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# 10-year budget 2021/2031

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## Your feedback

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Without this greater use of rates and debt, around \$900 million of much needed investment in Auckland would be delayed from the next three years to later in the decade. This would slow Auckland's recovery, put our services and assets at risk, lose hundreds of millions of dollars in matching government subsidies, and limit our response to our climate and environmental challenges.

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** Over the rate of inflation

## 2. Climate change

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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?

Do not support increased investment

**Tell us why:** Current investment ok

## 3. Water quality

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

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### 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?** Support the extension only

**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?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** Core services first. Roads , sewers, water.

## 5. Rating policy

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Extending the Urban Rating Area so land that has an operative urban zoning, or which has resource consent to be developed for urban use now (except for Warkworth), pays the same urban rates as nearby properties that have access to a similar level of service	Support
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
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Introducing the Rodney Drainage Targeted Rate on the land in Te Arai and Okahukura that benefits from the stormwater services	Support

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

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?**

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

#### **Tell us why:**

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

No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki 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? I support most priorities**

**Tell us why** I am gutted urban roads are still being chip sealed , it is the only infuriating thing council does. No more !

#### **With additional regional funding likely to be limited in the 10-year Budget 2021-2031, do you support us investigating options for a future locally targeted rate to contribute towards funding major local projects that are beyond the existing funding available to the local board?**

#### **If we were to introduce a locally targeted rate to contribute towards funding major local projects, how would you rank these key initiatives from our 2020 Local Board Plan? (1 = most like to be funded, 3 = least like to be funded)**

Addressing flooding and seawater inundation at Little Shoal Bay, Northcote

Multi-sport facility and improved aquatic play space at Birkenhead War Memorial park

Commuter and recreational walking and cycling links, such as shared paths, bush tracks and connections to the Northern Pathway (to be prioritised in the update of the Kaipatiki Connections Network Connections Plan) 1

#### **If we were to introduce a locally targeted rate to contribute towards funding major local projects, how much would you be willing to pay annually on top of your rates bill?**

\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

## 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?**

No chip sealed roads, shared bush walks and path ways walking cycling, clean water . Core services roads, water, sewer, parks.

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** The Council is using this as an excuse for mismanagement

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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:** Again ... this is a waste of money based on the lack of foresight and forethought

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

**Tell us why:** Should have been done ages ago. It is irresponsible of the council not to have factored in the rise of population and their ignoring of infrastructure

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** Part of the council responsibility is to the community they serve - reducing local facilities is appalling. Perhaps reducing the ineptitude of their staff would provide monies for repairs etc

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You are dreaming

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Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** Bus services should be free!

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No

## 6. Local Boards

### **Kaipātiki 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?** I do not support most priorities

**Tell us why** Again the ineptitude of the people making the decisions

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Infrastructure... water

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

Support

**Tell us why:** Key infrastructure costs have to be met

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** Climate change is not going away

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

**Tell us why:** another example of infrastructure needs that can't be ignored or inappropriately deferred

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**Tell us why:** Efficiency good, diminution bad

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**Tell us why** water, dieback and Northcote would be my priorities

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

Support

**Tell us why:** Whilst I would prefer to see the additional rise in rates apply for the ten year period I realise this would be politically unacceptable so I can't see any other viable option than that proposed.

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** We need to do as much as possible to deal with climate change. This will be a start.

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** Savings can be made by dropping all wasteful projects that do not relate to infrastructure. Millions are being wasted on creating unused bike lanes, unnecessary road changes such as the Lake Road- Northcote intersection, 4 attempts so far and Parades. The biggest waste comes from Overpaid incompetent council employees. Road works, cones and 5 workers to one man's job. I very rarely see more than one person working while the rest stand and watch, disgraceful! Dear Councillors,

This is a submission on the Council's 10-Year Budget, Long Term Plan ("LTP").

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.

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

Both rates and water measures will hit my pocket, and the pockets of Aucklanders who can least afford it.

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.

I support the submissions made by the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance, available at [http://www.ratepayers.org.nz/2021\\_ltp\\_submission](http://www.ratepayers.org.nz/2021_ltp_submission).

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

Other

**Tell us why:** Hydrogen buses need more investigation, research where how hydrogen is made, huge carbon footprint and potentially dangerous. Electric and Hydrogen buses create more pollution during manufacture than diesel, Electric batteries are of huge concern as they cannot be recycled - do your research!

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**Tell us why:** Owing to Bad management, lack of foresight we are now in trouble, some of the shortfall can be made up by reducing Salaries to staff that would comparable to salaries on the outside. Once again you over pay employees who do not seem to know the job.

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Once again penalizing owners of open land. No wonder valuable arable land is disappearing.

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Infrastructure is not keeping pace with growth, before any more consents are granted look at the impact on Sewage, parking and Rooding. New consents should include on site parking, more parking at bus hubs such that side streets are not congested

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

Don't know

**Tell us why:** Instead of rate increases I think council should focus on maintaining existing infrastructure which has been on the backburner for the last 50 or so years and put aside any new major infrastructure until we have the money to afford it.

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Other

**Tell us why:** I don't see why the bus owners should not have to pay to update their infrastructure (eg electric replacing diesel), they are making profits from their dirty current methods so should put some of that money back into upgrading their own vehicles, the ratepayers should not have to fund that. The whole idea of privatising council owned assets was to reduce the cost of services provided by the council.

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

**Tell us why:** maybe council could look into ways to have the rate truly targeted (ie those that use pay). In the area I live we paid extra rates to upgrade our waste water services way before the (so called) super-city was created, now we are being told we have to help pay for the other parts of Auckland who did not bother to fix their water issues. NOT FAIR

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Other

**Tell us why:** If the council worked properly none of the the repairs would be "urgent" as they would have been maintained along the way. I think those who dug this big hole for us ratepayers should be working out how they (not ratepayers) will be paying to fix the issues they have deliberately caused.

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### Tell us why:

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Do not support

**Tell us why:** Don't overtax the Ratepayers

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Do not support increased investment

**Tell us why:** Get it from the National Government

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

**Tell us why:** Over taxed already

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Do not support either option

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Do not support

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Other

**Tell us why:** We need to do the stuff now. Not delay and not defer paying for it

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\$100-\$150

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Local govt should stay out of social housing. This should be central govt responsibility

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Support

**Tell us why:** Inevitable consequences of Covid-19

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**Tell us why:**

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

Support

**Tell us why:** It is vital to ensure Auckland gets the infrastructure investment needed to keep it working well and a good place to live. The additional cost to individuals will not be major.

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\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

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I believe housing intensification has lower our quality of living.

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Support

Tell us why:

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** Given the mass exodus from the City and unknown growth for investment, population and inbound tourism, investing in unprecedented growth projects at this time would appear unrealistic.

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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:** Please show the full end to end climate models, with costings, from the production and investment in alternative energy transport. There are ZERO studies upon the impact of battery production, and the negligent dumping of ICE vehicles, as they will not be supported in future.

Some millions of ICE vehicles already exist in New Zealand, therefore made redundant for the NEW manufacturing of eclectic and hydrogen vehicles - which totally counters the intent of reducing vehicle reliance of ANY type. Add to this to demand to create additional electric generation has NOT been answered, NOR has the installation of NEW charging stations been considered as part of the larger response via Electric or Hydrogen vehicle support.

What is the climate impact of these responses and planned support mechanisms?

Whilst ICE transport is potentially not ideal, all infrastructure is already in place.

Only improved public transport has some impact, given the population will retain a high use of independent transport.

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**Tell us why:** Council is funded to manage assets. Any negligence in management of property throughout the community can only be due to inaccurate contract management, or (sorry to say) incompetence of personnel auditing the maintenance and BIP as being followed.

However I can support shared short term leases in public buildings - only to get these assets more 'useable' and to give time to be self sufficient until population migration within Auckland is more known.

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Any rates increases MUST be contained to the rate of inflation OR median income increase % (the higher of the two).

No tolerance for any rates % increase above that level, no matter the reason.

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#### **Which option do you support?**

Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** Public transport should be uniform off the base general rate. NO RATEPAYER should have to subsidise a service they may not require or may not even use.

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\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

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The full purpose of the Super City amalgamation was to find efficiencies in different areas on cost and then the ability to provide services. Should Council then wish to engage in targeted rates is refutes one of the main intents of amalgamation and is illogical.

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### **Which option do you support?**

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**Tell us why:**

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No

## **6. Local Boards**

### **Kaipātiki Local Board**

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**Tell us why**

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**If we were to introduce a locally targeted rate to contribute towards funding major local projects, how much would you be willing to pay annually on top of your rates bill?**

\$0-\$50

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Without this greater use of rates and debt, around \$900 million of much needed investment in Auckland would be delayed from the next three years to later in the decade. This would slow Auckland's recovery, put our services and assets at risk, lose hundreds of millions of dollars in matching government subsidies, and limit our response to our climate and environmental challenges.

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** I oppose any drastic increase to rates or selling off of public asset while Auckland Council and in particular Auckland Transport waste money left right and centre.

## 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.

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### 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

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

**Tell us why:** I oppose any drastic increase to rates. I would prefer Auckland Council find savings within their organizations.

## 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?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** Stop trying to take away services to the community.

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No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki Local Board

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#### **Tell us why**

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\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

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The problem with Auckland Council is they have a CCO that makes poor decisions, wastes money, contributes to traffic problems and has no accountability.

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** The council needs to get back to providing basic core services and get rid of their unnecessary extravagant schemes, get rid of all the unnecessary highly paid councillors that float along, and stop treating rate payers as an ongoing cash cow, and live within their financial needs as we all have to do before spending other people's money. Dear Councillors,

This is a submission on the Council's 10-Year Budget, Long Term Plan ("LTP").

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.

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

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I support the submissions made by the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance, available at [http://www.ratepayers.org.nz/2021\\_ltp\\_submission](http://www.ratepayers.org.nz/2021_ltp_submission).

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Do not support either option

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No

## 6. Local Boards

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## 7. What is important to you?

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Do not support

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Do not support increased investment

**Tell us why:** The bus service is a waste of ratepayers money as it is. You should be subsidising it by using charges to people with cars to incentivise people to use busses. Why should ratepayers who don't use busses have to pay for them?

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

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**Tell us why:** If it costs less I support it

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Do not support

**Tell us why:** Cut spending in other areas that aren't core focus.

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Do not support increased investment

**Tell us why:** Focus on streamlining processes and that in itself will be a huge saving. Cut unnecessary staff jaunts and junkets first.

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

**Tell us why:** It should have been sorted years ago but these core services were not prioritised.

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**Tell us why:** Makes sense, as long as the money from the sale of the asset is not wasted.

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\$0-\$50

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Sort transport. You are collecting tax on fuel but I see no new roads or motorways being built to ease congestion.

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Tell us why:

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** house prices are rising so exponentially that the GV and therefore the rates will already increase, so this is a double tax until NZ can get housing under control again. Besides seeing some of the waste spent by council business like AT on re-roading and re-roading, and the flash council buildings and re-fits - really, the Viaduct? just leads me to believe that maybe slowing down some of these projects so that they can be done with a concerted approach, might be

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Not that you will listen, you didn't last time.

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** take the \$\$ away from roads - just getting better for the environment shouldn't necessarily result in having to spend so much more - there are great climate friendly technological advances coming in, they dont all have to be the most expensive trendy ones.

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Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** if you cant fund it by your overcharged fare prices then it isn't required.

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## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki Local Board

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**Tell us why** you have complete overridden for years, any 'safe journeys to and from schools', making these worse through AT initiatives - so this looks like a re-spend of money that shouldn't be required in the first place.

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\$100-\$150

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

Support

Tell us why:

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** It's the right thing to do.

## 3. Water quality

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### Extending the targeted rate

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### Increasing the targeted rate

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

**Tell us why:** This is a huge and immense important issue which needs to be tackled rather sooner than later with everything we've got.

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I am not supporting the introduction of the Electricity Network Resilience Targeted Rate nor the reinstatement of the Accommodation Provider Targeted Rate.

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?**

Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** I don't think a bus line on this route is required nor feasible.

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No

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Support

Tell us why:

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

Other

**Tell us why:** Safe separated cycleways plus ability to cross Harbour Bridge on foot, cycle and scooter plus increasing pedestrianisation of streets and implementation of one way systems to control/suppress private vehicle use are primary needs

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### What is your view on this proposal? Other

**Tell us why:** Enforcement action to prevent pollution does not seem a priority. Stop the active harm first, then make the improvements. The fines recovered may reduce the costs of the upgrades.

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### What is your opinion on this proposal? Do not support

**Tell us why:** Some areas of the city are over-endowed with civic assets at ratepayers cost. Such assets should be prioritised to lower socio-economic areas, leaving those with money to obtain their own facilities. At the moment, it seems those in wealthy areas have both civic assets and their own privatised ones. Remuera Golf Course being the perennial example.

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The rating system is flawed. Rates should be assessed solely on land value, ignoring improvements. The land value should itself be assessed on the basis of its highest/best use. This makes land-banking uneconomic and drives intensification, which Auckl

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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:** When people understand that they are paying for the public transport whether or not they use it, they are motivated to use it.

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

No

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**Tell us why** I do not believe Council should pay for protection against rising sea levels such as proposal for Shoal Bay. I do believe cycleways, pedestrianisation and traffic calming plus investment in public transport is a sound response to climate change.

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Do not support

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**Tell us why:** Why are you allowing the removal of trees in Mt Albert. You do not listen to the community and lack common sense

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**Tell us why:** Look at all your salaries first

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### **Kaipātiki Local Board**

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**Tell us why** Onewa Rd needs to be addressed

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\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** Not enough streamlining of council budget first. To many people being paid too much that havent solve d the problems auckland faces.

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**Tell us why:**

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No

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**Tell us why**

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

Other

**Tell us why:** I'm concerned that a lot of the deferrals and loss of investment in important projects and services will lead to further deterioration or much higher eventual costs. Some of our biggest problems now are due to underinvestment in the past, especially in transport and water supply infrastructure.

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** We have to change the destructive way we live. No economy if we destroy our environment

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

**Tell us why:** A lot of work is long overdue, and further delay will exacerbate problems and further increase costs.

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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

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Trying to share the burden fairly is a very complex and difficult task, but I strongly dislike uniform charges that put a similar burden on a low-income person living alone as on a large family in a large mansion with tennis courts, swimming pool, and ext

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### Which option do you support?

Don't know

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** We are on fixed income and cant manage on it.cut out every non essential activity

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Support the proposed increased investment

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:**

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Don't know

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Improve design of ugly apartments

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** You guys are shocking. You should Live within your means like every other Aucklander struggling. Dont simply and arbitrarily increase rates. Cut your discretionary spending instead. Are you putting a ten year salary increase freeze in place? Is the Mayor offering a self imposed wage freeze?

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Do not support increased investment

**Tell us why:** Our council is in an economic crisis yet it wants to borrow more to spend more???? Live within your means, spend only what you can afford. Put climate change spend on ice until the economy is back in full gear.

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**Tell us why:** Where do you think Aucklanders can just pull extra money from to pay this water rate increase? I live alone, i pay more in fixed charges than actual water used. I earn less a salary now than pre covid.... and you now want to make me pay more for water?

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**Tell us why:** A very important issue.

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**Tell us why:** Under no circumstances should you close libraries!!

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** 5% rates increase is too much, COVID has hit Household expenses and many have had to take a pay cut. Rates hike of that much will be tok much for many to afford.

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Do not support

**Tell us why:** Cannot trust the council or the mayor

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Do not support

**Tell us why:** Dear Councillors,

This is a submission on the Council's 10-Year Budget, Long Term Plan ("LTP").

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.

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** Because we voted for a 2.5% increase last time (even though we where not given a lower option )You chose to ignore the people and chose 3.5%. Now you want 5% . plus you will sneak on some so called targeted rates. Get your shop in order , stick to the core services , no frills, and you will not need to increase rates that no one can afford.

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Do not support increased investment

**Tell us why:** People can not afford it. We are being rated out of our own homes.

## 3. Water quality

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Are rates are for core services we already pay for these, stop wasting money on the frills and look after the core services .

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### Which option do you support?

Do not support either option

### Tell us why:

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

No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki 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?** I do not support most priorities

### Tell us why

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** Money should be directed to the most important areas, such as infrastructure, council facilities, services etc; but not to "nice to have areas" such as social services, Maori support, climate change, public events and promotions etc.

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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:** Basic services are more important

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

**Tell us why:** These are basic services and must be prioritised

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** Many community facilities are under used

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Charging farm and lifestyle properties - I support it in general, but not for long-standing residents, particularly farmers.

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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

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### **Kaipātiki 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?** I support most priorities

**Tell us why** I agree with the proposals except for developing more meaningful relationships with Māori, starting with a hui in 2021

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\$50-\$100

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Some of the costs of infrastructure should be paid by developers as part of the Resource Consent process

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

Support

**Tell us why:** Early responsibility avoids later regrets. Delay renewals by Banks broke Auckland City and encumbered later generations. It's our mess, wear it.

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** Being less dependent on overseas carbon makes us more of an independent sovereign country rather than a broke chattel country. It also is good for future generations and the planet.

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

**Tell us why:** Auckland Council has been negligent in managing its own resources. Make new development pay for water retention for use as gray water. The council is conflicted in making decisions that cost. The Harbour should have an independent guardian authority that penalises the council for pollution failure. The council makes excuses and says it will do better, and has said so for the last 50 years. They should be constrained by science rules and not politicians.

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Accommodation Provider Targeted Rate is adding a new tax for no added value by the council and is therefore discriminatory.

A person may have family visiting and the other may have airBNB guests. If it's frequent, let the IRD manage it as income tax.

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### Which option do you support?

Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** Let the zoning on the buses determine the price.

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No

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### Kaipātiki Local Board

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Council needs to identify climate damage like inundation and flooding and be prepared to sacrifice the land or commit to rehabilitation. The discussion needs to be had in the community.

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** Covid costs are on you for locking people down. To spend peoples money proves you are looking to be a fascist state of control.

Super city has failed and delivered less. We need to break the city into regions as they all have very different needs. Less governance.

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

Other

**Tell us why:** All diesel needs to be banned from central areas where people are walking. It is a carcinogen and kills people.

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

**Tell us why:** Offer more incentives for water collection. Support for grey water to be used in toilets.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** Community events are no longer viable in a world of wokeness and correctness. I don't want to fund it and others wouldn't want to fund what I would like. No more socialism and lets groups organise events, without red tape.

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If it is centralised then no. If it has competition then yes.

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### Which option do you support?

Don't know

### Tell us why:

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No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki 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? Other

**Tell us why** The streets look like shit. Footpaths are broken and roads constantly dug up and some are ruined with awful design. They will be dug up again next year though because super city wastes money.

- Weeds are everywhere and plants are dying.

- Shops are closing and storefronts look like they have reverted to the trash days of the 70s/80s. No shops, no jobs, no point.

- The place is dying. Drugs and alcohol on the streets while shops close. It is less safe now than what it was a year ago and you want to waste time with hand holding BS. Open your eyes and save a place before your woke BS.

- The below question is just another tax grab that ignores the fact that the area is dying.

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Town centres are dying and you want to have some grandstanding rubbish. Lower commercial rates to allow people to bring value to town. Councils and governments can merely tax and drive people away while they pretend everything is OK.

The less you do the better it will be.

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** I think covid is a great motivation for council to trim the fat on its operations and cut wages of senior exec and management, just like how the private sector has been cutting wages.

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

Other

**Tell us why:** 5 percent is a large increase. Surely, now is not the time to be putting extra costs to living.

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### What is your opinion on this proposal? Do not support

**Tell us why:** We should be selling our assets. It is 2021, why do we need physical libraries? And I'm sure our community centres are definitely underutilized due to us having too many of them.

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Do not support

**Tell us why:** cut some totally unnecessary spending before you just again increase rates

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** If AC stop the chop of already established trees and would have taken action before it bought yet another charge of diesel busses it would now not need additional investment. the problems and mismanagement are obvious.

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

**Tell us why:** what has been done so far ??? in order to justify any extension or increase. AC is well behind all environmental targets.

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Don't know

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**Tell us why:**

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Support

**Tell us why:** I support the outlined projects , but please be aware that rates cannot keep rising more than wages/incomes.

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Don't know

#### **Tell us why:**

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No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki 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? I support most priorities**

**Tell us why** I support the environmental policies, but I think that there should be a policy to address housing availability and affordability.

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** Instead of increasing rates why don't you have more efficiencies in council staff, with an absurd amount of staff paid huge salaries, holding teams and people to account is far more beneficial than hitting the pockets of hardworking NZers

## 2. Climate change

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** Good incentive to reduce emissions, furthermore. electric rail would ease congestion, so hurry up and do it.

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

**Tell us why:** Is it proven that this will work? no info to suggest it will, it's all theory.

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**Tell us why:** Shut the majority of them what are the throughput numbers?

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As per previous comments

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Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** More buses is not the answer here, find better ways. rail is essential for a city of our size.

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No

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### Kaipātiki Local Board

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**Tell us why** Little Shoal bay is good, the rest there is not enough evidence that this is beneficial for the greater area.

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\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

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

Support

**Tell us why:** I don't want to see investment delayed or current services reduced.

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** We need to act now on reducing carbon output.

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

**Tell us why:** Improving the water quality in our harbours and streams is vital.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** It's a practical option.

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No comment.

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Don't know

**Tell us why:** I don't live in that area.

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No

## 6. Local Boards

### Albert-Eden 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:**

**What is your opinion on the Dominion Road Business Association boundary expansion of the Dominion Road BID programme?**

**Tell us why**

### Aotea/Great Barrier Local Board

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**Tell us why**

### Kaipātiki 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?** I support most priorities

**Tell us why** I'm very keen on the pest free and connections network proposals.

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Support

Tell us why:

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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

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### **Kaipātiki Local Board**

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

**Tell us why:**

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** While ratepayers have to tighten their belts and cut back on their own spending council continues to spend like a drunken sailor.

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

Other

**Tell us why:** Climate change is a crock. And even if it was a thing, you can't tax your way out of it.

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

**Tell us why:** Kicking the can down the road is hardly a good policy. Auckland water quality is disgusting, and yet so many from the city criticise rural waterways.

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

Don't know

**Tell us why:** haven't read it

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**Tell us why:**

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

**Tell us why:** Watercare is a user pays model, they have wasted an excessive amount of CEO wages and other items. I'm not convinced the revenue they are collecting is either prioritised or well managed

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**Tell us why** I support the emphasis on environmental improvements. BUT THERE IS NO MENTION OF ARTS OR CULTURE. Once again sporting facilities seem to take precedence. We need quality libraries, Art Galleries and theaters. I would like to see these targeted and mentioned.

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Other

**Tell us why:** Tax dirty cars with large engines into extinction. Far too many people driving around the city in 3, 4 or 5 litre cars. Bonkers. This is the number 1 thing Auckland could do for the environment. Anything over 1.5 litres should be heavily taxed.

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### What is your view on this proposal? Other

**Tell us why:** Increase it more

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**Tell us why:** Mild support so long as it's not just an underhanded way to close things

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Investment properties should pay higher rates

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### Which option do you support?

Don't know

**Tell us why:** I would need more info to decide.

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No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki Local Board

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**Tell us why**

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\$100-\$150

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Better waste disposal services... the recycling centers are so restricted in what they can take, it's a joke. I'm sure most folk then just hide all the "bad" stuff in their general waste bin as it's so hard to get rid of responsibly. Completely counter-productive in terms of environmental management.

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

**Tell us why:** As the biggest increase in expenditure relative to the prior budget is in water infrastructure why aren't you looking at increasing charges to water users and the developers putting new housing infrastructure in?

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:**

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

**Tell us why:**

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#### **Tell us why:**

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### Kaipātiki 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** Returning Little Shoal Bay to be a pristine natural beach i.e. remove ugly concrete sea barrier and excessive land use of yacht club.

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Increasing the volume of library online resources.

Getting bike path corridor on North Shore completed i.e. build sea path and sky path.

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** Covid has meant reduction in pay - I cant afford an increase in rates to pay for council nice to haves and frivolities.

Rates, insurances, water , power and public transport costs have all increased.

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

Do not support increased investment

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

**Tell us why:** Every year I have had 5%+increase in my water costs - where has this money gone?

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**Tell us why:** Not a council priority

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Akl council have succeeded in driving out business and making Aklcity not a nice place to visit.

Akl transport have not made public transport easy or affordable for the working person.

How can you think it is viable to extending the urban rate to communit

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### **Which option do you support?**

Do not support either option

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Wait until akl residents have recovered from the pain of covid.

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No

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### **Kaipātiki Local Board**

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**Tell us why** Covid has meant reduction in pay - I cant afford an increase in rates to pay for council nice to haves and frivolities.

Concentrate on the core duties of the council.

Wait until Akl residents can bounce back from covid financial implications before hitting them for more tax/rates.

Remove gst from council rates (which is a tax)

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\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

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Important to me is to be able to live and buy food to survive in Auckland

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Do not support

**Tell us why:** I believe we are facing a budget shortfall due poor management and the the twenty plus councillors demanding more than \$200,000.00 per annum in salary

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**Tell us why:** This money should come from petrol tax and road user charges

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

No

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### Kaipātiki 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?** I do not support most priorities

**Tell us why** When are you going to stop wasting money on new speed bumps and roundabouts at intersections that have had no traffic problems with like for example the excessive amount of money the archers Rd and coronation Rd which has in creased traffic problems

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Do not support

Tell us why:

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**Tell us why:** Don't live that close so don't want to affect what they'd have to pay

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\$0-\$50

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EV/hydrogen buses, bike paths, and sidewalks to encourage more green transit.

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** 1) BUILDING/ TRANSPORT & POPULATION DEMANDS

DON'T SUPPORT MORE PUBLIC TRANSPORT SPEND IN NEXT FEW YEARS

With C-19 many more people are working at home and have cut costs in as many areas as they can. Public transport is well used where it suits. It cannot cover every area of the city perfectly.

Changing buses to electric is nice to have but is NOT urgent. It can be slowly increased over time.

The population growth by design continues, which Aucklanders don't ask for. NZ Immigration has flooded Auckland city with excessive demand on jobs, benefits and homes, which isn't being met. With Covid, hopefully it slowed immigration enough to catch up on the housing.

Substandard cramped buildings and massive high-rise (for immigrants or students) with no green space, more homeless drug-addicted people begging, that isn't the Kiwi dream. The apartment-ising of CBD fits with mainly socialist ideals straight from UN's globe-blending plans. That is NOT Kiwi-minded at all and sickening to long-term residents of Auckland.

The CBD apartments are good for the building industry and Council gets millions in rates for a small footprint, but at what cost to us? Seems like an excuse to push public transport, high-density housing, which changes the feeling of the City. Especially the CBD. Most people I know from the suburbs NEVER go into the CBD. People avoid working there.

No one ever asked for this 'liveable city' idea, it has become more expensive ie. less livable. It's more unlikable town-planning-wise. Hobsonville Point is a disgusting example of town-planning and social-engineering. (No cars, no greenspace, just cookie-cutter white townhouses.)

A. Council should fight for very slow immigration to allow gradual increases of building and infrastructure at low cost to funders (us).

B. Council should promote support of social services instead of festivals and music in parks.

## 2) PARKS & COMMUNITY

DO NOT SUPPORT - Not happy to see such high spending on this area - why is it so high?

A. I don't want to fund Local Boards beyond the current level, except for one-off applications for larger projects if justified. Boards often waste money eg. on beautification projects, greenspace design, upgrading parks/ playgrounds that really don't need it or are impractical afterwards. They seem to feel obliged to spend their budgets but on pet-projects.

B. Most people won't care if the intake of libraries and art stock is less high for a while, during this funding crisis. It is not an URGENT matter.

## 3) ONE OFF RATES 5% INCREASE!

This is an empty statement. Of course there will be more big rises. Mayors often go back on their word. I'm sick of it. Overall Council must STOP borrowing and not spend money wastefully. I have NO FAITH in any recent mayor or Phil Goff because they're inept. If we can't afford to pay with cash (like a normal household budget does) then we need to stop spending, starting with non-essentials. Reduce excess, cut non-essential jobs/ departments if needed. It's disappointing but we're in a crisis - this means arts, music, movies, new playgrounds can wait, if we can't afford it. (Remember local community fundraising?)

Not sure of the ASSETS mentioned being protected?

4) I support other spending if we stick to it. Do NOT understand why so much on transport when we are not asking for the massive railways being installed.

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Do not support increased investment

**Tell us why:** I think we're doing fine on this with steady progress, and somewhat lead the way already. We take better care of our natural environment. We can't afford to do more for now, but we are doing something good.

Our other urgent day to day priorities need a boost. No 1 I to cut out surplus consultancy, panels, departments, expenses and travel.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Other

**Tell us why:** I support selling SOME assets (like The Strand Takapuna & Devonport site) if it gets a good market price.

I support better and earlier maintenance of community buildings. I support far more robust DESIGN of Council new builds, as after a short time I see NEW sections of libraries with terrible wear and tear, like crappy tap fittings that break after a short time. Layout of rooms with lack of basic thought for the users. Better design and regular maintenance would save needing to vacate, demolish and rebuild these out of lack of care. Eg. Takapuna library leaking roof and Glenfield Library building needs decent outside clean and tidy up.

AKL Council head offices - shouldn't need to be relocated to newer flashier buildings. Just maintain the ones they have well and refit the inside if not working for the needs. The money splashed around is not theirs but the public's.

(Mentioning carbon footprint reduction of AKL Council is a pointless case to make. I am not worried about the carbon footprint reduction by selling a property, since another building will be placed or left on the site sold, making NO difference to the carbon in the planet overall. )

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Is it possible the kauri dieback is a natural phenomenon that will resolve on its own? (Like forest

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Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** Due to the population out that way, why not look at making it 'user pays' or bus on demand? Eg. have it as a smaller shuttle bus to Albany bus station rather than a commercial big bus. The option is to text/ use an app to book with the time desired for pick up and get an answer back of the next times and only Book it if it suits you. (Trial it for demand.)

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**Tell us why** I would like to know more about the multi-use sports centre at Birkenhead War Memorial park. Is it a new build or addition to the current buildings?? If it's new, there is currently limited parking at Birkenhead so how are they planning to overcome that? If addition - what are they planning to put there?

There are many facilities in the Northcote, Birkenhead and Glenfield area, some are/ were poorly maintained or need some work. If they had been better-taken care of, over time, they might have better served the community. Eg. Glenfield and Northcote libraries, Glenfield Pool, Activzone, War Memorial stand (now gone).

I prefer less of their space designs in public places like local shopping areas, main roads. I wish they would just leave them alone or keep it simple. Eg. seating placed on main roads or intersections, people don't use them as people don't want to sit and look at traffic.

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reserves, Kauri Glen and Chatswood have had no money spent to protect their Kauris, probably the best example of Kauri Forest 15 minutes from central Auckland. Kaipatiki Kauri parks are different to other Kauri parks in Auckland city in that they are in areas that are fast changing to high density housing with now ware for the population explosion to go and walk in a park. Closing tracks through bush and expecting children to spend an extra 4 to 5 hr a week walking to school shows a remarkable lack of understanding of a child's mind. Especially when 10 years have gone by since we first found out about Kauri Die Back. Are we going to spend money wisely or waste it and lose 600 years of Kauri growth?

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**Tell us why:** Battery disposal! We still can't dispose of torch battery's etc, plastic, polystyrene etc. Unless we have in place a no cost to the user system of vehicle battery disposal we need to forget about electric vehicles. Wait for hydrogen buses to become economical.

Climate change needs to look at where we build for sea erosion, storm damage etc. May need to only repair more modes housing, pull back from cliff faces and sandy beaches and off hillsides that may slip. Society may not be able to allow us rich people to divert the scarce recourses into us indulging our every whim.

We can't look after our native trees we already have, go walk in a native bush and see the weeds. Why do you think we can look after even more bush?

What goes into land fill should be paid for by those who created the packaging, they may then find other ways that are more economical to them. Why should they even dream that the rate payer would want to dispose of the rubbish they create at the rate payers expense.

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**Tell us why:** Wages need to go up first. The living wage for Auckland is higher than the average NZ living wage and should be the minimum wage paid by any business that wants to operate in Auckland If they can't pay it they need to relocate to a lower cost region.

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

**Tell us why:** Most bus services have people who drive and park just short of the bus stop. Therefore 500m 5000m still gives a benifit.

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No

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**Tell us why** Flooding Little Shoal bay- this is a reclaimed wet land and should revert back to that with climate changes coming. The land to the south of the road only should be saved for a recreational area. This area is not zoned for high density housing.

Connectional walkways-The person who designed these never walk the proposed rout and so did not chose the most economical or the most scenic. Most people want a circular walk within their local park, these circular routs have been eliminated with track closures. Please open them up again, some off the where over 100 years old and attracted people in the past from Auckland central, not just Kaipatiki .

Cycling tracks taken from road edges are not used as they are to dangerous so parent don't allow their children to ride to school. Put the money where they can get recreation in other ways.

Birkenhead War Memorial Park. Good idear.

Kauri Die back. Hand this over to DOC. They have built tracks so you can view these magnificent trees. The Kauri are treasures like paintings in a art gallery and need to be viewed, not avoided. DOC had managed this as I saw on my trip north.

School safety. Good luck. Northcote primary school crossing operates with the traffic lights. The catholic school have the crossing button been pushed continually and so cause a traffic build up . Both crossings should have similar intervals where the children can cross.

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\$0-\$50

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House density is not in the right places. Only Northcote point or Birkenhead point should be kept as they are, not both. Northcote point is probably the one that should go to dens housing as it is closest to the motorway and also has a wharf. Beach Haven is miles away and should not have been zoned for dense housing.

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Tell us why:

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Don't know

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No

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Support

**Tell us why:** The effects of COVID-19 on the budget.

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**Tell us why:** Appears to be a focused plan.

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**Tell us why:** We need to address this issue, we can not keep leaving to the next generation.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** Moving to more cost effective agile services levels is a good move.

Council housing should be sold to Non Profit Housing groups who could manage and this, social housing is really a Central Government role / cost not local council.

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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:**

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No

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**Tell us why** We are seeing a huge growth in apartments development i.e.: One house removed, six units go up in its place bit no investment on roads to allow for this increase in the population.

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Do not support

**Tell us why:** The residents of Auckland are not an infinite pot of money that the city council can just keep dipping into. We can no longer afford to clean up after a lack of forward planning by CCO's and the council proper. Population growth and aging infrastructure are both items that council has been warned of repeatedly over more than the last decade. We are now in a situation where decades worth of poor planning have come home to roost. It will take Decades of careful planning and prudent spending to pull us out of this mess. Council now has no choice but to look at other methods of

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Other

**Tell us why:** I will only support this proposal if it is demonstrated that the council will use the create recyclable waste PROCESSING centers. Processing recyclables back to raw materials could become a new income stream potentially even enabling Auckland to process recyclables from outside of the region.

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

**Tell us why:** Increase the per unit charge so that those using the most water pay for the required upgrades

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I oppose the Electricity Network Resilience Targeted Rate. Just charge vector for the service. If vector chooses to use another supplier that's up to them.

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### Which option do you support?

Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** If there is sufficient patronage to warrant the service then the residents of Paremoremo should be already paying for it under the current rating system.

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No

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**Tell us why** I have no idea what the Kaipātiki Local Board is doing. I do know it appears to have no effect on my family.

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\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

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Key issue 3: Responding to housing and growth. Due to Covid19 the dynamic has completely changed. We are currently at the lowest population growth in a decade. Pausing and reassessing in 6 to 12 months is the right thing to do.

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** While I support the concept of investing in Auckland, a rates increase at a time that is difficult for most (job cuts, etc) does not seem like a great plan. So many families are struggling to pay mortgages and bills and even a slight increase in rates could be detrimental or impossible.

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** I think this is an important issue and we need to act NOW. It would be nice to see some of this money going to more cycleways and the "sky bridge" project so those living on the North Shore could cycle or walk to the city.

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**Tell us why:** I feel that this ties in with environmental issues and ensuring a future for the waterways and the people.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** I agree with this proposal completely and think leasing out unused areas is a great idea. I just hope we don't see the closure of vital and important local services as a result. I feel that Auckland Council community assets are part of what make Auckland such a great place to live.

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Don't know

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No

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### Kaipātiki Local Board

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**Tell us why** I think most priorities are community based, benefiting most members of the area. I especially love the priorities focused on cycle and walkways, as well as multi-sport park, as these will particularly benefit me directly/my family.

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** There are simple changes that need to be made, such as proposing that all new builds are self sufficient i.e: solar panels and rain water collection tanks should be a must to reduce pollution and support the increasing population without being detrimental to our current environmental resources. Stop wasting money on transit lane cameras, make Auckland a moving city, rather than a grid-block. AT needs to be pulled in and better consultation with the public and local boards needs to happen. Currently the council is blowing money on stupid things. De-lining the streets from

powerlines to reduce power outages due to weather. Civil servants should not be on 6 figure wages, there's a big budget saver there!!! Blow outs on infrastructure being reported by the council all the time!!! The council waste rate payers money and have zero accountability. You need better town planning and better accountants. Dear Councillors,

This is a submission on the Council's 10-Year Budget, Long Term Plan ("LTP").

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.

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

Both rates and water measures will hit my pocket, and the pockets of Aucklanders who can least afford it.

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.

I support the submissions made by the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance, available at [http://www.ratepayers.org.nz/2021\\_ltp\\_submission](http://www.ratepayers.org.nz/2021_ltp_submission).

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Other

**Tell us why:** Start smaller, start by helping the residents in their own homes, electric powered vehicles still create a huge environmental impact, with lithium mining as a start, current peer reviewed academic research supports a better way to create EVs and currently the pollution and by products are equal to the life of a petrol vehicle, not to mention petroleum products are still used to make EVs. Passing it off as environmentally friendly is a farce.

Start small, as mentioned above, support all new builds to be self sufficient, own water collecting, own power (although not completely environmentally friendly due to the batteries). Fix the waste water pollutants going into our beaches.

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**Tell us why:** How about the council, repairs the facilities it owns and rents them out/ creates shared spaces to increase funding for maintenance. Selling everything doesn't fix the problem as we have seen when the government sells all the countries assets to foreign investors. Auckland's history is slowly being destroyed and sold off to the highest bidder. If the council had to buy these back, history has shown that the pay double to price to get it back.

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The electricity network resilience targeted rate, should be to de-line and upgrade areas with power lines in the streets. Cutting trees down does not help the environment, which the council thinks is what it wants to improve on.

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**Which option do you support?**

Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** Not every will use the bus so why are you charging each household for a service they might not want to use. Preposterous!

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**Tell us why** Some of the road safety upgrades done by the board are ridiculous, impeding traffic flow and creating further wear and tear on vehicles. They have done a fantastic job on upgrades on the local neglected playgrounds though.

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\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

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Due to covid the council should be looking at saving money, stop increasing the rates, as many families have lost jobs and businesses. Although we need to continue to maintain our city if we price the residents out with substantial rates increases, the council will be responsible for increased poverty, family strains, effects on people's mental health as they struggle to be employed, make ends meet, and pay the ever increasing rates!! The council has a social responsibility to the people not just the infrastructure!!!

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Other

**Tell us why:** General support for rates increase. However, I have concern about the proposed infrastructure CAPEX spending increases due to a) industry capacity to deliver, and the risk of consequential inflationary pressure; and b) new infrastructure for the sake of investment without adequate planning

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** However, the proposed investment is insufficient - there should be additional funding allocate to realise real transformation.

There is a lot of focus on resilience, which is important for new infrastructure however in instances where funding is used for retrofitting this could be better allocated towards mitigating the occurrence of climate change as opposed to the impact of it's effects (preventative vs protection)

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** What is proposed presents a serious risk of undermining established communities.

Commercial partnerships may be able to deliver operational efficiencies, however financial drivers tend to be misaligned with positive community outcomes.

Amalgamation of community facilities could have benefits, but risks isolating communities if they can no longer access facilities - likely consequence is also to work against climate change action by increasing private passenger vehicle usage if facilities are beyond walking/cycling distances.

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**Tell us why:** Both options seem to be charging all potential users of the service, while actual users of the service would still be charged for patronage.

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**Tell us why** Some good priorities, however Little Shoal Bay has a lot of "squeaky wheels" which attracts undue attention/investment. It is a great facility, but trying to prevent seawater ingress will end up an endless money pit.

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Other

**Tell us why:** I think there needs to be a reformation on the houses that are being given to welfare people/families. People who do not work should be moved outside close proximity to the city etc and let the workers work to earn the money that you rely on to afford new changes. There needs to be a change this way first and then rebudget after we see a better economy.

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**Tell us why:** We need to look to other countries that bypass busses and use mono rail, get people off the roads and into the sky to free the motorways up for others who cannot get to where they need to go by public transport, ie dropping children at day care and then going to work, picking children up from school and taking them to after school sports or music lessons.

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

**Tell us why:** If there are that many new houses to be owned by the public, the increased rates will pay for the extra costs of infrastructure and waterways. If we build, but give them away then we make no money from them. Let the people on benefits go outside of the central Auckland region to pick fruit etc, help on farms, maintain boundary lines, build etc. Give them the time to get more skills outside of the hustle and bustle of Auckland and allow the skilled people who already have the skills to do their jobs.

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**Tell us why:** be careful of squeezing too many businesses together that may be unrelated. The personal touch will always keep a business alive, if we go too much online there will be greater frustration in getting satisfaction. Online is good to co-operate along side a business, but not take over. We are social creatures and need contact with others to reduce mental health issues ie depression, anxiety to name a few.

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Extending the City Centre Targeted Rate until June 2031 to maintain our investment in upgrading the city centre	Other
Introducing the Rodney Drainage Targeted Rate on the land in Te Arai and Okahukura that benefits from the stormwater services	Support

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

I believe the rates are not only paid for the level of services they receive, I also think it pertains to the size of land you own, as you will get more money for the size of your property in resale. It is cruel to smaller dwellings to pay the same as a

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?

Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** User pays. If you want to use the service then you pay, not the businesses who may never use the service or benefit from it, or homes that could work from home who also may never use the service.

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

No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki 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?** Other

**Tell us why** I am appalled at the infill housing going up all around where we live. We bought our house 8 years ago to start a family and have a safe haven. Now we have 27 house built behind our property where there were previously 5, and a road running along our fence line to accommodate the new people getting to their homes. The language we hear and the abuse we witness have been horrific over the last 2 years since it has been rented out. WE have a son who is turning 7 next month and for a while we didn't want him playing outside because of the lack of respect our new neighbours showed to their new homes and neighbours. The police have been around in force and in smaller groups, but also there were fire arms present.

All Aucklanders must be protected, but home owners are now feeling insecure because it seems their safe palce can be made unsafe by their government with their changes to infastructure and council consent to change building restrictions.

I was taught to work and earn so you can strive to own your own home and protect yourself, but now the common thinking will change if things continue to be so radical and people will not have motivation to reach goals like this.

**With additional regional funding likely to be limited in the 10-year Budget 2021-2031, do you support us investigating options for a future locally targeted rate to contribute towards funding major local projects that are beyond the existing funding available to the local board?**

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\$0-\$50

## 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?**

We need to rethink everything before we start from a holistic approach ie mental health down to practical issues such as where to park your car. Stop the haphazzard approach and communicate with your people who foot the bills.

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Without this greater use of rates and debt, around \$900 million of much needed investment in Auckland would be delayed from the next three years to later in the decade. This would slow Auckland's recovery, put our services and assets at risk, lose hundreds of millions of dollars in matching government subsidies, and limit our response to our climate and environmental challenges.

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

Support

Tell us why:

## 2. Climate change

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Do not support increased investment

**Tell us why:**

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

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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?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** The quality of services will deteriorate in shared facilities

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Don't know

#### **Tell us why:**

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No

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

Other

**Tell us why:** Less needs to be spent on undefined cultural activities and instead spent on environmental regulation.

## 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:** Details are key, it matters what type of trees you plant, for example, and the interaction of people in a built environment with a 'natural' environment in order to insure the NZ biosphere is guarded for the long-term.

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### What is your view on this proposal? Other

**Tell us why:** I support improving water quality. A reduction in agriculture lands also needs to happen ; 'smart' agriculture needs to be done with less land and impact on waterways.

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### What is your opinion on this proposal? Other

**Tell us why:** Culture is important to livelihood. However, rather than build more and creating more programmes, invest in what you do have. Libraries, for example, can better serve as major cultural hubs.

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**Tell us why:** Invest in routing buses to be more efficient and offer better service

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No

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Instead of building new homes, buy hotels and offer people who want smaller homes and lower costs to live there. For example, my husband and I plan to stay a two-person family. We would be happy to live in an affordable 1-bedroom. We are happy to share parks and land with others. We desire to get off of this rental chain and pay fair cost while not contributing to more homes being built instead of more land free without residential blockage.

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Do not support

**Tell us why:** As far as I can tell, this budget puts no emphasis on reducing overheads and waste (like too many Communications staff and too many highly paid managers) and yet depends on unacceptable economies (e.g. selling Reserves, which is never, ever acceptable). Yes, it says "Continue and intensify our search for savings and value for money." Great marketing-speak but where's the meat?

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** There's no alternative. However, the action plan (page 30 in the consultation document) doesn't mention the big ticket item: getting Aucklanders out of their cars. That means more and better bus lanes, less parking in central areas, congestion charging, etc. A few electric buses don't cut it.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Don't know

**Tell us why:** I'm not against this in principle, but I'm very doubtful in practice. Privatisation ruins most public services (as the UK has proved convincingly) and the type of buildings involved are rarely suitable for dual use. I think savings available here are rather small or illusory.

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**Tell us why** "working with businesses in the Wairau Valley" Why them? There are businesses all over, Wairau Valley deserves no special consideration.

"implementing the Birkenhead War Memorial Park Masterplan" That sounds like one that should wait until there isn't a budget crisis

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\$0-\$50

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I may have missed it, but I didn't see anything about preparation for the new landfill that will be needed when Waikowhai is full. That seems like a strategic priority, like the water supply should have been ten years ago.

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

Support

**Tell us why:** We need to keep investing in our city if we want to improve it.

## 2. Climate change

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** If we don't invest in nature and preventing climate change we will all die.

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**Tell us why:** The work that has been done recently to restore streams has also created more usable parks and spaces for community. In a way investing in water seems to invest in community also.

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**Tell us why:** Agreed! There are far too many community halls and old buildings. This activity could be served through private providers.

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Vector - they should be paying for their own maintenance - this is a no brainer!

Accommodation - shouldn't come into effect until tourism kicks back in.

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**Which option do you support?**

Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** This should be funded through AT's existing budgets. Everyone else gets a bus.

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

No

## 6. Local Boards

### Albert-Eden 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?** I support all priorities

**Tell us why:** Advocacy projects are particularly great. You could tick two off with the new sports park at Chamberlain!

**What is your opinion on the Dominion Road Business Association boundary expansion of the Dominion Road BID programme?** Don't know

**Tell us why**

### Henderson-Massey 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?** I support most priorities

**Tell us why** Any sort of community led food initiative is probably better off being community led, not council led. You also don't seem to have much priority on Henderson town center, which is an important development site and will probably need investment.

### Kaipātiki 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?** I support most priorities

**Tell us why** Most of the priorities are great, particularly the investment into active transport and iconic bush walks.

However - investment into seawater inundation at Little Shoal Bay is not a great idea. Plant the wetlands with salt water tolerant species like mangroves and protect the more important areas of the park like the playground. You cant fight the sea, it is a losing battle.

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**If we were to introduce a locally targeted rate to contribute towards funding major local projects, how much would you be willing to pay annually on top of your rates bill?**

\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

### [Puketāpapa 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?** I support all priorities

**Tell us why** Three of these priorities are very similar, but yes community and environment are the two big issues, so happy to support them all! Invest in living locally is a great advocacy theme. I am not sure about the value of the Whare building at a time where council seem to want to reduce the number of buildings, not increase.

### [Waitākere Ranges 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?** I support all priorities

**Tell us why** Are there not people within council already who coordinate community ecological investment? Why not just continue to invest in them since they can be more easily held accountable?

### [Waitematā 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?** I support most priorities

**Tell us why** In a time of limited money, 5.5 million for a small park in Ponsonby seems like a bit much. Perhaps a targeted rate on this wealthy community would be more appropriate? Likewise for the Leys institute. Are we sure that this facility is a strategic priority? Wouldn't it be better investing in less damaged buildings instead? Priorities related to cycleways and getting cars out of the center of town also should be added.

### [Whau 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?** I support most priorities

**Tell us why** Almost all of these are great, however I am unsure about investing ratepayers money in Art in a time when many residents can't afford to put food on the table.

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I have not read through all of the documents so excuse me if it is included already, but one thing that the council should be ensuring is a success is the Skypath pedestrian connection on the harbour bridge. This is a project that will make a huge difference to Auckland, and seems to be going nowhere fast these last five years..

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Support

Tell us why:

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Other

**Tell us why:** To truly tackle the climate issues additional budget would be needed. I would support a greater increase supported through a rates increase over time. Communicating effectively on the true climate risks to our region, likely costs (not just financial) and building support will be crucial to increasing investment to the level needed in the next iteration of the 10 year plan.

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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:**

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No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki Local Board

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**Tell us why** Need a link to the priorities please

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\$100-\$150

## 7. What is important to you?

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It would be good for council to provide a true picture of needs. If there needs to be a substantial rates increase then we need to be clear on that and why. Continued under investment in infrastructure and climate change puts an unfair burden on future generations and a huge financial and social risk in general. The current model is unsustainable.

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** Rates are already high

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** More environmentally friendly

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**Tell us why:** Not everyone uses public transport

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No

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### Kaipātiki Local Board

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**Tell us why** Most of them have the community and locals issues at heart

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Onewa road clearway/T3

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Do not support

**Tell us why:** Council already waste money on projects that not of vital importance to the city, rates have progressively increased above CPI

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Do not support increased investment

**Tell us why:** Extend the period for renewal, put transport capital expenditure on hold for 5 years.

The Greens are dictating policies which most of New Zealand cannot afford. Ideological Green dogma should not put the entire nation under financial stress.

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

**Tell us why:** Financial reasons this project can be further delayed to keep rates down.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** It should reduce the burden on the community, better to have PPP for many of these assets.

Review numbers of community facilities, many are empty for days at a time.

Charge for the use of all Auckland sports facilities including those in south AUCKLAND

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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	Do not support
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### Do you have any comments on any of our proposed changes to rates and fees charges?

So much money wasted in the city centre, poor design of walkways and cycle ways, it's time designers and managers who sign off poor design should be dismissed - something New Zealand in general and Auckland council in particular seems reluctant to do.

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?

Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** They chose to live in a more remote area knowing there was no public transport, their problem should not be pushed onto other rate payers.

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

No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki 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?** I do not support most priorities

**Tell us why** I don't support most of these issues as they are "nice to have" rather than need to have.

**With additional regional funding likely to be limited in the 10-year Budget 2021-2031, do you support us investigating options for a future locally targeted rate to contribute towards funding major local projects that are beyond the existing funding available to the local board?**

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**If we were to introduce a locally targeted rate to contribute towards funding major local projects, how much would you be willing to pay annually on top of your rates bill?**

\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

## 7. What is important to you?

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Council are permitting additional housing in existing residential areas without upgrading facilities the cost of which should be borne entirely by developers.

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

Support

**Tell us why:** We need to stay on track, it may be hard for some to afford the increase, but hopefully everyone can see the benefits.

## 2. Climate change

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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:** If we don't do our part very soon we will living in an environment that will be toxic to our children.

## 3. Water quality

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We are proposing to extend the Water Quality Targeted Rate until June 2031.

### 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.

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

**Tell us why:** We need healthy waters for our kids to have a happy and healthy life.

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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

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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

### [Kaipātiki Local Board](#)

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**Tell us why**

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** No more borrowing, no more pay rises I'm over oh we need to borrow this much and put rates up. Then giving hugh pay rises.

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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 feel they do not need to run out an change a hole fleet of vehicles but do it as one needs replacing. Not because you want to.

## 3. Water quality

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### What is your view on this proposal?

**Tell us why:**

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### What is your opinion on this proposal? Support

**Tell us why:** These places are important to bring people together

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#### **Which option do you support?**

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

**Tell us why:**

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

No

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### Kaipātiki Local Board

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\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

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Would be really good if you fixed the drains at the bottom of birsdale road. The drains flood every time it rains and makes my property (yard unusable).

Do targeted rates on all new builds to pay for better water supply.

Do a cycle walking path up the side of the northern motorway from north core to silverdale.

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

Support

**Tell us why:** Stimulating the economy through investment makes sense, and an increase of 1.5% over the typical annual rates percentage doesn't make that much of a dent per household, especially as it's only for one year.

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** Protecting the environment is a critical part of ensuring a bright future for Aucklanders and sets an example for the rest of the country and the world. Increasing the speed at which we are replacing our buses with environmentally friendly vehicles, and providing support for Aucklanders to make better decisions on how to protect the environment at home is a good use of money.

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

**Tell us why:** Having a sustainable water supply as a large island city is crucially important not just for the environment, but for the people who live here.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** In general I support the idea that we will not be taking on any additional facilities, or repairing/maintaining facilities that may not be used as much by the community, especially post-COVID when access to services has proven to need more digital options. That said, it would concern me to see libraries close around the city. Having one close to home - especially now that late fees are being eliminated - is extremely useful to people who don't otherwise have access to computers/internet, or people who use the check out system as their only means of accessing books and other materials.

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As far as charging farm and lifestyle properties residential rates because of their service access - I'm not sure how to feel about it only because I feel like larger properties would suffer more when they potentially provide more to the community? Perhaps

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### Which option do you support?

Don't know

**Tell us why:** I don't live in the area so I don't feel deciding on this is appropriate.

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

No

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

Support

Tell us why:

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:**

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

**Tell us why:** North Shore beaches water quality need urgent consideration as well.

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Don't know

#### **Tell us why:**

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No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki 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?** I support all priorities

**Tell us why** Preserving the bush areas of our LB area is very important, it's what makes our area so special

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\$0-\$50

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in regards to housing and growth infrastructure - the most important point is ensuring our wastewater systems can handle it. (i don' think they can)

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

Support

Tell us why:

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Do not support increased investment

**Tell us why:**

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**Tell us why:**

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Do not increase the burden for Aucklanders.

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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

### Kaipātiki 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?** Don't know

Tell us why

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\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

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

Other

**Tell us why:** I support some aspects but not others

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** This is critical for us and for future generations, even if some 'vanity' projects have to be reviewed and possibly cancelled/delayed

## 3. Water quality

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

**Tell us why:** Clean water is one of our most basic rights

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** a) Public/private partnerships have never worked to the benefit of the public and never will.

b) I would much rather see these community assets maintained and upgraded. than see the money going into flashy new projects (some of which have little support outside the Council. It is my impression that the measurement and reward system within the Council should be reviewed, with a focus on serving the community.

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I would like to see the Natural Environment targeted rate reviewed annually.

Property rates: a) I would like to see a) a land tax on undeveloped property to make land-banking less attractive.

b) when land is rezoned for e.g. building and thereby increases

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### Which option do you support?

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

**Tell us why:** My answer is based on the assumption that the targeted rate reflects (some of) the extra costs of setting up these services, and should be phased out over a period of time.

I would apply the same rate, in the same way, to new services provided to new out-of-town developments wherever they are.

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No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki 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?** Other

**Tell us why** I support some priorities e.g. preventing kauri dieback and better addressing Maori interests.

Those I do not support are the Wairau Valley consultation - believe me, they'll tell you, no need to spend public money asking.

I also do not support spending additional money on the Birkenhead War Memorial Park. In the current environment this is a luxury project which can and should be deferred. Likewise the walking and cycling links, which serve a minority of local residents. Good to have, but not necessary right now.

I support the idea of improving safe journeys for every one, not just children. This includes making public transport more convenient, e.g. by installing more bus shelters (with seating, even if only benches).

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\$150+

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Strategic assets: The Council should not be selling public amenities such as reserves. However, private facilities on public land (such as sports clubs) should be made open to all as a condition of remaining available.

When considering sales, think big rather than small. The small sales will affect many local communities. Rather, sell the port and maybe also the Council's interest in the airport.

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Do not support

**Tell us why:** I can barely afford my rates now.

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#### **Which option do you support?**

Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** I can barely afford my rates now

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

No

## 6. Local Boards

### **Kaipātiki Local Board**

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**If we were to introduce a locally targeted rate to contribute towards funding major local projects, how much would you be willing to pay annually on top of your rates bill?**

\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

## 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?**

I am a new home owner and I can barely afford my mortgage and you guys are implementing all these added cost so people can walk on a new footpath? This is bullshit!

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

Support

Tell us why:

## 2. Climate change

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:**

## 3. Water quality

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#### **Which option do you support?**

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#### **Tell us why:**

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

No

## 6. Local Boards

### **Kaipātiki 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?** I support most priorities

#### **Tell us why**

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\$0-\$50

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

Support

**Tell us why:** Services need to be improved.

## 2. Climate change

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** Any type of system is needed which reduces emissions.

## 3. Water quality

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

**Tell us why:** Water quality is poor now. It will not get any less poor by postponing a plan.

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**Tell us why:** The services are at "rock-bottom" now. There is a need to increase services - not decrease them.

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**Tell us why:** If the service is near them, they have to pay.

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

No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki 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?** I support all priorities

**Tell us why** Services are needed to be up-graded/ introduced.

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\$150+

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Numerous facilities ie: Libraries; transport; shops.

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** Reduce costs not increase for a fucking change. No one has any spare morons

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** The one area we should be more proactive

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**Tell us why:** I'm yet to see any important savings from supersizing. More bullshit

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### **Which option do you support?**

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No

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### **Kaipātiki 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?** I do not support most priorities

**Tell us why** Because you should be curbing spending

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I wouldn't support any of it. All I necessary. Eg little shoal bay has flooded for years who gives a shit so it floods every now and again

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

Support

**Tell us why:** That's OK but council talks about deficits. Why then do council workers are often seen sitting in their trucks on their cell phones at all hours of the day? Why do At transport always cut up the roads then a few months later, are cutting up the road again? And onewa Rd, why can't it be a 2 car transit lane? Why are 13 cameras being installed??? Seems like an awful waste of our money.

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**Tell us why:** Anything to help climate change is good

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

**Tell us why:** Water quality is not good but developers should be paying. Their houses and developments put excessive extra strain on water services and they should be paying, not rare payers.

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**Tell us why:**

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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

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

I detest large, native and non native trees being felled for urban development. Developers need to pay for extra infrastructure including enhancing of motorways as a lot of extra cars originate from these developments.

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** Rate payers have paid large amounts for a long time so far which should have been reserved for larger projects like these. Why should current residents who have already paid rates for years pay more when the problem has been created in large part by immigration and those people have not paid any rates but now consume the same resources at a greater rate. Maybe people who rent houses should contribute to rates rather than just land lords as they are using the same infrastructure for a separate purpose.

Councillors should drop salaries down from \$250,000 per annum to somewhere around \$150,000 per annum equivalent if they are invested in the recovery of Auckland. They took no pay cuts during the level 4 lockdown.

## 2. Climate change

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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:** Buses are obsolete, focus on trains and mass rapid transport. The government has set aside funds to plant a billion trees for carbon offset already why should rate payers double front this cost.

## 3. Water quality

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### **Extending the targeted rate**

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

**Tell us why:** Again this problem is exacerbated by immigration and over consumption of the resources. New residents do not and have not contributed a fair share to a base level of usage as to which current ratepayers have already funded and the existing ratepayers now are being forced to face increases due to problems they have not created. It is not fair. However I am embarrassed by the Auckland Council resource planning for the water quality works thus far. This has been put on the backburner while salaries have increased for Councillors and now ratepayers again are in a tight situation as a result. This is an OLD issue, now rearing its head more due to neglect and mass immigration over consumption issues

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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:** The council should do more resource sharing with private business like leasing council spaces for offices etc if they are underutilised. Its an absolute no brainer assuming no resources are lost for community access.

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Do not support either option

### **Tell us why:**

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

No

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### **Kaipātiki Local Board**

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### **Tell us why**

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**If we were to introduce a locally targeted rate to contribute towards funding major local projects, how much would you be willing to pay annually on top of your rates bill?**

\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

### Ōrākei 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?** I support most priorities

**Tell us why**

**What is your opinion on the Glen Innes Business Association boundary expansion into our area?** Support

**Tell us why** Why not.

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

Support

**Tell us why:** This is the best time to borrow and invest while interest rates are low and building materials are cheap

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** Cheaper interest rates and cheaper material for building materials

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** Cheapest time to invest

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Happy to pay higher rates for better services

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

**Tell us why:** Better access to services should cost more

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

No

## 6. Local Boards

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Tell us why:

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**Tell us why** Couldn't find the priorities

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\$50-\$100

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Roading infrastructure

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

Support

**Tell us why:** Investing in the city is the best way to drive recovery and support our community right now. The council is probably the biggest procurer of services at all ends of the employment and industry spectrum, from individual staff to goods, through to events and public spaces. It's just huge. Austerity on this front at this time would undermine our economic recovery and miss such a huge opportunity to support the city to thrive. By raising rates we spread the load of that investment across all Aucklanders and support those most in need of this incredible public asset.

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** It's not really optional at this stage. Has to be done.

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

**Tell us why:** Another not negotiable area where we're still very behind.

## 4. Community investment

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Other

**Tell us why:** I'm not sure I wholly support this one. I see the logic, but the assets themselves are in many cases a real icon and a hub. I feel some concern about selling off valuable land and buildings too. I hope if these are redeveloped that they become part of wider regeneration plans through partnerships led by Panuku and in collaboration with other agencies such as Kāinga Ora.

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**Tell us why:** It feels high for something for which the cost should be spread across a wider area or potentially covered by AT. I don't live in the LB zone though so perhaps the locals feel this would be worth it.

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No

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### Kaipātiki 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?** I support all priorities

**Tell us why** Pleased to hear the commitment to Maori relationships, agree with selecting a range of environmental and community outcomes. Would be absolutely delighted if the multi-sport complex became a reality. It's a tight year and I am sure whittling this list down was a real challenge.

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\$50-\$100

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Support

Tell us why:

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**Tell us why:**

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Do not support

**Tell us why:** You constantly over spend...as a commercial venture income and rates increases should not be a given. Not everyone has extra money for your pet projects.

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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:** The climate initiative will...like most things see costs rise with no effective result. Let's wind the clock back 40 years...then back again...till were all on bikes..

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### What is your view on this proposal? Other

**Tell us why:** Your primary role should be to provide water...and at quality..followed by sewer and storm water.

Not underground trains.

The city 'growth ' has exacerbated your mismanagement.

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**Tell us why:** Guys. Targeted rates !...again busines 101...you operate over the whole city. Your business plan should budget for expansion...yet you spend well beyond income and get poor results. Bankruptcy looms for all of us. Or cut the growth. I can't see anything positive out of it.

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No

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Stop the growth...its like a cancer. Auckland is choking....and nothing is improving. At some point the city will grind to a halt. With failed infrastructure. Don't load the rate payer with the recovery package.

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Do not support

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**Tell us why:** Why can this cost not be set in the fare / user pays system.

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\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

## 7. to you?

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

**Tell us why:**

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** Libraries are one of the only places you can go where you are not expected to spend money. They are warm and safe. They are places for whanau, for study, for people to have access to internet. Even a single library closing would have a massive impact on the community surrounding it.

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Do not support either option

#### **Tell us why:**

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No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki Local Board

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#### **Tell us why**

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\$0-\$50

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Housing!!!!!!!!!!

Price caps and capital gains tax are urgently needed. The house market is unsustainable and requires urgent intervention.

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Without this greater use of rates and debt, around \$900 million of much needed investment in Auckland would be delayed from the next three years to later in the decade. This would slow Auckland's recovery, put our services and assets at risk, lose hundreds of millions of dollars in matching government subsidies, and limit our response to our climate and environmental challenges.

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

Support

**Tell us why:** I'd rather everyone contribute a little more and we can bounce back as a city faster.

## 2. Climate change

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** Climate is one of the biggest threats to us at the moment, if we don't do something now it will be too late in the future.

## 3. Water quality

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Don't know

**Tell us why:** I like the idea of preserving our facilities but depends how many are closed because people in those areas might be heavily affected by the closures. Also, I don't like the idea of community services moving online, I think the whole point of a community service is to connect face to face and meet your community in real life to interact and build connections.

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I think the targeted rate to Vector is good because they should contribute to managing the trees. I support the Accommodation Provider Targeted Rate because people are making profit/income from that property so probably should be some rate involved there.

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### Which option do you support?

Don't know

**Tell us why:** I don't live in either of those areas so can't comment.

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No

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**Tell us why** Really support the plans to minimise the spread of kauri dieback disease, and the Northcote redevelopment plans.

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Support

Tell us why:

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** Do the capital expenditure, but pay for it another way. I have spent my career as a career turning around large (>\$100mil) companies and I have never seen an organisation as inefficiently run as Auckland Council, with the possible exception of central government. I do support capital expenditure, but I do not support rate increases to achieve this.

- Capital expenditure should be paid for by growth, not by increasing the inefficiency of government or expanding its mandate.
- In cases where capital expenditure could actually increase the rate-payer base (e.g. extending SH16 and developing Kumeu & surrounds), the council does not build the necessary infrastructure to make this happen. For example, build the road, develop the land into housing, and suddenly you have '000s of additional households to increase your rate-payer base.
- In cases of ongoing operational expenditure, there is absolute minimum 20-30% efficiency gains to be made in spending... possibly more.
- Finally, I think that many of the council-owned 'businesses' are under-performing, and could provide an important source of supplementary revenue with the correct governance and leadership.

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

Other

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**Tell us why:**

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**What is your opinion on this proposal? Other**

**Tell us why:** Current service provision is extremely inefficient. Majority of the cost lies in servicing / staffing these facilities. This can be done much more efficiency with modern technology. Be creative and show leadership... don't force taxpayers to suffer and receive less from more rates.

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I do not support the Vector rate. Vector is rivalled only by the city council itself for bad management practices and operating efficiency. Being more proactive and using modern technology for scheduling would unlock significant efficiency gains, vs. the

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\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

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The long-term delay of extending SH16 and the development pause for the surrounding area makes no sense. By extending the motorway and allowing development, Auckland Council would actually significantly increase its tax base, as new households become ratepayers.

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Support

**Tell us why:** Got to be done.

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** Landfill becoming abig issue

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**Tell us why:** Water quality so important

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** Please do not close libraries

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Don't know

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** Massive spend on cycle ways is not a good use of my rates whilst we have more pressing needs in waste water especially. There is no spending on waste water entering North Shore beaches polluted by Wairau creek and other issues nearby.

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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:** The Council's most pressing task is housing and infra structure- waste water, water and roads. The more distant threats like climate change MUST be kept in perspective. Council must not lead rate payers into financial distress by woke and virtue signalling policies.

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

**Tell us why:** The waste water and water infra structure systems are not doing the job we need an action plan NOW. This will be our legacy to the next generation so please act now.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** Just make sure we are not following central governments stupidity in regard to tax breaks of 500M to the film industry. Rather support local sport-yes the All Blacks yes the Black Caps.

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Targetted rate 2 and 3

Properties must have access to council services of-water, waste water, transport.

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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 Paremuremo and Lucas Heights area of the Upper Harbour Local Board

Tell us why:

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No

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\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

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Housing must get more support. Thankfully we are about to overhaul the RMA. Council and its officers must work energetically and in a committed manner to address the blockages impeding faster consenting and building. I have worked in this area for decades and have seen the challenging obstacle course set for developers. Surely putting families into houses is a core Council function and will sometimes need to dominate the narrative.

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**Tell us why:** Yes! Please also put bike racks on or allow bikes on buses or have dedicated bike buses in rush hour for getting over the harbour bridge.

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### **Kaipātiki Local Board**

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**Tell us why** Cycling and walking tracks are my top priority. Off road is best or at least protected and not more green paint paths.

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Do not support

**Tell us why:** Rates are too high already

expect increase will not be temporary

expect used for increasing wages not community improvements

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**Tell us why:** dont see it been used as stated

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**Tell us why:** need for water will grow

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use to support the community not wage increases

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#### Which option do you support?

Do not support either option

Tell us why:

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\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

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Stop funding personal costs

fund infrastructure projects as appropriate

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Do not support

**Tell us why:** We pay enough rates as it is.

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Do not support increased investment

**Tell us why:** Keep using existing buses until they need replacement...not now

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**Tell us why:**

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**Tell us why:**

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#### **Which option do you support?**

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

**Tell us why:** If users want it then they pay

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No

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**Tell us why** When are we getting the walkway over the harbor bridge?

When are we getting a new tunnel under the harbour?

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\$50-\$100

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An extra harbour crossing for bus/train and cars.

Sky path to be built immediately.

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** 1. Constant rate hikes are a form of regressive taxation - which hit low- to middle-income earners hardest. This is philosophically evil.

2. In this case, Auckland home owners who have been hard hit by the Government-led destruction of the local economy in 2020 - 2021, are now being asked by the city council to take another hit, on top of the already ruinous rates and taxes foisted upon Aucklanders.

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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:** 1. There is no objective scientific proof that global temperature is led by CO2. In fact, the opposite applies in every measurable case, CO2 lags temperature.

2. I am all for protection of the environment in terms of pollution, better use of energy, protection of all biodiversity and conservation of all resources, including fresh water.

3. Nothing at 2 above have any bearing on the anti-scientific bogeyman of catastrophic anthropogenic global warming - which is a secular religion - a belief system - not a proven, measurable, observable and predictable set of undisputed scientific truths.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal? Support**

**Tell us why:** Reduce overheads, these 'resources' are under-utilised by the majority - chop them.

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1. Auckland council cannot even successfully mow simple grass berms on the roadside, weeds grow unhindered (amongst the rubbish) in many streets, there is more Privet than much of anything else growing along steam beds and gullies. Useless.

2. I object to

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

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Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** This is a subject which should be put to local referendum.

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No

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**Tell us why** A general miasma of befuddled wrong-think, blind adherence to dogma and an inability to lead have left the local board area in a worse state than it was in the last 10 years.

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Other

**Tell us why:** Auckland Council/Transport is know for wasting money . How is it, that you request money, yet are so wasteful. You work to budgets rather than results. I have seen in the last year, new roading and roundabouts ripped up and replaced for no reason other than bad future planning or the desire to spend that years budgeted so it is not lost by the offending department. There has to be a better way than budgets for the year. None essential things like playground

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** We are just not doing enough as it is. This is a good step forward on all accounts.

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

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**Tell us why** Can't find 2021/2022.

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You approach to cycle ways across the greater region is a waste of money. This needs to be reduced as it is a fairy tale rather than focusing on what we need. In these times, it is what we need, not what we desire.

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** It is financially irresponsible to hike rates during COVID-19. Everyone has had to scale back due to COVID, Auckland Council should do exactly the same. As families living in Auckland make sure they only spend what they can afford, Auckland Council should do the same. I do NOT support this budget.

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Do not support increased investment

**Tell us why:** Auckland can not afford to buy electric buses. The impact of Auckland going electric will be unmeasurable insignificant in relation to climate change. And do not forget the amount of fossil fuels that are required to create electric vehicles.

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**Tell us why:**

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Do not support

**Tell us why:**

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### **Kaipātiki Local Board**

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**Tell us why** I do support most, but do not support the priority of "developing meaningful relationships with Māori". That is not a task of the kaipatiki local board and a waste of money. Let local residence develop meaningful relationships with each other. Keep ethnic origins out of this.

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No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki Local Board

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Do not support

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**Tell us why** Why do we need additional facilities at Birkenhead war memorial? As a regular user what we have there is quite sufficient. My only suggestion would be to add a splash pad near pools to save individual properties using water

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Cut back on your salaries

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Other

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**Tell us why:**

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**Tell us why:**

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#### **Tell us why:**

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

No

## **6. Local Boards**

### **Kaipātiki Local Board**

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#### **Tell us why**

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# 10-year budget 2021/2031

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** Need to target infrastructure. Cut back on non related issues.

## 2. Climate change

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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:** Focus on important issues.

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

**Tell us why:** Infrastructure is the key issue.

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**Tell us why** Focus must be infrastructure. Everything else can wait.

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Infrastructure, infrastructure, infrastructure. Must be priority.

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

Support

**Tell us why:** I support it on the basis that it is a one-off payment increase, and, that subsequent increases are kept to 3.5% which is still above current inflation rates.

## 2. Climate change

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** I support this on the basis investment is included within the proposed investment plans previously outlined.

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

**Tell us why:** More needs to be done to ensure healthy water quality throughout Auckland which in some areas of the city are simply scandalous in our reach for sustainability and a more livable city.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** Clearly the requirement to provide some community services through building community assets is rapidly decreasing. I support the digitization of these where applicable and where council services can be delivered on line.

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While I support these in principle, as a practicing photographer I feel thoroughly frustrated by the councils current actions in preventing Kauri die back. My work is largely aimed at increasing interest in all of our national assets so the inability to

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### Which option do you support?

Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** The Upper Harbour Local Board needs to show ratepayers why this is necessary.

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No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki Local Board

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**Tell us why** I would like to see more investment made in maintaining walkways and in particular stairways through bush that don't injure the walker. I would truly like to see more work on water quality and less waste on farcical public works disasters like those in Lynn reserve!

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Do not support

Tell us why:

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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:** You presume Aucklanders want 'greater action' on climate change? We just want the council to spend money wisely on rubbish removal, safe, clean parks for kids to play in, clean water to drink and clean transport, let India and China reduce their carbon foot print then we'll talk about climate change, no use telling the 1 smoker in the room to leave when there are 100 more doing the same, eh?

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

**Tell us why:** Spend the money you get wisely, everything can be done on a budget, learn to live within yours.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** Is "carbon footprint" your favourite word? Just look after the basics like libraries and leave the fancy things like parades and activities to private sponsorship, that should fund a few libraries.

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**Tell us why:** User pays.

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### Kaipātiki Local Board

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**Tell us why** How much wasted money do you spend on a "hui" ? All the hangers on hanging around for a free feed? Why don't you work on a second harbour crossing ? Get rid of those stupid cycleways, no kids going to use this to get to school, not if they want to live another day. Get Northcote central area moving , it's been a sh\*t hole for years, but as usual it won't be done properly, you could have apartments with shops and buses below to get people all around Auckland, it's a waste of space.

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**If we were to introduce a locally targeted rate to contribute towards funding major local projects, how much would you be willing to pay annually on top of your rates bill?**

\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

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Just hire some better accountants and spend our money properly, is that too hard to ask?

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## Your feedback

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

Support

**Tell us why:** The city is one of the best in the world and needs to keep moving forward with new development work for our enjoyment, for the environment and for financial benefits.

## 2. Climate change

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** Diesel buses are noisy and it will be a huge improvement to have electric buses. Recycling needs investment and is clearly the right way forward for the environment. I love trees in the city.

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

**Tell us why:** There is a lot to catch up on and the sooner the work is done, and money provided the better.

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Don't know

#### **Tell us why:**

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No

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### Kaipātiki 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?** I support all priorities

**Tell us why** All looks sensible to do.

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** I disagree with the proposal for a one-off 5 percent average increase in general rates. At a time when general inflation is under 2 percent, it is unconscionable that Council would think it reasonable to raise rates by 5 percent. Many businesses and families have found ways to reduce expenses in this season. Council would do well to find ways to do the same in order to fund its capital investments.

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No

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** Sick of constant rate increases, sick of poor basic services being cut in place of trendy "woke" causes. Absolutely sick of Goff and all his left wing supporters

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

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Stopping the rate increases and reinstating basic core services such as tree-trimming and maintenance

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

Other

**Tell us why:** I'm happy if it's just for a year but I don't think you'll do that. I live on the north shore and we were told that we wouldn't have to pay for rubbish collection after a year of Super City and we are still paying when South Auckland Do NOT! I don't trust Auckland Council!

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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

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### Kaipātiki Local Board

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**Tell us why** Don't know what they are? Never hear of any positives for the North Shore - What has happened to the Northcote wharf and Ferry??? 2nd harbour crossing???

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2nd harbour crossing

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# 10-year budget 2021/2031

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** Due to Covid and other financial circumstances the Council should be dealing only in milk and forgetting the cream for 5-10 years until it recovers

## 2. Climate change

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Do not support increased investment

**Tell us why:** We are done straight financially and need to salvage what we can of peoples lives for the present not the future AT THIS STAGE!

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

**Tell us why:** There is no evidence that you arw doing a 'quality' job now

Time to stop and refocus and plan again

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**Tell us why:** If resources and funds are limited repair the old and forget the new

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## 6. Local Boards

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**Tell us why** Limited funds should mean a stop of new projects Maintain what we have properly first!

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Its important to me that

- we fund only current projects and not start new ones
- we halt cycleways being built
- we make Developers PAY more
- we stop resource consent for new builds until traffic and other services are sorted

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Do not support

**Tell us why:** Less money on climate change spend. Stop committing more money that isn't yours to this initiative. We're all doing it tough with Covid economy so why punish us with higher rates. Out of touch with reality and only concerned with self interest and legacy in my view. Disgraceful. Millions spent on an Americas cup development for a "regatta" with only 4 bloody boats. Such a disappointing left leaning council

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Do not support increased investment

**Tell us why:** It's not proven science and the electric revolution will potentially be way more expensive and less progressive than our current stock. It's not that important nor can we affect the global climate with these changes! Wake up and make responsible fiscal decisions please with OUR money.

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

**Tell us why:** This was planned and budgeted for previously and you're double dipping asking for more. Not happy

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**Tell us why:** Get rid of Mount smart stadium. Improve swimming facilities in Birkenhead and Parnell

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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:

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No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki Local Board

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**Tell us why** Get AT to stop with this T3 lane garbage on Onewa Rd and make the road more functional for all vehicles. Traffic is a nightmare now backing up towards beachhaven some mornings. Not everyone wants to go to the city on public transport and this road is bringing the local economy and inhabitants to their knees with flawed thinking around public transport to the CBD.

More money upgrading pools and parks. Redo the Highbury centre to take advantage of one of the most untapped opportunities for commercial development. Best views in Auckland and it's inward facing. Build a restaurant and retail hub with views second to none to attract local spend.

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See all previous comments. Spend our money responsibly and stop outfits like the museum ramping up costs when we're all belt tightening and struggling. Get back in touch with your people and communities Phil and stop burying your head in the sand and plowing on with spend when WE DONT HAVE ANY MORE MONEY TO GIVE YOU! It feels like you're the Sherrif of Nottingham.

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Do not support

**Tell us why:** Insufficient cuts in staff and salaries. Forget 'Nice to Have' and concentrate on core services.

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**Tell us why:** Climate change used to be called weather. The huge cost to ratepayers to achieve a microscopic change in temperature to 'save the planet' is complete nonsense.

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

Support

**Tell us why:** The first, most important thing for me is to get as many of the petrol cars, and all cars, off the roads in Auckland as possible. The number of cars on the road significantly negatively impacts the quality of life in Auckland, creating traffic problems, road works being required everywhere all the time, pollution production, lack of parking spaces and so on. It is the key frustrating point of this city. With reduced cars, we could reduce all the concreted car parking

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** I support any investment in fighting climate change. Reading the proposed actions, I can't help but feel like they sound like measures that would have been suggested in 1990, not in a 'climate emergency'. We need to put some real thought into how to eradicate non-electric vehicles from our roads and pour investment funds into that. We as Aucklanders need to be able to drive less, we are stuck in our cars because we drive a long way to get to the things we need, primarily work. Auckland Council should facilitate the formation of localised hubs that people can access low cost or free public transport too. People on the North Shore shouldn't need to cross the bridge for work or shopping, people in Manukau shouldn't need to come to the central suburbs, and so on. If public transport was significantly more cost-effective, Aucklanders would use it more, I think it should be heavily subsidised so that Aucklanders can't NOT use it.

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

**Tell us why:** Yes I support the clean up of the waterways. Auckland is special because of its harbour, and yet seawater I grew up swimming in is not safe for my daughter now. It's shameful.

## 4. Community investment

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** The services I engage with are phenomenal already, local community centres, libraries, leisure centres. I don't think this area is crying out for investment the way the others are, I think it should take a back seat. If it lowers the carbon footprint that is good, but is it the most efficient use of funds for this purpose?

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It's a very small increase per household and I think it is acceptable, these are the funds we hand over so Auckland Council can make the city work for us. But I REALLY do not care for any investment in the city centre. It's a horrible place, not human fri

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**Which option do you support?**

Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** Can't see the value in this service, would only serve a very small portion of Aucklanders's.

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No

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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?** Don't know

**Tell us why** These 'priorities' seem quite trivial to me in the face of what the real priorities are, in my opinion. The kaipatiki area is witnessing RAMPANT housing development. Gigantic housing developments where 3 or 4 house lots are having 50 or 60 apartments built on them. There is one on nearly every street adjoining ours. Housing is great, but there is a complete oversight when it comes to livability and services. It already takes 2 years to get into a preschool or kindy around here, as there aren't enough preschool services. There are now traffic jams in every direction when we leave our home in Birkdale, trying to reach Beach Haven - a 6 minute drive, can now take 30 minutes because of traffic. More people means more cars, more kids, more pollution, and, the developments are eating up our green spaces and

causing a loss of trees. This all amounts to a loss of livability. Every day I consider leaving AUckland because of the intensive housing, not just because of the houses, but because of the lack of human-friendliness to them - great concrete monoliths with no berm. Even the loss of berm space is tragic, where can the trees grow, where can children sit down in the shade on their walk home from school, where can mums stop and chat?

This is what we should be addressing, not shade sails, not coastal walkways. We should be investing in minimising the lowering of quality of life that population growth is bringing.

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## 7. What is important to you?

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What is important to me is the impact that the population growth and intensive housing are having on an already over-populated and polluted city. The changes in my life short lifetime have been nothing short of phenomenal, and tragic. I ran from the age of about 12 but stopped in my 20's when I noticed that white singlets quickly went yellow from soaking up the pollution on my runs. That was 20 years ago and it's only gotten worse. Auckland has so much noise pollution, light pollution, air pollution, waterway pollution. Auckland council seems to be overlooking that people don't JUST need houses, they need a place to live outside those houses, and if it's all concrete and cars, people won't be happy or healthy just because they have a house to live in. I would like all investment put towards getting cars off the road, and increasing, but wild amounts, the green spaces. Find a way to make cars unnecessary, and public transport irresistible. Thanks.

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

Support

Tell us why:

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:**

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\$0-\$50

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** The council does not seem to be cutting its cloth to fit the current funding constraints and supports contradictory goals. A stated one off 5% rates increase compounds to the next years 3.5%, so is not really one off.

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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:** Waiting 4 more years seems reasonable. This will not affect Auckland's ghg contribution much overall, as most is private vehicles. Encouraging car dependent sprawl in places like Drury is inconsistent with this policy and wider sustainability outcomes.

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

**Tell us why:** Are more nice to have so not given current funding environment. There is likely to be significant financial pain for many people in 2021, so any improvement can wait. Council can reconsider the extension and increase at next LTP - work would only start in 2028!

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** Probably support rationalisation. Hard to know without the figures of leasing vs ownership. How come there is rationalisation but also an increase in investment.

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Housing and infrastructure. Delay and defer greenfield growth as it is a huge cost to the council and taxpayers, compared to brownfield growth. It would enable the council to better achieve its climate and environmental goals and properly encourage mode shift to active modes and public transport. If central government want this, then let them pay.

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Strategic assets

Sell off or refinance strategic assets that are not truly strategic. Time to be bold.

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Do not support

**Tell us why:** The council continues to waste resources on members pet projects , you know them ,

cycle lanes , bus lanes , an over emphasis on climate threats , crazy salaries to staff that do not deliver , not sticking to the basic needs of the city , the list goes on , and on...

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Do not support increased investment

**Tell us why:** I am in doubt when you say Aucklanders want greater action on climate change , everyone I meet is sick of the whole thing being rammed down their throats , and want a lot less effort put into it .

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**Tell us why:** It goes back to priorities , some members are pushing electric buses , at what cost , for such a small gain , totally wasteful . and we know the increase will be permanent , When is council constructing a new water reservoir ? I never hear a thing.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Other

**Tell us why:** I live in Birkenhead and saw council propose a town upgrade 2 or 3 years ago , I went to the "tell us what you think of the idea" meeting .What a waste of time the "upgrade" went ahead regardless . Everyone thinks it is a very amateur job , with stupid seating and layout etc etc and a total waste of money , money that could have been more wisely spent perhaps

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I do NOT agree or support to the rate increase proposal.

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### Which option do you support?

Don't know

**Tell us why:** My land my rules, who do you think you are?

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No

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**Tell us why** Lets just stick to the Birkenhead Memorial multi use facility and not fritter money on trivial stuff that does nothing.

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** There are better ways of addressing the "covid-related" shortfall in your income. Squeezing more out of already beleaguered rate payers is not the answer.

Dear Councillors,

This is a submission on the Council's 10-Year Budget, Long Term Plan ("LTP").

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.

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

Both rates and water measures will hit my pocket, and the pockets of Aucklanders who can least afford it.

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.

I support the submissions made by the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance, available at [http://www.ratepayers.org.nz/2021\\_ltp\\_submission](http://www.ratepayers.org.nz/2021_ltp_submission).

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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:** Anthropological Climate Change itself is debatable.

"Climate Change" in general is not a real or immediate threat to anything specific. Therefore spending money (and requiring us to pay more money) is an unquantifiable goal.

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

**Tell us why:** "harbours, beaches and streams" are only unhealthy when we dump stuff in them, therefore a change in practices will help - this doesn't require more rates from me.

By and large harbours & beaches look after themselves, if we treat them with respect. Streams, I don't know... but, again, it surely doesn't need more expenditure to stop people dumping stuff into them.

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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?** Don't know

**Tell us why:** Leasing shared facilities should reduce the cost of such. No rates increase required for that

I don't know of any "assets" in our parks (ie. halls, community centres, community houses, arts venues), that are free to use. So why does maintenance of them require more rates from people who don't use them ?

And if/when I do, surely my fees will pay for them, otherwise we cannot afford those facilities; and they shouldn't be propped up by civic finances

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If rate payers don't want to pay more, this means we (Auckland) cannot afford the things you think we ought to believe are important.

Take that at it's face value. You are overvaluing the assets you propose - on our behalf.

There is no "industry" in th

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?**

Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** We are a small community, what will the patronage be ? We already have school buses for children, this would be competing with those for patronage. Myself a bus that terminates in Albany village is no good, I need it to continue through to the Albany Northern Express station (NEX). I currently park and ride on the NEX2. Said bus will be stuck in the Albany congestion. First sort out the traffic through Albany village, then add more parking at the NEX station. Why didn't you build multistory with that latest addition to the park and ride. It's on a slope, it would have been easy.

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

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**Tell us why** "meaningful relationships" and "better understand" are meaningless nonsense terms.

Improving water quality doesn't need money, I don't have school age kids.

I don't understand some of the others, but if they requires more money. We. Don't. Have. Any. More.

Which means we just cannot afford new initiatives, unless we stop spending on other less fruitful things. Let's try that.

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Support

**Tell us why:** It's common sense.

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**Tell us why:** Given question. 1 and the specific callout on the compromises of 3 years, we should be making sensible COMMERCIAL decisions here not nice to have decisions. This is a nice to have when many people are struggling financially.

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

**Tell us why:** This is common sense. We cannot afford for compromises to be made around the security and quality of water supply.

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You are spending our money with a 10 year horizon. This is not money for the next mayoral campaign. Drop the egos and make sensible decisions as if it was your own money.

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Tell us why:

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**Tell us why** Ah... what are they?

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As land is subdivided, and less off street parking is designed into the site plan, roads are overloaded with parked cars. It's difficult on most days to drive in a 2 ways system. Berms need to be reduced and on street parking allowing the flow of traffic, buses included.

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** Auckland/Northshore needs a better rail network. We should reduce investment in buses and explore modern ways of public transport.

We are at least a decade or two behind the modern world.

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### Extending the targeted rate

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### Increasing the targeted rate

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

**Tell us why:** This is the best investment Auckland can get!

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**Tell us why:**

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#### **Which option do you support?**

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

#### **Tell us why:**

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

No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki 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?** I do not support most priorities

**Tell us why** The highest priority for most of Auckland is transport. Lack of functional public transport is a key issue we had to have planned for it years ago, still looking to bring in more buses!

**With additional regional funding likely to be limited in the 10-year Budget 2021-2031, do you support us investigating options for a future locally targeted rate to contribute towards funding major local projects that are beyond the existing funding available to the local board?**

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**If we were to introduce a locally targeted rate to contribute towards funding major local projects, how much would you be willing to pay annually on top of your rates bill?**

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# 10-year budget 2021/2031

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Without this greater use of rates and debt, around \$900 million of much needed investment in Auckland would be delayed from the next three years to later in the decade. This would slow Auckland's recovery, put our services and assets at risk, lose hundreds of millions of dollars in matching government subsidies, and limit our response to our climate and environmental challenges.

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** I am concerned about the revaluation of our rates happening before this 5 percent increase as this will be a very large jump in or rates next year when put together. Also I don't have a great confidence in the Auckland council to meet these goals.

## 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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**What is your view on this proposal? Other**

**Tell us why:** It is important that we make our Auckland beaches safe for swimming again. It is a shame that after rain our waste water overflows into our storm water and makes it unsafe for swimming. This needs to change.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal? Support**

**Tell us why:**

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Do not support either option

### Tell us why:

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Yes

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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** I support the improvements on water quality at little shoal bay and the improvements to walking and cycling routes.

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**Tell us why:**

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**Tell us why:** Nz as a country make no effect to the world emissions

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### What is your view on this proposal?

**Tell us why:** Should use current income and budget correctly and too many overpaid people need to get rid of non workers

Whole management needs to be fired and re apply and all managers need to be accountable

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### What is your opinion on this proposal? Do not support

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Maori should pay rates just like every one else as the use the services

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### Which option do you support?

Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** Another form of tax for doing nothing making excuses for squandering rate monies

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

No

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** Mayor Goff has lied to us Aucklanders since in power. His rhetoric about making AKL great is a lie. All he and AKL city councilors have done is wasted Millions of Rate payers dollars in ridiculous projects we cant afford. 1) Albany express way. This should have been planned right the first time, but council spent Millions redoing this stretch of highway at least 3-4 times in the last ten years. NO Skypath, this has been planned for at least 15 years, and still nothing to show for it but would have made a huge differnce in easing traffic. Traffic congestion in AKL is unacceptable, way too

many projects AKL cant afford and now crawling for more money because the council want everything done yesterday and blaming it on Covid. The councils spend Millions on there new offices in Wellesley str knowing they had no budget for it. In short, Mayor Goff and your councilors cannot be trusted with MY Money....SO NO find another way to suck money our of AKL who are also financially in hardship because of Covid.

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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:** NO - Fund what important to AKL NOW, Cleaner roads, Drains being cleaned, Curbs being cleared before winter, Parks being upgraded and not neglected as they are (Hillcrest reserve Hillcrest North shore for e.g , Electric Buses are NOT a priority. Stop subcontracting out everything....as you are not even checking the contractors work and in many cases are NOT even doing the job but sending us as rate payers the invoice.

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

**Tell us why:** This is what you should already be doing as part of the current rates. Again you councilors are neglecting important areas such as Water hygiene - Again, stop doing stupid projects and start prioritizing. Bad financial planning ....again.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** NO do not support, Again.....you guys have neglected these Community assets and now having to repurpose these assets that have been in our commi=unity for years and enjoyed by generations. Shame on the council now coming to us with this proposal. Again Mayor Goff's inability to govern and manage a financial Planning.

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This is way too complicated to understand.

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**Tell us why:** This should be paid for from NZTA's budget and a service to AKL's, It seems you guys are all about user pays, then set ups tolls. Again you are spending too much money on wasted projects and now realizing that AKL Council is in financial trouble. Easy spending others peoples money eh Mayor Goff!!!

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

Yes

## 6. Local Boards

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**Tell us why** Building a sports facility at Birkenhead Memorial...really ! is this the extend of your strategic plans. WE cant afford it !!! What does talk more with Maori mean ? The cycles paths to where, perhaps work on Skypath and really have meaning with Cycles paths. Stop the stupid t 3 down Onewa road and others roads, all you are doing is creating a traffic jam heading to the Main motorways. You talk about Global warming AKL, well how much Carbon you think is being pushed into the atmosphere when 100k cars sitting idle.

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\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

## 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?**

Yes, you guys are ruining the city. This urban housing and squeezing homes into small section is unacceptable. On less than 500 square meter section locally, you have allowed 6 homes to be built. This is NOT healthy living for anyone, especially the people who live there. Puts a strain on the storm water drains, Sewage, water supply, power grids, traffic. Northcote development is a perfect example. Too many home sins s small area.....unacceptable and bad planning with no regard for health of those living in the area.

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** Mayor Goff has not made good on his election policy of reigning in council excessive spending and wastage. Ratepayer funds continue to be wasted on pet projects, non essential works and inefficiencies. Addressing these issues would negate the need for any further increase in rates

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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:** There is no factual evidence supporting claims that the climate is changing anywhere close to alarmist pronouncements. Not one alarmist prediction has come true yet the population continues to be subjected to the propaganda and misinformation. Regrettably the green faction of the Council is having success in bullying it's agenda through. Witness the colossal waste of ratepayer funds on cycle ways that only a tiny percentage of the population wanted, the vast majority didn't want and the collateral damage to businesses. The objective of the Council green faction did achieve one of their goals though. Inconvenience to the motorist and increased traffic congestion across the city. How do they reconcile the huge resultant increase in pollution and disruption to business as a consequence?

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### Increasing the targeted rate

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

**Tell us why:** It won't be necessary to do either of these if Council addresses it's wastage, trims it's own costs/salaries and employs proper professionals to run projects efficiently. Witness the millions wasted on the Henua pipeline concrete pouring debacle.

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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?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** All these assets should already be covered by the repair and maintenance budget. Their average annual costs will not have changed so there is no legitimate need to increase the budget. Partnering with whom? "partnering with others" with not decrease the carbon footprint - only shares it with another entity. This is a misleading statement.

Community investment? Re paragraph 2. How can this be if ratepayers pay more to get less.

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There should already be a budget for this and no need for an increase. Council is doing the same trick of separating out costs included in the general rates to be able to create an additional charge.

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### **Which option do you support?**

Don't know

### **Tell us why:**

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No

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**Tell us why** 2021/2022 plan is nowhere to be found. I've read through the other recent plans and in general agree with most provisions. I do not agree with the madness of a cycleway over the harbour bridge. This has no cost/benefit value and now with the need for a second crossing in the public news again, planning for the cycleway should cease immediately.

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## 7. What is important to you?

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Most households are under financial stress and have been for a long time. Housing values continue to rise and thus so do rates. And yet ratepayers get little for the increased amounts paid. Instead Council finds other sneaky ways to wrought house owners out of yet more money and do almost nothing to reduce their own costs and encumbrance on the population.

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Do not support

**Tell us why:** You should try and be more efficient without having to touch people's pockets. I believe you'll already have enough capital to do everything the city needs but it's due to bare ineffectiveness that things were not done the proper way before. Improve your processes and procedures with what you've got - don't ask for more until you can prove people get value for money (currently not happening)

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Other

**Tell us why:** I support, but you should also focus on making public transport WAY CHEAPER if you want people to start using it more. Also, more subsidies and incentives for people to switch to electric vehicles. i.e., cheaper cars, further electricity discounts, ability to use the transit lanes.

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

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**Tell us why:** See how you planned poorly again in the past? It's reflecting now. Again, don't take even more from the public but instead improve with what you've got.

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- farm and lifestyle properties don't exploit the environment the same way the others do, hence, shouldn't pay the same.
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Support

**Tell us why:** I think the general rates increase of 5% should not be a one off but longer. Auckland desperately needs funding and investment. Just look at the reoccurring issues such as water shortages, the harbour bridge etc.

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** I support the alternative one of a larger investment package. Things like "Achieving a 100 per cent zero emissions bus fleet by 2030." should absolutely be a goal. If the messaging and push is for people to take public transport, it needs to be good but also fuel efficient.

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

**Tell us why:** We are surrounded by water. When the water quality drops, our quality of life will also drop.

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I do not support Removing library late return fines. I believe this will make the library service worse (people will have no deterrent to just keeping books)

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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:** The bus stops will service the whole area. People who aren't close to a bus stop can drive a short distance and then take the bus. These people should also pay for it.

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No

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**Tell us why** I don't believe we can stop Kauri die back. The measures have proved to slow it but not stop it. I feel it is a lost cause and a money sink.

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\$150+

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Other

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** WITH NO INCREASE FUNDING.

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farm and lifestyle properties in the Urban Rating Area residential rates need to pay more rates.

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#### **Which option do you support?**

Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** Driving is more suitable for people live in the area. Funding need to be directed more towards roads improvements in the area and fast forward completion of the main artery road i.e. Northern Corridor Improvement

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

Yes

## 6. Local Boards

### Devonport-Takapuna 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?** I support most priorities

**Tell us why** Please also allocate funding for infrastructure. For example: Motorway onramp extension in Tristram Ave, free carparks in Takapuna Area.

Top priorities for infrastructure investments rather than for organizing events.

Allocate funding for long term investments rather than for entertainment.

### Henderson-Massey 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?** I do not support most priorities

**Tell us why** Allocate more funding for planning services, intensification in the area is becoming more apparent, please address traffic issues and roads.

Please make priority for public safety in central Henderson area.

Please improve infrastructure around Opanuku stream and Henderson park area, anticipate impact on climate change particularly in flooding prone area.

Less on events and entertainment funding, more towards public safety, and infrastructure improvements e.g. street lights, graffiti removals.

## Kaipātiki 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?** I support most priorities

**Tell us why** Priorities public safety and road access to school.

Allocate funding for environmental and planning services.

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\$50-\$100

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Continue to work with central government and private sector developers to finish development.

Be in a position to encourage progress and completion of current projects. Monitor completion date, budget, and quality of current projects.

Focus priority in completing current projects rather than starting new projects.

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

Support

**Tell us why:** Council needs more resources to create a better and more liveable city. I am happy to pay my share as long as it is managed wisely... your focus needs to be efficiency.

## 2. Climate change

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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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### Increasing the targeted rate

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

**Tell us why:** Auckland is a water city and if we can't utilise the Hauraki Gulf and Harbour safely, it's a waste of a truly unique location

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Don't know

#### **Tell us why:**

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No

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#### **Tell us why**

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** Everybody is having to cut costs on a personal level yet Council keeps spending more. You need to look at ways of saving money as opposed to increasing rates and adversely affecting all the Auckland ratepayers who are already struggling .

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Do not support increased investment

**Tell us why:** I think the whole Climate Change emergency declaration is rubbish. By all means go to vehicles that are cleaner burning but using the climate as a reason to increase rates is wrong.

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

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**Tell us why:** Because there always seems to be money available to waste on "art" projects or sculptures but not for maintenance. Prioritise what is necessary rather than the wasteful extras.

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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:**

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No

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### Kaipātiki Local Board

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Do not support

**Tell us why:** It is about time that Auckland City Council started to control its costs and get back to the basics of what councils are for. Given that the wage rates in council are substantially higher than private organisations it is time to cut the fat and pay wages that are not over inflated for people who are basically bureaucrats and there is no revenue competition. You have no competitors. Spend less on wages, reduce the extra event type stuff you do and get back to

basics. Get rid of some of the 60 lawyers you have, etc,etc .The average income is not keeping up with the rate of council increases. It is time to cut your spending. Dear Councillors,

This is a submission on the Council's 10-Year Budget, Long Term Plan ("LTP").

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.

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

Both rates and water measures will hit my pocket, and the pockets of Aucklanders who can least afford it.

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.

I support the submissions made by the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance, available at [http://www.ratepayers.org.nz/2021\\_ltp\\_submission](http://www.ratepayers.org.nz/2021_ltp_submission).

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**Tell us why:** There are too many independent venues and facilities - make better use of fewer locations with sharing. It will also lead to a better communication within the community groups.

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I do not support increases in any fees.

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### Which option do you support?

Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** Poor business case analysis. The demand will be so low that it will need ongoing financial support and should be treated accordingly.

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

No

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**Tell us why** NO idea what they are

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All we require from council is clean streets, proper sewerage treatment, and parks that are looked after. Stop spending money you do not have.

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# 10-year budget 2021/2031

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

Don't know

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?

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:**

## 3. Water quality

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\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

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

Support

**Tell us why:** The library is an important community asset and we need to cherish and support its continuation.

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** Crucial. It's a reality and we must do what we can.

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

**Tell us why:** Again...crucial that we do this.

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**Tell us why:** I would hate to see some smaller community assets disappear. Local is important. Even more so in view of an increase in poverty.

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\$50-\$100

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** People's incomes are not growing by 5% or even 3.5% so it's unrealistic to expect them to pay this much more. Auckland council is also very wasteful and spends a lot of money on unnecessary, frivolous, poorly thought out projects many of which reduce the quality of life rather than increase it. Sort out your expenditure don't tax people more.

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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:** Nothing Auckland or NZ does will have any impact on the world climate. Population control worldwide is the only way to truly improve the environment and all Auckland does is support more and more family initiatives encouraging more people to have more children which undoes any other impact and more. Auckland Council also allows the destruction of reserves and big trees for development in a corrupt manner, and would be much better spending time fixing that issue locally than paying lip service to a world movement.

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

**Tell us why:** The increase in the number of people living in Auckland requires investment in our water infrastructure. This should have been done incrementally over a long time. Because rates are collected from a larger number of people you shouldn't need to increase the rates those people pay to fund this. The income will have increased so use some of that income wisely and invest it in clean water.

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**Tell us why:** Community assets are invaluable especially during a tough world crisis - stop selling the family silver!! You are custodians for the people of Auckland not corrupt dictators !

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I would support the natural environment targeted rate only if it allows a Return to using heat as a weed Control measure instead of toxic weed killer harmful to wildlife and humans.

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### Which option do you support?

Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** Only the people of that area Will know if a bus is valuable enough to them to pay this extra tax

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**Tell us why** I support the investment to improve water quality, particularly within the catchment of the Wairau Estuary

I also support the project to look at flooding at little shoal bay

I support pest free kaipatiki and kaipatiki connections

All of These things will improve the natural environment of our local area for all people and for the long term.

I do not support Investing in Maori connections as I think Amy project targeted at one racial group only is divisive and smacks of an apartheid mentality where we treat people differently because of their race.

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** Auckland's main issue is both the affordability of housing and the range of housing options available. Home ownership is not everything. The ratio of income to housing is not sustainable. If this was the focus of the budget I would support it.

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** We don't have a choice if we want a livable planet.

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## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki Local Board

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The Housing and growth infrastructure proposal is fine, but persisting with the unaffordable home ownership model is clearly not working in Auckland. 4th most unaffordable city in the world. I would like to see Auckland Council leading the way on alternative housing solutions that are affordable and offer security of tenure. Leaving it to the private investment sector has not worked. There are plenty of international examples of public projects that work. Why are we not talking about this instead of letting investors build more?

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Support

Tell us why:

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:**

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**What is your view on this proposal?** Don't know

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#### **Tell us why:**

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No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki 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? I support most priorities**

**Tell us why** Sports facility yes, other stuff NO

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

Support

**Tell us why:** Auckland population is growing at a rapid pace and the City needs to embrace this growth and expand its needs

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**Tell us why:** Need to get rid of diesel buses belching fumes into the atmosphere

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Do not support

**Tell us why:** Bin the cycle way over the bridge as it is only a nice to have and not critical to the city. Leave housing to Central Govt and stop subsidizing South Auckland areas by rates paid in North Shore and Inner City.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Other

**Tell us why:** Libraries' are a wonderful asset to the Community my grand nieces loving visiting their Library and it will be great if the children have the same opportunity even if a small levy is introduced

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**Tell us why:** What about single person owned homes why should we subsidize others?

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Yes

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### Kaipātiki Local Board

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Not long to live so couldn't give a damn.

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Do not support

**Tell us why:** Need to cut costs - suggest freeze work on bike lanes . They are hardly used. Also can the far-fetched cycle path on the harbour bridge

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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:** Don't think it's a local council struggle . No difference will be made by Auckland ratepayers . It's gesture politics but meaningless

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Do not support

Tell us why:

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

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**Tell us why:** A lot of the work you are proposing is "nice to have" and not "need to have". Better water quality is an example of this - people are not dying on our beaches. The water we get from Watercare (when we can get it) is of an excellent quality compared with some I have come across over seas.

Do the things that need to be doing and not the things that may be nice to have in times of plenty. You have a lot of things in your proposals which are warm and fuzzy, but at this time of a major worldwide crisis (COVID), a year or so's hold on "climate change actions" for example would be a good idea. Prioritise.

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**Tell us why:** It is not the time to do anything about this now - wait until we are out of COVID.

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** Households have been badly affected at this time and you cannot possibly expect people to fork out more when so many have lost their jobs and businesses at this time. How are you expecting Aucklanders to pay for this?

## 2. Climate change

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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:** At this time we need to be prudent and spend money where needed most. This can happen over time when the COVID situation has improved and when households can afford to pay more rates, not now

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Other

**Tell us why:** It makes fiscal sense to do this for community buildings but I do not support decreasing the number of libraries, they are vital community service

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\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

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Do not support

**Tell us why:** I don't support the 5% one off raise

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**Tell us why** I don't know that I support the Birkenhead multi-sport facility

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

Support

**Tell us why:** the raters increase is fine but not sure on selling off "surplus" property

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** sooner the move to electric buses the better!!!!

## 3. Water quality

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

**Tell us why:** would make more sense to increase general rates if the money is needed having a targeted rate is just hiding a need for a general raters increase.

## 4. Community investment

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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:** again sounds fine as long as it doesn't reduce access or number of libraries and community centers, would prefer selling off nice assets like golf courses or stop upgrading expensive single use sports fields

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again targeted rates just hide the need for a general rate hike, just raise general rates if needed

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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:** no-one in Albany or Paremoremo takes a bus, so targeting it more widely makes sense as not to punish people living near a bus route they wont use.

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

No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki 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?** I support most priorities

**Tell us why** a number of the priorities like the multi-sport facility at Birkenhead War Memorial Park and addressing flooding and seawater inundation at Little Shoal Bay don't affect me and are only issues for the older wealthy locals.

**With additional regional funding likely to be limited in the 10-year Budget 2021-2031, do you support us investigating options for a future locally targeted rate to contribute towards funding major local projects that are beyond the existing funding available to the local board?**

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

Support

**Tell us why:** I support if the level of salaries for the mayor the councilors and the very top management were culled to get rid of the politics and overpaid ridiculous salaries. Council was meant to reduce these numbers at the top when they became a supercity. NO MEMBER OF PARLIMENT SHOULD EVER BE ALLOWED TO RUN A LOCAL BODY.

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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:** It is just fad of the moment!

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

**Tell us why:** Should not need funding. It is an embarrassment that the Supercity has allowed it to get this bad in so few years. That is why you must not allow Members of Parliament into a local body as they only increase their salaries either financially or by surrounding themselves with excuse makers at a high salary. We no longer have anyone who knows what they are doing and so Auckland is imploding quite quickly! Even this proposal only covers the rich areas of Auckland!

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** Have a look at what happened in Los Angeles with shared services and outsourcing. They ran out of electricity! There is no investment made by private enterprises they only take and never improve. The only things that this so called Council is giving back to ratepayers you are proposing to outsource.

There is no thought for the ratepayers or the future of Auckland. YOU ARE DESTROYING AUCKLAND.

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Yes you can't afford to do any of these things. So no point in even considering them.

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### Which option do you support?

Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** Buy a car it is cheaper. Stop living in cloud cuckoo land. Are there no intelligent people left in the council.

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

No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki 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?** I do not support any priorities

**Tell us why** We have been lumbered with Kaipatiki and we no where near what they consider.

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\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

## 7. What is important to you?

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The most important thing to me is to bring back a forward thinking efficient council who care about the rate payers instead of using buzzwords and overpaying themselves to do so.

You need people who understand finance and economics of you have demonstrated over the last 10 years that you have neither. You are destroying Auckland.

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

Support

Tell us why:

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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:** Global Warming world wide incentive is a money making joke!

## 3. Water quality

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

**Tell us why:** I drink bottled water, more trustworthy.

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**Tell us why:**

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#### **Which option do you support?**

Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** Public Transport is no use to private business owners. You cannot go to and take clients materials on a bus!

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

No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki Local Board

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**Tell us why**

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** Climate change is for China, India and other big polluters to tackle. Too much blah blah for climate change that ordinary workers like me can barely pay rate 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:** Example those lights at Harbour Bridge, should be no lights there as we are wasting energy ---- climate emergency blah blah, SUV 4x4 Council and AT service vehicles --- should be using 1.3 ltr cars etc.

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

**Tell us why:** Too much. We ourselves never receive any salary increases and yet here we go paying for increases left right and center. Supercity was meant to lower rates .

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** Just maintain . Too many highly paid contractors , consultants, staff

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Extending the City Centre Targeted Rate until June 2031 to maintain our investment in upgrading the city centre Do not support

Introducing the Rodney Drainage Targeted Rate on the land in Te Arai and Okahukura that benefits from the stormwater services Do not support

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No support for any rates fees that increase ----- cannot afford it

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#### **Which option do you support?**

Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** No money , cannot afford it

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

No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki 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?** I do not support any priorities

**Tell us why** Cannot afford it

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Commuter and recreational walking and cycling links, such as shared paths, bush tracks and connections to the Northern Pathway (to be prioritised in the update of the Kaipatiki Connections Network Connections Plan) 0

**If we were to introduce a locally targeted rate to contribute towards funding major local projects, how much would you be willing to pay annually on top of your rates bill?**

\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

## 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?**

Traffic getting worse ----- Northcote housing devt. is a choke point that will result in a lot of problems in coming years

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# 10-year budget 2021/2031

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

Support

**Tell us why:** We need to build more infrastructure for Auckland, clean water and beaches, harbour bridge, roads, etc...

## 2. Climate change

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** We must start change now, we cannot wait any longer.

## 3. Water quality

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

**Tell us why:** As above

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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:** Broadly support but think it is still important for communities to have facilities like sports, libraries, etc... that are available for everyone

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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:**

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No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki 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?** I support most priorities

**Tell us why** I think we need to be doing more to protect trees in our local area, Kaipatiki has important native tree areas which could be at risk due to locals cutting them down on properties. If you choose to buy a 'bush' property you need to look after it not cut it down.

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Multi-sport facility and improved aquatic play space at Birkenhead War Memorial park	0
Commuter and recreational walking and cycling links, such as shared paths, bush tracks and connections to the Northern Pathway (to be prioritised in the update of the Kaipatiki Connections Network Connections Plan)	0

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\$150+

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

Don't know

**Tell us why:** Bring back Robbie.

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**Tell us why:**

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**Tell us why:**

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** It is recommended to allocate special funds to improve the work efficiency of government departments and enterprises undertaking government projects. I hope every cent from government should make the best efficient.

The biggest problem in the proposal is that we did not see the ratio of total input to total output, nor did we see the ratio of input to output of each item. Therefore, we do not know the efficiency of the government budget, so there is no way to support or not.

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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:** Responding to climate change is the responsibility of all countries in the world, especially those countries that emit much more carbon dioxide, such as the United States. New Zealand should invest money in persuading and lobbying major countries whose carbon emissions are far below average to reduce their own emissions.

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

**Tell us why:** As a big money collector, is that the salary of the water company of its employees also really high?

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**Tell us why:**

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Don't know

### Tell us why:

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No

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**Tell us why** There should have more community activity equipment.

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\$0-\$50

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Improve the council's approval efficiency for Resource Consent / Building Consent.

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

Support

**Tell us why:** Early intervention is important for continued services. This is subject to returning to 3.5% after 2021/2022 rates period.

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** Climate change is an important issue with all the extra houses been built in Auckland area now. Advanced planning is important. Using sustainable energy for vehicles is prudent.

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

**Tell us why:** Water care charges consumers very high rates. It is a top heavy organisation. Need to make cuts within the organisation to meet any further proposed upgrades.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** Great idea.

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#### **Which option do you support?**

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

**Tell us why:**

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

No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki 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?** I do not support most priorities

**Tell us why**

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

Don't know

**Tell us why:** I currently rent and do not know how rates increase would impact people.

## 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:** If using less fossil fuel in long run better for environment.

## 3. Water quality

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

**Tell us why:** With more housing we need to look after our water quality so it is safe, for people and our environment.

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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?** Don't know

**Tell us why:** Hopefully not closing libraries as some people still need local access if of lower social economic status. They need to be able to access computers, printers.

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**Tell us why:** Bigger area would be able to use service.

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No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki Local Board

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**Tell us why** Most proposals make sense for long term.

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\$0-\$50

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

Support

Tell us why:

## 2. Climate change

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Support the proposed increased investment

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**Tell us why:**

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#### **Which option do you support?**

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

**Tell us why:**

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

No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki Local Board

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**Tell us why**

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\$100-\$150

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More bus lanes, cycle paths and kiwibuild apartments

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Support

**Tell us why:** Infrastructure is necessary

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** Ned to move forward on this issue

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

**Tell us why:** Save taxpayer money

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Support

**Tell us why:** Obviously we need this stuff

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**Tell us why:**

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** A one-off increase to deal with COVID is fine, but the continual increase in rates after that is not justified. The material does not say that the rates will come down after this period, which suggests that the increase will be permanent (until the next increase, of course.)

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:**

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

**Tell us why:**

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** Public libraries are a necessary way to make books available to everyone - including young people, the elderly and those who cannot afford to buy books. I also support parks and other public spaces.

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**Tell us why** The issue that frustrates me the most is the building of townhouses in suburban areas in ways that spoil the area. By this I mean packing so many dwellings onto the properties, building right up to the boundaries, providing little parking for residents, creating crowding in the streets. I understand that we need more housing but I feel that it is being done thoughtlessly, and is being done in a way that makes developers wealthy without creating affordable homes, or homes that people will want to live in long-term. There are also too many of these blocks going up which has a negative effect on neighbourhoods.

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\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

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

Support

**Tell us why:** Infrastructure needs to be prioritized

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** We need to look after the planet for future.

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

**Tell us why:** It's essential that waste water is dealt with appropriately to match population growth and keep everyone healthy and able to swim. North shore beaches should also be included

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** Community facilities are important but I don't think council should spend money on entertainment in parks

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**Tell us why** No need to improve relationship with Maori.

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Infrastructure is very important... especially waste water

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No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki Local Board

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

Support

Tell us why:

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Support the proposed increased investment

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Do not support

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Do not support increased investment

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rates

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

**Tell us why:**

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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

### Upper Harbour 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?** I support most priorities

**Tell us why**

## 7. What is important to you?

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I would like to see a streamlined consenting process for new dwellings to be able to increase housing developments which would increase the number of ratepayers and would mean more people for the public transport. I also would like to see the rezoning of areas which are currently out of development possibilities, eg. golf courses.

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# 10-year budget 2021/2031

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

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?

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:**

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**What is your view on this proposal?** Don't know

**Tell us why:** Not enough information provided, what is the rate now and what are you proposing to increase it to?

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**Tell us why:**

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No

## **6. Local Boards**

### **Kaipātiki Local Board**

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#### **Tell us why**

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\$0-\$50

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

Support

Tell us why:

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** Quicker we move away from fossil fuels the better.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** I want our libraries to continue and be open 7 days a week. They are an essential resource for the community

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**Tell us why:**

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

No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki 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?** I support all priorities

**Tell us why**

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\$100-\$150

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** too much is being spent on 'parks and community' and 'council support' in relation to other activities.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Other

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No

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**Tell us why** There's nothing in the plans about improving the bus network around the Northcote area, particularly around the Northcote shops. The area becomes incredibly congested in the afternoon and buses are forced to repeat sections of the road due to the layout and direction of the bus stops in Northcote shops. It's incredibly inefficient and wastes a lot of the buses time being in traffic. This should be a key area of improvement.

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Support

**Tell us why:** Making sure money is going to the right things.

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** To be honest I think we are too late but it is the biggest fight we have besides Covid.

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

**Tell us why:** Water is a resource we need to treat like "Gold", without it we have nothing! We need to take care of it and get back to being proud of our pure, clean image.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** Libraries are important still as not everyone has access or finances for technology. Books are knowledge and knowledge is power.

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Extending the City Centre Targeted Rate until June 2031 to maintain our investment in upgrading the city centre	Do not support
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#### **Which option do you support?**

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

**Tell us why:** Less cars on the road the better.

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

No

## 6. Local Boards

### [Kaipātiki 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?** I support all priorities

**Tell us why**

**With additional regional funding likely to be limited in the 10-year Budget 2021-2031, do you support us investigating options for a future locally targeted rate to contribute towards funding major local projects that are beyond the existing funding available to the local board?**

**If we were to introduce a locally targeted rate to contribute towards funding major local projects, how would you rank these key initiatives from our 2020 Local Board Plan? (1 = most like to be funded, 3 = least like to be funded)**

Addressing flooding and seawater inundation at Little Shoal Bay, Northcote	1
Multi-sport facility and improved aquatic play space at Birkenhead War Memorial park	0
Commuter and recreational walking and cycling links, such as shared paths, bush tracks and connections to the Northern Pathway (to be prioritised in the update of the Kaipātiki Connections Network Connections Plan)	0

**If we were to introduce a locally targeted rate to contribute towards funding major local projects, how much would you be willing to pay annually on top of your rates bill?**

\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

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

Support

**Tell us why:** Important to deliver key services relied on..

## 2. Climate change

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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:** Climate change is real

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

**Tell us why:** Water is still going to be the one asset regarded as gold!!! Do what ever it costs to give quality water

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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:** Clever, put the box thinking of shared property can be great assets

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Don't know

**Tell us why:** Will have to look at a map of seeing the layout effected

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No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki Local Board

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**Tell us why** One of the most developing areas, close to the city.

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\$0-\$50

## 7. What is important to you?

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Towards safety at the Wharf and growth in area, cameras can be installed, that will make it safer with definite drug deals etc often gathered there. The recent assault and a man's life in danger and previous history lent to these improvements. Every other week, I clean out items as attached etc.

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

Support

Tell us why:

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:**

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:**

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Don't know

#### **Tell us why:**

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No

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#### **Tell us why**

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\$50-\$100

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Support

Tell us why:

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** Our libraries are a valuable asset to the community

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

**Tell us why:** There's constantly ongoing issues with our water resources in Auckland , continued migration of people to Auckland we need to keep up with demand

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** The rates are high enough already ,There must be other ways to finance these projects .

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I don't think rural area should be charged as much as suburban properties , there issues is more about good roads and maintenance

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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:** There's a big difference from the main north shore suburban area to the out skirts of paremoremo and surrounding areas . I understand why the rates are higher in these areas

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

Yes

## **6. Local Boards**

### **Kaipātiki 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?** I support most priorities

**Tell us why** For upkeep and maintenance , I don't support increased rates which are expensive enough

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\$0-\$50

## Whau 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?** I support all priorities

**Tell us why**

### 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?**

I care a great deal about environmental issues , and looking after our parks coastal environments and waterways .  
Maintaining our parks an community buildings .

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

**Tell us why:**

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**Tell us why:**

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### What is your view on this proposal?

**Tell us why:**

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7.2 Removing library late return fines - strongly supported because I have seen first hand the stress caused by the fear of incurring fines. So great the fear that a knee-jerk reaction is sometimes to name, blame and shame family members/organizations (Co

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

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Support

Tell us why:

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:**

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

#### **Tell us why:**

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

Support

**Tell us why:** Using rates as a means of funding is unfair as it does not reflect a persons ability to pay, however given our leader lack of moral compass or moral fibre we must accept this means of funding.

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** I accept the scraps you are throwing us, even though I doubt your resolve.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** the Council is the guardian of the commons, the retention, maintenance etc of them is one of your core roles. I do not believe that this approach delivers value for money as private providers must produce a profit. Take a look t what was achieved in the London Borough of Lewisham under the leadership of Di Bligh better still contact her and ask her what she achieved and find out how. The people of Auckland smell a rat on this.

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The power companies should be fully liable for the cost of tree management around their power lines.

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**Tell us why:** Keep it simple publicly owned public transport free at the point of delivery.

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No

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### [Kaipātiki 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?** I support most priorities

**Tell us why**

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Addressing flooding and seawater inundation at Little Shoal Bay, Northcote	2
Multi-sport facility and improved aquatic play space at Birkenhead War Memorial park	0
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Do not ask me how much I am willing to pay when I will have no choice on the matter.

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Support

**Tell us why:** future proofing infrastructure is most important to protect our way of life. previous investment is not lost as we continue to build.

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**Tell us why:** don't have enough knowledge of this proposal

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Introducing the Rodney Drainage Targeted Rate on the land in Te Arai and Okahukura that benefits from the stormwater services	Do not support

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No

## **6. Local Boards**

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\$50-\$100

## 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?**

Water quality at beaches, Traffic on onewa , wastafe if mobey on more bike lanes tgat are nit even ysed, electric scooters should be ob riad ir cycke janes and banned from footpaths

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

Support

Tell us why:

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Support the proposed increased investment

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**Tell us why:**

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Yes

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki Local Board

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

Support

**Tell us why:** Infrastructure spending needs to be productive and green. Forget about city to airport options. We need a second harbour crossing now! We need to join up cycleways between City and Shore, City and East.

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** Electric buses now! Electric ferries soon - and more wharves and routes! Bike racks on buses. Other cities have all of these.

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

**Tell us why:** We need to make sure the spend on water quality is not focussed out East to the detriment of the inner harbour.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** We do not need to own buildings if our budget doesn't allow it. More important to deliver community services.

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Don't know

**Tell us why:** I dont think the population density is sufficient to fund or subsidise public transport in this area.

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No

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### Kaipātiki 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?** I support most priorities

**Tell us why** Why are we not pushing for construction of the new skypath option? We need to make sure the spend on water quality is not focussed out East to the detriment of the inner harbour. We need to revitalise Birkenhead as well as Northcote shopping areas.

**With additional regional funding likely to be limited in the 10-year Budget 2021-2031, do you support us investigating options for a future locally targeted rate to contribute towards funding major local projects that are beyond the existing funding available to the local board?**

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\$100-\$150

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Private Developers and/or central government should be funding 100% of infrastructure for all new developments, including in both existing and new suburbs. Current ratepayers should only be funding the cost of maintaining, repairing and replacing existing infrastructure.

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

Support

**Tell us why:** as long as there is no more increases

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

Other

**Tell us why:** less diesel buses yes , but no trees for the present time, we are not made of money

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

**Tell us why:** there is more urgent issues than increased rates for water quality in the harbours

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** everything on this bulletin is all about increasing rates, people in Auckland mostly do not get automatic wage increases as do council, so no to increase rates

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agree to charging Vector for tree management

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**Tell us why:** fairer on all

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### **Kaipātiki Local Board**

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**Tell us why** have no idear what is proposed for Kaipatiki

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Support

**Tell us why:** Insufficient investment to date

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** Climate Change related investment is essential

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

**Tell us why:** I am happy to pay any additional rates to achieve these goals

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** Options seem sensible, regenerative investment is crucial to provide new kinds of services and old services in new ways

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Freeloading and crying poverty is very ingrained, but perhaps these measures will even up the funding bases

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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

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### Kaipātiki 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? I support all priorities

Tell us why

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\$100-\$150

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** I have to live on a fixed income and every year I can only pay increases in rates and other Council charges by giving up things like insurance, TV and especially house maintenance. I think "target rates" are very sneaky and merely demonstrate that you are crippling us by using "regular" rates to undertake prestige and vanity projects. I don't question the "climate" expenditure but, despite very low interest rates, you have created a deficit for other things by inefficiency.

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** It is a lot more important than some of your other grand schemes.

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

**Tell us why:** You can't afford to do it without impoverishing many people. It should be a priority but not an excuse to sting the ratepayers yet again.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** This is not the right time and should not involve closing facilities that are the lifeblood of many us. Sharing the responsibility looks like a blatant balance sheet shuffle, leading to outsiders raising prices.

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Don't know

### Tell us why:

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**Tell us why** I'VE WITNESSED NUMEROUS WASTES OF MONEY ROUND HERE

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AS SOMEONE WORKING IN DERIVATIVE MARKETS SINCE 1966, I AM SCANDALISED BY YOUR LOSSES - SAID TO BE MORE THAN A BILLION DOLLARS. THAT'S MORE THAN YOUR 900 MILLION DEFICIT, IS IT NOT?

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** I do not support the increase in rates. People are already struggling and you want to make them struggle more?

## 2. Climate change

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Don't know

**Tell us why:**

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No

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### Kaipātiki Local Board

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#### **Tell us why**

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Do not increase rates any further.

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Do not support

**Tell us why:** the council should not be focusing on addressing the challenges of climate change but on the important core business. less focus on nice things and get on with running the city. cut cost in top management and review all operations and get rid of waste .

Like put up sign/ other items for event christmas, etc.

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

**Tell us why:** find saving in watercare - review all action and get cost under control.

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**Tell us why:** I do not support one because you want people to use bus as it takes traffic off the road. The council should not be giving money to bus company. bus company much run services and if there dont want to do the whole job dont pay them. manage waste at AT

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Support

**Tell us why:** because its only a one off increase of 5%

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:**

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

**Tell us why:**

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** worried that facilities in our local community will be closed down and we will have to travel further.

also, this will put pressure on the facilities that people will be redirected to.

what about staff if sites close down - that's job losses in the community...

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Yes

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**Tell us why** the birkenhead pool is in dire need of improvement. we used to use the new albania facilities before moving to the birkenhead area... we now use this pool as its closer but facilities definitely need an overhaul.

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\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

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Support

Tell us why:

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** This is the biggest challenge facing humanity, Council needs to respond rapidly and appropriately.

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**Tell us why:** Closing vital community facilities helps no-one. People rely on council owning facilities, not just leasing them (a strategy that will inevitably lead to more expensive or non-available services).

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### **Kaipātiki Local Board**

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**Tell us why** Most priorities address major environmental concerns

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\$0-\$50

## 7. What is important to you?

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Trees need to be recognised as strategic assets, given their huge role in ecosystem services. A tree protection rule should be re-instated to protect Auckland's urban forest. This would also help mitigate flooding issues which are likely to become more problematic as housing becomes more dense. At the same time, we need more protection of greenfields land in the Auckland area.

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

Support

**Tell us why:** It's that option or we borrow further funds and end up with a much higher increase in rates at a later date

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** This is a positive proposal - it's the rest of the world who need to change

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** The utilisation of many community areas could be increased by combining services. I realise you will have taken this into consideration, but not all of us want services online and we still need a physical space

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**Tell us why** There are hard times ahead and although we need funding to improve services etc, it's not going to be easy to find the extra money

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**Tell us why:** Makes the most sense long term

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**Tell us why:** Economical

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\$50-\$100

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Housing initiative is incredibly important, followed by City Rail Link. It is ridiculous how difficult it is to both buy and rent at the moment.

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Tell us why:

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Support the proposed increased investment

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**Tell us why:** Support temporary increase, not extension.

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**Tell us why:**

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No

## 6. Local Boards

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\$0-\$50

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** The Govt has had the opportunity to use existing rate contributions and opportunities over many years and decades and has proven to have overlooked critical investment in water and other infrastructure. Now they propose to take more from the ratepayers who were already paying while the funds were misappropriated and wasted and they ask for more. What confidence does the public have that the government will not waste the funds and misappropriate the funds again and the rate increases won't become the status quo for the rest of time?

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** If you do these things and we don't lose something other money elsewhere in order to provide it.

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

**Tell us why:** I am from the North Shore and when we were asked to have a say on the Anzac street carpark redevelopment the locals opposed it and it went ahead anyway due to those from the city and Manukau who wanted the revenue collection disregarding the locals feelings. Shoe on the other foot, why should we now take an interest in protecting their water when our Takapuna Beach has sewerage on it and we are not getting the support we need to fix it.

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**Tell us why:** The Government is going backward. They need to learn to grow their assets and manage them instead of having this uneducated throw-away mentality because they refuse to adapt. The community needs these shared facilities as a place of refuge. We don't all want to live online.

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**Tell us why:** They can advertise properties for rent and sale with these benefits whereas the others further away can not. so they will get something for their money.

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No

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It is important that those who will benefit from the features pay the most in targeted rates. I am happy to support things in my area we benefit from, even if it means paying in some cases, but why should I pay anything toward say a housing development or infrastructure needed to develop areas of Auckland I neither visit nor feel/have any connection to, nor requested or wanted to be developed.

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Other

**Tell us why:** as you say we must make choices .there is a whole string which could save us money and not impact on other things the prime example the bridge attachment, the cost horrific if you want to take your bike to the city from the shore buses could have bike racks front and back at a few thousand dollars saving a huge sum of money .doing things like demolishing two basket ball areas on my local park. cutting the use and costing, it had to be fenced off and two and a

half months later it is still fenced off and we have a full sized basketball court at huge cost which will only be used for casual players, I could keep going on but you see my point

!Lets do things that have to be done, like second harbour crossing, I came to NZ in 1967 they were talking about a second crossing then, they still are, lets get a Korean or Chinese or Spanish or Italian companies involved and get things moving, people will support these IMPORTANT things not cycle ways they can be done later

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Other

**Tell us why:** you have already supplied the solution to the Queen Street valley problem nobody will be using it, half the problem is traffic that is not moving don't make it harder for vehicles to move about the city, allowing so much infill housing does not really solve the problem doubling the amount of housing in streets that were stand alone 70 years ago can not take the extra waste water etc so you are creating more but different problems for the city in this case less is best the amount of extra money needed for the infrastructure is more than the extra money from rates

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

**Tell us why:** covid 19

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Do not support

**Tell us why:** Rates have already been increased excessively (i.e greater than inflation) for several years. AC in addition picks up extra rate rises through capital gains on CVs that are not realised in people's incomes. AC's spending is out of control and needs to be reduced.

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Do not support increased investment

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**Tell us why:** Watercare and its investments have clearly been mismanaged over previous year to find ourselves in this predicament. Fix the governance of Watercare first.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** Close all AC activities that compete with the private sector. Sell their assets. Divert this to other projects that are within the pervue of AC role.

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**Tell us why:** People who use the service should pay for the service.

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No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki Local Board

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**Tell us why** I tried to read the 2020 local plan but it is couched in PC language and is so vague it could mean anything. I do not understand why it is so focused on Maori outcomes. The local area is a multicultural area. A priority should be to improve Onewa Road for cars.

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\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

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There is nothing here about Transport. AT Is out of control and has destroyed Auckland's CBD (where I work). You cannot drive to the city nor cross the city because all the major routes have been deliberately sabotaged by AT to limit traffic to one lane. e.g Karangahape Rd, Quay St. You cannot easily drive from Ponsonby to Parnell - it would take 30 minutes and require a circuitous route. The anti-car philosophy at AT needs to be stopped (and I use public transport every day). The city centre is a construction zone. It will be better with the CRL is finished but until it is stop digging up all the other streets.

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** more cost cutting needed at council headquarters rather than rates rises

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** I have kids so pretty simple really

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

**Tell us why:** get the major polluters paying the extra

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

**Tell us why:**

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

No

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**Tell us why**

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Addressing flooding and seawater inundation at Little Shoal Bay, Northcote	3
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### What is your opinion on the proposed 10-year budget?

Do not support

**Tell us why:** Having once off 5% rate increase is not acceptable to ratepayers & Councils should stick with 3.5% increase. For \$1B shortfall Council should reduce overhead costs especially reduction in highly paid staff, those over \$200K. Dear Councillors,

This is a submission on the Council's 10-Year Budget, Long Term Plan ("LTP").

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.

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

Both rates and water measures will hit my pocket, and the pockets of Aucklanders who can least afford it.

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.

I support the submissions made by the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance, available at [http://www.ratepayers.org.nz/2021\\_ltp\\_submission](http://www.ratepayers.org.nz/2021_ltp_submission).

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** Electric buses will contribute to reduced carbon emissions

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

**Tell us why:** Increased targeted rates will be a great hardship for ratepayers

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** This investment is good for the local communities

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All proposed changes to the rates & charges should be kept to a MINIMIM increase

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**Which option do you support?**

Don't know

**Tell us why:** Rate payers in the area should decide what they want/need

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Strategic assent should be evaluated to ensure that they financially liable & contribute to the Council's coffers

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

Support

**Tell us why:** Delaying just means more paying, later

## 2. Climate change

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** 0 brainer

## 3. Water quality

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

**Tell us why:** I can tell you wai - it is the staff of life

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** Current art and cultural options will absorbed into a myriad of Maori-facing mono-cultural obsessions.

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Why does Council have to 'tree manage' for Vector?

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### Which option do you support?

Don't know

**Tell us why:**

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No

## 6. Local Boards

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**Tell us why** Fix the traffic issue. Fix the traffic issue. Fix the traffic issue.

What for example is a "more meaningful relationship with Maori" - what's currently wrong with it in our area; are we too white, too other, too brown; too colourless?

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Addressing flooding and seawater inundation at Little Shoal Bay, Northcote	2
Multi-sport facility and improved aquatic play space at Birkenhead War Memorial park	0
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### What is your opinion on the proposed 10-year budget?

Other

**Tell us why:** There is no mandate to reduce managerial cost!

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Other

**Tell us why:** Spending without direction is wasteful. You do not state what you are spending on.

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### What is your view on this proposal? Other

**Tell us why:** The root cause is population growth coupled with low/no infrastructure growth to support this. Fix the root cause before adding more stress to infrastructure and resources.

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**Tell us why:** Many council assets are under utilized built in a time when these things added value to communities. Communities are not the same. Liquidate them.

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Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** This is a business venture, do the numbers work? Yes / No?

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**Tell us why** Don't know these priorities

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Support

Tell us why:

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Support

**Tell us why:** We cannot lose or let Auckland libraries decline in anyway. They provide a vital support for the community in education & recreational reading as well as a community hub

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**Tell us why:** We must start acting in a positive way to prevent climate change

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

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Support

Tell us why:

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

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#### **Tell us why**

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**If we were to introduce a locally targeted rate to contribute towards funding major local projects, how much would you be willing to pay annually on top of your rates bill?**

\$0-\$50

## 7. What is important to you?

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I support any rating policy projects that focus on maintaining and improving the natural environment, such as water quality and kauri dieback. I believe that all new developments need to take heed of the environment as a priority and should be made responsible for protecting and enhancing the natural environment and funding to address these should be included in this.

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** Rates are already really high for the city and with house prices and rentals being as high as they are and also having had periods out of work during the past year due to covid will cause a lot of financial stress to a large number of families

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**Tell us why:** Important for the future generations for us to make changes now to reduce climate change and reduce landfill

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

**Tell us why:** Need to improve the water capacity to avoid more droughts and water restrictions over water quality. no point having good quality water if there are restrictions and you cannot use it

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** Leasing is a good idea and also multi use facilities is good as less overheads, especially if the multiuse premise are able to be rented out for private functions/events

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**Tell us why:** Seems fair if they have access to the public service

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**Tell us why** I support work with businesses in the Wairau Valley to better understand their issues and opportunities. however the other elements dont impact me so I dont really support as i don't know enough about the benefits

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\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

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Definitely need to work on more first time buyer housing. I dont know why you dont build more terrace style housing like in the UK

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Narrow roads in new developments ! Stop consenting land for development that does not cater for '2 way traffic flow' when cars are parked on one or both sides of a street.... or invest in painting yellow no parking lines down at least one side of the street (especially on corners).

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Do not support

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

Support

**Tell us why:** Infrastructure needs investment. We can not continue to build houses without addressing infrastructure. Particularly a second harbour crossing.

## 2. Climate change

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** This is an investment in the future.

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

**Tell us why:** I support this but also feel any new developments residential and commercial need to pay more to support rate payers. Also large business needs to pay more.

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**Tell us why:** Council should not own depreciating assets not fit for purpose.

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\$50-\$100

## 7. What is important to you?

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when building new houses please consider the area and the infrastructure. I feel there are so many more cars on the road and parked cars. Primary roads need to be considered like rangatira, waipa, mokoia that are now subject to traffic jams.

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

Other

**Tell us why:** I live in Northcote, a great amount of money has been spent on cycle ways with hardly a soul ever using them. A vanity project that is not going to work on the Greenslade Green, in my opinion a huge waste of money when we should have been much more careful with the budget.

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**Tell us why:** Before money is spent on new buses I think there should be a greater push for more patronage.

I agree with the planting of native trees but I do not agree with the felling of exotics, a tree is a tree and does the same carbon job, they are all treasured, when an exotic dies, certainly replace with a native tree.

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**Tell us why:** I recently had the experience at the Museum library of being told that everything is now done on line, what a nightmare for me, putting my query into someone else's hands, they have no idea of my research and I am not allowed to access the books to do my own research 100% more important than a yacht race.

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**Tell us why** we do not have the money to develop the Birkenhead war memorial park masterplan.

Are the measures for Kauri dieback that are currently being used, working.

Northcote is now such a mess I suppose it has to be finished.

Improved travel to and from school? don't know what is meant by this.

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Do not support

**Tell us why:** To get a constructive input, there is a need to get the annual costs for all the areas covered under the \$31 billion under the 10 year plan. As a civil engineer I know that there many areas where monies are being wasted and areas where innovative solutions can be implemented to save money without affecting the quality of service.

I see with great sadness and anger that under one mega city, Auckland Council, the costs have risen significantly, standards of maintenance works have deteriorated and the rate payers by a large are very unhappy. We were better under separate Councils.

The Staff competency is another area where scrutiny is overdue. If your technical staff with forged qualifications from overseas particularly South Africa, are managing works and departments then there has to be a big question mark on their ability to perform for the betterment of the City.

I have reasons to believe that prior to amalgamation, many engineers from South Africa managed to exaggerate their skills and qualifications with the support of a HR Manager who was also from SA. In fact the HR manager was found to have falsified his own qualifications. He was exposed by another lady staff just before amalgamation forcing him to resign. This was done in order to secure a better position, and better salary.

Perhaps NZ Herald would do a better job in investigating and exposing the truth on Auckland's Technical Staff qualifications and performances.

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

**Tell us why:** Cost of water and water rates are high as it is. Water was cheaper, customer service and future planning was better under separate Councils.

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I believe AC should give rebate on properties owned by older and retired perso

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**Which option do you support?**

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**Tell us why:** Who is going to use the bus? They running empty along the busiest route at the moment.

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Do not support

**Tell us why:** I think the cuts do not go deep enough in our current situation. This budget still has a number of items in it that are nice to have's but are not the most important to do. It seems to me that the answer the council has done here is to pass off the 'hole' to me the ratepayer.

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**Tell us why:** This is a way of getting around increasing rates. All of these targetted rates is dishonest

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:**

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Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** As above targetted rates is a dishonest way to approach the tax we pay living in the city.

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### Kaipātiki Local Board

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I look at the budget and I do not get a good value for money with what is going on here. I also note that these questions have nothing about the new iwi issues that you have mentioned. This is a classic tactic of the counsel in that you only ask questions on things or frame those questions in such a way that gets you the answers you need. How about looking at the budget and taking out items that are not important and saving some money.

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

Do not support

Tell us why:

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### 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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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** Your consolidation of these services simply leaves some local communities without access and focal points. Online is not an option nor is it a replacement for parks, libraries and reserves.

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

Support

**Tell us why:** Much needed Auckland infrastructure and housing issues. Nevertheless rates are high regardless and household income doesn't always increase the way rates and many other utilities rises every years!

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**Tell us why:** Agree with investing in electric and hydrogen buses

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

**Tell us why:** Water charges already increased tremendously in the last few years. Water charges should not increase anymore. Also the issue, we Aucklanders also facing water shortages

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** Good idea to partner with other and reduce carbon footprint and also offer online services

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### Tell us why:

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Support

**Tell us why:** We will have to make the hard choices, but consideration on reduced Rates should be given to pensioners on a fixed income

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

**Tell us why:** Our water reticulation is vital and must be maintained.

## 4. Community investment

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** Libraries and parks must be easily available to Communities

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Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** Bus services should be paid for by users, not residents who do not use the service.

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No

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

Support

**Tell us why:** An increase in the population of the city will inevitably mean higher density housing, all of the items – especially transport and parks will be vital to the future of our most important city.

## 2. Climate change

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** We must prepare for the future

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

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No

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### Kaipātiki Local Board

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**Tell us why** You have outlined some of the big issues our city will face. These are expensive problems – what choice do we really have, other than to support all priorities?

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Do not support

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Support

**Tell us why:** You have to spend on infrastructure, its expensive to do, but more expensive in the long term if you do not.

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** Non Diesel tech is a no brainer in NZ where most of our power is sustainable

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

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**Tell us why:** don't live there

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**Tell us why:** I think that investment in public services is important

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** Climate action is critical to our survival

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Other

**Tell us why:** I think that more distributed smaller facilities provide hubs for community participation and belonging at a neighbourhood level. Aucklanders that need us most have identified that they don't feel comfortable in big "flagship spaces". Rather than consolidating, perhaps it is time to disinvest in big centralised concentrations of resources and invest into grass roots place based support for community participation and neighbourhood level coproduction, which was recommended in the thriving communities report some years ago. This is what The Southern Initiative has done so well but what a lot of community services still don't really do. I suggest we study and learn from those leading community and social innovation practices, and design for distribution and community enablement rather than consolidation which works for council's ledger balance more than communities.

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

Support

**Tell us why:** I can see how declining revenue from other sources impacted by Covid-19 would impact the councils ability to have adequate funding without increasing rates and additional 1.5%. Also I think that Auckland has underfunded in almost all forms of infrastructure in the past and needs sorting.

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**Tell us why:** More and better cycling facilities should also be included in the climate plan if they aren't already.

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Support

Tell us why:

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

Other

**Tell us why:** Infrastructure needs are getting out of hand

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Support the proposed increased investment

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

**Tell us why:** Need more water quality initiatives - it's embarrassing

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**Tell us why:**

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No

## **6. Local Boards**

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**Tell us why**

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\$150+

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Where is the policies on overfishing

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

Support

**Tell us why:** For a faster recovery

## 2. Climate change

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** I found responding to climate change is more important than responding to population growth and infrastructure and housing.

Without nature, clean air, waterways the future generations will have a hard time living on this planet. Even though this might not be an issue within the next 10 years but we have the responsibility to prevent the speed of climate changes for future generations

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### Extending the targeted rate

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### Increasing the targeted rate

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

**Tell us why:** I guess a lot of citizens will have troubles being able to afford too many rate increases

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** libraries, halls, community centers, community houses, arts venues and assets in our parks are important. Suggesting finding sponsors to help with financing the maintenance and keeping current assets intact but not building any more new assets unless there was a financial sponsor behind it would be better than increasing more general rates over time.

The issue is salaries aren't increasing

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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?**

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki Local Board

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**Tell us why**

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Multi-sport facility and improved aquatic play space at Birkenhead War Memorial park	0
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\$50-\$100

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More houses and people = more water is needed.

Issue Climate change

Restriction on water consumption or higher rates for higher use won't fix anything

Before building more houses and overpopulating Auckland and building more and more suburbs and a better infrastructure and taking away beautiful grass fields amazing headland maybe think about new Dams / Water collection facilities being build / Research and investment in Salt Water - Freshwater converter

It's always more more more more because of the growing DEMAND due to evolution / progress and over consumption. This is never going to stop but raising rates without the government pushing employers to also raise salaries will leave the tax ./ rate payer going bankrupt = more homeless seen on the road

General comments:

1. Sky Path - I would like to see the Northern Cycle path going over the bridge

Their have been rumors that the bridge won't be able to function with the current or more traffic in the near future and the bridge apparently has be to retired in the very near future....

Why not making the bridge Public Transport , foot and cycling traffic ONLY once the new harbor crossing is in place?

2. Rewarding commuters / Car Sharing

We need to get more people on Public Transport or Sharing Cars. Too many cars going with only one occupant onto the road.

Instead of paying Camera staff filming the T2 or 3 lanes, Auckland Council should put this money into Free Public Transport from 7 to 9 am or developing more initiatives to help people wanting to car share.

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Do not support

**Tell us why:** Rates are high enough

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

**Tell us why:** Clean water is imperative

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No

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Do not support

**Tell us why:** Honestly we can barely afford the rates as they are now, they should not continue to increase by 3.5%, let alone 5%!!

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Other

**Tell us why:** I care deeply about the environment and definitely want more action to be taken in this regard but with busses isn't where I'd start

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**Tell us why:** Need more information

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** We need to move AWAY from online, not towards it. Communities need connection and to actually know each other and share common interests in person. Multi-use buildings are a great idea though but you need to keep some of the existing special character community facilities that you have and actually let people know what's available to learn and share there - I wouldn't have a clue?

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### Which option do you support?

Don't know

**Tell us why:** I don't know anything about this as it doesn't directly affect me but it doesn't seem fair to charge everyone in an area for a service they won't necessarily use or benefit from

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

No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki 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?** I do not support most priorities

**Tell us why** None of them sound particularly important or essential.

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\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

## 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?**

Honestly I hate all the high density housing and cheap houses being built for people in Auckland. If you can't afford to live in Auckland then you should live elsewhere - certainly low-cost housing should not be built in popular areas especially when infrastructure to support these hundreds of thousands of new people doesn't exist so now you want to charge the people who have worked and scrimped and saved to finally own their own properties to pay for said infrastructure AND reduce the value of their homes in the process - because who wants to live in a street with low cost, high density housing. It's unethical and frustrating.

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

Don't know

**Tell us why:** Whilst I can afford a rates increase, there are many that would struggle with paying more.

## 2. Climate change

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

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**Tell us why:**

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Don't know

#### **Tell us why:**

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No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki 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?** I support most priorities

#### **Tell us why**

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**If we were to introduce a locally targeted rate to contribute towards funding major local projects, how much would you be willing to pay annually on top of your rates bill?**

\$100-\$150

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

Support

Tell us why:

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Don't know

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No

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### Kaipātiki Local Board

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**Tell us why** Seems generally uninspiring from my perspective.

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**Tell us why:**

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No

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### Kaipātiki Local Board

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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**

### **Kaipātiki Local Board**

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Multi-sport facility and improved aquatic play space at Birkenhead War Memorial park	0
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\$50-\$100

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Without this greater use of rates and debt, around \$900 million of much needed investment in Auckland would be delayed from the next three years to later in the decade. This would slow Auckland's recovery, put our services and assets at risk, lose hundreds of millions of dollars in matching government subsidies, and limit our response to our climate and environmental challenges.

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** The council needs to reduce expenditure, not keep asking ratepayers for money. There are too many highly paid employees and consultants working for the council as it is. Other areas like ATEED need to be closed down.

## 2. Climate change

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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?

Do not support increased investment

**Tell us why:** On a global basis, NZ produces very little emissions. Auckland council operations are only a subset of the very small emissions NZ creates. The climate change proposals are a waste of money, the diesel buses need to be used at least until the end of their service life.

## 3. Water quality

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

**Tell us why:** North Shore residents now subsidise the old waste water infrastructure in AK city. I support a specific area targeted rates increase, only in the areas which need to be upgraded.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** If it reduces expenditure then yes.

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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 Paremuremo and Lucas Heights area of the Upper Harbour Local Board

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No

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### **Kaipātiki Local Board**

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**Tell us why** Their priorities are not what the majority want in this area.

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

Don't know

Tell us why:

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** Important action to reduce our environmental impact and preserve Auckland's natural environment for future generations.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Other

**Tell us why:** This proposal would need to make sure everyone still has access to these facilities.

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Don't know

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Support

**Tell us why:** It's crucial that the provision of services and investment of infrastructure suffers as little as possible.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** These types of assets are the heart of a functioning society and need to be protected, even though they may not look profitable on paper. Seeing community assets like these in private hands will only be a disaster. They should not be profit driven. It may reduce Council's footprint but at what cost, and it's just a transfer of carbon footprint, not an actual reduction. Thinking also about the millions spend on the America's Cup.... There are other areas of Council that should / could be contracted before critical public educational assets are sold off.

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Do not support

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#### **Which option do you support?**

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

**Tell us why:**

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

No

## 6. Local Boards

### **Kaipātiki 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?** I do not support most priorities

**Tell us why**

**With additional regional funding likely to be limited in the 10-year Budget 2021-2031, do you support us investigating options for a future locally targeted rate to contribute towards funding major local projects that are beyond the existing funding available to the local board?**

**If we were to introduce a locally targeted rate to contribute towards funding major local projects, how would you rank these key initiatives from our 2020 Local Board Plan? (1 = most like to be funded, 3 = least like to be funded)**

Addressing flooding and seawater inundation at Little Shoal Bay, Northcote	3
Multi-sport facility and improved aquatic play space at Birkenhead War Memorial park	0
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**If we were to introduce a locally targeted rate to contribute towards funding major local projects, how much would you be willing to pay annually on top of your rates bill?**

\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

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# 10-year budget 2021/2031

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** At a time when considerable numbers of ratepayers have lost their jobs and livelihoods or had a significant reduction in their income, it is simply unbelievable that council is considering lumping ratepayers with a 5% rates increase.

## 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?

Do not support increased investment

**Tell us why:** See point 1 above.

## 3. Water quality

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### Extending the targeted rate

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### Increasing the targeted rate

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

**Tell us why:** Providing clean swimmable beaches must be a top priority for the council.

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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:** Rationalisation is an excellent cost-saving mechanism. More resources need to be put into keeping our parks at acceptable standards.

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#### **Tell us why:**

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**Tell us why** Need a greater focus on local parks that are rundown and untidy.

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\$50-\$100

## 7. What is important to you?

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The most important services I want council to deliver are the basics - keeping my local park tidy, weeding roundabouts/roadsides and finishing infrastructure upgrade works punctually. Currently I think the council is failing miserably on the delivery of the hygiene factors that should be prioritised before any major projects are undertaken.

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** I would have support the one-off 5% increase if the next 2-3 years is reduced e.g 2% instead of 3.5%

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:**

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

**Tell us why:**

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**Tell us why:**

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No

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#### **Tell us why**

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\$0-\$50

## 7. What is important to you?

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I do not support selling of the heritage buildings. for housing and growth, if there is limited fund, perhaps focus first to the area where there is already well developed public transport and infrastructure, rather than on area that needed to develop the infrastructure and public transport.

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

Support

**Tell us why:** Council needs money. Rates need to increase. Nothing complicated about it.

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** We need to go even further as climate change is the most important challenge facing our children and grandchildren. Walking, cycling and public transport should be the primary modes of transport. Personal vehicles need to pay for their use of expensive infrastructure. Tolls, parking and carbon costs should reflect the overall cost of driving.

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

**Tell us why:** The water is why we all are here.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** I support, but care must be taken to ensure our communities do not lose a physical 'commons'. Neighbors need a shared place to prevent social unraveling.

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**Tell us why:** Improved public transport helps everyone, not just those in the bus.

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No

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\$150+

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As most: housing affordability. We own, but we recognize the impossibility of many Aucklanders achieving this security. As a community we should help young people to buy their first home. Reduce rates and/or interest rates for those committed to build sustainable and small footprint homes and apartments. Disincentive, i.e. tax!, house flipping. Discourage large homes and loss of permeable ground. End land banking: empty houses and unimproved lots should be penalized.

This city is becoming unlivable for many and the increasing separation between haves and have nots cannot continue without dire consequences.

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** could use the assests to create more wealth and add value added services to increase The model does not have income generating activity

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Do not support increased investment

**Tell us why:** The increase in power needed may have effects on the environment and mining needed to get those assets eg poor countries from Auckland while being positive for Auckland may end up being negative for others

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

**Tell us why:** Water very important

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** Assets to close

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### **Kaipātiki Local Board**

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**Tell us why** Do not agree that Kauri park should be locked and fenced off because of Kauri die back with no plans to open this park and no budget even for a trail

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\$100-\$150

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May need to expand services for increasing population and infrastructures

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

Support

**Tell us why:** We need to spend to address the serious challenges we face in the areas of climate change and housing. We're currently not moving fast enough.

## 2. Climate change

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** We absolutely need to be doing more. The challenge of climate change requires huge transformation of our transport infrastructure and built environment. Also, we need the council to get out of the business of running farms, this land needs to be repurposed for forest and/or housing development.

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

**Tell us why:** The work needs doing. We also need to look at options for central government funding of this key infrastructure and consider making rates more progressive so that those Aucklanders most able to afford it pay their share and the burden of cost doesn't fall too heavily on those least able to afford an increase.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** Some of this is just common sense and responding to changes in people doing more online. It would be sad to see facilities close down so moving to community ownership and public private models makes more sense.

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General rates should be made more progressive so that people at the lower end are not hit hard by a lot of flat charges that are very regressive and punish those on low incomes.

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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:** We need to be finding more public transport than we currently are. Having said that, this service needs to be reviewed after a year or two to see whether it is being used and is value for money for ratepayers.

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

No

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### Kaipātiki 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?** I support all priorities

**Tell us why** I am specifically supportive of the cycling and walking work and would like to see that accelerated in partnership with Auckland Transport. Covid and the climate crisis has seen record numbers of people taking up cycling and the popularity of eBikes is making that a better commuter option but the infrastructure is lagging. Connections from every suburb through to the Northern Pathway spine of the shore should be a top priority. Adding cycle lanes to roads like Sunset and Sunnynook roads is important, currently they are very cycling hostile and the council is just providing free street parking for residents at the expense of cycling and walking which is encouraging more car use and discouraging active modes and more healthy options.

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The council has declared a climate emergency. It needs to start acting to back that up. The balance of spending by Auckland Transport on roads/ cars vs cycleways needs addressing urgently. People can't choose to use low carbon Transport options if the infrastructure doesn't exist.

The climate commission has said that stock levels on farms need to be reduced and there needs to be a progressive shift from agriculture to horticulture. The council currently runs hundreds of hectares of farms on public parkland. People are not asking for this, they are asking for urgent action on climate change and for council to help address a housing crisis. The council needs to stop playing farmer and allocate land in line with the the serious challenges it faces.

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

Support

Tell us why:

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

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** I do not support closing of libraries at all

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**Tell us why:**

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No

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Roads and transport need to be a much higher priority in Kaipatiki - Northcote bears the brunt of road users from all over the North Shore trying to avoid the motorways resulting in congestion and extremely dangerous driving. The need for cameras on Onewa Road shows the road is not fit for purpose. The intersection at Onewa Road and Queen Street needs urgent addressing, with vehicles from both directions sharing a median lane with many near misses. Vehicles regularly drive along the wrong side of the road on Richmond Avenue and Belle Vue Avenue bring to avoid Queen Street. All these areas are where children are walking to primary school. All these problems are symptoms of a system that isn't working.

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

Don't know

**Tell us why:** Auckland is already one of the most expensive cities in the world to live in and the rate increase is going to add more burden to all especially with the salary not going to be increased in the coming year for most. The unrealistic increase in the property price has made it unaffordable for most to buy into a home and the rate increase will be just an increased burden. However, this has been an unusual year for the human race, and the additional pressure on the

councils with the unexpected expenses. My preference will be to cut out non-essential expenditure rather than increasing the rate on people already struggling.

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** Appreciate the efforts on these key issues.

## 3. Water quality

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

**Tell us why:** The proposed increase of 0.12% to clean up the water source is reasonable.

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**Tell us why:**

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### Which option do you support?

Don't know

### Tell us why:

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No

## 6. Local Boards

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### Tell us why

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Multi-sport facility and improved aquatic play space at Birkenhead War Memorial park	0
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\$0-\$50

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Expand Auckland, release more land for home building, increased support for building home to reduce the overall cost of new homes, Improved transportation. We should not be proud of the expensive city / unaffordable city tag the city currently holds.

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Support

Tell us why:

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** We MUST start taking action on this - what ever the cost its less than dealing with the consequences...though it does feel TOO late...

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### What is your opinion on this proposal? Support

**Tell us why:** we do need to cut some services in order to provide others that have more impact.

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water rates in Auckland are ridiculous, we are already paying too much for electricity

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**Tell us why:** this should be under the overall costs of bus services - not for those in that community to have to cover themselves - needs to part of the other funding system that we currently have

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bike tracks, anything that helps reduce our climate change gases, parks and activities for kids, water pollution reduction.

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** Not enough has been done to tighten belts, reduce salaries or headcount. Too many non core spending items. If you have money troubles you need to focus on your core expenses and cut all the peripheral stuff.

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**Tell us why:** We can't afford it at this time and the global impact is below miniscule. Something to prioritize when you get your finances in order.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** Short sighted to get rid of locations and assets which are near impossible to replace. Hibernate them if you have to but disposal is a short term sugar fix. Over time with growing population we will need more things not less.

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**Tell us why:** Forcing people to fund a service they may never use is unfair. User pays if they want it.

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No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki 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?** I do not support most priorities

**Tell us why** The area has some major challenges. Traffic, overcrowded and rundown facilities the list is long and the number one priority on the list is a hui. Ridiculous and this is a time where money is short. Most of the priorities are at best nice to have hardly ones you would focus on when under financial pressure.

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Support

**Tell us why:** Reasonable considering lost income due to blip in economy.

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**Tell us why:** The environment has suffered as a direct result of poor infrastructure.

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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:** If a service is provided people will use it.

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

No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki Local Board

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**Tell us why** We use the cycleways and they have been great. Skypath - where is it?

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**If we were to introduce a locally targeted rate to contribute towards funding major local projects, how much would you be willing to pay annually on top of your rates bill?**

\$150+

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Fit for purpose infrastructure for a livable city

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

Other

**Tell us why:** There appeared no provision for an alternative harbour crossing in view of the aging existing harbour bridge. I am strongly of the opinion that the cycle path project be shelved and the money set aside for that be diverted to a tunnel crossing from the City to Akoranga. I believe this has been costed and has had engineering studies - or designs- to prove that it makes sense for a rail and heavy truck crossing. This would extend the life of the existing bridge.

Work should start with urgency and if practical, use the boring machine after its task of the City Underground project are completed.

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

Other

**Tell us why:** In principal I agree we need to make progress as recommended - but there are other priorities such as the harbour crossing - that in addition to traffic is a vital link for our water and sewerage services

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

**Tell us why:** See above for my submissions.

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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.

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**Tell us why:**

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Don't know

**Tell us why:** As I do not live in that area it is unfair of me to commit those householders to extra costs. The local board should be the ones to canvas the wishes of the affected residents.

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No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki Local Board

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**Tell us why** I am more concerned with traffic management in Onewa Road and the future life of the harbour bridge.

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Please read my earlier submissions

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** Learn to work within your means like everybody else has to, especially in this daring times and when you also propose a stark water fees hike on-top of it all.

## 2. Climate change

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** It should be a no brainer as the effects of Diesel fumes on the environment and human health are known since long.

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

**Tell us why:** Water quality affects all life so is an important issue.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** Community facilities need to stay in focus and expanded as they are the main community meeting places and hubs for personal exchange which is even more important now.

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## 7. What is important to you?

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We need to stop further urbanisation and therefore development on the North Shore as all public systems are stretched to the max, from traffic to water supply and all other issues coming along. Besides cutting down more and more local bush and building ugly tiny homes or high rises will just lead to more problems. Cramming more people into a city is not the answer to grow a society sustainable.

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Do not support

**Tell us why:** cut your salaries first like everyone else has to. take back control of port,

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** support hydrogen in fleet gradually introduced

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

**Tell us why:** cut high salaries first then use money for improvement

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**Tell us why:** use library a lot and already a shared amenity

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

#### **Tell us why:**

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No

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**Tell us why** support pest free and flood plan not others

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Housing should not be allowed in rural garden areas ie pukekohe

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Do not support

Tell us why:

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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:** Any money spent on trying to prevent climate change (as distinct from adapting to it) is a total waste. The current global warming is largely a natural event as the Earth recovers from the Little Ice Age, man's contribution is relatively minor. Trying to control this natural cycle is like trying to control the tides. Even if we accept the lie that climate change is all man made, Auckland could totally shut down and the effect on the Earth's climate would be precisely zero. Auckland Council is engaged in a vanity driven game of internationally competitive virtue signalling using the whole of the city and its inhabitants as a giant semaphore. No one on the Council gives a damn about the lives of ordinary Aucklanders.

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

**Tell us why:** In the late 1990s the North Shore City Council realised that water quality was not up to scratch, in particular the sewage treatment plant was outdated and inefficient. The Council consulted its ratepayers (this was a genuine consultation, not the consult-and-ignore technique favoured by Auckland Council) and gained widespread consent for a targeted rate to upgrade the plant. The money was raised, the job was done, massive improvement. A decade earlier Auckland City Council had the opportunity to similarly upgrade its Victorian era pipes but chose instead to spend the money on the Cath Tizzard monument, commonly known as The Aotea Centre. Could someone please explain why the North Shore should pay again to cover Auckland City Council's vanity projects?

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** Leasing or sharing buildings is probably a good idea but it is totally unacceptable to close community services to save money while squandering a fortune on climate change virtue signalling.

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Don't know

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### Kaipātiki Local Board

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**Tell us why** I particularly support the pest free programme. The more vigorous the better. Cannot see any need for special relationships with Maori. They have exactly the same rights and responsibilities as anyone else, which of course is as it should be.

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\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

## 7. What is important to you?

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Housing and Growth Infrastructure. The Council's financial constraints in any area cannot be taken seriously while it is obsessed with flushing millions past the climate change U-bend.

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# 10-year budget 2021/2031

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

Support

**Tell us why:** As a growing community, Auckland must fund and maintain its facilities and resources through a cohesive plan.

## 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:** We need to act on climate change issues URGENTLY.

However, I have reservations about why it falls to Auckland Council:

1. to buy buses to replace those owned by the bus companies
2. pay for sea walls to protect the assets of wealthy coastal home-owners.

## 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:** For generations, Auckland has skimped on infrastructure. Replacements and improvements are long-overdue.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** Community resources like parks, libraries, sports are important for the sustenance & development of social cohesion. By their very nature, these require very specific facilities/structures. I can see merit in obtaining sponsorship for sports facilities but cutting down on libraries and parks would be a serious loss for many in our community, especially the poor.

Libraries in particular are frequently under-estimated in the services they provide by simply viewing them as a repository for archaic printed content in this "digital age"!!! There is still considerable demand for hard copy and will be for some time to come (again, especially the poor). Libraries provide multiple services to the wider community. I see value in enlarging the range of council & community services provided within a library building to increase efficient space utilisation.

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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:** The expansion of Auckland will generate these needs for some time to come. I support such localities having to pay their way. However, there needs to be a mechanism to remove this targeted rate when sprawl converts the properties to a normal urban area.

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No

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**Tell us why**

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\$100-\$150

## 7. What is important to you?

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I support increased spending on infrastructure and strategic assets. We are cursed by the unwillingness of previous generations to pay for adequate infrastructure. We should not pass this on to future generations.

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

Support

**Tell us why:** Not welcome, but necessary

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** Again, necessary - but for goodness sake lay off things like expensive bike infrastructure for a small minority, and first focus on bread-and-butter projects which will have the most impact on the most people. Later, get onto projects which involve decision makers sitting in meeting rooms and putting time into blue-sky thinking. Look out the window, or better still, meet outside where the reality is on view!! (Yes, my professional background has provided me with all too many experiences of what I have described. Nothing like attending such high level ministry meetings in Wellington, or worse still, just receiving a copy of their latest decisions!! )

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

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** Many of your targets here are at the heart and soul of their local community e.g. local public library. They should be the very LAST target so please keep your eye on their value, not the dollars you think you can save. What is taken is never returned. Prioritise for their value in the healthy life of the community, not your balance sheet.

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My general comment is that what is important here is the HOW, and not so much the WHAT. It is HOW Council follows through, is receptive to, and facilitates, day-to-day feed-back, is prepared to modify if new factors enter the picture etc that really matter

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Don't know

Tell us why:

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No

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**Tell us why** They have their eye on many worthwhile projects which will have long-term impact.

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\$50-\$100

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It would be more effective to focus on fewer proposals, BUT UNLESS THEY ARE THE PROPOSALS THE COMMUNITY SEES AS BEING THE GREATEST VALUE TO THE MOST PEOPLE, it will be just another Council initiative which comes from the meeting room full of 'experts' with big ideas but little understanding of what is truly of most benefit to the people out there in the community.

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

Other

**Tell us why:** I oppose further rate rises. You are rating people out of their homes. LEARN TO BUDGET. If you can't afford to do things then don't do it. Only prioritise the necessities first.

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Do not support increased investment

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Other

**Tell us why:** Only support basic amenities and the upkeep of those. No more high density housing with no garaging. If you want to approve those consents then make sure we have a world class transport system instead of the shambles we have now.

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#### **Which option do you support?**

Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** Will their wages rise too? I don't think so. How do you think people can afford all of this?

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

No

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### Kaipātiki 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?** I do not support most priorities

**Tell us why** I only support the fixing of Little Shoal Bay's flooding issue (as that has been neglected for years). The cycle lanes you put on Queen Street and the speed humps are a complete shambles. Take them out! They are confusing and buses have difficulty getting past cars now and hardly anyone uses these anyway! As for the speed humps - have you actually seen these? Embarrassment.

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\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

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

Support

Tell us why:

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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 don't believe these actions need to be prioritised at this time given it will have no meaningful effect on global climate change and with the rate of advancement in technology there is a good chance that the buses will be effectively obsolete in a very short amount of time.

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

**Tell us why:**

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**Tell us why:**

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

Other

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**What is your view on this proposal? Other**

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## 6. Local Boards

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More climate action!

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Support

**Tell us why:** We've under-invested in our public infrastructure and services for too long and must invest again - would support an even higher rates increase.

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#### **Tell us why:**

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**Tell us why** The prioritises of "addressing flooding and seawater inundation at Little Shoal Bay" and the "multi-sport facility at Birkenhead War Memorial Park" are both massive wastes of money that benefit a tiny number of people in the Local Board area. More equitable uses of funding should be found.

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** Reduce Auckland City Council and CCO spending in ALL areas to match revenue. Do not increase debt and prioritise spend to provide the maximum benefit to rate payers.

If you continue to squeeze the Ratepayer Money Tree you will NOT be re-elected.

## 2. Climate change

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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:** The Flat Earth Society has more credibility than the Climate Alarmist Hoax.

Stop wasting our Money on this foolish virtue rubbish. 🙄

## 3. Water quality

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

**Tell us why:** Independent review to establish:

1. Why have previous Council investments in AKL water quality not been successful?
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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** Makes sense to maximise use of facilities.

Objecting minority pressure groups must not be allowed to prevail.

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Don't know

### Tell us why:

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## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki Local Board

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**Tell us why** Stick to pragmatic and essential protects and ditch the watermelon virtue signalling proposals.

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

Support

**Tell us why:** These are positive improvements but why is there still no solution to Onewa Roads traffic problems, If nothing is going to get done please stop housing densification in this area as its become gridlocked.

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**Tell us why:** We have to progress but: Why "Further investment in Māori-led climate change action." Why not do this for everyone, why are we singling out a Race - racism? Secondly, why is there no incentive for household to add solar to their homes either for the cost of the equipment investment or push the power companies to pay a fair price for power that gets put back into the grid.

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#### **Which option do you support?**

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

**Tell us why:**

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Other

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**Tell us why:** Electric buses would be nice but they are not the biggest payload investment on climate change. Please don't just do the lip service visible stuff that doesn't offend private drivers. Please urgently the obvious steps to discourage private vehicle travel, and to increase alternative modes. Please!

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**Tell us why:** Because it's really important. Can you please make it easier to use composting toilets and grey water solutions in Auckland too?

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### Kaipātiki Local Board

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**Tell us why** It depends what you mean to do about Little Shoal Bay. I would like a MAJOR focus on reducing unnecessary private vehicle traffic. This means (eg) stopping any through traffic at Little Shoal Bay, improving all the neighbourhoods that traffic bypassing Onewa go through. But all and any traffic measures to get people onto buses, bikes, whatever, please.

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\$150+

## 7. What is important to you?

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reducing CO2 emissions, and getting dense housing in the isthmus are vital. Please clean the harbour too. And graduated rates for the most expensive houses in the isthmus - the worst place for big sections.

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

Support

Tell us why:

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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:**

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### Increasing the targeted rate

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

**Tell us why:** pls should increase any rate, if possible reduce no increase

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**Tell us why:**

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Rate change affecting my property:

My address is Gracechurch Drive, its a lifestyle property with a single 3 bedroom dwelling and 2 retired occupants.

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### Which option do you support?

Do not support either option

Tell us why:

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No

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Do not support

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**Tell us why:**

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

Support

**Tell us why:** These are important issues that require financial support.

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** Given that climate change is the biggest challenge humanity will face for the coming decades, it's probably important to make it a priority. Personally, I don't think you are going anywhere near far enough.

Zero emissions does not mean a return to normal. We should be aiming for negative carbon dioxide production - i.e. removing it from the atmosphere.

All power should be renewable, with plenty of reserve planned for the next 30 years at least. Desalination plants should be set up and powered by renewables, all transport (public and private) should be electric/non-fossil fuel, and every citizen and business should be focusing on minimising emissions wherever possible. Wasteful practices (i.e. bitcoin harvesting etc) should be made illegal. I also think that any item imported into or made in NZ should be subject to strict packaging regulations and that cheap disposable plastic items (toys, novelties, electronics) should be banned. There should be a minimum standard for 'repairability' of white goods with subsidised call-outs to encourage repair rather than replacement.

Subsidies for community solar/wind installation should be considered, and alternative energy storage - salt batteries, fly wheels, adiabatic or whatever should be thoroughly explored. No options should be off the table. NZ has a reputation for invention and unorthodox approaches to problem-solving that should be embraced.

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

**Tell us why:** Access to fresh water is going to become a major problem, as is becoming obvious elsewhere in the world. Minimising waste by improving sewerage and piping is vital to conserving fresh water supplies. But this must go hand-in-hand with a plan to provide fresh water for the whole country for the coming 50 - 100 years. Once the snow is all gone, long-term storage of rainwater and desalination (somehow with micro-plastic removal) seems to be common sense. Desalination technology is ripe for updating, being based on very old technology. If we could create enough fresh water to replenish aquifers, fill lakes and reservoirs and even export (!) we would be protecting the future of NZ.

The second issue is one of protecting the marine environment. It is unthinkable that barbaric commercial fishing practices such as bottom trawling be allowed to continue in NZ waters. Protecting our waters from rogue foreign (and native) commercial fishing vessel would give our navy something to do. Active steps must be taken to replant lost sea-grass and shellfish beds to encourage a return to the waters of 50+ years ago. I don't think this would be that difficult with sensible research, teams of willing volunteers and a long term vision.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** Short term leasing always seems like an attractive option to a budget-strapped council. But the reality is that these schemes rarely work. Private companies see the public purse as an easy way to make money (see the UK's public-private NSH hospital partnership for example). They only care about paying their shareholders, not about long term legacy. Maintenance will be minimal, and long term planning is not in their interest.

Do your best to keep what you have. Let local communities have a say in how they fund what they need for the future. Libraries and librarians are the one remaining source of truth in this crazy internet-based world of fake news. Online resources should compliment physical resources, not replace them entirely.

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I don't know enough about it to comment.

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**Which option do you support?**

Don't know

**Tell us why:** I am not affected by this.

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

No

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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 do not support most priorities

**Tell us why** Although these issues are important to the local community, they are generally a bit too focal. Why is so much time being dedicated to Little Shoal Bay and businesses in the Wairau Valley for example?

While I support measures to prevent Kauri die-back, this should be a nationally funded initiative. Any hope of success would require huge amounts of money.

What exactly is "an integrated community" and where is the evidence that it improves the lives of those who live there? On the one hand we are told to celebrate diversity, and on the other we want to integrate everyone. Just focus on maximising education (which is at an appallingly low standard in NZ generally compared with almost any other 'developed' nation), supporting those in need, improving social housing, improving police presence, subsidising the ridiculously overpriced food and supporting those with severe illness or mental health issues. The integration will come with time. No point trying to force it. If you make it a better place to live, then people will want to be part of the community.

(I'm sure that it is more complicated than this, and I probably have no idea of all the issues that you are trying to resolve, but hey, these are just my thoughts. Thanks for taking the time to read them!)

Just to be clear regarding your next questions "funding major local projects", I don't think any of them should be made a priority. Those that live around Little Shoal Bay should contribute to pay for the issues that affect them. A multi-sport thing would be nice, but really, in the grand scheme of things, who cares? (Although a splash pad might be nice for kids.) Obviously commuter routes are important, the traffic throughout Auckland is a disaster, so guess it has to happen. Personally I feel that investment should be focused on improving the lives of the impoverished, providing good quality affordable housing, ensuring everyone has enough to eat, minimising violence, and maximising education.

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\$0-\$50

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No. Although it would be very nice to find out why this country is so ridiculously expensive. Everything costs too much. Food, building materials, transport, housing, everything. Why? Who is making the money? You've all become used to it but it doesn't have to be this way.

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

Support

**Tell us why:** Some 1 has to pay as long as it is spent wisely with

## 2. Climate change

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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.

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** Good idea as long as you keep to it

## 3. Water quality

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

**Tell us why:** There is nothing that shows how the council is addressing the water shortage we have and combating it

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** I guess it has to be done

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Nothing to say

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#### **Which option do you support?**

Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** Is this bus service needed and are the locals are going to use it, if so then I think a targeted rate for those that would use it in the area would be acceptable

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

No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki 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?** I support most priorities

**Tell us why** Other wise we have to catch up later

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**If we were to introduce a locally targeted rate to contribute towards funding major local projects, how much would you be willing to pay annually on top of your rates bill?**

\$50-\$100

## 7. What is important to you?

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Housing

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** The \$1b loss because of covid should not be an extra burden towards rate payers. Surely the government can provide an exception towards matching the government subsidies in this case?

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** Better earlier than later.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:**

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No

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#### **Tell us why**

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Housing and public transportation should be prioritised.

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

Don't know

**Tell us why:** Heavily disagree with targeted rates. Auckland has grown fast and with extra rates collected and new developments I cannot comprehend how council keeps claiming it has no money. I do not trust council at all with our rates money.

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** Agree with future proofing especially about reducing landfill waste

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

**Tell us why:** We are already paying more for water rates than before and I know developments pay significant contributions to council for infrastructure so why have we got all these infrastructure problems and where has this money been spent?

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Disagree with targeted rates this should all be allowed for in existing rates. Need to do a huge overhaul of the council finances.

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#### **Which option do you support?**

Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** Look for any other alternative

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Yes

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**Tell us why** Shoal bay 100% fix infrastructure rather than more cycle ways

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Would love an overhaul and check on council finances. Especially as we were told how much more efficient the super city was meant to be.

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

Support

**Tell us why:** There is no doubt that becoming a Super City, Rail Links Conference Centre Fire America's Cup, to names just a few items, plus every available space being filled with multiple houses incurring high volume use of water has impacted the cost of infrastructure and borrowings, therefore I cannot but support a Rates increase as where else would the money come from. I do think though that Strategic Planning has been weak and the promises made when we became the Super City have had to be flagged. As a Ratepayer I want the basics to be addressed and realise we have to pay for

good pavements, a reliable Transport service, affordable water, clean beaches, modern waste water plants. Keep your eyes off the glamour items which we cannot afford.

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** I believe that anything we can do without putting too much pressure on the Ratepayer regarding Climate Change is worthwhile

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

**Tell us why:** This is a hot topic - I feel that there has been very little strategic planning regarding water in Auckland. The minute a house with a 1/4 acre section is sold planning is giving for a number of dwellings to be built on the site. Every dwelling has a bathroom or two and a laundry. Apartment blocks are rising at a great rate of knots and again this means more water use. I feel strongly that very little planning was done to offset the growth of such building and therefore we now have to pay the price. Thankfully I have invested in my first water tank from water off my roof which has kept my vegie and flower garden looking good all summer and I am about to invest in another. At almost 80 I think this is ridiculous, but necessary to keep my costs down. I also had a letter with my latest account from Watercare explaining why they have to implement the rise in water costs i.e. Council cannot support the company financially as they need. Maybe Watercare should be a private company and have some forward looking staff who could come up with ideas for our future supply. There are lots of good young people out there who could do a better and more innovative job where water and costs are concerned.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal? Do not support**

**Tell us why:** I have lived in my community for the past 42 years. I appreciate the Community Centre and particularly our library. For the past 12 years since retiring I have worked as a volunteer at our local CAB and I know only too well how important these facilities are in my community. I agree that this is not the same in all areas of Auckland and obviously you would need a panel to undertake what is available, what is underused and how the costs stack up before making an empathetic decision. Also I believe strongly in getting the local community involved in any decision when it comes to ending a community facility closing a park etc. The other point I would like to strongly emphasise is that although everyone speaks of "online" I firmly believe that we have moved some things 10 years too early. It is amazing just how many seniors do not have a clue about the digital age. Yes, there are plenty ways to learn - Senior Net does a great job, but if you have not been someone whose role in the workforce did not ask you to use a computer and you have not kept up with smart phones etc, life has become a real worry at times. I still prefer a real physical book to an ebook any day.

## 5. Rating policy

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**Tell us why** I realise that the local boards often have their hands tied when it comes to funding and I am sure at times it feels like a thankless job, particularly when other regions seem to have a lot going for them.

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\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

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Important to me is to live in a city which my grandchildren are going to be proud of. One that has good planning which means has sustainable infrastructure. Does not get carried away with projects that are unaffordable or stupid. A council that listens and realises that not every region in the city is similar. Has an excellent transport service that is up-to-date. And most importantly that people matter.

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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?

Support

**Tell us why:** I appreciate there are many many issues that cost a lot of money, and because I broadly support your priority areas, I will reluctantly support this proposal. The reluctance comes from the fact that due to Covid, our household income has been cut in half through job layoffs, so any and all rises will be felt much more acutely than they were in the years leading up to now. I think there is many more savings yet to be found and realised in nice-to-have

community, arts and culture areas of council, along with some its CCOs like the major events one that use to be called ATEED.

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** We need to become more sustainable as our city and population grows if Auckland is to remain an attractive and successful city.

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

**Tell us why:** It just had to be done doesn't it - we're playing catch up after years of neglect and under investment.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** I think there are a lot of not fit for purpose, run down and shabby properties and facilities of questionable value that should be flicked off while market rates are good, and consolidate into better fit for purpose offerings.

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**Tell us why:** Show us how we have the same access to services / amenities in urban rate zones and I'll be happy to pay the increased rates. But truth is, we don't. This is an absolute money grab, council is lucky covid hit because it's is absolutely poor money management rather than the impact of lockdowns that has driven this increase. It doesn't add up.

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No

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**Tell us why** I'm not sure what's involved in terms of cost and time for a Hui, but I would not support an overly expensive or time consuming engagement activity with just one section of the community when there is a wide range of people, ages and ethnicities to consider. I would support this initiative if it was not an exclusive opportunity for just one section of the community, it did not invite all from the community to be involved if it is a major undertaking and expense. I am surprised that work required to address inundation issues at Little Shoal Bay would be left to Local Board budgets. I would have thought this would come from regional funding for coastally impacted areas as a result of Climate Change. I do not believe solutions for such problems should be funded for such work from a targeted rate on Kaipatiki residents. I would only support this if it was additional money to significantly improve a basic option funded from regional rates. I think priority should be allocated to getting a proper multisport facility at Birkenhead War Memorial Park, and for improving and delivering your Kaipatiki Connections Plan so we have more options for safe, suitable and healthy travel outside of cars and roads across the area, and to the bridge to access for access to SkyPath.

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Support

**Tell us why:** If we delay maintaining things they will only become more expensive to fix, plus we'll be living with them being all shabby.

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I think residences in new development areas should pay higher rates, given that collectively these née communities on the outskirts are putting immense pressure on investment in transport and utility servicing. If developers aren't paying for these costs

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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 Paremuremo 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

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**Tell us why** I'm not convinced that we should invest a great deal in Little Shoal Bay inundation mitigation. I think it would be more sound to create more resilient necessary infrastructure (such as raising the road and pathways) but the more recreational aspects of the area should perhaps just adapt. Some sea level rise is inevitable, so it would be better to accept and adapt to it.

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\$50-\$100

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

**Tell us why:**

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Don't know

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

Support

**Tell us why:** I support the 5% increase, and would support a higher increase, if it will achieve beneficial environmental and social outcomes. I'm concerned at the low budget assigned to Environmental management and regulation (0.1 billion) compared to transport (12 billion). I'm aware transport is a key political issue, but the environment must be prioritised, and funding should reflect this. Transport funding should reflect a preference for active and mass transit modes, to achieve climate goals.

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** We need to punch above our weight, given that we are a developed western country. Auckland holds 1/3 of the country's population, and must be a leader. I support further investment in this space, given its crucial importance. We must supply the required budget to implement the Climate Action Plan, even if it requires a higher investment.

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

**Tell us why:** Support the extension, but would like to see more focus on projects that have a water sensitive design focus e.g. rainwater harvesting, green infrastructure, rain tanks, living roofs, internal grey water recycling. Would also like to see the rate used for projects where the benefits aren't hidden below ground (i.e. grey infrastructure, sewer separations). Would like to see consideration for alternative ways to achieve water quality benefits that aren't sewer separation projects.

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**Tell us why:** Anything like the Rodney Board all expensive and failure

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Tell us why:

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Support

**Tell us why:** Public transport usage data must separate out men and women, as journeys and usage are different. Men typically make more point-to-point journeys from home (suburb) to work (CBD), whereas women - more often carers - need to travel between and around suburbs ('chained' trips). Women are also more likely to use public transport so their specific needs should be catered to. So it's important to consider women's needs as distinct from men's; don't treat the average, or men's needs, as 'standard'.

Investment in public transport is critical to Auckland.

- Climate change (reduced car use, increased public transport use)
- Quality of life (huge impact of sitting in traffic to available time for work, caring and leisure, and on mental health)
- Likelihood of returning to "office" post-Covid will be in line with quality of public transport - and therefore spending.
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**Tell us why:** Support and think we should go harder and further; we are in a climate emergency.

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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:**

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No

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**Tell us why** Improving travel options and infrastructure for all should be a key priority; we need an express route to the CBD from Beach Haven, Birkenhead, etc.

Onewa Rd has long been a problem arterial route during commuting periods.

Couldn't see anything in the local budget specifically relating to the climate change emergency.

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Support

**Tell us why:** it will help in upgrading lots of facilities and services in Auckland and it will support local businesses /shops.

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** it will reduce air pollution since diesel buses will be replaced by electric buses.

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

**Tell us why:** the beaches and coastal areas will be alot cleaner and safer for families /children to enjoy their summers and have picnics /parties or other events.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** libraries , community halls and community houses are important public facilities where people can meet /socialise /pick up resources and participate in other community events .

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removing library late fines -

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Don't know

**Tell us why:** Not in the area, wouldn't use the service, so unable to provide relevant input

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No

## 6. Local Boards

### **Kaipātiki 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?** I support most priorities

**Tell us why** it will help in addressing storm-water /flooding or other issues in local community and build new facilities in the community e.g. sports facility in birkenhead or other areas.

**With additional regional funding likely to be limited in the 10-year Budget 2021-2031, do you support us investigating options for a future locally targeted rate to contribute towards funding major local projects that are beyond the existing funding available to the local board?**

**If we were to introduce a locally targeted rate to contribute towards funding major local projects, how would you rank these key initiatives from our 2020 Local Board Plan? (1 = most like to be funded, 3 = least like to be funded)**

Addressing flooding and seawater inundation at Little Shoal Bay, Northcote	3
Multi-sport facility and improved aquatic play space at Birkenhead War Memorial park	0
Commuter and recreational walking and cycling links, such as shared paths, bush tracks and connections to the Northern Pathway (to be prioritised in the update of the Kaipātiki Connections Network Connections Plan)	0

**If we were to introduce a locally targeted rate to contribute towards funding major local projects, how much would you be willing to pay annually on top of your rates bill?**

\$100-\$150

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heritage buildings are an asset to the community.

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Support

**Tell us why:** Although it's not perfect and there are things that we will miss out on, it looks to me like the budget is the best of the worst. I think you will need to be really careful around the lower income group as many won't be able to afford the tax increase.

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**Tell us why:** If the increased rate is on top of the 5% for the rebuild plan then no, I don't think you should charge us more. If it is included then yes I think that is fine

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**Tell us why** Almost all of these are great, however I am unsure about investing ratepayers money in Art in a time when many residents can't afford to put food on the table.

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This is a hard one. I think that a project like this is something that can absolutely wait. By providing housing you are asking people to move here which makes all the problems we are facing a lot worse. They can't move here if they don't have a place to live, and while Auckland gets back up and running, is that such a bad thing? I think invest into city rail and finish the current Auckland housing projects but don't open those homes up to people who are wanting to move to Auckland yet. House those who are already here and in need.

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** You cannot just keep increasing rates for doing nothing or wasting our money. Auckland increases rate almost every year for the same reason, but do we get pay raise every year? huh? I even don't know what you increase rate for.

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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:** We need to educate our people being aware of climate change not just replacing diesel buses to the electric ones. When it comes to electric vehicles, does anyone think about where it electricity coming from? it doesn't mean electricity wouldn't cause any pollution.

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

**Tell us why:** Do not increase rate for water. Our water is expensive enough.

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**Tell us why:**

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Fuck off, just don't increase any rate.

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Do not support either option

#### **Tell us why:**

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No

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** The only thing Auckland council knows what to do is to increase our rate. But I don't get your promise improvement on facilities & services. What you did and is going to do is over-spending, pay increase on yourself. Not a well-budgeted plan.

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Do not support increased investment

**Tell us why:** Should spend time to educate those wasteful Kiwis instead of spending more and waste more. To conserve energy doesn't mean to switch fissile fuel to electricity only. Where does the electricity come from? What to do with old batteries? Making lots of batteries to use is not really good for our environment.

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**Tell us why:** First reduce the salary expense in Watercare. They aren't doing a good job but still keep high salaries.

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Don't know

**Tell us why:** I don't live in that area and don't use that service so I cannot vouch for them.

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**Tell us why** What I want is a saver living space. There are lots of break-ins (houses & cars) and noisy parties (loud music overnight for several days) in Beach Haven & Birkdale increased in recent years (1-2 years). I want local board to address this issue.

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Need to better plan on traffic jam. New road plan.

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Support

Tell us why:

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** Would support MORE increased investment, would also support a slight transport cost increase in bus fares if it assisted.

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

**Tell us why:** Would support more spending here also, even if it meant an increase in water-care rates, we need to focus on water infrastructure to support new residents, new builds, for YEARS in the future

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

**Tell us why:**

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

Support

**Tell us why:** I am happy to pay the one-off higher rates, as long as I can actively see the money being spent in a way the benefits Aucklanders

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** Climate change is a serious issue, and I will always spend what I can in order to facilitate fixing it. I would like to see more recycling happening, in the form of food waste bin collections.

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**Tell us why:** STOP CLOSING LIBRARIES

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Don't know

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**Tell us why** I live here and want to see improvements

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Other

**Tell us why:** 1. It is an underhand way of increasing next year's rates increase by an absolute 2% higher amount than would have been compounded by a "normal " increase

2. it is onerous, especially on established areas to develop new area's infrastructure.

3. bad timing vis. affordability, a one off surcharge next year would be a more appropriate way to make up for a shortfall of income occurring last year.
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Do not support increased investment

**Tell us why:** increased investment can be deferred, current spend can be better targeted to make gains here

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

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**Tell us why:**

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Don't know

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\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

## 7. What is important to you?

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it is important to me that perfectly good sealed roads stop getting regularly resealed for no apparent reason. Every time i see this my faith that the city is being run properly is degraded a further notch. how can i trust council with big issues if they are stupid enough to be ripped off in plain sight.

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**Tell us why:**

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

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?

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** Climate change poses some of the greatest risks for us all. We have declared a climate emergency but need to do more. We should also support the community to do more

## 3. Water quality

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

**Tell us why:** Water is important but think other environmental priorities need more support, like climate change

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**Tell us why:**

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**Tell us why:** We should encourage public transport options

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Yes

## 6. Local Boards

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**Tell us why** Would like to see more action on the climate. Could their local programmes to help people understand the issues more?

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Would like to see more action on climate change, both supporting every day families to help lower their impact, as well as transport projects like better cycle ways and walking tracks.

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Do not support increased investment

**Tell us why:**

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Need multi sport facility and upgrades to firds

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**Tell us why:** Obviously any money spent on sustainability and cleaner solutions to how things run are great but this investment will need to grow exponentially if we are to meet our targets and avoid runaway climate change.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Other

**Tell us why:** I'm concerned about the continual increase of responsibilities piled onto our librarians who are already badly paid. The public views their jobs as easy but professionally they are expected to be pushing towards Masters Degree level of education. They are paid like they are cleaners but they need to be event planners, customer services reps, life coaches, social workers, book experts, IT help desk for the elderly, childcare experts all rolled into one and now council services providers as well.

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**Tell us why** Not as fussed with the sports facilities upgrade but I strongly support cycle lanes. Having looked at the Kaipātiki Connections Network Plan it's very underwhelming. Given some of the outstanding separated cycleways on the other side of the bridge (Mt Roskill, Onehunga, Waterview, the Western Cycleway, the waterfront etc) it seems visionless. Will we ever have safe cycling infrastructure in Birkdale/Beach Haven/Birkenhead? Birkdale had Auckland's first cycle path in 1903. Surely something more can be done than marking arterial roads with blue and saying that's progress. <https://www.bikeauckland.org.nz/timeline/1903-aucklands-first-cycle-track/>

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\$50-\$100

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We need tree protection again. No one should be able to cut down 50+ year old trees without a good reason

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** I believe that internal savings - particularly the obscene staff numbers and wages in proportion to the population size - should be addressed before the populace are approached with an increased rates demand

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

Other

**Tell us why:** I feel that the full cycle of the purchase, use and eventual inevitable disposal of electric vehicles needs to be revealed and compared, particularly on the eventual environmental impact with the disposal of toxic, redundant equipment that cannot be recycled.

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

**Tell us why:** Far too much emphasis is being put on playing 'catch-up' with various services and facilities due to increased intensity of housing. A hold needs to be made on the expansion of housing to allow infrastructure to catch up and be developed for the future.

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**Tell us why:**

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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
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Put cables underground.....!!

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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

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### Kaipātiki 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? I support most priorities

Tell us why

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If we were to introduce a locally targeted rate to contribute towards funding major local projects, how would you rank these key initiatives from our 2020 Local Board Plan? (1 = most like to be funded, 3 = least like to be funded)

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\$0-\$50

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Please see previous remarks. In addition I feel that far more effort needs to be made in investigating rail expansion rather than busways.

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

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?

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

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

**Tell us why:**

## 4. Community investment

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** It is too vague about what community houses/hubs/centres will remain. What is a well serviced community look like. A library can not serve the community as well as a community hub.

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Don't know

#### **Tell us why:**

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No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki 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?** I do not support most priorities

**Tell us why** Too much focus on the environment

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Support

Tell us why:

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Support the proposed increased investment

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**Tell us why:**

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No

## 6. Local Boards

### **Kaipātiki Local Board**

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**Tell us why**

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Do not support

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

Support

**Tell us why:** the city needs to be modernized, re infrastructure, and needs to be capable of handling the population that will live here in the near future.

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**Tell us why:** we need to learn how to support and improve nature.

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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?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** properly run community centres are crucial in all communities. Don't close council ones unless there are private one's available to replace them .

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Don't know

#### **Tell us why:**

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No

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\$0-\$50

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we seem to be adding houses willy nilly, so please try to keep as much green space as possible.

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# 10-year budget 2021/2031

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

Support

Tell us why:

## 2. Climate change

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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:** We need to do this now.

## 3. Water quality

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### Extending the targeted rate

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### Increasing the targeted rate

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

**Tell us why:**

## 4. Community investment

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Other

**Tell us why:** Insufficient information. Please do not reduce the libraries or turn them into more community centres. It does not always work. A lot of library space is already for community space and so there is less room for reading material. Great Britain is an excellent example that this does not work. And in case you are wondering I am a young person.

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Closure of parks because of Kauri dieback was a political not a scientifically based decision. Get those walking paths open again. Definitely support weed and predator control.

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#### **Which option do you support?**

Do not support either option

#### **Tell us why:**

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No

## **6. Local Boards**

### **Kaipātiki Local Board**

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**Tell us why** What does this mean and how will you know when you have achieve this - develop more meaningful relationships with Māori, starting with a hui in 2021. Agree with initiatives for Little Shoal Bay and Birkenhead. What about cycleways that are not on roads and shared footpaths? North Shore lacks this. Easy to say drive to Orewa.

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\$50-\$100

## 7. What is important to you?

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I do not agree with the intensive housing that has properties build almost to the boundary and the number of dwellings permitted on a piece of land. It is like battery hens. Auckland needs to look at Scandinavian cities with similar sized populations to see how to do things well and in a way that does not create social problems. Stop charging us for trains that we don't have on the North Shore. Bus services have definitely improved.

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

Support

**Tell us why:** Theoretically, I do. However, many property owners and businesses are already struggling financially, so adding a 5% rates increase may be a step too far for a lot of people - it's striking them while they're already down. There seems to be a lot of money wasted on things like the destruction of Queen Street that could have been better spent on some of the strategic items now requiring a rates increase.

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

Other

**Tell us why:** I definitely want less diesel busses on the road. However, I would like more information on how you're proposing to divert more waste from landfill - there is no information on the Key issue 2 page about that. It sounds good but there is nothing to back it up.

## 3. Water quality

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

**Tell us why:** It's shocking to me that we have so many waterways that are polluted - we are a first world country. Whilst the growing population in Auckland puts increased stress on everything, we must protect our environment. My first preference would be to restrict the amount of people moving to Auckland!

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** This is a practical solution without compromising community services.

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For charging the same rates to areas that have "a similar level of service", I think that's a bit off. I'm in an urban zone already, so wouldn't be affected by the change, but I'd be brassed off if I were in, say, Helensville and being charged the same a

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?

Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** Just because someone lives within 500m walking distance to a proposed bus stop, does not mean they will ever catch the bus. Just because someone is located in that area, does not mean they will ever catch the bus.

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No

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**Tell us why** The travel one is the biggest issue - Onewa Road getting 13 camera is absurd. I'd like the Board to work to get that project stopped and put the money into the other issues on the list. We need free-flowing traffic, not cars backed up polluting our air. Unsure why working with Maori is at the top of the list. I am part-Maori, but it doesn't seem like that should be the most pressing item, or an item on the list at all, actually.

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\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

## 7. What is important to you?

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Stop the project to put 13 extra cameras on Onewa Road. We have as much to get into the city as any other Aucklanders and we are being penalised.

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

Support

**Tell us why:** If we pull back investment it is going to cause more issues in the long term. I know it's going to be hard for people and businesses to accept after the impacts of Covid this year but it's still the best thing for the greater good of Auckland.

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** It will help Auckland in the long term to invest in it now. We should be investing in EVs and things to clean and reduce our emissions! I'd also be keen for more investment in EV charging stations around the city and also something to help bring down the cost of EVs as they are the future vs petrol/diesel vehicles. I also think it's great that council wants to invest in solar - this long term will reduce operating costs which is positive and it's good for the environment

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

**Tell us why:** Fix the water we are clean, green NZ and some of our water ways in Auckland are dodgy. I support fixing this problem. Also think they need to sort the water supply after the drought issues we've had it's been ridiculous so glad there a focus on fixing it

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** You could sell up these facilities and use the space for much needed housing instead of wasting money fixing things that are in major disrepair. I do think it's important to still have community facilities as they are important to many communities so I hope it will be done in a way that benefits the people of the areas who use them

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No comments

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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:** Based on what has happened with the northern busway people often drive to the bus station and use buses from there. I think it should probably go wider as here's likely to be a larger pool of people who use it, not just those within 500m

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

No

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**Tell us why** Big proponent on the cycle way it's much needed to connect to the other parts of the shore in a safe way!

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\$150+

## 7. What is important to you?

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Getting the cycle ways sorted it really important to me as my hubby rides his bike to work from Birkdale to north shore hospital and it terrifies me everyday especially the part where he has to go over the motorway as he has to merge back with the traffic. This is especially top of mind after a cyclist dies in Belmont today.

I want to make our area great and am happy to pay for this but I am mindful that we are lucky and in a position to afford it which many people may not be

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** We not seeing where the tax payers money is spent. Environment, climate change i am not seeing any issues with it. Its nature so let the nature handle it.

## 2. Climate change

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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:** Buying diesel buses are just an excuse. Why this was not considered from day 1. Climate change is not something that has happened yesterday. It was always there

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

**Tell us why:** How are theirs world countries supporting themselves with less funds, Nz is far much more better and why is it not able to provide better with what they had. Why does the rates and other cost need to be raised to help support and this is not helping rate payers. Rate payers are not getting any special treatment

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**Tell us why:**

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Why does rates needs to be increased every year. What special treatment are you providing to rate payers? You taking money from rate payers and investing in leisure centers, parks and all that. Have you checked how many rate payers utilizes those stuff. T

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#### **Which option do you support?**

Do not support either option

#### **Tell us why:**

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

No

## 6. Local Boards

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

Support

**Tell us why:** The only point of comparison I have as a home owner is that repairs need to happen eventually, and they cost more the longer you put them off. I have to assume that the same applies to infrastructure, so I support this measure.

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** For entirely selfish reasons - my capital gains will be adversely affected if my property winds up being under the sea level. Obvious sarcasm aside, this just seems like a common sense measure. We only have to look at our trains to see what an incredible difference this could make. And we've been putting off protecting our waterways for too long. It's time to commit to this measure.

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

**Tell us why:** Chipping in \$3.30 to finally get human effluent and garbage out of our harbours seems like a pretty good deal to me. Our waterways are precious, and this will make a huge difference.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** Completely support!!! The thought of not maintaining the assets we already have just seems so short-sighted to me. The community benefits from these resources are immense, and this measure will help us to build more community assets as the city grows, rather than having to spend more to replace what we already have.

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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:** I don't live in this area, but in general, I am in favor of more buses. I am also in favour of these costs being equally distributed amongst all rate payers in a community, because the benefits of buses extend far beyond those who use them (e.g. greater mobility of employees, customers, school students, improved perception of the region leading to increased property values etc.).

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No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki 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?** I support most priorities

**Tell us why** . I'm a big fan of our local board, and I think they generally do fantastic work that serves the interests of our community. But while I support most of these measures, I cannot see the logic of fighting to preserve Little Shoal Bay from the inevitability of sea level rise. The suggestion that this incursion will somehow irrevocably damage the local environment isn't a particularly strong argument, given that we are talking about a lawn at sea level - an artificial monoculture. The ecosystem is evolving in accordance with climate change, and we have to accept this. I'm not suggesting that the reserve be totally abandoned to the sea, but a sensible compromise needs to be reached.

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\$0-\$50

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I want the restriction on dwelling heights in the Whenuapai flight path to be reconsidered. I'm confident that we could safely build 3 storey buildings in this area without endangering anyone, and I think that there are probably more relevant ways to determine how high buildings in our area should be.

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** Your proposals give more power to wasteful public sector - reduce the amount of assets and reduce . Dear Councillors,

This is a submission on the Council's 10-Year Budget, Long Term Plan ("LTP").

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.

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

Both rates and water measures will hit my pocket, and the pockets of Aucklanders who can least afford it.

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.

I support the submissions made by the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance, available at [http://www.ratepayers.org.nz/2021\\_ltp\\_submission](http://www.ratepayers.org.nz/2021_ltp_submission).

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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:** The climate has been changing since the earth was formed - do people on council really think they can make a change - I seriously doubt it - all this is is to give some trumped up petty bureaucrats power to spend other peoples money instead of letting them spend it themselves

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

**Tell us why:** The money that council spends on other wasteful resouces which could be in private hands should be channelled here. Stop all these big salaries, cut back spending, eliminate the living wage, and get back to the basics.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** This is an admission of overspending - why does the council think it's great to build sports stadiums and arts centres and Len's toy railway with tunnels. Sell off all these assets and be done with listening to voters who don't even pay rates.

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This is classic how to make life difficult for people, and sneaky method to increase rates when the mayor elected promised not to increase more than 2%. He is trying to be a socialist empire builder. This is sad.

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**Which option do you support?**

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**Tell us why:** Subsidising transport is a sure way to inefficiencies.

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**Tell us why** This is all namby pamby - making little empires for little people. How can the council direct people to close up parks in Covid Lockdown wasting money on these stupid covid signs and then come up with this garbage.

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\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

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Stop the planning controls which are limiting heights and extent of building in Auckland, and bring back private sector to develop without council restraints. Sell off these "strategic" assets.

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Other

**Tell us why:** I am in a fairly good financial position, but I know that many aucklanders are already struggling financially. I don't see how increasing rates is going to be of any benefit to those people, fact it will out them under more stress. Charities and govt agencies are are already struggling and unable to cope with needs.

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** I think that it is important to do something towards climate change, even if it is small.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** I personally have used community houses, halls, the libraries and recreation centres. They each have their own important part to play in supporting the local community and i don't see how they could be incorporated, as many halls are well booked and the loss of them would mean many groups would have nowhere to meet. The whole idea of community centres is to get people to meet other people, so the idea of "online" does not work at all

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I am unsure about city centre targeted rate, as I have not agreed with some of the so called "upgrades" to parks and other areas, and can't see that money has been well spent so far

Vector rate - that will be passed on to end users in some way, so we will

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#### Which option do you support?

Don't know

#### Tell us why:

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No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki Local Board

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**Tell us why** I think we need to prioritise and ensure local existing facilities are kept up, before thinking about expanding pathways. Anna cycled Anna developing new facilities. beach haven existing ciastak walkway needs weed treatment, not just weed eating and paths needs anti slip wire replacing. Existing park toilets need dryers etc. maintain what we've got!

#### With additional regional funding likely to be limited in the 10-year Budget 2021-2031, do you support us investigating options for a future locally targeted rate to contribute towards funding major local projects that are beyond the existing funding available to the local board?

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\$50-\$100

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I'm concerned about the total lack of consideration about how and where extra housing has been and is being integrated into the community - the buildings are ugly, close to the road, and don't provide enough parking for the actual amount of cars at each property and it's us ratepayers that have to live with extra traffic problems etc

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Support

Tell us why:

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No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki Local Board

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

Don't know

**Tell us why:** Because at the end of the day the rates WILL rise and I'm not an accountant, so any numbers that are put out I suppose that's what it is.

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** I'm all for cleaner greener infrastructure.

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

Support

**Tell us why:** Support the implementation of Te Taruke a Tawhiri- the climate action framework in the LTP to both decarbonise and create more resilient communities. As Parliament and Council has declared, we are experiencing a climate emergency. Our target is to reduce Auckland's emissions to stay within 1.5deg. The ideal time to act was 10+ years ago, the next best time is Now.

As the biggest urban area and population in Aotearoa, Tamaki Makaurau needs to be leading the way. We support the role of Council to

- Facilitate climate action locally at a more urgent rate
- And also as advocate to government for nationwide frameworks, targets, actions -and investment to support them.

We support investment in amplifying the voices of manawhenua, matawaka Maori, rangatahi and being inclusive to all of our communities.

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** In particular, I support:

- Investment in the Iwi Hapū Community Nurseries Network, facilitated by Kaipatiki Project, of 41 nurseries across the region, as one of the critical pieces of infrastructure to support the LTP delivery. We support the proposed nursery in the LTP as part of the Urban Ngahere and Biodiversity goals and request investment is in association with the nurseries network, to achieve local, eco-sourced solutions.
- Investment in Education for Sustainability as an investment for the future- Education is one of the key ways families and communities can be engaged in environmental change. The construction of the long-awaited Kaipatiki Project EnviroHub building is in progress with the support of the local board. Work is underway to partner with Council's Education for Sustainability team to deliver services to schools and communities across the North and regionwide. This area of investment is highly valued by communities and schools and must be prioritised for support.
- Tree protection - Council needs to work constructively with central government to ensure urgent workable protection for mature trees and our urban ngahere, to address increasing pressure from intensification, as demonstrated by the disastrous process in Canal Road, Avondale. This should be a key part of the Urban Ngahere strategy.
- Support for community enterprise and sustainable procurement- advocacy and support for community organisations to grow impacts through growing employment and enterprise.
- Investment in Northwest Wildlink – working together with networks and groups, to create a wildlife corridor from the Gulf Islands through the North Shore and Upper Harbour across to the Waitakere Ranges. This reaches beyond local board boundaries to deliver at the sub-regional level, addressing the Wildlink biodiversity gaps and further engage across our communities.
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**What is your view on this proposal?** Support the extension and the increase

**Tell us why:** Support extending the Water Quality Targeted Rate, as a way to protect our urban waterways, and we ask for further support for community-led action around freshwater.

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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:** It is critical Council invests in this community environmental infrastructure to effect real change. These anchor organisations can realise the potential of community environmental action. We support continuing the Natural Environment Targeted Rate, and the NETR community fund. Everyone can play their part, but that conversation at neighbourhood and individual level cannot be done by Council and government alone. Our most effective channels for behaviour change conversations are family and friends; our local community networks. Organisations such as Kaipatiki Project are expert at leveraging a little investment from Council, to deliver a larger impact – value for money.

For example, Kaipatiki Project partners EcoMatters, to deliver Compost Collective, last year delivering 400 workshops to 6000 people from diverse communities across all Local Board areas, resulting in 522 tonnes of organic waste diverted by households. In Northcote, they are working with partners Panuku, Waste Solutions, Kainga Ora and community stakeholders to deliver on the Iwi manawhenua vision for Para Kore. I support ongoing investment in community-led zero waste programmes, hubs and the resource recovery network as a way to achieve lasting waste minimisation.

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**Tell us why** Kaipatiki Local Board should also prioritise the renewal of Kaipatiki Project Environment centre at 17 Lauderdale Road, Birkenhead, and prioritise continued support of Kaipatiki Project programmes and operational costs towards it's community-led conservation work.

**With additional regional funding likely to be limited in the 10-year Budget 2021-2031, do you support us investigating options for a future locally targeted rate to contribute towards funding major local projects that are beyond the existing funding available to the local board?**

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Support

**Tell us why:** investment in our city is needed

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** climate change initiatives should be the highest priority

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** Community is key to making our city liveable for everyone

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

**Tell us why:** Having public transport in place to support new housing development as it becomes occupied is critical

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No

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\$100-\$150

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Support

**Tell us why:** I think it is clearly outlined that in order for necessary projects such as the Lake Rd improvements to go ahead we need this increase in rates. Being a one off increase I feel it is justified considering the massive losses the city has faced throughout 2020. I think in the end, the potential for investment in projects and initiatives outlined is as highly positive prospect that I would hope the public could get behind.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal? Support**

**Tell us why:** I really support the idea of focussing funds into the areas of highest priority, as I don't see a need for these to be invested so heavily in communities where adequate facilities and services already exists. New parks popping up around the north shore really don't seem like the best use of council money, so it is nice to see a proposal to move these funds into areas where such projects are really needed.

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Do not support

**Tell us why:** Your focus should firstly be on the harbour bridge - building another crossing sooner rather than later. Secondly, water structure should be maintained and updated. Wait another 10 years before investing in electric vehicles/buses. Give your citizens a break - do not increase the rates when the economy/people suffer with the Covid19 scare. 5%?! No way. This is the most challenging financial times for all of us rate payers and businesses. You can do

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**Tell us why:** Electric buses are not an option: Emissions from the manufacturing of a lithium-nickel-manganese-cobalt-oxide battery alone were estimated to be 3.2 tonnes. If the vehicle life is assumed to be 150,000 kilometres, emissions from the manufacturing phase of an electric car are higher than for fossil-fuelled cars.

## 3. Water quality

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### **Extending the targeted rate**

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

**Tell us why:** Rather use funds on water quality and leave the diesel buses as they are, for the next 10 years.

## 4. Community investment

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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?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** Keep the existing newest libraries and other facilities, closing the oldest libraries and providing the mobile library to the elderly. Keep on maintaining road surfaces like you do. That is a positive. Again: the harbour bridge should be your main focus.

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

1. Stop spending money on poison to control weed. Those weeds also have an important role in nature.
2. No comment
3. Do not tax our farmers, for goodness sake. They already get a rough deal from nature to survive - dry seasons etc. Farms produce our

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?

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:** Good idea

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

No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki 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?** I support most priorities

**Tell us why** We need to work together as a community to control weeds - without using poisons. Make it affordable to rent rat traps to reduce rat infestations.

**With additional regional funding likely to be limited in the 10-year Budget 2021-2031, do you support us investigating options for a future locally targeted rate to contribute towards funding major local projects that are beyond the existing funding available to the local board?**

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**If we were to introduce a locally targeted rate to contribute towards funding major local projects, how much would you be willing to pay annually on top of your rates bill?**

\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

## 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?**

No comment

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

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?

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:**

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:**

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#### **Which option do you support?**

Don't know

#### **Tell us why:**

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No

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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**

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\$0-\$50

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** It's past time the Council became accountable for their overall expenditure. They need to concentrate on core true Council responsibilities rather than fingers in areas of no relevance to a real Council.

## 2. Climate change

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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:** This should be a Central Govt role.

## 3. Water quality

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

**Tell us why:** Why should we pay for Council/Watercare past & current poor performance. Again cut the cloth in other non Council related areas to pay for the likes of this.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** Again I repeat, this is a core Council job. STOP spending in other areas to pay for true Council work.

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If the tree management programme wasn't so poorly run we might be more included to support it!

My comments are very much the same across the board. Budget, stick to Council core services and improve productivity for ALL staff & contractors.

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### Which option do you support?

Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** Why should any group be singled out.

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

No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki Local Board

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**Tell us why** Little Shoal Bay is in desperate need of work to preserve.

Pest free Kaipatiki & working with business (not only in Wairau Valley) are good but the rest should be in the "if we can afford it after core services paid for" category

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Council should not be involved in Housing, that is for Central Govt. Growth infrastructure needs business involvement as to date Council employees and/or contractors have not demonstrated their competence.

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Do not support

**Tell us why:** Council need to be held to account and reduce spending on non Council related things rather continually increase rates.

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

**Tell us why:** Aucklanders should not have to bear the cost of current and past poor performance by Council & Watercare. Again cut your cloth in non Council related areas to pay for the important issues.

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

Just a money grabbing exercise. If the tree management programme was carried out properly in the first place it wouldn't cost as much and why pick on Accommodation Providers? Surely we need them for the merry go round of tourism

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?**

Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** Why should one segment of society pay for services offered to everyone else.

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

No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki 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?** I support most priorities

**Tell us why** I only support the Little Shoal Bay & Kaipatiki Pest control. The rest are "nice to have's" which we can't afford.

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Housing is a Central Govt issue not Council. Council need to work with Central Govt to provide the infrastructure which doesn't appear to be happening now.

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

Support

**Tell us why:** Auckland's infrastructure is crumbling and needs urgent and sustained investment.. The amount proposed is too low - it should be a 7% increase or so each year. Failing this, this proposal with the additional 5% rates rise is good.

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** The information relating to this question is incorrect. Neither Auckland Council or Auckland Transport owns any busses. All busses are bought by the bus companies (NZ Bus etc.)

Regardless, the level of investment here is too low. Significant further investment is needed around adaptation to sea level rise. Significant funding is needed to support farmers and landowners to reforest areas (far in excess of the 2 million trees.)

Council needs to embrace and enact the recommendations provided by the C40 panel and commit to real emissions reduction.

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### Which option do you support?

Don't know

### Tell us why:

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No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki 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?** I support all priorities

**Tell us why** The board does not have a proposed solution for the issues at Little Shoal Bay or the Birkenhead War Memorial Park. Masterplans - and the associated design work and costings - has not been completed for these projects. Until a plan has been designed and costed, it is not fair to put a targeted rate in place. The board is advocating getting an arbitrary amount of funding for undefined outcomes.

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** Council needs to cut back on non-essential spends, rather than hit those of us on fixed pensions that are not going up as fast as the rates. There is hardly any department that could not slash internal spending by at least 10% from improved efficiency. Why repaint the white lines and/or resurface smooth quiet roads in our area for example?

Why try and 'beautify' Hurstmere Rd for example? Delay these sorts of projects until we can afford them.

We have to live within our reducing income. The council has to do the same.

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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:** Climate change has always happened. Human impact is minimal. By slowing down the traffic and creating traffic queues, instead of getting traffic flowing, you are increasing pollution.

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

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**Tell us why:**

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Why not consider the poll tax? We pay the same rates as the house opposite with 11 adults living in it. Is that fair?

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### Which option do you support?

Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** Personal transport available 24/7.

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No

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**Tell us why**

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We are part of Greater Auckland. Either we run as separate Councils or we don't. Council do not seem to want to listen to our views anyway. (Selling ANZAC St Car park for example.) Why spend \$1m on Zion park - that no one ever uses anyway? It looks a total shambles anyway.

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Support

**Tell us why:** Rates should be higher like other councils, get things done!! Do 10%.

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**Tell us why:** We need more climate action now!! More cycleways too.

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#### **Which option do you support?**

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

**Tell us why:**

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

Other

**Tell us why:** The budget affects many areas that I do not know, so answering this wide question would be meaningless.

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Other

**Tell us why:** The whole infrastructure and public transport strategy needs to be revisited in light of the EV revolution that is all but upon us.

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### What is your view on this proposal? Other

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** Because council should rain in its money wasting issues first.

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Do not support increased investment

**Tell us why:**

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### Kaipātiki Local Board

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** 5% increase is too high especially considering many households are struggling due to Covid. Focus on key issues and use money more wisely.

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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:** Support a small increase. Planting trees is good but will not solve the problem.

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**Tell us why:** We all value the coastal environment and therefore begrudgingly support the targeted rate. I do not support increasing the rate to fix past council mistakes.

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Don't know

**Tell us why:** N/A to me.

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No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki Local Board

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**Tell us why** Don't be racist we are all one people.

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Pay staff a fair wage to ensure you attract competent staff. Better explain what the Auckland Unitary Plan enables.

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**Tell us why** We can't afford it ,we have cut back on our extravagant spending .

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Do not support

**Tell us why:** Using Covid as an excuse to hike the rates up again is mean spirited. The ratepayers and communities are suffering enough in each household. Cut back on staff, stop paying ridiculous salaries. Hire contractors on performance based contracts so the work they are contracted to do gets done - Ventia is a case in point.

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Do not support increased investment

**Tell us why:** If you put the increased investment into infrastructure then some of the climate change issues would reduce. By all means plant the trees but somehow I doubt you will. STOP intensification and some of the issues will resolve themselves or at least give us time to catch up

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

**Tell us why:** Water quality has a direct relation to infrastructure which in turn has a direct correlation to intensification. Make the developers pay higher contributions and ENSURE the contributions collected in each Board are spent in those areas. We used to pay/get charged water on a quarterly basis. What I paid quarterly is now what I pay monthly. STOP paying the people at the top such stupid salaries for ZERO achievement. You cannot keep adding targeted increases to rates to cover mismanagement and wasteful spending

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Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** These ratepayers are entitled to a transport network and should not have to be made to pay separately for a bus service. Once that land is rezoned as it will be with the city spreading out then rates revenue will increase

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

No

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### **Kaipātiki Local Board**

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**Tell us why** We have already spent a considerable amount of money on the War Memorial Park with little to show for it. The same applies to kauri dieback.

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\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

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Stop intensification - it is creating more problems than it is fixing and only the developers are winning. Grow the city out and create satellite cities where roading and rail can be put in as part of the infrastructure.

Contributions from developers should be funneled back to each Board and spent in the collection area.

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Tell us why:

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Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:**

## 3. Water quality

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**Tell us why:**

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No

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### Kaipātiki Local Board

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

Support

**Tell us why:** So long as the One off 5% 2021/22 then a return to 3.5% is for real.. Council has a record of changing its mind and doing something else. Then it loses ratepayers trust.

## 2. Climate change

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** Auckland and across NZ we need to do more to reduce emissions. Bus transport alone is not enough. Transport contributes 40% to Auckland's gas emissions.

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

**Tell us why:** Too many targeted projects, increase rates across Auckland. Many ratepayers are on fixed incomes .. individuals are struggling post Covid also.. not just the Council.. how to pay for targeted rates increase is crippling for some.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Other

**Tell us why:** Libraries should be fully supported by AC rates. Some tired, under used community rooms or buildings could be sold or co-ordinated to shared use. However if the land or buildings have previously been donated to AC by private families for community use then that MUST be respected in any decisions.

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Don't know

### Tell us why:

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No

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

**Tell us why:** Need to reclaim our harbour and water quality. Sort out effluent run-off!

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**Tell us why:**

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** Climate change is an issue, all of us want to continue enjoying the privileges that our planet gives us. More investment in fossil fuel free travel is needed, on our roads, in our skies and on our oceans. A shift in gaining satisfaction from materialism, which drives needless consumerism to reuniting satisfaction with our connection with the planet is what is needed. There is research evidence to significantly support the above examples.

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**Tell us why:** Our most precious resource and nature's most precious resource. What right do we have to deny equality to the other life that inhabit this planet. Plus I don't want to swim at my local beaches in my own excrement and I don't feel marine life should have to either. There are many innovative methods being used in a sustainable and restorative way in Europe. Including, grey water recycling, human excrement used as fuel or renewable energy. We have the knowledge in the world to make this happen.

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**Tell us why:**

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** To the MAYOR. I do not support your budget and proposal to increase from 3.5% to 5% You have ignored lots of possible areas of cost-cutting as well as the various costs imposed on people via the targeted rates!

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** I support increased expenditure provided it is for the measures described and is not largely spent on consultants and external advisers

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### What is your view on this proposal? Other

**Tell us why:** On the grounds of equity I believe that this targeted rate should be applied ONLY to the ratepayers within the boundary of the former Auckland City Council. As formerly the richest of the then Local Authorities, it persisted in leaving its combined stormwater/sewerage system in place over many decades which has meant awful pollution of inner Harbour beaches and health problems for some people. Other councils carried out their duties properly. The consequences of ACC's inaction

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

Support

**Tell us why:** Need to be able to progress in divisive times as long as there is a diverse spectrum of inputs then most should be able to compromise on important issues. Like congestion, overflows, shortages and so on.

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Other

**Tell us why:** We need to have a great public debate with chosen champion scientists from all backgrounds before we can know what this extra debt will add up to. Should we start building the sea walls now? I still haven't seen my beach sea level change in 3decades except less shell fish and crabs for example...

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**Tell us why:** It's obvious we need to keep on top of cleaning our Harbour. Cross contamination in stormwater ends up in the sea, food for the mangroves.

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APTR:

Thank you for your letter outlining all options.

We would like to give our honest feedback.

1. Our accommodation business has suffered a "LOT" and is at the point of collapse.
2. Wage rates have gone up so as other mandatory costs such as Rates, w

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22 February 2021

Dear Sir/Madam,

Assessment Number: 12342067776

### Options for setting the Accommodation Provider Targeted Rate in 2021/22

As part of the 10-year Budget 2021-2031, we are consulting on a potential change to the Accommodation Provider Targeted Rate (APTR) charged to your property.

The APTR is a rate paid by owners of properties such as motels, hotels and Airbnb properties. It seeks to recover a fair proportion of visitor attraction and major events spending, by council-controlled organisation Auckland Unlimited, from accommodation providers.

In the Emergency Budget 2020/2021, we reduced spending on visitor attraction and major events and suspended the APTR until 31 March 2021, as a result of the disruption caused by COVID-19. We do not know how long the disruption will continue and this may impact on the focus and amount that Auckland Council spends on the visitor attraction, major events, and destination marketing activity.

Auckland Council are proposing three options for the reinstatement of the APTR:

Option one: (Status quo)	<b>Resume the APTR as currently planned from 1 April 2021</b> (this will show on rates invoices from May 2021). This will raise around \$14.2 million in 2021/2022 to help support \$29 million of spending on visitor attraction, major events and destination marketing activity. The financial projections included in our draft 10-Year Budget 2021-2031 are based on this status quo option.
Option two:	<b>Reinstate the APTR from 1 January 2022.</b> This will reduce the APTR revenue to around \$7.2 million in 2021/2022 and lower spending on visitor attraction, major events, and destination marketing activity to around \$21.8 million in 2021/2022.
Option three	<b>Reinstate the APTR from 1 July 2022</b> and lower spending on visitor attraction, major events, and destination marketing activity to around \$14.5 million in 2021/2022.

Depending on developments in the visitor economy, the council may consider an intermediate option within the parameters of the options set out above

### **Further information and ways to have your say**

An overview of this proposal, along with the other matters we are consulting on, is included in the 10-year Budget 2021-2031 Consultation Document. Further detail and analysis can be found in the Section 7.10 of the Supporting Information. Both documents, along with feedback forms are available at [akhaveyoursay.nz/recoverybudget](https://akhaveyoursay.nz/recoverybudget), at our service centres, libraries and local board offices or by calling 09301 0101.

You can also visit [akhaveyoursay.nz/ratesguide](https://akhaveyoursay.nz/ratesguide) to find out how proposals in the 10-year Budget 2021-2031 may impact your rates from 1 July 2021.

As you are affected by this proposal we are asking for your views before we make a final decision. You can provide your feedback online, at the address above, or by obtaining a feedback form at one of the locations detailed above.

Please enter your feedback in the Rating Policy proposals feedback section and please ensure your feedback reaches us **before noon, 22 March 2021**.

Have your say events are also being run across the region. Check [akhaveyoursay.nz/recoverybudget](https://akhaveyoursay.nz/recoverybudget) for events in your area.

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Yours sincerely

**Andrew Duncan**  
**Manager Financial Policy**



# 10-year budget 2021/2031

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Yes

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**Tell us why:** Critical to start to reduce the impact on the Hauraki Gulf. Make moves outlined in Seachange to protect some areas from fishing and trawling

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Totally support all environmental aims

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

Don't know

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?

Do not support increased investment

**Tell us why:**

## 3. Water quality

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

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**Tell us why:**

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#### **Tell us why:**

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No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki Local Board

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

Support

Tell us why:

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Support the proposed increased investment

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#### **Which option do you support?**

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**Tell us why:**

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No

## 6. Local Boards

### **Kaipātiki Local Board**

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Support

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** It is ridiculous to propose a council plant nursery when there are already community initiatives and private businesses who could fulfil that need

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In terms of urban rating - have you checked to ensure this will not disadvantage renters in the communities currently not on urban rates?

I would be disappointed if Vector were allowed to pass this cost on to customers

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### Which option do you support?

Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** All of Auckland should pay for this bus service

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No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki Local Board

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**Tell us why** There are much higher priorities in this area including linking cycle and walking tracks and unlocking unused areas of reserve and bushland.

I do not agree with the Birkenhead War Memorial Park masterplan. I would want full consultation on this before it is implemented.

I do not support the move of the museum or the resource centre.

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Do not support

**Tell us why:** You are trying to put rates up 5 percent , you have just given yourselves a 2 percent pay rise ????????

We can not afford higher rates

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

**Tell us why:** How much do you pay the Ceo to run this company ?

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Do not support either option

Tell us why:

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

Yes

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Tell us why

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** Wasting money on bike ways

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

Support

**Tell us why:** We can't afford to back off from the right investments in infrastructure whilst growing so fast

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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:** Support landfill proposals but not 100% on replacement of buses and native tree planting which could be funded via partnership with charities

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

**Tell us why:** Key area we need investment as poor water quality impact broader economy as poor quality would severely impact NZ green marketable image overseas. As well as the environmental and health impacts locally

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**Tell us why:**

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**Tell us why:** Should be user pays system. Why should people that don't use this transport be charged for it

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No

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### Kaipātiki Local Board

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**Tell us why** Think they are well focused and prioritised, selecting the issues that are important to local community and why we love living in Kaipatiki area.

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\$100-\$150

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There is significant overspend from poor planning in areas such as Northcote currently. These projects need to be managed properly and then wouldn't require such hard decisions to be made. As an example we have witnessed roads in northcote development being dug up and relayed no less than 4 times due to mislaying of correct pipe infrastructure! On top of this many road projects in the area seem to be run very inefficiently. Get management of these projects correct, and you'll be able to afford more. A business would not be accepted to run so inefficiently so why should you be wasting our money in this way

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** Too much spent on city centre

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** Need to plant more trees and clean rivers and creeks.

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

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**Tell us why:** Support Libraries and arts venues

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**Tell us why:**

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

Support

**Tell us why:** Can't continue to defer investment.

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

Don't know

**Tell us why:** I don't know enough to comment. In general, I support addressing climate change, but I'm unsure of the most effective ways to do so.

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**What is your view on this proposal?** Don't know

**Tell us why:** Unsure of the council vs Watercare remit here. I, like I suspect a lot of others, dislike and distrust CCOs.

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**Tell us why:**

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**Tell us why** Unsure of the priorities - I have not engaged.

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

Other

**Tell us why:** I do not trust AC to understand the difference between essential and frill.

I can accept a one off 5% only if it goes to core services. e.g. fix footpaths before building the Skypath

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Do not support increased investment

**Tell us why:** Again. Think seriously. Surely electric buses are a given; why would y even consider more diesel ones? e.g. We compost already so neither want nor need another wheelie bin

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

**Tell us why:** As North Shore residents we having been paying for water for decades. But other parts of Auckland don't. And you overpay executives. And you manage to get us into a shortage. Why would we trust you to do the right thing with more of our money?

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** Just another way of ruining communities. Don't throw away parks and libraries and community group facilities. With greater housing density they are even more important.

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Jeez!!!

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Don't know

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**Tell us why** I realise the AC has abandoned Little Shoal Bay and its flat land. Just another example of the centre ignoring its responsibilities.

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The Libraries are a fantastic resource as are the playgrounds and recreational areas

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

Support

**Tell us why:** Because our local rohe has become very polluted. Especially our waterways

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Support the proposed increased investment

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**Tell us why:** Delays are acceptable considering covid

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**Tell us why:** Delay due to covid and technology improvements coming to electric vehicle technology

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

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#### **Which option do you support?**

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

**Tell us why:**

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

No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki 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?** I support all priorities

**Tell us why**

**With additional regional funding likely to be limited in the 10-year Budget 2021-2031, do you support us investigating options for a future locally targeted rate to contribute towards funding major local projects that are beyond the existing funding available to the local board?**

**If we were to introduce a locally targeted rate to contribute towards funding major local projects, how would you rank these key initiatives from our 2020 Local Board Plan? (1 = most like to be funded, 3 = least like to be funded)**

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Commuter and recreational walking and cycling links, such as shared paths, bush tracks and connections to the Northern Pathway (to be prioritised in the update of the Kaipatiki Connections Network Connections Plan)	0

**If we were to introduce a locally targeted rate to contribute towards funding major local projects, how much would you be willing to pay annually on top of your rates bill?**

\$0-\$50

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# 10-year budget 2021/2031

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

Support

**Tell us why:** Auckland needs to get up to a workable level to keep the city at the level it should be at to make it the best liveable city.

## 2. Climate change

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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?

Do not support increased investment

**Tell us why:** It would make very little difference to climate change

## 3. Water quality

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We are proposing to extend the Water Quality Targeted Rate until June 2031.

### Extending the targeted rate

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

**Tell us why:** We all need quality water

## 4. Community investment

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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:** A good cost saving move

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Do not support either option

#### **Tell us why:**

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

No

## 6. Local Boards

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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**

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

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?

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:**

## 3. Water quality

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

**Tell us why:**

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:**

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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

### Kaipātiki 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? I support most priorities

**Tell us why** Little Shoal Bay should be written off. It is reclaimed land and in line with climate change predictions, will return to the sea unless enormous amounts of money are spent on it.

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\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

## 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?**

The most important thing to me is that the planned upgrade of Chatswood Reserve tracks goes ahead. This is an area of immense ecological importance. Currently tracks are closed due to no kauri dieback preventative steps being taken. Other tracks are in dangerous conditions of disrepair.

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** You need to cut your overall expenditure and concentrate on essential basic infrastructure.

## 2. Climate change

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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:** Your priority needs to be to get debt and rate rises under control, and to provide basic infrastructure and services.

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

**Tell us why:** You should find areas to cut costs. Staff numbers and wage levels should be cut, as should all non-essential expenditure.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** Consolidating the number of facilities that need to be maintained is a great idea. Just be sure that you don't replace these with more vanity projects until rate increases and debt levels are much lower than current levels.

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**Tell us why:** Put simply, rates (and debt) are too high already. You must live within your means.

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

No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki 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?** I do not support most priorities

**Tell us why** Firstly, I see no need to single people out on the basis of race. We should not be introducing further separate rights, processes or representation. This is essentially apartheid and is abhorrent.

Secondly, we should be concentrating on what is most essential and can be delivered with current expenditure levels. The top priority is living within our means.

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

Do not support

**Tell us why:** Not enough focus on cost savings. Seems to lack self awareness of own inefficiencies and lack of cost control.

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** This should be BAU not optional. It's just part of life.

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### Increasing the targeted rate

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

**Tell us why:** Support the sentiment but not the wasteful practices and poor management which require more spend.

## 4. Community investment

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Other

**Tell us why:** Support the principle but unfortunately have zero trust in how it will be done. Does the council know how to design a good service? I don't see it. Major reform is needed in execution and community level governance.

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More needs to be done to protect and replace trees in tandem with this. Mature trees are disappearing very fast, we need to focus on replacement not just reduction.

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**Tell us why:** Sounds reasonable in principle.

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No

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**Tell us why** Little shoal bay needs work, walking tracks need work. However track works should allow cycling not kill it off with steps.

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Whether I would support it depends a lot on HOW it is done. If it is poorly managed, if paths remain closed for far too long while contractors achieve little, if the designs are poor, then it's hard to say I'd want to spend my own money supporting that. More money should mean more accountability and higher quality of work and governance.

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

Support

**Tell us why:** As a rapidly growing city, our environment and public spaces become more vital as land availability decreases

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** Fuel is a limited resource that puts out emissions that are not great for our environment. Electric is quieter and cleaner

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

**Tell us why:** There has been a continued issue with our beaches being polluted by overflow of drains in heavy rain. In our biggest city this needs to be addressed.

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Tell us why:

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Support

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** This is critical to our future as a planet- full stop!~

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

**Tell us why:** Goes hand in hand with climate change and a no brainer

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Support

**Tell us why:** As President of our local tennis club I have tried with little buy in, to achieve a "working together" concept with other local sports and to share our facilities thus allowing us to access funding, as per the current Aktive fund available. I have liaised with the local recreation advisor and we have had little response as everyone tried to protect their "turf" so to speak. There needs to be a direction provided from local boards as to how we can achieve this( mine is the Kaipatiki Board)

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### Which option do you support?

Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** Difficult one as should be user pays but realise this wont support a bus system- is it something this community really wants and would support anyway?

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No

## 6. Local Boards

### Kaipātiki Local Board

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**Tell us why** Most priorities include the necessary infrastructural improvements which council is mandated to maintain. I do not support a multi- sports facility in Birkenhead- traffic is diabolical enough there now. I support more localised multi sport unions( as mentioned above)- this helps keep traffic levels down, allows more of a community feel and the ability to network within your own locality

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\$50-\$100

## 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?**

I prefer to see a focus on key growth infrastructure, the new houses that are popping up everywhere look bloody awful. There are 7 units being built on sections all over Glenfield, there is currently no off street parking anyway as there are already lots of rentals around. Sorry we are starting to look like a ghetto now, rubbish strewn everywhere, lawns not mowed - no- one taking responsibility for their own actions- it has been allowed to happen because of short sightedness in planning and reduction of allowable section size, let alone the impact on infrastructure

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# 10-year budget 2021/2031

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

Support

**Tell us why:** I feel like it should be even more. I don't think there will be enough money to really push combatting climate change.

## 2. Climate change

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

Support the proposed increased investment

**Tell us why:** I support, but think the proposed increase should be more. we need to hit this hard. - id like my kids and grandkids to live above water.

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

**Tell us why:** some of the news stories we hear on rivers are disgusting and we need to look after our ecosystem better.

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**What is your opinion on this proposal?** Do not support

**Tell us why:** as a mostly online present person, i have very little use for common spaces. libraries should move to eBooks and online presence and be less of a literal place. - also please spend less on terrible sculptures in parks and roundabouts haha.

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I think that properties and businesses with environmental impacts should be charged dramatically more for rates. this will naturally curb some of those industries / lead them in better directions.

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#### **Which option do you support?**

Do not support either option

**Tell us why:** i have no opinion as I don't live in these places, therefore have no opinion. I do support more public transport as a principal though.

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**Tell us why** none of these except the flood water interest me in the slightest. i think we need better public transport links in the area, and improving of traffic issues. - its ridiculous that i have to take a bus to Britomart to get to Smales farm, when i can scooter there in 5 minutes.

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\$0 - I wouldn't be willing to pay any more

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the government seems to have a general plan for climate change. The local boards DONT seem to. if the boards were addressing these issues (public transport etc) more, then it would support the governments environmental plans better. the government is trying to move boulders with their plans, the local board doesn't have any priorities I can see that are even moving stones.

there Isn't a lot of point improving parks (which i hope is done environmentally, they can be a massive waste of water) if we all die from environmental disaster.

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Do not support

**Tell us why:** Control population growth and focus on core aging assets.

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**Tell us why:** Stop passing Building consents when in doubt about climate change

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**Tell us why:** Most of the assets were put there through community effort. Council do not own them. If the community do not use them they should sell them and put the money to something that is working

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The Council could never do a 1 THATS !1 off

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Don't know

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No

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**Tell us why** Northern Cycle way???. I thought the Harbour bridge cannot take any more weight.

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CCO accountability Yes Please.

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