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Hastings District Council
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Meeting date: **Tuesday, 11 June 2024**

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Venue: **Council Chamber
Ground Floor
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Far to much of rates money is wasted on unnecessary projects.and i way crap that gets stuff all use. We the people pay far to much now as it is. Lose all these consultants its ridiculous

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I agree on closing the frimley pools the money can go towards our rates .We have pools at the sports park also splash planet.
Paul Olsen

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While some of these things have to be done you need to start looking long term at how to find other funding sources that constantly adding taxes to your rate payers. We have to deal with all the same increases you talk of personally and then to have it added again in rates isn't just criminal! Surely the council money could be invested in money making activities rather than all spending activities and create a positive environment. What are you doing to encourage business into the district? Get smart and look differently. Offer incentives to a particular type of business to develop here and make our area a thriving business hub. That will help raise council funding in a positive way rather than this dribble of a plan which is focussed more on spend. Your ratepayers are not an endless pot of money. Housing stock will deteriorate because people can't afford the upkeep of their homes with a 50% increase in rates, people will move out of the district and poverty will increase. Take some responsibility and revisit this plan. It's not like Hastings is a mecca, it needs work to be appealing and that's where you need to channel some of your attention too. Adelaide did it and other cities have too. I completely oppose this level of rate increase. I would be more comfortable with a one off increase to get over the hump of the cyclone and a far more moderate on going increase. What you've proposed is nothing short of criminal!

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Cost of living and everything thing else has gone up except wages, increase the rates and you will also see alot more people unable to afford their homes, spend less on doing up foot paths and speed bumps and sign changes aswell as your wages and vehicle upgrades, we can't afford this so why can you

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Pay more add some projects

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Stop wasting rate payers money

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Wasted rate payer money. money needs to spend on common sense issues

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Its time the council stopped wasting money, the water building in town is a complete wast of time. The municipal theater should never of gone ahead, this was a complete waste of money that will never give a return.

It is time that at meeting the catering bill needs to be stopped. Its time that like companys they get coffee and biscuits from the super market.

The Hastings council needs to be run like a company and not like a endless supply of money to which it has been run incorrectly for some years.

Another noticeable thing is gemco seem to get every building contract. I feel this is very concerning as I know what building cost per squire meter and I know that this has been overpaid by the Hastings council on several projects.

I am also aware of the money that goes missing at splash planet and how this is supposed to be swept under the carpet.

As councilors you need to be accountable.

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NZ has some of the highest local government rates in the world - yet another increase is absolutely insane, with a cost of living crisis this is going to plunge a LOT of households into debt and poverty.

The question must be asked; why hasn't council been saving portions of rates over the years in funds for this kind of stuff? I think a complete wind back of projects and inappropriate spending such as \$25,000 public sculptures and thinning down your 110 staff (much like central govt. are doing) would be a great start before the ratepayer has to pay more money (yet again)

Regards Mark Graham

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Repayments at a slower pace

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Hi Council

My submission concerns the level of rate increases; I totally appreciate the significant costs that council has to bear to repair much of the infrastructure that was damaged during cyclone Gabrielle, and then the share of the costs that council has been forced to bear for the payout of homes that can no longer be lived in.

However I would urge council to defer all "non essential" works and upgrades while the recovery phase is still ongoing.

On a personal level, I work for a business that is a supplier to the agricultural industry, and we are simply not achieving our sales and margins that we normally achieve due to the downturn in the farming sector; as a consequence, we are looking at making provisions to maintain a sustainable business. Basically we will be cutting all costs to the bone, and if we can do it to live within our means, why can't the HDC? Consequently I would consider myself lucky if I get a 2% pay increase this year....so rate increases of the magnitude that you are proposing clearly suggests that I need make allowances elsewhere to pay rates!! The level of rate increases has been over and above my salary increase for several years now, and at some point local Governments across all of NZ will need to accept that a whole section of rate payers will struggle to pay their rates; I have to ask, is that fair?

Regards, Andrew Pattullo

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Thank goodness the priority now is repairing our infrastructure and dealing with cyclone damage. Cleaning up and repairing must come first. Sensible and forward thinking strategies to address the issues of an aging stormwater system needs to be top of the list. The waterways need to be cleaned out. Where the floodwaters broke through, engineers need to work out why did the breaks happen in specific places? I know that where we live, the Turirau Stream flood water has exited at the same point several times in the last 120 years. A sensible solution must be found. In this case the older locals need to be consulted to what they believe would work best. I think that the Turirau Stream may need to exit by running parallel with the Tutaekuri River.

Culverts must be big enough to deal with a flood.

Hawkes Bay will again become a booming productive area that hugely contributes to the NZ economy. But the Councils must mitigate the damage that future floods could create. The negative financial impact of floods is immense.

The social impact of the Cyclone is barely manageable. It isn't fair that people live their day to day life fearing that there could be a repeat of Cyclone Gabrielle.

Those of us impacted by the flood are grateful for further rates remissions. Some of us have been living in a caravan or a shed for over a year. We manage our limited electricity options and using hoses. Our showering and cooking options are pretty basic. A lot of us are old.

Thankyou for proposing to slow down the spending on parks etc. With new infrastructure, we will bounce back. Then the cycle tracks, the wineries, the pubs and country attractions will again give us a tourism boom.

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How does this plan make sense to any logical person.

The CE of Hastings Council should get off his high horse, and get amongst it and stop playing the old government's social game.

This is real life and families are struggling. Rates increases of 25% are ridiculous! Go steady and increase 10% over five to get to 50% increase on current rates. Allow salaries to catch up.

If this proceeds, it the MOST stupidest thing ever done.

People will leave the region and move to the country, businesses will close due to this. Stop being idiots!

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During a cost-of-living crisis, it's bewildering to think rates could be going up 25%. I'd like to see the council tightening its belt further and looking for all opportunities to save money to reduce the substantial increase in rates.

I understand there will need to be a larger increase than normal to accommodate the rebuild after Cyclone Gabrielle, but surely we can find other avenues of saving money to reduce the impact on rate payers.

I'd like to see an increase in user pays around council facilities - Libraries, parks, splash planet etc are not used by all rate payers so how about decreasing council funding and increasing fees to use these facilities which means they could be more self-sustaining. Perhaps even selling Splash Planet to a private operator, as I don't see why this should remain a council run establishment. Community events and entertainment put on by the council should also be drastically reduced.

The council NEEDS to enter a period of austerity measures much like many households are having to do at the moment.

Cheers

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I live in the Haumoana Community of Te Awanga and we face an ongoing risk of coastal erosion and inundation that, although did not suffer the same amount of damage seen in other areas in Cyclone Gabrielle, did see up to 4m of coastal foreshore damaged and inundation into the Te Awanga stormwater pond system.

Our concern is that without community funded and council supported protection measures, then these communities will suffer severe and costly erosion and inundation risks. similar to those observed during stopbank breaches in Cyclone Gabrielle.

I would like to ask that the proportion of Haumoana & Te Awanga CRTR Rates go toward funding and maintaining a sea wall.

We have an active community currently involved in working with HDC on this matter, but early estimates of cost look like ~\$850 per household to fund and we would like HDC to consider that some of this comes from the CRTR rates as this will need to occur over the next 100yrs.

I would like to ask that the Haumoana & Te Awanga CRTR Rates go toward funding and maintaining a new sea wall.

This community realises that living in these communities will cost, and we accept that, but we would like the above consideration to be made for our proportion of Rates.

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My Rates have gone up 77% over the last 2 years, 33% this time which is significantly more than the average, probably going to be the same in coming years. How about stopping the wasteful spending and sticking to a budget when it comes to roading and infrastructure projects and as well as sticking to spending the rates money on the core council services and nothing else until HDC gets its debt under control.

HDC cannot continue with these large increases. I make submissions every year but ultimately the council does not care for public submissions and does what it wants.

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Although it is evident that there is still recovery work to be done from Cyclone Gabrielle, to slap a 25% rates increase on homeowners who are already struggling to make ends meet due to the current economic crisis and cost of living will just push people further into debt and will definitely mean the council won't recover the rates charged, as people won't be able to pay it. The property valuations done this year was already an enormous increase in what we used to pay, now to also add rates with a 25% increase is not sustainable. It will be better to do an average normal increase equal to or just above inflation and relook at the recovery and long term plan in a year or two once the cost of living and economy has stabilised. We are in a period where companies are cutting jobs, businesses are closing down due to the current situation, don't put more pressure on your rates payers because you want the recovery work to be done NOW, when it can be extended and planned over a longer period of time

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NZ is in a cost of living crisis as it is. Adding an additional average of \$750 to each household for rates (in our case a rates increase from \$4000 to \$5000) is just so untenable already. It is understandable that a large part of the cost is the cyclone recovery cost and wanting to speed that up, but it is at the cost of the living standards and ability for households to operate normally. Households are already managing extremely high mortgage interest rates, power, food, and insurance. This means that money is being taken from the economy, causing an even greater recession and thus less employment and will cause many local businesses to struggle as people will not have expendable income to keep them afloat. Please reduce the hit of this cost - borrow for longer, spread out the costs, take the chance that 1 in 100 cyclone won't be a 1 in 10 with a repeat event. It is tying a brick to the most vulnerable, when they are already deeply struggling to stay afloat.

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Everyone is struggling. Because of the financial environment. I would like to see less sculptures displays etc in Hastings. Never in havelock and we pay for it. Parking in havelock north is still trouble with no end in site. And we pay for that. There should be freeze on any pay rises and a review on the amount of support staff council has. National government are doing it so should local council. Council need to work for the people that pay there wages and with delay with permits, city assist people they don't help locals, just visitors. Most of the time I see them eating together. Council has to been seen to tighten its belts before putting up rates

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Cut costs elsewhere on non crucial plans, rates increase will make having a home un affordable for a lot who are already struggling living paycheck to paycheck.

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Cut unnecessary spending on vanity projects and nice to haves. The cost of living is horrendous and these rises are a joke.

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The rate increase is ridiculous and out of so many people's capabilities. Our household earns good money, we get out of bed at 4am every day to go and earn good money. What do all the people on the benefit contribute to the recovery of the region, all the people that work but don't own their own home, why am I substituting them???

I work bloody hard to have my own home and pay all the bills that go with it. All you are going to accomplish is driving more decent, hard working people out of the region and possibly out of the country. I'm a huge advocate of Hawkes Bay but this is making me question whether it's worth staying here.

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Definitely no to library expenditure.
No to increase in rates

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Councillors could take a pay cut instead of increasing our tax! District council have been far from helpful in most that the do.

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Things are very tough at the moment.

Pursuing higher rates will only add to peoples struggles.

There seems to be a lot of staff at the council and like any good business knows when times are tough you make cuts to add to the bottom line.

Slow down some projects and refrain from Zoe ding the likes of \$70k on a new logo.. that's a kick in the face to all rate payers.

There are many measures that can be undertaken to ease the pain for everyone..

Happy to discuss further.

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You are crippling families - last year we had a huge increase that means we now can save nothing, and then this year you will put us in a significantly more stressful place - where do we find this extra money??? Power has gone up, every other facility in the home has increased in price, food is much more expensive!

This is too much all at once. Cut costs else where - reduce your staffing at the HDC.

Slow down on the nice-to-have projects.

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If HDC is borrowing money for the proposed plans suggest start smaller increase rates later especially given current cost of living in 2024/ insurances, being made redundant, recession etc until interest rates are lower. Slow down period. Lessen the big projects which due to current costs are currently expensive.
\$1019.49 rate increase is huge when you are retired, have a mortgage on property already struggling with increased interest rates . This type of increase is the type of figure turfs people out of their homes.
Plus HDC needs to consider what further contributions the government may make to assist in the 2024 budget before committing more \$\$\$ pain to the people of Hawke's Bay.

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I can't afford this rate increase with the cost of living as it is at the moment. I only just get by week to week as a single mum. Worst case, I may need to sell my home and rent. This seems an unreasonable amount to increase.

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Council needs to listen to community, the proposed 25% rate rise is unaffordable for families and business, let alone the commercial rates.
We rate payers looking for more creativity in your thought processes rather than this stale method of justifying your expenses. You think you need to pay top wages for 'professionally qualified staff' but all you end up with by doing that is staff who are too scared to rock the boat - not innovative thinking!
Please have a rethink - because this proposal is taking Hawke's Bay nowhere except driving people away.
What is innovative thinking? Not building a water information centre! Just another example of unnecessary spending. Listen to the business leaders and developers - we're the ones getting off our ass making our own way in this terrible economic climate, there's plenty of examples where 3 councils is a total joke.

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You should rethink closing frimley pools as it is the only affordable swimming place in Hastings. If you need to save money I suggest you look at how much money you all earn. Hastings district council is a disappointment. Taking away too much from people, taking away Cornwall park play centre and I never see anyone in your so called kiosk. Absolute joke.

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I am extremely concerned for people already struggling in our community with the current cost of living. People are barely surviving and this increase for home owners with cause more financial stress on households, which has huge social impacts. People renting who already have huge weekly payments will see their rent increase because landlords will pass on the cost. I teach and every day I see the impact on our precious tamariki from financial strain on households. I just think that increasing the rates this much is going to have a huge detrimental effect on our community and our people. It is everyone this effects- not just those that own homes.

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Firstly, well done on a quality summary document that does a good job of articulating the difficult choices ahead. It is clear that there are no easy options, and the combination of high inflation and a cyclone has been most unkind to our city's finances.

That said, having read the Long term plan supporting information, it does appear there are other alternatives that should be considered and are not explicitly mentioned. These include

- (1) salary and wage costs - Has council considered options to reduce headcount or freeze salaries for a period? If we are making tough choices then surely this must be on the table.
- (2) water meters and water charges - is this an option to offset some of the water related investment in the plan? Or other user pays charges.
- (3) under-utilised assets - could Splash Planet and other property assets be better utilised, or perhaps even divested to reduce debt? Splash Planet sits empty for most of the year. Could parts of it could be monetised in the off season? Should a council own a theme park?
- (4) Cyclone Rooding investments - what avenues have been explored to seek a Central Government contribution to this bill, or failing that, preferential funding terms to reduce the interest bill on the borrowings?
- (5) Insurance - what is the council doing to mitigate its insurance bill? Could an option be to insure less and take more risk?

In my view the forecast debt track is too high and even more needs to be done to reduce the need for borrowing and create fiscal headroom for tomorrow. We wait patiently to see what will happen with 3 waters.

Regards
Aaron

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We are in a massive cost of living crisis, and your increased costs will see families out of their homes! Both homeowners and renters. The elderly will choose to not eat or not heat their homes order to fund these increased costs.

Stop the unnecessary spending.

Stop the wage increases.

Get rid of the dead wood.

Do what you need to do and hunker down.

You are causing immense pressure in times when we are already pressured enough!

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Your proposed increase in rate is outrageous!!! I struggle to understand how you think people are going to manage that, everyone is struggling and only just accept that last increase. Along with this ridiculous increase and regional people just cannot pay it! Do you want to push more people out on the streets and create more homeless families and financial burdens?

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In these current economic times we can n ot afford to be paying more in our rates. While I agree with gradual increases, a large jump right now is going to put even more stress on already stressed homeowners. Paying mortgages, putting food on table it's all gone up and unfortunately in HB our wages are not as high.
Please consider very carefully these increases. I love calling Hawkes Bay home but it is almost becoming unaffordable to stay.

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The proposed rates increase is absolutely ridiculous and completely unaffordable for many. It will mean we will have to sell our home. Between this, increase in insurance, interest rates and cost of living you are completely out of touch with your community.

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