



# **Long-Term Plan 2024-2034** (10-year budget)

**Written Feedback**

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Council support	

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**#25224**



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Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

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**Tell us here:**

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Other

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Proceed with the proposal



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**Tell us why:**

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Other

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**#25233**



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## Local board priorities

**7a. Which local board area does your feedback relate to?**

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**1d. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do less of so that you could pay less?**

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## **2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**



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**Tell us why:**

**2a. Is there anything you would spend more on?**

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**Tell us why:**

**4a. What is your preference on the proposal to establish an Auckland Future Fund and transfer Auckland Council's shareholding in Auckland International Airport Limited (AIAL) into this fund (enabling the shares to be sold)?**

Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

Retain underlying council ownership of port land and wharves, and lease the operation of the port for a period of about 35 years and use the upfront payment from the lease to invest in the proposed Auckland Future Fund

**Tell us here:**

**4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?**

Other



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Tell us here:

4d. Do you have any feedback on any other part of the proposal?

Tell us here:

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Tell us why:

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## Local board priorities

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# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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This should include:

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managers increasing much higher than those the private sector.

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Transport. This money should be used to fix roads and maintain transport infrastructure.

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**Tell us why:**

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Proceed with the proposal

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Other

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(10-Year Budget).

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I want Councillors to find ways to prevent rates increases above inflation rates.

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Reallocate money for operations and staffing to capital and infrastructure.

Fix our roads damaged by floods.

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Stop wasting money -

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Keep rates and debt are kept down.

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Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and  
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**Tell us why:**



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Other

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7a. Which local board area does your feedback relate to?

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# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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## Your feedback

1a. Which option do you prefer for the overall direction for council's Long-term Plan?

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Dear Auckland  
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provide feedback on the Mayor's proposed Long-Term Plan (10-Year Budget).

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I also call on the Council to get



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smarter about infrastructure investment. I support the Mayor's proposed "Future Fund" and the proposal to lease Auckland Port's operations to an expert external operator while keeping the Port's land in ratepayers' hands and ringfencing that money to invest in infrastructure so that rates and debt are kept down.

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**1d. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do less of so that you could pay less?**

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## **Local board priorities**

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Dear Auckland Council,

I am writing to provide feedback on the Mayor's proposed Long-Term Plan (10-Year Budget).



**#25243**



I reject all three options for rate hikes – the most expensive of which would see a 38% increase over three years. Rates should be limited to inflation and the Council should cut its cloth to reflect the current economic circumstances facing Auckland ratepayers.

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# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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Dear Auckland Council,

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Plan (10-Year Budget).

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**#25299**



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# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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## Local board priorities

**7a. Which local board area does your feedback relate to?**

**8. Do you have any other comments?**



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# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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Local Board: I don't know

## Your feedback

### 1a. Which option do you prefer for the overall direction for council's Long-term Plan?

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### 1b. What would you like Auckland Council to do more or less of?

Transport	
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Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

### 1c. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do more of that you would be prepared to pay more for?

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Year Budget).

I reject all three options for rate hikes – the most expensive of which would see a 38% increase over three years. Rates should be limited to inflation and the Council should cut its cloth to reflect the current economic circumstances facing Auckland ratepayers.

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I strongly urge Councillors to explore ways of preventing rates increases over and above inflation by cutting back office and wasteful spending, reining in Council-Controlled Organisations, and reprioritising money spent on operations and staffing to capital and infrastructure investment.

This should include:

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- Pausing expensive and unnecessary marketing exercises and so-called “traffic calming measures” (such as unnecessary speed humps) by Auckland Transport. This money should be used to fix roads and maintain transport infrastructure.
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I also call on the Council to get smarter about infrastructure investment. I support the Mayor's proposed “Future Fund” and the proposal to lease Auckland Port's operations to an expert external operator while keeping the Port's land in ratepayers' hands and ringfencing that money to invest in infrastructure so that rates and debt are kept down.

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in our Super City!

**1d. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do less of so that you could pay less?**

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**Tell us why:**

**2a. Is there anything you would spend more on?**

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## **3. Which options do you support for the North Harbour Stadium?**

**Tell us why:**

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Proceed with the proposal



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**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

Retain underlying council ownership of port land and wharves, and lease the operation of the port for a period of about 35 years and use the upfront payment from the lease to invest in the proposed Auckland Future Fund

**Tell us here:**

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Other

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## Your feedback

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Dear Auckland Council,

I am writing to provide feedback on the Mayor's proposed Long-Term Plan (10-Year Budget).



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Transport. This money should be used to fix roads and maintain transport infrastructure.

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I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of 'Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending in our Super City!'

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**2a. Is there anything you would spend more on?**

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Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

Retain underlying council ownership of port land and wharves, and lease the operation of the port for a period of about 35 years and use the upfront payment from the lease to invest in the proposed Auckland Future Fund

**Tell us here:**

**4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?**

Other

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6a. What do you think of these proposals?

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Mayor's proposed Long-Term Plan



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(10-Year Budget).

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## **2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**



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**Tell us why:**

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Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

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**Tell us here:**

**4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?**

Other

**Tell us here:**



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**4d. Do you have any feedback on any other part of the proposal?**

Tell us here:

**5a. What option do you prefer for Captain Cook and Marsden wharves?**

Tell us why:

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**2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

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Proceed with the proposal

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Proceed with the proposal

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# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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## Your feedback

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Plan (10-Year Budget).

I reject all three options for rate hikes – the most expensive of which would see a 38% increase over three years.

Rates should be limited to inflation and the Council should cut its cloth to reflect the current economic circumstances facing Auckland ratepayers.

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I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of 'Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending in our Super City!'

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Dear Auckland Council,

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Though, that isn't even nice to have.

Obviously, of the three options presented I would prefer the lowest option. And I support the proposed "Future Fund", leasing the operation of Auckland's

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I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of 'Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending in our Super City!'



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Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

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To the Auckland Council,

Regarding the Mayor's proposed  
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Of the three options presented, my preferred option is the lowest option. The descriptor of “pay less, get less” is offensive - the council exists to provide what is needed to make our region work. I emphasize Region - your focus must shift to embrace the whole Auckland region and provide



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# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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**6b. Do you have any other feedback on the proposals in question 6a, the changes to our Revenue and Financing Policy, or other changes to fees and charges?**

## Local board priorities

**7a. Which local board area does your feedback relate to?**



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8. Do you have any other comments?



# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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Organisation (if applicable):

Local Board: I don't know

## Your feedback

### 1a. Which option do you prefer for the overall direction for council's Long-term Plan?

Do less (reduce council services/ investment), lower rates increases and less debt

### 1b. What would you like Auckland Council to do more or less of?

Transport	
Water	
City and local development	
Environment and regulation	
Parks and Community	
Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

### 1c. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do more of that you would be prepared to pay more for?

Dear Auckland Council,

I am writing to provide feedback on the Mayor's proposed Long-Term Plan (10-Year



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Budget).

I reject all three options for rate hikes – the most expensive of which would see a 38% increase over three years. Rates should be limited to inflation and the Council should cut its cloth to reflect the current economic circumstances facing Auckland ratepayers.

Of the three options presented, my preferred option is lowest option – which is still much higher than inflation despite it being deceptively labelled the “pay less, get less” option.

I strongly urge Councillors to explore ways of preventing rates increases over and above inflation by cutting back office and wasteful spending, reining in Council-Controlled Organisations, and reprioritising money spent on operations and staffing to capital and infrastructure investment.

This should include:

- A hiring freeze on all non-essential roles until an independent review has been taken to address concerns of overstaffing and the



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salaries of council managers increasing much higher than those the private sector.

- Pausing expensive and unnecessary marketing exercises and so-called “traffic calming measures” (such as unnecessary speed humps) by Auckland Transport. This money should be used to fix roads and maintain transport infrastructure.

- Focusing on providing core council services such as effective waste management, public bins, and weekly rubbish collection.

I also call on the Council to get smarter about infrastructure investment. I support the Mayor's proposed “Future Fund” and the proposal to lease Auckland Port's operations to an expert external operator while keeping the Port's land in ratepayers' hands and ringfencing that money to invest in infrastructure so that rates and debt are kept down.

I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of ‘Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending in our Super City!’



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**1d. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do less of so that you could pay less?**

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I am writing to provide feedback on the Mayor's proposed Long-Term Plan (10-Year Budget).

I reject all three options for rate hikes – the most expensive of which would see a 38% increase over three years. Rates should be limited to inflation and the Council should cut its cloth to reflect the current economic circumstances facing Auckland ratepayers.

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I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of 'Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending in our Super City!'

**2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

**Tell us why:**

**2a. Is there anything you would spend more on?**

**2b. Is there anything you would spend less on?**

**3. Which options do you support for the North Harbour Stadium?**

**Tell us why:**

**4a. What is your preference on the proposal to establish an Auckland Future Fund and transfer Auckland Council's shareholding in Auckland International Airport Limited (AIAL) into this fund (enabling the shares to be sold)?**

Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**



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Retain underlying council ownership of port land and wharves, and lease the operation of the port for a period of about 35 years and use the upfront payment from the lease to invest in the proposed Auckland Future Fund

Tell us here:

4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?

Other

Tell us here:

4d. Do you have any feedback on any other part of the proposal?

Tell us here:

5a. What option do you prefer for Captain Cook and Marsden wharves?

Tell us why:

5b. What option do you prefer for Bledisloe Terminal?

Tell us why:

6a. What do you think of these proposals?

<p>Resume the <b>Natural Environment Targeted Rate (NETR)</b> and extend it to 2034/2035 so we can continue to invest in the protection of native ecosystems and species. This increases rates for the average value residential property by around \$20.04 and \$152.71 for the average value business property.</p>	
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<p>Resume the <b>Water Quality Targeted Rate (WQTR)</b> and extend it to 2034/2035 at a level to only cover the annual programme operating and interest costs. This ensures that we can continue to fund the water quality improvements in harbours and streams across the region, at a lower amount for next year than previously planned. This reduces this rate from what was previously planned for the average value residential property by around \$6.53 and \$17.10 for the average value business property.</p>	
<p>Broaden the description of bus services funded by the <b>Climate Action Transport Targeted Rate (CATTR)</b> to reduce the need to consult each year for minor changes to the bus programme (any changes to the settings of the CATTR would still require consultation).</p>	
<p>Discontinue the <b>Long Term Differential Strategy</b> which gradually lowers the share of general rates paid by businesses and raises the share paid by other ratepayers. We also propose to raise the share businesses pay of the NETR, WQTR, and CATTR to align to the general rate.</p>	
<p>Re-introduce <b>recycling charges for schools</b>.</p>	
<p>Continue the planned roll out of <b>rates funded refuse collection</b> to the North Shore, Waitākere and Papakura in 2024/2025, and Franklin and Rodney in 2025/2026, replacing the current pay as you throw service, and consequent rates change.</p>	
<p>Introduce the <b>Franklin Local Board Paths Targeted Rate</b> of \$52 per SUIP (Separately Used or Inhabited Part) to provide increased investment in paths in the Franklin Local Board area.</p>	
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around \$117,000 from general rates, with the next cost review scheduled for the 2027/2028 year.

**6b. Do you have any other feedback on the proposals in question 6a, the changes to our Revenue and Financing Policy, or other changes to fees and charges?**

## **Local board priorities**

**7a. Which local board area does your feedback relate to?**

**8. Do you have any other comments?**



#25400



# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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Organisation (if applicable):

Local Board: I don't know

## Your feedback

### 1a. Which option do you prefer for the overall direction for council's Long-term Plan?

Do less (reduce council services/ investment), lower rates increases and less debt

### 1b. What would you like Auckland Council to do more or less of?

Transport	
Water	
City and local development	
Environment and regulation	
Parks and Community	
Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

### 1c. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do more of that you would be prepared to pay more for?

Dear Auckland Council,

I am writing to provide feedback on the Mayor's proposed Long-Term Plan (10-Year Budget).



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I reject all three options for rate hikes – the most expensive of which would see a 38% increase over three years. Rates

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deceptively labelled the “pay less, get less” option.

I strongly urge Councillors to explore ways of preventing rates increases over and above inflation by cutting back office and

wasteful spending, reining in Council-Controlled Organisations, and reprioritising money spent on operations and staffing to

capital and infrastructure investment.

This should include:

- A hiring freeze on all non-essential roles until an independent review has been taken to address concerns of overstaffing

and the salaries of council managers increasing much higher than those the private sector.

- Pausing expensive and unnecessary marketing exercises and so-called “traffic calming measures” (such as unnecessary

speed humps) by Auckland Transport. This money should be used to fix roads and maintain transport infrastructure.

- Focusing on providing core council services such as effective waste management, public bins, and weekly rubbish

collection.



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I also call on the Council to get smarter about infrastructure investment. I support the Mayor's proposed "Future Fund" and the proposal to lease Auckland Port's operations to an expert external operator while keeping the Port's land in ratepayers' hands and ringfencing that money to invest in infrastructure so that rates and debt are kept down.

I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of 'Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending in our Super City!'

**1d. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do less of so that you could pay less?**

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proposal to lease Auckland Port's operations to an expert external operator while keeping the Port's land in ratepayers' hands

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I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of ‘Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending

in our Super City!’

## **2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**



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**Tell us why:**

**2a. Is there anything you would spend more on?**

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**3. Which options do you support for the North Harbour Stadium?**

**Tell us why:**

**4a. What is your preference on the proposal to establish an Auckland Future Fund and transfer Auckland Council's shareholding in Auckland International Airport Limited (AIAL) into this fund (enabling the shares to be sold)?**

Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

Retain underlying council ownership of port land and wharves, and lease the operation of the port for a period of about 35 years and use the upfront payment from the lease to invest in the proposed Auckland Future Fund

**Tell us here:**

**4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?**

Other

**Tell us here:**



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**4d. Do you have any feedback on any other part of the proposal?**

Tell us here:

**5a. What option do you prefer for Captain Cook and Marsden wharves?**

Tell us why:

**5b. What option do you prefer for Bledisloe Terminal?**

Tell us why:

**6a. What do you think of these proposals?**

<p>Resume the <b>Natural Environment Targeted Rate (NETR)</b> and extend it to 2034/2035 so we can continue to invest in the protection of native ecosystems and species. This increases rates for the average value residential property by around \$20.04 and \$152.71 for the average value business property.</p>	
<p>Resume the <b>Water Quality Targeted Rate (WQTR)</b> and extend it to 2034/2035 at a level to only cover the annual programme operating and interest costs. This ensures that we can continue to fund the water quality improvements in harbours and streams across the region, at a lower amount for next year than previously planned. This reduces this rate from what was previously planned for the average value residential property by around \$6.53 and \$17.10 for the average value business property.</p>	
<p>Broaden the description of bus services funded by the <b>Climate Action Transport Targeted Rate (CATTR)</b> to reduce the need to consult each year for minor changes to the bus programme (any changes to the settings of the CATTR would still require consultation).</p>	



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Discontinue the <b>Long Term Differential Strategy</b> which gradually lowers the share of general rates paid by businesses and raises the share paid by other ratepayers. We also propose to raise the share businesses pay of the NETR, WQTR, and CATTR to align to the general rate.	
Re-introduce <b>recycling charges for schools</b> .	
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6b. Do you have any other feedback on the proposals in question 6a, the changes to our Revenue and Financing Policy, or other changes to fees and charges?

## Local board priorities

7a. Which local board area does your feedback relate to?

8. Do you have any other comments?



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# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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Local Board: I don't know

## Your feedback

1a. Which option do you prefer for the overall direction for council's Long-term Plan?

Do less (reduce council services/ investment), lower rates increases and less debt

1b. What would you like Auckland Council to do more or less of?

Transport	
Water	
City and local development	
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Parks and Community	
Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

1c. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do more of that you would be prepared to pay more for?

Dear Auckland Council,



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I am writing to provide feedback on the Mayor's proposed Long-Term Plan (10-Year Budget).

I reject all three options for rate hikes – the most expensive of which would see a 38% increase over three years. Rates should be limited to inflation and the Council should cut its cloth to reflect the current economic circumstances facing Auckland ratepayers.

Of the three options presented, my preferred option is lowest option – which is still much higher than inflation despite it being deceptively labelled the “pay less, get less” option.

I strongly urge Councillors to explore ways of preventing rates increases over and above inflation by cutting back office and wasteful spending, reining in Council-Controlled



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Organisations, and reprioritising money spent on operations and staffing to capital and infrastructure investment.

This should include:

- A hiring freeze on all non-essential roles until an independent review has been taken to address concerns of overstaffing and the salaries of council managers increasing much higher than those the private sector.
- Pausing expensive and unnecessary marketing exercises and so-called “traffic calming measures” (such as unnecessary speed humps) by Auckland Transport. This money should be used to fix roads and maintain transport infrastructure.
- Focusing on providing core council services such as effective waste management, public bins, and weekly rubbish collection.



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I also call on the Council to get smarter about infrastructure investment. I support the Mayor's proposed "Future Fund" and the proposal to lease Auckland Port's operations to an expert external operator while keeping the Port's land in ratepayers' hands and ringfencing that money to invest in infrastructure so that rates and debt are kept down.

I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of 'Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending in our Super City!'

**1d. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do less of so that you could pay less?**

Dear Auckland Council,

I am writing to provide feedback on the Mayor's proposed Long-Term Plan (10-Year Budget).



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I reject all three options for rate hikes – the most expensive of which would see a 38% increase over three years. Rates should be limited to inflation and the Council should cut its cloth to reflect the current economic circumstances facing Auckland ratepayers.

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proposal to lease Auckland Port's operations to an expert external operator while keeping the Port's land in ratepayers' hands and ringfencing that money to invest in infrastructure so that rates and debt are kept down.

I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of 'Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending in our Super City!'

## **2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

**Tell us why:**

**2a. Is there anything you would spend more on?**

**2b. Is there anything you would spend less on?**

## **3. Which options do you support for the North Harbour Stadium?**

**Tell us why:**



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**4a. What is your preference on the proposal to establish an Auckland Future Fund and transfer Auckland Council's shareholding in Auckland International Airport Limited (AIAL) into this fund (enabling the shares to be sold)?**

Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

Retain underlying council ownership of port land and wharves, and lease the operation of the port for a period of about 35 years and use the upfront payment from the lease to invest in the proposed Auckland Future Fund

**Tell us here:**

**4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?**

Other

**Tell us here:**

**4d. Do you have any feedback on any other part of the proposal?**

**Tell us here:**

**5a. What option do you prefer for Captain Cook and Marsden wharves?**

**Tell us why:**

**5b. What option do you prefer for Bledisloe Terminal?**



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Tell us why:

6a. What do you think of these proposals?

<p>Resume the <b>Natural Environment Targeted Rate (NETR)</b> and extend it to 2034/2035 so we can continue to invest in the protection of native ecosystems and species. This increases rates for the average value residential property by around \$20.04 and \$152.71 for the average value business property.</p>	
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<p>Increase the <b>Waitākere Rural Sewerage Targeted Rate</b> from \$296.75 to \$336.80 (per year) for the 2024/2025, 2025/2026, and 2026/2027 years to maintain cost recovery in the three-year contract cycle, and avoid an annual subsidy of around \$117,000 from general rates, with the next cost review scheduled for the 2027/2028 year.</p>	

6b. Do you have any other feedback on the proposals in question 6a, the changes to our Revenue and Financing Policy, or other changes to fees and charges?

## Local board priorities

7a. Which local board area does your feedback relate to?

8. Do you have any other comments?



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# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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## Submitter details:

Organisation (if applicable):

Local Board: I don't know

## Your feedback

### 1a. Which option do you prefer for the overall direction for council's Long-term Plan?

Do less (reduce council services/ investment), lower rates increases and less debt

### 1b. What would you like Auckland Council to do more or less of?

Transport	
Water	
City and local development	
Environment and regulation	
Parks and Community	
Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

### 1c. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do more of that you would be prepared to pay more for?

Dear Auckland Council,

I am writing to provide feedback on the Mayor's proposed Long-Term Plan (10-Year Budget).



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I reject all three options for rate hikes – the most expensive of which would see a 38% increase over three years. Rates should be limited to inflation and the Council should cut its cloth to reflect the current economic circumstances facing Auckland ratepayers.

Of the three options presented, my preferred option is lowest option – which is still much higher than inflation despite it being deceptively labelled the “pay less, get less” option.

I strongly urge Councillors to explore ways of preventing rates increases over and above inflation by cutting back office and wasteful spending, reining in Council-Controlled Organisations, and reprioritising money spent on operations and staffing to capital and infrastructure investment.

This should include:

- A hiring freeze on all non-essential roles until an independent review has been taken to address concerns of overstaffing and the salaries of council managers increasing much higher than those the private sector.
- Pausing expensive and unnecessary marketing exercises and so-called “traffic calming measures” (such as unnecessary speed humps) by Auckland Transport. This money should be used to fix roads and maintain transport infrastructure. It is stupid of AT to be spending money on train-track maintenance when this is soon undone due to the need to remove level crossings ( according to Simon Wilson there are 48 of these). Traffic calming is actually people agitation. It is awful, yes, as intended for drivers of fossil-fueled vehicles; but also for E Vs, scooterers & cyclists, tradesmen, bus occupants, pedestrians especially the elderly and disabled ( e g those in wheelchairs), emergency services, people with pain problems, people with bleeding issues, women in risk of miscarrying a baby . Removing carparks or not providing them in new developments is ruining our society - hard for businesses, tradesmen, whanau connections, caregivers like plunket & district nurses, meals on wheels deliverers, emergency services, parents who need to transport children to sport, music etc: just about for all the functions of a healthy happy society
- Focusing on providing core council services such as effective care of plant plantings, mowing of grass berms, waste management and prevention of pollution of beaches and waterways, provision of public bins, and weekly rubbish collection. The council should clearly object to the high level of immigration, the ill-conceived and badly



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placed town houses that lack essentials like a clothesline, place for visitor to park, room for planting of a few vegs & a barbecue, also electricity dependent, and made of inferior materials like particle board whilst the superb materials in the houses that are demolished get added to our rubbish dumps (as their contents do too).

Also the council should openly object to felling of trees on the maungas as they take in CO2, put out oxygen, prevent slips, provide homes for birds and greatly add to the beauty of the city.

I also call on the Council to get smarter about infrastructure investment. I support the Mayor's proposed "Future Fund" and the proposal to lease Auckland Port's operations to an expert external operator while keeping the Port's land in ratepayers' hands and ringfencing that money to invest in infrastructure so that rates and debt are kept down.

I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of 'Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending in our Super City!'

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this submission. I would be happy to make an oral submission, I was born in Auckland 77 years ago so I admit that I have strong opinions.

**1d. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do less of so that you could pay less?**

Dear Auckland Council,

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I strongly urge Councillors to explore ways of preventing rates increases over and above inflation by cutting back office and wasteful spending, reining in Council-Controlled Organisations, and reprioritising money spent on operations and staffing to capital and infrastructure investment.

This should include:

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- Focusing on providing core council services such as effective care of plant plantings, mowing of grass berms, waste management and prevention of pollution of beaches and waterways, provision of public bins, and weekly rubbish collection. The council should clearly object to the high level of immigration, the ill-conceived and badly placed town houses that lack essentials like a clothesline, place for visitor to park, room for planting of a few vegs & a barbecue, also electricity dependent, and made of inferior materials like particle board whilst the superb materials in the houses that are demolished get added to our rubbish dumps (as their contents do too).

Also the council should openly object to felling of trees on the maungas as they take in CO2, put out oxygen, prevent slips, provide homes for birds and greatly add to the beauty of the city.



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I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of 'Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending in our Super City!'

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this submission. I would be happy to make an oral submission, I was born in Auckland 77 years ago so I admit that I have strong opinions.

## **2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

**Tell us why:**

**2a. Is there anything you would spend more on?**

**2b. Is there anything you would spend less on?**

## **3. Which options do you support for the North Harbour Stadium?**

**Tell us why:**

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Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**



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Tell us here:

**4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?**

Other

Tell us here:

**4d. Do you have any feedback on any other part of the proposal?**

Tell us here:

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Tell us why:

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Tell us why:

**6a. What do you think of these proposals?**

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<p>Resume the <b>Water Quality Targeted Rate (WQTR)</b> and extend it to 2034/2035 at a level to only cover the annual programme operating and interest costs. This ensures that we can continue to fund the water quality improvements in harbours and streams across the region, at a lower amount for next year than previously planned. This reduces this rate from what was previously planned for the average value residential property by around \$6.53 and \$17.10 for the average value business property.</p>	
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**6b. Do you have any other feedback on the proposals in question 6a, the changes to our Revenue and Financing Policy, or other changes to fees and charges?**

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**7a. Which local board area does your feedback relate to?**

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# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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## Your feedback

### 1a. Which option do you prefer for the overall direction for council's Long-term Plan?

Do less (reduce council services/ investment), lower rates increases and less debt

### 1b. What would you like Auckland Council to do more or less of?

Transport	
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Parks and Community	
Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

### 1c. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do more of that you would be prepared to pay more for?

Dear Auckland Council,

I am writing to provide feedback on the

Mayor's proposed Long-Term Plan



**#25414**



(10-Year Budget).

I reject all three options for rate hikes – the most expensive of which would see a 38% increase over three years. Rates should be limited to inflation and the Council should cut its cloth to reflect the current economic circumstances facing Auckland ratepayers.

Of the three options presented, my preferred option is lowest option – which is still much higher than inflation despite it being deceptively labelled the “pay less, get less” option.

I strongly urge Councillors to explore ways of preventing rates increases over and above inflation by cutting back office and wasteful spending, reining in Council-Controlled Organisations, and reprioritising money spent on operations and staffing to capital and infrastructure investment.



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This should include:

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I also call on the Council to get smarter about infrastructure investment. I support the Mayor's proposed “Future Fund” and the proposal to lease Auckland Port's operations to an expert external operator while keeping the Port's land in ratepayers' hands and ringfencing



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I endorse the submission of the  
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## **2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**



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**Tell us why:**

**2a. Is there anything you would spend more on?**

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**3. Which options do you support for the North Harbour Stadium?**

**Tell us why:**

**4a. What is your preference on the proposal to establish an Auckland Future Fund and transfer Auckland Council's shareholding in Auckland International Airport Limited (AIAL) into this fund (enabling the shares to be sold)?**

Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

Retain underlying council ownership of port land and wharves, and lease the operation of the port for a period of about 35 years and use the upfront payment from the lease to invest in the proposed Auckland Future Fund

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Other

**Tell us here:**



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**4d. Do you have any feedback on any other part of the proposal?**

Tell us here:

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Tell us why:

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Tell us why:

**6a. What do you think of these proposals?**

<p>Resume the <b>Natural Environment Targeted Rate (NETR)</b> and extend it to 2034/2035 so we can continue to invest in the protection of native ecosystems and species. This increases rates for the average value residential property by around \$20.04 and \$152.71 for the average value business property.</p>	
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Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

### 1c. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do more of that you would be prepared to pay more for?

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Transport. This money should be used to fix roads and maintain transport infrastructure.

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Port's operations to an expert external operator while keeping the Port's land in ratepayers' hands and ringfencing that money to invest in infrastructure so

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I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of 'Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending in our Super City!'

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## **2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

**Tell us why:**

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## **3. Which options do you support for the North Harbour Stadium?**

**Tell us why:**

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Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

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**Tell us here:**

**4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?**

Other

**Tell us here:**

**4d. Do you have any feedback on any other part of the proposal?**

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6a. What do you think of these proposals?

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## Your feedback

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Transport	
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Dear Auckland Council,

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**#25417**



Budget).

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**1d. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do less of so that you could pay less?**

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Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**



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Tell us here:

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Tell us here:

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**6b. Do you have any other feedback on the proposals in question 6a, the changes to our Revenue and Financing Policy, or other changes to fees and charges?**

## **Local board priorities**

**7a. Which local board area does your feedback relate to?**

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Water	
City and local development	
Environment and regulation	
Parks and Community	
Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

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I am writing to provide feedback on the Mayor's proposed Long-Term Plan (10-Year Budget).



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I reject all three options for rate hikes – the most expensive of which would see a 38% increase over three years. Rates should be limited to inflation and the Council should cut its

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higher than inflation despite it being deceptively labelled the “pay less, get less” option.

I strongly urge Councillors to explore ways of preventing rates increases over and above

inflation by cutting back office and wasteful spending, reining in Council-Controlled Organisations, and reprioritising money spent on operations and staffing to capital and infrastructure investment.

This should include:

- A hiring freeze on all non-essential roles until an independent review has been taken to

address concerns of overstaffing and the salaries of council managers increasing much

higher than those the private sector.

- Pausing expensive and unnecessary marketing exercises and so-called “traffic calming

measures” (such as unnecessary speed humps) by Auckland Transport. This money should

be used to fix roads and maintain transport infrastructure.

- Focusing on providing core council services such as effective waste management, public



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bins, and weekly rubbish collection.

- Selling all Auckland Airport shares to reduce the debt burden and release capital for critical

infrastructure investment. Refer to the paragraph below.

I also call on the Council to get smarter about infrastructure investment. I support the Mayor's

proposed "Future Fund" and the proposal to lease Auckland Port's operations to an expert

external operator while keeping the Port's land in ratepayers' hands and ringfencing that

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## **2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

**Tell us why:**

**2a. Is there anything you would spend more on?**

**2b. Is there anything you would spend less on?**

## **3. Which options do you support for the North Harbour Stadium?**

**Tell us why:**

**4a. What is your preference on the proposal to establish an Auckland Future Fund and transfer Auckland Council's shareholding in Auckland International Airport Limited (AIAL) into this fund (enabling the shares to be sold)?**

Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**



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Retain underlying council ownership of port land and wharves, and lease the operation of the port for a period of about 35 years and use the upfront payment from the lease to invest in the proposed Auckland Future Fund

Tell us here:

4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?

Other

Tell us here:

4d. Do you have any feedback on any other part of the proposal?

Tell us here:

5a. What option do you prefer for Captain Cook and Marsden wharves?

Tell us why:

5b. What option do you prefer for Bledisloe Terminal?

Tell us why:

6a. What do you think of these proposals?

<p>Resume the <b>Natural Environment Targeted Rate (NETR)</b> and extend it to 2034/2035 so we can continue to invest in the protection of native ecosystems and species. This increases rates for the average value residential property by around \$20.04 and \$152.71 for the average value business property.</p>	
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Resume the **Water Quality Targeted Rate (WQTR)** and extend it to 2034/2035 at a level to only cover the annual programme operating and interest costs. This ensures that we can continue to fund the water quality improvements in harbours and streams across the region, at a lower amount for next year than previously planned. This reduces this rate from what was previously planned for the average value residential property by around \$6.53 and \$17.10 for the average value business property.

Broaden the description of bus services funded by the **Climate Action Transport Targeted Rate (CATTR)** to reduce the need to consult each year for minor changes to the bus programme (any changes to the settings of the CATTR would still require consultation).

Discontinue the **Long Term Differential Strategy** which gradually lowers the share of general rates paid by businesses and raises the share paid by other ratepayers. We also propose to raise the share businesses pay of the NETR, WQTR, and CATTR to align to the general rate.

Re-introduce **recycling charges for schools**.

Continue the planned roll out of **rates funded refuse collection** to the North Shore, Waitākere and Papakura in 2024/2025, and Franklin and Rodney in 2025/2026, replacing the current pay as you throw service, and consequent rates change.

Introduce the **Franklin Local Board Paths Targeted Rate** of \$52 per SUIP (Separately Used or Inhabited Part) to provide increased investment in paths in the Franklin Local Board area.

Change the **Rodney Drainage Districts Targeted Rate** to reflect public feedback and updated analysis of the benefits to properties and boundaries.

Increase the **Waitākere Rural Sewerage Targeted Rate** from \$296.75 to \$336.80 (per year) for the 2024/2025, 2025/2026, and 2026/2027 years to maintain cost recovery in the three-year contract cycle, and avoid an annual subsidy of



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around \$117,000 from general rates, with the next cost review scheduled for the 2027/2028 year.

**6b. Do you have any other feedback on the proposals in question 6a, the changes to our Revenue and Financing Policy, or other changes to fees and charges?**

## **Local board priorities**

**7a. Which local board area does your feedback relate to?**

**8. Do you have any other comments?**



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# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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## Submitter details:

Organisation (if applicable):

Local Board: I don't know

## Your feedback

### 1a. Which option do you prefer for the overall direction for council's Long-term Plan?

Do less (reduce council services/ investment), lower rates increases and less debt

### 1b. What would you like Auckland Council to do more or less of?

Transport	
Water	
City and local development	
Environment and regulation	
Parks and Community	
Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

### 1c. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do more of that you would be prepared to pay more for?

Dear Auckland Council,

I am writing to provide feedback on the Mayor's proposed Long-Term Plan (10-Year Budget).



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I reject all three options for rate hikes – the most expensive of which would see a 38% increase over three years. Rates should be limited to inflation and

the Council should cut its cloth to reflect the current economic circumstances facing Auckland ratepayers.

Of the three options presented, my preferred option is lowest option – which is still much higher than inflation despite it being deceptively labelled the “pay less, get less” option.

I strongly urge Councillors to explore ways of preventing rates increases over and above inflation by cutting back office and wasteful spending, reining in

Council-Controlled Organisations, and reprioritising money spent on operations and staffing to capital and infrastructure investment.

This should include:

- A hiring freeze on all non-essential roles until an independent review has been taken to address concerns of overstaffing and the salaries of council

managers increasing much higher than those the private sector.

- Pausing expensive and unnecessary marketing exercises and so-called “traffic calming measures” (such as unnecessary speed humps) by Auckland

Transport. This money should be used to fix roads and maintain transport infrastructure.

- Focusing on providing core council services such as effective waste management, public bins, and weekly rubbish collection.

I also call on the Council to get smarter about infrastructure investment. I support the Mayor's proposed “Future Fund” and the proposal to lease Auckland

Port's operations to an expert external operator while keeping the Port's land in ratepayers' hands and ringfencing that money to invest in infrastructure so

that rates and debt are kept down.



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I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of 'Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending in our Super City!'

**1d. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do less of so that you could pay less?**

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## **2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

**Tell us why:**

**2a. Is there anything you would spend more on?**

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Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

Retain underlying council ownership of port land and wharves, and lease the operation of the port for a period of about 35 years and use the upfront payment from the lease to invest in the proposed Auckland Future Fund

**Tell us here:**

**4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?**

Other

**Tell us here:**

**4d. Do you have any feedback on any other part of the proposal?**

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**5a. What option do you prefer for Captain Cook and Marsden wharves?**

**Tell us why:**

**5b. What option do you prefer for Bledisloe Terminal?**

**Tell us why:**



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6a. What do you think of these proposals?

<p>Resume the <b>Natural Environment Targeted Rate (NETR)</b> and extend it to 2034/2035 so we can continue to invest in the protection of native ecosystems and species. This increases rates for the average value residential property by around \$20.04 and \$152.71 for the average value business property.</p>	
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<p>Change the <b>Rodney Drainage Districts Targeted Rate</b> to reflect public feedback and updated analysis of the benefits to properties and boundaries.</p>	
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6b. Do you have any other feedback on the proposals in question 6a, the changes to our Revenue and Financing Policy, or other changes to fees and charges?

### Local board priorities

7a. Which local board area does your feedback relate to?

8. Do you have any other comments?



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Local Board: I don't know

## Your feedback

### 1a. Which option do you prefer for the overall direction for council's Long-term Plan?

Do less (reduce council services/ investment), lower rates increases and less debt

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Transport	
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City and local development	
Environment and regulation	
Parks and Community	
Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

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Dear Auckland Council,

I am writing to provide feedback on the Mayor's proposed Long-Term Plan (10-



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Year Budget).

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- Focusing on providing core council services such as effective waste management, public bins, and weekly rubbish collection.

I also call on the Council to get smarter about infrastructure investment. I support the Mayor's proposed “Future Fund” and the proposal to lease Auckland Port's operations to an expert external operator while keeping the Port's land in ratepayers' hands and ringfencing



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I endorse the submission of the  
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## **2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

**Tell us why:**



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**2a. Is there anything you would spend more on?**

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**4a. What is your preference on the proposal to establish an Auckland Future Fund and transfer Auckland Council's shareholding in Auckland International Airport Limited (AIAL) into this fund (enabling the shares to be sold)?**

Proceed with the proposal

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**Tell us here:**

**4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?**

Other

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Tell us here:

5a. What option do you prefer for Captain Cook and Marsden wharves?

Tell us why:

5b. What option do you prefer for Bledisloe Terminal?

Tell us why:

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## Your feedback

### 1a. Which option do you prefer for the overall direction for council's Long-term Plan?

Do less (reduce council services/ investment), lower rates increases and less debt

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Transport	
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Parks and Community	
Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

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Dear Auckland Council,

I am writing to provide feedback  
on the Mayor's proposed Long-



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Term Plan (10-Year Budget).

I reject all three options for rate hikes – the most expensive of which would see a 38% increase over three years. Rates should be limited to inflation and the Council should cut its cloth to reflect the current economic circumstances facing Auckland ratepayers.

Of the three options presented, my preferred option is lowest option – which is still much higher than inflation despite it being deceptively labelled the “pay less, get less” option.

I strongly urge Councillors to explore ways of preventing rates increases over and above inflation by cutting back office and wasteful spending, reining in Council-Controlled Organisations, and reprioritising money spent on operations and



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staffing to capital and infrastructure investment.

This should include:

- A hiring freeze on all non-essential roles until an independent review has been taken to address concerns of overstaffing and the salaries of council managers increasing much higher than those the private sector.
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I also call on the Council to get



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I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of 'Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending in our Super City!'

**1d. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do less of so that you could pay less?**

Dear Auckland Council,

I am writing to provide feedback on the Mayor's proposed Long-Term Plan (10-Year Budget).

I reject all three options for rate



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**2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

**Tell us why:**

**2a. Is there anything you would spend more on?**

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**3. Which options do you support for the North Harbour Stadium?**

**Tell us why:**



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**4a. What is your preference on the proposal to establish an Auckland Future Fund and transfer Auckland Council's shareholding in Auckland International Airport Limited (AIAL) into this fund (enabling the shares to be sold)?**

Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

Retain underlying council ownership of port land and wharves, and lease the operation of the port for a period of about 35 years and use the upfront payment from the lease to invest in the proposed Auckland Future Fund

**Tell us here:**

**4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?**

Other

**Tell us here:**

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**Tell us here:**

**5a. What option do you prefer for Captain Cook and Marsden wharves?**

**Tell us why:**

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6a. What do you think of these proposals?

<p>Resume the <b>Natural Environment Targeted Rate (NETR)</b> and extend it to 2034/2035 so we can continue to invest in the protection of native ecosystems and species. This increases rates for the average value residential property by around \$20.04 and \$152.71 for the average value business property.</p>	
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# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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Dear Auckland Council,

I am writing to provide feedback on the Mayor's proposed Long-Term Plan (10-Year Budget).



**#25429**



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Transport. This money should be used to fix roads and maintain transport infrastructure.

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Port's operations to an expert external operator while keeping the Port's land in ratepayers' hands and ringfencing that money to invest in infrastructure so

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**Tell us why:**

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**Tell us why:**

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Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

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Other

**Tell us here:**

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**Tell us why:**

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6a. What do you think of these proposals?

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6b. Do you have any other feedback on the proposals in question 6a, the changes to our Revenue and Financing Policy, or other changes to fees and charges?

### Local board priorities

7a. Which local board area does your feedback relate to?

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# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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## Your feedback

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Transport	
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City and local development	
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Parks and Community	
Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

### 1c. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do more of that you would be prepared to pay more for?

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(10-Year Budget).

I reject all three options for  
rate hikes – the most  
expensive of which would  
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and maintain transport infrastructure.

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**3. Which options do you support for the North Harbour Stadium?**

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Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

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**Tell us here:**

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Other



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Tell us here:

4d. Do you have any feedback on any other part of the proposal?

Tell us here:

5a. What option do you prefer for Captain Cook and Marsden wharves?

Tell us why:

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8. Do you have any other comments?



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## Your feedback

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Proceed with the proposal

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Proceed with the proposal



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## Your feedback

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# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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**#25463**



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#25464



# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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Proceed with the proposal

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Other

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**#25466**



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#25480



# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

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Transport. This money should be used to fix roads and maintain transport infrastructure.

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Port's operations to an expert external operator while keeping the Port's land in ratepayers' hands and ringfencing that money to invest in infrastructure so

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I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of 'Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending in our Super City!'

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**Tell us why:**

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Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

Retain underlying council ownership of port land and wharves, and lease the operation of the port for a period of about 35 years and use the upfront payment from the lease to invest in the proposed Auckland Future Fund

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**4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?**

Other

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Proceed with the proposal

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Other

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#25486



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#25489



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Other

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# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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Port's operations to an expert external operator while keeping the Port's land in ratepayers' hands and ringfencing that money to invest in infrastructure so

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I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of 'Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending in our Super City!'

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## **2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

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## **3. Which options do you support for the North Harbour Stadium?**

**Tell us why:**

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Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

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**Tell us here:**

**4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?**

Other

**Tell us here:**

**4d. Do you have any feedback on any other part of the proposal?**

**Tell us here:**

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### Local board priorities

7a. Which local board area does your feedback relate to?

8. Do you have any other comments?



# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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Organisation (if applicable):

Local Board: I don't know

## Your feedback

### 1a. Which option do you prefer for the overall direction for council's Long-term Plan?

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### 1b. What would you like Auckland Council to do more or less of?

Transport	
Water	
City and local development	
Environment and regulation	
Parks and Community	
Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

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Dear Auckland Council,

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I reject all three options for rate hikes – the most expensive of which would see a 38% increase over three years.

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and wasteful spending, reining in Council-Controlled Organisations, and reprioritising money spent on operations and

staffing to capital and infrastructure investment.

This should include:

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- Pausing expensive and unnecessary marketing exercises and so-called “traffic calming measures” (such as

unnecessary speed humps) by Auckland Transport. This money should be used to fix roads and maintain transport

infrastructure.

- Focusing on providing core council services such as effective waste management, public bins, and weekly rubbish

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I also call on the Council to get smarter about infrastructure investment. I support the Mayor's proposed "Future Fund"

and the proposal to lease Auckland Port's operations to an expert external operator while keeping the Port's land in

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## **2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**



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**Tell us why:**

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**4a. What is your preference on the proposal to establish an Auckland Future Fund and transfer Auckland Council's shareholding in Auckland International Airport Limited (AIAL) into this fund (enabling the shares to be sold)?**

Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

Retain underlying council ownership of port land and wharves, and lease the operation of the port for a period of about 35 years and use the upfront payment from the lease to invest in the proposed Auckland Future Fund

**Tell us here:**

**4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?**

Other



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Tell us here:

4d. Do you have any feedback on any other part of the proposal?

Tell us here:

5a. What option do you prefer for Captain Cook and Marsden wharves?

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Tell us why:

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## Local board priorities

**7a. Which local board area does your feedback relate to?**



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8. Do you have any other comments?



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Proceed with the proposal

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Other

**Tell us here:**

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Dear Auckland Council,



**#25520**



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infrastructure investment.

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**1d. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do less of so that you could pay less?**

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**2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

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**3. Which options do you support for the North Harbour Stadium?**

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Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**



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Retain underlying council ownership of port land and wharves, and lease the operation of the port for a period of about 35 years and use the upfront payment from the lease to invest in the proposed Auckland Future Fund

Tell us here:

4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?

Other

Tell us here:

4d. Do you have any feedback on any other part of the proposal?

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around \$117,000 from general rates, with the next cost review scheduled for the 2027/2028 year.

**6b. Do you have any other feedback on the proposals in question 6a, the changes to our Revenue and Financing Policy, or other changes to fees and charges?**

## **Local board priorities**

**7a. Which local board area does your feedback relate to?**

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# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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## Your feedback

### 1a. Which option do you prefer for the overall direction for council's Long-term Plan?

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Proceed with the proposal

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# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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7a. Which local board area does your feedback relate to?

8. Do you have any other comments?



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# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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I strongly urge Councillors to explore ways of preventing rates increases over and above inflation by cutting back office and wasteful spending, reining in Council-Controlled Organisations, and reprioritising money spent on operations and staffing to capital and infrastructure investment.

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Proceed with the proposal



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**Tell us why:**

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Other

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**Tell us why:**

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Other



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# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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## Your feedback

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I reject all three options for rate hikes – the most expensive of which would see a 38% increase over three years. Rates should be limited to inflation and the Council should cut its

cloth to reflect the current economic circumstances facing Auckland ratepayers.

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I strongly urge Councillors to explore ways of preventing rates increases over and above

inflation by cutting back office and wasteful spending, reining in Council-Controlled Organisations, and reprioritising money spent on operations and staffing to capital and infrastructure investment.

This should include:



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- A hiring freeze on all non-essential roles until an independent review has been taken to address concerns of overstaffing and the salaries of council managers increasing much higher than those the private sector.

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proposed “Future Fund” and the proposal to lease Auckland Port's operations to an expert

external operator while keeping the Port's land in ratepayers' hands and ringfencing that

money to invest in infrastructure so that rates and debt are kept down.

I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of 'Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending in our Super City!'



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Proceed with the proposal



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**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

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**Tell us here:**

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Other

**Tell us here:**

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**Tell us why:**

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**Tell us why:**

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Other

**Tell us here:**

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Environment and regulation	
Parks and Community	
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Council support	

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Proceed with the proposal

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# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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Proceed with the proposal

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#25608



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## **2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

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**Tell us why:**

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Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

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**Tell us here:**

**4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?**

Other

**Tell us here:**

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**7a. Which local board area does your feedback relate to?**

**8. Do you have any other comments?**



# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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Local Board: I don't know

## Your feedback

1a. Which option do you prefer for the overall direction for council's Long-term Plan?

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1b. What would you like Auckland Council to do more or less of?

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Environment and regulation	
Parks and Community	
Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

1c. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do more of that you would be prepared to pay more for?

Dear Auckland Council,



**#25610**



I am writing to provide feedback on the Mayor's proposed Long-Term Plan (10-Year Budget).

I reject all three options for rate hikes – the most expensive of which would see a 38% increase over three years. Rates should be limited to inflation and the Council should cut its cloth to reflect the current economic circumstances facing Auckland ratepayers.

Of the three options presented, my preferred option is lowest option – which is still much higher than inflation despite it being deceptively labelled the “pay less, get less” option.

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infrastructure investment.

This should include:

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Auckland Port's operations to an expert external operator while keeping the Port's land in ratepayers' hands and ringfencing that money to invest in infrastructure so that rates and debt are kept down.

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**2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

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Proceed with the proposal

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Retain underlying council ownership of port land and wharves, and lease the operation of the port for a period of about 35 years and use the upfront payment from the lease to invest in the proposed Auckland Future Fund

Tell us here:

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Other

Tell us here:

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Tell us here:

5a. What option do you prefer for Captain Cook and Marsden wharves?

Tell us why:

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Tell us why:

6a. What do you think of these proposals?

Resume the <b>Natural Environment Targeted Rate (NETR)</b> and extend it to 2034/2035 so we can continue to invest in the protection of native ecosystems and species. This increases rates for the average value residential property by around \$20.04 and \$152.71 for the average value business property.	
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Continue the planned roll out of **rates funded refuse collection** to the North Shore, Waitākere and Papakura in 2024/2025, and Franklin and Rodney in 2025/2026, replacing the current pay as you throw service, and consequent rates change.

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## Your feedback

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Parks and Community	
Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

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Transport. This money should be used to fix roads and maintain transport infrastructure.

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I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of 'Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending in our Super City!'

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Proceed with the proposal

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Council support	

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**#25614**



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## **2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**



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Other



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Tell us here:

4d. Do you have any feedback on any other part of the proposal?

Tell us here:

5a. What option do you prefer for Captain Cook and Marsden wharves?

Tell us why:

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## Local board priorities

**7a. Which local board area does your feedback relate to?**



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8. Do you have any other comments?



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## Your feedback

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Transport	
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Dear Auckland Council,

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**#25615**



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**#25615**



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This should include:

- A hiring freeze on all non-essential roles until an independent review has been taken to address concerns of overstaffing and the salaries of council

managers increasing much higher than those the private sector.

- Pausing expensive and unnecessary marketing exercises and so-called “traffic calming measures” (such as unnecessary speed humps) by Auckland



**#25615**



Transport. This money should be used to fix roads and maintain transport infrastructure.

- Focusing on providing core council services such as effective waste management, public bins, and weekly rubbish collection.

I also call on the Council to get smarter about infrastructure investment. I support the Mayor's proposed "Future Fund" and the proposal to lease Auckland

Port's operations to an expert external operator while keeping the Port's land in ratepayers' hands and ringfencing that money to invest in infrastructure so

that rates and debt are kept down.

I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of 'Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending in our Super City!'

## **2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

**Tell us why:**

**2a. Is there anything you would spend more on?**

**2b. Is there anything you would spend less on?**

## **3. Which options do you support for the North Harbour Stadium?**

**Tell us why:**

**4a. What is your preference on the proposal to establish an Auckland Future Fund and transfer Auckland Council's shareholding in Auckland International Airport Limited (AIAL) into this fund (enabling the shares to be sold)?**



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Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

Retain underlying council ownership of port land and wharves, and lease the operation of the port for a period of about 35 years and use the upfront payment from the lease to invest in the proposed Auckland Future Fund

**Tell us here:**

**4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?**

Other

**Tell us here:**

**4d. Do you have any feedback on any other part of the proposal?**

**Tell us here:**

**5a. What option do you prefer for Captain Cook and Marsden wharves?**

**Tell us why:**

**5b. What option do you prefer for Bledisloe Terminal?**

**Tell us why:**



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6a. What do you think of these proposals?

<p>Resume the <b>Natural Environment Targeted Rate (NETR)</b> and extend it to 2034/2035 so we can continue to invest in the protection of native ecosystems and species. This increases rates for the average value residential property by around \$20.04 and \$152.71 for the average value business property.</p>	
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6b. Do you have any other feedback on the proposals in question 6a, the changes to our Revenue and Financing Policy, or other changes to fees and charges?

### Local board priorities

7a. Which local board area does your feedback relate to?

8. Do you have any other comments?



# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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## Submitter details:

Organisation (if applicable):

Local Board: I don't know

## Your feedback

### 1a. Which option do you prefer for the overall direction for council's Long-term Plan?

Do less (reduce council services/ investment), lower rates increases and less debt

### 1b. What would you like Auckland Council to do more or less of?

Transport	
Water	
City and local development	
Environment and regulation	
Parks and Community	
Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

### 1c. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do more of that you would be prepared to pay more for?

Dear Auckland Council,

I am writing to provide feedback on the Mayor's proposed Long-Term Plan (10-Year Budget).



**#25617**



I reject all three options for rate hikes – the most expensive of which would see a 38% increase over three years. Rates should be limited to inflation and the Council should cut its cloth to reflect the current economic circumstances facing Auckland ratepayers.

Of the three options presented, my preferred option is lowest option – which is still much higher than inflation despite it being deceptively labelled the “pay less, get less” option.

I strongly urge Councillors to explore ways of preventing rates increases over and above inflation by cutting back office and wasteful spending, reining in Council-Controlled Organisations, and reprioritising money spent on operations and staffing to capital and infrastructure investment.

This should include:

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I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of 'Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending in our Super City!'

**1d. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do less of so that you could pay less?**

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## **2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**



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**Tell us why:**

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**3. Which options do you support for the North Harbour Stadium?**

**Tell us why:**

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Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

Retain underlying council ownership of port land and wharves, and lease the operation of the port for a period of about 35 years and use the upfront payment from the lease to invest in the proposed Auckland Future Fund

**Tell us here:**

**4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?**

Other



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Tell us here:

4d. Do you have any feedback on any other part of the proposal?

Tell us here:

5a. What option do you prefer for Captain Cook and Marsden wharves?

Tell us why:

5b. What option do you prefer for Bledisloe Terminal?

Tell us why:

6a. What do you think of these proposals?

Resume the <b>Natural Environment Targeted Rate (NETR)</b> and extend it to 2034/2035 so we can continue to invest in the protection of native ecosystems and species. This increases rates for the average value residential property by around \$20.04 and \$152.71 for the average value business property.	
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**6b. Do you have any other feedback on the proposals in question 6a, the changes to our Revenue and Financing Policy, or other changes to fees and charges?**

## Local board priorities

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8. Do you have any other comments?



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## Your feedback

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Transport	
Water	
City and local development	
Environment and regulation	
Parks and Community	
Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

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**#25618**



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capital and infrastructure investment.

This should include:

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the salaries of council managers increasing much higher than those the private sector.

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speed humps) by Auckland Transport. This money should be used to fix roads and maintain transport infrastructure.

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I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of 'Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending

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## **2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

**Tell us why:**

### **2a. Is there anything you would spend more on?**



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**2b. Is there anything you would spend less on?**

**3. Which options do you support for the North Harbour Stadium?**

**Tell us why:**

**4a. What is your preference on the proposal to establish an Auckland Future Fund and transfer Auckland Council's shareholding in Auckland International Airport Limited (AIAL) into this fund (enabling the shares to be sold)?**

Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

Retain underlying council ownership of port land and wharves, and lease the operation of the port for a period of about 35 years and use the upfront payment from the lease to invest in the proposed Auckland Future Fund

**Tell us here:**

**4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?**

Other

**Tell us here:**

**4d. Do you have any feedback on any other part of the proposal?**

**Tell us here:**



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5a. What option do you prefer for Captain Cook and Marsden wharves?

Tell us why:

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Tell us why:

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## Local board priorities

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## Your feedback

### 1a. Which option do you prefer for the overall direction for council's Long-term Plan?

Do less (reduce council services/ investment), lower rates increases and less debt

### 1b. What would you like Auckland Council to do more or less of?

Transport	
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Environment and regulation	
Parks and Community	
Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

### 1c. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do more of that you would be prepared to pay more for?

Dear Auckland Council,

I am writing to provide feedback on the Mayor's proposed Long-Term Plan (10-



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Year Budget).

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This should include:

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I endorse the submission of the Auckland



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Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of 'Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending in our Super City!'

**1d. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do less of so that you could pay less?**

Dear Auckland Council,

I am writing to provide feedback on the Mayor's proposed Long-Term Plan (10-Year Budget).

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I strongly urge Councillors to explore ways



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**2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

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**3. Which options do you support for the North Harbour Stadium?**

**Tell us why:**



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Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

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**Tell us here:**

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Other

**Tell us here:**

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**5a. What option do you prefer for Captain Cook and Marsden wharves?**

**Tell us why:**

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6a. What do you think of these proposals?

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## Local board priorities

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## Your feedback

### 1a. Which option do you prefer for the overall direction for council's Long-term Plan?

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### 1b. What would you like Auckland Council to do more or less of?

Transport	
Water	
City and local development	
Environment and regulation	
Parks and Community	
Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

### 1c. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do more of that you would be prepared to pay more for?

Dear Auckland Council,

I am writing to provide feedback on the Mayor's proposed Long-Term Plan (10-Year Budget).



**#25624**



I reject all three options for rate hikes – the most expensive of which would see a 38% increase over three years. Rates should be limited to inflation and

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Proceed with the proposal

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**2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

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Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

Retain underlying council ownership of port land and wharves, and lease the operation of the port for a period of about 35 years and use the upfront payment from the lease to invest in the proposed Auckland Future Fund

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Proceed with the proposal

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Every project must benefit the wider community. An example is the 'green food waste' bins. Another idealistic plan that certainly appears to be a disaster. Also I susoect these bins were made in Australia! Another typical debacle where we don't support local manufactures or suppliers. If that is the correct, everyone on that project should be 'recycled' out the door.

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Accountability and wasteful spending has to stop. Pet projects and enforcement of ridiculous agendas on the rate payers must stop. All council staff salaries are paid by the Rate payer and the disregard of expenditure of and disrespect to ensure value for our money is unbelievable!

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Every project must benefit the wider community. An example is the 'green food waste' bins. Another idealistic plan that certainly appears to be a disaster. Also I susoect these bins were made in Australia! Another typical debacle where we don't support local manufactures or suppliers. If that is the correct, everyone on that project should be 'recycled' out the door.

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**6b. Do you have any other feedback on the proposals in question 6a, the changes to our Revenue and Financing Policy, or other changes to fees and charges?**

## **Local board priorities**

**7a. Which local board area does your feedback relate to?**

**8. Do you have any other comments?**



# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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Organisation (if applicable):

Local Board: I don't know

## Your feedback

### 1a. Which option do you prefer for the overall direction for council's Long-term Plan?

Do less (reduce council services/ investment), lower rates increases and less debt

### 1b. What would you like Auckland Council to do more or less of?

Transport	
Water	
City and local development	
Environment and regulation	
Parks and Community	
Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

### 1c. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do more of that you would be prepared to pay more for?

Dear Auckland Council,

I am writing to provide feedback on the Mayor's proposed Long-Term Plan (10-Year



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Budget).

I reject all three options for rate hikes – the most expensive of which would see a 38% increase over three years. Rates should be limited to inflation and the Council should cut its cloth to reflect the current economic circumstances facing Auckland ratepayers.

Of the three options presented, my preferred option is lowest option – which is still much higher than inflation despite it being deceptively labelled the “pay less, get less” option.

I strongly urge Councillors to explore ways of preventing rates increases over and above inflation by cutting back office and wasteful spending, reining in Council-Controlled Organisations, and reprioritising money spent on operations and staffing to capital and infrastructure investment.

This should include:

- A hiring freeze on all non-essential roles until an independent review has been taken to address concerns of overstaffing and the



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salaries of council managers increasing much higher than those the private sector.

- Pausing expensive and unnecessary marketing exercises and so-called “traffic calming measures” (such as unnecessary speed humps) by Auckland Transport. This money should be used to fix roads and maintain transport infrastructure.
- Focusing on providing core council services such as effective waste management, public bins, and weekly rubbish collection.

I also call on the Council to get smarter about infrastructure investment. I support the Mayor's proposed “Future Fund” and the proposal to lease Auckland Port's operations to an expert external operator while keeping the Port's land in ratepayers' hands and ringfencing that money to invest in infrastructure so that rates and debt are kept down.

I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of ‘Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending in our Super City!’



**#25698**



**1d. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do less of so that you could pay less?**

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I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of 'Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending in our Super City!'

**2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

**Tell us why:**

**2a. Is there anything you would spend more on?**

**2b. Is there anything you would spend less on?**

**3. Which options do you support for the North Harbour Stadium?**

**Tell us why:**

**4a. What is your preference on the proposal to establish an Auckland Future Fund and transfer Auckland Council's shareholding in Auckland International Airport Limited (AIAL) into this fund (enabling the shares to be sold)?**

Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**



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Retain underlying council ownership of port land and wharves, and lease the operation of the port for a period of about 35 years and use the upfront payment from the lease to invest in the proposed Auckland Future Fund

Tell us here:

4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?

Other

Tell us here:

4d. Do you have any feedback on any other part of the proposal?

Tell us here:

5a. What option do you prefer for Captain Cook and Marsden wharves?

Tell us why:

5b. What option do you prefer for Bledisloe Terminal?

Tell us why:

6a. What do you think of these proposals?

<p>Resume the <b>Natural Environment Targeted Rate (NETR)</b> and extend it to 2034/2035 so we can continue to invest in the protection of native ecosystems and species. This increases rates for the average value residential property by around \$20.04 and \$152.71 for the average value business property.</p>	
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Resume the **Water Quality Targeted Rate (WQTR)** and extend it to 2034/2035 at a level to only cover the annual programme operating and interest costs. This ensures that we can continue to fund the water quality improvements in harbours and streams across the region, at a lower amount for next year than previously planned. This reduces this rate from what was previously planned for the average value residential property by around \$6.53 and \$17.10 for the average value business property.

Broaden the description of bus services funded by the **Climate Action Transport Targeted Rate (CATTR)** to reduce the need to consult each year for minor changes to the bus programme (any changes to the settings of the CATTR would still require consultation).

Discontinue the **Long Term Differential Strategy** which gradually lowers the share of general rates paid by businesses and raises the share paid by other ratepayers. We also propose to raise the share businesses pay of the NETR, WQTR, and CATTR to align to the general rate.

Re-introduce **recycling charges for schools**.

Continue the planned roll out of **rates funded refuse collection** to the North Shore, Waitākere and Papakura in 2024/2025, and Franklin and Rodney in 2025/2026, replacing the current pay as you throw service, and consequent rates change.

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Increase the **Waitākere Rural Sewerage Targeted Rate** from \$296.75 to \$336.80 (per year) for the 2024/2025, 2025/2026, and 2026/2027 years to maintain cost recovery in the three-year contract cycle, and avoid an annual subsidy of



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around \$117,000 from general rates, with the next cost review scheduled for the 2027/2028 year.

**6b. Do you have any other feedback on the proposals in question 6a, the changes to our Revenue and Financing Policy, or other changes to fees and charges?**

## **Local board priorities**

**7a. Which local board area does your feedback relate to?**

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# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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Organisation (if applicable):

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## Your feedback

1a. Which option do you prefer for the overall direction for council's Long-term Plan?

Do less (reduce council services/ investment), lower rates increases and less debt

1b. What would you like Auckland Council to do more or less of?

Transport	
Water	
City and local development	
Environment and regulation	
Parks and Community	
Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

1c. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do more of that you would be prepared to pay more for?

Dear Auckland Council,



**#25703**



I am writing to provide feedback on the Mayor's proposed Long-Term Plan (10-Year Budget).

I reject all three options for rate hikes – the most expensive of which would see a 38% increase over three years. Rates should be limited to inflation and the Council should cut its cloth to reflect the current economic circumstances facing Auckland ratepayers.

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I strongly urge Councillors to explore ways of preventing rates increases over and above inflation by cutting back office and wasteful spending, reining in Council-Controlled



**#25703**



Organisations, and reprioritising money spent on operations and staffing to capital and infrastructure investment.

This should include:

- A hiring freeze on all non-essential roles until an independent review has been taken to address concerns of overstaffing and the salaries of council managers increasing much higher than those the private sector.
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**#25703**



I also call on the Council to get smarter about infrastructure investment. I support the Mayor's proposed "Future Fund" and the proposal to lease Auckland Port's operations to an expert external operator while keeping the Port's land in ratepayers' hands and ringfencing that money to invest in infrastructure so that rates and debt are kept down.

I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of 'Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending in our Super City!'

**1d. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do less of so that you could pay less?**

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**2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

**Tell us why:**

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**3. Which options do you support for the North Harbour Stadium?**

**Tell us why:**



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**4a. What is your preference on the proposal to establish an Auckland Future Fund and transfer Auckland Council's shareholding in Auckland International Airport Limited (AIAL) into this fund (enabling the shares to be sold)?**

Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

Retain underlying council ownership of port land and wharves, and lease the operation of the port for a period of about 35 years and use the upfront payment from the lease to invest in the proposed Auckland Future Fund

**Tell us here:**

**4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?**

Other

**Tell us here:**

**4d. Do you have any feedback on any other part of the proposal?**

**Tell us here:**

**5a. What option do you prefer for Captain Cook and Marsden wharves?**

**Tell us why:**

**5b. What option do you prefer for Bledisloe Terminal?**



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Tell us why:

6a. What do you think of these proposals?

<p>Resume the <b>Natural Environment Targeted Rate (NETR)</b> and extend it to 2034/2035 so we can continue to invest in the protection of native ecosystems and species. This increases rates for the average value residential property by around \$20.04 and \$152.71 for the average value business property.</p>	
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6b. Do you have any other feedback on the proposals in question 6a, the changes to our Revenue and Financing Policy, or other changes to fees and charges?

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## Your feedback

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Transport	
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Council support	

### 1c. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do more of that you would be prepared to pay more for?

Dear Auckland Council,

I am writing to provide feedback on the Mayor's proposed Long-Term Plan (10-Year Budget).



**#25713**



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exercises and so-called “traffic calming measures” (such as unnecessary speed humps) by Auckland Transport. This money should be used to fix roads and maintain transport infrastructure.

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I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of ‘Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending in our Super City!’

**1d. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do less of so that you could pay less?**

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## **2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

**Tell us why:**

### **2a. Is there anything you would spend more on?**



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**2b. Is there anything you would spend less on?**

**3. Which options do you support for the North Harbour Stadium?**

**Tell us why:**

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Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

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**Tell us here:**

**4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?**

Other

**Tell us here:**

**4d. Do you have any feedback on any other part of the proposal?**

**Tell us here:**



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5a. What option do you prefer for Captain Cook and Marsden wharves?

Tell us why:

5b. What option do you prefer for Bledisloe Terminal?

Tell us why:

6a. What do you think of these proposals?

<p>Resume the <b>Natural Environment Targeted Rate (NETR)</b> and extend it to 2034/2035 so we can continue to invest in the protection of native ecosystems and species. This increases rates for the average value residential property by around \$20.04 and \$152.71 for the average value business property.</p>	
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## Local board priorities

7a. Which local board area does your feedback relate to?

8. Do you have any other comments?



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## Your feedback

### 1a. Which option do you prefer for the overall direction for council's Long-term Plan?

Do less (reduce council services/ investment), lower rates increases and less debt

### 1b. What would you like Auckland Council to do more or less of?

Transport	
Water	
City and local development	
Environment and regulation	
Parks and Community	
Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

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Dear Auckland Council,

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I also call on the Council to get smarter about infrastructure investment. I support the Mayor's proposed “Future Fund” and the proposal to lease Auckland Port's operations to an expert external operator while keeping the Port's land in ratepayers' hands and ringfencing that money to invest in infrastructure so that rates and debt are kept down.

I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of ‘Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending in our Super City!’



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**1d. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do less of so that you could pay less?**

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## **2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

**Tell us why:**

**2a. Is there anything you would spend more on?**

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**Tell us why:**

**4a. What is your preference on the proposal to establish an Auckland Future Fund and transfer Auckland Council's shareholding in Auckland International Airport Limited (AIAL) into this fund (enabling the shares to be sold)?**

Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**



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Retain underlying council ownership of port land and wharves, and lease the operation of the port for a period of about 35 years and use the upfront payment from the lease to invest in the proposed Auckland Future Fund

Tell us here:

4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?

Other

Tell us here:

4d. Do you have any feedback on any other part of the proposal?

Tell us here:

5a. What option do you prefer for Captain Cook and Marsden wharves?

Tell us why:

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Tell us why:

6a. What do you think of these proposals?

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# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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## Your feedback

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### 1b. What would you like Auckland Council to do more or less of?

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Environment and regulation	
Parks and Community	
Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

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Dear Auckland Council,

I am writing to provide feedback on the Mayor's proposed Long-Term Plan (10-Year Budget).



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I strongly urge Councillors to explore ways of preventing rates increases over and above inflation by cutting back office and wasteful spending, reining in Council-Controlled Organisations, and reprioritising money spent on operations and staffing to capital and infrastructure investment.

This should include:

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- Pausing expensive and unnecessary marketing exercises and so-called “traffic calming measures” (such as unnecessary speed humps) by Auckland Transport. This money should be used to fix roads and maintain transport infrastructure.
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I also call on the Council to get smarter about infrastructure investment. I support the Mayor's proposed “Future Fund” and the proposal to lease Auckland Port's operations to an expert external operator while keeping the Port's land in ratepayers' hands and ringfencing that money to invest in infrastructure so that rates and debt are kept down.

I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of ‘Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending in our Super City!’



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**1d. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do less of so that you could pay less?**

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## **2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

**Tell us why:**

**2a. Is there anything you would spend more on?**

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## **3. Which options do you support for the North Harbour Stadium?**

**Tell us why:**

**4a. What is your preference on the proposal to establish an Auckland Future Fund and transfer Auckland Council's shareholding in Auckland International Airport Limited (AIAL) into this fund (enabling the shares to be sold)?**

Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**



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Retain underlying council ownership of port land and wharves, and lease the operation of the port for a period of about 35 years and use the upfront payment from the lease to invest in the proposed Auckland Future Fund

Tell us here:

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Other

Tell us here:

4d. Do you have any feedback on any other part of the proposal?

Tell us here:

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Tell us why:

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Tell us why:

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## **Local board priorities**

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Proceed with the proposal

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4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?

Other

Tell us here:

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## **2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

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**2a. Is there anything you would spend more on?**

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**Tell us why:**

**4a. What is your preference on the proposal to establish an Auckland Future Fund and transfer Auckland Council's shareholding in Auckland International Airport Limited (AIAL) into this fund (enabling the shares to be sold)?**



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Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

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**Tell us here:**

**4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?**

Other

**Tell us here:**

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**Tell us here:**

**5a. What option do you prefer for Captain Cook and Marsden wharves?**

**Tell us why:**

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**Tell us why:**



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6a. What do you think of these proposals?

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7a. Which local board area does your feedback relate to?

8. Do you have any other comments?



# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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Local Board: I don't know

## Your feedback

### 1a. Which option do you prefer for the overall direction for council's Long-term Plan?

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### 1b. What would you like Auckland Council to do more or less of?

Transport	
Water	
City and local development	
Environment and regulation	
Parks and Community	
Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

### 1c. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do more of that you would be prepared to pay more for?

Dear Auckland Council,

I am writing to provide feedback on the Mayor's proposed Long-Term Plan (10-Year Budget).



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I reject all three options for rate hikes – the most expensive of which would see a 38% increase over three years. Rates should be limited to inflation and the Council should cut its cloth to reflect the current economic circumstances facing Auckland ratepayers.

Of the three options presented, my preferred option is lowest option – which is still much higher than inflation despite it being deceptively labelled the “pay less, get less” option.

I strongly urge Councillors to explore ways of preventing rates increases over and above inflation by cutting back office and wasteful spending, reining in Council-Controlled Organisations, and reprioritising money spent on operations and staffing to capital and infrastructure investment.

This should include:

- A hiring freeze on all non-essential roles until an independent review has been taken to address concerns of overstaffing and the salaries of council managers increasing much higher than those the private sector.



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- Pausing expensive and unnecessary marketing exercises and so-called “traffic calming measures” (such as unnecessary speed humps) by Auckland Transport. This money should be used to fix roads and maintain transport infrastructure.
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I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of 'Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending in our Super City!'

**1d. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do less of so that you could pay less?**

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## **2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**



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**Tell us why:**

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**3. Which options do you support for the North Harbour Stadium?**

**Tell us why:**

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Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

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**Tell us here:**

**4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?**

Other



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Tell us here:

4d. Do you have any feedback on any other part of the proposal?

Tell us here:

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Tell us why:

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Tell us why:

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## Local board priorities

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8. Do you have any other comments?



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Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

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Dear Auckland Council,

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Other

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Council support	

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Dear Auckland Council,

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Term Plan (10-Year Budget).

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staffing to capital and infrastructure investment.

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I also call on the Council to get smarter about infrastructure investment. I support the Mayor's proposed "Future Fund" and the proposal to lease Auckland Port's operations to an expert external operator while keeping the Port's land in ratepayers' hands and ringfencing that money to invest in infrastructure so that rates and debt are kept down.

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## **2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

**Tell us why:**

**2a. Is there anything you would spend more on?**

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**3. Which options do you support for the North Harbour Stadium?**



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**Tell us why:**



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I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of 'Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending in our Super City!'

**2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

**Tell us why:**

**2a. Is there anything you would spend more on?**

**2b. Is there anything you would spend less on?**

**3. Which options do you support for the North Harbour Stadium?**

**Tell us why:**

**4a. What is your preference on the proposal to establish an Auckland Future Fund and transfer Auckland Council's shareholding in Auckland International Airport Limited (AIAL) into this fund (enabling the shares to be sold)?**

Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**



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Retain underlying council ownership of port land and wharves, and lease the operation of the port for a period of about 35 years and use the upfront payment from the lease to invest in the proposed Auckland Future Fund

Tell us here:

4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?

Other

Tell us here:

4d. Do you have any feedback on any other part of the proposal?

Tell us here:

5a. What option do you prefer for Captain Cook and Marsden wharves?

Tell us why:

5b. What option do you prefer for Bledisloe Terminal?

Tell us why:

6a. What do you think of these proposals?

<p>Resume the <b>Natural Environment Targeted Rate (NETR)</b> and extend it to 2034/2035 so we can continue to invest in the protection of native ecosystems and species. This increases rates for the average value residential property by around \$20.04 and \$152.71 for the average value business property.</p>	
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<p>Resume the <b>Water Quality Targeted Rate (WQTR)</b> and extend it to 2034/2035 at a level to only cover the annual programme operating and interest costs. This ensures that we can continue to fund the water quality improvements in harbours and streams across the region, at a lower amount for next year than previously planned. This reduces this rate from what was previously planned for the average value residential property by around \$6.53 and \$17.10 for the average value business property.</p>	
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around \$117,000 from general rates, with the next cost review scheduled for the 2027/2028 year.

**6b. Do you have any other feedback on the proposals in question 6a, the changes to our Revenue and Financing Policy, or other changes to fees and charges?**

## **Local board priorities**

**7a. Which local board area does your feedback relate to?**

**8. Do you have any other comments?**



# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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Organisation (if applicable):

Local Board: I don't know

## Your feedback

### 1a. Which option do you prefer for the overall direction for council's Long-term Plan?

Do less (reduce council services/ investment), lower rates increases and less debt

### 1b. What would you like Auckland Council to do more or less of?

Transport	
Water	
City and local development	
Environment and regulation	
Parks and Community	
Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

### 1c. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do more of that you would be prepared to pay more for?

Dear Auckland Council,

I am writing to provide feedback on the Mayor's proposed Long-Term Plan (10-Year



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Budget).

I reject all three options for rate hikes – the most expensive of which would see a 38% increase over three years. Rates should be limited to inflation and the Council should cut its cloth to reflect the current economic circumstances facing Auckland ratepayers.

Of the three options presented, my preferred option is lowest option – which is still much higher than inflation despite it being deceptively labelled the “pay less, get less” option.

I strongly urge Councillors to explore ways of preventing rates increases over and above inflation by cutting back office and wasteful spending, reining in Council-Controlled Organisations, and reprioritising money spent on operations and staffing to capital and infrastructure investment.

This should include:

- A hiring freeze on all non-essential roles until an independent review has been taken to address concerns of overstaffing and the



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salaries of council managers increasing much higher than those the private sector.

- Pausing expensive and unnecessary marketing exercises and so-called “traffic calming measures” (such as unnecessary speed humps) by Auckland Transport. This money should be used to fix roads and maintain transport infrastructure.
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I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of ‘Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending in our Super City!’



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**1d. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do less of so that you could pay less?**

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**2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

**Tell us why:**

**2a. Is there anything you would spend more on?**

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**3. Which options do you support for the North Harbour Stadium?**

**Tell us why:**

**4a. What is your preference on the proposal to establish an Auckland Future Fund and transfer Auckland Council's shareholding in Auckland International Airport Limited (AIAL) into this fund (enabling the shares to be sold)?**

Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

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Retain underlying council ownership of port land and wharves, and lease the operation of the port for a period of about 35 years and use the upfront payment from the lease to invest in the proposed Auckland Future Fund

Tell us here:

4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?

Other

Tell us here:

4d. Do you have any feedback on any other part of the proposal?

Tell us here:

5a. What option do you prefer for Captain Cook and Marsden wharves?

Tell us why:

5b. What option do you prefer for Bledisloe Terminal?

Tell us why:

6a. What do you think of these proposals?

<p>Resume the <b>Natural Environment Targeted Rate (NETR)</b> and extend it to 2034/2035 so we can continue to invest in the protection of native ecosystems and species. This increases rates for the average value residential property by around \$20.04 and \$152.71 for the average value business property.</p>	
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Re-introduce **recycling charges for schools**.

Continue the planned roll out of **rates funded refuse collection** to the North Shore, Waitākere and Papakura in 2024/2025, and Franklin and Rodney in 2025/2026, replacing the current pay as you throw service, and consequent rates change.

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around \$117,000 from general rates, with the next cost review scheduled for the 2027/2028 year.

**6b. Do you have any other feedback on the proposals in question 6a, the changes to our Revenue and Financing Policy, or other changes to fees and charges?**

## **Local board priorities**

**7a. Which local board area does your feedback relate to?**

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# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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1a. Which option do you prefer for the overall direction for council's Long-term Plan?

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Transport	
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City and local development	
Environment and regulation	
Parks and Community	
Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

1c. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do more of that you would be prepared to pay more for?

Dear Auckland Council,

I am writing to provide feedback on the Mayor's proposed Long-Term Plan (10-Year Budget).



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I reject all three options for rate hikes – the most expensive of which would see a 38% increase over three years. Rates should be limited to inflation and the Council should cut its

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inflation by cutting back office and wasteful spending, reining in Council-Controlled Organisations, and reprioritising money spent on operations and staffing to capital and infrastructure investment.

This should include:

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higher than those the private sector.

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proposed "Future Fund" and the proposal to lease Auckland Port's operations to an expert

external operator while keeping the Port's land in ratepayers' hands and ringfencing that

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I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of 'Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending in our Super City!'

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**2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

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**3. Which options do you support for the North Harbour Stadium?**

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**4a. What is your preference on the proposal to establish an Auckland Future Fund and transfer Auckland Council's shareholding in Auckland International Airport Limited (AIAL) into this fund (enabling the shares to be sold)?**

Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

Retain underlying council ownership of port land and wharves, and lease the operation of the port for a period of about 35 years and use the upfront payment from the lease to invest in the proposed Auckland Future Fund

**Tell us here:**



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4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?

Other

Tell us here:

4d. Do you have any feedback on any other part of the proposal?

Tell us here:

5a. What option do you prefer for Captain Cook and Marsden wharves?

Tell us why:

5b. What option do you prefer for Bledisloe Terminal?

Tell us why:

6a. What do you think of these proposals?

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## Local board priorities

7a. Which local board area does your feedback relate to?

8. Do you have any other comments?



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## Your feedback

### 1a. Which option do you prefer for the overall direction for council's Long-term Plan?

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Water	
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Environment and regulation	
Parks and Community	
Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

### 1c. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do more of that you would be prepared to pay more for?

Dear Auckland Council,

I am writing to provide feedback on the Mayor's proposed Long-Term Plan (10-Year Budget).



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I reject all three options for rate hikes – the most expensive of which would see a 38% increase over three years. Rates should be limited to inflation and

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Transport. This money should be used to fix roads and maintain transport infrastructure.

- Focusing on providing core council services such as effective waste management, public bins, and weekly rubbish collection.

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Port's operations to an expert external operator while keeping the Port's land in ratepayers' hands and ringfencing that money to invest in infrastructure so

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I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of 'Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending in our Super City!'

**1d. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do less of so that you could pay less?**

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## **2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

**Tell us why:**

**2a. Is there anything you would spend more on?**

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## **3. Which options do you support for the North Harbour Stadium?**

**Tell us why:**

**4a. What is your preference on the proposal to establish an Auckland Future Fund and transfer Auckland Council's shareholding in Auckland International Airport Limited (AIAL) into this fund (enabling the shares to be sold)?**



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Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

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**4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?**

Other

**Tell us here:**

**4d. Do you have any feedback on any other part of the proposal?**

**Tell us here:**

**5a. What option do you prefer for Captain Cook and Marsden wharves?**

**Tell us why:**

**5b. What option do you prefer for Bledisloe Terminal?**

**Tell us why:**



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6a. What do you think of these proposals?

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## Your feedback

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### 1b. What would you like Auckland Council to do more or less of?

Transport	
Water	
City and local development	
Environment and regulation	
Parks and Community	
Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

### 1c. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do more of that you would be prepared to pay more for?

Dear Auckland Council,

I am writing to provide feedback on  
the Mayor's proposed Long-Term Plan



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(10-Year Budget).

I reject all three options for rate hikes – the most expensive of which would see a 38% increase over three years. Rates should be limited to inflation and the Council should cut its cloth to reflect the current economic circumstances facing Auckland ratepayers.

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Tell us here:

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Other



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## Local board priorities

7a. Which local board area does your feedback relate to?



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8. Do you have any other comments?



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## Your feedback

### 1a. Which option do you prefer for the overall direction for council's Long-term Plan?

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### 1b. What would you like Auckland Council to do more or less of?

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Environment and regulation	
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Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

### 1c. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do more of that you would be prepared to pay more for?

Dear Auckland Council,

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Plan (10-Year Budget).

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**Tell us why:**

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Other

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**1d. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do less of so that you could pay less?**

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Proceed with the proposal

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Dear Auckland Council,

I am writing to provide feedback on the Mayor's proposed Long-Term Plan (10-Year Budget).



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Transport. This money should be used to fix roads and maintain transport infrastructure.

- Focusing on providing core council services such as effective waste management, public bins, and weekly rubbish collection.

I also call on the Council to get smarter about infrastructure investment. I support the Mayor's proposed “Future Fund” and the proposal to lease Auckland

Port's operations to an expert external operator while keeping the Port's land in ratepayers' hands and ringfencing that money to invest in infrastructure so

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**Tell us why:**

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Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

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**Tell us here:**

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Other

**Tell us here:**

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# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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## Your feedback

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### 1b. What would you like Auckland Council to do more or less of?

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Environment and regulation	
Parks and Community	
Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

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**3. Which options do you support for the North Harbour Stadium?**

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**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

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**4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?**

Other

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Environment and regulation	
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Economic and cultural development	
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**1d. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do less of so that you could pay less?**

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**2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

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Proceed with the proposal

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Dear Auckland Council,

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**Tell us why:**

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## Local board priorities

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# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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Proceed with the proposal

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## **2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

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**Tell us why:**

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Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

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**Tell us here:**

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Other

**Tell us here:**

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# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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## Your feedback

### 1a. Which option do you prefer for the overall direction for council's Long-term Plan?

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**Tell us why:**

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**Tell us why:**

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**Tell us why:**

**4a. What is your preference on the proposal to establish an Auckland Future Fund and transfer Auckland Council's shareholding in Auckland International Airport Limited (AIAL) into this fund (enabling the shares to be sold)?**

Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

Retain underlying council ownership of port land and wharves, and lease the operation of the port for a period of about 35 years and use the upfront payment from the lease to invest in the proposed Auckland Future Fund

**Tell us here:**

**4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?**

Other

**Tell us here:**

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**Tell us here:**



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# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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## Your feedback

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Environment and regulation	
Parks and Community	
Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

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## **2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

**Tell us why:**

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## **3. Which options do you support for the North Harbour Stadium?**

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Proceed with the proposal

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Retain underlying council ownership of port land and wharves, and lease the operation of the port for a period of about 35 years and use the upfront payment from the lease to invest in the proposed Auckland Future Fund

Tell us here:

4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?

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Tell us here:

4d. Do you have any feedback on any other part of the proposal?

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Tell us why:

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## Your feedback

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Plan (10-Year Budget).

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**2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

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Tell us here:

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# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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## Your feedback

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## **2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

**Tell us why:**

### **2a. Is there anything you would spend more on?**



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**3. Which options do you support for the North Harbour Stadium?**

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## Local board priorities

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**8. Do you have any other comments?**



#25808



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## Your feedback

1a. Which option do you prefer for the overall direction for council's Long-term Plan?

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1b. What would you like Auckland Council to do more or less of?

Transport	
Water	
City and local development	
Environment and regulation	
Parks and Community	
Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

1c. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do more of that you would be prepared to pay more for?

Dear Auckland Council,



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Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

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**Tell us here:**

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Other



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## Local board priorities

**7a. Which local board area does your feedback relate to?**



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# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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Mayor's proposed Long-Term Plan



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(10-Year)

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## **3. Which options do you support for the North Harbour Stadium?**

**Tell us why:**

**4a. What is your preference on the proposal to establish an Auckland Future Fund and transfer Auckland Council's shareholding in Auckland International Airport Limited (AIAL) into this fund (enabling the shares to be sold)?**

Proceed with the proposal



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**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

Retain underlying council ownership of port land and wharves, and lease the operation of the port for a period of about 35 years and use the upfront payment from the lease to invest in the proposed Auckland Future Fund

**Tell us here:**

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Other

**Tell us here:**

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Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

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**4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?**

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# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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## Your feedback

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**Tell us here:**



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and wasteful spending, reining in Council-Controlled Organisations, and reprioritising money spent on operations and staffing to capital and infrastructure investment.

This should include:

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unnecessary speed humps) by Auckland Transport. This money should be used to fix roads and maintain transport

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I also call on the Council to get smarter about infrastructure investment. I support the Mayor's proposed “Future Fund”

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ratepayers' hands and ringfencing that money to invest in infrastructure so that rates and debt are kept down.

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## **2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**



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**Tell us here:**

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# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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Dear Auckland Council,

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## **2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

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**Tell us why:**

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Other

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Tell us why:

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Proceed with the proposal

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Other

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Proceed with the proposal

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Parks and Community	
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Proceed with the proposal

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**Tell us why:**

**4a. What is your preference on the proposal to establish an Auckland Future Fund and transfer Auckland Council's shareholding in Auckland International Airport Limited (AIAL) into this fund (enabling the shares to be sold)?**



**#25902**



Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

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**Tell us here:**

**4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?**

Other

**Tell us here:**

**4d. Do you have any feedback on any other part of the proposal?**

**Tell us here:**

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**Tell us why:**

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**6a. What do you think of these proposals?**

<p>Resume the <b>Natural Environment Targeted Rate (NETR)</b> and extend it to 2034/2035 so we can continue to invest in the protection of native ecosystems and species. This increases rates for the average value residential property by around \$20.04 and \$152.71 for the average value business property.</p>	
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### Local board priorities

7a. Which local board area does your feedback relate to?

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# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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Organisation (if applicable):

Local Board: I don't know

## Your feedback

### 1a. Which option do you prefer for the overall direction for council's Long-term Plan?

Do less (reduce council services/ investment), lower rates increases and less debt

### 1b. What would you like Auckland Council to do more or less of?

Transport	
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City and local development	
Environment and regulation	
Parks and Community	
Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

### 1c. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do more of that you would be prepared to pay more for?

Dear Auckland Council,

I am writing to provide feedback on the Mayor's proposed Long-Term Plan (10-Year Budget).



**#25905**



I reject all three options for rate hikes – the most expensive of which would see a 38% increase over three years. Rates should be limited to inflation and the Council should cut its cloth to reflect the current economic circumstances facing Auckland ratepayers.

Of the three options presented, my preferred option is lowest option – which is still much higher than inflation despite it being deceptively labelled the “pay less, get less” option.

I strongly urge Councillors to explore ways of preventing rates increases over and above inflation by cutting back office and wasteful spending, reining in Council-Controlled Organisations, and reprioritising money spent on operations and staffing to capital and infrastructure investment.

This should include:

- A hiring freeze on all non-essential roles until an independent review has been taken to address concerns of overstaffing and the salaries of council managers increasing much higher than those the private sector.
- Pausing expensive and unnecessary marketing exercises and so-called “traffic calming measures” (such as unnecessary speed humps) by Auckland Transport. This money should be used to fix roads and maintain transport infrastructure.
- Focusing on providing core council services such as effective waste management, public bins, and weekly rubbish collection.

I also call on the Council to get smarter about infrastructure investment. I support the Mayor's proposed “Future Fund” and the proposal to lease Auckland Port's operations to an expert external operator while keeping the Port's land in ratepayers' hands and ringfencing that money to invest in infrastructure so that rates and debt are kept down.

I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of ‘Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending in our Super City!’



**#25905**



**1d. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do less of so that you could pay less?**

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## **2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

**Tell us why:**

**2a. Is there anything you would spend more on?**

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## **3. Which options do you support for the North Harbour Stadium?**

**Tell us why:**

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Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**



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Retain underlying council ownership of port land and wharves, and lease the operation of the port for a period of about 35 years and use the upfront payment from the lease to invest in the proposed Auckland Future Fund

Tell us here:

4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?

Other

Tell us here:

4d. Do you have any feedback on any other part of the proposal?

Tell us here:

5a. What option do you prefer for Captain Cook and Marsden wharves?

Tell us why:

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Tell us why:

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## **Local board priorities**

**7a. Which local board area does your feedback relate to?**

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# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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## Your feedback

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### 1b. What would you like Auckland Council to do more or less of?

Transport	
Water	
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Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

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Dear Auckland Council,

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**#25911**



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Transport. This money should be used to fix roads and maintain transport infrastructure.

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Port's operations to an expert external operator while keeping the Port's land in ratepayers' hands and ringfencing that money to invest in infrastructure so

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I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of 'Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending in our Super City!'

**1d. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do less of so that you could pay less?**

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Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

Retain underlying council ownership of port land and wharves, and lease the operation of the port for a period of about 35 years and use the upfront payment from the lease to invest in the proposed Auckland Future Fund

**Tell us here:**

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Other

**Tell us here:**

**4d. Do you have any feedback on any other part of the proposal?**

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6a. What do you think of these proposals?

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7a. Which local board area does your feedback relate to?

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## Your feedback

### 1a. Which option do you prefer for the overall direction for council's Long-term Plan?

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### 1b. What would you like Auckland Council to do more or less of?

Transport	
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Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

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**#25912**



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**1d. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do less of so that you could pay less?**

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## **2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**



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**Tell us why:**

**2a. Is there anything you would spend more on?**

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**3. Which options do you support for the North Harbour Stadium?**

**Tell us why:**

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Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

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**Tell us here:**

**4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?**

Other



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Tell us here:

4d. Do you have any feedback on any other part of the proposal?

Tell us here:

5a. What option do you prefer for Captain Cook and Marsden wharves?

Tell us why:

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Tell us why:

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## Local board priorities

**7a. Which local board area does your feedback relate to?**



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8. Do you have any other comments?



# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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## Your feedback

### 1a. Which option do you prefer for the overall direction for council's Long-term Plan?

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Transport	
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Dear Auckland Council,

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**#25915**



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This should include:

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I endorse the submission of the Auckland



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of preventing rates increases over and above inflation by cutting back office and wasteful spending, reining in Council-Controlled Organisations, and reprioritising money spent on operations and staffing to capital and infrastructure investment.

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- A hiring freeze on all non-essential roles until an independent review has been taken to address concerns of overstaffing and the salaries of council managers increasing much higher than those the private sector.
- Pausing expensive and unnecessary marketing exercises and so-called “traffic calming measures” (such as unnecessary speed humps) by Auckland Transport. This money should be used to fix roads and maintain transport infrastructure.
- Focusing on providing core council services such as effective waste management, public bins, and weekly rubbish collection.

I also call on the Council to get smarter



**#25915**



about infrastructure investment. I support the Mayor's proposed "Future Fund" and the proposal to lease Auckland Port's operations to an expert external operator while keeping the Port's land in ratepayers' hands and ringfencing that money to invest in infrastructure so that rates and debt are kept down.

I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of 'Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending in our Super City!'

**2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

**Tell us why:**

**2a. Is there anything you would spend more on?**

**2b. Is there anything you would spend less on?**

**3. Which options do you support for the North Harbour Stadium?**

**Tell us why:**



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**4a. What is your preference on the proposal to establish an Auckland Future Fund and transfer Auckland Council's shareholding in Auckland International Airport Limited (AIAL) into this fund (enabling the shares to be sold)?**

Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

Retain underlying council ownership of port land and wharves, and lease the operation of the port for a period of about 35 years and use the upfront payment from the lease to invest in the proposed Auckland Future Fund

**Tell us here:**

**4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?**

Other

**Tell us here:**

**4d. Do you have any feedback on any other part of the proposal?**

**Tell us here:**

**5a. What option do you prefer for Captain Cook and Marsden wharves?**

**Tell us why:**

**5b. What option do you prefer for Bledisloe Terminal?**



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Tell us why:

6a. What do you think of these proposals?

<p>Resume the <b>Natural Environment Targeted Rate (NETR)</b> and extend it to 2034/2035 so we can continue to invest in the protection of native ecosystems and species. This increases rates for the average value residential property by around \$20.04 and \$152.71 for the average value business property.</p>	
<p>Resume the <b>Water Quality Targeted Rate (WQTR)</b> and extend it to 2034/2035 at a level to only cover the annual programme operating and interest costs. This ensures that we can continue to fund the water quality improvements in harbours and streams across the region, at a lower amount for next year than previously planned. This reduces this rate from what was previously planned for the average value residential property by around \$6.53 and \$17.10 for the average value business property.</p>	
<p>Broaden the description of bus services funded by the <b>Climate Action Transport Targeted Rate (CATTR)</b> to reduce the need to consult each year for minor changes to the bus programme (any changes to the settings of the CATTR would still require consultation).</p>	
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6b. Do you have any other feedback on the proposals in question 6a, the changes to our Revenue and Financing Policy, or other changes to fees and charges?

## Local board priorities

7a. Which local board area does your feedback relate to?

8. Do you have any other comments?



# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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Organisation (if applicable):

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## Your feedback

### 1a. Which option do you prefer for the overall direction for council's Long-term Plan?

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### 1b. What would you like Auckland Council to do more or less of?

Transport	
Water	
City and local development	
Environment and regulation	
Parks and Community	
Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

### 1c. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do more of that you would be prepared to pay more for?

Dear Auckland Council,

I am writing to provide feedback on the Mayor's proposed Long-Term Plan (10-Year Budget).



**#25918**



I reject all three options for rate hikes – the most expensive of which would see a 38% increase over three years. Rates should be limited to inflation and

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Council-Controlled Organisations, and reprioritising money spent on operations and staffing to capital and infrastructure investment.

This should include:

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Transport. This money should be used to fix roads and maintain transport infrastructure.

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I also call on the Council to get smarter about infrastructure investment. I support the Mayor's proposed “Future Fund” and the proposal to lease Auckland

Port's operations to an expert external operator while keeping the Port's land in ratepayers' hands and ringfencing that money to invest in infrastructure so

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I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of 'Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending in our Super City!'

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## **2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

**Tell us why:**

**2a. Is there anything you would spend more on?**

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## **3. Which options do you support for the North Harbour Stadium?**

**Tell us why:**

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Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

Retain underlying council ownership of port land and wharves, and lease the operation of the port for a period of about 35 years and use the upfront payment from the lease to invest in the proposed Auckland Future Fund

**Tell us here:**

**4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?**

Other

**Tell us here:**

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**Tell us why:**

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**Tell us why:**



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**6a. What do you think of these proposals?**

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## Local board priorities

**7a. Which local board area does your feedback relate to?**

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# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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## Your feedback

### 1a. Which option do you prefer for the overall direction for council's Long-term Plan?

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### 1b. What would you like Auckland Council to do more or less of?

Transport	
Water	
City and local development	
Environment and regulation	
Parks and Community	
Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

### 1c. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do more of that you would be prepared to pay more for?

Dear Auckland Council,

I am writing to provide feedback on the Mayor's proposed Long-Term Plan (10-Year Budget).



**#25920**



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Transport. This money should be used to fix roads and maintain transport infrastructure.

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I also call on the Council to get smarter about infrastructure investment. I support the Mayor's proposed “Future Fund” and the proposal to lease Auckland

Port's operations to an expert external operator while keeping the Port's land in ratepayers' hands and ringfencing that money to invest in infrastructure so

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**#25920**



I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of 'Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending in our Super City!'

**1d. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do less of so that you could pay less?**

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## **2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**

**Tell us why:**

**2a. Is there anything you would spend more on?**

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## **3. Which options do you support for the North Harbour Stadium?**

**Tell us why:**

**4a. What is your preference on the proposal to establish an Auckland Future Fund and transfer Auckland Council's shareholding in Auckland International Airport Limited (AIAL) into this fund (enabling the shares to be sold)?**



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Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

Retain underlying council ownership of port land and wharves, and lease the operation of the port for a period of about 35 years and use the upfront payment from the lease to invest in the proposed Auckland Future Fund

**Tell us here:**

**4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?**

Other

**Tell us here:**

**4d. Do you have any feedback on any other part of the proposal?**

**Tell us here:**

**5a. What option do you prefer for Captain Cook and Marsden wharves?**

**Tell us why:**

**5b. What option do you prefer for Bledisloe Terminal?**

**Tell us why:**



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6a. What do you think of these proposals?

<p>Resume the <b>Natural Environment Targeted Rate (NETR)</b> and extend it to 2034/2035 so we can continue to invest in the protection of native ecosystems and species. This increases rates for the average value residential property by around \$20.04 and \$152.71 for the average value business property.</p>	
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## Local board priorities

**7a. Which local board area does your feedback relate to?**

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## Your feedback

### 1a. Which option do you prefer for the overall direction for council's Long-term Plan?

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Transport	
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City and local development	
Environment and regulation	
Parks and Community	
Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

### 1c. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do more of that you would be prepared to pay more for?

Dear Auckland Council,

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Mayor's proposed Long-Term Plan



**#25921**



(10-Year Budget).

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- Focusing on providing core council services such as effective waste management, public bins, and weekly rubbish collection.

I also call on the Council to get smarter about infrastructure investment. I support the Mayor's proposed “Future Fund” and the proposal to lease Auckland Port's operations to an expert external operator while keeping the Port's land in ratepayers' hands and ringfencing



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**1d. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do less of so that you could pay less?**

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## **2. What do you think of the transport proposal?**



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**Tell us why:**

**2a. Is there anything you would spend more on?**

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**3. Which options do you support for the North Harbour Stadium?**

**Tell us why:**

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Proceed with the proposal

**Tell us why:**

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**Tell us here:**

**4c. If the council group continues to operate the Port of Auckland how would you prefer the profits and dividends to be used?**

Other

**Tell us here:**



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4d. Do you have any feedback on any other part of the proposal?

Tell us here:

5a. What option do you prefer for Captain Cook and Marsden wharves?

Tell us why:

5b. What option do you prefer for Bledisloe Terminal?

Tell us why:

6a. What do you think of these proposals?

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## Local board priorities

7a. Which local board area does your feedback relate to?

8. Do you have any other comments?



# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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## Your feedback

### 1a. Which option do you prefer for the overall direction for council's Long-term Plan?

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### 1b. What would you like Auckland Council to do more or less of?

Transport	
Water	
City and local development	
Environment and regulation	
Parks and Community	
Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

### 1c. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do more of that you would be prepared to pay more for?

Dear Auckland Council,

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**#25922**



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I endorse the submission of the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance and back their vision of 'Reasonable Rates, Sensible Spending in our Super City!'

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**Tell us why:**

**4b. Which option do you prefer for the future of Port of Auckland?**

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**Tell us here:**

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Other



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8. Do you have any other comments?



# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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## Your feedback

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Dear Auckland Council,

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Proceed with the proposal

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Other

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7a. Which local board area does your feedback relate to?

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# Long-term Plan 2024-2034

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## Your feedback

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Transport	
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Parks and Community	
Economic and cultural development	
Council support	

### 1c. Is there anything else you would like Auckland Council to do more of that you would be prepared to pay more for?

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feedback on the Mayor's



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see a 38% increase over  
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Proceed with the proposal



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