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Sub #	Organisation	Local Board	Volume
13316		Albert-Eden	1
13317		Not supplied	1
13318		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13319		Orakei	1
13320		Orakei	1
13321		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13322		Franklin	1
13323		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1
13324		Orakei	1
13326		Albert-Eden	1
13327		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1
13328		Rodney	1
13329		Puketapapa	1
13330		Puketapapa	1
13331		Whau	1
13332		Howick	1
13333		Orakei	1
13334		Devonport-Takapuna	1
13335		Not supplied	1
13336		Waitemata	1
13338		Rodney	1
13339		Not supplied	1
13340		Kaipatiki	1
13341		Albert-Eden	1
13342		Manurewa	1
13343		Orakei	1
13345		Howick	1
13346		Devonport-Takapuna	1
13347		Orakei	1
13348		Henderson-Massey	1
13349		Not supplied	1
13350		Orakei	1
13351		Waitakere Ranges	1
13352		Rodney	1
13354		Kaipatiki	1
13355		Not supplied	1
13356		Rodney	1
13357		Henderson-Massey	1
13358		Devonport-Takapuna	1
13359		Puketapapa	1
13360		Rodney	1
13361		Rodney	1
13362		Papakura	1
13364		Waitakere Ranges	1
13365		Orakei	1
13366		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1
13367		Waitemata	1
13368		Upper Harbour	1
13370		Upper Harbour	1
13371		Upper Harbour	1
13372		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1

Sub #	Organisation	Local Board	Volume
13373		Devonport-Takapuna	1
13374		Franklin	1
13375		Albert-Eden	1
13376		Kaipatiki	1
13377		Waitemata	1
13379		Rodney	1
13380		Franklin	1
13382		Franklin	1
13383		Waitakere Ranges	1
13384		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1
13385		Not supplied	1
13386		Not supplied	1
13387		Not supplied	1
13388		Albert-Eden	1
13389		Waitemata	1
13390		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1
13391		Kaipatiki	1
13393		Rodney	1
13394		Otara-Papatoetoe	1
13396		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13397		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1
13398		Upper Harbour	1
13399		Waitemata	1
13400		Howick	1
13402		Howick	1
13403		Upper Harbour	1
13405		Howick	1
13406		Orakei	1
13407		Albert-Eden	1
13408		Kaipatiki	1
13409		Not supplied	1
13410		Albert-Eden	1
13411		Rodney	1
13412		Rodney	1
13413		Orakei	1
13414		Not supplied	1
13415		Orakei	1
13416		Not supplied	1
13417		Albert-Eden	1
13418		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13419		Kaipatiki	1
13420		Waitakere Ranges	1
13421		Whau	1
13422		Devonport-Takapuna	1
13423		Not supplied	1
13424		Papakura	1
13425		Whau	1
13426		Albert-Eden	1
13427		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13429		Howick	1
13431		Mangere-Otahuhu	1

Sub #	Organisation	Local Board	Volume
13432		Henderson-Massey	1
13433		Howick	1
13434		Waitemata	1
13435		Howick	1
13437		Upper Harbour	1
13438		Upper Harbour	1
13440		Rodney	1
13441		Upper Harbour	1
13443		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1
13445		Albert-Eden	1
13446		Whau	1
13447		Not supplied	1
13448		Rodney	1
13449		Waitemata	1
13450		Albert-Eden	1
13451		Albert-Eden	1
13452		Howick	1
13453		Not supplied	1
13454		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13455		Albert-Eden	1
13456		Albert-Eden	1
13457		Rodney	1
13458		Orakei	1
13459		Papakura	1
13460		Albert-Eden	1
13461		Orakei	1
13462		Henderson-Massey	1
13463		Rodney	1
13465		Henderson-Massey	1
13466		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1
13467		Henderson-Massey	1
13470		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13471		Mangere-Otahuhu	1
13472		Orakei	1
13473		Waitemata	1
13474		Aotea/Great Barrier	1
13475		Upper Harbour	1
13476		Rodney	1
13477		Manurewa	1
13478		Albert-Eden	1
13480		Otara-Papatoetoe	1
13481		Orakei	1
13482		Papakura	1
13483		Devonport-Takapuna	1
13484		Not supplied	1
13485		Howick	1
13486		Waiheke	1
13488		Mangere-Otahuhu	1
13489		Franklin	1
13492		Waitakere Ranges	1
13493		Henderson-Massey	1

Sub #	Organisation	Local Board	Volume
13494		Upper Harbour	1
13495		Henderson-Massey	1
13496		Howick	1
13497		Albert-Eden	1
13499		Orakei	1
13500		Rodney	1
13501		Not supplied	1
13502		Manurewa	1
13503		Orakei	1
13504		Rodney	1
13505		Albert-Eden	1
13506		Papakura	1
13507		Puketapapa	1
13508		Not supplied	1
13509		Albert-Eden	1
13510		Albert-Eden	1
13511		Henderson-Massey	1
13512		Orakei	1
13514		Devonport-Takapuna	1
13515		Henderson-Massey	1
13516		Upper Harbour	1
13519		Orakei	1
13520		Upper Harbour	1
13521		Howick	1
13522		Not supplied	1
13523		Devonport-Takapuna	1
13524		Henderson-Massey	1
13525		Whau	1
13526		Rodney	1
13527		Orakei	1
13528		Not supplied	1
13529		Whau	1
13530		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13531		Franklin	1
13532		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1
13533		Not supplied	1
13534		Albert-Eden	1
13535		Howick	1
13536		Albert-Eden	1
13537		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1
13538		Henderson-Massey	1
13540		Howick	1
13541		Henderson-Massey	1
13542		Otara-Papatoetoe	1
13543		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1
13544		Howick	1
13545		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1
13546		Howick	1
13547		Waitemata	1
13548		Henderson-Massey	1
13549		Kaipatiki	1

Sub #	Organisation	Local Board	Volume
13550		Papakura	1
13552		Howick	1
13553		Albert-Eden	1
13554		Albert-Eden	1
13555		Waitemata	1
13556		Waitakere Ranges	1
13557		Manurewa	1
13558		Rodney	1
13559		Rodney	1
13560		Henderson-Massey	1
13561		Rodney	1
13562		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13563		Orakei	1
13564		Devonport-Takapuna	1
13565		Kaipatiki	1
13566		Howick	1
13567		Kaipatiki	1
13568		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13570		Rodney	1
13571		Rodney	1
13573		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13574		Albert-Eden	1
13575		Howick	1
13576		Papakura	1
13577		Rodney	1
13578		Whau	1
13579		Waiheke	1
13580		Henderson-Massey	1
13581		Albert-Eden	1
13582		Franklin	1
13583		Manurewa	1
13584		Howick	1
13585		Franklin	1
13586		Orakei	1
13587		Waitakere Ranges	1
13588		Waitemata	1
13589		Franklin	1
13590		Franklin	1
13591		Upper Harbour	1
13592		Albert-Eden	1
13593		Not supplied	1
13594		Howick	1
13595		Not supplied	1
13596		Howick	1
13597		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13598		Papakura	1
13599		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13600		Papakura	1
13603		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1
13604		Not supplied	1
13605		Howick	1

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13606		Papakura	1
13607		Upper Harbour	1
13608		Not supplied	1
13609		Orakei	1
13610		Waiheke	1
13612		Howick	1
13613		Not supplied	1
13616		Whau	1
13617		Franklin	1
13618		Upper Harbour	1
13619		Albert-Eden	1
13620		Orakei	1
13621		Rodney	1
13622		Otara-Papatoetoe	1
13623		Rodney	1
13624		Henderson-Massey	1
13625		Kaipatiki	1
13628		Waitakere Ranges	1
13629		Waitemata	1
13630		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13631		Waitakere Ranges	1
13632		Papakura	1
13633		Howick	1
13634		Rodney	1
13635		Franklin	1
13636		Rodney	1
13637		Howick	1
13638		Papakura	1
13639		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1
13640		Howick	1
13641		Papakura	1
13642		Howick	1
13643		Franklin	1
13644		Manurewa	1
13645		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13646		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13647		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13648		Henderson-Massey	1
13650		Upper Harbour	1
13651		Franklin	1
13652		Rodney	1
13654		Orakei	1
13655		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1
13656		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1
13658		Upper Harbour	1
13659		Upper Harbour	1
13660		Upper Harbour	1
13661		Rodney	1
13662		Rodney	1
13664		Not supplied	1
13665		Devonport-Takapuna	1

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13666		Henderson-Massey	1
13668		Henderson-Massey	1
13669		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1
13670		Franklin	1
13671		Albert-Eden	1
13672		Orakei	1
13673		Franklin	1
13674		Waitakere Ranges	1
13675		Waiheke	1
13676		Otara-Papatoetoe	1
13677		Howick	1
13678		Henderson-Massey	1
13680		Not supplied	1
13681		Upper Harbour	1
13682		Franklin	1
13683		Howick	1
13684		Rodney	1
13685		Devonport-Takapuna	1
13687		Albert-Eden	1
13688		Rodney	1
13689		Whau	1
13690		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1
13691		Mangere-Otahuhu	1
13692		Henderson-Massey	1
13693		Albert-Eden	1
13694		Whau	1
13695		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13696		Not supplied	1
13697		Kaipatiki	1
13698		Franklin	1
13699		Orakei	1
13700		Not supplied	1
13701		Howick	1
13702		Howick	1
13703		Rodney	1
13704		Rodney	1
13705		Howick	1
13706		Waitemata	1
13707		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13708		Waitemata	1
13709		Rodney	1
13710		Not supplied	1
13712		Waitemata	1
13713		Devonport-Takapuna	1
13714		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13715		Henderson-Massey	1
13716		Franklin	1
13717		Henderson-Massey	1
13718		Orakei	1
13719		Manurewa	1
13720		Hibiscus and Bays	1

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13721		Albert-Eden	1
13722		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1
13723		Howick	1
13724		Orakei	1
13725		Orakei	1
13726		Upper Harbour	1
13727		Devonport-Takapuna	1
13728		Not supplied	1
13729		Upper Harbour	1
13731		Albert-Eden	1
13732		Rodney	1
13734		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13735		Devonport-Takapuna	1
13737		Kaipatiki	1
13738		Not supplied	1
13739		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1
13742		Waitakere Ranges	1
13743		Devonport-Takapuna	1
13744		Not supplied	1
13745		Devonport-Takapuna	1
13746		Waitemata	1
13748		Howick	1
13749		Waiheke	1
13750		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13751		Waitemata	1
13752		Not supplied	1
13753		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13754		Howick	1
13755		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13756		Rodney	1
13757		Manurewa	1
13758		Kaipatiki	1
13759		Rodney	1
13760		Howick	1
13761		Franklin	1
13762		Orakei	1
13763		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13765		Howick	1
13766		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13768		Rodney	1
13769		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1
13770		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1
13771		Kaipatiki	1
13772		Orakei	1
13773		Albert-Eden	1
13774		Upper Harbour	1
13775		Kaipatiki	1
13776		Howick	1
13777		Otara-Papatoetoe	1
13778		Waitemata	1
13779		Orakei	1

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13780		Henderson-Massey	1
13781		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1
13782		Orakei	1
13783		Rodney	1
13784		Rodney	1
13785		Upper Harbour	1
13786		Rodney	1
13787		Howick	1
13788		Rodney	1
13789		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13790		Franklin	1
13791		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13792		Howick	1
13793		Kaipatiki	1
13794		Howick	1
13795		Orakei	1
13796		Howick	1
13797		Orakei	1
13798		Franklin	1
13799		Rodney	1
13800		Not supplied	1
13801		Papakura	1
13802		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13803		Franklin	1
13804		Henderson-Massey	1
13805		Howick	1
13806		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1
13807		Rodney	1
13809		Howick	1
13810		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13811		Howick	1
13812		Not supplied	1
13813		Not supplied	1
13814		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1
13815		Howick	1
13816		Orakei	1
13817		Franklin	1
13819		Waiheke	1
13820		Upper Harbour	1
13821		Upper Harbour	1
13822		Waitemata	1
13823		Not supplied	1
13824		Not supplied	1
13825		Franklin	1
13826		Not supplied	1
13827		Upper Harbour	1
13828		Kaipatiki	1
13829		Upper Harbour	1
13831		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13834		Whau	1
13837		Albert-Eden	1

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13838		Rodney	1
13839		Rodney	1
13841		Waitemata	1
13842		Albert-Eden	1
13843		Rodney	1
13844		Rodney	1
13845		Papakura	1
13846		Devonport-Takapuna	1
13847		Rodney	1
13848		Otara-Papatoetoe	1
13849		Devonport-Takapuna	1
13850		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1
13851		Mangere-Otahuhu	1
13852		Orakei	1
13853		Whau	1
13854		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13855		Waitakere Ranges	1
13856		Waitemata	1
13858		Mangere-Otahuhu	1
13859		Howick	1
13860		Not supplied	1
13861		Howick	1
13862		Whau	1
13863		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1
13864		Devonport-Takapuna	1
13865		Papakura	1
13867		Upper Harbour	1
13868		Howick	1
13869		Devonport-Takapuna	1
13870		Devonport-Takapuna	1
13871		Devonport-Takapuna	1
13872		Kaipatiki	1
13873		Manurewa	1
13874		Orakei	1
13876		Rodney	1
13877		Orakei	1
13879		Kaipatiki	1
13880		Orakei	1
13881		Not supplied	1
13882		Manurewa	1
13883		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13884		Puketapapa	1
13885		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13887		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13888		Kaipatiki	1
13889		Waitakere Ranges	1
13890		Howick	1
13891		Rodney	1
13892		Rodney	1
13893		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1
13895		Not supplied	1

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13896		Manurewa	1
13897		Upper Harbour	1
13898		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1
13899		Howick	1
13900		Henderson-Massey	1
13901		Not supplied	1
13902		Not supplied	1
13903		Manurewa	1
13904		Rodney	1
13905		Rodney	1
13906		Upper Harbour	1
13907		Franklin	1
13908		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1
13910		Albert-Eden	1
13911		Not supplied	1
13912		Howick	1
13913		Howick	1
13914		Upper Harbour	1
13915		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13916		Howick	1
13918		Devonport-Takapuna	1
13919		Albert-Eden	1
13920		Howick	1
13922		Manurewa	1
13923		Orakei	1
13924		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1
13925		Waitakere Ranges	1
13926		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13927		Not supplied	1
13928		Not supplied	1
13929		Orakei	1
13930		Devonport-Takapuna	1
13932		Upper Harbour	1
13933		Albert-Eden	1
13934		Rodney	1
13935		Albert-Eden	1
13936		Waitemata	1
13937		Not supplied	1
13939		Not supplied	1
13940		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1
13941		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1
13942		Upper Harbour	1
13944		Devonport-Takapuna	1
13945		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13946		Upper Harbour	1
13947		Albert-Eden	1
13948		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1
13949		Devonport-Takapuna	1
13951		Albert-Eden	1
13952		Orakei	1
13953		Manurewa	1

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13954		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1
13955		Not supplied	1
13956		Not supplied	1
13957		Orakei	1
13958		Devonport-Takapuna	1
13959		Orakei	1
13961		Albert-Eden	1
13962		Albert-Eden	1
13963		Franklin	1
13964		Orakei	1
13965		Orakei	1
13966		Not supplied	1
13967		Puketapapa	1
13968		Not supplied	1
13969		Rodney	1
13970		Howick	1
13971		Not supplied	1
13972		Kaipatiki	1
13973		Waitakere Ranges	1
13974		Papakura	1
13976		Howick	1
13977		Kaipatiki	1
13978		Howick	1
13979		Waitemata	1
13980		Howick	1
13981		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13982		Howick	1
13983		Devonport-Takapuna	1
13984		Papakura	1
13985		Henderson-Massey	1
13986		Not supplied	1
13987		Howick	1
13988		Howick	1
13989		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1
13990		Rodney	1
13991		Manurewa	1
13992		Not supplied	1
13993		Waiheke	1
13994		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	1
13995		Devonport-Takapuna	1
13996		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13997		Hibiscus and Bays	1
13998		Devonport-Takapuna	1
13999		Papakura	1
14000		Howick	1
14001		Rodney	1
14002		Papakura	1
14003		Hibiscus and Bays	1
14004		Albert-Eden	1
14005		Puketapapa	1
14006		Not supplied	1

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14007		Waitemata	1
14008		Waitemata	1
14009		Henderson-Massey	1
14010		Mangere-Otahuhu	1
14011		Waitemata	1
14012		Upper Harbour	1
14013		Franklin	1
14014		Not supplied	1
14015		Howick	1
14016		Hibiscus and Bays	1
14017		Orakei	1
14018		Hibiscus and Bays	1
14020		Manurewa	1
14021		Hibiscus and Bays	1
14022		Rodney	1
14023		Rodney	1
14024		Waitakere Ranges	1
14025		Waitakere Ranges	1
14026		Albert-Eden	1
14027		Franklin	1
14028		Franklin	1
14029		Waitemata	1
14030		Devonport-Takapuna	1
14031		Hibiscus and Bays	1
14032		Hibiscus and Bays	1
14033		Howick	1
14034		Waitemata	1
14036		Howick	1
14038		Not supplied	1
14039		Not supplied	1
14040		Kaipatiki	1
14041		Devonport-Takapuna	1
14042		Franklin	1
14043		Upper Harbour	1
14044		Not supplied	1
14045		Hibiscus and Bays	1
14046		Waiheke	1
14047		Howick	1
14048		Manurewa	1
14050		Waiheke	1
14051		Not supplied	1
14052		Henderson-Massey	1
14053		Manurewa	1
14055		Hibiscus and Bays	1
14056		Howick	1
14057		Not supplied	1
14058		Rodney	1
14059		Whau	1
14060		Not supplied	1
14062		Mangere-Otahuhu	1
14063		Orakei	1

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14064		Not supplied	1
14066		Not supplied	1
14067		Not supplied	1
14068		Howick	1
14070		Hibiscus and Bays	1
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14083		Franklin	1
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14133		Franklin	1
14135		Upper Harbour	1
14136		Waitemata	1
14137		Franklin	1
14138		Hibiscus and Bays	1
14139		Howick	1
14140		Manurewa	1
14141		Howick	1
14143		Orakei	1
14144		Upper Harbour	1
14145		Henderson-Massey	1
14146		Orakei	1
14147		Papakura	1
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14149		Hibiscus and Bays	1
14150		Rodney	1
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14152		Orakei	1
14153		Waitakere Ranges	1
14154		Upper Harbour	1
14155		Rodney	1
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Peace out!

Thomas

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If we are truly all in this together, please consider a zero rates hike in the interim while we tackle the effects of Covid19.

Thank you very much.

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John Tiongco

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Organisation (if applicable):

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Your local board: Rodney

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Do not support

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Do not support increased investment

**Tell us why:** It's the weather that is changing everywhere and don't believe that we are effecting it.

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**What is your view on this proposal?** Support the extension only

**Tell us why:** Stop wasting our money on cycleways and bus lanes that don't even pay for themselves and use that money to cover these costs

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Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** Why would you create a service that won't pay for itself. Obviously there isn't enough of a need for it.

**Do you live in the area affected by the proposed Upper Harbour Local Board transport targeted rate?**

No

## 6. Local Boards

**Which local board area does your feedback relate to?**

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Have roading projects finished before starting another one.

Stop being stupid bus lanes and bike lanes.

Build another Dam

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Best wishes

Edward Richards

Ratepayer

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### What is your opinion on the proposed 10-year budget?

Do not support

**Tell us why:** Dear Councillors,

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I submit that the proposed 5 percent rates hike is unacceptable.

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In addition, the proposed increases to water charges are significant, and could be avoided if capital from Council assets, such as Auckland International Airport and Ports of Auckland, was reinvested in improvements to water infrastructure. Reductions in operational spending, such as that spent on tourism and economic development, should be cut, particularly that which is duplicated by central government.

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### **What is your opinion on this proposal to invest more in responding to climate change?**

**Tell us why:**

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Since 2018 the Water Quality Targeted Rate has allowed us to fund initiatives to improve the water quality of our harbours, beaches and streams. This was initially intended to run from 2018 to 2028.

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