency), but by providing a local multi-purpose facility, Karori residents will have less need to travel outside of Karori. This has significant benefits in terms of reduced transport pressures and related environmental benefits for Karori residents. Living and playing locally absolutely fits with the “Green to Living Green” shift.

The “Outpost to Magnet” shift, has an “activity” focus. The Karori Event Centre will provide a facility for community events, that currently have no suitable local venue – this will be an affordable facility for Karori people to engage with each other and provide opportunities for them to connect, share resources, knowledge, skills and interests and develop resilience. The Karori Event Centre will appeal to activities that might have only happened in the central city. For example, the Karori Event Centre can provide for chamber music, quartets, small orchestral groups, bands and dance groups, theatre performances, fairs and exhibitions.

The Centre's multi-purpose nature will allow a wide array of activities to occur. We will be able to hold an annual signature event, art shows, film evenings, cultural and artistic performances, drama and dance classes, and a place for our youth to practice and play music. It could also be the first eSport venue in the wider Wellington region. Extension of the Centre into Wellington's first eSport venue could attract participants and viewers from outside the suburb and region.

The “Dormitory to Daytime Economy” shift has an “economic” focus. The Karori Event Centre will become a destination for people and provide opportunities for

local business to benefit from a sustained increase in people participating or attending the Event Centre at times when other facilities may not be open or used or are at capacity. The Centre will also provide a programme of events not currently provided by the other community facilities, which should see an overall lift in foot traffic for local businesses.

The "Split to Connected" has a "social" connection focus. The Karori Event Centre will become a destination of diversity – both in terms of use, activities and culture. It will become a focal point that allows our community, and beyond, to join with others, develop and maintain relationships, allow for interaction and networking opportunities and provide occasions for learning, entertainment and connection. Being located next to several pre-existing community facilities will not only strengthen the resilience of those other community facilities, but also the Event Centre.

The people of Karori also identified 3 strategies to make the shift for Karori happen. These are: (1) creating a vibrant Karori; (2) making Karori a destination; and (3) enabling enterprise. Karori Event Centre delivers on all three strategies (see *A Vision for the Future*, page 15 at <<https://wellington.govt.nz/~media/your-council/projects/files/karori-project/karori---a-vision-for-the-future.pdf?la=en>>).

The *Vision for the Future* report also observed that the strategy would be delivered by 6 "enablers", including three relevant enablers: (1) Foundational infrastructure (a well-designed town centre; a future-focused transport strategy; and robust water infrastructure); (2) Social resilience (a strong and connected community that will perform day to day, as well as in a major event; knowing your neighbours; and Karori local food economy); (3) Designing Karori (a unifying visual identity - the Karori experience; recruiting brand ambassadors; harnessing our Māori and European heritage; and traditional visual communications (eg wayfinding, street signs, flags and trees on main street)).

The Karori Event Centre is located in the town centre and is part of, and surrounded by, the town centre's open space. It is intrinsically part of the wider community space surrounding public assets (ie Community Centre, Recreation Centre, and Library). The Karori Event Centre, once opened will provide the foundational infrastructure, Karori desperately needs.

The Karori Event Centre will make Karori a vibrant destination – "that Karori experience". It delivers on everything the community has asked for. The Karori Event Centre will enable a programme of vibrant events and gatherings that celebrate the diverse population of Karori and Wellington.

The community have said that they want vibrant places to meet and a Karori

culture for young people. The Karori Event Centre would deliver these outcomes and would become the destination and focal point of any future town centre. A number of organisations that have provided letters of support are involved in youth focused activities. This shows that the Event Centre reinforces the council's aim of providing a culture for young people in Karori.

Common sense suggests that if Karori is to be a vibrant community and work towards delivering the four shifts, the Event Centre needs to be operational. It cannot be operational if it is not open.

In our opinion, the Event Centre addresses a fundamental issue for the Karori town centre – establishing a proper civic centre space. An Event Centre is a cornerstone of any sustainable civic centre space and is at the heart of delivering many aspects of the four shifts.

Net cost to Council

Council has only granted the Trust \$310,000 towards this project. The other funds provided to the Trust have come from the future disposal of community assets (\$610,000). This sum is effectively a shift of community assets (ie, disposal and reinvestment), rather than any new funding of much needed community assets.

The Trust also notes that the St John's site is likely to be a higher value now, than when first valued in 2014 (at \$900,000). The addition of time (an extra 5 years), and the acquisition of an adjoining property, in order to make the overall parcel of land larger and more appealing for development, is likely to further increase the value of the St John's site well above \$900,000 (perhaps making it worth a conservative \$1.1 million).

If the St John's site is now worth around \$1.1 million, its likely the \$800,000 we are now seeking, will be made up of a final installment of the net sale price of the St John's site (ie, a \$500,000 remainder), and the top up of a new grant (ie, around \$300,000, depending on the final sale price of the St John's site).

Lack of adequate hall resources in Karori

Karori is one of Wellington's largest suburbs, with a population of around 15,000 people. Over half of Karori households are made up of family homes – higher than the average for the Wellington region. A new retirement village (Ryman's) is likely to substantially increase this population and put pressure on existing community facilities.

The Karori Event Centre will complement the existing facilities and provide Karori a community hall that is in much demand for this growing population.

In 2006, a "needs assessment" report was completed by O'Regan and Lynch for the council. The report concluded that:

"If the Community Hall (1912 wooden floored) and St John's Hall are lost to the community, there will be a shortage of wooden floor hall space. This may be mitigated by community groups assisting more affordable homes space at Victoria University Campus".

Both the Community Hall and St John's have since been demolished. And it is noted, that the subsequent disposal of the Campus to Ryman's has meant that this option is not currently available, and is unlikely to be in the near future.

The report also noted that:

"This review did find support amongst suppliers and users of hall space in Karori for a replacement hall. Karori is Wellington's largest suburb and has a higher proportion of families than the city as a whole."

In 2016, the Council undertook a stock-take and needs assessment of Karori Recreation and Sports facilities (see Cockburn et al "*Karori Recreation and Sport Needs Assessment*" October 2016). The report concluded that:

Victoria University's Karori campus facilities are a critical part of the sport and recreation network. Any change to the availability of these facilities to the western suburbs community will have an impact on both current facility users and other groups in the community.

While there are some options available to increase the supply of facilities in the community, ongoing access to the existing facilities is desirable, and will allow for ongoing growth in population and demand.

The current configuration of the recreation and sport facilities at Victoria Karori Campus would enable a section of the site to be available for recreation and sport. *Access to the dance studio would be problematic because it is integrated into other more substantive buildings.* (emphasis added)

The Report also observed that:

"Small hall/studios

There is increasing demand for the use of halls for fitness groups, dance and martial arts groups.

Karori has experienced a decrease in supply following some facilities

closing due to earthquake risk The loss of the dance studio will be significant for the current user as there is no spare capacity within Karori. However as dance academies are commercial operations in a highly competitive environment, provision of an alternate facility needs careful consideration by the Council.

There have been no new halls built in Karori, other than the Karori Event Centre. And in the long term, Ryman's (the current owner of the Karori campus) is unlikely to provide a publicly accessible hall facility, that is either affordable for many community groups, or that gives priority to public needs.

Funding stream exhaustion

The Trust has been very active in sourcing funding. However, the strike rate from successful grant applications or sponsorship\donor approaches has been steadily reducing over recent years – as has been the amounts donated.

Grant Activity Summary

The Trust has made around 30 grant applications since it was formed, and has raised around \$2.9 million over that time. Of these applications, 11 applications have been declined.

In the last two years, donations have been much harder to obtain. In 2019, the Trust raised around \$48,000 from grant applications. And in 2018, the Trust only received around \$20,000 from grant applications.

Donor Activity Summary

In 2018, the Trust approached around 40 high value donors. Another 24 donors have yet to be approached. Generally, decision making is slow, with around 16 donors declining to be involved. To date, these approaches have raised around \$85,000 (ie from Pickle Jar and Nikau)in direct sponsorship.

The Trust has been moderately successful in obtaining naming rights, with the Pickle Jar (a local business) sponsoring the Kitchen. Naming rights to the building, auditorium, foyer, and meeting room remain available.

Seating sponsorship has raised \$51,500 (ie 103 seats of the 153 retractable seats available).

eSport Activity Summary

The Trust has approached 21 corporate organisations to help fund eSport. Generally, companies are fast in declining sponsorship (seven have declined).

Otherwise the lead time for decision making is long, with some organisations not responding to initial enquiries. MyRepublic considered a \$20,000 sponsorship arrangement, but subsequently withdraw. Approaches to Datacom are being developed. Microsoft and Weta are currently considering their involvement. Remaining organisations are being followed up.

Trust solvency

Until the Karori Event Centre is open, the Trust is unable to generate any sustainable income. In recent years (since the building shell was completed), the Trust has been drawing down on general donations and bank interest revenue to maintain the building shell, while it seeks further donations to complete the fit-out. Unfortunately, not all donations (or grants) can be used for operational costs.

At present, the Trust has around \$104,000 at its general disposal (ie \$260,000 cash less \$156,000 committed funds). This provides sufficient resources for the Trust to continue for another 2 to 3 years (subject to operational costs remaining at around \$30,000 per year), before uncommitted donations and bank interest are consumed and the Trust becomes insolvent. Insurance cost increases may accelerate insolvency.

Historical background

The Karori Community Centre was formed from two entities: the Wellington West Methodist Church (St John's), and the Wellington City Council (the Council).

In the 1960's, Church leaders were "becoming increasingly aware of the of the need for more community services, especially for youth and elderly people who were not church members". During the 1970's the "Lighthouse Drop-in Centre" was formed by the Church. "The 1974 Local Bodies Act stipulated that territorial local bodies should undertake, encourage and coordinate activities for the residents of the community" (See Margaret A Harper in "History of the Karori Community Centre 1987-2013" (2013)).

In 1986, the Lighthouse Centre became an incorporated society, and an agreement was signed between St John's Church to provide space, and the Council to provide a grant to employ a Coordinator. A trust was then formed to govern the Karori Community Centre.

In 1999, the Council purchased the St John's Church site and buildings from the Methodist Church for \$500,000. The buildings comprised the St John's Church and an attached old wooden floored Hall. The purchase price was below

market value and the Methodist Church indicated at the time that the difference was a gift to the Council on the basis the land would continue to be used for a community purpose.

Part of the St John's Church (the old wooden floored Hall) was intended to become part of the Community Centre facilities as a Community Hall. It was intended the old Hall would be moved beside the Community Centre (the current location of the Karori Event Centre), but the cost to shift and sound proof the old Hall was prohibitive and it was subsequently demolished (in August 2007).

In 2006, after the St John's Hall was used as a temporary Library, Council decided not to upgrade the hall and permitted the Karori Community Centre to use of the hall on an annual basis.

In July 2007, the Karori Community Hall Trust (the Trust) was established (Deed dated 16 July 2007) and registered with the Charities Commission. The Trust purpose is to develop, design, build, equip and manage a multi-purpose community hall on land provided by Council adjacent to the Community Centre as part of a Community Centre hub.

In August 2007, the old wooden Hall was demolished.

In April 2008, concept plans for a new Community Hall (subsequently becoming the Karori Event Centre) were completed.

In December 2009, resource consent for the new Community Hall (subsequently becoming the Karori Event Centre) was granted.

In February 2011, the Community Hall project and fundraising campaign was launched at Zealandia by Mayor Celia Wade-Brown.

In June 2013, the Council agreed to allocate \$260,000, which was the equivalent cost of moving the Community Hall (originally \$188,000), in the 2014-15 draft annual plan - provided an additional \$1 million of funds could be raised from non-council sources.

In April 2014, the Council recognised that the \$260,000 would not be spent in the 2014-15 year, and the funds were carried forward into the 2015-25 long term plan. The council also acknowledged that should the St John's site be sold, that the proceeds would be allocated to the new Community Hall project (subsequently becoming the Karori Event Centre).

In December 2014, the Trust completed the \$1 million (non-council funds) target.

In March 2016, the Council wrote to the Trust confirming that the proceeds from the St John's sale would be allocated to Trust.

In 2017, the Council and the Karori community came together to develop a vision for Karori - outlined in a Report entitled "Karori – A Vision for the Future" (<https://wellington.govt.nz/~media/your-council/projects/files/karori-project/karori---a-vision-for-the-future.pdf?la=en>).

In May 2017, the Trust received an updated allocation of \$310,000 from WCC (originally \$260,000).

In July 2017, the Council advanced the Trust \$600,000 from the future sale of the St John's land.

In October 2016, the building contract was awarded to Freear Philips.

In 2017, the Council decided the St John's Church would not be upgraded and it was demolished (due to earthquake risk).

In January 2018, the Karori Event Centre base build was completed and the building site cleared, pending start of fit out work.

In 2018, the Council undertook consultation on the "Karori Town Centre: Public Space Improvement Project". While, the Karori Event Centre was not presented as one of the Options, a number of submissions from the Karori public asked that the Karori Event Centre be urgently completed with Council funding.

Trust people

The Trust comprises a number of highly skilled and experienced people.

Patrons

Allan Ross (Andy) Marshall is a solicitor in private practice for over 40 years and a partner in the law firm Gault Mitchel Law. He has a long family history of supporting charities and the Karori community. Andy is a past parent representative on Karori Normal School Board and has been a coach of the Karori Junior Cricket Club. He currently is a member of the Karori Cricket Foundation and Board member of Wellington Boys and Girls Institute. Andy is a past member of Wellington College Board of Trustees and Red Cross Foundation.

Hugh Templeton QSO AO is a former New Zealand diplomat, politician and Member of Parliament. He is also an Oxford University Rhodes Scholar. Hugh

was appointed as an Honorary Officer of the Order of Australia for service to Australia-New Zealand economic relations.

Avenal McKinnon MNZM is a director of the New Zealand Portrait Gallery for over 14 years. She received the Insignia of a Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit for services to the arts in 2015.

Tim Duncan was born and raised in Wellington and is married with three children. Tim is the Branch Manager of Hoverd and Co Ltd, and a former partner of the Harcourts Team Wellington Ltd.

Trustees

Tony Roddan (Chair) is a management advisor at Fire and Emergency New Zealand and holds a Masters in Business Administration (MBA). He has also owned private fitness centres and was involved in the design, construction and management of a large events centre and swimming pool complex in Taupo. Tony has held governance roles for the not-for-profit sector including: Surf Life Saving New Zealand, Swim Wellington, Peter Snell Foundation, and Special Olympics New Zealand.

Mark Greening (Deputy Chair) is a director of Nelson Airport and holds a Masters of Law (LLM). He is a former publishing manager for Thomson Reuters and adjudicator and senior solicitor for the Office of the Chief Tax Counsel at Inland Revenue. Mark provides consulting services for the public and private sectors, including a governance role on a Unitary Council.

Sharmini Sivanantham is senior consultant for Maven Consulting. She has extensive experienced in public and private sector consulting. Sharmini has been a Karori resident for over thirty years and has previously been involved in several volunteer fundraising activities, including Samuel Marsden Collegiate School and Karori Lions Club.

Lee Wilson is the strategy and performance reporting manager for Fire and Emergency New Zealand. He has held a variety of roles in the private and public sector. Lee has been involved in a number of volunteer activities including Habitat for Humanity home build in the Fiji Islands and in Health Camp and Secondary Schools Hostels.

Wallace Simmers QSM has been supporting the Karori community for more than 30 years. He worked closely on the Heart of Kaori project which began in 1996 and has been very active in supporting the operation of the Karori Community Centre. Wallace was instrumental in establishing the annual Karori Youth Awards. He has served as the Chair of the Karori Community Hall Trust from 2007 until recently.

Lorna Ingram is the Operations Manager at Dress for Success Wellington. She has considerable experience in the not-for-profit sector, having held a number of roles in volunteer, management and governance positions. Lorna has lived in Karori with her family for 10 years, and is an active volunteer in the community.

Graeme Titcombe ONZM (treasurer) is CEO of the Home & Community Health Association and a member of the Chartered Accountants of NZ and Australia. He previously held positions as CEO of Access Community Health, CEO of Harding Electronics Limited and Group General Manger of the NEECO Group. Graeme is the current chair of the Karori Community Bus service and a past president of Rotary Karori. He was awarded an ONZM in 2018.

Matthew Beattie is the founder/owner of Wellington-based corporate psychology businesses, Instep and BSSNZ. He is also chair of the National Army Museum, president of the Wellington College Old Boys Association, and vice president of the Wellington Returned and Services Association.

Bryan Shepherd is a director at First NZ Capital in Wellington – a locally owned share broking and investment banking firm. He holds a BBS in Valuation and a BA from Massey University. Bryan has been active in serving on local sporting clubs in coaching and committee roles, including: Karori Cricket, Waterside-Karori Football, and the Karori swimming club. Bryan has also been a board member of the Wellington College Football Club for 4 years.

Heather Baldwin has been involved with a wide variety of community groups for the last 25 years in both operational and governance roles. These include being chair and trustee, as well as advisor on working groups. Heather offers a valuable perspective on community issues supported by wide networks.

Advisors

Roger Shand (FNZIA, B.Arch) of Shand Shelton, is the Trusts architect. Roger has significant experience in the development of a wide range of building facilities particularly in the public domain.

Phil Conroy (ANZIQS) of Shand Shelton, provides project management. Phil is a registered quantity surveyor and provides over 29 years of project and construction management experience.

Julie Crengle, principal of Crengle Shreves & Ratner, is the Trust's lawyer (and former Trust co-chair). Julie specialises in corporate, commercial and securities law. Julie is actively involved in business structuring and commercial contract negotiations.

SCHEDULES

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March 2018-19 Profit & Loss

Karori Community Hall Trust Inc For the month ended 31 March 2019

	Mar-19	YTD
Income		
Donations	-	3,000
Final Push Appeal	-	12,354
Grants	30,539	68,397
Interest Income	399	4,813
Total Income	30,938	88,564
Less Cost of Sales		
Golf Day Expenses	-	1,600
Total Cost of Sales	-	1,600
Gross Profit	30,938	86,964
Plus Other Income		
Golf Day Income	-	2,750
Total Other Income	-	2,750
Less Operating Expenses		
Advertising	-	349
Bank Fees	65	413
Brochure & Strategic Development	-	135
Computer costs	45	2,457
General Expenses	-	36
Insurance	-	25,547
Merchant Fees	-	542
Office Expenses	-	205
Total Operating Expenses	110	29,685
Net Profit	30,827	60,030

March 2018-19 Balance Sheet

Balance Sheet

Karori Community Hall Trust Inc As at 31 March 2019

31 Mar 2019

Assets

Bank	
ANZ 00 account	82,269
ANZ 01 Account	3,422
ANZ 02 Account	234,698
ANZ 03 Account	362
Total Bank	320,752
Current Assets	
Accounts Receivable	2,088
Withholding tax paid	221
Total Current Assets	2,310
Fixed Assets	
Construction Costs	2,281,285
Property & Equipment	4,908
Less Accumulated Depreciation on Property & Equipment	(4,753)
Total Fixed Assets	2,281,440
Total Assets	2,604,502

Liabilities

Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	-
GST	288
Total Current Liabilities	288
Total Liabilities	288
Net Assets	2,604,214

Equity

Current Year Earnings	60,030
Historical Adjustment	27,513
Retained Earnings	2,516,671
Total Equity	2,604,214

The following financial reports are attached to this submission:

- 2017-18 Annual Report
- 2016-17 Annual Report
- 2015-16 Annual Report
- 2014-15 Annual Report

Schedule 2: Fund Raising

Grant Applications

Year	Grants Applied For	Status	Amount
2019	Four Winds Foundation	Approved	\$17,858.00
2019	Pelorus Trust	Declined	(\$16,296.00)
2019	Infinity Foundation	Declined	(\$16,296.00)
2019	Infinity Foundation	Declined	(\$30,539.00)
2019	Lion Foundation	Approved	\$30,539.00
2019	Lottery Community	Declined	(\$115,955.00)
2018	Wellington Community Trust	Declined	(\$46,835.00)
2018	Pub Charity	Declined	(\$17,858.00)
2018	Lotteries Grants Board	Approved	\$10,000.00
2018	Nikau Foundation	Approved	\$10,000.00
2017	Lotteries Grants Board	Approved	\$490,000.00
2017	Lion Foundation	Approved	\$200,000.00
2017	Four Winds Foundation	Approved	\$20,847.00
2017	WCC (St John's advance)	Approved	\$610,000.00
2017	WCC (Grant)	Approved	\$310,000.00
2017	NZ Community Trust	Declined	(\$53,750.00)
2017	Transpower	Declined	(\$72,721.00)
2017	Wellington Community Trust	Declined	(\$30,000.00)
2016	Nikau Foundation	Approved	\$5,000.00
2016	Four Winds Foundation	Approved	\$10,435.00
2016	Wellington Community Trust	Declined	(\$150,000.00)
2015	Infinity Foundation	Approved	\$3,000.00
2015	Pelorus Trust	Declined	(\$25,000.00)
2014	Four Winds Foundation	Approved	\$21,600.00
2014	Infinity Foundation	Approved	\$20,000.00
2014	Lion Foundation	Approved	\$250,000.00
2013	Pickle Jar	Sponsorship	\$75,000.00
2012	Trust Community Foundation	Approved	\$18,000.00
2012	Trust Community Foundation	Approved	\$27,513.00

High Value Donors

Year	Donor approached	Status
2018	Air New Zealand	Declined
2019	AJ Park	TBA
2019	ANZ Bank	TBA
2019	ASB Bank	TBA
2018	BDO	Declined
2018	Bell Gully	Declined
2018	BNZ	Declined
2019	Brandons	TBA
2018	Buddle Findlay	Pending
2019	Capital Construction	TBA
2018	Chapman Tripp	Declined
2019	Chen & Palmer	TBA
2018	Contact Energy	Declined
2018	Crowe Horwath	Declined
2019	Cullen Employment Law	TBA
2018	DA Piper	Pending
2018	Deloitte	Declined
2019	Duncan Cotterill	TBA
2018	Ernst Young	Pending
2018	FNZC	Pending
2018	Gamos Services Ltd (MO)	Pending
2018	Gault Mitchell	Seat (\$500)
2019	Gazely Motors	TBA
2019	Genesis Energy	TBA
2019	Gibson Sheat	TBA
2018	Grant Thornton	Declined
2019	Heartland bank	TBA
2019	Izard Weston	TBA
2019	Johnston Lawrence	TBA
2018	Kensington Swan	Seat (\$500)
2018	Kiwi Bank	Declined
2018	KPMG	Pending
2018	Mark's Folly Ltd (MD)	Pending
2019	Mercury Energy	TBA
2018	Meridian Energy	Declined

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2019	Miller Dean	TBA
2018	Minter Ellison	Pending
2018	Morrison Kent	Declined
2018	Morrison Low	Declined
2018	Nikau Foundation	\$10,000.00
2018	Precinct Properties	Pending
2018	PWC	Pending
2019	Rabo Bank	TBA
2019	Rainey Collins	TBA
2018	Russell McVeagh	Pending
2018	Russell Law	Pending
2019	Sharp Legal	Pending
2019	Simpson Grierson	TBA
2018	Staples Rodway	Declined
2018	Stout Street Chambers	Pending
2018	Strada (2018) Ltd	Pending
2019	Summerset Group	TBA
2018	Todd Corporation	see Nikau Foundation
2019	Treadwell's	TBA
2019	Trust Power	TBA
2019	TrustPower	TBA
2018	Vodafone	Declined
2018	Wellington Company (IC)	Pending
2018	Westpac bank	TBA
2018	Willeston Holdings	See Nikau Foundation
2018	Xero	Declined
2018	Z Energy	Pending

eSport Sponsorship

Year	Sponsors approached	Status
2018	Red Bull	Pending
2018	Spark	Pending
2018	Voafone	Declined
2018	2Degrees	Pending
2018	Alcatel	Pending
2018	Bigpond	Pending
2018	Voyager	Pending

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2018	Orcon	Declined
2018	My Republic	Declined
2018	Slingshot	Declined
2018	JB HiFi	Declined
2018	EB Games	Declined
2018	PB Tech	Pending
2018	Noel Leeming	Pending
2018	Harvey Norman	Pending
2018	Huawei	Pending
2018	Microsoft	Pending
2018	Datacom	Pending
2018	Revera	Declined
2018	Weta gameshop	Pending
2018	Sky TV	Pending

Seating Sponsorship

Year	Number of seats	Funds received
2019	5	\$2,500.00
2018	23	\$11,500.00
2017	18	\$9,000.00
2016	0	0
2015	0	0
2014	0	0
2013	57	\$28,500.00
Total	103	\$51,500.00

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Funds Raised to Date: Overview

As at 31 March 2019

Funds raised from local community			\$804,251.00
Grants from local philanthropic organisations			
2012 Trust Community Foundation	\$18,000.00	\$18,000.00	
2014 Four Winds	\$2,000.00		
2014 Four Winds	\$19,600.00		
2016 Four Winds	\$10,435.00		
2017 Four Winds	\$20,847.00		
2019 Four Winds	\$17,858.00	\$70,740.00	
2014 Infinity Foundation	\$20,000.00		
2015 Infinity Foundation	\$3,000.00	\$23,000.00	
2016 Nikau Foundation	\$5,000.00		
2018 Nikau Foundation	\$10,000.00	\$15,000.00	
2014 Lion Foundation	\$250,000.00		
2017 Lion Foundation	\$200,000.00		
2019 Lion Foundation	\$30,539.00	\$480,539.00	
2012 Trust Community Foundation	\$27,513.00	\$27,513.00	\$634,792.00
Grant from Lotteries Grants Board			
2017 Lotteries	\$250,000.00		
2017 Lotteries	\$240,000.00		
2018 Lotteries	\$10,000.00		\$500,000.00
Grants from Wellington City Council			
2017 WCC	\$310,000.00		
2017 WCC	\$610,000.00		\$920,000.00
Total Funds Raised			\$2,859,043.00

Schedule 3: Capital and Operational Expenditure

Capital Expenditure

Construction Shell Costs

Total Construction Costs **\$2,351,285.00**

Estimated Fit-out Costs

Furniture, Retractable Seating & Equipment	\$188,300.00	
Signage	\$13,500.00	
Presentation Equipment & Infrastructure	\$198,000.00	
Security System	\$8,000.00	
Auditorium Linings and Insulation	\$36,387.00	
Toilets	\$34,439.00	
Suspended Ceilings	\$39,776.00	
Kitchen Fit Out	\$35,673.00	
Auditorium Timber Floors & Removable Carpet	\$61,750.00	
Meeting Room Fit Out	\$13,624.00	
Mechanical & Electrical	\$80,304.00	
Polish Foyer Slab	\$11,700.00	
Auditorium Walls & Acoustic Treatment	\$25,000.00	
Other Fit Out & Base Build Work	\$144,065.00	
Professional Fees	\$70,000.00	
Building Consents	\$7,500.00	
Contingency *	\$132,000.00	
Total Fit-out Costs		\$1,100,018.00

Total Capital Costs **\$3,451,303.00**

* A contingency of around 14% is used as a prudent measure.

Operational Expenditure

OPERATIONAL COSTS		
Expenditure item	2018-19*	Estimated
Insurance	\$25,547.00	\$26,000.00
Mechanical services (plant)	----	\$2,310.00
Fire protection systems	----	\$4,200.00
Plumbing services	----	\$1,245
Electrical services	----	\$1,950
IQP/Compliance costs	----	\$1,500.00
Security systems	----	\$2,560.00
Electricity	----	\$14,400.00
Cleaning	----	\$5,200.00

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Repairs & maintenance	----	\$5,000.00
Office expenses\consumables	\$205.00	\$1,200.00
Consent compliance noise	----	\$2,500.00
Ground upkeep	----	\$1,440.00
Management\admin fees	----	\$6,000.00
Bank fees	\$413.00	\$500.00
Merchant fees	\$542.00	\$600.00
Advertising\Marketing	\$349.00	\$3,000.00
Computers\Website	\$2,457.00	\$2,500.00
General expenses **	\$171.00	\$200.00
TOTAL OPERATING COSTS	\$29,685.00	\$82,125.00

*Based on Profit and Loss Statement for the month ended 31 March 2019.

**For 2018-19, "General expenses", includes strategic development costs (of \$135).

Schedule 4: Letter from WCC to the Trust, dated 29 March 2016

29 March 2016

Julie Crengle
Co-Chair, Karori Community Hall Trust
PO Box 17403
Karori

Absolutely Positively
Wellington City Council
Me Heke Ki Pāneke

*Received 1/11/16
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Julie, Philomena & Aislinn
BHK 1/11*

Dear Julie

I refer to our meeting of 14 March 2016 and to the undertaking given at that meeting to provide a letter of comfort to the Karori Community Hall Trust (Trust) to support your application to the New Zealand Lotteries Grants Board for an extension of time on your Lotteries grant.

On behalf of Wellington City Council, I confirm:

1. That Council will provide the sum of \$310,000 by way of grant to the Karori Community Hall Trust [subject to the funding being required by the Trust to meet its contractual obligations, at such time on or before 31 December 2016 as is agreed with the Trust] to be applied towards the costs of construction of the building known as the Karori Event Centre; and
2. That Council will provide by way of grant to the Trust the actual net sale proceeds from the sale of the St Johns' site [less any advance under 3. below] forthwith after receipt of the proceeds by Council subject to the funding being required by the Trust to meet its contractual obligations and to be applied towards the costs of construction of the Karori Event Centre.
3. That if the St Johns' site has not been sold by the Council prior to the funds from the net sale proceeds [or a portion thereof] being required by the Trust to meet its contractual obligations in relation to the construction of the Karori Event Centre, the Council will advance by way of grant [up to the estimated value of the net sale proceeds] to the Trust funds required to meet its contractual obligations in relation to the construction of the Karori Event Centre with the amount advanced being deducted from the actual net sale proceeds. It is noted the Trust had the St Johns' site valued at \$900,000 in 2014.

Yours sincerely



Greg Orchard
Chief Operating Officer
Wellington City Council

Schedule 5: Letters of Support

The following groups have provided letters of support:

- Karori Community Centre
- Karori West Normal School
- Lions Club of Karori
- Karori Normal School
- Doubtful Sounds Choir
- New Zealand School of Dance
- Kelburn Scottish Country Dance Club
- New Zealand Fringe Festival
- Musical Stars Performance Trust
- New Zealand Symphony Orchestra
- Andrew London (Entertainer, www.andrewlondon.co.nz)
- Chamber Music New Zealand, Music Up Close
- Festival of the Arts
- Supertonic Choir
- Karori Youth Centre
- General Public Support via <https://www.change.org/p/lee-wilson-the-karori-event-centre-needs-your-vital-help-to-open>.

Letters of support are enclosed in this submission.

Karori Community Centre

20 April 2019

Karori Community Hall Trust
PO Box 17 403
Karori Wellington



By email to: kcht.secretary@gmail.com

To Whom It May Concern,

Letter of support - Karori Event Centre

The Karori Community Centre strongly supports Wellington City Council's proposal to include further funding of the Karori Event Centre so that it can be finished and open for use as soon as possible.

Karori Community Centre's mission is to develop, nurture and manage a Community Centre for activities that contribute to the strength and wellbeing of Karori by enabling and fostering positive relationships with and within our community. We look forward to having the Karori Event Centre as a facility that we manage on behalf of the Hall Trust for the benefit of our community. It will be the only public community hall in Karori and will serve Wellington City's largest suburb as well as surrounding communities.

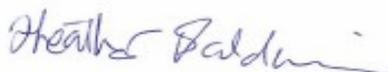
It will be a multi-purpose venue for activities, performances, exhibitions, meetings, events and civil defense purposes. It will be run on a not-for-profit basis with affordable rates allowing for community use while being a facility of a standard that is attractive for professional and commercial events. It will cater for community needs today and well into the future.

A Needs Assessment Report carried out in 2006 identified that in the medium to long term future there would be greater demand for hall use in Karori and if the community hall and St John's hall were to be lost there would be a shortage of hall space. Since the 2006 report, Karori has lost the use of the community hall (demolished) and three church halls (St Phillips, St Ninian's and St Mary's) due to sale and safety concerns. A subsequent report carried out in July 2014 identified that there was a shortage of community hall space in Karori and the surrounding suburbs due to the loss of the above facilities and the lack of access to affordable facilities at Victoria Karori Campus.¹ Subsequent to this report, St John's was demolished and Victoria Karori Campus was sold and facilities withdrawn from public use.

Over the last three years, there has been a lot of discussion to establish what the vision for Karori is, and what strategies will achieve this vision. We (Council and community) have agreed we want Karori to be a **MAGNET**, to have an improved **ECONOMY**, an increased sense of **CONNECTEDNESS** and to **LIVE GREEN**.

The opening of the Karori Event Centre will contribute strongly to achieving these goals. It delivers on almost everything the community has asked for and its completion was well supported in the recent public meetings and working group discussions². Let's finish this incomplete multi-million dollar asset we have sitting in the middle of our town centre, so it will draw people together, creating support for local businesses and get Karori humming.

Our community needs the Event Centre open NOW.



Heather Baldwin
Chair

¹ Wellington City Council Needs Assessment, Karori Recreation and Sport, October 2016, Page 48

² 2017 Wellington City Council's Karori Project Community Consultation process and 2018 Wellington City Council's Public Consultation on Public Space Improvement in Karori.

Karori West Normal School



KARORI WEST NORMAL SCHOOL

Te Kura O Waipahihi

3rd May 2019

Kia ora,

Karori Events Centre

Karori West Normal School wishes to confirm their support of the continued development of the Karori Events Centre.

The Centre will provide a place to give it heart and a focus, and to develop a stronger sense of community-whānau for all ages.

Karori people will have a place to call their own and to ensure that all the amazing activities that cater for a wide range of ages that are scattered through the area are centred in their 'home'.

On a practical level, it will be wonderful to have a meeting place that can cater for a wide range of activities. We know that this is a considerable demand for such a venue as we frequently have to turn away people who wish to hire our school hall.

We feel that such the Centre will enhance our suburb and we look forward to attending or holding events in the Centre.

Naku noa, na

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Shramka', with a large, sweeping flourish underneath.

Janice Shramka
Principal

Lions Club of Karori



Lions Club of Karori Inc.

PO Box 17-103, Karori, Wellington 6147, New Zealand
www.lionsclubs.org.nz/karori

06 May 2019

Karori Community Hall Trust
PO Box 17 403,
Karori,
Wellington 6147

To Whom It May Concern

The Board of the Lions Club of Karori Inc. supports the endeavours of the Karori Community Hall Trust in seeking financial assistance from the Wellington City Council to enable the completion of the Karori Event Centre.

This community facility is sorely needed to cater for the burgeoning needs of the local Karori community, to accommodate classes, meetings, functions and major events. Many of these activities are currently being either deferred, managed in venues that are not designed for the purpose or being held away from the local community.

The Lions Club of Karori would certainly be keen to hire this facility for a number of the events and activities on our annual calendar. Our club has fundraised and supported this initiative from the very start. There has been at least 10 years of effort by the local community and the dedicated members of the fundraising committee to get to the current point.

It is now time that that this centre was completed and put into use.

The Board of our club may be approached for any further comments.

Yours sincerely

Beth Anders
Secretary
Lions Club of Karori Inc.
Phone: 021 264 1481

By email to: kcht.secretary@gmail.com

Karori Normal School

Karori Normal School

*We encourage our children to be the best they can be
"Tino pai ake"*

Monday 29 April 2019

To whom it may concern:

I am writing as the Principal of Karori Normal School (KNS), in support of the continued development of the Karori Event Centre.

KNS is a large primary school, with over 700 children aged from 5 to 13 years-old. The school does have a school hall however, this is a small building, unable to house all of our staff and children at one time. Our hall also lacks many of the features of the proposed events centre particularly, built in staging and theatre seating. The costs associated with the building of a new and larger school hall preclude this from being an option for our school.

The relatively small size of our current hall makes it difficult for us to hold events such as assemblies for more than one or two year groups at a time. Our school performance groups are unable to perform to large audiences and the hall is of limited use for physical education and sport.

I believe the proposed Karori Event Centre and the facilities it will provide will be of great benefit to all the children at our school. The close proximity of the Karori Event Centre will mean that our children will be able to walk there in less than five minutes. We will therefore be able to easily utilize the new facility for a range of activities both in the arts and physical education.

The new venue will provide a purpose built auditorium in which our children can share their learning. We have a range of performance groups; kapa haka, choirs, bands, orchestra and dance groups who would all gain much from the opportunity to perform in a quality venue.

Many of our children would also benefit from the range of extra-curricular activities which would no doubt take place at the event centre. Karori is a large suburb and there is a need to provide after school activities for both primary and secondary school children. A wide range of community groups would be able to use the centre and thereby assist many of our current and past pupils.

The Karori Event Centre would be a huge asset to Karori Normal School and the younger members of the wider Karori community. I support the proposal and can see many exciting opportunities to further enhance the youth activities and community groups which already exist in Karori.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you wish to clarify any of the points contained in this letter.

Ngā Mihi

Conrad Kelly
Principal

*Conrad Kelly
Deputy
Principal*

Doubtful Sounds Choir

Dear WCC

Support for Karori Event Centre

Our choir regular performs in suburban venues around Wellington. One of the problems we, and other groups like us, face is gaining access to a medium sized venue dedicated to a performance in the suburbs.

Karori is one of Wellington's largest suburbs, and as such, has a large potential audience for choral events. But performance spaces are limited. The Futuna Chapel is a beautiful venue, but is cold in winter, and is away from the main shopping area and public transport.

An Events Centre on or near the main street, which can cater for a few hundred people would be a wonderful addition to Karori's community facilities, and one our choir would gladly support and perform in.

Thanks for your consideration.

Bryan Crump
Director
The Doubtful Sounds Choir
Phone 021 136 0967

New Zealand School of Dance



10 April 2019

To Whom It May Concern

When introduced to the performing arts early, the experience can provide education for a career, or a means of enriching life. There is a great need for a broad and vital understanding of the arts in our society. This requires first-rate infrastructural support, including venues that can host performances within easy reach of the community. The Karori Event Centre provides a space to make the performing arts accessible to all people.

Wellington has the reputation of being the cultural capital of New Zealand. Community-based venues, such as the Karori Event Centre provide a pipeline for feeding into the demand for, and presentation of, professional performing arts experiences. Karori has a population of over 15,000 and yet it has no performance venue of a professional, or semi-professional standard. The Karori Event Centre is particularly suited to small company works involving 1 – 5 performers.

The demographics of Karori covers a broad spectrum of the New Zealand population. This provides the creative community with an opportunity to access a variety of different markets within the one suburb. As an intimate venue, the Karori Event Centre provides an excellent opportunity for our graduates/alumni to showcase new works and emerging ideas.

The New Zealand School of Dance fully appreciates there being another performance venue on the horizon, thereby realising for young dancers today the opportunities awaiting them tomorrow.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "G. Trinder".

Garry Trinder MNZM MA AdvDipEd

Director

Kelburn Scottish Country Dance Club

*RSCDS NZ Branch Inc.
Wellington Region*



Melva Waite

7 The Fjord, Aotea

Porirua 5024

To: Karori Community Hall Trust

c/- info@karorieventcentre.co.nz

28 April 2019

To Whom It May Concern

We understand that you are seeking support for the new Karori Event Centre and are very pleased to provide that. A sprung floor is ideal for Scottish Country Dancing Clubs and there are not very many halls with wooden sprung floors available. Also with the kitchen facilities this hall becomes very viable for organizations like us.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Melva Waite".

Melva Waite

President

Wellington Region RSCDS

New Zealand Fringe Festival

15th March, 2019

To Whom It May Concern:

I'm writing this letter of support for the Karori Events Centre on behalf of the New Zealand Fringe Festival. As the Artist and Venue Liaison for the festival, I work with artists, from all over NZ and the globe to find a venue most suited to them and their style of works. A lot of our more well-known artists struggle to find a venue large enough and suitable for their events, when competing with a festival full of artists.

The Karori Events Centre is a great opportunity for the arts community, as it extends the arts and makes them more accessible to the wider suburban communities. By creating a space in the areas outside of the central city, it gives the artists in Wellington and coming from out of the city a chance to reach audiences they haven't yet been able to access due to a number of factors. Opening into the Karori suburb, the Wellington arts scene will broaden its grasp on what the people of New Zealand want to see, explore, and are willing to be a part of.

The new events centre will help to grow the arts scene of Wellington, including extending the scene to children and families who are unlikely to visit the bigger theatres in the city because of costs associated with an evening out at the theatre. By creating a space where these people are more likely to visit and join in the community, you are therefore making arts a more accessible part of everyday lives.

Thank you for taking your time to read this letter of support.

Yours truly,

Maddy Warren,

Artist and Venue Liaison
New Zealand Fringe Festival

Musical Stars Performance Trust

Musical Stars Performance Trust

Musical Stars Performance Trust is an organisation founded to create and enhance performance opportunities for young people in the Wellington community. The Musical Stars experience ignites a passion for singing, dancing, acting and performing on stage; and also gives children an opportunity to be challenged and succeed in the arts. Musical theatre training encourages the formation of many important life skills. Musical Stars supports the NZ School Arts Curriculum and is accredited by Musical Theatre New Zealand.

Musical Stars Performance Trust is a not for profit organisation and all our performance events come under this umbrella.

Why are we interested in the development of the Karori Event Centre?

Musical Stars would like to be able to use the Karori Event Centre facilities to run our classes and put on performances for the community. We are impressed with the planned facilities and we think it would be ideal for us once it is completed. It is very difficult to find a place with the multiple spaces we need for the singing, dancing and acting classes which run concurrently. We would also use the stage for rehearsals and performances. Not only will the Karori and neighbouring suburbs families find this location convenient, but it is also a good middle point between our other two locations of Island Bay and Lower Hutt.

The convenience of being able to easily transition from a flat floored facility for classes, to a fully seated format (via the retractable flooring) for performances, is one of the features that is most attractive to us. In addition, having a sprung floor in the stage area, to minimise shock injuries, is an important feature and will enhance the health and safety of our students.

Musical Stars was created by a demand for the community to have accessible performing arts training for children aged 5 to 14 years old. After 16 years running the school I can very confidently say we have changed the lives of not only the children coming to the classes but the whole community around them. We have families who have been coming for more than fifteen years to our performances, regardless of whether they have children in the performance.

Talita Archibald

New Zealand Symphony Orchestra



Wednesday 01 May 2019

Bryan Shepherd
Karori Events Centre
7 Beauchamp St
Karori
Wellington 6012

Dear Mr Shepherd,

As Head of Artistic Planning at New Zealand Symphony Orchestra, I would like to pledge our support to the final construction of Karori Events Centre.

As a major national arts organisation, the NZSO tours extensively and presents concerts in a range of venues across the country. In Wellington however, there are ongoing challenges with presenting concerts outside of our resident home at the Michael Fowler Centre due to a lack of Performing Arts venues that are able to host concerts to the standard we require.

Karori Events Centre would be ideal for rehearsing and performing specific small activity along the lines of our 2019 Baroque Series ('Water Music' and 'The Night'). We would be pleased to support the Centre as our programming allows upon its completion.

Kind regards,

Lucrecia Colominas

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28 April 2019

To Whom It May Concern

Karori Event Centre

Yesterday I had the opportunity to be shown around the new Karori Event Centre. I understand that it is intended to be used for a variety of community-based purposes, from rehearsals and performances by dance, drama and musical groups; to lectures, conferences and the like.

As a performing entertainer and tour organiser, however, I was most interested in the building's suitability as a performance venue for small touring acts; particularly in the folk/jazz/blues and classical genres. There is a serious paucity of suitable venues for these adult-oriented acts in the Wellington area generally; which is why many such acts currently bypass Wellington on their touring schedule.

At 200 seats, the Karori facility will be the perfect size for both NZ and international touring acts for whom the theatres and larger City venues (eg. St James, Paramount, Old St Pauls, Southwards) are too big, but cafes and bars way too small. The kind of acts to whom the venue would appeal might be the Frank Burkitt Band, Tattlestale Saints, (both past Tui award-winning folk groups), Paul Ubana Jones, Lloyd Spiegel (Australian Blues player), Doug McLeod (Blues soloist from USA). Artists such as these frequently perform to sell-out crowds of 100+ at venues like the Wellington Bluegrass Society in Petone and the Kapiti Playhouse, both of which are way too small for them. The artists are not well-known enough to justify booking a 400-500 seat venue.

I believe the Karori Event Centre is perfectly placed to take advantage of the absence of alternatives in this area; and what a boon for Karori this could be. I would recommend nurturing a relationship with Arts on Tour NZ (AOTNZ.co.nz) who organise a dozen tours a year for NZ artists such as Michele A'Court, Don McGlashan, Mark Hadlow, Moana Maniapoto and Fiona Pears; and for whom the size of this venue is 'right in the sweet spot'. No sooner would the venue be featured on the Arts on Tour website, than the expressions of interest from international artists' tour managers would start rolling in. Karori could very quickly become a high point on the touring circuit and perhaps develop an enviable national reputation.

I am contacted on an almost daily basis by local and international artists wanting advice on Wellington venues, and am always at a loss. Apart from the Petone venue and the San Fran (which is more rock and youth-oriented), I don't know where to recommend. The proposed Karori Event Centre would be ideal.

I am happy to be contacted on either of the numbers above.

Yours sincerely

Andrew London
Entertainer

Chamber Music New Zealand, Music Up Close



Mr Wallace Simmers,
Chair,
Karori Community Hall Trust

22 December 2018

Dear Wallace,

RE: Karori Events Centre

Thank you for showing a group of us from Chamber Music New Zealand the Karori Events Centre, which is still under construction. This is going to be a very versatile facility and will, I am sure, quickly become established as a great asset for Karori and for Wellington more generally.

The Hall is an excellent size for chamber music concerts and early indications are that the acoustics will be very good. While CMNZ presents its subscription concerts in the central city, I can see that this would suit us for some special events. Certainly, as a potential rehearsal/masterclass space, it could have a part to play in our NZCT Chamber Music Contest.

I wish you well with the completion of this project. My colleagues at CMNZ will follow this with great interest and look forward to the day when we can add the Karori Events Centre to the array of venues that we use throughout the country.

Yours sincerely,

Peter Walls ONZM
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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New Zealand Festival of the Arts

2 May 2019

To whom it may concern,

I'm writing in support of Karori Event Centre application for funding towards building fitout.

The NZ Festival is continually looking at ways to reach and engage with the wider community of Wellington arts lovers and one of the most vital components in delivering these endeavours is the supply of commercially viable venues.

The opportunity proposed with the Karori Events Centre provides users such as ourselves a venue that can accommodate the needs of national and international touring artists as well as locally based arts and community activities.

Yours sincerely,

Paul O'Brien

Head of Technical and Production

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Supertonic Choir



To whom it may concern,

I am writing in my capacity as a member of the choral community in Wellington, and the current Chair of the committee of Supertonic, a choir of 60 Wellingtonians that was formed in 2014.

Being actively involved in planning, performing and attending concerts in and around Wellington, I am acutely aware of the shortage of diverse, medium-sized venues. Supertonic is an ambitious and boundary-pushing choir, and seeks to perform accessible and inspiring choral concerts. We have a loyal audience following and routinely sell out our concerts: we cannot realistically plan to perform in venues under 150 seats. Performing in accessible venues is important to us as a choir. However, finding venues that will fit both our large choir and our large audience is currently a considerable challenge in planning our year. The few venues that meet our needs are always in high demand.

The proposal put forward for the Karori Event Centre is exciting to me and the Supertonic Committee for a number of reasons. Designed with performance in mind, the Karori Event Centre will cater for a larger seated audience (including appropriate and accessible facilities), will comfortably accommodate our choir, will provide flexibility with regards to staging, and will be a cornerstone of the local community which is easily accessible from the CBD. These are all key considerations for Supertonic when considering performance venues.

As such, I wish to express my support of the proposal. Supertonic looks forward to many positive experiences in the Karori Event Centre in the future.

Ngā mihi nui



Briony Pentecost
Chair, Supertonic Inc
info@supertonic.org.nz

Karori Youth Centre

6 May 2019

**Letter of Support for
the Completion of the Karori Event Centre
From the Karori Youth Centre
on behalf of Karori Youth**



The Karori Youth Centre supports Wellington City Council funding the completion of the Karori Event Centre as soon as possible.

Karori Youth Centre is a drop in venue for young people. It is open after school three afternoons a week, led by myself (an employed Youth Development Worker) and a team of volunteers. Thirty young people are actively involved in the Youth Centre, (many are at risk youth) with an average attendance of 15-20 people, plus adult volunteers.

Karori is short of public spaces for people, including young people, to gather. Since my appointment as Youth Development Worker at Karori Youth Centre, I have seen the needs of Karori young people first hand. The Youth Centre room booking is a priority for the Community Centre, but the staff are regularly asked by other community groups if the space is free in the late afternoon/early evening. The lack of access to affordable spaces in this community and in the Western Suburbs is adversely impacting on our community.

The Event Centre will provide a much needed additional facility for all community groups. I envisage that the Karori Event Centre will be a facility that the Karori Youth Centre, other youth groups based in Karori and other young people will use. It will be great to be able to attend movie nights, concerts and theatre performances at our local venue. Many Karori Youth are involved in dance, sport and cultural groups and will use it for practises, performances and fund raising events. I particularly look forward to hosting the Annual Karori Youth Awards on our 'home turf'. Being a local venue will mean that young people will be able to walk, scooter or travel short distances to attend functions together, which is a real enabler for their involvement or attendance at events.

The Young People who attend the youth centre are also keen on gaming; we have regular gaming sessions and competitions. However, the ability to do E-Sport in the Event Centre is very appealing. As a growing industry with few if any specialised venues, I can see that the Event Centre would provide a tremendous opportunity for our suburb to provide a cutting edge eSport facility.

I am hopeful that you will give positive consideration to further funding of this facility.

Alex Powell
Youth Development Worker
Karori Youth Centre

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Karori Youth Centre

Schedule 6: Funding Brochure

The funding brochure is attached to this submission and is also available from our [webpage](#).

Schedule 7: eSport Brochure

The eSport brochure is attached to this submission.

Karori Event Centre

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Funding Proposal



A Vision

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Our vision is to deliver a modern multi-purpose event centre for users, performers and audiences.

In 2007 the Karori Community Hall Trust was established in response to the Council's inability to fund a replacement to the original hall demolished that same year. This group, on behalf of and with the community, is now raising the funds to make the Karori Event Centre a reality, with ongoing support and undertakings of funding from the Wellington City Council.

Our vision is to create, equip and manage, a modern future proofed multi-purpose events centre that will make Karori a more vibrant place to live and visit, now and into the future. A place where people of all ages feel a sense of connection with those around them.

In 2017, the first phase of the new Karori Event Centre building, the base build was constructed to sit alongside the existing Community Centre. The second phase is the fit-out. Once the fit-out is complete, the Event Centre will be fully operational and managed by the Karori Community Centre.

Designed by Roger Shand of Shand Shelton Limited, specialists in theatre restoration,

construction and design, the Karori Event Centre will offer exciting opportunities to attract new events and greatly increase the number and range of activities we can hold locally and in the wider Wellington region.

When the fit-out is completed, we will have an event centre that can be used for music and dance performance, exhibitions, public meetings or special occasions. In addition to community group activities there are commercial opportunities such as conferences as well the chance to be the first e-game capable venue in the Wellington region.

This is the most significant development that has happened in Karori for some time and will be the envy of other regions. We invite you to take this opportunity to support this magnificent event centre in whatever way you can.

Wallace Simmers
Karori Community Hall Trust – Chair

“A Cultural Centre is a categorical imperative for Karori: To serve its people, particularly its young, and to develop Karori, moving towards our second centenary, as a vital limb of Wellington, our Aotean sealand Capital on the Great Harbour of Tara.”

■ Hon Hugh Templeton A.O Q.S.O



“ I am so delighted that the Karori Event Centre is now coming to fruition. The final stage is the fit-out and now is the time to support this wonderful community facility.”

■ Hon Grant Robertson
MP for Wellington Central

The Pitch

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Located only 4km from the Wellington CBD, Karori is one of New Zealand’s largest suburbs with a population of around 15,000 people. Despite its size, Karori has a strong community feel with over half of Karori households made up of family homes – higher than the average for the Wellington region.

In 2006, the Wellington City Council and the Karori Community Centre commissioned a research project to assess the need for a replacement for two old community halls that have since been demolished. The research determined that there was a strong need for a new community hall. Those former halls played a vital role as our only community owned hall spaces. Every week,

local residents and visitors came to these halls to meet, learn, exercise, rehearse, socialise, dance, perform, play, worship and to share – over 600 visits per week.

Karori is a hub for the surrounding western suburbs due to the broad range of community amenities – Karori Pool, Library, Community Centre (including a dedicated

youth centre), Recreation Centre, Arts and Crafts Centre and two supermarkets in the town centre. In addition, Karori is home to Zealandia, Makara Peak Mountain Bike Park and year-round sports grounds, all of which attract visitors from the wider Wellington region and beyond.

The Karori Event Centre will complement the existing facilities and provide the community hall which is in much demand for the growing population.

Already \$2.4 million has been invested in the construction of a secure building. The majority of funds came from Wellington City Council, Lottery and Lion Foundation and other philanthropic sources. Over \$800,000 has come directly from the Karori community and local organisations.

The fit-out phase requires around \$816,000. This is the final push to enable the centre to open.

Naming right packages and sponsorship opportunities are available. Donations of any size will help.

This is your opportunity to support what will be a regional treasure in Karori.



**Will you
make your
mark on
Karori and
our region?**

*He aha te mea nui o te ao? He tangata,
he tangata, he tangata.*

What is the most important thing in the world? It is people, it is people, it is people.

■ Sir Apirana Turupa Ngata, Ngati Porou





The Project

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The Karori Event Centre will be an inviting venue where people can pursue their interests and connect with the community in a welcoming, inclusive and safe environment.



The Building will provide:

- Auditorium space (250sqm) and backroom facilities
- Stage space (90 sqm)
- Sprung floor area (125 sqm)
- Theatre seating, including retractable seating, for 218 people
- Table seating for 100 people
- Kitchen – for functions and reheat purposes
- Back of house facilities including dressing rooms and bathrooms
- Meeting room
- Modern audio visual and sound capability
- Storage spaces
- Exhibition spaces

As a new build the centre will meet current earthquake standards and high acoustic requirements. The Event Centre will be cabled to ensure compatibility with future uses.

A facility like this does not exist in the western suburbs currently and will ensure we keep life, vitality and business in the community, well into the future.

“ I want to acknowledge the significant efforts of the Karori community to establish the Karori Event Centre and would like to personally support their fundraising drive. The Karori Event Centre will provide a broad range of benefits to the Karori community. It’s important our community spaces are of a high quality, vibrant, inclusive and affordable and the Karori Event Centre will deliver all of these outcomes and serve Karori well for decades to come.”

■ Mayor Justin Lester
Wellington City



The Plan

We are seeking funding from a variety of sources such as grants, philanthropic groups, naming rights options and sponsorship.

Naming rights are now available to those who wish to put a lasting mark on this project for themselves, their families, loved ones, or businesses.

Naming rights are available for:

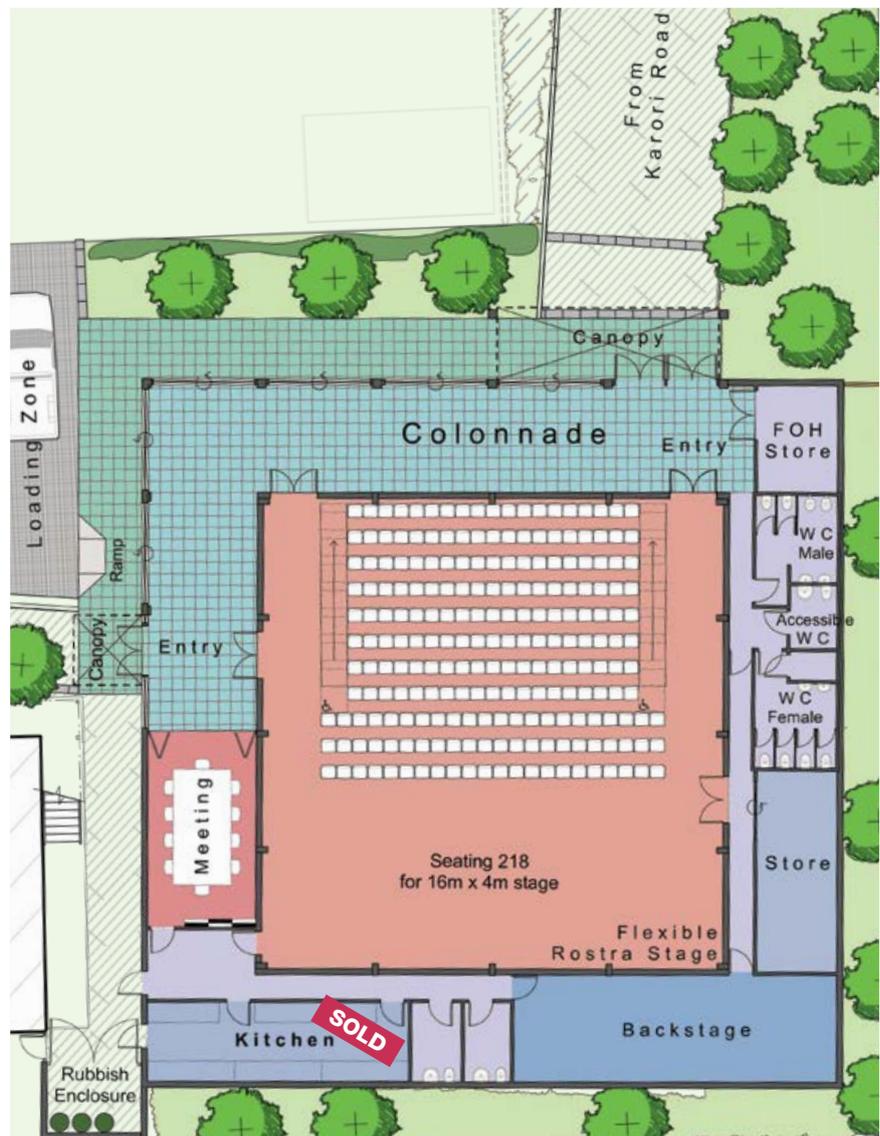
- The Event Centre (\$250,000)
- Auditorium (\$150,000)
- Foyer/Gallery (\$75,000)
- Kitchen (SOLD)
- Meeting Room (\$50,000)

Naming rights are for a full ten-year period, with a right of renewal.

Sponsorship of the retractable seats is available to individuals, family groups and businesses. Seats are \$500, and each will be acknowledged with an engraved plaque.

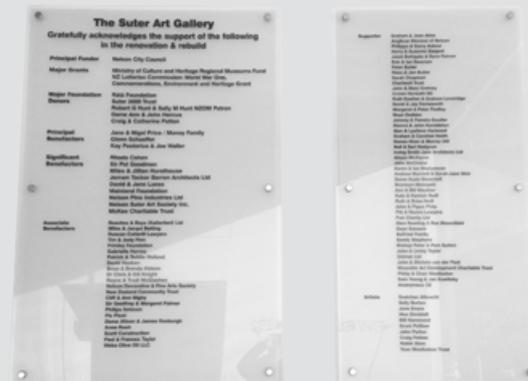
In addition, there are key items for the fit-out phase that are available for sponsorship:

- Audio/Visual presentation equipment
- Auditorium Timber Flooring (\$\$\$)
- Kitchen appliances



Giving is easy

In addition to naming rights and sponsorship options, donations are also being sought from individuals, family groups and businesses.



As the Karori Community Hall Trust is a registered charitable trust your donation may be eligible for a tax credit. You can make your donation through any of the following methods:

Direct credit	Cheque	Credit card	In person
Bank account: 06 0606 0175067 00	Post to: PO Box 17-403, Karori, Wellington 6147	Via our webpage karorieventcentre.co.nz	Call us to arrange a meeting

Donations can be made for any amount. Some donors find pledging future donations a way to spread their giving over several years.

Donors will receive appropriate acknowledgement reflecting their level of contribution to this important community project. Donations under \$100,000 will be recognised by native trees, that grow locally, signifying the following donation:

Level	Donation amount (\$)
Principal Sponsor	100,000+
Kahikatea	50,000-99,000
Rimu	25,000-49,999
Tōtara	10,000-24,999
Matai	5,000-9,999
Rata	1,000-4,999
Kōwhai	500-999
Kōtukutuku	200-499
Seed funder	10-199

“Karori has been my home for almost twenty years, and what’s missing is a quality space for community events, meetings and performances. I am thrilled that the Event Centre has been built and I encourage all of us in the community to get behind the fundraising for the fitout.”

■ Alice Hang, OTV



The Team

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It takes the support of a whole community to bring together a project of this scale. The following individuals serve the Karori Community Hall Trust:

Trustees

Wallace Simmers QSM | Chairperson
Tony Roddan | Deputy Chairperson (Operations)
Mark Greening | Deputy Chairperson (Funding)
Graeme Titcombe ONZM | Co-Treasurer
Gary Parsons | Co-Treasurer
Matthew Beattie
Bryan Shepherd
Lorna Ingram
Heather Baldwin
Lee Wilson
Sharmini Sivanantham

Secretary

Kristen Beer

Patrons

Andy Marshall
Avenal McKinnon
Hugh Templeton

Advisers

Janice Shramka | General
David Watt | General
Allan Frazer | Fundraising
Nancy Ward | General
Kelvin Giles | General
Julie Crengle | Legal
Eleanor Cave | Online Marketing
Sarah Lester | Database
John Rowe | Architectural Design
Fleur Nicholas | Event Co-ordination
Colin Paverd | Engineering Design
Peter Smith | Engineering Design

We would like to thank those who have previously supported the Trust on our journey to make the Event Centre a reality for our community.

eSport

Karori Event Centre





Already \$2.4 million has been invested in construction of the Karori Event Centre. Around \$816,000 will see the completion of the interior fittings. And an additional \$400,000 will enable eSport.

Our vision is to deliver a modern multi-purpose event centre for users, performers and audiences, now and into the future. Part of that vision is to provide a fully operational eSport facility that will be suitable for putting on competitive eSport events.

Who Are We

In 2007, the Karori Community Hall Trust was established in response to the Wellington Council's inability to fund a replacement for the original hall, demolished that same year.

In 2017, the first phase of the new Karori Event Centre building, the construction of a secure building, was completed. The second phase is the fit-out of the building, which the Trust are currently raising funds for. The goal is to complete the fit-out within the first half of 2019.

Already \$2.4 million has been invested in the construction of the Centre. The majority of funds came from Wellington City Council, Lottery and Lion Foundation and other donors.

Over \$800,000 has come directly from the Karori community and local organisations.

Located only 4km from the Wellington CBD, the Karori Event Centre is part of a range of community amenities that are easily accessible from the city and surrounding western suburbs.

Designed by Roger Shand of Shand Shelton Limited, specialists in theatre restoration, construction and design, the Karori Event Centre will offer exciting opportunities to attract new events and greatly increase the number and range of activities we can hold locally and in the wider Wellington region.

With your support, one of those events will be eSport.

Competitive video gaming or eSports is now a booming global industry and it's giving traditional sports a run for their money.

Radio New Zealand (5 July 2018).

The Pitch

This proposal is to enable Karori Event Centre to become a fully operational eSport facility that will be suitable for hosting competitive eSport events. This will be the first dedicated operational eSport facility in the Wellington region.

We are currently in the unique position of having a newly constructed building where the opportunity to fit it out for eSport can be included in the fit-out specifications before the fit-out is completed.

The Trust are currently working to raise around \$816,000 to complete the fit-out of the Karori Event Centre so that it can open.

We are seeking your support towards an additional \$400,000 that will enable the Karori Event Centre to offer a fully operational eSport facility for tournaments and club use.



The first eSport capable facility in the Wellington region.

Internationally eSports has an audience of 191 million people and is rapidly growing. By 2020, it's expected to be 286 million watching and playing.

Radio New Zealand (5 July 2018).

Why E-sport?

E-Sport (also known as electronic sports, or competitive or professional video gaming) is a form of competition using video games.

Commonly, eSport takes the form of organized, online multi-player video game competitions, normally comprising two competitive teams of five players, whose game playing is broadcast live onto a large cinema screen for family, friends and supporters to watch - and as entertainment for general spectators.

In New Zealand, eSport is in its infancy and is mainly dominated by amateur players.

In Karori, we anticipate that the Karori Event Centre will initially be used for local tournaments and hired by local eSport clubs for practices. Longer term, we anticipate holding national tournaments, as eSport becomes more established in New Zealand.

For the general public, eSport offers a new form of spectator entertainment, that already appeals to the younger members of our community.

Estimated eSport Costs

The estimated costs are for the practical supply and completion of a fully operational eSport facility, including labour and equipment. All prices are GST excluded. Detailed costs are outlined further below.

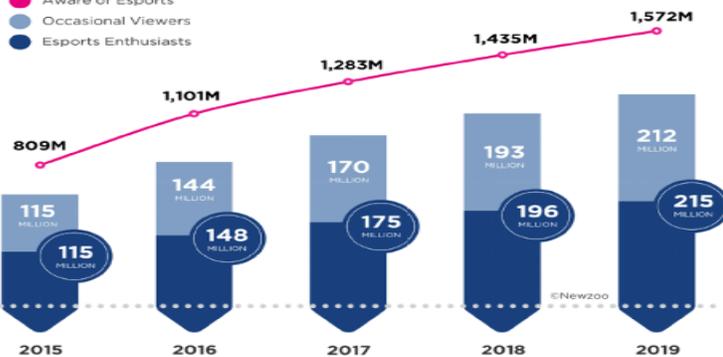
Equipment for fully operational eSport facility	Cost
E-Sport hardware and systems	\$73,606.00
Laser projector (4k resolution) and screen	\$104,060.00
Pipe grid for lighting, fly system, and drapes	\$92,365.00
Sound system	\$69,492.00
Lighting and control system	\$58,458.00
Total (Price includes installation of materials and labour. GST is excluded.)	\$397,981.00



ESPORTS AUDIENCE GROWTH

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- Aware of Esports
- Occasional Viewers
- Esports Enthusiasts

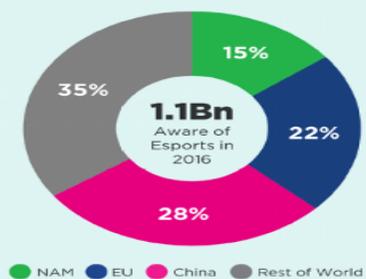


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China provides

28%

of total global awareness of esports in 2016



- NAM
- EU
- China
- Rest of World



For some people, eSport is about shifting kids off couches and participating in team sports. For others, eSport offers our youth new career opportunities. Either way, Wellington needs to be ready for the potential that eSport offers.

Children
represent the
future,
encourage,
support and
guide them.

Catherine Pulsifer

Donor benefits

The level of financial support given to the Trust for eSport provides different benefits, including naming and recognition rights.

For example, larger donations will be recognised on the Donor Board, located in the building foyer. These are grouped into the following tiers:

- Principal Sponsor: \$100,000+
- Kahikatea: \$50,000 to \$99,000
- Rimu: \$25,000 to \$49,999
- Totara: \$10,000 to \$24,999
- Matai: \$5,000 to \$9,999

Naming rights are also available for:

- The Event Centre (\$250,000).
- Auditorium (\$150,000).
- Foyer/Gallery (\$75,000).
- Meeting Room (\$50,000).

Event Centre naming rights are subject to approval by the Trust board. The level of financial support received is likely to be a major consideration.

Financial support can be by way of a direct donation towards all or part of the total cost of eSports. Other sponsorship opportunities are open to discussion.

The Trust is a **registered charity** and
all donations are **tax deductible**.

A full description of the **capital investment** required for a fully operational **eSport** facility at **Karori Event Centre** is outlined below.



Gaming systems

The detailed costs outlined below are for the practical completion of the specified works. This includes:

- Computer hardware and Windows OS;
- Custom gaming desks and chairs;
- Local network cabling and Switch; and
- Video switching and feed to the projection system.

We have intentionally not specified the equipment models purpose due to computer technology advancing on a 6-12 month release cycle. This means the most up-to-date equipment will be purchased for the same budgeted cost.

The Karori Event Centre will not be purchasing games. Rather players or event organisers will be expected to use their own gaming accounts, which will give them access to their own games to play on-line, using the Karori Event Centre's infrastructure.



Theatre environment

The Karori Event Centre theatre environment provides a flexible theater fit-out solution that is suitable for: eSports, corporate presentations, live theatre and music performance, and community groups and special events.

The pipe grid design provides for a reasonable amount of bars to support lights, theater dressing, and lightweight props. Plus a basic fly system with hand winches. Drapes and tracks are required for the Grand Drape, Wing Drapes and Valance. All Drapes will be fire rated.



Lighting system

The lighting system will have:

- 8 Fresnels for soft stage lighting, plus 20 RGB LED for colour and effects.
- 8 Fader DMX controller, a DMX splitter/distro and interface for house light control.
- DMX outlets and cabling for control points.

The system provides an enhanced lighting solution that is suitable for eSports, corporate presentations, live theater and music performance, and community groups and special events.



Projector and screen system

A cinema quality 4K resolution laser projector, and a fixed 6 metre wide by 3.38 metre high mounted cinema screen (with all the associated equipment and cabling) will provide a high quality experience for eSport, general movie watching, live performance active backdrops, corporate functions, and community events.

A video rack will also be installed with a commercial 4K video media player and Ultra HD Blu-Ray player. The installation costs include: design, installation, commissioning, manuals and training.

To provide a suitable clean and ventilated environment for the projector, a dedicated "Dog-Box" will be built with dedicated air handling and filtering.

A D-Cinema (DCI) solution is not included. This is because of the additional costs involved and the compromises associated with the venue not being a dedicated commercial cinema complex.



Sound system

The sound system will have:

- 7 top speakers and 2 subs permanently mounted, configured to provide 5.1 surround sound for E-Sport, movies, and enhanced theater sound.
- 16 Chanel digital audio mixer for music events and corporate AV.
- Sound system DSP for system control and protection.
- Wireless microphone kit and lectern microphone.
- Wall outlets and tie lines for stage and FOH positions.

The design provides for a modern in-house sound system that can be easily operated and versatile to cater for various venue requirements of a multi-purpose event centre.

Technical support

Technical support is provided by Phill Adams, our eSport technical advisor.

Make your mark on the Wellington region and support Wellington's first eSport facility.

Detailed Costings

	Description	Unit Price	Unit	Price
Gaming System				
Equip	E-Gaming PC computer	\$2,988.00	10	\$29,880.00
Equip	Gaming headset, mouse, keyboard	\$688.00	10	\$6,880.00
Equip	Gaming racer chair and desk	\$1,023.00	10	\$10,230.00
Equip	PC software (Windows)	\$310.00	10	\$3,100.00
Equip	HDMI I/O boards	\$1,650.00	3	\$4,950.00
Equip	HDMI switcher	\$8,971.00	1	\$8,971.00
Equip	4K video scaler	\$3,950.00	1	\$3,950.00
Equip	CAT 6 extender kit	\$880.00	1	\$880.00
Equip	Giganet network switch (with fibre module)	\$1,090.00	1	\$1,090.00
Equip	CAT-5 and CAT-6 Cabling, power leads	\$600.00	1	\$600.00
Lab	Hardware and installation	\$75.00	20	\$1,500.00
Lab	Project management	\$75.00	6	\$450.00
Lab	Computer setup and software installation	\$75.00	10	\$750.00
	Total			\$73,606.00

Theatre Environment Upgrade

	Description	Unit Price	Unit	Price
Projector and screen				
Equip	Projector (4K Laser, 12k lumen)		1	\$61,710.00
Equip	Fixed cinema screen (3x6m to 9x19m)		1	\$12,100.00
Equip	Projector dog box (custom)		1	\$4,400.00
Equip	Air Handler & Ducting		1	\$3,300.00
Equip	Electrical		1	\$4,400.00
Equip	Data and Video cabling		1	\$2,200.00
Equip	Video switcher and Projector control		1	\$2,200.00
Equip	Bluray and 4k Video Media server		1	\$2,750.00
Equip	Rack equipment		1	\$1,100.00
Lab	Design and drawings		1	\$1,650.00
Lab	Installation work		1	\$6,600.00
Lab	Commissioning and testing		1	\$825.00
Lab	Training and operation manuals		1	\$825.00
	Total			\$104,060.00

	Description	Unit Price	Unit	Price
Pipe grid, fly and drapes				
Equip	Fly system steelwork		1	\$11,000.00
Equip	Fly bars and rigging		3	\$16,500.00
Equip	Fixed side bars and brackets		4	\$9,680.00
Equip	Heavy duty-Curtain tracks		2	\$6,820.00
Equip	Fire rated drapes (3x6m)		2	\$6,248.00
Equip	Fire rated grand drapes (6x8m)		2	\$2,530.00
Equip	Valance/top drape		1	\$4,034.80
Equip	Hard sliding panel (back wall)		1	\$8,800.00
Equip	Projection screen drape set		1	\$5,662.80
Lab	Structural engineering specifications			\$6,000.00
Lab	Design and drawings			\$6,000.00
Lab	Installation work			\$9,000.00
Lab	Commissioning and testing			\$90.00
	Total			\$92,365.00
Sound system				
Equip	12" Powered loudspeakers		1	\$23,100.00
Equip	Powered subwoofer		1	\$8,580.00
Equip	Small audio mixer		1	\$1,650.00
Equip	System processor		1	\$4,400.00
Equip	Console roadcase		1	\$550.00
Equip	Lecturn goosneck mic		1	\$660.00
Equip	Wireless mic kit		1	\$1,870.00
Equip	Audio wall outlets			\$550.00
Equip	Electrical cabling and outlets			\$2,200.00
Equip	Audio cabling and connectors			\$4,950.00
Equip	Rack equipment			\$1,100.00
Lab	Design and drawings			\$3,300.00
Lab	Installation work			\$13,200.00
Lab	Commissioning and testing			\$1,650.00
Lab	Training and operation manuals			\$1,732.50
	Total			\$69,492.00

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	Description	Unit Price	Unit	Price
Lighting and control system				
Equip	Fresnels			\$14,916.00
Equip	LED RGB par			\$7,700.00
Equip	Small DMX controller			\$331.10
Equip	DMX splitter			\$331.10
Equip	DMX to dimmer control (house lighting)			\$2,200.00
Equip	Stage Lighting grid			\$8,250.00
Equip	Clamps and brackets			\$2,200.00
Equip	PowerCon power cables			\$1,440.00
Equip	Electrical outlets (lighting)			\$4,800.00
Equip	DMX data control			\$1,200.00
Lab	Design and drawings			\$6,000.00
Lab	Installation work			\$9,000.00
Lab	Commissioning and testing			\$90.00
	Total			\$58,458.20
	Grand Total			\$397,981.00

All figures exclude GST unless stated. All costs include installation and labour (unless separately specified).



Karori Community Hall Trust

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It's expected that by 2020 there will be over 286 million watching and playing eSport.

KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST

Performance Report

For the year ended
31 March 2018

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Approval of Performance Report

For the year ended 31 March 2018

The Trustees are pleased to present the approved Performance Report including the historical financial statements of Karori Community Hall Trust for year ended 31 March 2018.

Chairperson

N. W. Summers

Treasurer

Date

21 MAY 2018

KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST

Entity Information

"Who are we?" "Why do we exist?"

For the year ended
31 March 2018

Legal Name of Entity: Karori Community Hall Trust

Other Name of Entity (if any): -

Type of Entity and Legal Basis (if any): Registered Charity

Registration Number: CC22045

Entity's Purpose or Mission:

To build, equip and manage a multi purpose Event Centre in the Wellington suburb of Karori.

Entity Structure:

A Charitable Trust was registered in March 2008 to administer the fundraising and Event centre build. The trustees are responsible for the day to day running of the Trust in addition to fundraising, marketing, communications and database management. Special advisors assist the trustees in specialist areas such as legal, engineering, project management, architecture and design.

Main Sources of the Entity's Cash and Resources:

Revenue from donations, grants and fundraising events

Main Methods Used by the Entity to Raise Funds:

The main methods used to raise funds include grants, donations from members of the public and running fundraising events such as quiz nights, concerts and golf days.

Entity's Reliance on Volunteers and Donated Goods or Services:

The organisation is entirely reliant on volunteers to administer and run the trust. In addition to standard roles such as Chair, Treasurer and Secretary we also have volunteers responsible for grant applications, fundraising, marketing and database management.

Additional Information:

Contact details

Physical Address: 7 Beauchamp Street, Karori, Wellington 6012

Postal Address: PO Box 17-403, Karori, Wellington, 6147

Phone/Fax: 04 476 5056 (Phone), 04 476 7057 (Fax)

Email/Website: www.karorieventcentre.co.nz



Karori Event Centre



N/A

KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST

Statement of Service Performance

"What did we do?", When did we do it?"

For the year ended
31 March 2018

Description of the Entity's Outcomes:

1. To begin the build phase of the Event Centre and to continue to raise more funds for the fitout phase through grants, donations and fundraising events.

Description and Quantification (to the extent practicable) of the Entity's Outputs:	Actual	Budget	Actual
	This Year	This Year	Last Year
Raise money to contribute towards build and fitout costs through public donations, fundraising events and annual appeals. Income from our annual appeal raised \$25,424 and golf day fundraising event at Karori Golf Club \$2,895 (\$2,716).	112,760		77,608
Obtain grants from charitable organisations and Wellington City Council - Nikau Foundation \$0 (\$5,000), Four Winds Foundation 1/6/17 \$20,847 (\$10,435), Lotteries 11/10/17 \$240,000 (\$250,000), Lion Foundation 19/5/17 \$200,000 (\$250,000), Wellington City Council 4/5/17 \$310,000 and 20/7/17 \$610,000 (\$0).	1,380,847		515,435
Construction of the Event Centre began in November 16 with the build phase completed in January 2018.			

Additional Output Measures:

Additional Information:

KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST

Statement of Financial Performance
 "How was it funded?" and "What did it cost?"
 For the year ended
 31 March 2018

	Note	Actual This Year \$	Budget This Year \$	Actual Last Year \$
Revenue				
Donations, fundraising and other similar revenue	1	1,494,405		593,043
Fees, subscriptions and other revenue from members		-		-
Revenue from providing goods or services		-		-
Interest, dividends and other investment revenue	1	7,985		12,606
Other revenue				
Total Revenue		1,502,390	-	605,649
Expenses				
Expenses related to public fundraising	2	6,448		6,766
Volunteer and employee related costs				
Costs related to providing goods or services				
Grants and donations made				
Other expenses	2	29,247		10,851
Total Expenses		35,695	-	17,617
Surplus/(Deficit) for the Year		1,466,695	-	588,032

KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST

Statement of Financial Position

"What the entity owns?" and "What the entity owes?"

As at
31 March 2018

	Note	Actual This Year \$	Budget This Year \$	Actual Last Year \$
Assets				
Current Assets				
Bank accounts and cash	3	326,226		491,425
Debtors and prepayments		221		221
Inventory				
Other current assets		4,750		
Total Current Assets		331,197	-	491,646
Non-Current Assets				
Property, plant and equipment		2,214,226		678,478
Investments		-		-
Other non-current assets		-		-
Total Non-Current Assets		2,214,226	-	678,478
Total Assets		2,545,423	-	1,170,124
Liabilities				
Current Liabilities				
Bank overdraft		-		-
Creditors and accrued expenses		299		91,377
Employee costs payable		-		-
Unused donations and grants with conditions		-		-
Other current liabilities		939		1,257
Total Current Liabilities		1,238	-	92,634
Non-Current Liabilities				
Loans		-		-
Other non-current liabilities				
Total Non-Current liabilities		-	-	-
Total Liabilities		1,238	-	92,634
Total Assets less Total Liabilities (Net Assets)		2,544,185	-	1,077,490
Accumulated Funds				
Capital contributed by owners or members		-		-
Accumulated surpluses or (deficits)		2,544,185		1,077,490
Reserves		-		-
Total Accumulated Funds		2,544,185	-	1,077,490

KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST

Statement of Cash Flows

"How the entity has received and used cash"

For the year ended
31 March 2018

	Actual This Year \$	Budget This Year \$	Actual Last Year \$
Cash Flows from Operating Activities			
Cash was received from:			
Donations, fundraising and other similar receipts	1,668,003		383,497
Fees, subscriptions and other receipts from members			-
Receipts from providing goods or services			-
Interest, dividends and other investment receipts	7,963		12,600
Net GST	56,895		54,683
Cash was applied to:			
Payments to suppliers and employees	41,836		18,522
Donations or grants paid			
Net Cash Flows from Operating Activities	1,691,025	-	432,258
Cash flows from Investing and Financing Activities			
Cash was received from:			
Receipts from the sale of property, plant and equipment			-
Receipts from the sale of investments			-
Proceeds from loans borrowed from other parties			-
Capital contributed from owners or members			-
Cash was applied to:			
Payments to acquire property, plant and equipment	1,856,224		590,990
Payments to purchase investments			-
Repayments of loans borrowed from other parties			-
Capital repaid to owners or members			-
Net Cash Flows from Investing and Financing Activities	(1,856,224)	-	(590,990)
Net Increase / (Decrease) in Cash	(165,199)	-	(158,732)
Opening Cash	491,425		650,157
Closing Cash	326,226		491,425
This is represented by:			
Bank Accounts and Cash	326,226	-	491,425

KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST

Statement of Accounting Policies

"How did we do our accounting?"

For the year ended

31 March 2018

Basis of Preparation

Karori Community Hall Trust has elected to apply PBE SFR-A (NFP) Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting - Accrual (Not-For-Profit) on the basis that it does not have public accountability and has total annual expenses of equal to or less than \$2,000,000. All transactions in the Performance Report are reported using the accrual basis of accounting. The Performance Report is prepared under the assumption that the entity will continue to operate in the foreseeable future.

Goods and Services Tax (GST)

All amounts are recorded exclusive of GST, except for Debtors and Creditors which are stated inclusive of GST.

Income Tax

Karori Community Hall Trust is wholly exempt from New Zealand income tax having fully complied with all statutory conditions for these exemptions.

Bank Accounts and Cash

Bank accounts and cash in the Statement of Cash Flows comprise cash balances and bank balances (including short term deposits) with original maturities of 90 days or less.

Grants

Grants are recognised in the financial statements when the services are performed and receivable as at the balance date or conditions of the grant are met. The unspent portion is recognised as a Liability in the Statement of Financial

Depreciation

All fixed assets are initially recorded at cost with depreciation on all tangible fixed assets, other than land, in accordance with rates set out in the Income Tax Act 2007.

Tier 2 PBE Accounting Standards

N/A

Changes in Accounting Policies

There have been no changes in accounting policies during the financial year (last year - nil)

KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST

Notes to the Performance Report

For the year ended
31 March 2018

Note 3 - Analysis of Assets and Liabilities

Asset Item	Analysis	This Year	Last Year
Bank accounts and cash		\$	\$
	Cheque account balance	11,895	77,196
	Savings account balance	314,331	414,229
	Term Deposit	-	-
	Total	326,226	491,425
Debtors and prepayments		\$	\$
	Accounts receivable	-	-
	Other receivables	221	221
	Prepayments	-	-
	Total	221	221
Inventory		\$	\$
	Total	-	-
Other current assets		\$	\$
	GST Refund	4,750	-
	Total	4,750	-
Investments		\$	\$
	Total	-	-
Other non-current assets		\$	\$
	Fixed Assets	2,214,226	678,478
	Total	2,214,226	678,478
Creditors and accrued expenses		\$	\$
	Trade and other payables	300	91,377
	Income in Advance	939	1,478
	GST Payable	-	(221)
	Total	1,239	92,634
Employee costs payable		\$	\$
	Total	-	-
Unused donations and grants with conditions		\$	\$
	Grants Carried Forward	-	-
	Total	-	-
Other current liabilities		\$	\$
	Total	-	-
Loans		\$	\$
	Total	-	-
Other non-current liabilities		\$	\$
	Total	-	-

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Notes to the Performance Report

For the year ended
31 March 2018

Note 4 : Property, Plant and Equipment

This Year						PPE7 - PPE8	
Asset Class	Opening Carrying Amount	Purchases	Sales/Disposals	Current Year Depreciation and Impairment	Closing Carrying Amount	Current Valuation	Source and Date of Valuation
Land	-			-	-		
Buildings	678,256	1,535,815			2,214,071		
Motor Vehicles	-				-		
Furniture and fixtures	-				-		
Office equipment	157			40	117		
Computers (including software)	65			27	38		
Machinery	-				-		
Heritage assets	-				-		
Total	678,478	1,535,815	-	67	2,214,226		

Last Year					
Asset Class	Opening Carrying Amount	Purchases	Sales/Disposals	Current Year Depreciation and Impairment	Closing Carrying Amount
Land	-			-	-
Buildings	89,309	588,947	-		678,256
Motor Vehicles	-				-
Furniture and fixtures	-				-
Office equipment	212			55	157
Computers (including software)	111			46	65
Machinery	-				-
Heritage assets	-				-
Total	89,632	588,947	-	101	678,478

Significant Donated Assets Recorded - Source and Date of Valuation

None

Significant Donated Assets - Not Recorded

None

KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST

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For the year ended
31 March 2018

Note 6 : Commitments and Contingencies

Commitment	Explanation and Timing	At balance date	At balance date
		This Year	Last Year
		\$	\$
			2,111,113

Commitments

The base build phase of the Event Centre project was completed in January 2018. Monthly payments were made to the build contractors (Freear Philip) and Project Managers (Shand Shelton) throughout the build phase. Signoff of the final payments and release of retentions was achieved in May 2018.

Contingency	Explanation	At balance date	At balance date
		This Year	Last Year
		\$	\$
Contingent liability	Deed of Ground Lease for a parcel of land at 7 Beauchamp Street from Wellington City Council.	-	980
		-	-
Guarantees provided			

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Note 7: Other

Significant Grants and Donations with Conditions which have not been Recorded as a Liability

Description	Original Amt	Not Fulfilled Amt	Purpose and Nature of the Condition(s)
N/A			

Goods or Services Provided to the Entity in Kind

Description	Amount
None	N/A

Assets Used as Security for Liabilities

Nature and Amount of Borrowing	Nature and Amount of Asset Used as Security
Nil borrowing	N/A

Note 8: Assets Held on Behalf of Others

Description of the Assets Held	Name of Entity of Whose Behalf Assets are Held*
N/A	N/A

Note 9: Related Party Transactions

Related Party Disclosures:

Trustees and advisors have provided donations and paid money for various fundraising events. In the 2018 year these totalled (last year in brackets): Gary Parsons \$600 (\$8000), Wallace Simmers \$0 (\$25), Kelvin Giles \$0 (\$200), Aaron Jago \$0 (\$200), Graeme Titcombe \$0 (\$200), Bryan Sheppard \$0 (\$440), Lorna Ingram \$0 (\$105), Fleur Nicholas \$620 (\$120), Matthew Beattie \$0 (\$620), Julie Crengle \$500 (\$0), John Rowe \$1000 (\$0)

Note 10: Events After the Balance Date

Events After the Balance Date:

There were no events that have occurred after the balance date that would have a material impact on the Performance Report. (Last Year Nil)

Note 11: Ability to Continue Operating

N/A

Note 12: Correction of Errors

N/A

Additional Information

None

KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST INCORPORATED

**INDEPENDENT ASSURANCE PRACTITIONER'S REVIEW REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2018**

To Members of the Board of Karori Community Hall Trust Incorporated

Report on the Performance Report

I have reviewed the accompanying performance report of Karori Community Hall Trust on pages 2 to 14, which comprises the entity information, the statement of service performance, the statement of financial performance, the statement of financial position as at 31 March 2018, statement of cash flows for the year ended 31 March 2018, and the statement of accounting policies and other explanatory information.

The Responsibility of the Trustees for the Performance Report

The Trustees are responsible on behalf of the entity for:

- (a) Identifying outcomes and outputs, and quantifying the outputs to the extent practicable, that are relevant, reliable, comparable and understandable, to report in the statement of service performance;
- (b) the preparation and fair presentation of the performance report which comprises;
 - the entity information;
 - the statement of service performance; and
 - the statement of financial performance, statement of financial position, statement of cash flows, statement of accounting policies and notes to the performance report

in accordance with Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting – Accrual (Not-For-Profit) issued in New Zealand by the New Zealand Accounting Standards Board, and

- (c) for such internal control as The Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the performance report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Assurance Practitioner's Responsibility

My responsibility is to express a conclusion on the performance report. I conducted my review of the statement of financial performance, statement of financial position, statement of cash flows, statement of accounting policies and notes to the performance report in accordance with International Standard on Review Engagements (New Zealand) (ISRE (NZ)) 2400 (Revised), *Review of Historical Financial Statements Performed by an Assurance Practitioner who is not the Auditor of the Entity*, and the review of the entity information and statement of service performance in accordance with the International Standard on Assurance Engagements (New Zealand) ISAE (NZ) 3000 Revised). Those standards require me to conclude whether anything has come to my attention that causes me to believe that the performance report, taken as a whole, is not prepared in all material aspects in accordance with the Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting – Accrual (Not-For-Profit). Those standards also require that I comply with ethical requirements.

A review of the performance report in accordance with ISRE (NZ) 2400(Revised) and ISAE (NZ) 3000 (Revised) is a limited assurance engagement. I performed procedures, primarily consisting of making enquiries of management and others within the entity, as appropriate, and applying analytical procedures, and evaluate the evidence obtained. The procedures selected depended on my judgement, including the areas identified where a material misstatement is likely to arise and includes performing procedures to obtain evidence and evaluating whether the reported outcomes and outputs, and quantification of the outputs to the extent practicable, are relevant, reliable, comparable and understandable.

The procedures performed in a review are substantially less than those performed in an audit conducted in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (New Zealand) and ISAE (NZ) 3000 (Revised). Accordingly, I do not express an audit opinion on the performance report.

Other than in my capacity as assurance practitioner I have no relationship with, or interests in, Karori Community Hall Trust Incorporated.

Conclusion

Based on my review, nothing has come to my attention that causes me to believe that:

- (a) the reported outcomes and outputs, and quantification of the outputs to the extent practicable, are not suitable;
- (b) the performance report on pages 2 to 14 does not present fairly, in all material respects,
 - the financial position of Karori Community Hall Trust as at 31 March 2018, and its financial performance, and cash flows for the year then ended; and
 - the entity information and its service performance for the year then ended

in accordance with Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting – Accrual (Not-For-Profit).



Robert Toothill (CA Retired)
17th of May 2018

KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST

Performance Report

For the year ended
31 March 2017

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KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST

Entity Information

"Who are we?", "Why do we exist?"

For the year ended
31 March 2017

Legal Name of Entity:*

Karori Community Hall Trust

Other Name of Entity (if any):

Type of Entity and Legal Basis (if any):*

Registered Charity

Registration Number:

CC22045

Entity's Purpose or Mission: *

To build, equip and manage a multi purpose Event Centre in the Wellington suburb of Karori.

Entity Structure: *

A Charitable Trust was registered in March 2008 to administer the fundraising and Event centre build. The Trust currently has 11 trustees who meet monthly. The trustees are responsible for the day to day running of the Trust in addition to fundraising, marketing, communications and database management. Special advisors assist the trustees in specialist areas such as engineering, project management, architecture and design.

Main Sources of the Entity's Cash and Resources:*

Revenue from donations, grants and fundraising events

Main Methods Used by the Entity to Raise Funds:*

The main methods used to raise fund include grants, donations from members of the public and running fundraising events such as quiz nights, concerts and golf days.

Entity's Reliance on Volunteers and Donated Goods or Services: *

The organisation is entirely reliant on volunteers to administer and run the trust. In addition to standard roles such as Chair, Treasurer and Secretary we also have volunteers responsible for grant applications, fundraising, marketing and database management.

Additional Information:*

KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST

Entity Information

"Who are we?", "Why do we exist?"

For the year ended

31 March 2017

Contact details

Physical Address:

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Postal Address:

PO Box 17-403, Karori, Wellington, 6147

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Email/Website:

www.karorieventcentre.co.nz



Karori Event Centre



N/A

KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST
Statement of Service Performance

"What did we do?", When did we do it?"

For the year ended
 31 March 2017

Description of the Entity's Outcomes*:

To complete the build phase of the Event Centre and to continue to raise more funds for the fitout phase through grants, donations and fundraising events.

Description and Quantification (to the extent practicable) of the Entity's Outputs:*	Actual*	Budget	Actual*
	This Year	This Year	Last Year
Raise money to contribute towards build costs through public donations, fundraising events and annual appeals. Income from fundraising events included golf day at Karori Golf Club \$2,716, Quiz Night \$1,521, Olive Oil fundraiser \$609, Movie Night \$1,386, Cake Stall \$313. Annual Appeals have been held in previous years but none was held in the year to March 17.	77,608		125,822
Obtain grants from charitable organisations - Nikau Foundation 15/11/16 \$5,000, Four Winds Foundation 3/5/16 \$10,435, Lotteries 8/3/17 \$250,000, Lion Foundation \$250,000)	515,435		22,600
A construction tender process was held and Freear Philip was selected as the preferred tenderer. Construction of the Event Centre began in November 16 with the ground works and concrete pad completed by March 17.			

Additional Output Measures:

Additional Information:

KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST

Statement of Financial Performance

"How was it funded?" and "What did it cost?"

For the year ended

31 March 2017

	Note	Actual* This Year \$	Budget This Year \$	Actual* Last Year \$
Revenue				
Donations, fundraising and other similar revenue*	1	593,043		148,422
Fees, subscriptions and other revenue from members*		-		-
Revenue from providing goods or services*		-		-
Interest, dividends and other investment revenue*	1	12,606		17,698
Other revenue				
Total Revenue*		605,649	-	166,120
Expenses				
Expenses related to public fundraising*	2	6,766		14,324
Volunteer and employee related costs*				
Costs related to providing goods or services*				
Grants and donations made*				
Other expenses	2	10,851		5,241
Total Expenses*		17,617	-	19,565
Surplus/(Deficit) for the Year*		588,032	-	146,555

KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST

Statement of Financial Position "What the entity owns?" and "What the entity owes?"

As at
31 March 2017

	Note	Actual* This Year \$	Budget This Year \$	Actual* Last Year \$
Assets				
Current Assets				
Bank accounts and cash*	3	491,425		650,158
Debtors and prepayments*	3	221		726
Inventory*				
Other current assets				
Total Current Assets		491,646	-	650,884
Non-Current Assets				
Property, plant and equipment*	3	678,478		323
Investments*		-		-
Other non-current assets		-		89,309
Total Non-Current Assets		678,478	-	89,632
Total Assets*		1,170,124	-	740,516
Liabilities				
Current Liabilities				
Bank overdraft*		-		-
Creditors and accrued expenses*	3	91,377		4,216
Employee costs payable*		-		-
Unused donations and grants with conditions*		-		250,000
Other current liabilities	3	1,257		(3,158)
Total Current Liabilities		92,634	-	251,058
Non-Current Liabilities				
Loans*		-		-
Other non-current liabilities		-		-
Total Non-Current liabilities		-	-	-
Total Liabilities*		92,634	-	251,058
Total Assets less Total Liabilities (Net Assets)*		1,077,490	-	489,458
Accumulated Funds				
Capital contributed by owners or members*		-		-
Accumulated surpluses or (deficits)*		1,077,490		489,458
Reserves*		-		-
Total Accumulated Funds*		1,077,490	-	489,458

Approval of Financial Report for the year ended 31 March 2017

The Trustees are pleased to present the approved financial report including the historical statements of the Karori Community Hall Trust for the year ended 31 March 2017.

Chairperson

Date:

Treasurer

Date:

KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST

Statement of Cash Flows

"How the entity has received and used cash"

For the year ended
31 March 2017

	Actual* This Year \$	Budget This Year \$	Actual* Last Year \$
Cash Flows from Operating Activities*			
Cash was received from:			
Donations, fundraising and other similar receipts*	383,497		149,998
Fees, subscriptions and other receipts from members*			-
Receipts from providing goods or services*			-
Interest, dividends and other investment receipts*	12,600		20,840
Net GST	54,683		6,868
Cash was applied to:			
Payments to suppliers and employees*	18,523		20,165
Donations or grants paid*			
Net Cash Flows from Operating Activities*	432,257	-	157,541
Cash flows from Investing and Financing Activities*			
Cash was received from:			
Receipts from the sale of property, plant and equipment*			-
Receipts from the sale of investments*			-
Proceeds from loans borrowed from other parties*			-
Capital contributed from owners or members*			-
Cash was applied to:			
Payments to acquire property, plant and equipment*	590,990		27,025
Payments to purchase investments*			-
Repayments of loans borrowed from other parties*			-
Capital repaid to owners or members*			-
Net Cash Flows from Investing and Financing Activities*	(590,990)	-	(27,025)
Net Increase / (Decrease) in Cash*	(158,733)	-	130,516
Opening Cash*	650,158	-	519,642
Closing Cash*	491,425	-	650,158
This is represented by:			
Bank Accounts and Cash*	491,425	-	650,158

KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST

Statement of Accounting Policies

"How did we do our accounting?"

For the year ended

31 March 2017

Basis of Preparation*

Karori Community Hall Trust has elected to apply PBE SFR-A (NFP) Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting - Accrual (Not-For-Profit) on the basis that it does not have public accountability and has total annual expenses of equal to or less than \$2,000,000. All transactions in the Performance Report are reported using the accrual basis of accounting. The Performance Report is prepared under the assumption that the entity will continue to operate in the foreseeable future.

Goods and Services Tax (GST)*

All amounts are recorded exclusive of GST, except for Debtors and Creditors which are stated inclusive of GST.

Income Tax

Karori Community Hall Trust is wholly exempt from New Zealand income tax having fully complied with all statutory conditions for these exemptions.

Bank Accounts and Cash

Bank accounts and cash in the Statement of Cash Flows comprise cash balances and bank balances (including short term deposits) with original maturities of 90 days or less.

Grants

Grants are recognised in the financial statements when the services are performed and receivable as at the balance date or conditions of the grant are met. The unspent portion is recognised as a Liability in the Statement of Financial Position.

Depreciation*

All fixed assets are initially recorded at cost with depreciation on all tangible fixed assets, other than land, in accordance with rates set out in the Income Tax Act 2007.

Tier 2 PBE Accounting Standards Applied (If any)*

N/A

Changes in Accounting Policies*

There have been no changes in accounting policies during the financial year (last year - nil)

KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST

Notes to the Performance Report

For the year ended
31 March 2017

Note 1 : Analysis of Revenue

Revenue Item	Analysis	This Year \$	Last Year \$
Fundraising revenue	Fundraising events eg Quiz night	6,545	1,844
	Total	6,545	1,844
Donations and other similar revenue	Donations/koha from the public	71,063	123,978
	Grants for capital purposes	515,435	22,600
	Total	586,498	146,578
Fees, subscriptions and other revenue from members		\$ -	\$ -
	Total	-	-
Revenue from providing goods or services		\$ -	\$ -
	Total	-	-
Interest, dividends and other investment revenue	Interest	12,606	17,698
	Total	12,606	17,698

KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST

Notes to the Performance Report

For the year ended
31 March 2017

Note 3 : Analysis of Assets and Liabilities

Asset Item	Analysis	This Year \$	Last Year \$
Bank accounts and cash	Cheque account balance	77,196	100,564
	Savings account balance	414,229	549,593
	Term Deposit		-
	Total		491,425
Debtors and prepayments	Accounts receivable	-	-
	Other receivables	221	221
	Prepayments	-	505
	Total	221	726
Inventory		-	-
	Total	-	-
Other current assets		-	-
	Total	-	-
Investments		-	-
	Total	-	-
Other non-current assets	Fixed Assets	678,478	89,632
	Total	678,478	89,632

KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST

Notes to the Performance Report

For the year ended
31 March 2017

Note 3 : Analysis of Assets and Liabilities

Liability Item	Analysis	This Year \$	Last Year \$
Creditors and accrued expenses	Trade and other payables	88,877	4,215
	Income In Advance	1,478	1,130
	GST Payable	(221)	(4,288)
	Audit Fee accrual	2,500	
	Total	92,634	1,057
Employee costs payable		\$ -	\$ -
	Total	-	-
Unused donations and grants with conditions		\$ -	\$ 250,000
	Total	-	250,000
Other current liabilities		\$ -	\$ -
	Total	-	-
Loans		\$ -	\$ -
	Total	-	-
Other non-current liabilities		\$ -	\$ -
	Total	-	-

KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST

Notes to the Performance Report

For the year ended
31 March 2017

Note 4 : Property, Plant and Equipment

This Year	Opening Carrying Amount*	Purchases	Sales/Disposals	Current Year Depreciation and Impairment*	Closing Carrying Amount*	PPE7 - PPE8	Source and Date of Valuation*
Asset Class*							
Land*	-				-		
Buildings*	89,309	588,947			678,256		
Motor Vehicles*	-				-		
Furniture and fixtures*	-				-		
Office equipment*	212			55	157		
Computers (including software)*	111			46	65		
Machinery*	-				-		
Heritage assets	-				-		
Total	89,632	588,947	-	101	678,478		

Last Year	Opening Carrying Amount*	Purchases	Sales/Disposals	Current Year Depreciation and Impairment*	Closing Carrying Amount*
Asset Class*					
Land*	-				-
Buildings*	65,809	23,500			89,309
Motor Vehicles*	-				-
Furniture and fixtures*	-				-
Office equipment*	288			76	212
Computers (including software)*	192			81	111
Machinery*	-				-
Heritage assets	-				-
Total	66,289	23,500	-	157	89,632

Significant Donated Assets Recorded - Source and Date of Valuation*

N/A

Significant Donated Assets - Not Recorded*

N/A

KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST

Notes to the Performance Report

For the year ended
31 March 2017

Note 6 : Commitments and Contingencies

Commitment*	Explanation and Timing*	At balance date	At balance date
		This Year*	Last Year*
		\$	\$
		2,111,113	0

Commitments

During the year a base build contract was entered into with Freear Philip to build the Event Centre. The approved based build budget was \$2.291m plus GST and construction began in October 2016 with an expected completion date of mid-November 2017.

As at 18 April 2017, committments of \$2.111m had been entered into. A forecasted payment schedule is as follows: Apr 17 \$106k, May 17 \$251k, Jun 17 \$269k, Jul 17 \$273k, Aug 17 \$249k, Sep 17 \$230k, Oct 17 \$266k, Nov 17 \$11k, Jan 18 \$31k, Sep 18 \$17k.

Contingency*	Explanation*	At balance date	At balance date
		This Year*	Last Year*
		\$	\$
Contingent liability*	Deed of Ground Lease for a parcel of land at 7 Beauchamp Street from Wellington City Council.	980	180
Guarantees provided*		-	-

KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST

Notes to the Performance Report

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31 March 2017

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Note 7: Other

Significant Grants and Donations with Conditions which have not been Recorded as a Liability*

Description*	Original Amt*	Not Fulfilled Amt*	Purpose and Nature of the Condition(s)*
N/A			

Goods or Services Provided to the Entity in Kind*

Description*	Amount*
N/A	N/A

Assets Used as Security for Liabilities*

Nature and Amount of Borrowing*	Nature and Amount of Asset Used as Security*
Nil borrowing	N/A

Note 8: Assets Held on Behalf of Others*

Description of the Assets Held*	Name of Entity of Whose Behalf Assets are Held*
N/A	N/A

Note 9: Related Party Transactions*

Related Party Disclosures:

Trustees and advisors have provided donations and paid money for various fundraising events. In the 2017 year these totalled (last year in brackets): Gary Parsons \$8000, Wallace Simmers \$25, Kelvin Giles \$200, Aaron Jago \$200, Graeme Titcombe \$200 (\$280), Bryan Sheppard \$440 (\$180), Lorna Ingram \$105 (\$50), Fleur Nicholas \$120 (\$320), Matthew Beattie \$620, Barrie Keenan (\$50), Julie Crengle (\$150)

Note 10: Events After the Balance Date*

Events After the Balance Date:

There were no events that have occurred after the balance date that would have a material impact on the Performance Report. (Last Year Nil)

Note 11: Ability to Continue Operating*

The Trust will be able to continue operating and will have sufficient funds and funding commitments to complete all stages of construction. All financial commitments are currently able to be met therefore these financial statements have been prepared under an assumption of going concern.

Note 12: Correction of Errors*

All errors have been corrected prior to the finalisation of the Performance Report.

Additional Information

None

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS REPORT

To the Trustees of Karori Community Hall Trust

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying performance report of Karori Community Hall Trust on pages one to 17, which comprises the entity information, the statement of service performance, the statement of financial performance and statement of cash flows for the year ended 31 March 2017, the statement of financial position as at 31 March 2017, the statement of accounting policies and other explanatory information.

In our opinion:

a) the reported outcomes and outputs, and quantification of the outputs to the extent practicable, in the statement of service performance are suitable;

b) the performance report on pages one to 17 presents fairly, in all material respects:

- the entity information for the year ended 31 March 2017;
- the service performance for the year then ended; and
- the financial position of Karori Community Hall Trust as at 31 March 2017, and its financial performance, and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting Accrual (Not-For-Profit).

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit of the statement of financial performance, statement of financial position, statement of cash flows, statement of accounting policies and notes to the performance report in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (New Zealand) (ISAs (NZ)), and the audit of the entity information and statement of service performance in accordance with the International Standard on Assurance Engagements (New Zealand) ISAE (NZ) 3000 (Revised). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors Responsibilities for the Audit of the Performance Report section of our report. We are independent of Karori Community Hall Trust in accordance with Professional and Ethical Standard 1 (Revised) Code of Ethics for Assurance Practitioners issued by the New Zealand Auditing and Assurance Standards Board, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Other than in our capacity as auditor we have no relationship with, or interests in, Karori Community Hall Trust.

Restriction on Responsibility

This report is made solely to the Trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 42F of the Charities Act 2005. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Trustees Responsibility for the Performance Report

The Trustees are responsible on behalf of the entity for:

- (a) identifying outcomes and outputs, and quantifying the outputs to the extent practicable, that are relevant, reliable, comparable and understandable, to report in the statement of service performance;
- (b) the preparation and fair presentation of the performance report which comprises:
- the entity information;
 - the statement of service performance; and
 - the statement of financial performance, statement of financial position, statement of cash flows, statement of accounting policies and notes to the performance report
- in accordance with Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting Accrual (Not-ForProfit) issued in New Zealand by the New Zealand Accounting Standards Board, and
- (c) for such internal control as the Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of a performance report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the performance report, the Trustees are responsible on behalf of the entity for assessing the entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Trustees either intend to liquidate the entity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditors Responsibilities for the Audit of the Performance Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the performance report is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (NZ) and ISAE (NZ) 3000 (Revised) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the decisions of users taken on the basis of this performance report.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (NZ), we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the performance report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the use of the going concern basis of accounting by the Trustees and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the entity's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditors report to the related disclosures in the performance report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditors report. However, future events or conditions may cause the entity to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the performance report, including the disclosures, and whether the performance report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

- Perform procedures to obtain evidence about and evaluate whether the reported outcomes and outputs, and quantification of the outputs to the extent practicable, are relevant, reliable, comparable and understandable.

We communicate with the Trustees regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.



PJ Major Chartered Accountant
PORIRUA
20 July 2017



KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST INCORPORATED

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST INCORPORATED

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2016**

	2016		2015	
	\$	\$	\$	\$
INCOME				
Donations		123,978		211,384
Interest Received		17,698		15,529
Grants		22,600		40,000
Other Revenue		0		742
Promotional Events				
Quiz Night Income	1,844		3,943	
	1,844		3,943	
Quiz Night Expenses	150		-	
	150		-	
Profit(Loss) Promotional Events		1,694		3,943
		165,970		271,598
 LESS EXPENDITURE				
Advertising	12,459		5,066	
Audit Fee	2,215		2,065	
Bank Charges	712		979	
Banner & Sign	1,715		2,709	
Brochure & Strategic Dev	-		11,274	
Computer Costs	399		225	
Consultancy	-		250	
Depreciation (2g)	157		248	
Entertainment	-		-	
Insurance	880		-	
Miscellaneous	594		44	
Office Expenses	-		148	
Printing & Stationery	284		1,620	
		19,415		24,628
EXCESS INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE		146,555		246,970

KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST INCORPORATED

**STATEMENT OF MOVEMENT IN GENERAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2016**

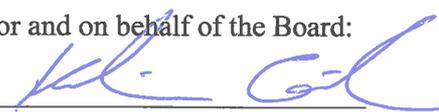
	2016	2015
	\$	\$
General Funds at Start of Period	342,903	95,933
Prior Year Adjustment – Architects Fees Capitalised as Construction Costs (Note 2h) Costs	-	-
Net Surplus / (Deficit) for the period	146,555	246,970
General Funds at End of Period	489,458	342,903

KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST INCORPORATED
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 31st MARCH 2016

	Notes	2016		2015	
		\$	\$	\$	\$
ASSETS					
Current Assets					
ANZ Bank Cheque Account		100,564		10,460	
ANZ Bank Deposit Account		4,666		858	
ANZ Savings Accounts		544,700		232,776	
RaboDirect Account		227		221	
ANZ Term Deposit	(2f)	-		275,326	
Withholding Tax		221		221	
Prepayments	(2i)	505		-	
Sundry Debtors		-		3,164	
Total Current Assets			650,884		523,026
Fixed Assets					
Equipment – Original Cost	(2h)	4,908		4,908	
Less: Provision for Depreciation		4,584		(4,428)	
Equipment – Net Book Value		323		480	
Construction Costs		89,309		65,809	
Less Provision for Depreciation		-		-	
		89,309		65,809	
Total Fixed Assets			89,632		66,289
TOTAL ASSETS			740,516		589,315
LIABILITIES					
Current Liabilities					
Sundry Creditors & Accruals		4,215		2,000	
Grant Carried Forward	(2c)	250,000		250,000	
GST (Receivable)/Payable		(4,288)		(5,588)	
Income in Advance	(2j)	1,130		-	
Total Current Liabilities		251,057		246,412	
TOTAL LIABILITIES			251,057		246,412
NET ASSETS			489,458		342,903
<i>Represented by:</i>					
Accumulated Surplus			489,458		342,903
GENERAL FUNDS			489,458		342,903

The Financial Statements have been audited. The accompanying notes form part of these Financial Statements and should be read in conjunction with the reports contained herein.

For and on behalf of the Board:



Chairperson



Trustee



Date

KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST INCORPORATED

NOTES TO THE 2016 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. REPORTING ENTITY

Karori Community Hall Trust was incorporated under the Charitable Trusts Act 1957 on the 20th day of July 2007. The primary activity of the Trust is to develop, design, build equip and manage a multi-purpose community hall on land provided by the Wellington City Council in Karori as part of the community centre facilities.

2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

Statement of Compliance

The statements have been prepared in accordance with New Zealand Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (NZ GAAP). They comply with New Zealand equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards, as appropriate to public benefit entities.

Karori Community Hall Trust is a public benefit entity.

Measurement Base

The accounting principles as appropriate for the measurement of financial performance and financial position on an historical basis are followed by the entity.

The accrual basis of accounting has been used unless otherwise stated and the financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

The functional and presentation currency is New Zealand Dollars.

Differential Reporting

The organisation is a qualifying entity for differential reporting purposes. The grounds upon which the organisation so qualifies are:

- The organisation is not publicly accountable as defined in The Frameworks for Differential Reporting.
- The organisation is not large as defined in The Frameworks for Differential Reporting.

The financial statements have been prepared taking advantage of all available differential reporting concessions.

Changes in Accounting Policies

There have been no changes in accounting policies. All policies have been applied on bases consistent with those used in previous years.

Specific Accounting Policies

The following specific accounting policies which materially affect the measurement of financial performance and financial position have been applied.

(a) Goods and Services Tax

These financial statements have been prepared on a GST exclusive basis with the exception of accounts receivable and accounts payable which are shown inclusive of GST.

(b) Income Tax

The Organisation is a Charitable Organisation, is exempt from Income Tax under section DJ of the Income Tax Act 2007.

(c) Grants

Grants are recognised in the financial statements when the services are performed and receivable as at the balance date or the conditions of the Grants are met. The unspent portion has been recognised as liabilities in the Statement of Financial Position.

Grants	\$
Lion Foundation Grant Brought f/wd	250,000
Expenditure Approved	-
Balance of Lion Foundation Grant c/fwd	<u>250,000</u>
New Grants	
Four Winds Foundation	19,600
Infinity Foundation	<u>3,000</u>
Total New Grants	22,600
Expenditure Approved	<u>(22,600)</u>
Balance of New Grants c/fwd	-
Total Grants C/fwd	<u>250,000</u>

Karori Community Hall Trust received a Lion Foundation grant of \$250,000 (excluding GST) in March 2014. This grant has not been expended and continues to be carried forward. The purpose of the grant is for building and capital construction of the Karori Event Centre.

(d) Contingent Liabilities

Karori Community Hall Trust entered into a conditional agreement to lease on 3 May 2007 with Wellington City Council, to lease a parcel of land situated at 7 Beauchamp Street, Karori. The conditions of the lease were that the Trust to raise sufficient funds and obtain the required resource consent to construct a building on the land.

The official commencement date of the agreement to lease was 2 May 2007 for five years. This was extended for three years, to 2 May 2015 and then for a further term of two years to 2 May 2017. The lease would come into effect once the conditions were met.

Initial term of the lease was ten years, with one right of renewal of ten years.

Annual rent is \$180 plus GST subject to final assessment on completion of the building.

Prior to the satisfaction of the conditions of the lease, the Trust may cancel the lease on giving six months written notice. The Council may also cancel the lease according to the terms of the agreement.

(e) Audit

These financial statements have been audited. Please refer to the auditor's report. Audit fee \$1,695 excluding GST is accrued for the year ended 31 March 2016 (Year 2015: \$2,520).

(f) Investments

	Term	Maturity	Interest Rate p.a.	2016 \$	2015 \$
ANZ Term Deposit	1 Year	7/4/15	4.6%	0	275,326
				<u>0</u>	<u>275,326</u>

(g) Depreciation.

All fixed assets are initially recorded at cost with depreciation on all tangible fixed assets, other than land, in accordance with rates set out in the Income Tax Act 2007.

(h) Fixed Assets

The organisation has the following classes of Property, Plant and Equipment.

2016

	Cost \$	Depreciation \$	Accumulated Depreciation \$	Book Value \$
Equipment	4,908	157	4,584	323
Construction Costs	89,309	-	-	89,309
	<u>94,217</u>	<u>157</u>	<u>4,584</u>	<u>89,632</u>

2015

	Cost \$	Depreciation \$	Accumulated Depreciation \$	Book Value \$
Equipment	4,908	248	4,428	480
Construction Costs	65,809	-	-	65,809
	<u>70,717</u>	<u>248</u>	<u>4,428</u>	<u>66,289</u>

(i) Prepayments

Costs associated with Karori Golf Club fundraising event held on 4 April 2016.

(j) Income in Advance

Income relating to Karori Golf Club fundraising event held on 4 April 2016.

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2015**

	2015		2014	
	\$	\$	\$	\$
INCOME				
Donations		211,384		20,080
Interest Received		15,529		2,630
Grants		40,000		-
Other Revenue		742		387
Promotional Concerts				
Concert Sponsorship			4,114	
Ticket Sales	3,429		1,104	
	<u>3,429</u>		<u>5,218</u>	
Concert Expenses	<u>-</u>		<u>(2,705)</u>	
Profit (Loss) on Promotional Concerts		3,943		2,513
		<u>271,598</u>		<u>25,610</u>
LESS EXPENDITURE				
Advertising	5,066		570	
Audit Fee	2,065		2,000	
Bank Charges	979		594	
Banner & Sign	2,709		330	
Brochure & Strategic Dev	11,274		-	
Computer Costs	225		252	
Consultancy	250		2,000	
Depreciation	(2g) 248		402	
Entertainment	-		294	
Miscellaneous	44		894	
Office Expenses	148		192	
Printing & Stationery	1,620		75	
		<u>24,628</u>		<u>7,603</u>
EXCESS INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE		<u>246,970</u>		<u>18,007</u>

KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST INCORPORATED

**STATEMENT OF MOVEMENT IN GENERAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2015**

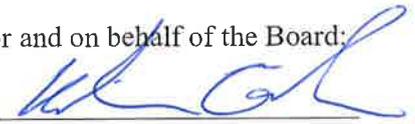
	2015	2014
	\$	\$
General Funds at Start of Period	95,933	50,413
Prior Year Adjustment – Architects Fees Capitalised as Construction Costs (Note 2h) Costs	-	27,513
Net Surplus / (Deficit) for the period	246,970	18,007
General Funds at End of Period	<u>342,903</u>	<u>95,933</u>

KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST INCORPORATED
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 31st MARCH 2015

	Notes	2015		2014	
		\$	\$	\$	\$
ASSETS					
Current Assets					
ANZ Bank Cheque Account		10,460		267,530	
ANZ Bank Deposit Account		858		20	
ANZ Savings Accounts		232,776		52,363	
RaboDirect Account		221		234	
ANZ Term Deposit	(2f)	275,326		-	
Withholding Tax		221		-	
Sundry Debtors		3,164		20	
Total Current Assets			523,026		320,167
Fixed Assets					
Equipment – Original Cost	(2h)	4,908		4,908	
Less: Provision for Depreciation		4,428		(4,180)	
Equipment – Net Book Value		480		728	
Construction Costs		65,809		27,513	
Less Provision for Depreciation		-		-	
		65,809		27,513	
Total Fixed Assets			66,289		28,241
TOTAL ASSETS			589,315		348,408
LIABILITIES					
Current Liabilities					
Sundry Creditors & Accruals		2,000		2,000	
Grant Carried Forward	(2c)	250,000		250,000	
GST (Receivable)/Payable		(5,588)		475	
Total Current Liabilities		246,412		252,475	
TOTAL LIABILITIES			246,412		252,475
NET ASSETS			342,903		95,933
<i>Represented by:</i>					
Accumulated Surplus			342,903		95,933
GENERAL FUNDS			342,903		95,933

The Financial Statements have been audited. The accompanying notes form part of these Financial Statements and should be read in conjunction with the reports contained herein.

For and on behalf of the Board:



Chairperson



Trustee

Date 26th April 2016

KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST INCORPORATED

NOTES TO THE 2015 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. REPORTING ENTITY

Karori Community Hall Trust was incorporated under the Charitable Trusts Act 1957 on the 20th day of July 2007. The primary activity of the Trust is to develop, design, build equip and manage a multi-purpose community hall on land provided by the Wellington City Council in Karori as part of the community centre facilities.

2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

Statement of Compliance

The statements have been prepared in accordance with New Zealand Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (NZ GAAP). They comply with New Zealand equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards, as appropriate to public benefit entities.

Karori Community Hall Trust is a public benefit entity.

Measurement Base

The accounting principles as appropriate for the measurement of financial performance and financial position on an historical basis are followed by the entity.

The accrual basis of accounting has been used unless otherwise stated and the financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

The functional and presentation currency is New Zealand Dollars.

Differential Reporting

The organisation is a qualifying entity for differential reporting purposes. The grounds upon which the organisation so qualifies are:

- The organisation is not publicly accountable as defined in The Frameworks for Differential Reporting.
- The organisation is not large as defined in The Frameworks for Differential Reporting.

The financial statements have been prepared taking advantage of all available differential reporting concessions.

Changes in Accounting Policies

There have been no changes in accounting policies. All policies have been applied on bases consistent with those used in previous years.

Specific Accounting Policies

The following specific accounting policies which materially affect the measurement of financial performance and financial position have been applied.

(a) Goods and Services Tax

These financial statements have been prepared on a GST exclusive basis with the exception of accounts receivable and accounts payable which are shown inclusive of GST.

(b) Income Tax

The Organisation is a Charitable Organisation, is exempt from Income Tax under section DJ of the Income Tax Act 2007.

(c) Grants

Grants are recognised in the financial statements when the services are performed and receivable as at the balance date or the conditions of the Grants are met. The unspent portion has been recognised as liabilities in the Statement of Financial Position.

Grants	\$
Lion Foundation Grant Brought f/wd	250,000
Expenditure Approved	<u>-</u>
Balance of Lion Foundation Grant c/fwd	250,000
New Grants	
Infinity Foundation Limited	20,000
Four Winds Foundation	<u>20,000</u>
Total New Grants	40,000
Expenditure Approved	<u>40,000</u>
Balance of New Grants c/fwd	-
Total Grants C/fwd	<u><u>250,000</u></u>

Karori Community Hall Trust received a Lion Foundation grant of \$250,000 (excluding GST) in 2014. This grant has not been expended and continues to be carried forward. The purpose of the grant is for building and capital construction of the Karori Event Centre.

In 2015, Karori Community Hall Trust received a grant of \$20,000, from Infinity Foundation Limited, for design, developing of drawings and marketing and a grant of \$20,000 from Four Winds Foundation, for structural engineering services. Both these grants were fully expended in 2015 in accordance with their specified purposes.

(d) Contingent Liabilities

Karori Community Hall Trust entered into a conditional agreement to lease on 3 May 2007 with Wellington City Council, to lease a parcel of land situated at 7 Beauchamp Street, Karori. The conditions of the lease were that the Trust to raise sufficient funds and obtain the required resource consent to construct a building on the land.

The official commencement date of the agreement to lease was 2 May 2007 for five years. This was extended for three years, to 2 May 2015 and then for a further term of two years to 2 May 2017. The lease would come into effect once the conditions were met.

Initial term of the lease was ten years, with one right of renewal of ten years.

Annual rent is \$180 plus GST subject to final assessment on completion of the building.

Prior to the satisfaction of the conditions of the lease, the Trust may cancel the lease on giving six months written notice.

The Council may cancel the lease according to the terms of the agreement.

(e) Audit

These financial statements have been audited. Please refer to the auditor's report. Audit fee \$2,000 excluding GST is accrued for the year ended 31 March 2015 (Year 2014: \$2,000).

(f) Investments

	Term	Maturity	Interest Rate p.a.	2015 \$	2014 \$
ANZ Term Deposit	1 Year	7/4/16	4.6%	275,326	-
				<u>275,326</u>	<u>-</u>

(g) Depreciation.

All fixed assets are initially recorded at cost with depreciation on all tangible fixed assets, other than land, in accordance with rates set out in the Income Tax Act 2007.

(h) Fixed Assets

The organisation has the following classes of Property, Plant and Equipment.

2015

	Cost \$	Depreciation \$	Accumulated Depreciation \$	Book Value \$
Equipment	4,908	248	4,428	480
Construction Costs	65,809	-	-	65,809
	<u>70,717</u>	<u>248</u>	<u>4,428</u>	<u>66,289</u>

2014

	Cost \$	Depreciation \$	Accumulated Depreciation \$	Book Value \$
Equipment	4,908	402	4,180	728
Construction Costs	27,513	-	-	27,513
	<u>32,421</u>	<u>402</u>	<u>4,180</u>	<u>28,241</u>

There are \$27,513 construction costs for previous years being adjusted and added in general funds and fixed asset schedule for year to 31 March 2014 subject to completion of the whole project.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To Members of Karori Community Hall Trust

Report on the Financial Statements

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of Karori Community Hall Trust on pages 3 to 8, which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 March 2015, and the statement of financial performance, statement of movements in general funds for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Board of Trustees' Responsibility for the Financial Statements

The Board of Trustees is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Public Benefit Entity Standards issued in New Zealand by the New Zealand Accounting Standard Board, and for such internal control as the Board determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's responsibilities

My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit. I conducted my audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (New Zealand). Those standards require that I comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my audit opinion.

Other than our capacity as auditor my firm has no relationship with, or interests in, Karori Community Hall Trust.

Basis for Qualified Opinion

- Control over income prior to being recorded is limited and there are no practical audit procedures to determine the effect of this limited control.

Qualified Opinion

In my opinion, except for the effects of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion paragraph the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Karori Community Hall Trust as at 31 March 2015 and of its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with Public Benefit Entity Standards.

KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the Year Ended 31st March 2014

KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST
Statement of Financial Performance
For the Year Ended 31 March 2014

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
	\$	\$
RECEIPTS		
Donations	20,080	54,487
Interest Received	2,630	639
Grants	-	-
Other Revenue	387	-
Promotional Concerts		
Concert Sponsorship	4,114	
Ticket Sales	1,104	
	<u>5,218</u>	
Less Concert Expenses	<u>(2,705)</u>	
Profit (Loss) on Promotional Concerts	2,513	<u>2,513</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS	<u>25,610</u>	<u>55,126</u>
LESS EXPENSES		
Advertising	570	1,505
Audit Fee	2,000	-
Bank Charges	594	1,339
Banner & Sign	330	-
Brochure	-	3,013
Computer Costs	252	261
Consultancy	2,000	78,924
Depreciation	402	668
Entertainment	294	-
Miscellaneous	894	267
Office Expenses	192	-
Printing & Stationery	75	-
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>7,603</u>	<u>85,977</u>
NET SURPLUS / DEFICIT	<u><u>18,007</u></u>	<u><u>(30,851)</u></u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST

Statement of Movement in General Funds For the Year Ended 31 March 2014

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
	\$	\$
General Funds at Start of Period	50,413	81,264
Net Surplus / (Deficit) for the Period	<u>18,007</u>	<u>(30,851)</u>
<u>General Funds at End of Period</u>	<u>68,420</u>	<u>50,413</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST

Statement of Financial Position

As At 31 March 2014

	Notes	<u>2014</u> \$	<u>2013</u> \$
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
ANZ Bank Cheque Account		267,530	15,233
ANZ Bank Deposit Account		20	92
ANZ Bank Savings Account		52,363	-
RaboDirect Investment Account		234	232
RaboDirect Term Deposit		-	35,570
Sundry Debtors		20	-
Total Current Assets		<u>320,167</u>	<u>51,127</u>
Fixed Assets			
Equipment	(k)	4,908	4,908
Less: Provision for Depreciation		<u>(4,180)</u>	<u>(3,778)</u>
Total Fixed Assets		<u>728</u>	<u>1,130</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		320,895	52,257
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities			
Sundry Creditors & Accruals		2,000	-
Grant Carried Forward	(f)	250,000	4,114
GST Payable / (Receivable)		<u>475</u>	<u>(2,270)</u>
Total Current Liabilities		<u>252,475</u>	<u>1,844</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES		252,475	1,844
NET ASSETS		<u><u>68,420</u></u>	<u><u>50,413</u></u>
<i>Represented by :-</i>			
Accumulated Surplus		<u>68,420</u>	<u>50,413</u>
GENERAL FUNDS		<u><u>68,420</u></u>	<u><u>50,413</u></u>

The Financial Statements have been audited. The accompanying notes form part of these Financial Statements and should be read in conjunction with the reports contained herein.

For and on behalf of the Board;

W. W. Summers

Chairperson

J. Parsons

Trustee

Treasurer

Date: 18 July 2014

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST

Notes to the financial Statements For the Year Ended 31 March 2014

1. REPORTING ENTITY

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2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with New Zealand Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (NZ GAAP). They comply with New Zealand equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (NZ IFRS) and other applicable Financial Reporting Standards, as appropriate to public benefit entities.

Karori Community Hall Trust is a public benefit entity.

Measurement Base

The accounting principles recognised as appropriate for measurement of financial performance and financial position on an historical basis are followed by the entity.

The accrual basis of accounting has been used unless otherwise stated and the financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

The functional and presentation currency is New Zealand Dollars.

Differential Reporting

The Organisation is a qualifying entity for differential reporting purposes. The grounds upon which the organisation so qualifies are:

- The organisation is not publicly accountable as defined in The Framework for Differential Reporting.
- The Organisation is not large as defined in the Framework for Differential Reporting.

The financial statements have been prepared taking advantage of all available differential reporting concessions.

KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST

Notes to the financial Statements For the Year Ended 31 March 2014 (Continued)

Changes in Accounting Policies

There have been no changes in accounting policies. All policies have been applied on bases consistent with those used in previous years.

Specific Accounting Policies

The following specific accounting policies which materially affect the measurement of financial performance and financial position have been applied.

(a) Goods and Service Tax

These financial statements have been prepared on a GST exclusive basis with the exception of accounts receivable and accounts payable which are shown inclusive of GST.

(b) Income Tax

The Organisation is a Charitable Organisation, is exempt from income tax under Section DJ of the Income Tax Act 2007.

(f) Grants

Grants are recognised in the financial statements when the services are performed and receivable as at the balance date or the conditions of the Grants are met. The unspent portion has been recognised as liabilities in the Statement of Financial Position.

Karori Community Hall Trust received a Lion Foundation grant of \$250,000(excluding GST) for the year ended 31 March 2014 (Year 2013: \$nil). The purpose of the grant is for building and capital construction of the proposed Karori Event Centre.

(g) Contingent Liabilities

Karori Community Hall Trust entered into a conditional agreement to lease on 3 May 2007 with Wellington City Council to lease a parcel of land situated at 7 Beauchamp Street, Karori. The conditions of the lease were that the Trust to raise sufficient funds and obtain the required resource consent to construct a building on the land.

The official commencement date of the agreement to lease was 3 May 2007 for five years. This was extended for three years to 3 May 2015. The lease would come into effect once the conditions were met.

Initial term of the lease was ten years with one right of renewal of ten years.

Annual rent is \$180 plus GST subject to final assessment on completion of the building.

KARORI COMMUNITY HALL TRUST

Notes to the financial Statements For the Year Ended 31 March 2014 (Continued)

Prior to the satisfaction of the conditions of the lease, the Trust may cancel the lease on giving six months written notice.

The Council may cancel the lease according to the terms of the agreement.

(h) Audit

These Financial Statements have been audited. Please refer to auditor's report. Last year's comparatives have been reviewed not audited. Audit fee \$2,000 excluding GST is accrued for the year ended 31 March 2014 (Year 2013: \$nil).

(i) Depreciation

All fixed assets are initially recorded at cost with depreciation being deducted on all tangible fixed assets other than land, in accordance with rates set out in the Income Tax Act 2007.

(k) Fixed Assets

The organisation has following classes of Property, Plant & Equipment.

2014	Cost	Depreciation	Accumulated Depreciation	Book Value
	\$	\$	\$	2014 \$
Equipment	4,908	402	4,180	728
TOTAL	4,908	402	4,180	728

2013	Cost	Depreciation	Accumulated Depreciation	Book Value
	\$	\$	\$	2013 \$
Equipment	4,908	668	3,778	1,130
TOTAL	4,908	668	3,778	1,130

(i) Capital Commitments

There is a building project for the proposed Karori Event Centre. The expected start date is May 2015. The expected completion date is November 2016. The total estimated budget of this project is \$4m.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To Members of Karori Community Hall Trust

Report on the Financial Statements

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of Karori Community Hall Trust on pages 1 to 6, which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 March 2014, and the statement of financial performance, statement of movements in general funds for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Board of Trustees' Responsibility for the Financial Statements

The Board of Trustees is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Public Benefit Entity Standards issued in New Zealand by the New Zealand Accounting Standard Board, and for such internal control as the Board determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's responsibilities

My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit. I conducted my audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (New Zealand). Those standards require that I comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my audit opinion.

Other than our capacity as auditor my firm has no relationship with, or interests in, Karori Community Hall Trust.

Basis for Qualified Opinion

- Control over income prior to being recorded is limited and there are no practical audit procedures to determine the effect of this limited control.

Qualified Opinion

In my opinion, except for the effects of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion paragraph the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Karori Community Hall Trust as at 31 March 2014 and of its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with Public Benefit Entity Standards.

Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

In accordance with the Financial Reporting Act 1993, I report that:

- I have obtained all the information and explanations that I have required.
- In my opinion proper accounting records have been kept by Karori Community Hall Trust as far as appears from an examination of those records.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a series of loops and a long horizontal stroke.

I M Kamal
Auditor
18 July 2014
Porirua

Living Wage Aotearoa

Submission on Wellington City Council's Annual Plan 2019/20 -
Mahere ā-Tau 2019/20

Living Wage Wellington
May 2019



WELLINGTON: The Fairest Little Capital City

Living Wage Wellington submission on the Wellington City Council Annual Plan 2019/20

Contact: Gina Lockyer, Living Wage Wellington.



Living Wage Wellington wishes to speak to our submission.

Living Wage Wellington

Living Wage Wellington is part of Living Wage Movement Aotearoa NZ. Living Wage Wellington was launched at the Wesley Church in Taranaki Street in August 2012.

Living Wage Movement Aotearoa New Zealand is a broad-based community movement committed to addressing poverty and inequality by lifting low wages. Living Wage Wellington brings together a wide range of faith-based and community organisations and unions representing many thousands of Wellingtonians and others who work in Wellington and live outside the city. Member organisations of the Living Wage Movement include:

- St Peter's on Willis
- The New Zealand Council of Trade Unions, Te Kauae Kaimahi
- ChangeMakers Resettlement Forum
- St Andrews on the Terrace
- The Anglican Diocese of Wellington
- DCM
- First Union
- E Tū
- Newtown Union Health Service
- New Zealand Educational Institute: Te Riu Roa
- Wellington Methodist Parish
- Unions Wellington
- Workers Educational Association
- New Zealand Council of Christian Social Services
- The Public Service Association Te Pūkenga Here Tikanga Mahi
- Victoria University of Wellington Students Association
- The Tertiary Education Union Te Hautū Kahurangi o Aotearoa
- Methodist Public Issues
- Manufacturing and Construction Workers Union
- United Community Action Group (UCAN)
- Māori Women's Welfare League
- The Dairy Workers Union
- Child Poverty Action Group
- Post Primary Teachers' Association Te Wehengarua
- Postal Workers Union
- Rail and Maritime Transport Union
- Unite Union

Living Wage Wellington also enjoys support from a range of organisations which have not formally become member organisations of the Living Wage Movement.

Our submission

Living Wage Wellington is calling on Wellington City Council to build on the achievement of becoming New Zealand's first Living Wage council by preparing a plan and taking steps to:

- Play a broader advocacy role in Wellington for the Living Wage
- Ensure all WCC events, projects and venues are Living Wage

Attached are the signatures of hundreds of Wellington residents supporting this call. These signatures were collected on one day in March and although there is clearly support from outside Wellington City, over 300 signatures are from local residents.

Background

On 3 September 2018 Wellington City Council made history when Mayor Justin Lester announced WCC was New Zealand's first fully-accredited Living Wage council.

This completed a process which began with a call from the community in early 2013. The formal process began in July 2013 when WCC councillors voted to start a phased implementation of the Living Wage for directly-employed and contracted WCC workers.

In 2013 councillors voted to support in principle becoming a Living Wage Council and a Living Wage Capital. Councillors voted to ask officers to work with stakeholders to develop a Living Wage framework. The vote specified that officers would report back to councillors on a framework which:

- a) Provides for the phased implementation of a Living Wage for directly employed Council staff, staff employed by council-controlled organisations and contractors who deliver council services
- b) Advises of the impact on council's procurement policy and future tendering arrangements
- c) **Determines the role(s) for council in advocating for a Living Wage Capital**

It is a huge achievement that the first two measures have been completed. Now it is time to ensure the third measure becomes a reality.

Why would Wellington City Council become a Living Wage city?

Firstly, because the commitment was made to become a Living Wage Capital in 2013. However, there are many benefits of becoming a Living Wage city.

As London's Mayor, Sadiq Khan, states, businesses benefit from becoming Living Wage employers and as his predecessor, Boris Johnson, pointed out, the whole city is better off when employers adopt the Living Wage.

Becoming a Living Wage City will add to Wellington's reputation as a progressive, innovative and caring city and a great place to live and work in. It will say that Wellington is not just the *Cooldest Little Capital* in the World, but the fairest. It will add to the list of positives about Wellington — a Fair Trade city, a Nuclear Free city and a Living Wage city.

It will be good for Wellington's workers, who will be well paid and able to enjoy the amenities of this wonderful city.

It will be good for employers because paying the Living Wage is good for business.

It will be good for the economy, as well-paid workers have money to spend and support local business.

It will attract people to Wellington and attract business. It speaks volumes about the kind of city Wellington is and the values Wellington represents.

The time is right for Wellington to embark on the path of becoming a Living Wage City and earn the title: *The Fairest Little Capital city*.

What would this look like in Wellington?

Below are some steps WCC could take to move Wellington City towards becoming a “Living Wage City”.

- **Support local Living Wage businesses**

Like London, Wellington City could expand the Living Wage through its procurement, for services such as printing, and prioritise local Living Wage businesses for WCC contracts.

Accreditation as a Living Wage employer is still a relatively new concept and it is a tribute to small businesses like Fix and Fogg, medium sized businesses like Pivotal Print and hospitality businesses like The Rogue and Vagabond that they are leading the way. These businesses are setting an example for others in Wellington. Council could work on a plan to promote and support local Living Wage businesses.

- **Support the work to increase the number of local Living Wage employers**

Having more accredited Living Wage employers is good for Wellington City. Council can use its position as a Living Wage employer to encourage other employers to follow this lead. The Sustainable Business Network (an accredited living Wage employer) would be a valuable partner in this work. Berl (another Living Wage employer) is another ideal local partner to work with WCC to promote the Living Wage concept.

The Mayor and councillors could convene employers’ forums and seek other opportunities to promote the Living Wage and increase understanding amongst businesses of the benefits of the Living Wage and the process for adopting it.

- **Adopt the Living Wage at WREDA**

WREDA is the economic development agency for the Wellington Region and manages Wellington City venues: TSB Arena; Michael Fowler Centre; St James Theatre and the Opera House. Although WCC has the majority share of WREDA many workers at the venues are paid close to the minimum wage.

WREDA’s vision for Wellington is on the website:

An inspiring and lofty goal, this vision tasks WREDA with advancing the prosperity, vibrancy and liveability of the Wellington region. To achieve this, a programme of work based on promoting and substantiating the unique character of our city and region, supporting existing and new businesses to thrive, and driving projects which lead to enhanced economic growth.

We're not shy in [our vision](#) for Wellington; we're aiming that by 2025, this will be the most prosperous, liveable and vibrant region in Australasia.

For this vision to be delivered on, WREDA must be funded sufficiently to adopt the Living Wage.

- **Adopt the Living Wage for Wellington events and projects**

Over time the Living Wage should be the minimum rate paid at all council-coordinated events. This could be phased in, with an event chosen to pilot this, and other events coming onboard over time.

Council's large projects could also be phased in as Living Wage projects. A large building project, such as the Convention Centre, could be the first large WCC Living Wage project, with all those employed on this project being paid a minimum of the Living Wage.

- **Work with Living Wage Wellington to progress the Living Wage city concept**

WCC and Living Wage Wellington have established an excellent working relationship over the six years since councillors first voted to adopt the Living Wage. Together we can create a Living Wage city — the fairest little capital city.

Appendix: Petition asking Wellington City Council to ensure all Council events, projects and venues are Living Wage.

LET'S MAKE WELLINGTON A LIVING WAGE CITY



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Forest Taane Morton		
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Taylor Brown		
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Matthew Cilliers		Matthew Cilliers
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**Wellington Chamber of Commerce
Submission to the Wellington City Council on the Annual Plan 2019/20
Consultation Document**

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Introduction

The Wellington Chamber of Commerce (the Chamber) welcomes the opportunity to make a submission to the Wellington City Council (WCC) on its Consultation Document on the Annual Plan 2019/20 (“the Annual Plan”).

The Chamber has been the voice of business in the Wellington region for 163 years since 1856 and advocates policies that reflect the interests of the business community in the city and region and further the development of the region’s economy as a whole. The Chamber advocates for the views of its members, obtained through regular surveys.

For the purposes of this submission, it is important to note that Wellington region businesses pay the highest share of rates in the country. Businesses pay 44 per cent of the total rates collected by Wellington City Council while taking up only around one-fifth of the total rateable property. Regionally, businesses pay around one-third of the

rates collected by Greater Wellington Regional Council. Therefore, as the largest contributor to Wellington City's and the Wellington region's rate-take, and paying the highest proportion in the country, businesses have a real stake in what happens to rate money.

To this end, it should be noted that in May 2018 the Chamber put in an extensive submission¹ on the five areas highlighted by the WCC in their draft long-term plan (2018-28), namely: Resilience and Environment, Housing and Community Wellbeing, Transport, Sustainable Growth, and Arts and Culture. It is not necessary to revisit the content of that submission again in respect to the five priority areas, but this submission particularly concentrates on rating policy (particularly rates differentials) as outlined on p.17 of the Annual Plan.

The Chamber would welcome the opportunity to discuss its submission with the WCC and requests to be heard orally.

Chamber position on changes to the 2018-2028 Long-Term Plan proposed by the 2019/2020 Annual Plan

With respect to the major changes proposed, those that alter the Council's previously adopted Long-term Plan, the Chamber hold the following views:

- We **oppose** the 3.9 per cent rates hike. At twice the rate of inflation, it is unjustifiably high to households and businesses.
- We **oppose** the increase to the business rates differential from 2.8 times to 3.25 times, which means a triple increase in rates for business – property values have increased, the general rate is proposed to increase, and the business multiplier calculation is proposed to increase. **It is of considerable concern to the Chamber that not only has the WCC reneged in their general support for removing rating differentials over time but has proposed that the general rates differential be adjusted from 2.8:1 (currently) to 3.25:1 (for 2019/20).** We expand on this further, pages 11-12.
- We **support** the changes to progress several significant capital projects proposed under the three waters work programme: Omaroro Reservoir, Moe-i-te-Ra Bell Road Reservoir, and the Kilbirnie storm water pump station. We also support increasing the Built Heritage Incentive and Resilience Fund, and the

¹ https://www.wecc.org.nz/_data/assets/pdf_file/0007/146392/17052018-Chamber-sub-to-WCC-on-Our-10-Year-Plan-Consultation-Document.pdf

changes to increase the budget to ensure resilience improvements for marine and coastal structures and the Oriental Bay Band Rotunda.

- ☑ We **support** in principle the increases to fees and user charges. We expand on this further, page 10-11.
- ☑ We **support** the changes to the six traffic resolutions. We have submitted separately on these resolutions as part of that consultative process. However, we note that much more must be done to address the Chamber's concerns about parking. Council needs to urgently undertake a stocktake of car parking and put in place a CBD-wide strategy.
- ☑ We **note** the information provided in the transport section about changes ahead, and look forward to any consultation required about funding changes to the LTP once the "Let's Get Wellington Moving" programme is announced. This must be announced and agreed to with urgency.
- ☒ We must **record** our serious disappointment that the same cannot be said for the Petone-Grenada link road, despite being referenced as a future project in the draft annual plan documentation. We strongly urge the Mayor and Councillors to continue to make representations to NZTA and the Minister, as Wellington needs this transport project. Government must explain its lack of commitment to fixing the Wellington region's transport congestion issues, including the recent decisions made for the Melling Interchange project. Business is seriously concerned about this Government's priorities on transport across the region, and that includes the ongoing delays to the Let's Get Wellington Moving project.
- ? We still have **strong reservations** about the costs involved in the earthquake strengthening of two key heritage venues, the St James Theatre and the Town Hall. We note that the St James Theatre costs have now doubled, from \$14.9 million in last year's LTP to the proposed figure of \$31.3 million. Add to this that the Town Hall costs have grown to \$112.4 million from an original \$46 million – combined, that is a similar amount to what the City would have contributed to extend Wellington's runway. The Chamber would ask, is it buying the City the return it needs? Council needs to decide exactly where the Town Hall fits into its venues strategy, alongside the Michael Fowler Centre, the St James, and the new convention centre. What's going to be the full use and what's the business case stacked alongside the other venues? Clarity around that will help determine the return on investment and the Town Hall's value to the city. We live in an earthquake zone and we can't preserve everything. We have to make hard choices, and this is one of them. The public purse stretches

only so far. We can't keep increasing rates forever. The Council must reconsider recycling of assets to fund new construction.

- ☑ We **support** in principle the changes to rates remission, to provide remission of targeted rates on property under development or earthquake-strengthening. We have provided further comments below in the next section.
- ☑ We **recommend** that Council look at alternative funding methods and mechanisms, through asset recycling, ground leases, and other options outlined in our submission - rather than increasing the business differential in this unfair and disproportionate manner.

Funding Policy

Local government has a vital role to play in advancing the overall well-being of New Zealanders. However, that role is not all-encompassing but needs to be established on a principled basis and properly circumscribed.

The Chamber considers it desirable for local government to focus on the provision of local public goods, since the likelihood is their provision will otherwise be inadequate. There is little incentive for the private sector to provide goods and services where the return on investment is likely to be low or in the worst case, non-existent.

While rates will likely be the cornerstone of local government funding for some time, they will need to be complemented and possibly eventually displaced by other revenue sources. This is to ensure they better reflect the needs and costs of communities, noting that pricing mechanisms and availability of real-time data are improving by the day.

The Chamber has actively supported the concept of a Productivity Commission inquiry into the costs and revenue base of local government, given the pressures the sector is currently experiencing. This is true of both high-growth and low-populated areas, with, in the latter case, infrastructure upgrades needed, although ratepayers' ability to pay is squeezed.

There are strong perceptions that local government is not as efficient and effective as it should be. This is reflected in Local Government New Zealand's own research which shows that *'local government does not have a strong reputation with business and the public'*².

² Local Government NZ, *Building a Stronger Local Government for New Zealand – a survey of New Zealanders' perceptions of local government 2015*.

While individuals, businesses, business organisations and ratepayer representatives all have different views on local government, one common thread is a concern over the increasing rates burden. The aggregate rates burden is running at close to twice the rate of inflation with in some cases significant associated inequities. This is essentially a nationwide issue, although the problem is greater with some councils than others.³

The business sector pays about half the country's rates bill and the level of rates paid is often disproportionate to the level of services received. The situation is exacerbated by the widespread use of business/commercial rating differentials despite strong evidence supporting their removal. Where councils have agreed to reduce the differentials, they have often been tardy in doing so, tending to incremental change due to 'expenditure pressures'.

There are numerous examples of rating differentials and targeted rates imposed with little evidence of rigorous, objective analysis, particularly of access to service and benefits derived. A particularly egregious example is Greater Wellington Regional Council's (GWRC) targeted rate for public transport where Wellington CBD business are considered the primary beneficiaries (rather than commuters) and a 7.5 to 1 differential imposed in 2018 on those businesses.

The Chamber supports moves by the WCC to support greater use of user-pays principles as outlined in the Consultation Document. Nevertheless, we do have some concerns with the appropriate use of user-charges which is outlined below. Also, we believe that the justification for some of rating policies proposed by the WCC are invalid to say the least (particularly in respect to rates differentials as outlined below).

The Chamber believes that WCC should receive better guidance on the use of available funding tools to ensure greater consistency with other councils across the country, underpinned by an economically principled approach to funding council activities.

There should also be greater clarity in distinguishing among the following:

Appropriate pricing and user charges for local authority services. Charging for the use of private goods and services would bring greater efficiencies. For example, while some councils charge for water and waste on a user-pays basis, many still fund

³ It is noted that a publication by the Controller and Auditor-General 'Local government: Results of the 2013/14 audits' (February 2015) had the following to say on rating practices. 'In our report last year, we highlighted some rating practices that did not comply with statutory requirements. Some local authorities justified these practices as being pragmatic. We stated our view that a pragmatic approach was an unacceptable risk, particularly given that the power to set rates is a power to tax people for services provided. Rating practices needed to improve.' (p.5)

such activities out of general rates, sending strictly limited signals to consumers as to the real costs associated with their behaviour.

Taxes imposed on a subset of a local authority's ratepayers to fund local public goods of clear benefit to subset members. There may be isolated cases where levying additional rates (taxes) on a particular class of ratepayers is appropriate, for example, where specific local public goods benefit a clearly defined subset of ratepayers such as schemes to control floods.

An appropriate tax to fund local public goods of benefit to all residents. The administrative costs of council operations could fall into this category, along with other public goods such as footpaths and street lighting.

Charges justified as internalising external costs imposed on people or firms. For example, these could include emission charges.

Councils should not be in the business of income redistribution. Unlike central government (with the information it has through income tax), local authorities have no information on residents' incomes so any decisions made to assist people in this regard will inevitably be flawed. If central government wishes to provide relief through a rates rebate scheme, then this should be administered centrally through Work and Income rather than by councils.

While the motivation for a rates rebate scheme is clearly understood, the wider business community is generally concerned the scheme can be only a short-term stop-gap measure. It would not effectively address the real issue: protecting people from an ever-growing rates burden.

Clearly, the focus needs to shift to ensuring local authorities constrain their rate rises by focusing on their core business, having activities funded by those who benefit from them, and providing ratepayers with transparent information.

In respect to rates remission and postponement notices, it is understood that while most local authorities offer some kind of rates postponement options, the number of ratepayers currently postponing their rates is low.

While conceptually the Chamber is not opposed to the use of rates postponement options, we question the need for activity of this sort to be undertaken by local authorities rather than by the private sector through reverse mortgages and the like. Increasingly, the private sector is providing this type of arrangement for those who are effectively asset rich but income poor as a means of ensuring people can continue

to live in their family home while being aware the payments are a debt against their property or assets.

However, as indicated above, **the Chamber believes that the WCC's proposal to provide remission of targeted rates on property under development or earthquake-strengthening makes good sense.** We see sense in the policy objective to provide rates relief for property temporarily not fit for purpose due to the property undergoing development or earthquake strengthening. We believe this will support and incentivise, or at the very least provide fairness to, building owners for getting on with this work.

The Chamber sees some merit in the greater use of relatively new financial instruments such as reverse mortgages or home equity conversions as a way of enabling people on lower incomes, but with an asset base, to deal with the many cost pressures affecting them.

However, given a noticeable reluctance to adopt reverse mortgages (for a number of reasons), it might be desirable to market these to the general public as mechanisms for shifting expenditure and revenue streams over time. But apart from providing general advice to ratepayers, the Chamber does not see this as a core role for councils; councils should not become involved in the process of setting up reverse mortgages and the like. Private sector institutions, mainly banks, are in a better position to market and manage such instruments.

Whether more people will seek rates postponement will depend on several factors, including ratepayers' current and future income and assets, the cost of delaying payment as opposed to up-front pay-as-you-go, household responsiveness to risk, financial literacy, and the threshold criteria for postponements. It is quite likely, given the competitive nature of financial markets, that new and innovative products capable of meeting consumers' needs will come on to the market in due course. Therefore, it is possible that in time many more people will look to different payment options, depending on their particular circumstances.

The Chamber supports much greater use of user-charges where practicable. There is scope for increasing, if not completely removing, the 30 percent cap on the Uniform Annual General Charge (UAGC). It is noted that use of the UAGC varies widely across the country, with some councils utilising it to the full 30 percent provided for and others not using it at all.

Greater use of user charges for most service provision might lessen current concerns about the UAGC. Some councils do not fully use the existing cap, sending distorted

signals to ratepayers about the costs associated with the provision of services to, and the benefits received by, individual households.

User-charges and recovery of costs

While the Chamber is generally supportive of the greater use of user charges by the WCC as outlined above, the Chamber does have some concerns in respect to how they are used.

First, the potential for such charges to be exorbitant, and second, for funds to be diverted for unrelated purposes.

While the WCC's move towards greater use of user-charges should incentivise individuals and households to better understand the costs and benefits of particular services, more could be done to bring other services, such as water use, into this ambit.

A number of councils have introduced volumetric charging for water use and smart meters for electricity. This has had a significant impact, allowing for significant cost savings by delaying infrastructure upgrades and the need for new expanded infrastructure.

The effectiveness of councils in using new technologies to manage infrastructure assets has, however, varied; some have been proactive, while others have succumbed to political pressure and largely retained the status quo in respect to pricing and asset management.

A rigorous approach to user-pays funding first requires the nature of the services to be determined. If the services in question can be defined as public goods (which include non-rivalry in consumption and non-excludability), they are generally best funded out of general taxation. With private goods (where the benefits and costs are largely of a private nature, with few externalities or spillovers), clearly the cost should be funded as much as possible by means of user charges. Individuals and businesses will then be encouraged to undertake effective and efficient risk minimisation strategies based on known risks.

A significant issue which cuts across all local government services/regulatory enforcement is in defining an appropriate charging/levy regime where there is no contestability in service provision. In normal competitive markets, individuals will make trade-offs between price and quality of service, along with a host of other factors.

Where an agency (in this case the WCC) seeks to recover some or all of the costs of service/regulatory provision from the users or direct beneficiaries of that service, those people need to be assured that the charges set are not excessive in relation to the costs incurred and take proper account of efficiency and equity considerations.

The danger with what is effectively monopoly rights in services provision (and guaranteed funding) appear to be four-fold.

First is the concern that the price of service set by the WCC will exceed the price had the provision of service been contestable.

The second is the potential for the WCC to provide a substandard service in the knowledge that there are effectively no other competitors in the market.

The third (the corollary of the second, and more likely), is the potential for the WCC to provide a "gold-plated" service in the knowledge that any increased costs can be simply passed on to private sector businesses and households through user-charges.

The fourth is the risk that user-charges will be excessive and potentially used to fund "feel good" projects unrelated to the provision of the services where user-charges apply.

In respect to the last point, it is important that where practicable, user-charges should be ringfenced in respect to the goods or services being supplied and not used for unrelated purposes.

This is similar in respect to what should apply in respect to provision for depreciation of assets.

Assets often have a long-term life, and upgrading and renewing them can involve lumpy investments over time. It may in some cases be appropriate for the amount spent on renewing assets to be either low or high depending on particular time frames, population pressures and the like.

In general, it is important to account for depreciation so that the real costs associated with investments are transparent to asset users over time. However, it may also be appropriate to modify depreciation levels depending on the costs associated with asset upgrades e.g. if the cost of new and innovative products is lower and/or if a new product will last longer than the original infrastructure. Other factors also need to be considered when determining depreciation levels. For example, public perceptions of what is an acceptable level of service might change or government (through

legislation) might require higher (or possibly lower) standards than are currently in force, requiring a change in local government asset plans.

Given the above, it is suggested that where possible, local decisions should be made by the people most affected by them who have to pay the associated costs. Currently, many decisions are unduly foisted on local government without the provision of adequate compensation. A number of examples can be identified such as drinking water standards and mandatory earthquake strengthening requirements. In many cases these changes have significantly affected local councils' ability to fund upgrades.

Further, unless there are extraordinary reasons for not doing so, all depreciation associated with particular asset classes should be ring-fenced to prevent its inappropriate use for unrelated purposes. Transparent reporting of depreciation is also essential to prevent the risk of funds being improperly used. The Chamber considers that councils should be required to adopt consistent reporting practices in respect to both depreciation and wider reporting of financial management of assets in general.

Generally speaking, **the Chamber supports the proposed increases to fee and user charges**, for the principled reasons outlined above. We have made a more substantive submission on the six traffic resolutions that are being consulted on as part of this process.

Deficiencies in the Proposed WCC Differential Rating Policy

The Chamber notes the rates increase for 2019/20 is projected to be 3.9 per cent.

Although the Wellington business sector pays just under half of the city's rates bill and regionally businesses pay around a third of the region's rates bill, this level of rates is often entirely disproportionate to the level of services received. The situation is exacerbated by the generally wide use of business/commercial rating differentials despite strong evidence supporting their removal. Where in the past, WCC has agreed to reduce such differentials, it has often been tardy in doing so, tending towards incremental change due to "expenditure pressures".

The business differential set by the WCC is currently 2.8:1, meaning businesses are paying almost 3 times more in rates than households for the equivalent level of capital value. This differential is one of the highest in New Zealand.

Wellington CBD has higher rates for commercial properties than both Auckland and Christchurch. As the Property Council's 2018 Operating Expenses Benchmark shows

below that Wellington's rates are 32% more than Auckland and 39% more than Christchurch.

Table 1. Median cost summary of fixed charges (rates and insurance) ⁴

Cost Item	Median Cost Summary (\$/m ² p.a.)				
	Wellington CBD	Auckland CBD	Auckland Non-CBD	All Christchurch	All NZ Office
Fixed Charges	48.35	36.61	22.04	34.63	34.51
Rates	17.86	5.86	4.56	15.12	7.10
Insurance					
Total Fixed Charges	66.53	42.40	27.00	51.85	43.17

This is further evidenced by research conducted by JLL⁵, that we have brought to the attention of Council before, which shows that commercial rates in Wellington are considerably higher than Auckland. For example, a commercial property valued at \$2 million would pay rates on average \$26,000 in Auckland, \$16,500 in Hamilton and \$32,000 in Wellington. The increase in rates differential will only make the current situation worse.

As the Property Council submission notes, Businesses are paying about 14 per cent of their rental incomes in rates which is ultimately passed onto tenants. However, residents, are paying only about 2.8 per cent of their income on rates. This is inherently unfair and disproportionately burdens the commercial sector.

The rates differential sees the commercial sector pay 23 per cent more than its share of the capital value. Commercial makes up just 19% of capital value, yet pays 44% of the total rates. This means the commercial sector is paying a much greater share of rates than its share of capital value and creates an imbalance with residential properties.

It is therefore of considerable concern to the Chamber that not only has the WCC reneged in its general support for removing rating differentials over time but it has proposed that the general rates differential be adjusted from 2.8:1 (currently) to 3.25:1 (for 2019/20). Council, nor anywhere in the Annual Plan, demonstrates what benefits, if any, there are to the commercial sector.

⁴ Source: Property Council Submission on Wellington City Council Annual Plan 2019-20

⁵ JLL, *Property Council NZ Rates Research*, December 2015

The rationale given on p.17 of the Annual Plan 2019/20 for proposing changing the differential from 2.8:1 to 3.25:1 defies logic:

"It is proposed that the general rates differential be adjusted from 2.8:1 to 3.25:1 to ensure the rates for 2019/20 continue to be paid in the same proportion by each differential rating category.

"In simple terms, this currently means that commercial property owners contribute 44 percent of total rates revenue in 2018/19 in comparison to 'Base' contributing 56 percent. Due to the change in the relative Rateable Values (which does not necessarily change the relative ability to pay) changing the general rate differential to 3.25:1 will maintain this ratio at 44 percent 'Commercial' to 56 percent 'Base'."

Rates collected from rates differentials need to show direct benefits to businesses. The additional rates that businesses pay through rates differentials should be separated and specifically allocated to projects that support the commercial sector. The Council does not provide information as to where the differential is spent. This results in a lack of confidence and transparency for businesses and the commercial property sector that the additional rates they pay will be spent on projects that benefit economic growth of the city.

We have long been on the record that rating differential and targeted rates should reflect the benefits received and should not be unfairly applied to businesses as a loose and general revenue-raising mechanism. We believe further information could be provided to explain the methodology behind targeted rates, namely, a description of how targeted rates benefit the specific targeted group. We acknowledge the principle that targeted rates should apply to those who will receive the most benefit, however, at times it is unclear how it has been determined that the targeted group is the most benefited party.

Differential and targeted rating should be permitted only where a clearly identified community (such as a remote rural area) is provided with a distinctly different level of public goods from that of other ratepayers and the differential or targeted tax reflects the difference in the level of services. There should be an objective test in respect to benefits received to ensure consistency of approach. However, in general, rates differentials, if used at all, should be used sparingly and not, as some councils have done, as a general revenue-raising device on unprincipled and unsubstantiated grounds.

Sometimes business-sector differential rating is justified on the spurious argument that the sector benefits proportionally more from council services. A number of reports

have found such thinking to be groundless, yet councils continue to apply significant differentials simply because they can, and not on any principled economic basis. Where councils have agreed to reduce such differentials, the reduction has generally occurred at a snail's pace, councils being mindful of not upsetting residential ratepayers who enjoy the advantages of a lower rates burden courtesy of the business sector.

In the past, and to a certain extent still today, some have argued that businesses are advantaged relative to residential ratepayers because they can deduct rates for income tax purposes and claim a credit for GST paid on rates. Reputable economists have discredited these claims for the following reasons: First, a firm can only claim a tax deduction for rates because its income is subject to tax. Nobody could seriously argue it is an advantage to be subject to income tax. Second, a GST-registered person or firm can claim a credit for GST paid on inputs because supplies (outputs) are subject to GST. But the net GST collected is paid to Inland Revenue so there is no advantage for businesses.

We wish to support the submission made by the Wellington branch of the Property Council that recommends the following:

- Defer the decision to increase the business rates differential until after the release of the Productivity Commission report into local government funding and financing in November 2019.
- Begin reducing the business rates differential in future years with the ultimate aim that it be phased out.
- Look at alternative funding methods such as targeted rates, public-private partnerships (PPPs), toll roads, the Government's regional development fund.

An alternative to increasing rates

To move the region forward, the Council is looking to improve on the city's assets by building a convention centre and movie museum, an indoor events arena, and to fix the Town Hall and the St James theatre. And all for good reasons. But increasing rates, increasing the business differential and borrowing for these projects is not the best or only option. It is the strong view of the Chamber that Council must reconsider recycling some assets, including review of ground leases, to fund new construction.

The Council's 34 per cent shareholding in Wellington International Airport is one very good example. Last year investment services company Forsyth Barr valued the airport's total shares at \$1.1 billion, meaning the council's holding is worth about

\$375 million on market value. As a minority shareholder, there is not a lot of influence the council can exert when it comes to making the assets pay. Last year it received just \$12.1 million in dividends. The airport company retained most of its earnings for reinvestment.

There's a further question: could that 34 per cent be worth more than \$375 million? Forsyth Barr says that in the event of an airport sale, a multiple in the order of 20 times operating earnings would not be out of the question. Using the airport's operating earnings of \$90 million and deducting the \$400 million or so of debt would value the airport company's total shares at around \$1.4 billion. The city's 34% share would return the city around \$475 million.

There will be those who say selling an asset that has provided up to \$12 million a year of income would be foolish. But selling and paying-down debt from the proceeds would enable the council to make huge savings in loan servicing. The council is tasked with spending and investing ratepayer money in the most efficient way it can. As ratepayers and business owners, we're advised to pay off our mortgages and debt first, and councils should be no different. Wellington Council should be taking a balanced view and maximising the asset base, including recycling assets and ground leases to achieve the best outcome for all ratepayers.

We also support the Property Council's alternative funding suggestions. Mechanisms such as the targeted rates are more appropriate ways of collecting and rating, for the reasons we have outlined above. Other alternative funding mechanisms include Public-private partnerships (PPPs), toll roads, the Government's regional development fund and potential new funding solutions in the future that the Government is investigating.

Conclusion

Because businesses are a large contributor to Wellington City's and Wellington region's rate-take, businesses have a real stake in what happens with that money. The Chamber would welcome the opportunity to discuss our submission with the Council. In the meantime, we would urge it to revisit its proposal to substantially increase the rates differential for businesses. As this submission has emphasised, the justification for increasing the differential is weak and the logic outlined in the Discussion Document is deficient and defies good funding principles. It should be revisited before the final plan is adopted. If anything, the WCC should be progressively reducing the rating differential over time, as previously promised.