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**Emergency Budget 2020/2021
Other Pro Forma Submissions**

**WRITTEN FEEDBACK Vol. 1
(22545–30570)**

Auckland Council Emergency Budget 2020/2021

[Submitter details](#)

Local board: I don't know

[Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance questions](#)

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I support budget measures that will result in the rate option selected above.

Surely you cannot be serious in even considering a rates increase given the events of the past few months.

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[Generation Zero questions](#)

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An increase of 3.5% OR more than 3.5% means climate action is not sacrificed for future generations!

Please indicate which increase you support:

Response:

Comments:

2. What are you most excited about to be funded from this budget?

Crucial maintenance that reduces serious injuries and deaths

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I do NOT agree with the Sky Path expenditure at this current time. It should be deferred until the economy has recovered from the Covid 19 issues. Council needs to trim the salaries of its staff especially the people earning more than \$200,000 and it needs to reduce the number of contractors that it uses. As for Watercare the company is a disgrace and needs to be completely overhauled there are too many highly paid executives who appear to be unable to look at the big picture and make strategic decisions before we have problems instead they wait until there is a problem and then look for a band aid solution they appear to not be accountable to anyone.

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Due to the Covid crisis and resulting economic fallout, households are struggling at the moment - as the Auckland Mayor and Council members will be well aware of. To suggest pushing through any rate increase in 2020 is to disregard the financial hardship of a large proportion of families.

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STOP WASTING TAXPAYERS MONEY ON OVER INFLATED SALARIES LIKE CEO OF WATERCARE THAT HAS FAILED TO PLAN WATER SUPPLY AND FORECAST FOR THE AUCKLAND REGION!

STOP WASTING MONEY ON CUTTING DOWN MATURE TREES THAT ARE VALUABLE FOR KEEPING THE AIR CLEAN, HELP AGAINST DROUGHT AND SOIL EROSION AND HABITAT TO THE WILDLIFE! AUCKLAND HAS ALREADY LOST A THIRD OF IT'S TREE CANOPY IN LAST 10 YEARS!

I OPPOSE THE PLANNED REDUCTION TO THE MUCH NEEDED ANIMAL SHELTERS !

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Local board: Hibiscus and Bays

Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance questions

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Comments: if you actually think that a rates increase with the number of recently affected workforce, then you are really severely cooked! This government's hikes have been crippling working families and we are sick of it.

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