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**10-Year Budget 2021/2031
Franklin Local Board**

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10-year budget 2021/2031

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Your local board: Franklin

Your feedback

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

Support

Tell us why:

2. Climate change

Through Te Tāruke-ā-Tāwhiri: Auckland's Climate Plan, we heard Aucklanders want greater action on climate change. The proposed 10-year budget includes additional investment to respond to the challenges of climate change.

The proposed additional investment will mean we do not need to buy any more diesel buses and it will help us replace our diesel buses with electric and hydrogen buses sooner. It will also help us divert more waste from landfill, plant over 2 million more native trees and other initiatives.

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

Support the proposed increased investment

Tell us why:

3. Water quality

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Extending the targeted rate

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Increasing the targeted rate

To start construction on the above major new water quality projects six years earlier (in 2022/2023), and to increase our investment in regional water quality programmes across all of Auckland, we are also proposing to increase this targeted rate annually in line with proposed average increases in general rates.

What is your view on this proposal? Support the extension and the increase

Tell us why:

4. Community investment

We have hundreds of community assets like libraries, halls, community centres, community houses, arts venues and assets in our parks that are getting older and some are in urgent need of repair. The cost of operating, repairing or rebuilding these assets over the next 10 years could leave no money for anything new or upgraded. To maintain our current assets and upgrade or provide new assets, rates would likely need to be increased over time.

We propose a new approach for community services, such as leasing or shared facilities, that does not rely as much on us building and maintaining physical assets. This will reduce our carbon footprint and lower our costs by partnering with others to deliver services and deliver more community services online.

Over time, we propose to consolidate the number of our community facilities and services (which may result in some facilities being closed) and instead focus on multi-use facilities and online services to provide for our diverse communities.

What is your opinion on this proposal? Support

Tell us why:

5. Rating policy

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| Charging farm and lifestyle properties in the Urban Rating Area residential rates so they pay the same urban rates as nearby properties have access to a similar level of service | Support |
| Extending the City Centre Targeted Rate until June 2031 to maintain our investment in upgrading the city centre | Support |
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Do you have any comments on any of our proposed changes to rates and fees charges?

No

The Upper Harbour Local Board are proposing a new bus service between Paremoremo and Albany, funded by a targeted rate.

Which option do you support?

Don't know

Tell us why: No

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

No

6. Local Boards

Franklin Local Board

Tell us your thoughts on our proposed priorities for the local board area in 2021/2022 and our key advocacy initiatives – have we got it right?

Tell us why Please see attachment P 3 + 4

7. What is important to you?

Do you have feedback on any other issues, including our proposals on housing and growth infrastructure or strategic assets?

Please note the attached sheets regarding a proposed footpath link, which we support.

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10-year Budget 2021-2031 Feedback form

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All questions are optional. We encourage you to give feedback online at akhaveyoursay.nz/recoverybudget, or you can complete this form and return it to us using one of these options:



Email

Scan your completed form and email it to akhaveyoursay@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



In person

Drop your completed form off at your local library or service centre.



By post

Place your completed form in an envelope and send it to freepost address:
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The following information is optional but will help us know whether we are hearing from all Aucklanders.

Are you: Female Male Gender diverse

What age group do you belong to?

- Under 15 15-24 25-34 35-44
- 45-54 55-64 65-74 75+

Which of the following describes your ethnicity? (Please select as many as apply)

- Pākehā/NZ European
- Māori – which iwi/Hapū do you affiliate with?

Your local board: Waitakere Ranges

Is your feedback on behalf of an organisation or business? (If yes, this confirms you have authority to submit on the organisation's behalf) Yes No

Name of organisation or business: _____

- Chinese South East Asian
- Samoan Tongan
- Indian Korean
- Cook Islands Māori
- Other (please specify) _____

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

- Support Do not support Other Don't know

Tell us why: The proposal is sensible & hard to argue against. But council needs to focus more on the peripheral areas rather than city centre

Climate change

To answer this question please refer to pages 30-31 of the Consultation Document

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

- Support the proposed increased investment Do not support increased investment Other Don't know

Tell us why: Refer to our enclosed statement which will inform our support for this

Water quality

To answer this question please refer to pages 35-36 of the Consultation Document

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What is your opinion on this proposal?

- Support the extension and the increase Support the extension only Do not support either change Other Don't know

Tell us why:

Community investment

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What is your opinion on this proposal?

Support Do not support Other Don't know

Tell us why: _____

Rating policy

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To see how your rates may change, or for more information on these and other proposals before answering, please read Part Four (pages 38-47) of the Consultation Document or go to our rates guide at akhaveyoursay.nz/ratesguide.

What is your opinion on the following rating policy proposals?

| | Support | Do not support | Other | Don't know |
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| Extending the Natural Environment Targeted Rate until June 2031 to invest further in measures such as addressing the spread of kauri dieback, and predator and weed control | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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Do not support either option

Don't know

Tell us why:

Do you live in the affected area?

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Do you have any comments on any of our proposed changes to rates and fees charges (see pages 35, 36, 39-47)? (please be clear which proposal you are talking about).

Local boards

To answer this question please refer to Part Six (pages 55-66) of the Consultation Document.

Which local board area does your feedback relate to?

Waitakere Ranges

Tell us your thoughts on our proposed priorities for the local board area in 2021/2022 and our key advocacy initiatives – have we got it right?

I support all priorities

I support most priorities

I do not support most priorities

I do not support any priorities

Other

Don't know

Tell us why: _____

What is important to you?

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Need more room? You can attach extra pages, but please make sure they are A4 and also include your name and contact information.

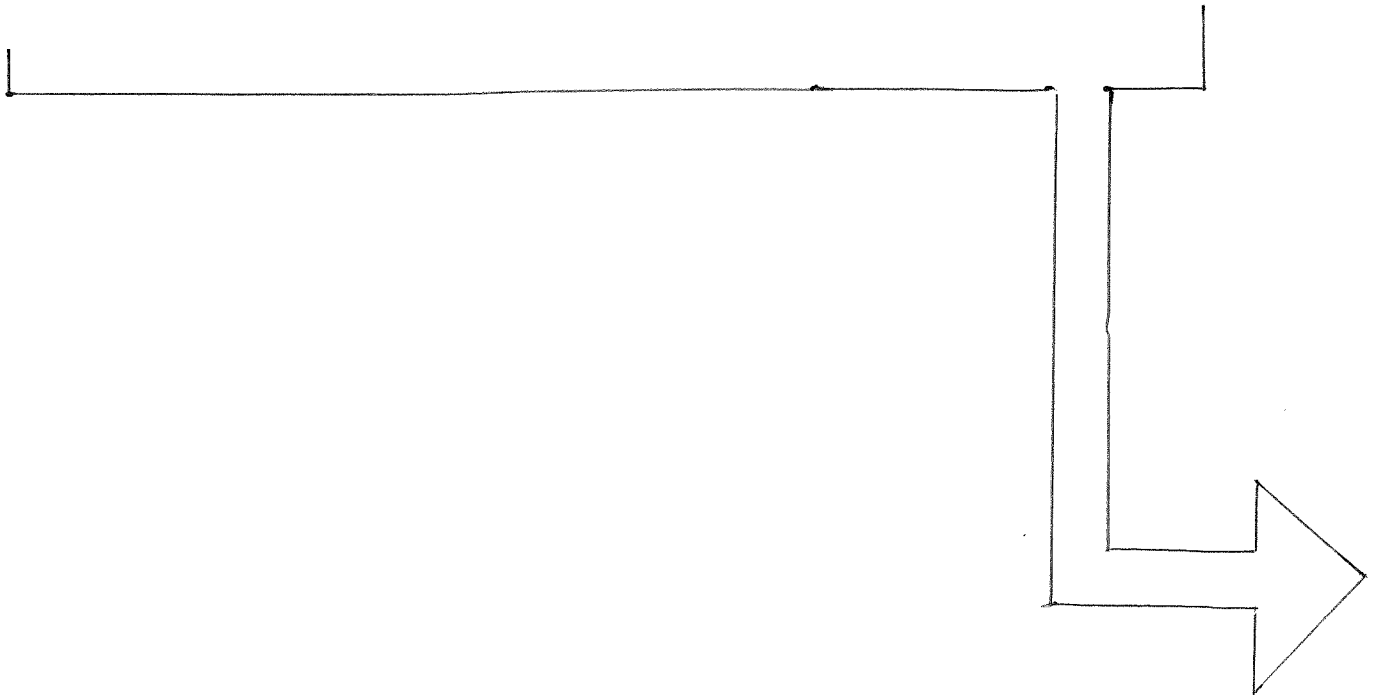
Our submission is in respect of and specifically regarding:
Number 26 Fawcett Road, Laingholm.- Lot 6 DP 63221

Council needs to be aware that this approximately 4.5 Hectare property is a whole of title covenanted block under the Queen Elizabeth Second National Trust, which is of the view that there needs to be substantial rates remission applied to these types of properties. In fact, there are councils within New Zealand where QE II covenanted properties are designated as non -rateable. One of the recommendations of the soon-to-be-released National Policy Statement on Indigenous Biodiversity is that on properties such as these, they should be non-rated or there should be substantial rates remission rather than a rates increase.

To explain what a QE II covenant means:

- 1) The total area of the property is covered by the covenant.
- 2) The property has to be of significant biodiversity and natural landscape.
- 3) The property is a sanctuary for both flora and birdlife.
- 4) The covenant is in PERPETUITY.
- 5) The property can NEVER be subdivided.
- 6) The property is inspected regularly by QE II inspectors to ensure that pest and noxious vegetation are controlled by the owners.

It appears that council seems to be of the view that all farm and lifestyle properties in the Urban Rating Area will eventually become part of the urban development of the city. This may be true of these properties, but it will never apply to this property for the reasons outlined above. Therefore we are asking for this property to be removed from council's proposal for a rates increase.





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

Do not support

Tell us why: The current Council is guilty of inefficient management of capital assets. A number of assets should be sold to lessen the burden on rate payers and improve returns of investors.

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Tell us why: Bring it down to a personal level - give more encouragement for people to use EV's for short trips, grow more fruit & vegetables, cook at home, etc.

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What is your view on this proposal?

Tell us why: Only the suburbs that need this extension should pay extra for it. Franklin shouldn't have to pay for Akld Water problems.

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What is your opinion on this proposal? Do not support

Tell us why: With an aging population and more people living under stress, we need to keep these community centres open and available, and close to residential areas for easy access. Owning and parking a car is getting more difficult so these places need to be accessible to pedestrians, older people and families with prams etc. If buildings need repairs or paint etc offer it to a community working bee so that the facility is not lost.

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Don't know

Tell us why:

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- Do not support either option**
- Don't know**

Tell us why:

NO **Do you live in the affected area?**

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- I do not support any priorities
 - Other
 - Don't know
- Tell us why:

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Your local board: Franklin

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Name of organisation or business: _____

- Chinese
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Support the proposed increased investment
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Tell us why: Bring it down to a personal level - give more encouragement for people to use EV's for short trips, grow more fruit & vegetables, cook at home etc.

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Summary

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We look forward to your favourable response.

I used to walk this area but in recent times have stopped because of the danger -

- Speeding vehicles
- having to walk thru gorse and weeds to get off the roadway.



10-year budget 2021/2031

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What is your view on this proposal?

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Which option do you support?

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Franklin Local Board

Tell us your thoughts on our proposed priorities for the local board area in 2021/2022 and our key advocacy initiatives – have we got it right?

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See attached

proposal

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- Don't know**

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Local boards

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 **Need more room? You can attach extra pages, but please make sure they are A4 and also include your name and contact information.**



10-year Budget 2021-2031 Feedback form



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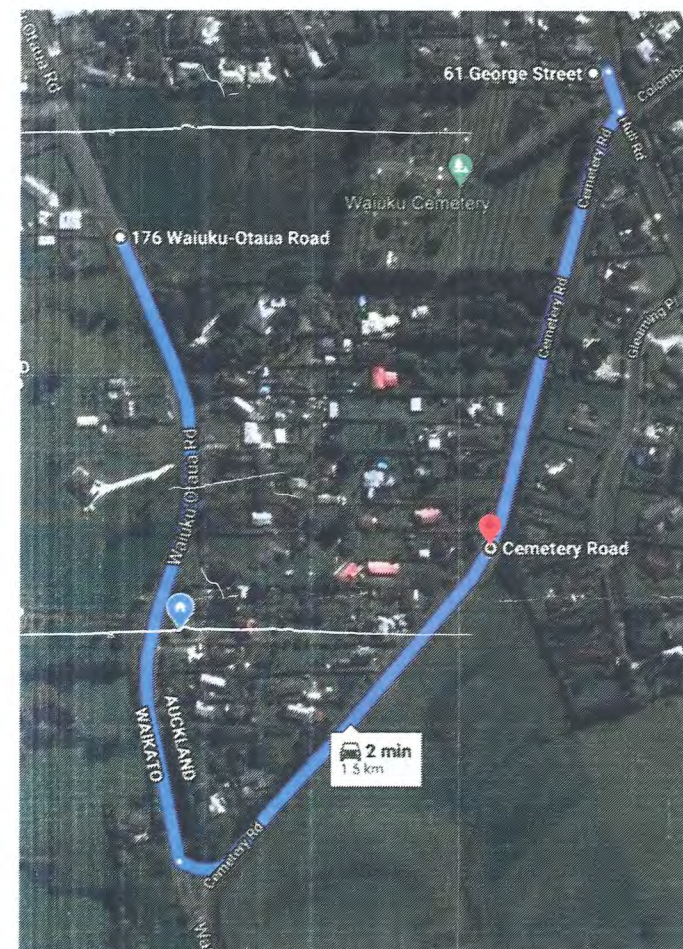
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Support the proposed increased investment

Tell us why: In order to have a healthy environment/country we need to look after and invest in it. Most people usually don't take climate change seriously but by providing and investing in climate change it can show someone people the importance of our country/environment/planet.

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Don't Know

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Support

Tell us why: Because it supports the city rail link

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Tell us why:

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Support the proposed increased investment

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

Do not support

Tell us why: Auckland Council is not efficient with spending money and a lot of money has been wasted by poor management eg. Auckland Transport.

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Do not support increased investment

Tell us why: South Aucklanders are struggling to pay rent and get adequate housing, food & healthcare. The climate change projects are an ineffective luxury that we can't afford at this time.

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Tell us why: As above. Auckland's drinking water is perfectly adequate at present.

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Franklin Local Board

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My feedback is in relation to being directly affected by the proposal - Farm and lifestyle rate moving to outside the urban rating area (URA).

Assessment no:12343323895

Location of property: 18 Waiuku Road, Pukekohe 2678. Contact no. (09)2387400

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What is your opinion on this proposal? Do not support

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Tell us your thoughts on our proposed priorities for the local board area in 2021/2022 and our key advocacy initiatives – have we got it right? I support most priorities

Tell us why There is no need to spend on restoration except to keep rubbish under control. Franklin is already beautiful. We need a great train service, park & ride areas and maintenances of all public community buildings and parks.

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Under no circumstances allow any subdivisions not already consented of good productive rural land in Franklin. With the HUGE development happening in Drury & Paerata, this area does NOT need further development and is growing too fast for infrastructure. We do not have a hospital, enough doctors, or medical services now. People will die. Sure some roads are rough, but they do not cause accidents it is drivers that do. Equality and equity is missing!

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Other Priorities:

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I strongly oppose and label this as Rascist to the extreme. To take money from all Auckland rate payers, who are struggling to support themselves, and then give it to maori for their well being is criminal and contravenes human rights.

Then they want to waste more rate payers money by "returning maori names to parks and places". Maori did not have parks, and place names were relating to nature. Most maori words have been made up in the last 50 + years so are not original and it would be a gross insult to give maori names to parks that have been developed and donated by the hard working settlers of Auckland. Note: Tamaki Makaurau did not exist, the maori name for Auckland was Akarana.

Maori language and culture belongs to Maori people. It is culturally, morally and ethically reprehensible to force it on all other peoples and take money off them to pay for it. It is already being supported by New Zealanders by having the Maori TV and Te Reo channels. The Government gave millions of dollars at the last election to Maori to upgrade all the marae,s which all tax payers paid for.

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The proposed investment in Maori led climate change action is yet another racial injustice. We are all working to combat

climate change and take responsibility for it and no one race should be paid for it !

All policies of Local Councils and Government must be unbiased and no preferential treatment given based on race. WE all have the same wants and needs, opportunities and problems. It is up to the individual to make the right choices and take the opportunities in life.

It is 2021 and there is no excuse for separatism and racism in New Zealand. All are equal and have equal rights.

When it comes to Nature and spirituality we are all responsible and equal. No one race or religion has more rights than another, the well being of our planet belongs to us all.

Councils and Government have a duty to treat all New Zealanders fairly and equally not according to race or colour.



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

Do not support

Tell us why: I submit that the proposed 5 percent rates hike is unacceptable.

While Council faces revenue pressures, this is simply a result of the economic environment facing all Aucklanders. Ratepayers facing job losses, reduced hours, and the pressures of rolling lockdowns should not be burdened by higher rates hikes.

As a retired resident I like wise as a result of Covid-19 have a much reduced income, no dividends or reduced dividends, term deposits and bonds reduced from 4.5% to 1.5%. We all must live within our income.

Reductions in operational spending, such as that spent on tourism and economic development, should be cut, particularly that which is duplicated by central government.

As a ratepayer, I submit that instead of coming up with ways to charge me more, the Council should focus on providing value for money, delivering core services and doing more with less, especially given the impacts of Covid-19.

With 86 employees identified as earning over \$250,000 per year and 150 "spin doctors" Council must adjust expenditure to its income.

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

Do not support increased investment

Tell us why: I Do not support any expenditure except for diverting waste from landfill.

The Council declaring a "Climate Emergency" is total fraud and a waste of ratepayers money. There is no climate emergency, there is no data that supports this false claim.

From the World Climate declaration.

Climate Intelligence (CLINTEL) climate change and climate policy

There is no climate emergency. Climate science should be less political, while climate policies should be more scientific. Scientists should openly address uncertainties and exaggerations in their predictions of global warming, while politicians should dispassionately count the real costs as well as the imagined benefits of their policy measures.

Natural as well as anthropogenic factors cause warming. The geological archive reveals that Earth's climate has varied as long as the planet has existed, with natural cold and warm phases. The Little Ice Age ended as recently as 1850. Therefore, it is no surprise that we now are experiencing a period of warming.

Warming is far slower than predicted. The world has warmed significantly less than predicted by IPCC on the basis of modelled anthropogenic forcing. The gap between the real world and the modelled world tells us that we are far from understanding climate change.

Climate policy relies on inadequate models. Climate models have many shortcomings and are not remotely plausible as policy tools. They do not only exaggerate the effect of greenhouse gases, they also ignore the fact that enriching the atmosphere with CO2 is beneficial.

CO2 is plant food, the basis of all life on Earth CO2 is not a pollutant. It is essential to all life on Earth. More CO2 is favourable for nature, greening our planet. Additional CO2 in the air has promoted growth in global plant biomass. It is also profitable for agriculture, increasing the yields of crops worldwide.

Global warming has not increased natural disasters. There is no statistical evidence that global warming is intensifying hurricanes, floods, droughts and suchlike natural disasters, or making them more frequent. However, there is ample evidence that CO2 -mitigation measures are as damaging as they are costly.

Climate policy must respect scientific and economic realities. There is no climate emergency. Therefore, there is no cause for panic and alarm. We strongly oppose the harmful and unrealistic net-zero CO2 policy proposed for 2050. Go for adaptation instead of mitigation; adaptation works whatever the causes are.

OUR ADVICE TO THE EUROPEAN LEADERS IS THAT SCIENCE SHOULD STRIVE FOR A SIGNIFICANTLY BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE CLIMATE SYSTEM, WHILE POLITICS SHOULD FOCUS ON MINIMIZING

POTENTIAL CLIMATE DAMAGE BY PRIORITIZING ADAPTATION STRATEGIES BASED ON PROVEN AND AFFORDABLE TECHNOLOGIES.

From the council's report, "Auckland's climate is changing".

"We are already starting to see higher temperatures, increased drought, more intense rainfall events and sea level rise. We expect more change over the next 100 years.

Climate change will impact on our communities, infrastructure, economy and natural environment. Temperatures will rise 3.5° C"

These claims are all based on the failed RCP 8.5 computer models and are not creditable. There 30 years of failed climate doom.

If you believe I am wrong please provide the data that proves manmade emissions of CO2 are causing harmful global warming.

"At the same time, Auckland's emissions are not decreasing." Correct, with Auckland's rapidly increasing population growth in emissions will continue to increase.

The so called "global warming" is a global issue and is for Central government to deal with.

Auckland Council ratepayers should not be burdened with another cost that the Council cannot provide data that supports the Climate Change claims.

Two thirds of Auckland is zoned rural, growing food, more CO2 is a benefit for more efficient use of nutrients and water.

Electric vehicles will have a place in the central city but are extremely expensive, double the cost of existing vehicles, batteries have an operational life of 10 years where their output will have reduced to 60-80%. What then – cost?

2/3 of Auckland is zoned rural, there is no public transport, there never will be any, don't forget this in any discussion on cars/transport and who pays for inner city development.

Any discussion on Climate Change you must distinguish the difference between carbon and carbon dioxide, learning elementary science.

There is much talk about hydrogen but with present technology it can-not be produced economically and there is a large loss of energy. Wind generation averages 35% of name plate capacity, sometimes only 25%. During February there were 5 consecutive days of less than 7% generation and many other days of very little output. Solar output is 17% in summer, 10% in winter.

Any actions that Auckland may take will have no measurable effect on emissions of CO2 or global temperatures.

There are much more important areas to spend \$ 150 million, water, sewerage and storm water and remember rural areas have to provide their own water and wastewater.

There is total dishonesty of the policy makers in NZ.

NZ already sequesters 3 times its total emissions, from the NIWA CO2 recording station,

"On the annual scale, the terrestrial biosphere in New Zealand is estimated to be a net CO2 sink, removing $98(\pm 37)\text{TgCO}_2\text{ yr}^{-1}$ from the atmosphere on average during 2011–2013. This sink is much larger than the reported $27\text{TgCO}_2\text{ yr}$. NZ emissions are estimated at $35\text{TgCO}_2\text{ yr}$ ".

<https://www.atmos-chem-phys.net/17/47/2017/acp-17-47-2017.pdf>

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Tell us why:

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Transport/ subdivision planning, in many new subdivisions the roads are too narrow, e.g. Beachlands, with parked cars there is only one way. Public transport or emergency vehicles will have problems.

There is a lack of growth planning, e.g. Clevedon, there is considerable development but there is no overall plan for the village growth. This must be improved.

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

Other

Tell us why: You will never achieve a effective budget will the organisation is lumbered with the local govt amendment act 96 (neo liberalism) which has failed. Bring all work in house no contracting to multinationals etc The saving from redirecting a dirth of middle management, 30-40% of work force, put back on the tools working at the coal face, and profit motive (25% and up)

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

Other

Tell us why: The tree growing programme sound will intentioned and PC, but how do you explain closing down a council owned nurse (Karist) functional well under John Stevens. The large intended areas for planting sound good, but remove all the noxious weeds now deemed plants under observation, in our parks and road side reserves or you will end up with a bigger mess.

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What is your view on this proposal? Support the extension and the increase

Tell us why: This is more than 25 years over due. Shame on our organisation to allow the continuation of unbridled development without upgrading systems.

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What is your opinion on this proposal? Other

Tell us why: Sounds like more neo liberalism and garage sale sell offs. The selling of council owned carpark in Pukekohe is another mindless move to CBD congestion like Auckland city it self. I don't think Franklin resident want to have to pay for parking. Show me a list and rang f problems these park assets have. Do we want bozzey sporting clubs to be funded by bozze barom or local 1 min companies that we are already captive clients

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Tell us why What are 3rd party partnerships (neo liberalism) Of course our roads need upgrading if you've now got 40 tonne trucks breaking them up. They have never been well maintained or built well. I know, I have worked for Serco/Transfield for 6 years.

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The Pukekohe Business Association ('Association') welcomes the opportunity to make this Submission.

This Submission will cover:

- (1) Ongoing concerns regarding the impact of COVID-19
- (2) Proposed 10 Year Budget
- (3) Rating Policy Proposals
- (4) Regional Fuel Tax underspend
- (5) Climate Change
- (6) Rating of Vacant Land, and
- (7) Franklin Local Board Priorities

(1) Ongoing concerns regarding the impact of the COVID-19

We have ongoing serious concerns expressed from our local business members that COVID-19 is having a significant impact on their businesses.

The impacts include direct financial impacts on businesses (especially hospitality businesses), supply chain and market disruption as well as effects on production. More particularly, COVID-19 has had major impacts on exporters to China and those relying on international visitors and students. For hospitality and event organisers, the ongoing lockdowns have been devastating. Many firms relying on imported intermediate or final inputs from China are also being affected, particularly in manufacturing. Small and medium-sized businesses have had their business models turned upside down. Businesses tied to travel, tourism and hospitality have experienced losses that will not be recoverable. We still do not know how long this will continue. We have lost businesses already, with the outlook for some businesses now being dire.

We have welcomed the responses from Mayor Phil Goff through the crisis, especially the need to respond calmly, but we ask for more focus in the Recovery Budget 2021/2031 on measures Auckland Council can take to assist businesses.

We also believe the ongoing significance of the impacts on businesses and the regional economy necessitate Council considering extending measures such as the rates postponement for ratepayers impacted by COVID-19 and introducing new measures, such as relief in paying hospitality-related fees and charges (such as outdoor dining license fees) and the accommodation levy.

(2) Proposed 10 Year Budget

Our overall feedback is that we support the need to continue with Council's capital investment of \$31 billion over the next 10 years and recognise that Council is projected to have its revenue impacted by around \$1 billion as a result of COVID-19.

However, we do not agree with the proposed one-off 5 per cent average general rates increase for 2021/2022 rather than the previously planned 3.5 per cent increase.

Instead, we believe Council should:

- keep any rates increase to a minimum for 2021/2022;
- increase Council borrowing;
- make deeper cost savings and prioritise spending; and
- sell more surplus assets/property.

We note the positive statements made in Council's half year financial results indicating a more optimistic outlook is warranted.

(3) Rating Policy Proposals

Our overall feedback is that what businesses need most from Council is a fair, transparent and stable approach to rates. As we said above, we do not accept the need for a 5% rates increase.

Business differential

We appreciate that the business differential is being reduced through the Recovery Budget 2021/2031, and support the continuation of this.

Rating Policy

With regard to the proposal to extend the Water Quality Targeted Rate until June 2031, we agree that Auckland must improve infrastructure to save our harbours, beaches and streams from being polluted by overflows from ageing sewerage and stormwater systems. Inaction will cause reputational damage to the city. While we are supportive of transparently 'ring fencing' spending on this kind of infrastructure and an extension until June 2031, we do not accept that a business differential (even at 25.8%) should be applied to this targeted rate. We accept that business should pay a share, but not a differential.

On the proposal to extend the Natural Environment Targeted Rate until June 2031, we agree that Auckland must reverse the decline of biodiversity in the region, stop kauri dieback and address the spread of pests, weeds and diseases. However, we believe that these matters are more properly the responsibility of central government or taxpayers. Auckland Council should seek increased funding from central government because all New Zealand benefits from increased tourism and our international clean green branding. Auckland ratepayers should not be the first direct source of funding for projects which have a wider benefit than just the Auckland region. Again, while we are supportive of transparently 'ring fencing' this spending and an extension until June 2031, we do not accept that a business differential (even at 25.8%) should be applied.

Auckland Council is also proposing an extension of the Urban Rating Area to align the Urban Rating Area with the planning rules set in the Auckland Unitary Plan. This includes a large number of properties on the outskirts of Pukekohe that are proposed to change from rural business rates to urban business rates (see the map in the Appendix of this Submission). We oppose this proposed change in rating for these properties from rural business rates to urban business rates. We do not believe these businesses that remain in largely rural settings should be paying urban business rates.

Watercare's increase in charges

To support a significant increase in capital investment over the next 10-years, Watercare's board of directors resolved to increase water and wastewater tariffs by 7 per cent on 1 July 2021 and 1 July 2022, followed by annual increases of 9.5 per cent for six years and then increases of 3.5 per cent for the last two years of this plan.¹

We are concerned that the substantial increases in water tariffs proposed by Watercare have not been highlighted in the Recovery Budget 2021/2031. We question whether the substantial increases in water tariffs are reasonable and ask that they be consulted on properly. In particular, these increases in water tariffs will impose a significant burden on businesses as they are based on the capital value of the property. We also request how these new tariffs will benefit Pukekohe.

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Our preference is to introduce initiatives that both manage demand and raise funding equitably as soon as possible, balanced with investment into affordable and more frequent public transport in order to effect sustainable behavioural change. We understand, for example, that technical work on the 'Congestion Question' project that has been examining the potential to apply congestion charging in Auckland is progressing.

In the interim, we ask for greater transparency regarding the spending of this tax on specific transport projects and services. We wish to avoid the regional fuel tax, which is the equivalent of a significant rates increase (especially for transport operators), being used as a 'top up' for overall transport budgets.

We are also concerned about the ongoing underspend of the Regional Fuel Tax.² We are worried that businesses are being over-taxed - with the RFT is being underspent or that infrastructure is not being built at the required pace.

We once again reiterate our preference to see electronic tolling applied to the motorway as this is then funded by user pays including those who live outside of Auckland but use the motorways daily. We would envision a daily 'maximum' tolling of \$2

¹ Recovery Budget 2021/2031, page 40.

² <https://www.nzherald.co.nz/nz/half-of-auckland-councils-regional-fuel-tax-has-not-been-spent/XTFNMLCAPDH4HFFBQQKUSUIN4/>

per vehicle. As an example, on Herald figures for harbour bridge usage, there are 170,000 vehicle movements per day. At \$2 per vehicle Auckland Council would raise approximately \$340,000 per day! This would very quickly enable Auckland Council to undertake some serious work to combat congestion.

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We note the Council's emphasis in the Recovery Budget 2021/2031 on climate change with actions like electrification of the vehicle fleet, moving to sustainable energy at council facilities and tree planting.

BIDs are involved with a variety of initiatives relating to climate change, such as supporting mode shift in transport, electrification of the bus fleet and sustainable waste initiatives.

As the majority of businesses across the Auckland Region are small to medium sized, we welcome initiatives that support business to make the necessary changes. Funding for business education is particularly important to raise awareness and drive change.

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(7) Franklin Local Board Priorities

We note the Franklin Local Board Priorities in the Recovery Budget 2021/2031:

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- precinct redevelopment;
- public realm projects;
- place making; and
- partnering.

We also want to ensure there are no budget cuts to town centre maintenance. A clean town centre is essential to helping our businesses thrive and supporting our community to shop local.

³ <https://www.renewaustralia.org/>

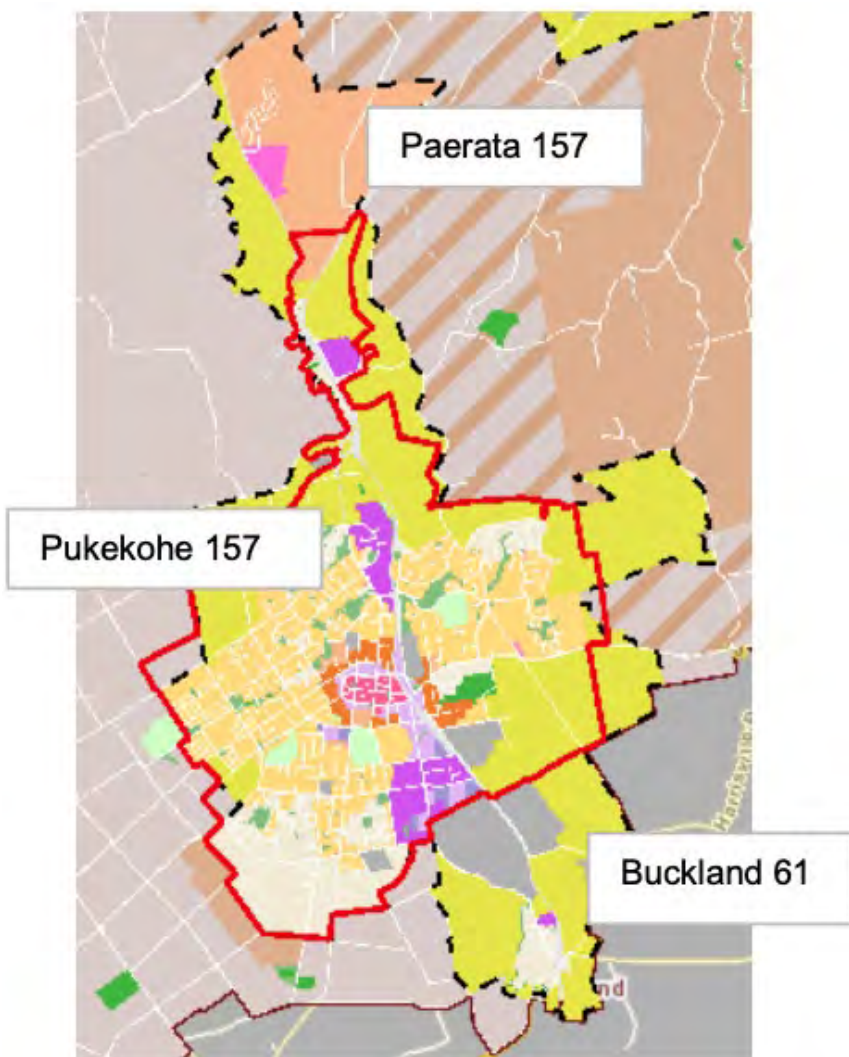
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Finally as we enter another very uncertain year, especially for small and medium sized businesses, we ask the Council to consider carefully their needs in its approach to the Recovery Budget 2021/2031 and provide more focus on growing the economy and supporting job creation.

The Association wishes to be heard at any hearings of the Franklin Local Board to consider these and other submissions.

Yours sincerely,

Appendix



The image shows the unitary plan map for Pukekohe

- Dotted line shows the Rural Urban Boundary (RUB)
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Extending the targeted rate

Extending this targeted rate to June 2031 will help continue to improve water quality in other areas of the city, including coastal water quality from Hobson Bay to St Heliers, as well as the Manukau Harbour. Extending this targeted rate would enable this additional work to begin in 2028/2029.

Increasing the targeted rate

To start construction on the above major new water quality projects six years earlier (in 2022/2023), and to increase our investment in regional water quality programmes across all of Auckland, we are also proposing to increase this targeted rate annually in line with proposed average increases in general rates.

What is your view on this proposal?

Tell us why: See attachment for more info

4. Community investment

We have hundreds of community assets like libraries, halls, community centres, community houses, arts venues and assets in our parks that are getting older and some are in urgent need of repair. The cost of operating, repairing or rebuilding these assets over the next 10 years could leave no money for anything new or upgraded. To maintain our current assets and upgrade or provide new assets, rates would likely need to be increased over time.

We propose a new approach for community services, such as leasing or shared facilities, that does not rely as much on us building and maintaining physical assets. This will reduce our carbon footprint and lower our costs by partnering with others to deliver services and deliver more community services online.

Over time, we propose to consolidate the number of our community facilities and services (which may result in some facilities being closed) and instead focus on multi-use facilities and online services to provide for our diverse communities.

What is your opinion on this proposal?

Tell us why:

5. Rating policy

The following are some of our proposed changes to the way we charge rates on properties. These changes affect each property differently. They may, or may not, affect your property.

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Extending the City Centre Targeted Rate until June 2031 to maintain our investment in upgrading the city centre

Introducing the Rodney Drainage Targeted Rate on the land in Te Arai and Okahukura that benefits from the stormwater services

We are proposing other changes to rates and fees, including the introduction of the Electricity Network Resilience Targeted Rate on Vector to fund council's tree management programme around the Vector overhead power lines and options to reinstate the Accommodation Provider Targeted Rate.

Do you have any comments on any of our proposed changes to rates and fees charges?

NETR - See attachment for more info, URA - See attachment for more info, Farm - See attachment for more info

The Upper Harbour Local Board are proposing a new bus service between Paremoremo and Albany, funded by a targeted rate.

Which option do you support?

Tell us why:

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

6. Local Boards

7. What is important to you?

Do you have feedback on any other issues, including our proposals on housing and growth infrastructure or strategic assets?

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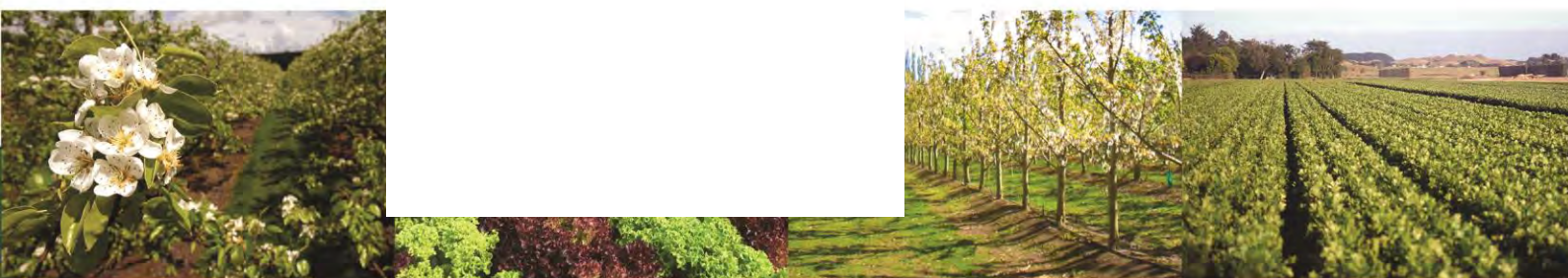
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SUBMISSION ON 10-Year Budget 2021-2031

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Introduction

Pukekohe Vegetable Growers Association (PVGA) and Horticulture New Zealand (HortNZ) thank Council for the opportunity to submit on the proposed 10-year budget and welcomes any opportunity to work with Council and to discuss our submission.

The details of this submission and outcomes sought from Council are set out below.

Background to PVGA and HortNZ

The PVGA is a charitable organisation that incorporates an area from northern Warkworth to Te Kauwhata in the south.

The association has operated in various forms as a grower organisation since the early 1900's. It represents in excess of 230 vegetable growing businesses. These vary from small family-run businesses to large corporate organisations - some who have operations throughout New Zealand.

The PVGA has an elected committee of President and approximately 20 Executive Members. This committee meets monthly to provide a forum for discussion and action on any relevant issues and to ensure that information is passed back to grower members.

HortNZ was established on 1 December 2005, combining the New Zealand Vegetable and Potato Growers' and New Zealand Fruitgrowers' and New Zealand Berryfruit Growers Federations.

HortNZ advocates for and represents the interests of 5000 commercial fruit and vegetable growers in New Zealand, who grow around 100 different crop types and

employ over 60,000 workers. Land under horticultural crop cultivation in New Zealand is calculated to be approximately 120,000 hectares.

The horticulture industry value is \$6.39 billion and is broken down as follows:

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| Industry value | \$6.39bn |
| Fruit exports | \$3.5bn |
| Vegetable exports | \$0.7bn |
| Total exports | \$4.2bn |
| Fruit domestic | \$0.88bn |
| Vegetable domestic | \$1.28bn |
| Total domestic | \$2.19bn |

It should also be acknowledged that it is not just the economic benefits associated with horticultural production that are important. The rural economy supports rural communities and rural production defines much of the rural landscape. Food production values provide a platform for long term sustainability of communities, through the provision of food security. The essential service that horticulture provides has been further highlighted through the Covid-19 response.

HortNZ's purpose is to create an enduring environment where growers thrive. This is done through enabling, promoting and advocating for growers in New Zealand.

Food Security

Population growth not only increases demand on housing supply, it also generates and necessitates an increased demand on food supply. There is a general assumption that New Zealand is the land of plenty and we will always have enough locally-grown food to feed our population, supplemented by imported food where there is demand.

But things are changing fast. Prime fruit and vegetable growing land is being squeezed by rapid growth. Increasing urbanisation places additional pressure on, and competition for, the natural resources and infrastructure also critical for growing fruit and vegetables. Over 80% of vegetables grown in New Zealand are for domestic consumption (Plant and Food, 2018). The vegetable export market is integrated with the domestic vegetable growing, and is important for the economic sustainability of the domestic vegetable market.

Current projections around New Zealand's expected population increase and annual food volumes available for consumption in New Zealand show that domestic vegetable supply will not be able to sustain our future population consumption needs.¹ When supply is short and demand high, prices are subject to wide variations. This can make healthy food unaffordable for many New Zealanders and often hits vulnerable communities the hardest.

Already many New Zealanders, are struggling to meet the recommended daily intake of 3 plus vegetables and 2 plus fruit a day. In 2016/2017, only 38.8 percent of New Zealand adults and 49.8 percent of children met the recommended daily fruit and vegetable intake.² Those living in the most deprived neighbourhoods were less likely to meet the recommended intakes and were more likely to be obese.³ A 2008/2009 study showed that Maori females were significantly less likely to meet the required intake than non-Maori females.⁴

The benefits of fruit and vegetable consumption are well established, particularly their role in preventing general micronutrient-deficiencies and chronic diseases (Moore, Barton, & Young, 2019). Low fruit and vegetable intake are identified as a leading risk factor in loss of health. In New Zealand, having a high body mass index (i.e. being overweight or obese) has overtaken tobacco as a leading cause in health loss (Ministry of Health, 2013).

The Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation (IHME) carry out the Global Burden of Disease study. This study attempts to quantify the health loss due to various diseases and risks. The study estimated that almost 800 deaths were caused by low vegetable intake in New Zealand in 2017, as well as quality of life lost due to morbidity (IHME, 2017).

The price of meeting micronutrient requirements is very expensive in New Zealand compared to other countries. Without changing the land use the situation is unlikely to get better and could get worse (Moore, Barton, & Young, 2019).

¹ Horticulture New Zealand. (2017). *New Zealand domestic vegetable production: the growing story*. <http://www.hortnz.co.nz/assets/Media-Release-Photos/HortNZ-Report-Final-A4-Single-Pages.pdf>

² Ministry of Health. (2017). Annual Data Explorer 2016/17: *New Zealand Health Survey*: <https://minhealthnz.shinyapps.io/nz-health-survey-2016-17-annual-data-explorer/> w e9a07e83/ w aa03fb73/ w 320818d4/ w 26fa6ce8/ w f50ad45f/ w dbba0f02/#!/explore-indicators.

³ Ibid.

⁴ Ministry of Health. (2012). *A focus on Maori Nutrition: Findings from the 2008/09 New Zealand Adult Nutritional Survey*. Wellington: Ministry of Health.

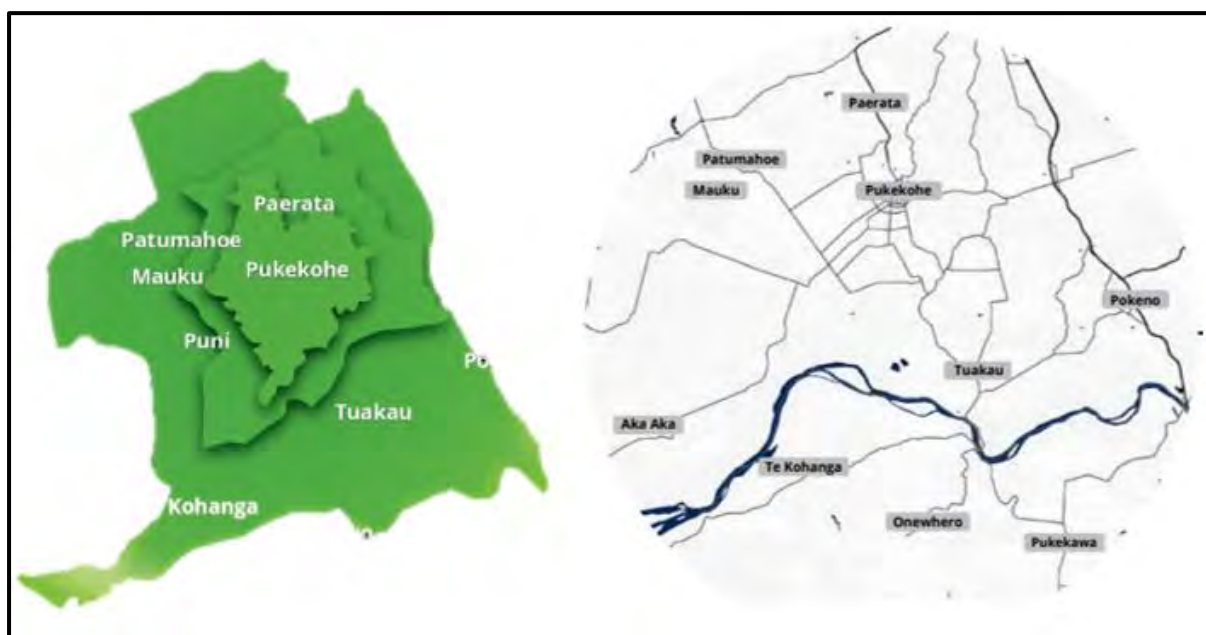
Affordability is a key factor in why people eat less than the recommended intake of fruit and vegetables. If fruit and vegetable growing cannot expand to meet the growing demand with an increased population, the reduced availability of vegetables and an increased price would impact on the health of the most vulnerable people (Moore, Barton, & Young, 2019).

The Pukekohe Hub

In 2018, HortNZ commissioned an analysis of the horticultural sector in Pukekohe, one of New Zealand's most prominent growing areas. The purpose of the analysis was to understand the social, environmental and economic values, and constraints, provided and faced by, the local industry.

The case study area was the 'Pukekohe hub', which includes the southern area of Franklin in the Auckland Region and the northern portion of Waikato District.

Figure 1 – The Pukekohe Hub⁵



Key findings of the report show that:

- With an area of 4,359ha, the hub is only 3.8% of New Zealand's total fruit and vegetable growing area. But contributes to 26% of the value earned from national production of vegetables and some fruit.
- 90% of the produce grown in the hub is for the domestic market.
- The hub contributes significant to the vitality of local communities through social contributions to community groups and cultural diversity.
- The hub contributes \$261million to GDP and employs 3,090 full time equivalents.
- Between 2002 – 2016 there has been a 30% reduction in vegetable cropping land across New Zealand.

Failure to adequately provide for continued operation and on-going development of horticulture, will impact the ability to meet future demand for fresh fruit and vegetables. In the next 25 years, the analysis predicted:

⁵ *New Zealand's Food Story. The Pukekohe Hub.* Deloitte. 2018. <http://www.hortnz.co.nz/assets/Deloitte/New-Zealands-food-story-The-Pukekohe-hub.pdf>

- a reduction in production of fruit and vegetables of between 46% - 55%
- price increases between 43% - 58%
- Up to 4,500 job losses
- An economic loss between \$850 million and \$1.1 billion.

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Climate Action Plan Key Areas of Focus

The Supporting Document highlights the key areas of focus for the Climate Action Plan as these have shaped the direction set in the proposed budget. Brief comment is made on the following key areas:

Transport

This section recognises that the majority of transport emissions are urban, private (non-freight) movements. However, Council should actively support business and rural vehicle transition at an appropriate pace as this will assist in managing overall emissions. Council should continue to advocate to NZTA to improve freight options throughout New Zealand. For instance, an additional station in the Franklin area would significantly reduce the number of freight movements from Pukekohe to Onehunga (which then go on to Tauranga Port). This would contribute to emission reductions by alleviating congestion and reducing truck emissions.

Water Supply

We support the need to consider alternative water supply options and increase the resilience of the regions water supply network.

Environment

The focus is on flora and fauna. It is appropriate that this section give specific recognition to protecting highly productive land, both elite and prime soils. Such land has an intrinsic value that has been recognised in the development of a proposed National Policy Statement on Highly Productive Land (NPSHPL). The Climate Change Commissions draft recommendations recognise the role that high class soils (prime and elite) and highly productive land has in supporting low-carbon agriculture and reducing emissions. Furthermore, highly productive land is particularly relevant within the Auckland Region given the short supply, increasing pressure from Council-facilitated urban growth and the significance of the local commercial vegetable sector to the nation's food supply. The pressures on, and significance of, this land to New Zealand's vegetable production has also been recognised at a national level in the National Policy Statement on Freshwater Management (NPSFM).

Food supply

We support the recognition that climate change will affect food production, availability and affordability. This needs to filter through into the 10-year budget. The relief sought in this submission will assist in supporting local horticulture to ensure ongoing supply of fresh fruit and vegetables to Auckland's (and New Zealand's) current and future communities.

Rating options

Climate action investment options

Horticultural operations are already subject to ETS costs relating to fuel, transport, refrigeration and post-2050, fertiliser use. Recent recommendations by the Climate Change Commission will see additional costs on businesses in transitioning to lower emission technology and practice change. This is all in addition to the efforts already being undertaken by individual growers/farmers and agricultural sectors to address environmental footprints (including implementation of freshwater farm plans or farm environment plans).

While we are supportive of the need for Council to continue addressing climate responses, a significant increase to investment cannot be supported. Food supply is a key area of focus and Pukekohe has a unique supply of soils and climate that allow food production for New Zealand year-round. This is recognised a national level in the National Policy Statement on Freshwater Management and the proposed National Policy Statement on Highly Productive Land.

The increases proposed in the budget, in combination with increasing regulatory and compliance costs (both at a local and national level) and increasing land values will impact the ability for local horticulture to remain viable without increasing the price of food.

Relief sought:

- Provide a reduced rate for land used for horticulture (discussed in more detail below); or
- Status Quo

Housing and Growth Infrastructure

Option 2 is supported. Development should be diverted away from land that is currently being cropped for vegetables. Vegetable cropping should be encouraged to continue in order to ensure meeting food supply needs for Auckland's (and New Zealand's) growing population.

Natural Environment Targeted Rate:

Option 1 is supported. A more strategic approach is required to manage weeds and pests. There is minimal benefit filtering down to rural communities in the current rating system. Rural properties (including both farm and lifestyle blocks) need to undertake extensive weed and pest management at their own expense, even with the current targeted rate. We do not support extending the natural environment targeted rate.

Water quality targeted rate:

The supporting document claims an equitable benefit to both rural and urban communities, hence why the WQTR is applied across the region. However, we do not agree that this is equitable given that 80% of the rate is proposed to go towards managing urban water quality related issues. The supporting document stipulates that Option 2 will allow additional projects that have wider benefits for the catchment. However, there is limited information provided on the extent of those benefits and whether this would provide any relief to the regulatory and compliance costs faced by many agricultural businesses.

As already outlined in this submission, there are already extensive compliance costs (both nationally and regionally) that must be met in order to produce fresh fruit and vegetables. The recent Climate Change Commission recommendations and upcoming plan changes to implement the NPSFM will incur further costs. Option 2, in combination with all the other proposed increases in the budget and existing and future costs, will not assist Auckland Council in ensuring ongoing supply of affordable fresh produce to local communities.

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In principle there is support for amending the urban rating area to match the rural urban boundary. However, as discussed throughout this submission, there is a need for additional support for horticulture to ensure an ongoing supply of fresh produce to local communities. This is particularly relevant for commercial vegetable production in Auckland where land is already in short supply and remaining cropping land within the rural zone is under pressure from the proximity of urban development. The significance of the commercial vegetable sector in this area to the rest of New Zealand is highlighted elsewhere in this submission, and recognised at a national level in the NPSFM.

Relief sought:

We seek that were FUZ land is currently being utilised for vegetable production, urban rates should not be applied until consent for development is granted.

Farm and lifestyle rating system:

Auckland's local horticulture industry plays a significant role in supply fresh fruit and vegetables to Aucklanders and New Zealanders. There is a wide range of fruit (including berries, apples, citrus, kiwifruit and avocado's) grown in the Auckland region. Many berry operations and some apples and citrus operate on a "pick your own" basis, assisting in making food affordable and accessible.

Greenhouses are a highly efficient food production system, optimising the use of land, water, and nutrients. Compared to outdoor production, greenhouses use less water and fertiliser. The product is of higher quality with a longer shelf life, and there is less waste.

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Ideally, we would seek rate reductions for all land identified as highly productive. In the absence of a finalised NPSHPL (anticipated to provide direction on identifying highly productive land), we seek reductions in the differential rating system to land used for commercial horticulture. Given this is a relatively small footprint within the Auckland Region, this would have minimal impact on the overall revenue collected from rates, while still ensuring affordable fresh fruit and vegetables for local communities.

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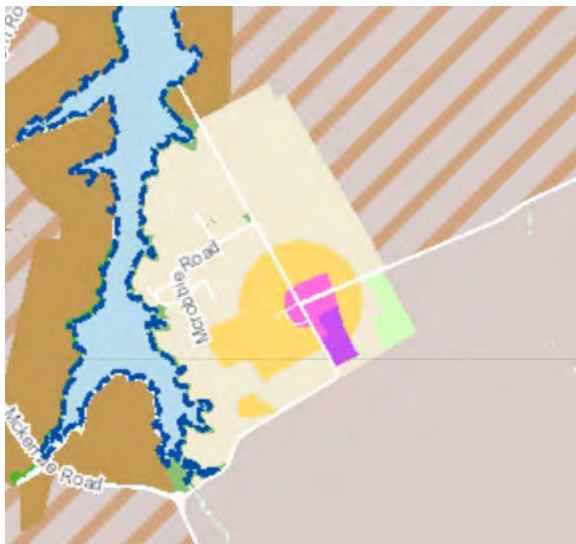
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Long Term Plan and 10-year Budget 2021-2031 Consultation – Kingseat

1. This submission is for Pulin Investments Limited, HG Management Ltd and Vermillion Group Ltd (together, '**the submitters**'). The submitters have property and development interests within the Kingseat area in South Auckland.
2. The Kingseat Group are concerned to preserve Auckland Council and Watercare's ability to service and provide infrastructure for the current live zoning at Kingseat within the immediate short term.
3. Pulin Investments Limited is currently applying to Auckland Council for resource consent for a 498-lot development within the existing live urban zoning at Kingseat.
4. Kingseat has current live zoning under the Auckland Unitary Plan (**AUP**) as carried over from Plan Change 28 as originally notified in 2010/2011. The operative AUP zoning for Kingseat is shown below:



5. Council has released a consultation document and sought feedback on Auckland's Long-Term Plan (**LTP**) and 10-year Budget for 2021-2031.
6. This letter focuses specifically for growth and infrastructure for Kingseat, and relates to issue 3 in the Consultation Document, "*Responding to housing and growth*".

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Current Long-Term Plan (2018-2028)

7. The current policy settings recognise live zoning for Kingseat, and the need for supply of infrastructure, in particular:
 - a. Kingseat obtained live zoning status under Plan Change 28.
 - b. The live zoning of the Kingseat area was carried through to the Auckland Unitary Plan when it came into effect in 2016.
 - c. In Auckland Council's current financial planning documents including the 2018-2028 LTP and associated policy documents (*Future Urban Land Supply Strategy*, and the *Auckland Plan 2050*) Kingseat is identified as an area scheduled for development within the *short term*.
 - d. The infrastructure strategy in the 2018-2028 LTP (Vol 2, Part 1.3) incorporates the development strategy in the *Auckland Plan 2050*, which states that the strategy is “a key tool for integrating growth and infrastructure over the next 30-years. The development strategy aligns the location and timing of investment across the council, CCOs, central government and the private sector...”.
 - e. The development strategy in the current LTP (Figure 2.2 to the development strategy, page 24, Vol 2 of the LTP) identifies the Kingseat area as a '**Years 1-3 Future Urban Area**', with the timing of development for 2018.¹
 - f. The 2018-2028 LTP discusses wastewater servicing at part 2.4 of Volume 2 “*Wastewater treatment and Disposal*”. This section states (page 116):

Sub-regional Wastewater Servicing – Major wastewater treatment plant consolidation and pipe upgrades are planned for two sub-regions. The areas serviced are the south-west communities of **Kingseat**, Waiuku, Glenbrook and Clarks Beach and the north-east communities of Warkworth, Snells Beach and Algies Bay. At present, the wastewater treatment plants serving these communities are effective, and the upgrades will cater for population growth and produce high-quality treated wastewater for discharge. Construction of the upgrades in the north-east is planned for completion in 2022. **The south-west servicing scheme is currently under appeal.**

(emphasis **supplied**)
 - g. The appeal for the sub-regional wastewater scheme for the south-west communities has since been resolved and settled, so that wastewater connectivity is available, subject to resolving with Watercare the issue as to who pays for the south-west sub-regional wastewater treatment plant connection to Kingseat.
8. The Kingseat area remains live zoned and scheduled for development in the immediate short term. Neighbouring land owners to the north have received resource consent.

¹ This is in contrast with areas such as Manurewa and Clevedon, which are areas identified for development within 11-30 years

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9. However, Watercare has classified bulk pipe infrastructure to connect water to Kingseat as “*connecting infrastructure*” rather than bulk or transmission infrastructure, contrary to previous commitments.

Proposed 2021-2031 LTP and 10-year Budget

10. The consultation document for the 2021-2031 LTP proposes (at page 32) a “*more focused approach*” to providing infrastructure, by concentrating infrastructure investment in select areas, such as Drury in Auckland’s south and areas in Auckland’s north-west where significant government investment has been made.
11. The consultation document states (at page 32) “*This focused approach will mean that we will not be heavily investing in infrastructure to support other growth areas in the short to medium term beyond that which is already committed*” (emphasis supplied).

Outcomes sought for Kingseat and reasons

12. The submitters seek that:
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13. The reasons for this request are:
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 - b. Kingseat is due for infrastructure servicing and development in the immediate short term.
 - c. Council’s existing policy documents anticipated infrastructure servicing would occur in the Kingseat area by 2018;
 - d. Resource consents have either been obtained or are actively being applied for in the Kingseat area for large-scale land development.
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 - f. The LTP 2021-2031 should not be inconsistent with the Future Urban Land Supply Strategy, the Auckland Unitary Plan, and the Auckland 2050 Plan.
14. The submitters **request to be heard** in support of this submission.
15. The **contact details** for the submitters are:

Pulin Investments Limited, HG Management Ltd, and Vermillion Group Ltd
c/- Stuart Ryan | Barrister

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Yours faithfully,

Barrister



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

Other

Tell us why: How much is being spent in Franklin?

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Other

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Tell us why: 5% this year 3.5% in years to come I have my doubts.

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Tell us why: another thing they should look at is emission testing of car exhaust at time of WOF. lot of cars out there not right then have that standard in England.

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Tell us why:

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Which option do you support?

Don't know

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10-year Budget 2021-2031 Feedback form



We want your feedback on our 10-year Budget 2021-2031

Feedback must be received by 12pm midday Monday 22 March 2021. Please read the Consultation Document available at akhaveyoursay.nz/recoverybudget or at any library, service centre, or by phoning **09 301 0101** before you give feedback. It has more information about the issues and choices that we want your feedback on. Please refer to the online rates guide at akhaveyoursay.nz/ratesguide and Glossary of terms on page 80 of the Consultation Document.

All questions are optional. We encourage you to give feedback online at akhaveyoursay.nz/recoverybudget, or you can complete this form and return it to us using one of these options:



Email

Scan your completed form and email it to akhaveyoursay@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



In person

Drop your completed form off at your local library or service centre.



By post

Place your completed form in an envelope and send it to freepost address:
AK Have Your Say, Auckland Council, Freepost Authority 182382, Private Bag 92 300, Auckland 1142.

Your feedback will be included in public documents. All other personal details will remain private.

First name _____

Last name: _____

Email or postal address: _____

Your local board: Franklin

Is your feedback on behalf of an organisation or business? (If yes, this confirms you have authority to submit on the organisation's behalf) Yes No

Name of organisation or business: _____

harkrise ltd

The following information is optional but will help us know whether we are hearing from all Aucklanders.

Are you: Female Male Gender diverse

What age group do you belong to?

- Under 15 15-24 25-34 35-44
- 45-54 55-64 65-74 75+

Which of the following describes your ethnicity? (Please select as many as apply)

- Pākehā/NZ European
- Māori – which iwi/Hapū do you affiliate with? _____

- Chinese South East Asian
- Samoan Tongan
- Indian Korean
- Cook Islands Māori
- Other (please specify) Norwegian

Proposed Recovery Budget

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To answer the following question please refer to pages 17 to 29 of the Consultation Document

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

Support Do not support Other Don't know

Tell us why: _____

Climate change

To answer this question please refer to pages 30-31 of the Consultation Document

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

Support the proposed increased investment
 Do not support increased investment
 Other Don't know

Tell us why: _____

Water quality

To answer this question please refer to pages 35-36 of the Consultation Document

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Increasing the targeted rate

To start construction on major new water quality projects

investment in regional water quality programmes across all of Auckland, we are also proposing to increase this targeted rate annually in line with proposed average increases in general rates.

What is your opinion on this proposal?

Support the extension and the increase
 Support the extension only
 Do not support either change
 Other Don't know

Tell us why: _____

Community investment

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What is your opinion on this proposal?

Support Do not support Other Don't know

Tell us why: _____

Rating policy

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To see how your rates may change, or for more information on these and other proposals before answering, please read Part Four (pages 38-47) of the Consultation Document or go to our rates guide at akhaveyoursay.nz/ratesguide.

What is your opinion on the following rating policy proposals?

| | Support | Do not support | Other | Don't know |
|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Extending the Natural Environment Targeted Rate until June 2031 to invest further in measures such as addressing the spread of kauri dieback, and predator and weed control | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
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The Upper Harbour Local Board are proposing a new bus service between Paremoremo and Albany, funded by a targeted rate. Which of the following options do you support?

Support option 1 – targeted rate of \$238 for each separate dwelling or business on a property for properties located up to 500m walking distance of a proposed bus stop

Tell us why:

Support option 2 – targeted rate of \$153 for each separate dwelling or business on a property for properties located in the wider Paremoremo and Lucas Heights area of the Upper Harbour Local Board

Do not support either option

Don't know

NO

Do you live in the affected area?

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Do you have any comments on any of our proposed changes to rates and fees charges (see pages 35, 36, 39-47)? (please be clear which proposal you are talking about).

Local boards

To answer this question please refer to Part Six (pages 55-66) of the Consultation Document.

Which local board area does your feedback relate to?

I do not support any priorities

Other

Don't know

Tell us why: _____

Tell us your thoughts on our proposed priorities for the local board area in 2021/2022 and our key advocacy initiatives – have we got it right?

I support all priorities

I support most priorities

I do not support most priorities

What is important to you?

Do you have feedback on any other issues, including our proposals on housing and growth infrastructure or strategic assets (pages 32, 48-53)?

Please see following page.

22nd March 2021

Proposed Rating Changes for Lifestyle & Farms in the Auckland Urban Area

I do not agree with the statement that all farms & lifestyle lots have full access to the same services, etc. as an urban household/section.

This is factually incorrect. Lifestyle lots & farms do NOT have access to ALL urban services or advantages.

Lifestyle lots and, particularly, farms have to provide all their own water, wastewater, and stormwater provisions. This fact means that those costs are met by the landowner as opposed to the greater rating base, or the Council.

Lifestyle lots and farms pay more in other ways than an urban dweller. The urban area has advantages economically with economies of scale. New Zealand (with exception to recent mishaps) is a lucky country in that you can go to the tap, get a glass of water and drink it knowing that it is safe.

The provision of water, wastewater, stormwater, for lifestyle and farms involves capital investment with on-going costs for maintenance and repairs. Some of these costs are substantial for those landowners.

Over a number of years, I have costed the differences (I have lived in the urban area as well) between urban/farm costs for the provision of water, wastewater, etc. Urban living is significantly cheaper in regards to these provisions. There is also a time costs for rural areas in that troughs, pumps, etc. need attention and maintenance. If a call-out for maintenance issue occurs outside normal working hours, there is a substantial extra cost. None of these costs apply an to urban area where all the services are provided by the rating base.

My solution to these issues is to create more differentials for land owners: farms usually in this area have one household, possibly two at most, therefore their need of urban services is less than others. Lifestyle lots could be categorised by size, e.g. under 3hc primarily used as residential, but still have to provide their own services as detailed above; 3hc & over, can still provide off-farm grazing, adding to the greater agriculture economy, and continuing to make farming economic in the Auckland Area. All lots provide their own services. If, for instance, a greenbelt is created then the land in that area should have a permanent rating differential as occurs in the UK. It means that the land cannot be developed, but also, that the costs are reduced long-term.

I am opposed to increasing the rating of lifestyle and particularly farms in the Auckland Area. There should be more differentials created.



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Don't know

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What is your view on this proposal? Support the extension and the increase

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10-year Budget 2021-2031 Feedback form

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We want your feedback on our 10-year Budget 2021-2031

Feedback must be received by 12pm midday Monday 22 March 2021. Please read the Consultation Document available at akhaveyoursay.nz/recoverybudget or at any library, service centre, or by phoning **09 301 0101** before you give feedback. It has more information about the issues and choices that we want your feedback on. Please refer to the online rates guide at akhaveyoursay.nz/ratesguide and Glossary of terms on page 80 of the Consultation Document.

All questions are optional. We encourage you to give feedback online at akhaveyoursay.nz/recoverybudget, or you can complete this form and return it to us using one of these options:



Email

Scan your completed form and email it to akhaveyoursay@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz



In person

Drop your completed form off at your local library or service centre:



By post

Place your completed form in an envelope and send it to freepost address:
AK-Have Your Say, Auckland Council, Freepost Authority 182382, Private Bag 92 300, Auckland 1142.

Your feedback will be included in public documents. All other personal details will remain private.

The following information is optional but will help us know whether we are hearing from all Aucklanders.

First name: _____

Are you: Female Male Gender diverse

Last name: Liquor Trustee Limited

What age group do you belong to?

Email or postal address: _____

- Under 15 15-24 25-34 35-44
 45-54 55-64 65-74 75+

Which of the following describes your ethnicity? (Please select as many as apply)

- Pākehā/NZ European
 Māori - which iwi/Hapū do you affiliate with? _____

Your local board: Franklin

- Chinese South East Asian
 Samoan Tongan
 Indian Korean
 Cook Islands Māori
 Other (please specify) _____

Is your feedback on behalf of an organisation or business? (If yes, this confirms you have authority to submit on the organisation's behalf) Yes No

Name of organisation or business: See Rating Policy

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Tell us why:

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Do not support either option

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Local boards

To answer this question please refer to Part Six (pages 55-66) of the Consultation Document.

Which local board area does your feedback relate to?

Tell us your thoughts on our proposed priorities for the local board area in 2021/2022 and our key advocacy initiatives - have we got it right?

- I support all priorities
- I support most priorities
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- Other
- Don't know

Tell us why: _____

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See Resting Policy

Community investment

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Tell us why: _____

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What is your opinion on the following rating policy proposals?

| Support | Do not support | Other | Don't know |
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5th March 2021

Andrew Duncan

Auckland Council

Private Bag 92300

Auckland 1142

Dear Sir

Re: Property: East Street, Pukekohe, Auckland 2120

Assessment Number: 12343542648

We refer to your letter of 22nd February 2021 advising of a possible increase in rates due to a change to Urban Residential rates and the cancellation of the present 80% Farm and Lifestyle rates differential.

We wish to object to this increase in rates on the basis that our property is purely rural and does not take advantage of any services provided to urban properties within the Auckland City.

We are the owners of the 5.5 hectare property on the corner of Ngahere Road and East Street, Pukekohe, which we inherited from our parents, being the third generation of the Lauer family to own the property, which was originally purchased by our grandparents in 1932 and used for grazing livestock. Our father originally used the property to grow potatoes and later grazed beef cattle until the property was inherited by us. We renewed the roadside fences at considerable cost to ensure livestock could not stray on to the busy East street road. We are currently renting the property to our immediate neighbours for the purpose of grazing cattle.

From the details of the past and present use of the property, it has always been used for farming purposes and is definitely a rural property. The property has no buildings; the only structures are fencing and the cattle yards and loading race which was constructed by our grandfather to transport cattle to and from the property. We as owners and our tenants, do not use the facilities taken for granted by urban residents such as waste water reticulation, footpaths and rubbish collection as there are no residents on the property. Our tenants use a small amount of water reticulation to fill livestock troughs. This is a purely rural property used only for farming.

At the present time we have no plans or intentions to sell or develop the property for residential purposes. Understandably any development would be totally dependent on the rezoning of the property from "Future Urban" to "Urban" by the Council. We have been advised by local property professionals that this rezoning will be at least 10 years in the future. We are therefore under the impression that the Council is determined to base our rating on the possible future use of the property, which only the Council can permit, rather than the present use of the property, which is rural.

This is further evidenced by rates levied being now well in excess of the rental which we are able to receive from our tenant. The annual rental for the property for grazing is \$1666. We have verified

that this is a fair rental for the property. The annual rates are \$3824, resulting in an annual shortfall of \$2158 which must be contributed by us. If the 80% differential is cancelled, rates will increase to \$4780, resulting in a shortfall to us of \$3114 This will cause us further financial hardship.

We therefore request that the method of calculating the rates on our property by the Council remains the same, unchanged from the present system on the basis that our property is purely rural, used exclusively only for livestock grazing.

We are also unsure as to why our property is included in the Urban Rating Area, as Ngahere Road is the boundary between Pukekohe residential properties and our rural property. All properties to the East of our property to Bombay are rural. We surely should therefore be in the Rural Rating Area.

Should you wish to discuss this situation any future or require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact

Proposed Recovery Budget

To answer the following question please refer to pages 17 to 29 of the Consultation Document

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

- Support Do not support Other Don't know

Tell us why: _____

Climate change

To answer this question please refer to pages 30-31 of the Consultation Document

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

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Tell us why: _____

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investment in regional water quality programmes across all of Auckland, we are also proposing to increase this targeted rate annually in line with proposed average increases in general rates.

What is your opinion on this proposal?

- Support the extension and the increase Support the extension only Do not support either change Other Don't know

Tell us why: _____



10-year budget 2021/2031

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

Tell us why:

2. Climate change

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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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What is your view on this proposal?

Tell us why:

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Support

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Do not support

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Do you have any comments on any of our proposed changes to rates and fees charges?

We received a letter from the Auckland Council. dated 22 February 2021, regarding two proposed changes to the Urban Rating Area. These include:

1. The Urban Area Proposal

Included in the letter to us is the paragraph as follows - "This proposal will als

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Which option do you support?

Tell us why:

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Do not support

Tell us why:

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Do not support increased investment

Tell us why:

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Franklin Local Board

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Support

Tell us why: I hope the government can effectively use the overcharged money and do what it says.

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Tell us why: the government of work efficiency is too low that leads to a lot of waste of water. The government's work system should be changed first.

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Tell us why: Just keep the existing community service

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Tell us why:

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

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

Do not support

Tell us why: Government employees and leaders don't have to raise wages because it's unreasonable for land taxes to rise more than wages. As a government, we should think more about how to create business opportunities for those in need, not just tax increases

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

Do not support increased investment

Tell us why: In special times there are some projects can be slowed down first, there is no need in this special period to think that the pursuit is still difficult to achieve things, so that will only be more labor and people hurt money

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What is your view on this proposal? Do not support either change

Tell us why: no money

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What is your opinion on this proposal? Do not support

Tell us why: no money

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Which option do you support?

Support Option 2 – targeted rate of \$153 for each separate dwelling or business on a property for properties located in the wider Paremoremo and Lucas Heights area of the Upper Harbour Local Board

Tell us why:

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

No

6. Local Boards

Franklin Local Board

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Tell us why

7. What is important to you?

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

Do not support

Tell us why:

2. Climate change

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

Other

Tell us why: I do support the policy but not the increased investment.

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What is your view on this proposal? Other

Tell us why: I support trying to upgrade the water quality in our harbours but not the increase.

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Tell us why Franklin is a fast growing area and infrastructure is lacking. I feel there is no foresight in the council in logical matters pertaining to this.

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Keeping Franklin uniquely Franklin.

Protect historical areas especially the crater and tuff ring at Pukekohe East - also a Maori War site.

Don't increase "future urban" sites.

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10 year Budget – Auckland Council

Submission by Whitford Residents and Ratepayers' Association

Whitford comprises a village, countryside living areas and rural land. It borders the Howick Local Board on one side. The urban development of Beachlands and Maraetai on another, and has three estuaries leading to the Hauraki Gulf.

Whitford has several arterial roads, quarries, cleanfills and one of Auckland's main landfills.

Priorities of our community:

1. **Whitford Village pollution** – the village has had a pollution/wastewater issue for decades and this was to be resolved through the Environment Court decision to allow further development in return for a developer funded wastewater treatment system covering the whole village. The development is progressing but there continue to be major issues around the operation of the wastewater system and the connection of the existing village to the new system.

The intent of the Environment Court decision and the Unitary Plan has failed and council are requested to take the lead in ensuring a successful outcome – with connection of the whole village to a wastewater treatment plant that will ensure a healthy estuary and environment. Realistically, this can only be achieved by council or Watercare taking responsibility and finding a solution perhaps along the lines of a targeted rate as it has for Clevedon.

2. **Asset sales** – The Council has included the following properties on its asset sale list: 24 Saleyard Road, Whitford, and 54 Whitford Park Road, Whitford. We request that Council remove the sale of these two properties from the list as they are adjacent to the new Whitford Village development and there is very real possibility that these properties will be required for remediation of the wastewater treatment plant and discharge to land.
3. **Public transport** – Whitford supports the development of public transport – a bus route connecting Clevedon, Whitford, Beachlands and the Pine Harbour Ferry. It supports increased sailings, and a weekend Pine Harbour ferry service.
4. **Roads** – Whitford has several increasingly busy arterial roads – Sandstone Road, Whitford Road, Whitford Maraetai Road, Whitford Park Road – all of which have heavy trucks servicing the quarries, landfill, clenfills and the development in Beachlands/Maraetai contributing to the deterioration of the roads

With significant further development likely at the Formosa/Ahuareka sites in Beachlands/Whitford – council needs to consider the downstream effect of growth on the Whitford community – the increased traffic movements, congestion through the Whitford Village, air pollution and the need for safety at intersections with funding for roundabouts at key intersections. A Whitford Bypass should be considered in the future.

5. **Community Hall** – Whitford has few facilities and the community would like to retain the village Hall, which is falling into disrepair. The community is negotiating to take on the management through the Franklin Local Board.
6. **Trails** – we support the development of trails and a network of off-road trails to provide connections across Franklin.
7. **Broadband – connectivity advocacy** – Whitford has very poor connectivity with outdated telephone exchanges and very poor broadband connection services.