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Sub #	Organisation	Local Board	Volume
15733		Orakei	4
15734		Manurewa	4
15735		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	4
15736		Albert-Eden	4
15738		Devonport-Takapuna	4
15739		Devonport-Takapuna	4
15740		Hibiscus and Bays	4
15741		Howick	4
15742		Not supplied	4
15743		Hibiscus and Bays	4
15744		Waitakere Ranges	4
15745		Not supplied	4
15746		Franklin	4
15747		Rodney	4
15748		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	4
15749		Devonport-Takapuna	4
15750		Waitemata	4
15751		Not supplied	4
15752		Not supplied	4
15753		Mangere-Otahuhu	4
15754		Albert-Eden	4
15755		Franklin	4
15756		Kaipatiki	4
15757		Mangere-Otahuhu	4
15758		Albert-Eden	4
15759		Hibiscus and Bays	4
15760		Orakei	4
15761		Papakura	4
15762		Waiheke	4
15763		Kaipatiki	4
15764		Waitakere Ranges	4
15765		Devonport-Takapuna	4
15766		Henderson-Massey	4
15767		Howick	4
15769		Devonport-Takapuna	4
15771		Hibiscus and Bays	4
15772		Not supplied	4
15773		Puketapapa	4
15774		Papakura	4
15775		Rodney	4
15776		Albert-Eden	4
15777		Hibiscus and Bays	4
15778		Howick	4
15779		Albert-Eden	4
15780		Whau	4
15781		Rodney	4
15782		Puketapapa	4
15783		Not supplied	4
15784		Manurewa	4
15785		Orakei	4
15786		Not supplied	4
15787		Hibiscus and Bays	4
15788		Devonport-Takapuna	4
15789		Upper Harbour	4

Sub #	Organisation	Local Board	Volume
15790		Manurewa	4
15791		Howick	4
15792		Papakura	4
15793		Devonport-Takapuna	4
15794		Upper Harbour	4
15795		Rodney	4
15796		Not supplied	4
15797		Howick	4
15798		Rodney	4
15799		Franklin	4
15800		Devonport-Takapuna	4
15801		Rodney	4
15802		Rodney	4
15803		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	4
15804		Manurewa	4
15805		Howick	4
15806		Not supplied	4
15807		Albert-Eden	4
15808		Orakei	4
15809		Franklin	4
15810		Hibiscus and Bays	4
15811		Devonport-Takapuna	4
15812		Kaipatiki	4
15813		Papakura	4
15814		Upper Harbour	4
15815		Orakei	4
15816		Kaipatiki	4
15817		Rodney	4
15818		Howick	4
15819		Not supplied	4
15820		Howick	4
15821		Howick	4
15823		Howick	4
15824		Howick	4
15825		Rodney	4
15826		Albert-Eden	4
15827		Howick	4
15828		Upper Harbour	4
15829		Franklin	4
15830		Orakei	4
15831		Albert-Eden	4
15832		Howick	4
15833		Papakura	4
15834		Waitemata	4
15835		Manurewa	4
15836		Not supplied	4
15837		Not supplied	4
15838		Franklin	4
15839		Rodney	4
15840		Not supplied	4
15841		Not supplied	4
15842		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	4
15843		Not supplied	4
15844		Orakei	4

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15845		Waitakere Ranges	4
15846		Not supplied	4
15847		Not supplied	4
15848		Devonport-Takapuna	4
15849		Puketapapa	4
15850		Papakura	4
15851		Not supplied	4
15852		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	4
15853		Rodney	4
15854		Waitemata	4
15855		Upper Harbour	4
15856		Orakei	4
15857		Hibiscus and Bays	4
15858		Not supplied	4
15859		Howick	4
15860		Devonport-Takapuna	4
15861		Papakura	4
15862		Hibiscus and Bays	4
15863		Rodney	4
15864		Orakei	4
15865		Kaipatiki	4
15866		Rodney	4
15867		Not supplied	4
15868		Waitakere Ranges	4
15869		Orakei	4
15870		Devonport-Takapuna	4
15871		Franklin	4
15872		Devonport-Takapuna	4
15873		Hibiscus and Bays	4
15874		Hibiscus and Bays	4
15875		Albert-Eden	4
15876		Rodney	4
15877		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	4
15878		Not supplied	4
15879		Howick	4
15880		Howick	4
15881		Howick	4
15882		Hibiscus and Bays	4
15883		Albert-Eden	4
15884		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	4
15885		Howick	4
15886		Howick	4
15887		Not supplied	4
15888		Franklin	4
15889		Not supplied	4
15890		Not supplied	4
15891		Orakei	4
15892		Franklin	4
15893		Franklin	4
15894		Albert-Eden	4
15895		Orakei	4
15896		Devonport-Takapuna	4
15897		Waitemata	4
15898		Albert-Eden	4

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15899		Papakura	4
15900		Orakei	4
15902		Papakura	4
15903		Upper Harbour	4
15904		Not supplied	4
15905		Howick	4
15906		Rodney	4
15908		Rodney	4
15909		Not supplied	4
15910		Papakura	4
15911		Hibiscus and Bays	4
15912		Hibiscus and Bays	4
15913		Orakei	4
15914		Mangere-Otahuhu	4
15915		Orakei	4
15916		Rodney	4
15917		Rodney	4
15918		Hibiscus and Bays	4
15919		Albert-Eden	4
15921		Manurewa	4
15922		Rodney	4
15923		Papakura	4
15924		Albert-Eden	4
15925		Orakei	4
15926		Not supplied	4
15927		Rodney	4
15928		Franklin	4
15929		Upper Harbour	4
15930		Papakura	4
15931		Albert-Eden	4
15932		Upper Harbour	4
15933		Upper Harbour	4
15934		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	4
15935		Mangere-Otahuhu	4
15936		Orakei	4
15937		Hibiscus and Bays	4
15938		Henderson-Massey	4
15939		Papakura	4
15940		Hibiscus and Bays	4
15941		Not supplied	4
15942		Not supplied	4
15943		Papakura	4
15944		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	4
15945		Not supplied	4
15946		Otara-Papatoetoe	4
15947		Hibiscus and Bays	4
15948		Kaipatiki	4
15949		Upper Harbour	4
15950		Howick	4
15951		Howick	4
15952		Henderson-Massey	4
15953		Howick	4
15954		Howick	4
15955		Upper Harbour	4

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15956		Rodney	4
15957		Franklin	4
15958		Howick	4
15959		Hibiscus and Bays	4
15960		Howick	4
15961		Henderson-Massey	4
15962		Rodney	4
15963		Kaipatiki	4
15964		Orakei	4
15965		Waitakere Ranges	4
15966		Papakura	4
15967		Devonport-Takapuna	4
15968		Not supplied	4
15969		Howick	4
15970		Howick	4
15971		Upper Harbour	4
15972		Howick	4
15973		Albert-Eden	4
15974		Not supplied	4
15975		Waitakere Ranges	4
15976		Hibiscus and Bays	4
15977		Orakei	4
15978		Rodney	4
15980		Franklin	4
15981		Hibiscus and Bays	4
15982		Not supplied	4
15984		Hibiscus and Bays	4
15985		Hibiscus and Bays	4
15986		Rodney	4
15987		Howick	4
15988		Howick	4
15989		Orakei	4
15990		Henderson-Massey	4
15991		Not supplied	4
15992		Albert-Eden	4
15993		Not supplied	4
15994		Albert-Eden	4
15995		Waitemata	4
15996		Not supplied	4
15997		Orakei	4
15998		Not supplied	4
15999		Franklin	4
16000		Howick	4
16001		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16002		Rodney	4
16003		Not supplied	4
16004		Whau	4
16005		Not supplied	4
16006		Henderson-Massey	4
16007		Not supplied	4
16008		Rodney	4
16009		Howick	4
16010		Howick	4
16011		Hibiscus and Bays	4

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16012		Not supplied	4
16013		Rodney	4
16014		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16015		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	4
16016		Franklin	4
16017		Devonport-Takapuna	4
16018		Not supplied	4
16019		Whau	4
16020		Orakei	4
16021		Waitemata	4
16022		Howick	4
16023		Howick	4
16024		Henderson-Massey	4
16025		Not supplied	4
16026		Otara-Papatoetoe	4
16027		Orakei	4
16028		Rodney	4
16029		Not supplied	4
16031		Albert-Eden	4
16032		Howick	4
16033		Albert-Eden	4
16034		Rodney	4
16035		Devonport-Takapuna	4
16036		Manurewa	4
16038		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16039		Waitemata	4
16040		Rodney	4
16041		Papakura	4
16042		Waitemata	4
16043		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	4
16044		Upper Harbour	4
16045		Upper Harbour	4
16046		Papakura	4
16047		Upper Harbour	4
16048		Waitemata	4
16049		Rodney	4
16050		Rodney	4
16052		Rodney	4
16053		Not supplied	4
16054		Albert-Eden	4
16055		Orakei	4
16056		Papakura	4
16057		Not supplied	4
16058		Not supplied	4
16059		Not supplied	4
16060		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16061		Not supplied	4
16062		Devonport-Takapuna	4
16063		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	4
16064		Albert-Eden	4
16065		Kaipatiki	4
16066		Franklin	4
16067		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	4
16068		Waitakere Ranges	4

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16069		Albert-Eden	4
16070		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16071		Whau	4
16072		Not supplied	4
16073		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	4
16074		Upper Harbour	4
16075		Howick	4
16076		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	4
16077		Orakei	4
16078		Not supplied	4
16079		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16080		Not supplied	4
16081		Manurewa	4
16082		Albert-Eden	4
16084		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	4
16085		Rodney	4
16086		Henderson-Massey	4
16089		Otara-Papatoetoe	4
16090		Devonport-Takapuna	4
16091		Albert-Eden	4
16092		Not supplied	4
16093		Waitakere Ranges	4
16094		Orakei	4
16095		Not supplied	4
16096		Not supplied	4
16097		Howick	4
16098		Devonport-Takapuna	4
16099		Kaipatiki	4
16100		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	4
16101		Rodney	4
16102		Orakei	4
16103		Not supplied	4
16104		Henderson-Massey	4
16105		Albert-Eden	4
16106		Albert-Eden	4
16107		Howick	4
16108		Orakei	4
16109		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	4
16110		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16111		Waiheke	4
16112		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16113		Rodney	4
16114		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16115		Upper Harbour	4
16116		Upper Harbour	4
16118		Papakura	4
16119		Whau	4
16120		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16121		Orakei	4
16122		Albert-Eden	4
16123		Not supplied	4
16124		Albert-Eden	4
16125		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16126		Rodney	4

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16127		Mangere-Otahuhu	4
16128		Albert-Eden	4
16129		Rodney	4
16131		Devonport-Takapuna	4
16132		Waitemata	4
16133		Henderson-Massey	4
16134		Whau	4
16135		Henderson-Massey	4
16136		Rodney	4
16137		Howick	4
16138		Whau	4
16139		Henderson-Massey	4
16140		Orakei	4
16141		Waitemata	4
16142		Orakei	4
16143		Rodney	4
16144		Mangere-Otahuhu	4
16145		Upper Harbour	4
16146		Henderson-Massey	4
16147		Not supplied	4
16148		Waitakere Ranges	4
16149		Not supplied	4
16150		Not supplied	4
16151		Not supplied	4
16152		Not supplied	4
16153		Otara-Papatoetoe	4
16154		Papakura	4
16155		Orakei	4
16156		Whau	4
16157		Rodney	4
16158		Not supplied	4
16159		Henderson-Massey	4
16160		Albert-Eden	4
16161		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16162		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16163		Orakei	4
16164		Henderson-Massey	4
16165		Upper Harbour	4
16167		Upper Harbour	4
16168		Howick	4
16169		Devonport-Takapuna	4
16170		Orakei	4
16171		Devonport-Takapuna	4
16172		Kaipatiki	4
16173		Howick	4
16174		Devonport-Takapuna	4
16175		Not supplied	4
16176		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	4
16177		Waitemata	4
16178		Howick	4
16179		Howick	4
16180		Rodney	4
16181		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16182		Mangere-Otahuhu	4

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16183		Waiheke	4
16184		Upper Harbour	4
16185		Upper Harbour	4
16186		Kaipatiki	4
16187		Albert-Eden	4
16188		Rodney	4
16189		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	4
16190		Orakei	4
16191		Kaipatiki	4
16192		Howick	4
16193		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16194		Howick	4
16195		Rodney	4
16196		Henderson-Massey	4
16197		Howick	4
16198		Papakura	4
16199		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	4
16200		Albert-Eden	4
16201		Rodney	4
16202		Rodney	4
16203		Not supplied	4
16204		Albert-Eden	4
16205		Upper Harbour	4
16206		Franklin	4
16207		Upper Harbour	4
16208		Rodney	4
16209		Manurewa	4
16210		Orakei	4
16211		Aotea/Great Barrier	4
16212		Franklin	4
16213		Howick	4
16214		Not supplied	4
16215		Albert-Eden	4
16216		Rodney	4
16217		Not supplied	4
16218		Manurewa	4
16219		Papakura	4
16220		Not supplied	4
16221		Upper Harbour	4
16222		Not supplied	4
16223		Orakei	4
16224		Not supplied	4
16225		Orakei	4
16226		Orakei	4
16227		Not supplied	4
16228		Upper Harbour	4
16229		Upper Harbour	4
16230		Howick	4
16232		Whau	4
16233		Rodney	4
16234		Whau	4
16235		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16236		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16237		Whau	4

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16238		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16239		Not supplied	4
16240		Not supplied	4
16241		Kaipatiki	4
16242		Puketapapa	4
16243		Howick	4
16244		Albert-Eden	4
16245		Not supplied	4
16246		Orakei	4
16248		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16249		Not supplied	4
16251		Devonport-Takapuna	4
16252		Devonport-Takapuna	4
16253		Waitakere Ranges	4
16254		Rodney	4
16255		Rodney	4
16256		Orakei	4
16257		Albert-Eden	4
16258		Puketapapa	4
16259		Kaipatiki	4
16260		Rodney	4
16261		Not supplied	4
16263		Not supplied	4
16264		Not supplied	4
16265		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16266		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16267		Rodney	4
16268		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16269		Howick	4
16270		Henderson-Massey	4
16271		Albert-Eden	4
16272		Rodney	4
16273		Upper Harbour	4
16274		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	4
16275		Albert-Eden	4
16276		Devonport-Takapuna	4
16277		Not supplied	4
16278		Howick	4
16279		Not supplied	4
16280		Albert-Eden	4
16281		Not supplied	4
16282		Mangere-Otahuhu	4
16283		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16284		Orakei	4
16285		Devonport-Takapuna	4
16286		Whau	4
16287		Henderson-Massey	4
16288		Not supplied	4
16289		Kaipatiki	4
16290		Waitakere Ranges	4
16292		Devonport-Takapuna	4
16293		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	4
16294		Rodney	4
16295		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	4

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16297		Upper Harbour	4
16298		Devonport-Takapuna	4
16299		Orakei	4
16300		Not supplied	4
16301		Mangere-Otahuhu	4
16302		Franklin	4
16303		Not supplied	4
16304		Not supplied	4
16305		Franklin	4
16306		Albert-Eden	4
16307		Not supplied	4
16308		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	4
16309		Papakura	4
16310		Papakura	4
16311		Waitemata	4
16312		Devonport-Takapuna	4
16313		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16314		Rodney	4
16316		Albert-Eden	4
16317		Waitemata	4
16318		Rodney	4
16319		Devonport-Takapuna	4
16320		Franklin	4
16321		Franklin	4
16322		Albert-Eden	4
16323		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16324		Rodney	4
16325		Howick	4
16326		Not supplied	4
16327		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	4
16328		Albert-Eden	4
16329		Albert-Eden	4
16330		Henderson-Massey	4
16331		Devonport-Takapuna	4
16332		Rodney	4
16333		Howick	4
16334		Rodney	4
16335		Upper Harbour	4
16336		Manurewa	4
16337		Kaipatiki	4
16338		Papakura	4
16339		Henderson-Massey	4
16340		Rodney	4
16341		Henderson-Massey	4
16342		Franklin	4
16343		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16344		Upper Harbour	4
16345		Orakei	4
16346		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	4
16347		Rodney	4
16348		Rodney	4
16349		Rodney	4
16350		Not supplied	4
16351		Devonport-Takapuna	4

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16352		Devonport-Takapuna	4
16353		Albert-Eden	4
16354		Papakura	4
16355		Not supplied	4
16356		Franklin	4
16357		Franklin	4
16358		Franklin	4
16359		Upper Harbour	4
16360		Upper Harbour	4
16361		Upper Harbour	4
16362		Franklin	4
16363		Upper Harbour	4
16364		Franklin	4
16365		Rodney	4
16366		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16367		Henderson-Massey	4
16368		Waitakere Ranges	4
16369		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16370		Devonport-Takapuna	4
16371		Orakei	4
16372		Not supplied	4
16373		Upper Harbour	4
16374		Howick	4
16375		Upper Harbour	4
16376		Albert-Eden	4
16377		Devonport-Takapuna	4
16378		Albert-Eden	4
16379		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	4
16380		Waitakere Ranges	4
16381		Franklin	4
16383		Rodney	4
16385		Devonport-Takapuna	4
16386		Rodney	4
16387		Devonport-Takapuna	4
16388		Waitakere Ranges	4
16389		Manurewa	4
16390		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16391		Papakura	4
16392		Henderson-Massey	4
16393		Howick	4
16394		Orakei	4
16395		Henderson-Massey	4
16396		Albert-Eden	4
16397		Albert-Eden	4
16398		Not supplied	4
16399		Waitemata	4
16400		Manurewa	4
16401		Orakei	4
16402		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16403		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16404		Franklin	4
16405		Not supplied	4
16406		Albert-Eden	4
16407		Papakura	4

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16408		Rodney	4
16409		Devonport-Takapuna	4
16410		Rodney	4
16411		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16412		Not supplied	4
16413		Rodney	4
16414		Upper Harbour	4
16415		Upper Harbour	4
16416		Howick	4
16417		Rodney	4
16418		Devonport-Takapuna	4
16419		Waitemata	4
16420		Devonport-Takapuna	4
16421		Mangere-Otahuhu	4
16422		Kaipatiki	4
16423		Albert-Eden	4
16424		Albert-Eden	4
16425		Orakei	4
16426		Not supplied	4
16427		Albert-Eden	4
16428		Howick	4
16430		Upper Harbour	4
16431		Rodney	4
16432		Rodney	4
16433		Rodney	4
16434		Kaipatiki	4
16435		Mangere-Otahuhu	4
16436		Rodney	4
16437		Rodney	4
16438		Whau	4
16440		Whau	4
16441		Franklin	4
16442		Waitakere Ranges	4
16443		Howick	4
16444		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16445		Not supplied	4
16446		Waitakere Ranges	4
16447		Not supplied	4
16448		Upper Harbour	4
16449		Albert-Eden	4
16450		Not supplied	4
16451		Albert-Eden	4
16452		Kaipatiki	4
16453		Kaipatiki	4
16454		Rodney	4
16455		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16456		Upper Harbour	4
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16459		Upper Harbour	4
16460		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16462		Rodney	4
16463		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	4
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16468		Henderson-Massey	4
16469		Albert-Eden	4
16470		Not supplied	4
16471		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16472		Not supplied	4
16473		Upper Harbour	4
16474		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16475		Devonport-Takapuna	4
16476		Maungakiekie-Tamaki	4
16477		Rodney	4
16478		Howick	4
16479		Not supplied	4
16480		Manurewa	4
16481		Puketapapa	4
16482		Whau	4
16483		Kaipatiki	4
16484		Kaipatiki	4
16485		Otara-Papatoetoe	4
16486		Orakei	4
16487		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16488		Otara-Papatoetoe	4
16489		Papakura	4
16490		Not supplied	4
16491		Upper Harbour	4
16492		Otara-Papatoetoe	4
16493		Not supplied	4
16494		Not supplied	4
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16496		Waitemata	4
16497		Henderson-Massey	4
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16499		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16500		Henderson-Massey	4
16501		Rodney	4
16502		Waitemata	4
16503		Waitemata	4
16504		Albert-Eden	4
16505		Rodney	4
16506		Albert-Eden	4
16508		Devonport-Takapuna	4
16510		Orakei	4
16511		Devonport-Takapuna	4
16512		Hibiscus and Bays	4
16513		Henderson-Massey	4
16514		Not supplied	4
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Regards

Margaret

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My now adult son attended Uni in Ak city and got parking fines for parking his car at Westgate in an attempt to use the bus services. We had to drive into Ak city to collect him if he had evening lectures as he was unable to get a bus home to Waimauku,

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** Dear Councillors,

Submission on the Council's 10-Year Budget, Long Term Plan ("LTP").

The proposed 5 percent rates increase is totally unacceptable. It is also unethical for you to demand this increase from Aucklanders, the majority of whom do not get anything like a 5% income increase annually and we are fully aware that this 5% increase is additional to the increase we pay via our property valuations as the cost of property in Auckland continues to escalate to obscene levels.

While Council may be facing revenue pressures, this is a result of spending choices made by the Council. Council needs to look for operational savings - staffing, consultancy fees and other areas (e.g. Americas Cup!) where unnecessarily large sums of money ratepayer money is spent. High rates have driven many, like myself out of our homes in the city. The Council collects more rates year on year as the RV of housing increases (resulting in higher rates) and the numbers of ratepayers increase. Auckland Council must structure its operations so that these increases are sufficient to cover all its costs instead of constantly demanding that ratepayers pay more and more and more.

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Regards, Yan

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Gavin Auld

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