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NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 592-A

Submission No: 3701

Scott McDonald

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 3: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building faster, with work starting in year 4 and contributing \$40 million.

Comments

Postcard submission

Infrastructure around the race course will also need to be improved.

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Submission No: 3702

Halizeigh Daymond

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 3: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building faster, with work starting in year 4 and contributing \$40 million.

Comments

Postcard submission

I think this will be a great opportunity for us here at NPBS and also people here in Taranaki.

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Submission No: 3703

Zane

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 3: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building faster, with work starting in year 4 and contributing \$40 million.

Comments

Postcard submission

Very good aye.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

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Submission No: 3704

Anaru Snowdon-Green

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 3: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building faster, with work starting in year 4 and contributing \$40 million.

Comments

Postcard submission

Hurry up and do it.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 596-A

Submission No: 3705

Samuel Williams

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 3: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building faster, with work starting in year 4 and contributing \$40 million.

Comments

Postcard submission

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 597-A

Submission No: 3706

Lachlan Shotter

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 3: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building faster, with work starting in year 4 and contributing \$40 million.

Comments

Postcard submission

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Office Use Only: 598-A

Submission No: 3707

Danae Hancock

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 3: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building faster, with work starting in year 4 and contributing \$40 million.

Comments

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Submission No: 3708

Otis Dixon

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 3: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building faster, with work starting in year 4 and contributing \$40 million.

Comments

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Submission No: 3709

Ella Stephens

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 3: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building faster, with work starting in year 4 and contributing \$40 million.

Comments

Postcard submission

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 601-A

Submission No: 3710

Tiago Shaw

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 3: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building faster, with work starting in year 4 and contributing \$40 million.

Comments

Postcard submission

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 602-A

Submission No: 3711

Astyn Douglas

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 3: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building faster, with work starting in year 4 and contributing \$40 million.

Comments

Postcard submission

Desperately needed facility.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 603-A

Submission No: 3712

Samuel Ruakere

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 3: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building faster, with work starting in year 4 and contributing \$40 million.

Comments

Postcard submission

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 604-A

Submission No: 3713

Maddison Davison

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 3: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building faster, with work starting in year 4 and contributing \$40 million.

Comments

Postcard submission

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 605-A

Submission No: 3714

Selwyn Watkins

Wish to speak to the Council: Yes

Submission on the 2021-2031 Long Term Plan

Selwyn Watkins MBS (Dist.), BBS Hons

I wish to present my submission in person – 15 minutes.

This submitter thanks and acknowledges the efforts of Iwi, Sport Taranaki, the Sports Collective, many individual sporting and community bodies along with the efforts of Councillors and Council staff who gathered the information required to draft the new 2021-2031 Long Term Plan (LTP).

The last District Council election established a clear move towards younger more liberal candidates with fresh agendas and actions, greater diversity of ideas, climate-change mitigation, greater participation in sport and recreation. Covid-19 lockdowns gave time to ponder what's important in life. Hopefully the suggestions made on this LTP can help toward obtaining the stated vision of being a 'Sustainable Lifestyle Capital'^{1,2} but it will take enlightened Councillors to make the necessary progressive decisions suggested in this submission - Kia kaha.

- 1.** This submission supports the building of a multipurpose event, lifestyle and sporting hub for \$39,646,012 on the middle of the Pukekura Recreational Reserve (racecourse)³. Construction to start on July 2025 (Year-4) of the LTP and complete the whole project by 2028 (Year-6)
- 2.** Allocate an extra \$5 million over the next three years (above the \$40 million in the LTP) starting July 2021 to facilitate design work, incidentals, obtain the necessary consents, project contracts, start landscaping, forward purchasing and planting trees in preparation for this transformational project

¹ New Plymouth District Council NPDC) Consultation Document, 10-Year Plan 2021-2031, p.8

² NPDC Strategic Framework, supporting documents, 10-Year Plan 2021-2031

³ This area is more formally titled Pukekura Recreational and Racecourse Reserve

Sport and recreation activities are an essential part of many people's lives⁴

Selection of the underutilised 'racecourse' for the proposed multipurpose hub is sensible and long overdue. Nine years ago the 2012-2022 draft Long Term Plan (LTP) ⁵ under Mayor Duynhoven proposed a multi-sports development near the TSB Stadium on the racecourse with construction starting in 2015/16 and completed by 2017/18 - so it's time to get things sorted for the benefit of all ages, including those yet to be born. While the original TSB Stadium extension might have been ideal in its day, it was already dated at its conception. A more futuristic plan is required, something more than just a stadium – a legacy project.

Clearly there's an **urgent need** to improve facilities. Combining many sports and a multitude of other activities on the 'Pukekura Recreational Reserve' (racecourse) has obvious advantages for operating efficiencies, expense control and inter-sport relationships. Further, there's space to expand on this centralised site to accommodate new sports, club amalgamations and over time relocations as other sporting and community groups see the wisdom of joining with others. Instead of spending \$1,785,727⁶ on furnishing, fittings and other renewals on the Yarrow Stadium, this would best be applied towards the multipurpose hub. By way of Taranaki Regional Council (TRC) targeted rates, we are already paying for the excesses of redeveloping a stadium few of us want, will visit or use.

The draft plan of the multipurpose event, lifestyle and sporting hub shows development spread over eight long-years - this is far too slow – we've waited long enough. Costs will be less if construction is continuous and not staged; completion by 2028 (Year-6).

The Sport Facility Needs Assessment report⁷ by Sport Taranaki and the Council gives a partial rundown of the economic benefits, but it does not extend to wider use and health-related benefits. Further, there's no assessment of the value from tourism and the many parents and supporters who also travel with teams. Council should consider measuring the economic impact from these sectors.

⁴ NPDC 10-Year Plan 2021-2031 Infrastructure Strategy; Parks and Open Spaces, p.27

⁵ New Plymouth District Council Draft Long-Term Plan 2012-2022, Summary booklet.

⁶ NPDC Proposed 10-year Plan of Capital Projects; PE3009 Furnishings and fittings, PE2002 Operational assets renewal for Yarrow Stadium Redevelopment

⁷ Community Sport Facility Needs Assessment Report, Evidence for a Multi-Sport Hub in New Plymouth, November 2019

3. This submission strongly opposes the continuation⁸ of commercial stabling, training and the business of racing horses on the Pukekura Recreational Reserve (racecourse). It's time for Taranaki Racing Incorporated (TRI) to go, they have alternative options open to them⁹

Personal gain, strong local personalities and underlying grievances between clubs and national bodies has blocked the Racing Industry's development. The industry, for us the TRI here in New Plymouth, is controlled from outside our city by Racing New Zealand (RNZ)¹⁰. RNZ mostly decide how, when and what races can be run; additionally, they also have an overriding say over TRI's assets. Basically, TRI are contractually bound to do as they are told, there's little discretion how they can conduct their racing activities apart from stabling, training horses and social activities¹¹. They pay nothing to use our land yet dictate what we can or can't do on it. Since 1998, allowing for inflation, rate-payers have forgone at least \$3 million in rates alone¹². This ratepayer subsidy needs to stop.

In essence we've lost control over our own land, it's time to take control back.

Only with unfettered Council control is it possible to design from scratch a multipurpose event, lifestyle and sporting hub that caters for many uses. Disappointingly, other uses haven't been researched, alternative views are unrepresented. New Plymouth District citizens have only been shown what TRI might agree with, making this consultation a failure when so much is at stake. Surely other designs that completely exclude horse stabling, training or racing have been considered. **Why are the cards always stacked in TRI's favour?**

The conceptual design shown in the draft LTP fails to incorporate green landscaping other than a few trees around the plaza for aesthetics. The racing track and surrounds is an **ecological and environmental embarrassment** just for the few who wish to view horses training or racing - all at the rate payers expense. With TRI gone it's feasible to grass over large areas of the reserve to

⁸ NPDC 10-Year Plan 2021-2031, Consultation Document, p31

⁹ Stratford Racing Club is ready, willing and able to cater for all of New Plymouth's racing functions on what they believe is a superior course. The Hawera course is also available.

¹⁰ Racing Industry Act 2020

¹¹ New Zealand Herald, Racing: Big changes on the way for racing industry, M. Guerin, 1 April, 2021

¹² NPDC Meeting Agenda papers for the Planning Committee, 7 May 2019, p.206

provide an open-park¹³ available for general use, parking overflows, with some areas being land-banked for future expansion. We need to foster new visions on what can be done on this large central site.

When investing 80 to 90 million dollars' in any development
it makes sense to place it optimally

Building location¹⁴

The optimal placement of the proposed indoor stadium and associated sport fields is best located closer towards the existing TSB Stadium, but **not** as planned on the original 2012-2022 site¹⁵. This earlier project was almost obsolete before consultation even started. Bringing the two stadiums closer together helps lower infrastructure costs, will bring event management closer together, make travel between covered areas in inclement weather cheaper and easier. Closer proximity assists with outdoor displays, demonstrations, music, theatre or designated areas leased to commercial enterprises or partners to help pay running costs and encourage sponsorship. Togetherness provides a community-feel where social interaction is enhanced; where local, national and international success can be celebrated. Of concern is the allowable structure height and if this requires a plan-change to build the new stadium with a climbing wall, various flag poles, the placement of lighting towers for netball and hockey, trees, and over time additional buildings when needed¹⁶.

Continued training and operating horse races is unrealistic,

It's also dangerous - race horses and the public don't mix

As envisaged the draft master plan shows development of the multipurpose event, lifestyle and sporting hub existing alongside an operating racecourse¹⁷ - this is unrealistic. With an estimated 15,000 visitors a week¹⁸ to the stadiums, playing fields, courts and surrounding grounds each

¹³ An open-park is similar to the area on the corner of Rogan and Coronation Avenue; opposite the New Plymouth Boys High School

¹⁴ NPDC 10 Year Plan Consultation Document, p31

¹⁵ New Plymouth District Council Draft Long-Term Plan 2012-2022, Summary booklet

¹⁶ NPDC District Plan, Part 2; District-wide matters, view shafts; VIEWS-S16, 23-Sep-2019. Note: TRI's camera towers and advertising hoardings will need removal.

¹⁷ 10 Year Plan 2021-2031 Consultation Document, p.31

¹⁸ Community Sports Facility Needs Assessment Report November 2019, p.9

week would turn this site in to a busy place. With TRI still operating this also includes horses, floats, along with those conducting and watching races. With a large number of participants and visitors of all ages on site there's an expectation for multiple and likely erratic track-crossings. Some are likely to cross the track multiple times; teenagers are like that. There are four crossing points on the concept masterplan, every crossing needs supervision starting before sunrise (horse training) to very late at night. Policing and controlling racing operations would be complicated and costly, even with volunteer helpers; rate-payers shouldn't need to pay for this. With TRI gone no controlled crossing points are required.

Some early design work has shown an underpass to 'get to the other side'. Are rate-payers being asked to foot the cost of this \$1.5million absurdity, all funded from the \$40 million in the LTP and the additional millions the community needs to find from hard-to-obtain fundraising, other agencies and stakeholders. Clearly TRI don't have the resources to pay for digging a tunnel.

Of concern are safety issues with fencing both sides of the racetrack to a child-safe standard. During racing are thousands expected to be quite, not wave flags or prevent a ball or similar flying onto the track; how can sun-strike be minimised 360 days of the year.

Taranaki is susceptible to volcanic activity and earthquake events¹⁹ so the safety of the public when entering a building is paramount. This brings into question the New Building Standard (NBS) earthquake rating of TRI's grandstands²⁰. If strengthening and remediation is required can they pay for it and when? How will they maintain their buildings? There's many questions needing answers, such as recent unease over an 'unexpected' cash profit, even after being closed during the Covid-19 lockdown and a long history of financial loss^{21,22,23}. They've had their time and should go. Two options are open to them at the Stratford or Hawera racecourses.

¹⁹ NPDC 10-Year Plan Infrastructure Strategy 2021-2031 supporting information, p.8; Massey University research identifies seismic activity is likely in the next 50 years.

²⁰ Consider even newish buildings can be compromised; both Yarrow grandstands, NPDC down-town carpark. There's an expectation from the public they will be safe in any building open to the public.

²¹ 11th Annual Report and Balance Sheet of Taranaki Racing (Inc.) for the year ended 31st July 2020

²² TRI received the Wage Subsidy for 40 employees \$190,636; Wage Subsidy Extension for 42 paid employees \$132,691. Total \$323,328. The Resurgence Wage Subsidy was also received in Aug-Sept 2020 for 11 paid employees \$11,472. All links at <https://workandincome.govt.nz/covid-19/resurgence-wage-subsidy/who-can-get-it.html>; 10 March 2021

²³ NPDC Meeting Agenda papers for the Planning Committee, 7 May 2019, p.206

Beneficially, with TRI gone there's a reduction of complexity in future decision-making leading to faster and better outcomes at less expense. That is, council is back in control of their own land and can decide what happens on it. As TRI pay no lease or rates there's no negative impact on Council revenue if they leave.

Encouraging parent and grandparent support through improved parking

With stabling, training, and racing horses gone it's possible to change parking layouts. Human nature shows people can be inherently lazy. Parking shown as 'area 15' on the draft master plan²⁴ is best located closer to the action, making it easier for whanau of all ages, especially the disabled, to watch and be involved with activities or sports, particularly children's low-level sport. As shown parking is inadequate and too far away. Realistically, we need to make things easy to encourage parental interest and support particularly as many sport activities are of short duration. Moving the proposed carpark and drop-off closer to the action is not possible when TRI still want to train and race horses.

4. Traffic safety, walking and cycle tracks - landscaping the city entrance²⁵ - with TRI gone there are new possibilities

The full length of Coronation Avenue (SH3) is a disgrace, just a long rusting wire fence with a few inappropriate plantings grown from bird droppings. This stretch of road is the gateway into our city, we can do better. Planting low growing shrubbery and landscaping in this area will immediately improve safety for young and old, beautify our city entrance while absorbing sound, sequestering carbon emissions, capturing particulates and other contaminants at source²⁶. Technological change in transport means cyclists and pedestrians are of greater risk of injury from electric vehicles (EVs) and e-bikes due to quietness of operation and more frequent use. With 15,000 visitors a week to the Hub there's more pedestrians, bikes, buses and other vehicles. Events at the Brooklands bowl can add a crowd of thousands, all using this area as they come or leave. What we have now won't cut it. While SH3 is the domain of Waka Kotahi –

²⁴ NPDC 10-Year Plan 2021-2031 Consultation Document, p.31

²⁵ NPDC 10-Year Plan 2021-2031 Consultation Document, Extending tracks, p.25; Climate action, p.28; Hub Concept Plan p.31

²⁶ NPDC 10-Year Plan 2021-2031 Infrastructure Strategy, Supporting Information, p.28(6)

NZ Land Transport, cycling or driving along Coronation Avenue is unsafe for school students. Vehicles, particularly heavy trucks going to the port, require wider lanes, a broad median strip and improved entry/exit into side streets and the three access ways off SH3 directly onto playing fields and the hub complex. In the draft LTP cycling and walking programme \$7.5 million²⁷ has been allocated for cycling and walking links but there's nothing explicit in the LTP to provide wider walking/cycleway tracks; like one that could be built in partnership with Land Transport and running parallel to Coronation Avenue along the current racetrack²⁸. While the proposed extension of the coastal walkway to Waitara is laudable it comes at a high cost. A portion of the \$25,616,792²⁹ spent on this extension would best be spent on wide 'high use' cycle/walkways such as around the proposed hub and down Coronation Avenue.

5. Wind protection, Urban forests, Bio-diversity, carbon sequestration³⁰

The southerly wind down Coronation Avenue and across the Reserve is problematic due to a lack of trees, hillocks or buildings to break the wind. For over a hundred years, anything obscuring the view of horse racing or training wasn't tolerated. In line with the Council's Climate Action Programme^{31,32} it's time to fix this environmental disaster by providing shelter, adding to bio-diversity by forming a green-bridge between Pukekura/Brooklands Parks and other nearby bush areas. Plantings can provide wind and moisture protection as well as helping to frame the uniqueness of the 'inner Pukekura and Brooklands parks'^{33,34} and improve the view of Maunga Taranaki.

To accelerate shelter height, it's suggested using earth from construction to form 'hillocks' or 'lahars' then cover these with vegetation. This quick-fix helps gain shelter and provide character to an otherwise flat landscape. With an operating racecourse none of the above is possible.

²⁷ NPDC 10-Year Plan 2021-3031, Infrastructure Strategy Supporting information, p.11

²⁸ NPDC Strategic Framework, supporting documents, 10-year Plan 2021-2031; Vision Statements on partnerships

²⁹ NPDC Proposed 10-Year Plan Capital Projects by Significant Activity; RD2024

³⁰ NPDC Consultation Document Climate action framework, p.28 and Building a multi-sport Hub, Concept Plan p.31

³¹ NPDC Consultation Document, 10-year Plan 2021-2031; Rolling out our Climate Action Framework, p.28

³² NPDC 10-Year Plan 2021-2031, Infrastructure Strategy, p.12

³³ NPDC Pukekura Management Plan, yet to be implemented

³⁴ NPDC Full Project List, 2021-2031 draft District Plan; Pukekura Management Plan Implementation, PK2005 \$599,034

6. Select a new name to replace the word *'the racecourse'*

Working with Iwi and supporting partners select a new name that reflects a new beginning and use for this underutilised central area. Calling the area 'the racecourse' is misleading when it has many other uses. It's suggested \$50,000 be allocated in year one (2021-2022) to name this legacy project.

7. RATES and other matters

7a. Generating new income - helping pay for extra things we want - accelerate infill housing

The importance of gaining unfettered control over the Pukekura Recreational Reserve (racecourse) is pivotal in allowing far-reaching possibilities not mentioned in the draft plan. Recent Government statements, intended legislation and requests to Council all advocate for increased infill housing. Historically this has been left to private business and now Iwi, but it's possible to have a win-win outcome if appropriate land is made available by Council. Increased housing means an increased rates take while at the same time lead to cost savings due to less Council oversight, control and maintenance of unused land.

This submitter doesn't support private housing on the Pukekura Recreational Reserve.

Without commercial stabling, training and racing horses on the Pukekura Recreational Reserve (racecourse) it's possible to

- Relocate the Hobson Street Parks Operations Depot to the racecourse new-stable area then sell or lease the depot land for community housing with an emphasis on the **growing number of elderly whose personal circumstance prevents them going into a retirement village**. The retiree population is expected to grow from 18% today to 24% by 2031³⁵ and then 27% in 30 years' time³⁶, all will require suitable housing.

³⁵ NPDC Council Agenda papers, Population and Dwelling Forecasts for the LTP 2021-2031, 21st July 2020, p.16

³⁶ NPDC 10-Year Plan Infrastructure Strategy 2021-2031 assumptions, p.42

This flat centrally located site close to transport, walkways, supermarkets and all the city's amenities makes an ideal development. By placing Parks operation on the very Reserve they care for seems sensible and saves spending more on the current site. The Full Project List of supporting draft documents³⁷ shows \$1,924,635 being spend over the next 10 years on this depot. A good part of this expenditure might better be utilised on a new facility within the Pukekura Reserve (racecourse) grounds. A new-build brings with it many operational advantages currently undertaken at the depot and more 'traffic friendly' access to other parks city-wide.

7b. Land sales to help reduce rates and provide cost savings over time. Some possible examples³⁸...

- Sale of Niger Terrace storage facility and mulch pit. This completes the sale of this area after the balance was sold to help pay for the new Archive and Storage facility in Hobson Street.
- Sale of the YMCA land at 83 Liardet Street (possible site for a PPP³⁹ multilevel carpark). The sale of this land was first proposed in the 2012-2022 draft LTP to help pay for the then anticipated multi-sport development⁴⁰. This writer is uncertain who owns Community House but this could be relocated on the 'old' racecourse where there's flat ground, ample car parking and bus services.
- Sale of the Waiwhakaiho Netball Centre courts. With netball moving to the anticipated Hub the court area should be sold for housing. With the Fitzroy Village in close proximity this is prime real estate, adding to infill housing and providing ongoing rates revenue.
- Sale of land at corner of Gilbert and Liardet Streets
- Sale of land at 102-110 Gover Street

³⁷ NPDC draft Significant Capital Projects Proposed 10-year Plan. Hobson Street Depot Parks Operations Coded CB1015; PB3007; PB3013; PK3010 and PK3011

³⁸ Hopefully the reader understands the writer doesn't have all the details about these properties. It's the inference of cashing up on unused assets that matters.

³⁹ PPP, Private Public Partnership. This would give Council parking, easy public access and the opportunity to replace the now closed downtown carpark

⁴⁰ New Plymouth District Council Draft Long-Term Plan 2012-2022, Summary booklet, p.12

- Sale of very small blocks of underutilised land in and around the city. It's suggested there are fringe areas throughout the district that are of nuisance value to Council, where the annual costs of maintenance and control simply adds to the rates burden for little community gain.
- When it's sensible to do so, negotiate with land owners who have encroached onto Council land with the view of selling land or leasing it to them. Over time such agreements could save council staff time and in many situations provide a win-win outcome.

Summary:

1. Provide \$40 million to start building the multipurpose event, lifestyle and sporting hub on the middle of Pukekura Recreational Reserve (racecourse) starting on July 2025 (Year-4). Complete the whole project by 2028 (Year-6)
2. Provide an extra \$5 million (above the \$40 million) starting July 2021 of this year (Year-1) to facilitate design work, obtain the necessary consents, project contracts and other preliminary work.
3. **Do not give TRI a lease** and ask they remove their assets and vacate the Reserve before June 2025.
4. Partner with NZ Land Transport to improve traffic safety along Coronation Avenue and construct walking and cycle tracks on the existing racetrack along with landscaping the city's entrance.
5. Use the 'Planting our Place' programme to help wind protection and bio-diversity across large areas of the Pukekura Recreational Reserve (racecourse).
6. Select a new name to replace that of 'the racecourse' (\$50,000).
7. Consider relocations, land sales, infill housing and negotiate sales or leases with those who have encroached upon Council owned land to help bolster Council revenue.

The nexus of this submission concerns redevelopment of the underutilised land in the centre of the city, the Pukekura Recreational Reserve (racecourse). A single and pivotal decision not to offer a lease to TRI and asking them to vacate the land and remove assets by June 2025, enables the New Plymouth District to truly become the Sustainable Lifestyle City of New Zealand.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 606-A

Submission No: 3715

Kyah Wapp

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 3: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building faster, with work starting in year 4 and contributing \$40 million.

Comments

Postcard submission

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 607-A

Submission No: 3716

Luyke Richardson

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 3: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building faster, with work starting in year 4 and contributing \$40 million.

Comments

Postcard submission

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 608-A

Submission No: 3717

Oscar Sarten

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 3: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building faster, with work starting in year 4 and contributing \$40 million.

Comments

Postcard submission

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 7910

Submission No: 3718

Andrea Cowan

Wish to speak to the Council: Yes

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 1. Do nothing. Status quo. No additional funding.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option C: Fully debt fund long life assets.

Comments

So the council "believes current ratepayers should pay for renewing existing assets", when it's been the council's responsibility to carry out inspections, maintain said assets, & fix any problems as and when they occur? Where's the accountability from the council that a serious lack of due diligence on the councils part, is partly to blame for the issues we now face??

Saving water and water meters

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo costing \$42 million over 10 years for new water supply assets. No water meters.

Comments

1st statement in the Consultation Document, under Conserving Water, council is claiming "NP residents consume significantly more water (up to 60% more) than other comparable places". When asked at the Inglewood community evening meeting 31/03/21, for the statically published data to support this claim, I was informed the answer was based on international studies, and averages of water consumed.

It astounds me that while council are pushing for water meters to be installed, they have neglected to provide the general public with any ACTUAL FACTUAL NZ DATA to support their claim that New Plymouth residents are using more water than the rest of NZ. I do not believe council has researched other alternative solutions in order to help conserve water, including using technology for finding leakage from the un-maintained water pipes, as there is nothing publicly published to suggest this had been considered either way. Had council bothered to contact Water NZ; who are responsible for accurately collating council-reported data on water charges and usage throughout NZ, they would have had access to the publicly accessible National Performance Reviews 2018/ 2019, & 2019/ 2020. These reviews graph each district on the average daily residential water usage (litres/ person/ day); both with water meters, and those without, and are easily located on Water NZ's website. The average median for 2018/ 2019 was 314.2 litres per person, per day. New Plymouth usage was recorded as 313.7, placing just under the average for NZ. There were 10 other NON METERED districts (out of 24) which had a HIGHER consumption rate; Taupo, Napier, Queenstown-Lakes, Hastings, Masterton, Southland, Ruapehu, Greymouth, Taranaki, & Mackenzie Country. The average median for 2019/ 2020 was 235.2 litres per person, per day. New Plymouth is placed above the average; bordering around 300 litres. There were 8 other NON METERED districts which had a HIGHER consumption rate; Timaru, Queenstown-Lakes, Waimakakariri, Rotorua, Masterton, Hastings, Napier, South Waikato. The average median currently for 2021 (as of 31/03/21), is 291 litres per person, per day. As of 31/03/21, New Plymouth is currently using 60 litres per person, per day ABOVE the average median. Further data for comparison was not sought. The above Information was gained verbally from Lesley Smith, Principal Data Scientist at Water NZ, 31/03/21.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 2: Invest \$9 million over 10 years.

Comments

"Parts of Waitara are have been built on very low lying land adjacent to the Waitara River that is controlled by stop banks". Isn't that factual statement part of the foundation of the flooding issues? Alongside the "inadequate stormwater management"? So council has effectively spent \$9m over the past 10 years to improve the stormwater network, which hasn't fixed the issue. Now you are proposing to spend an "additional \$20m over the next 10 years, with a further \$101m required over the following 20 years. So 40 years, and a grand total of \$130m spent to gain a "much reduced risk of flooding". What is the % of the reduced risk? Where is the data supporting this claim? There is no certainty that spending \$130m collectively over 40 years will have any effect on the reduction of future flooding in Waitara, where there continues to be land developed upon "very low lying land adjacent to the Waitara River". If the stop banks fail, will the \$130m stormwater network be Waitara's saving grace??

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. No new or additional investment in tracks and trails.

Comments

Once the existing & under construction contracts are completed, serious consideration needs to be given to the Inglewood community, & the pathetic budget allocated for this area.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. Continue working on the CAF but no new actions or additional funding.

Comments

I totally support the 'Planting our place' initiative, & would have no issue with an increase in rates for this plan on its own. Unfortunately, this has been bundled up with the council wanting ratepayers to fund their E fleet, at a cost of \$1m, so it's no for me. If the E fleet idea was removed in it's entirety, then I would vote for option 2.

I personally find it abhorrent that the council believes they are in need of a 55 vehicle fleet, for 55 councillors. In all honesty, how often would all 55 councillors be needing a company vehicle for seperate meetings, all at the same time?? Additionally, as it will be the ratepayers essentially paying for these vehicles, they should only be used for council business, during normal council business hours.

How many charging stations will need to be installed throughout NP? What is the projected cost for each, & who pays for these? Is the associated cost factored within the \$1m? As the charging stations are a 'user pays' system, who pays for the charging cost while councillors are on official council business? Is this cost factored into the \$1m?

Due to current the complexity surrounding E technology, only a specialist E mechanic should be servicing the battery and charging/power/motor unit. Are the ratepayers expected to financially support the council when/if such issues start affecting the fleet? There is no transparency on the part of the council to the general public to ensure an informed decision can be made. As most E-cars sold in NZ are through a dealership, the most they will offer is a 5-8 year warranty on the lithium-ion battery, as the batteries are only designed to last up to 10 years, and currently extremely expensive to replace, should there be a serious problem.

With current technology limited, the actual life span, and cost of replacing a battery- should this need arise, is very hard to obtain a definite, and accurate answer. From the 24kWh Nissan Leaf, which has been a popular choice for many New Zealanders, can have an estimated replacement cost of \$7,700 + fitting charge, to the 85kWh Tesla Model S, which can have an estimated replacement cost of \$35,000. In short, the current replacement cost is significantly higher than re-conditioning a conventional engine. Until the E technology is further developed and becomes mainstream, it maybe sometime before this cost becomes affordable for the every day user. Information gathered from genless.govt.nz Article "Electric Vehicle Battery Life" for the NZ Efficiency and Conservation Authority (EECA) April 2017.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 1: Do not develop a multi-sport hub.

Comments

As there has been no mention of what would happen to the already established & refurbished facilities listed below, if the sports hub goes ahead. I believe the general public should be made aware, considering the council are wanting the ratepayers to cough up \$40m for this idea.

Waiwhakaiho netball courts: Taranaki Daily News, 09/02/2017 reported a 25 year lease agreement was reached between NPDC, & Netball Taranaki. 13 courts were to be re-surfaced, & outdoor flood lights to be installed, encompassing a \$3.4m upgrade, taking 2 years to complete. Council wiped the proposed plan of moving Netball Taranaki to new facilities at the TSB stadium, from its long term plan, with Waiwhakaiho to likely be its base for at least another decade.

Taranaki Daily News 21/04/2017 further reported, that the long term plan was to refurbish the tower, & Pavillon, & move Netball Taranaki's offices from its current base at Yarrow Stadium, to the Waiwhakaiho courts.

Further, Netball Taranaki's Strategic Plan 2019-2024 makes NO MENTION of moving anywhere, let alone to the to the Racecourse Sports Hub.

Waitara: Sports hub construction began end of 2016, with 4 courts built.

Stratford: Already has an indoor netball facility at the TET multi Sports Centre, as well as the adjacent outdoor Stratford Netball courts.

Hawera: 6 all purpose outdoor netball courts were installed at the TSB Hub in 2010.

Cricket ground at Pukekura Park- re-developed into gardens?

Action Indoor Sports Stadium has 2 courts for indoor netball, indoor cricket, indoor football, & a beach court for beach volleyball, dodgeball, & netball. Expansion considered for this facility?

The downtown parking building was closed due to earthquake safety issues. If this could be strengthened, &/ or pulled down & re-built, it could be re-developed into a multi-level indoor sports facility. I'd like you all to please think about this: The total size of the raceway is 38 hectares.

You want us to pay an initial \$40m, with external funding for the remaining \$80m or so. The sports hub to be in the MIDDLE of the raceway. Caters for a select % of Taranaki residents. The Hawkes' Bay Regional Sports Park (now Mitre 10 park Hawkes' Bay) is 30 hectares. Cost \$56m to develop. Hastings Districts Council part funded with \$11m- (from a \$18m land sale). Hastings Regional Council also funded. Napier District Council also funded. Hastings, & Napier ratepayers DID NOT HAVE THEIR RATES INCREASED for this development. Has corporate sponsors, community fundraised, & grants received, & funding from Govt. Attracts 320,00 people annually, & is a \$25m investment in sports & recreation. And you have the AUDACITY to not only expect us to pay an over inflated cost for this development, but to present us with a sub-level plan??

What else?

Brooklands Zoo is an incredible asset to New Plymouth, & serious funding needs to be allocated for the upgrading it needs.

Aquatic Centre, & other community pool price increase- NO. NO. NO. NO. NO. Is there a hidden agenda at play here?? Can you not see that by Increasing the fees by 100% , it will ensure the long term demise of the community pools. Going swimming at the local pool will end up being a once in a while treat. Just like going to the movies.

More public consultation needs to happen BEFORE this flawed 10 year draft is finalised. There are A LOT of New Plymouth residents who are so concerned, confused, and un-informed about the long term effects if this draft 10 year plan goes ahead in its current state.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8157

Submission No: 3719

David Lawton

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 3. Medium. Clear out the backlog and start making some improvements. \$140 million additional funding. NPDC's preferred option.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option A: Pay for it from rates

Comments

Get it done

Saving water and water meters

Option 4: High. A significant water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$56 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$120 million over the long term.

Comments

Water wasters need to pay the price

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Get it done

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. No new or additional investment in tracks and trails.

Comments

The coastal walkway is long enough already.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. Continue working on the CAF but no new actions or additional funding.

Comments

New Plymouth doesn't need to buy into this conspiracy

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 1: Do not develop a multi-sport hub.

Comments

Do not [REDACTED] our city.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8158

Submission No: 3720

Scott

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Saving water and water meters

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Extending our tracks and trails network

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Developing a multi-sport hub

What else?

DANGER AT EGMONT ROAD / STATE HIGHWAY 3 INTERSECTION I write to express my deep concerns for the extreme danger presented for motorists of the Egmont Road/State Highway 3 intersection. I am an Employee at Elite kitchens . The intersection at Egmont Road/State Highway 3 presents a great danger to the community unless immediate measures are taken to improve the safety at this intersection. We will see a fatality! We can no longer wait to see action. Due to the busy State Highway 3' East and West bound traffic, entry and exit from Egmont Road is dangerous and difficult. We see motorists taking extreme risks to exit to the East against 80km/hr traffic heading into New Plymouth. Collisions for Egmont Road entry and exit traffic present danger not only to those directly involved but also the State Highway traffic. Additional to the danger presented, accidents here cause major disruptions and roadblocks to incoming and outgoing highway traffic to New Plymouth. I have personally witnessed one off my work friend have a crash here and it's not very nice thing to see or have happen to any one. I understand the council were to build a connecting road between Egmont Road and Henwood Road. This has not happened, and communication regarding this plan has fallen silent. I request the council urgently prioritise this issue to either: 1. Introduce traffic lights for motorists to enter and exit Egmont Road safely 2. Build the interconnecting road between Egmont Road and Henwood Road as planned NZTA have no plans or budget to improve the safety of the intersection, even though it is their responsibility to do so. Therefore I/we request for the NPDC to step up and take responsibility for the safety of their citizens and constituents.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8160

Submission No: 3721

Aaron Boslem

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 3. Medium. Clear out the backlog and start making some improvements. \$140 million additional funding. NPDC's preferred option.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Saving water and water meters

Option 2: Low. Introduce a water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$45 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$62 million over the long term.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 2: Invest \$9 million over 10 years.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 2: Extend the Coastal Walkway from Bell Block to Waitara and develop further the Taranaki Traverse Mountain to Sea, costing \$36 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 2: Continue working on the CAF, implement Planting our Place costing \$200,000 per year and electrifying our NPDC vehicle fleet costing \$1 million over 10 years. Begin additional funding of \$150,000 per year for three years. NPDC's preferred option.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 3: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building faster, with work starting in year 4 and contributing \$40 million.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8161

Submission No: 3722

Rebecca Scott- Regional Sports Director

Organisation: Taranaki Regional Sports Association

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Saving water and water meters

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Extending our tracks and trails network

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 3: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building faster, with work starting in year 4 and contributing \$40 million.

Comments

The Taranaki Secondary Schools Sports Association (TSSSA) would like to formally support the New Plymouth Multi Sport Hub Project with Option 3 as the preferred option. Given the benefits that the site and facility will offer in respect of the well-being and sports and physical activity opportunities for young people (now and for generations to come), for all Secondary School Students around Taranaki, it is an opportunity to formally show our support for the Hub. TSSSA as an organisation has been around for nearly 70 years providing quality sports and physical activity opportunities for secondary school students in Taranaki. We work alongside 35 Regional Sports Organisations and Sports Clubs to ensure that secondary school students have the opportunity to participate and compete in Events and in recent years we have seen increasing pressure on the current TSB stadium from sports codes, with being able to provide the types of opportunities that our young people need. The barriers to participation as listed below are getting greater- which is why we need to go ahead with option 3.

- Booking congestion for sports events and games
- Late nights- sometimes 10pm games finishing for 12 year old students.
- Game and practice modifications for many codes to fit games in.
- Some sports missing out with potential leagues
- Reduced team numbers and therefore students missing out on being active.
- Regular out of town travel for games and practices- current venue not large enough.
- Some sports being forced to play out of season

Further evidence and data from TSSSA has been collected from the 2020 year with TSSSA events held at the TSB Stadium . In 2020 all sixteen of our Secondary Schools and Kura attended TSSSA events at the TSB Stadium in New Plymouth. These included the following Secondary schools from around the Maunga.

- Francis Douglas Memorial College
- Sacred Heart Girls' College
- Spotswood College
- New Plymouth Boys' High School
- New Plymouth Girls' High School
- Waitara High School
- Inglewood High School
- Stratford High School
- Opunake High School
- Hawera High School
- Coastal Taranaki School
- Patea Area School
- St Mary's Diocesan School
- Te Kura O Nga Ruahine Rangī
- Te Kura Kaupapa Maori O Ngati Ruanui

Approximately 1265 students attended seven TSSSA events including Junior and Senior 3x3 Basketball, Futsal and Volleyball and an Indoor Bowls Event. Of the 16 secondary schools, 6 schools and Kura are from New Plymouth. The breakdown of those figures shows us that of those 1265 students 46% of students at these events were from New Plymouth Secondary Schools and Kura. 54% of students who attended these TSSSA events were from out of New Plymouth.

TSSSA focus on inclusive opportunities for all and as such support "A Hub for all "with the ability to provide a wide range of quality and equitable opportunities for all Secondary Students in the Taranaki region to participate in sport and physical activity ,which will build greater well being (hau ora) outcomes for our Rangatahi. As some of our TSSSA events act as qualifiers for New Zealand Secondary school events, we are constantly reminded of the missed opportunities that these national sporting events would bring to the region if we had capability with a venue such as the proposed multi-sport hub. Not only measured in dollar terms and regional spend with the influx of teams, coaches and parents coming into the region, but for the values that sport in education offers students, overall wellness and health benefits and allowing our Taranaki secondary school students to participate and compete at a National level without the expense of leaving their region.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8162

Submission No: 3723

Michael Ainsworth

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 4: High. Clear out the backlog and make significant improvements. \$229 million additional funding.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option C: Fully debt fund long life assets.

Saving water and water meters

Option 4: High. A significant water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$56 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$120 million over the long term.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

I'm absolutely disappointed with npdc obvious approach to the upkeep of waitara

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 3: Option 2, plus give our tracks and trails network a boost over the next 10 years at a total cost of \$60 million.

Comments

The satellite towns of new Plymouth are absolutely forgotten about in this regard and it shows. Inglewood totally misses out in this sector. If Inglewood wants to do anything nature related we have to get in the car. The walks we do have are degraded, not appropriate for the disabled and life threatening (Windsor walkway)

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 3: As per option 2, plus make the additional funding of \$150,000 per year permanent.

Comments

The waterways are largely not quite right health wise. The concentration of dairy industry around our rivers has 100% made this impact.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 1: Do not develop a multi-sport hub.

Comments

This a whimsical idea that benefits the few. We have much greater things to be taken care of like urenu sewage leaks.

What else?

It's great that Inglewood is getting shade for the playground and a roof over the pool however raising the price to enter the pools will stop people from using it.

Its completely unfair that areas like Oakura are getting funds and support thrown at it where as Inglewood gets a drop in the bucket comparatively.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8163

Submission No: 3724

Hayley Benseman

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 2. Low. Start chipping away at the backlog so that it grows more slowly. \$78 million additional funding.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Water is essential - as is the infrastructure that supports water delivery to homes and businesses. Ratepayers hold the Council responsible for delivering safe water at a reasonable cost.

Saving water and water meters

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo costing \$42 million over 10 years for new water supply assets. No water meters.

Comments

I do not support the introduction of water meters - I do not believe making water a commodity is in the best interests of our community. Water is a human right that all should have equal and equitable access to. Metering water will create another stressor for families already under pressure from economic conditions and COVID 19. I support the Council in undertaking an increased level of feasibility research - including behavioural change research - there is not enough clear evidence presented currently that we will indeed see savings in water use. I encourage the council to present clear, researched, informed information on water meters and bring it back to the next LTP consultation in three years time. I support the council spending time and money on identifying and fixing the leaks that waste 20% of the district's water. I would prefer this to the option of water meters which is expected to save 20% of water. Going forward we also strongly support the introduction of water tanks on any new builds residential and industrial.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 3: Option 2, plus give our tracks and trails network a boost over the next 10 years at a total cost of \$60 million.

Comments

In regards to Inglewood, we would like to see some basic maintenance and development of the two small trails (PG Nobs and Joe Gibbs reserves) we have here in the town - so that they can be accessed by the disabled and by prams in addition to the able bodied people. These tracks are poorly maintained, and the council is negligent in its duty to control the weeds in these areas - something picked up by community groups and motivated individuals. These trails would benefit our community and tamariki and provide an escape amongst tall trees and nature. I also strongly advocate for the focus to be put on safer road crossing in Inglewood as a priority over the Taranaki Traverse and the extension of the Coastal walkway, this would help link our fragmented and dangerous town layout into a 'liveable' network of roads for people, bikes and cars to use.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 2: Continue working on the CAF, implement Planting our Place costing \$200,000 per year and electrifying our NPDC vehicle fleet costing \$1 million over 10 years. Begin additional funding of \$150,000 per year for three years. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

In regards to Inglewood, we would like to emphasis put in existing green areas - plantings as opposed to mowing, fruit trees established, bee hives introduced on reserves. We have two 'parks' (swamps) on Towai street that receive zero attention from council apart from the occasional mow. These would be fantastic areas to plant out and maintain. Imagine some beautiful wildlife areas!

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 1: Do not develop a multi-sport hub.

Comments

Not everyone in the district lives in NP - lets spread the resource and load around the district.

What else?

Advocating for Inglewood

Safer streets The Council has been made aware of the desperate need for safer crossings over the State Highway in Inglewood. The community is fully behind the development of raised crossings and possibly traffic light installations to enable our town to function safely for all. I cannot stress how strongly I feel about this matter. The urgent requirement for crossings is a major priority for us all to ensure our children arrive safely to school, and get home safely. Please consider this as an urgent priority. The current road network is so unsafe that motorists are forced to take left turns in order to avoid highly dangerous intersections, resulting in a large volume of traffic travelling up Kelly street, past two early childhood centres and a full primary school exposing up to 450 children a day to unnecessary risk.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8164

Submission No: 3725

Sara Landon

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 1. Do nothing. Status quo. No additional funding.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Saving water and water meters

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo costing \$42 million over 10 years for new water supply assets. No water meters.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 2: Invest \$9 million over 10 years.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 2: Extend the Coastal Walkway from Bell Block to Waitara and develop further the Taranaki Traverse Mountain to Sea, costing \$36 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. Continue working on the CAF but no new actions or additional funding.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 2: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building in year 6, contributing \$40 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Do not take the racecourse and pony club away . It's stupid to get rid of one sports facility to add another. Put the multi sports hub somewhere else.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8166

Submission No: 3726

Glenn Williams

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 2. Low. Start chipping away at the backlog so that it grows more slowly. \$78 million additional funding.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option C: Fully debt fund long life assets.

Saving water and water meters

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo costing \$42 million over 10 years for new water supply assets. No water meters.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 2: Invest \$9 million over 10 years.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. No new or additional investment in tracks and trails.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. Continue working on the CAF but no new actions or additional funding.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 1: Do not develop a multi-sport hub.

What else?

Residents / ratepayers are under constant barrage of "spend more" on "nice to haves" - a re-balancing of spend is required in favour of essential services and infrastructure. A significant body of ratepayers are experiencing real economic hardship which the Council seems unaware of; the day is coming when ratepayers will say "no" to the voracious appetite and propensity the Council appears to have on spending public money that is out of step with austerity measures the ordinary tax payers (ie., rate payer) are having to implement to simply get by.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8169

Submission No: 3727

Grant Davidson

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 3. Medium. Clear out the backlog and start making some improvements. \$140 million additional funding. NPDC's preferred option.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option C: Fully debt fund long life assets.

Saving water and water meters

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo costing \$42 million over 10 years for new water supply assets. No water meters.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 2: Invest \$9 million over 10 years.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 2: Extend the Coastal Walkway from Bell Block to Waitara and develop further the Taranaki Traverse Mountain to Sea, costing \$36 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 2: Continue working on the CAF, implement Planting our Place costing \$200,000 per year and electrifying our NPDC vehicle fleet costing \$1 million over 10 years. Begin additional funding of \$150,000 per year for three years. NPDC's preferred option.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 3: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building faster, with work starting in year 4 and contributing \$40 million.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8170

Submission No: 3728

Warren Osborne

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 3. Medium. Clear out the backlog and start making some improvements. \$140 million additional funding. NPDC's preferred option.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Long overdue

Saving water and water meters

Option 3: Medium. A middle of the range water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$50 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$121 million over the long term. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Ban any future water bottling processes

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Option 3 is quite a low investment for such an anticipated high return

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 2: Extend the Coastal Walkway from Bell Block to Waitara and develop further the Taranaki Traverse Mountain to Sea, costing \$36 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

A moderate approach is best

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. Continue working on the CAF but no new actions or additional funding.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 3: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building faster, with work starting in year 4 and contributing \$40 million.

Comments

The pressure on indoor facilities continues to grow as more traditional field sports begin to demand indoor arenas. Our state-of-the-art TSB Stadium was almost obsolete before it was opened with hardwood pullout bleachers being a thing of the past even back then. If we don't start now the hub will mirror The TSB Stadium and the design will be outdated by the time we get to 2025. In the meantime, the growth rate of sports like basketball will be choked by lack of facility availability. I was brought up to believe you never made the same mistake twice otherwise it's like driving a car in reverse all the time!

What else?

The NPDC has been awarded preference on the "shovel ready" projects. There is ample labour and expertise in New Plymouth to help it strengthen a sustainable local economy.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8171

Submission No: 3729

Heath Tarrant

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 3. Medium. Clear out the backlog and start making some improvements. \$140 million additional funding. NPDC's preferred option.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Saving water and water meters

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo costing \$42 million over 10 years for new water supply assets. No water meters.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 2: Invest \$9 million over 10 years.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 2: Extend the Coastal Walkway from Bell Block to Waitara and develop further the Taranaki Traverse Mountain to Sea, costing \$36 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 3: As per option 2, plus make the additional funding of \$150,000 per year permanent.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 2: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building in year 6, contributing \$40 million. NPDC's preferred option.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8172

Submission No: 3730

Tricia Thompson

Wish to speak to the Council: Yes

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 3. Medium. Clear out the backlog and start making some improvements. \$140 million additional funding. NPDC's preferred option.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Saving water and water meters

Option 3: Medium. A middle of the range water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$50 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$121 million over the long term. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

I prefer water meters be introduced as an educative approach, so people understand their usage, and leaks are checked for. But I believe that it is a basic human rights issue to have free water. A reasonable usage rate could be determined, and excessive usage charged for, but not the basic usage.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 3: Option 2, plus give our tracks and trails network a boost over the next 10 years at a total cost of \$60 million.

Comments

Incredibly important for local health and wellbeing, and for tourism

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 3: As per option 2, plus make the additional funding of \$150,000 per year permanent.

Comments

Must work on this, can't hide heads in sand!

Developing a multi-sport hub

Comments

Personally, I feel this could be delayed. But am aware that I am not the key target user, so would defer to younger voices

What else?

Pleased to learn of the NP in your pocket app ... but needs advertising, so people know about it

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8173

Submission No: 3731

Jonty

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 3: Medium. Clear out the backlog and start making some improvements. \$140 million additional funding. NPDC's preferred option.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Saving water and water meters

Option 2: Low. Introduce a water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$45 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$62 million over the long term.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 3: Option 2, plus give our tracks and trails network a boost over the next 10 years at a total cost of \$60 million.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 2: Continue working on the CAF, implement Planting our Place costing \$200,000 per year and electrifying our NPDC vehicle fleet costing \$1 million over 10 years. Begin additional funding of \$150,000 per year for three years. NPDC's preferred option.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 3: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building faster, with work starting in year 4 and contributing \$40 million.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8176

Submission No: 3732

Rae Dalglish

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 4. High. Clear out the backlog and make significant improvements. \$229 million additional funding.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Saving water and water meters

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo costing \$42 million over 10 years for new water supply assets. No water meters.

Comments

Option 1 is the only option that doesn't include installing water meters but to tag it with 'do nothing' makes for a very biased option as option 2-4 include the use of water meters. Something has to be done but I cannot see how water meters will result in water saving, it depends on which research articles you read. The well off can continue to use water freely because they can afford to instead low income households and those households with large numbers of people living in them will be seriously affected. One of the NPDC papers mentioned that there is insufficient data to show who is using large amounts of water or on which activities, there's a good place to start...find out where or what the water usage problem is then take steps to solve it. It could be leaking pipes in which case charging citizens through water meters won't solve the problem. Making technology available that directly cuts back on water use (at a reasonable cost or free instead of installing meters) would actually save water.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 2: Extend the Coastal Walkway from Bell Block to Waitara and develop further the Taranaki Traverse Mountain to Sea, costing \$36 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 2: Continue working on the CAF, implement Planting our Place costing \$200,000 per year and electrifying our NPDC vehicle fleet costing \$1 million over 10 years. Begin additional funding of \$150,000 per year for three years. NPDC's preferred option.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 2: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building in year 6, contributing \$40 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

The list of activities in the council document includes physical activities other than sport which is a must as space for dance and exercise classes is not often considered when 'sport' is on the table, I hope specialists in these 2 areas will be consulted regarding their needs in a teaching space instead of simply consulting sports specialists.

What else?

Thanks for the opportunity to give feedback.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8177

Submission No: 3733

Megan Gundesen

Organisation: Taranaki Equestrian Network Inc.

Wish to speak to the Council: Yes

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Saving water and water meters

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 2: Extend the Coastal Walkway from Bell Block to Waitara and develop further the Taranaki Traverse Mountain to Sea, costing \$36 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Extending the Coastal Walkway from BBk to Waitara

Since the inception of this idea approximately 5 years ago, the Taranaki Equestrian Network (TEN) has lobbied Council (Mayor, District Planner, Open Spaces Planner and in submissions) on the inclusion of a bridle trail alongside the walkway/cycleway. Council cannot say it is unaware of our interest.

There are 1600 horse riders in Taranaki and a destination ride beside the sea in North Taranaki is much needed. Most beaches are out of bounds in the summer due to daylight saving restrictions. The 'horse force' in North Taranaki turns out between 25 and 60 odd horses at 2 hour treks or events nearly every weekend over summer. Along with that, there will be family members on bikes creating a family outing second to none.

In addition to Taranaki equestrians, the tourism opportunities for a trekking business are very exciting. Such businesses are springing up all over NZ. If local hapu were interested, (Maori are well recognised for their production of good horses and horsemanship skills), we could grow a Maori-based tourist attraction not repeated anywhere else in NZ. The farmed part of Hickford Park could be the trekking business base and long term, a farm park could be developed at Hickford Park as another tourist attraction, similar to QE11 park in Wellington. These ideas could be explored with Puketapu and Ngāti Tawhirikura.

The physical requirements for the trail are another 4-5 m's of land together with judicious planting or boulders between the cycling trail and the bridle trail to indicate a shared but separate pathway. A formed surface is not necessary. Horse transport parking is necessary at one end of the trail. Kaitake Trail - TEN has already accepted that horses have been excluded from this trail. Centennial Park to Oakura proposal. If the BBK/ Waitara idea is unacceptable, then inclusion of horses on this proposed walkway is desired. Horses are already ridden from Oakura to the bottom of the Tapuae's but rocks inhibit a ride from there to Back Beach. The clear preference is inclusion on the BBK to Waitara walkway.

North Taranaki has a strong equestrian population which returns over \$25million per annum to the district. Hard to believe but it can be proved. The sport horse industry supports 100's of manual jobs and businesses in the NP District because horses are not fed and cared for behind a desk. The racing industry is in addition to this.

Horses are important to our city so please give them some support by providing a place for us to ride. All we currently have is the Lake M Bridle Zone forest which is fantastic but not enough. Pony Club grounds are only open to members. The beaches are effectively closed to horses for 6 months of the year (daylight saving). The Bridle Zone is somewhat treacherous to ride on during winter due to mud. So we are desperate for another place to ride.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Developing a multi-sport hub

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8178

Submission No: 3734

Steve Barham

Organisation: Mokau Distillery

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 3. Medium. Clear out the backlog and start making some improvements. \$140 million additional funding. NPDC's preferred option.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Yes I agree this needs doing and would say that infrastructure spending is the highest priority. Get on with it

Saving water and water meters

Option 3: Medium. A middle of the range water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$50 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$121 million over the long term. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Infrastructure again, get on with it

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 3: Option 2, plus give our tracks and trails network a boost over the next 10 years at a total cost of \$60 million.

Comments

The tracks and trails I believe are more important than sports hubs etc. These trails are used by all ages and also used by the less sports minded of us. Not everyone plays teams sports or for that matter any sport at all, but they generally use the walkways and also cycle. I think we need to extend and go beyond what is planned. I have heard that there tracks planned that you havent mentioned, i.e mountain, sea and I think even a track from Mokau to Ohura

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 2: Continue working on the CAF, implement Planting our Place costing \$200,000 per year and electrifying our NPDC vehicle fleet costing \$1 million over 10 years. Begin additional funding of \$150,000 per year for three years. NPDC's preferred option.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 1: Do not develop a multi-sport hub.

Comments

This is low priority. I believe its a good idea but lets get the infrastructure and tracks/trails done first

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8179

Submission No: 3735

Lisa Butler

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 3. Medium. Clear out the backlog and start making some improvements. \$140 million additional funding. NPDC's preferred option.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Saving water and water meters

Option 3: Medium. A middle of the range water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$50 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$121 million over the long term. NPDC's preferred option.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. No new or additional investment in tracks and trails.

Comments

Improvement and development are great but there are more pressing issues requiring the funds currently. Safe crossing in Inglewood just being one

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 2: Continue working on the CAF, implement Planting our Place costing \$200,000 per year and electrifying our NPDC vehicle fleet costing \$1 million over 10 years. Begin additional funding of \$150,000 per year for three years. NPDC's preferred option.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 2: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building in year 6, contributing \$40 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

I agree with a hub being developed but the racecourse is not the place for it. Traffic concerns are just the start of the list of reasons why it should be located elsewhere.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8180

Submission No: 3736

Ben

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 2. Low. Start chipping away at the backlog so that it grows more slowly. \$78 million additional funding.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Saving water and water meters

Option 3: Medium. A middle of the range water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$50 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$121 million over the long term. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Dont charge us for water

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 2: Extend the Coastal Walkway from Bell Block to Waitara and develop further the Taranaki Traverse Mountain to Sea, costing \$36 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 2: Continue working on the CAF, implement Planting our Place costing \$200,000 per year and electrifying our NPDC vehicle fleet costing \$1 million over 10 years. Begin additional funding of \$150,000 per year for three years. NPDC's preferred option.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 3: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building faster, with work starting in year 4 and contributing \$40 million.

What else?

Council needs to spend in their means and not look to up rates everytime they need more money. Have a budget and stick to it

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8181

Submission No: 3737

Claire Wigley

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 2. Low. Start chipping away at the backlog so that it grows more slowly. \$78 million additional funding.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Saving water and water meters

Option 3: Medium. A middle of the range water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$50 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$121 million over the long term. NPDC's preferred option.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 2: Invest \$9 million over 10 years.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 3: Option 2, plus give our tracks and trails network a boost over the next 10 years at a total cost of \$60 million.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 2: Continue working on the CAF, implement Planting our Place costing \$200,000 per year and electrifying our NPDC vehicle fleet costing \$1 million over 10 years. Begin additional funding of \$150,000 per year for three years. NPDC's preferred option.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 3: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building faster, with work starting in year 4 and contributing \$40 million.

What else?

It would be great to see some more investment in tourism - looking at more bike tracks similar to the Redwoods in Rotorua.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8182

Submission No: 3738

Amanda

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 3: Medium. Clear out the backlog and start making some improvements. \$140 million additional funding. NPDC's preferred option.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Saving water and water meters

Option 3: Medium. A middle of the range water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$50 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$121 million over the long term. NPDC's preferred option.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 1: Do nothing. No additional investment in Waitara stormwater.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 3: Option 2, plus give our tracks and trails network a boost over the next 10 years at a total cost of \$60 million.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 2: Continue working on the CAF, implement Planting our Place costing \$200,000 per year and electrifying our NPDC vehicle fleet costing \$1 million over 10 years. Begin additional funding of \$150,000 per year for three years. NPDC's preferred option.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 3: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building faster, with work starting in year 4 and contributing \$40 million.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8184

Submission No: 3739

Lynda Matthews

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 3. Medium. Clear out the backlog and start making some improvements. \$140 million additional funding. NPDC's preferred option.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Install water meters for all users as a matter of urgency. Recover installation costs and a portion of capital costs in the water rate. Operating costs should be recovered in the water rate.

Saving water and water meters

Option 3: Medium. A middle of the range water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$50 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$121 million over the long term. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Install meters urgently. User pays - fairer for all.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 2: Extend the Coastal Walkway from Bell Block to Waitara and develop further the Taranaki Traverse Mountain to Sea, costing \$36 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

These are one of New Plymouth's jewels and encourage national tourists to visit the region (particularly during Covid when overseas tourists are lacking) they need protecting, upgrading and extending.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 2: Continue working on the CAF, implement Planting our Place costing \$200,000 per year and electrifying our NPDC vehicle fleet costing \$1 million over 10 years. Begin additional funding of \$150,000 per year for three years. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

encourage national government to establish a discount tax on electric cars and increase tax on petrol cars. Transition will begin to happen, as it has overseas.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 3: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building faster, with work starting in year 4 and contributing \$40 million.

Comments

Time for the racing club to relocate. Stratford would be the ideal home - middle of Taranaki, own its own land and could do with the boost to its economy.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8185

Submission No: 3740

Charles William Le Breton

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Comments

None of options are appropriate. A 100% increase in rates to pay for Council's mistakes is untenable and that does not even take into account you wanting to double charge us for water. It is not the ratepayers fault that the Council has not taken the appropriate action. You still have some of the money that should have been spent on up-grading so you should spent some of it. Not even sure plumbing is as bad as is made out so that probably needs reviewing also.

Saving water and water meters

Comments

None of options are appropriate. A 100% increase in rates to pay for Council's mistakes is untenable and that does not even take into account you wanting to double charge us for water. It is not the ratepayers fault that the Council has not taken the appropriate action. You still have some of the money that should have been spent on up-grading so you should spent some of it. Taranaki has no shortage of water. You just need to develop appropriate amounts of storage. As far as I can see you have the money for up-grading without increasing rates and my understanding is that the government is ready to help. I also believe our water treatment plant has a huge capacity for extra production so that is no problem. Savings are questionable - look at the mess Auckalnd have made of their water. Electricity reforms also produced no savings - just massive increases that are still on-going.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Comments

I was not aware the Waitara River stopbanks are inadequate. They have been up-graded quite recently as far as I can recall. The Council has also received millions of dollars from the sale of the lessors interest in many sections so use this to up-grade. Another emergency storage pond would also help and could be an additional source of water when required.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Comments

Am in favour but costing appears entirely inappropriate. This is one aspect of 10 Year Plan that I am aware ratepayers are highly in favour of. Over 90% of ratepayers voted in favour and this thanks to Mayor Clare got it off the ground. Probably the single biggest thing that has put New Plymouth on the map. The government has also come to the party before so this is something that can be pursued againto further reduce cost. Traverse need s support but have the government already provided.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Comments

No worry with proposed planting programme as past similar acts have contributed to ratepayers funds. Funding/cost however appears completely over the top so this needs further input. Perhaps a volunteer scheme could be encouraged. Council should also encourage woodlots on farms to further increase the positive impact. I see no reason for Council to spend money on electric cars at this stage. When they are the same or similar price as conventional ones yes by all means. In the meantime Council should review need for vehicles and perhaps buy a few electric bikes. The NZ Post examples appear to be working out very well. There are plenty of other climate friendly actions Council can take so these should be investigated. What about a subsidy for people to install solar power. All new houses should have to install solar power. Go back to milk bottles or more environmentally products. Ban all plastics except ones that can be recycled. People should also be better encouraged to walk/cycle and reduce car ownership/use public transport.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 2: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building in year 6, contributing \$40 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Not sure about location but Racing Club still appears to be an issue. What other sites are available as the middle of a race course seems unsatisfactory. Could complex be situated at Inglewood as they appear to have space available. Otherwise I agree New Plymouth has always been poorly served for sporting facilities compared with other places of similar size. Whanganui and Richmond Nelson would be good examples of appropriate developments. Again some of the ex-Powerco/Tasman's Farms money could go towards this but fund raising should be part of exercise.

What else?

Councillors should have more control over Council staff and their manager(s). See no reason for 17 Business Units. This is just empire building on top of empires. Sub-committee should strive to reduce costs and environmental impact in every decision that is made and report 3 monthly to rate payers. First call for funds should go to ex Powerco/Tasman Farms funds. The Council vehicle fleet needs revision and electric cars should be out until they are same price as normal vehicles or less. Electric bikes might fit the bill in some cases. The light vehicles used by NP Post seemed to have proved their worth. Staff numbers have boomed since last review was carried out only 3-4 years ago. Another complete review is overdue and would be another job for Sub-committee. No more consultants should be used. Savings could be made by reviewing need for business units. Venture Taranaki seems duplicate of existing commercial sector body. Also we do not need huge PR resource if Council is serving its ratepayers well.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8187

Submission No: 3741

Anthony Herd

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Saving water and water meters

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 3: Option 2, plus give our tracks and trails network a boost over the next 10 years at a total cost of \$60 million.

Comments

This is What makes New Plymouth unique, we need to put our money and resource into it!

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. Continue working on the CAF but no new actions or additional funding.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 3: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building faster, with work starting in year 4 and contributing \$40 million.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8189

Submission No: 3742

Steve Francis

Wish to speak to the Council: Yes

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 3. Medium. Clear out the backlog and start making some improvements. \$140 million additional funding. NPDC's preferred option.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Make sure that it is fair to those that are the most financially vulnerable. Do not privatise water supply. Focus first on climate related effects.

Saving water and water meters

Option 3: Medium. A middle of the range water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$50 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$121 million over the long term. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Be transformational, innovative and intelligent about behavioural change. Use water meters and other techniques (which work elsewhere in NZ and overseas) to create significant change. Introduce other techniques like support for rain water tanks in appropriate areas. Focus on how this can help out on climate change.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Consider the climate change effects of Waitara and its storm water management. Work with local hapu and community groups. Consider savings in quality of life, health and clean-ups when making these investments.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 3: Option 2, plus give our tracks and trails network a boost over the next 10 years at a total cost of \$60 million.

Comments

Focus on the carbon reduction aspects of this - focus on active transport/commuting rather than just the recreational aspects. These projects should be respectful of nature and mana whenua especially in areas in or around our national park and those sensitive to iwi and hapu. More focus and investment should be made to our transport system with the objective of reducing carbon emissions and combatting climate change.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 3: As per option 2, plus make the additional funding of \$150,000 per year permanent.

Comments

Option 3 is still not ambitious enough. A lot more should be invested; more can be done. It doesn't need to be all about cost though. Many things that can be done could help with climate but also save long term costs (spend money to save money .. and the climate) and contribute to other NPDC objectives - wellbeing, etc. Examples only (non-exhaustive) * Focus on mobility as a service, by establishing a community pool of EV's to be shared with other businesses etc. A external service provider can do this, avoiding investing NPDC funds up front. * Plant all unused green spaces with natives.* Waste - set up options and even local regulations to: stop any organics going to landfill (forbid them in landfill bins); provide a polystyrene compactor locally (in collab with businesses like Mitre10) and sell to insulation companies like Expol; etc. * Solar PV on NPDC roofs. * etc.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 2: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building in year 6, contributing \$40 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Climate action should be a priority over the sports hub. If/when a Sports hub is to be developed, it needs to be built with all aspects of sustainability in mind (renewable, recyclable local materials), especially climate change. It should be a low emissions building (= lower operating costs), passively designed and able to pass the test of time. Solar PV, passive heating and lighting; no rubbish bins (waste free), local catering, etc. Favour low-emissions transport to the venue (not a huge car park), autonomous water collection and treatment; same for energy.

What else?

Climate change needs a lot more focus. More should be invested to do more sooner... we have declared a climate urgency (NPDC) and emergency (NZ) and things are happening fast - be proactive, transformational and innovative. All other topics should be considered in the context of climate change: does it help? how can scarce resources be spent best? etc. Implement a climate policy at Council/Governance level to direct management to pass a climate change lens over all decisions and investments, including LTP's. (NB: I note on page of 10 YEAR PLAN 2021-2031 SUPPORTING INFORMATION I COUNCIL SERVICES - that Sustainability is considered not to be served by Governance (nor events, etc) and only "medium" for transport - I think that this should be challenged/reassessed with a climate lens, and the urgency it deserves.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8191

Submission No: 3743

Ian Lyall

Wish to speak to the Council: Yes

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Saving water and water meters

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Extending our tracks and trails network

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Developing a multi-sport hub

What else?

NPDC Draft 10yr Plan Discussion Document. Rates increases – Are the proposed increases sustainable for the rate payers? Foreword: To keep in mind in the background. Over the last 10 years, New Zealand's inflation rate has been 14.2%, an average of 1.34% per annum. Thus \$1.00 in 2011 would be \$1.14 in 2021. We cannot see the inflation rate for the next ten years, however can you see your income percentage increases keeping up with the proposed rates increases and your ability to pay? The discussion document Forecast Rate Increases graph shows the percentage increase year on year. Using these figures, let's see what would happen to \$1000.00. You can then approximate your rates increases by multiplying by however many thousands you pay now. The average rates for the district are \$2450.00 2021 - \$1000.00 the base 2022 - \$1120.00 with 12% increase 2023 - \$1198.40 with 7% increase 2024 - \$1282.30 with 7% increase 2025 - \$1397.70 with 9% increase 2026 - \$1495.50 with 7% increase 2027 - \$1586.70 with 6.1% increase 2028 - \$1677.10 with 5.7% increase 2029 - \$1755.90 with 4.7% increase 2030 - \$1840.20 with 4.8% increase 2031 - \$1919.30 with 4.3% increase The power of compounding works wonders for the council, our \$1000.00 has grown by 91.9%. Take your current rates and multiply by 91.9% and add the two figures to get your 2031 rates. These figures do not reflect any Rating Valuation changes that will occur in the next ten years. Can you see those valuations going down? Not likely. Interesting to note the council graph cleverly shows the increases fluctuating but trending down – PR smoke and mirrors to soften the reality. The levels of rate increases are too high.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8192

Submission No: 3744

Lucy Govier

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Saving water and water meters

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Extending our tracks and trails network

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 3: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building faster, with work starting in year 4 and contributing \$40 million.

Comments

I would like space to play, to try new sports and to play with my friends. My mum drives around looking for a park at netball for ages, it would be good to have a place to play with lots of car parking. My brother has disabilities, it would be nice to have a place where we can both play together.

What else?

It would be great if the Multi-Sport hub can be built for me and my brother to enjoy as soon as possible.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8193

Submission No: 3745

Jonathan Marshall

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 3. Medium. Clear out the backlog and start making some improvements. \$140 million additional funding. NPDC's preferred option.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

There needs to be a plan in place so that all future needs are being met. We do not want another scenario happen where council stops spending on infrastructure because councillors have a plan for another project. There is always a need for continued maintenance and up keep.

Saving water and water meters

Option 3: Medium. A middle of the range water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$50 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$121 million over the long term. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

We should not be depending on one water source. There needs to be multiple water sources. I also do not necessarily support the idea of water meters. I think this question is wrongly worded and that if one supports developing our clean water supply then you must tick yes to water meters.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

For years the Waitara Community has been promised by North Taranaki District Council and now the New Plymouth District council for work on the Waitara Storm water. We have a changing demographic in the Waitara Community away from young families to elderly. We see many Mobility-Scooters in the community but many are finding that as they leave their property there is only a grass berm. The Scooter gets trapped in the wet grass and no where to go. We started to do this right many years ago but under Mayor Dynhoven it was stopped and it has never restarted. It is about time our kids can walk to school and not get wet feet. It is about time that the elderly can get out of their properties in wet conditions. It is important that Hapu are involved in the decision so that Water is not just poured into our streams.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 2: Extend the Coastal Walkway from Bell Block to Waitara and develop further the Taranaki Traverse Mountain to Sea, costing \$36 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Absolutely, Waitara ratepayers have help funded the Walkway to date with the premise that this is the "Waitara to New Plymouth" walkway. Today I drove to town, outside Big Jim's Nursery there is was an elderly member of our community driving a mobility-scooter along the right hand side of the main road towards town. Does the council not see the hazards for a lack of suitable roading and pathways for our people? We need the walkway to be completed, so more people feel safe traveling to and from New Plymouth on their scooters or cycles. We have seen in recent years the number of people killed on our main road and that there are cyclists dying on our main road. Many people refrain from cycling to work because the lack of safety of the road. I know it is expensive to finish, but how many people should die before it is an acceptable cost. One death is too many. Fit and healthy people is what makes us a lifestyle capital and if they can't cycle to work then we shouldn't call ourselves the lifestyle capital because that is cheapening who we are. We become a facade.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. Continue working on the CAF but no new actions or additional funding.

Comments

This is an ideology that lacks a science to complete the belief that Carbon is a problem. This is an ideology that in time will show we wasted resources in the belief that we had a problem and that we can fix it. So No, don't waste our money and don't waste our resources in fixing something not broken.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 1: Do not develop a multi-sport hub.

Comments

This is one project that if councillors support you will alienate many more people. Our community needs decisions that are robust and consistent. Option 2 is inconsistent with council and the past. The Waitara Community is the leading light to the NPDC. We asked for support for our Sports hub and yet the council, the officers and the councillors all said that "Ratepayers should not be funding Sports Hubs". The Waitara Community of 8000 people rallied round and with the help of charities raised \$6 million plus. You would think that 50,000 people in New Plymouth would see the example of Waitara and do the same by raising \$50 million on their own. Why is it that New Plymouth says if you want it then you do it, but when they want it they want everyone to support their projects. It is about time that the City learns to fund it's projects out of charity of their citizens much like the pool complex and the Waitara Sports Hub. It is also the time for the council to be consistent in their decisions and that infrastructure of 3 waters, roading and walkways are part of the plan of council. That city has had funding for cities walkways and now it is time to complete the district walkways. Other projects that need council support should get their funding from elsewhere, Waitara is the example to follow. Please bear in mind, that many other sports fund their own hubs and are not included in the sports hub proposed. How can you expect people to fund sports that they participate in and now also fund someone else's sport? Council needs to be consistent in its decisions.

What else?

Already many people have spoken that this is a waste of time. I have heard the conversations in private and I have heard them spoken publicly. It is a waste of time to make a submission on the LTP. Why? Because in many ways the council seems to have made a decision on which way they want to go and all council wants is for the public to tick a box and approve their direction. I have heard publically that people have stood up to make a suggestion, like using the profit from the PIF funds, but they have felt put down because of the suggestion or the suggestion has been rubbished. I have heard people say that this document is already pre-worded as a tick box and council preferred options. People feel disenfranchised with the process, a lack of confidence that they are heard, a lack of faith that the decisions aren't already made and a feeling that some projects are being manipulated into fashion by a bunch of harvested pre-printed card submissions with the attempt to skewer the results.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8196

Submission No: 3746

Brian Goldby

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Saving water and water meters

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo costing \$42 million over 10 years for new water supply assets. No water meters.

Comments

It's 4.2m / year for new supply assets, new builds, commercial and residential should be paying for this. Existing homes should not be getting metered when they have paid for the supply infrastructure already over time. Water is not the council's to sell to people when the people are left no alternative from every river in New Plymouth being polluted and unpotable from businesses making money and paying the council to pollute via resource (pollution) consents. You take money to dirty the people's water already!

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Minimise in-fill housing in the low lying areas of Waitara.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 1: Do not develop a multi-sport hub.

Comments

Invest in the wealth of community sports grounds the council already own. Invest in community based sport for the future. We are blessed in New Plymouth for sports-grounds, and it hasn't always been the case. Most are looking stuck in time at present or in states of decay. If it can't be sprayed or worked by tractor, nothing gets done. Fencing, turf maintenance, drainage and tree management, lighting, and assist the clubs already working hard in their sports. This hub will be on a hill, in the wind. It's why they tried it and built elsewhere back in the day. Not many ball sports bar hockey and indoor will find the wind any fun.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8198

Submission No: 3747

Alison Rumball

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 3. Medium. Clear out the backlog and start making some improvements. \$140 million additional funding. NPDC's preferred option.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Water meters should be installed at all properties. This would have ratepayers conscious of their water usage and respecting the environment.

Saving water and water meters

Option 3: Medium. A middle of the range water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$50 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$121 million over the long term. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Critical - they need to be installed.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Do it once - do it properly.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 2: Extend the Coastal Walkway from Bell Block to Waitara and develop further the Taranaki Traverse Mountain to Sea, costing \$36 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Ensure that ongoing maintenance is also a priority.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 2: Continue working on the CAF, implement Planting our Place costing \$200,000 per year and electrifying our NPDC vehicle fleet costing \$1 million over 10 years. Begin additional funding of \$150,000 per year for three years. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

A balanced approach - Option B

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 2: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building in year 6, contributing \$40 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

It needs to begin to ensure ` community wellbeing and juvenile activities in sporting codes. However, it would be disappointing if any building structure was to obscure horse racing from the stands. Consideration ` all round.'

What else?

Progression is important for all Local Bodies. However - maintenance costs and timetables should also be factored in as we move forward as a desirable District. We have a stunning environment and it's equally important that the preservation of that is complimented by affordable and well maintained amenities.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8199

Submission No: 3748

Dana Wong

Wish to speak to the Council: Yes

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 2. Low. Start chipping away at the backlog so that it grows more slowly. \$78 million additional funding.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

The plumbing is a problem that needs to be overcome. I do believe that connecting to the sports themed park and using the race course is the bad idea. I am not so sure that the rates will be lowered from 12% increase one year and then lowered to 6%. What has happened in the past to most all government increases is that you just keep the 12% and add the other 6%. No Government employee can "PROMISE" that a decrease will actually occur.

Saving water and water meters

Option 3: Medium. A middle of the range water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$50 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$121 million over the long term. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

You have to be careful when it comes to water meters. People don't notice the amount of water that they use therefore they just use it and when they see a huge bill of which they can not pay how are you going to enforce the fee? You can not turn off their water because they have to have it. Maybe for a year you have a group of people call and inform the households or businesses that they are using a large amount of water and the cost that they are looking at for the month. Then options and education of how to make it less for now on. Education publicly is always the best way and you should even start educating people now. I am sure there are businesses that would not mind keeping and passing out information at the grocery stores etc. You could reach a lot of people for a little money this way.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 2: Invest \$9 million over 10 years.

Comments

The money to most people added expenses while we are all trying to survive COVID is a bad idea all the way around. Businesses, even during the Auckland lock downs and us at level 2 or even 1 effect everyone. New businesses struggle to stand alone. Old businesses are choosing to close instead of working it out. People in general are scared of the future. Mortgages without the bank helping is choking most people. Yes government helps "A LOT" I might add but it is still hard for everyone. Government feels that the properties are rising in price, however is it not true that when you buy a piece of property that is the price of the land and house at the time of purchase. How can government decide a year later that the price has had a 40% increase because COVID came and have us pay property tax on that. When I sell my house if it is less than the governments statement of my property who is going to pay me the extra money that I have lost in the sale of the property? It is all of these extra fees that sneak up on regular people like me that give us a lump in their throat. Struggling people who can't or have not kept up a rainy day savings will find it extremely hard to pay for these excessive percentage raise in rates. Even if you try to justify it with only a short time, this will not help them now. They would rather play the later game so that they can plan later for it. Time is everything to people of whom do not have much to maneuver with. Just my two cents.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. No new or additional investment in tracks and trails.

Comments

In these times, we can not afford to pay for the extra fees. We should sustain what we have and wait for a time in the future to extend the project. People are struggling and it is not fair to them to dump another heavy load on them when they are already having a hard time with what they have. Time in the future will allow for this but the time is not now. Wait and let people settle and cope with the cards of COVID and let them have peace and survive this event then try again when the dust has settled. It is a good idea but the time is not at this present date.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. Continue working on the CAF but no new actions or additional funding.

Comments

It is better to see if People in the community would like to plant the trees and pay for them through their businesses or family funds. This would give the community a sense of belonging and unity. Help connect the people to the land and help people gather together for this cause. You would be surprised as to how much of a turnout you will generate and the growth of the community to belong and be apart of this is priceless in the long run.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 1: Do not develop a multi-sport hub.

Comments

While I am not apposed to the Multi-Sports Hub, I am extremely against where you want to place it. I live a block away from the race course. I am aware that the race course does generate a lot of money for the town. It needs to stay as it is. If you go pour concrete and take out trees because the race course backs up to a valuable park in our town it might upset the status quo of the bird community and ruin the park. Did you think of the traffic that goes up Coronation street? This is a through for Inglewood, Eltham, Stratford, etc. Since we moved here 2 years ago the traffic has grown about 40%. If we add an event type center for sports, you will need to add parking, eating, Trash pick ups, toilets, possibly even widen the street to cope, etc.. for the people to use while at the event. I do realize that this will also cause our household grief due to the parking on the streets and driving past our street which will add extra difficulty in getting out of our street. There are NO roundabouts so people will be doing all kinds of mayhem to get to do what they want to get to where they want to be. They will be parking down all the side streets for events and not allowing now quiet neighborhoods to be that way in the future. There is a lot to think about. While this sports facility is a good idea, you might think about placing it somewhere where there is room to grow instead of "SQUEEZING" it into a niche that is already developed and stable.

What else?

The time frame that you have told us about your plans, then have placed the website online was thought out and implemented by the City Council is not always implemented correctly. I just literally learned about this plot about 10 days ago. You did not give us a lot of time to think and digest the whole set of plans. I believe that this lack of information of inability to reach everyone about this plan is the largest downfall. I will take about 20% of the responsibility because our household does not watch tv. We have not received anything in the mail nor have I seen it on any billboard or signage anywhere. Since the City Council owes our household 60% of the responsibility, it would be up to you to decide how to reach the public like our household in any other way that you have obviously not thought of.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8201

Submission No: 3749

Mike Mathews

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 3. Medium. Clear out the backlog and start making some improvements. \$140 million additional funding. NPDC's preferred option.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Saving water and water meters

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo costing \$42 million over 10 years for new water supply assets. No water meters.

Comments

I hate the thought of water meters, just another bill to pay. If they must be introduced at least have a certain amount free before being billed. Also it doesn't sit right increasing rates by that amount and then expecting us to pay a bill for water

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

If need be I guess

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. No new or additional investment in tracks and trails.

Comments

Would be a nice to have but we simply can't afford it at this stage.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. Continue working on the CAF but no new actions or additional funding.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 3: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building faster, with work starting in year 4 and contributing \$40 million.

Comments

Get on with it now

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8202

Submission No: 3750

Carolyn Matuku

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 3. Medium. Clear out the backlog and start making some improvements. \$140 million additional funding. NPDC's preferred option.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Saving water and water meters

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 2: Extend the Coastal Walkway from Bell Block to Waitara and develop further the Taranaki Traverse Mountain to Sea, costing \$36 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 2: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building in year 6, contributing \$40 million. NPDC's preferred option.

What else?

Increase the age of free entry to the Govett-Brewster Art Gallery/Len Lye Centre to include all secondary students, not just those under the age of 16

- Provide a discounted entry price to the Govett-Brewster Art Gallery/Len Lye Centre to all tertiary students, with valid ID.
- Extend free entry to the Govett-Brewster Art Gallery/Len Lye Centre to all residents of Taranaki.

Add a sewage plant in Urenui

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Office Use Only: 8204

Submission No: 3751

Elizabeth Nelson

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Saving water and water meters

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Extending our tracks and trails network

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 1: Do not develop a multi-sport hub.

Comments

Will increase the traffic culmulative and astronomically along Gover street as well as Ridge Lane . There will be pressure on parking as well. While there appears to be an issue with Coronation street being used as access there is no other available street to service this area. Is this a safe option for our community when we have areas like Hickford park and other reserves that could cope with the demands . Yarrow stadium not used to its full potential Lighting up our neighbourhood with ugly flood lights for hours at a time. Demise of the racing industry and the jobs it entails Woman and other concerts using the current area to camp Finally the eyewatering cost when sorting the water and sewage for the area is far more important

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8205

Submission No: 3752

Elizabeth Smart

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 3. Medium. Clear out the backlog and start making some improvements. \$140 million additional funding. NPDC's preferred option.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Saving water and water meters

Option 3: Medium. A middle of the range water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$50 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$121 million over the long term. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Water meters are inevitable

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 2: Extend the Coastal Walkway from Bell Block to Waitara and develop further the Taranaki Traverse Mountain to Sea, costing \$36 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Extending the coastal walkway to Waitara would bring well needed foot traffic into the area and improve the 'feeling' of Waitara

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. Continue working on the CAF but no new actions or additional funding.

Comments

Replace fleet with electric cars as and when they're due to be upgraded

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 2: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building in year 6, contributing \$40 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

This would be an absolute asset to New Plymouth

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8206

Submission No: 3753

Jonathan Dobbie

Organisation: Taranaki Canoe Polo Inc.

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Saving water and water meters

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Extending our tracks and trails network

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Developing a multi-sport hub

Comments

The proposed sports hub will provide improved facilities for the large sporting codes such as rugby, netball, hockey and basketball but does not currently consider the needs of smaller sporting codes such as canoe polo. As President of Taranaki Canoe Polo Inc (TCP), I am concerned that expenditure on the Sporting Hub will reduce funds available to support other sporting groups or facilities.

Canoe polo is a relatively small but rapidly growing sport in Taranaki with over 150 Intermediate and High School students participating in a weekly school age competition during Terms 1 and 2 as well as more than 30 adults and senior High School students competing in an adult league.

Currently, one of the key constraints to further growth of TCP and the sport of canoe polo in the Taranaki region is access to suitable pool facilities at an affordable rate. In recent years the club has primarily used the Methanex Bell Block Aquatic Centre for school league competitions as well as the NPBHS pool during the summer months. Availability at both these facilities is limited due to other competing users and pool hire costs. Similarly, use of public outdoor areas such as Lake Rotomanu is constrained by competing demands from other users and the lack of nearby storage facilities for equipment. This limits the amount of additional training and development opportunities that can be offered despite a high demand from players for additional pool time to improve and practice their skills. Despite these limitations, Taranaki teams have become more competitive in national competitions over recent years with a Taranaki team competing in the National B-grade competition and the NPBHS senior school team recently winning silver in the National Secondary Schools Division 2 Cup competition.

Further growth of canoe polo in Taranaki, both in terms of the number of participants and performance at competitive levels, will require affordable access to both outdoor and indoor (winter months) facilities. While I do not oppose the proposed Sports Hub, I would request that the Council also consider the needs of smaller sporting codes as part of their planning and budgeting process. Ideally, I would like to see a pool facility (indoor or outdoor) included in the Sports Hub plan which could be used by not only canoe polo but also other water-based sports such as waka ama and triathlons. The Mitre 10 Park aquatic facility in Hawkes Bay is a good example of a multi-use water-based sports facility (<http://www.sportspark.co.nz/Sports/Aquatic-Facility-2>). Alternatively, sufficient funding should be allocated to support alternative facilities that could be used for such groups. It would be unfortunate if a commitment to the proposed Sports Hub resulted in constrained funding to other sporting codes.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8207

Submission No: 3754

Maureen Hannan

Wish to speak to the Council: Yes

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 4. High. Clear out the backlog and make significant improvements. \$229 million additional funding.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

It is essential that the District's storm water, waste water and drinking water infrastructure is repaired and then maintained with a dedicated ongoing budget that can no longer be diverted by future Council decisions for their other 'cool stuff' projects. Regardless of whether or not the NPDC decides to 'opt in' or 'opt out' of central government's Three Waters Reform Program, the Council must give the water network the highest priority and immediate urgency.

Saving water and water meters

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo costing \$42 million over 10 years for new water supply assets. No water meters.

Comments

I am conflicted over the issue of installing residential water meters. I have chosen Option 1 only because I believe that other methods for water conservation are available, and should be investigated and implemented first. For example, I note that the NPDC's preferred Option (3) is predicted to give rise to a drinking water saving of 25% per person. Your business plan document states that 'water loss from leaks wastes 15%-20% of all treated water produced'. With funding available for repair of existing mains pipes, valves etc, surely the expectation would be that there will be water savings arising from those works. I am told by Councillors that essentially, the water meters are being promoted by NPDC as a tool to modify people's water usage behaviours, and to provide a monitoring tool for gathering data. I think much more can be done first in the areas of water conservation education, and other initiatives such as installing grey water collection tanks before committing the District to water meters. At the very least wait until a decision has been made on the Three Waters Reform program, and the impact of that decision, before including this item for consideration in a budget.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

I fully support the Council's preferred option (3). The people of Waitara have had to put up with repeated cycles of flooding for far too long. It is time stop putting a patch over the problem and fix this properly.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. No new or additional investment in tracks and trails.

Comments

These projects have been receiving funding, to the detriment of our core water infrastructure. Defer any further funding on this "Cool Stuff" until our water infrastructure has been repaired and continues to be maintained.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 2: Continue working on the CAF, implement Planting our Place costing \$200,000 per year and electrifying our NPDC vehicle fleet costing \$1 million over 10 years. Begin additional funding of \$150,000 per year for three years. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Support Option 2, however with some reservations. Electric cars - Is the \$1m budget feasible - does it take into account that more charging stations will need to be installed, and that vehicle maintenance costs may be higher? Planting of 17 hectares - I was informed that the only Council owned land that would be suitable for housing use is Hickford Park, however that where the tree planting is planned. Given Central Government's directive to local body councils to provide initiative for housing development, is this the best use for that site? What initiatives have Council introduced to encourage housing development in the District?

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 1: Do not develop a multi-sport hub.

Comments

Absolutely opposed to any funding from NPDC for the multi-sport hub. Apart from this type of funding apparently not being Council policy (at least that was what Waitara were told - so they had to find other funding streams for their sports facility), there are other issues - traffic flow, parking, under-use of existing venues (school and club venues).

What else?

Urenui and Onaero Sewer system Provide more resources to enable this project to proceed faster than the 5 year planning stage. Zero waste Fully support funding of both the commercial and industrial material recovery facility and the organic waste processing facility.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8208

Submission No: 3755

Owen Williams

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 3. Medium. Clear out the backlog and start making some improvements. \$140 million additional funding. NPDC's preferred option.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Require all new builds to install rainwater tanks for the casual watering of gardens, lawns, cars, boats, etc. and be independent of mains water supply Reasonable sized tanks (Promax Slimline 3000l - 3m long x 2.1m high x .6m wide and is seismic rated) are available at a reasonable price (around \$4000) and can be fitted with a small electric pump. Could also be retrofitted to existing houses. Council could offer some rate relief for ratepayers who install such a system.

Saving water and water meters

Option 3: Medium. A middle of the range water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$50 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$121 million over the long term. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Council could offer incentives for ratepayers whose households use less water than a target set on a per person basis. i.e so much off if annual usage is 5% below target (or similar)

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Start this project sooner rather than later

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 2: Extend the Coastal Walkway from Bell Block to Waitara and develop further the Taranaki Traverse Mountain to Sea, costing \$36 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Keep up the good work

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 2: Continue working on the CAF, implement Planting our Place costing \$200,000 per year and electrifying our NPDC vehicle fleet costing \$1 million over 10 years. Begin additional funding of \$150,000 per year for three years. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Council to consider placing more charging stations around the district. Could consider working with existing petrol stations to install charging points on their premises

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 2: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building in year 6, contributing \$40 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Like the concept of having sports activities centralized. Consider that the indoor sports hub will block viewing from the racing stands which could be used for watching other events happening within the hub. Relocate the hub at the stables end of overflow parking. Alternatively consider placing the hub to the south of the present TSB Stadium by removing race day stables and carparking plus some trees. Use area 17 for race day carparking and locate race day stables. Lower the ground area where indoor sports hub shown and place race day stables at the lowered level there. Racing patrons would still be able to see over the top of these stables.

What else?

Roading. The new main entrance to the hospital is going to be Gate 3 off Lorna Street. While Lorna St is marginally wide enough now it is barely wide enough for parking on both sides of the street and to allow 2 way traffic. Doone St is not suitable as a main access street to the new hospital. The access to the hospital along both Doone and Lorna Streets needs to be seriously looked at. This work should be completed before the new hospital extension is opened in about 3 years.

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Office Use Only: 8210

Submission No: 3756

Ishbel Black

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 3. Medium. Clear out the backlog and start making some improvements. \$140 million additional funding. NPDC's preferred option.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option A: Pay for it from rates

Saving water and water meters

Option 3: Medium. A middle of the range water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$50 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$121 million over the long term. NPDC's preferred option.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. No new or additional investment in tracks and trails.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 2: Continue working on the CAF, implement Planting our Place costing \$200,000 per year and electrifying our NPDC vehicle fleet costing \$1 million over 10 years. Begin additional funding of \$150,000 per year for three years. NPDC's preferred option.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 1: Do not develop a multi-sport hub.

Comments

By building the multi-sport hub you are removing the New Plymouth Pony club and limiting resources for the equestrian community. If the multi-sport hub does get built it would be great if a new equestrian facility was built in New Plymouth to replace the one lost at the race course

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Office Use Only: 8212

Submission No: 3757

Conrard Watt

Organisation: Venture Taranaki

Wish to speak to the Council: No

New Plymouth District Council
84 Liardet Street
New Plymouth 4342

25 March 2021

Submission on sustainable transport

Venture Taranaki and Sustainable Taranaki held a joint workshop on sustainable transport on 22 March 2021. One of the drivers for this was an action from the Taranaki 2050 programme, to feed into the development of regional plans impacting sustainable transport. 43 people attended the workshop from a wide range of backgrounds. This included local government, schools, WITT, community groups, environmental groups, the Taranaki District Health Board and large employers.

The outputs of the workshop discussion, captured from participants, have been written up and is attached as a submission. In our opinion it substantially captures the broad range of views as presented from working groups at the event, but it is not a collectively agreed perspective with at times divergent views expressed. This is provided for information, and is not a formal endorsement of recommendations by, or a submission on behalf of, the authors, individual participants or event organisers.

Our Transport Vision is:

- To empower people to treat transport decisions as an environmental / ethical decision through education to all generations
- Coordinated transport plan between all councils, community and Iwi
- Strengthening and integration of communities in decisions
- Mobility without carbon emissions by 2030
- Available transport options can all be found on a single platform, e.g., a directory for public use. This extends beyond publicly funded options like bus and active transport infrastructure to, for instance, commercial and community ride share options
- Behavior changes to how Taranaki views transport, e.g., encouraging less small vehicle trips for single passengers, using smaller cars which is likely to need to include changes in the CBD/ workplaces to discourage high carbon options/ encourage lower carbon. Driving both rewards and incentives and also peer pressure and “pain” triggers to break habits.
- Changes to the bus system:
 - Smaller busses
 - More routes
 - Higher frequency of trips
 - Late night trips
 - On time for school and work
- Changes to the Rail system:
 - Links to Auckland, Wellington and Taupo
 - Electrify rail

- Increasing logging transport by rail
- Use rail for transporting waste management
- Higher density CBD and main transport artery actions to support public transport such as:
 - Ride share car parks with bike storage to get to town/CBD
 - On demand public transport (ride sharing apps etc.)
- More emphasis on urban villages (i.e. Suburbs all have access to necessities near by to lower total kms traveled) and low traffic neighbourhoods
- Cycling infrastructure
 - Separated cycle lanes
 - Safe cycle lanes
 - Linked networks
 - Secure parking
 - Cycling is the first preference, i.e., parking at front of buildings rather than at the back
- Tourist ferry from New Plymouth to Hawera, including stops in between.
- Lower health costs per capita so people have capacity to be more active in transport trips
- Healthier people, community, nature and environment (healthy taioa)
- Regional self-sufficiency and services (rural & urban)

What we would like to see...

Now:

- Promoting mindset shifts and “active citizenship”
- Add “Link” carpooling app to “Let’s Go”
- Promote ride share apps such as Link
- Promote alternative modes of transport
- Surveys of basic needs for Urban Villages
- Separate cycle ways so they are not shared with roads, pedestrians and roadside parks and/or other “safe cycling infrastructure” steps
- Greater links between cycleways, leading towards a cycle network
- Reduced car parks and higher fees
- Central car parks reserved for car poolers and people with accessibility needs
- Re-educating staff
- Leverage technology to work from home where possible (“fibre is cheaper than road”, “what can we do with Augmented Reality?”)
- Reduce speed limits
- Make walking school busses mandatory for journeys <3km
- Increasing bus service offerings, e.g., on weekends and evenings
- Fuel taxes
- Online education modules
- Logs and garbage by rail (after working to reduce volume first)
- Stop adverts for cars

3-5 Years:

- Development of Urban Villages (“local hubs”, everything “within 3kms or a 10 min bike ride”)
- Continuation of building safer cycle lanes
- Prepare for ban on ICE vehicles
- Mobility as a service (e.g., shared EV carpool amongst companies)/ on demand public transport
- Shifting services to rural areas including schools
- Improve road layouts
- Incorporate sustainability / carbon neutrality in district plans
- Plan / build more transit stations / park and ride etc (e.g make it easy to connect to “shared” transport options in suburbs/ edge of town and to connect to destinations in town including multi modal transport changes).
- Bus storage containers on edge of city and beaches
- Rail hub for freight to the port
- On demand public transport
- Loop tram connecting parks, CBD, schools etc.

10 Years:

- Use alternative fuel sources
- Be autonomous vehicle friendly
- Stop sales of ICE vehicles
- Electrify trains/ loop tram system
- Intercity trains
- Inner city hub for busses, tourism and convenience
- Be re-allocating funding from roads/ innovating new ways to fund alternate (transport carbon reducing) solutions

Key Barriers:

- Community wide old thinking / culture
- Knowledge
- Car seats for kids
- Car pooling options too limited today
- No public transport in evenings
- No publication of rules for bikes vs e-bikes vs car, e.g., lane changing
- Cost of public transport to families
- Lack of safe lanes for cyclists on road
- Technology
- Money / funding / budget allocation
 - We need news ways of funding transport initiatives

Fossil fuels are perceived to be so cheap

Barrier busters:

- Education (e.g. making people really aware of how much running their car costs them)
- Marketing
- Funding by central government
- Increased fees for:
 - Regional fuel
 - ETS
 - CBD parking
- Evolving technology
- Upgrading battery recycling

Triggers / Enablers:

- EV charging and refuelling options
- H2 development
- Online education
- Smart devices
- Start more community hubs (Urban villages) with co-working spaces
- Sharing knowledge and experiences
- Emerging green industries
 - Energy sector
 - Shift from ICE to EVs

Yours sincerely,

Jamie Silk
Trustee
Sustainable Taranaki

Justine Gilliland
Chief Executive
Venture Taranaki

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Office Use Only: 8213

Submission No: 3758

Irene

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 2. Low. Start chipping away at the backlog so that it grows more slowly. \$78 million additional funding.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option C: Fully debt fund long life assets.

Comments

Whilst the plumbing issues need to be remedied as a matter of priority, the costs for this also need to be balanced over a longer term period in order to minimize financial impact to ratepayer's.

Saving water and water meters

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo costing \$42 million over 10 years for new water supply assets. No water meters.

Comments

Strongly oppose implementation of water meters, this is an unnecessary additional cost which is not affordable and in the long term will add significant additional costs to our rates bills.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 2: Invest \$9 million over 10 years.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. No new or additional investment in tracks and trails.

Comments

Due to the issues with plumbing and waste pipes, money should not be spent on unaffordable things such as extending the walkway or tracks and trails. This would be reckless spending and the rates rises to accommodate it are not justifiable in any way shape or form.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. Continue working on the CAF but no new actions or additional funding.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 1: Do not develop a multi-sport hub.

Comments

Once again, due to the issues with plumbing and waste pipes, money should not be spent on something so completely unaffordable as a multi-sports hub. New Plymouth already has many excellent facilities which are perfectly adequate and fit for purpose. \$40 Million is a huge sum of money, not to mention the ongoing costs that would be associated with the establishment of a hub. This proposal needs to be canned and removed from the long term plan. It is unrealistic and out of touch for councilors to expect ratepayer's to foot the bill for this by horrendous increases to our rates which are absolutely not justifiable.

What else?

A message to ALL the councilor's of the New Plymouth District Council - I sincerely hope you actually listen to what your local community is telling you! The rates rises as they stand are completely unaffordable and will have an extremely detrimental impact on many people who are already struggling with the present size of their annual rates bills. The NPDC MUST learn to live within it's means, concentrate on the core needs of the City, not expensive projects which should really be funded by private business/enterprise. Accept the fact you are spending other peoples money, and learn to be far more responsible with it that what you have been. Think outside the square and come up with ways to reduce rates bills, not increase them year on year!

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Office Use Only: 8214

Submission No: 3759

Louise Bullen

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 3. Medium. Clear out the backlog and start making some improvements. \$140 million additional funding. NPDC's preferred option.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Saving water and water meters

Option 3: Medium. A middle of the range water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$50 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$121 million over the long term. NPDC's preferred option.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 3: Option 2, plus give our tracks and trails network a boost over the next 10 years at a total cost of \$60 million.

Comments

Why not up grade the Round the Mountain track so it's actually usable for locals and a draw card for tourists? I support the development of sustainable new tracks but not at the expense of infrastructure that has been allowed to rundown. Can't understand why a round the mountain bike trail has not been developed after all this time - such a benefit to small communities and large around the whole province. And finally please, please build some cycle safe vehicle-excluded bikeways through the city instead of just tinkering at the margins!!

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 3: As per option 2, plus make the additional funding of \$150,000 per year permanent.

Comments

This is the biggest issue of our time. This level of funding is an insult to the community and wider environment. Council should be providing a real, tangible leadership role for the sustainable future development of our community and it's resources.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 2: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building in year 6, contributing \$40 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Option 2 with provisos: That a Canoe Polo training pool is part of the Hub and the infrastructure issues (pipes, reading, etc) are largely sorted and rates under strict control by year 6

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Office Use Only: 8215

Submission No: 3760

Jenny Lavoipierre

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 3. Medium. Clear out the backlog and start making some improvements. \$140 million additional funding. NPDC's preferred option.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option C: Fully debt fund long life assets.

Saving water and water meters

Option 3: Medium. A middle of the range water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$50 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$121 million over the long term. NPDC's preferred option.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 2: Invest \$9 million over 10 years.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. No new or additional investment in tracks and trails.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 2: Continue working on the CAF, implement Planting our Place costing \$200,000 per year and electrifying our NPDC vehicle fleet costing \$1 million over 10 years. Begin additional funding of \$150,000 per year for three years. NPDC's preferred option.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 1: Do not develop a multi-sport hub.

Comments

The New Plymouth race course is definitely not the correct place to build a multi-sport hub. Our city should treasure this green space because once it is lost it can never be restored. Imagine London without Hyde Park! Please build a multi-sport hub on the northern edge of town where there is space for future further growth. The increased traffic will be more easily accommodated there. Bus services could be put in place for school children.

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Office Use Only: 8217

Submission No: 3761

Wharehoka Wano

Organisation: Te Kāhui o Taranaki

Wish to speak to the Council: Yes

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 4. High. Clear out the backlog and make significant improvements. \$229 million additional funding.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

We have concerns over the high rate rise that will affect the whole community particularly the venerable including Māori therefore rate rises need to be over a longer term to spread the pain and share the investment with more generations. The economic disruption we are undergoing through Covid supports the need to spread rate rises over a longer period.

Saving water and water meters

Option 3: Medium. A middle of the range water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$50 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$121 million over the long term. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

We support a water saving plan that needs to consider water collection and storage. We live in a high rainfall climate and don't fundamentally support water meters or paying for water. Water is a life giver a fundamental rite 'ko te mana o te wai' Charging for volume will not have an impact on saving water and again the venerable whānau will be struggle to absorb the extra costs.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 2: Extend the Coastal Walkway from Bell Block to Waitara and develop further the Taranaki Traverse Mountain to Sea, costing \$36 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Taranaki Iwi support the Tracks and Trails network in terms of hauora and physical activity. In terms of the Taranaki Traverse we support Ngā Māhanga ā Tairi position and concerns on Te Ara o Ruhihiweratini Kaitake Trails around operational expenditure, being a cycle trail and impact on restorative activities.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 2: Continue working on the CAF, implement Planting our Place costing \$200,000 per year and electrifying our NPDC vehicle fleet costing \$1 million over 10 years. Begin additional funding of \$150,000 per year for three years. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

We support all Climate Change activity

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 2: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building in year 6, contributing \$40 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Need to strategise what we do with the many underused facilities and other priorities ie Kohia Pa which has been removed. As much as a sports facility is important the \$40 million cost does not compare to the need to fix the plumbing issues

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Office Use Only: 8218

Submission No: 3762

Lindsey Borck

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 3. Medium. Clear out the backlog and start making some improvements. \$140 million additional funding. NPDC's preferred option.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Saving water and water meters

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo costing \$42 million over 10 years for new water supply assets. No water meters.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 2: Invest \$9 million over 10 years.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 2: Extend the Coastal Walkway from Bell Block to Waitara and develop further the Taranaki Traverse Mountain to Sea, costing \$36 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. Continue working on the CAF but no new actions or additional funding.

Comments

No electric cars. They are a false economy. Maybe hydrogen cars. Small efficient cars if not so already. Our impact is minimal to the rest of the world. We'd need to burn coal to charge them. Someone killed the gas.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 1: Do not develop a multi-sport hub.

Comments

This hub will cause conflict, traffic congestion in the Central city area. Rugby has a stadium. Football had plans. If anything is done it needs to be on an easy access route in and out with. Rugby hub, football hub, hockey hub, netball hub. But all separate in parking and amenities. Yes cost higher but no conflict. Football has gone about their own hub. Why can't others.

What else?

Need to work on a upper Mangorei Rd to Smart Rd link. Connect Egmont Rd to De Haviland Dr. Connect Airport Dr to Parklands. Follow up NZTA Waiwhakaio Hill to Waitara North 100kph. Think big now or become a nightmare later. Can't afford it now. Well we sure as Can't afford it later. So now is the option.

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Office Use Only: 8219

Submission No: 3763

Chelsea Phillips

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 2. Low. Start chipping away at the backlog so that it grows more slowly. \$78 million additional funding.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option C: Fully debt fund long life assets.

Saving water and water meters

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo costing \$42 million over 10 years for new water supply assets. No water meters.

Comments

Please do not install water meters unless annual rates are reduced to remove the amount that goes into fixed portion for rates. Home owners will not be able to afford such an increase especially in this COVID19 aftermath environment.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 1: Do nothing. No additional investment in Waitara stormwater.

Comments

Not at this stage. This is something we can look at in the next plan.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. No new or additional investment in tracks and trails.

Comments

Our trails and tracks are great as is. We simply cannot afford increased rates to cover these superfluous additions. Please do not spend more money in this area.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 2: Continue working on the CAF, implement Planting our Place costing \$200,000 per year and electrifying our NPDC vehicle fleet costing \$1 million over 10 years. Begin additional funding of \$150,000 per year for three years. NPDC's preferred option.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 1: Do not develop a multi-sport hub.

Comments

We do not need a sport hub. Most families will be unable to afford the rates increase required to make this happen.

What else?

Please do not take on any new projects that will increase rates. Many homeowners are already struggling to make ends meet, an increase in rates would be required to fund these projects. It is simply too much right now particularly after all of the job loss around COVID and insecurity around this.

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Office Use Only: 8220

Submission No: 3764

Allan Ross

Organisation: Rampage Fitness

Wish to speak to the Council: Yes

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 2. Low. Start chipping away at the backlog so that it grows more slowly. \$78 million additional funding.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option C: Fully debt fund long life assets.

Saving water and water meters

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo costing \$42 million over 10 years for new water supply assets. No water meters.

Comments

1. We have plenty of rainfall throughout the year. Is there a potential to create a bigger or additional reservoir rather than install water meters.
2. Better education on water preservation.
3. Install Slimline Rainwater tanks for all residential housing as a standard. (Gardening Use only)
4. Receive a 1%..? reduction in your rates if you install an approved council rainwater tank system..!! discussion required

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. No new or additional investment in tracks and trails.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. Continue working on the CAF but no new actions or additional funding.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 1: Do not develop a multi-sport hub.

Comments

No Sports hub – In the future when there are funds add an additional Hockey turf beside the existing one at Webster Field and Build A Netball and Basketball centre out at Bell Block. We have plenty of Rugby and Football Fields around New Plymouth – We don't need AstroTurf Football & Rugby fields at this stage.

What else?

1. A three percent CPI / Inflation should be added to the rates every year – No surprises, just 3% every year.
2. The council's budget needs to be set in accordance with its potential income each year. Rates plus PIF interest plus other revenue.
3. The current council budget system appears to be made up like a shopping list with the revenue to pay for it sourced from the ratepayers plus whatever percentage needs to be added to the rates to fund the list.
4. The PIF interest at around 19 million should have 3% deducted from it and left in the PIF capital fund, thus allowing for inflation, the rest should be used to offset the rates.
5. Setup the Priority list of urgent issues: Waitara stormwater etc; Fixing our plumbing.
6. Every other want or need project needs to be set on hold until it becomes financially viable to do so.
7. Business rates are already excessive and those business's recovering from covid closures, 5 additional sick leave days, an additional public holiday, minimum wage increases do not need another 12 % rates increase.
8. To put point 7 into perspective – our Rampage city business council rates are ten times more than our house rates, yet the commercial building value is only 1.7 times more than the house. Can anyone explain that.?
9. A business also pays for their water and does not receive a single wheelie bin. They pay for their rubbish to be collected. The private refuse companies cannot pickup plastic or glass bottles separately from the business as the council recycling centre won't accept them. It all goes into the landfill even though we have asked to separate it. Our staff now try and take it home and put it in their own recycle bins. I'm sure many other businesses would like the opportunity to have a proper recycling system similar to residential properties.
10. With the building timber shortage in NZ. Could the council be innovative enough to pull together a co-operative of builders / trades / private enterprise that would invest in a timber processing plant beside the port. The phenomenal amounts of raw logs heading offshore from our port is such an opportunity to grab hold of and turn it into plywood or other building timber. We currently import a lot of ply and our builders are also left with the poor quality timber as the good stuff heads offshore. We could become similar to the IPL plant in Greymouth but the Bigger North island version..?
11. Maybe also a biofuel plant that we can burn rubbish instead of going to the landfill and this will produce electricity...Sweden are very good at this. With many small Swedish towns invested in it plus they have good recycling habits to complement it . We have the technology and engineering skills in Taranaki to do this..!!

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Submission No: 3765

Grace Crawford

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 3. Medium. Clear out the backlog and start making some improvements. \$140 million additional funding. NPDC's preferred option.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option C: Fully debt fund long life assets.

Saving water and water meters

Option 2: Low. Introduce a water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$45 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$62 million over the long term.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 2: Extend the Coastal Walkway from Bell Block to Waitara and develop further the Taranaki Traverse Mountain to Sea, costing \$36 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 2: Continue working on the CAF, implement Planting our Place costing \$200,000 per year and electrifying our NPDC vehicle fleet costing \$1 million over 10 years. Begin additional funding of \$150,000 per year for three years. NPDC's preferred option.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 3: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building faster, with work starting in year 4 and contributing \$40 million.

Comments

This should be a priority to help get people active and support younger people in our community

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Office Use Only: 8223

Submission No: 3766

Mary Perrott

Wish to speak to the Council: Yes

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 4. High. Clear out the backlog and make significant improvements. \$229 million additional funding.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Option B ticked. My personal preference would be to tick Option C, however pages 12 & 13 of the Consultation Document indicate that limits are set on the amount of accumulated debt that is reasonably permitted in order to maintain a balanced budget. Yet New Plymouth has a "relatively low net debt compared to many other local authorities in NZ". Whatever the case, fixing our plumbing is a top priority. These comments are based on information in the NPDC's Consultation Document, but subject to the Government's proposals to Councils on the "Three Waters Reform" which are likely to change many opinions when that consultation begins later in the year (as pointed out in the Audit NZ Report pg 35).

Saving water and water meters

Comments

No option ticked at the time of my Submission (dated 6th April). I will speak to the options at the Hearing in May. I understand how to save water and the need to do so. Because the district does not make the sort of effort necessary to accomplish sufficient saving, it seems inevitable that water meters will be introduced. NPDC is not alone in local government in having this issue to solve.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 2: Invest \$9 million over 10 years.

Comments

It is to be hoped that Waitara residents have taken the opportunity to lodge many Submissions and be heard on the subject.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. No new or additional investment in tracks and trails.

Comments

I consider investing as much as possible in getting 'our plumbing fixed' to be the #1 priority and the focus needs to be on that issue. Revisit the Taranaki Traverse in 5 years' time? I have doubts about the value of extending the coastal (!) walkway to Waitara.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 2: Continue working on the CAF, implement Planting our Place costing \$200,000 per year and electrifying our NPDC vehicle fleet costing \$1 million over 10 years. Begin additional funding of \$150,000 per year for three years. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Option 2 ticked as practical choice. The CEO of the New Zealand Electricity Retailers Association recently published a letter regarding New Zealand's ambitious net-zero climate target being "a challenge ahead of us..." I will attempt to add a copy of that page to this Submission.

Refer to next page for copy of article.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 1: Do not develop a multi-sport hub.

Comments

Option 1 is ticked, although quite a difficult choice to make as the arguments for a multi-sport hub are persuasive. If \$40m is to be 'tagged' at this stage, how much extra will be needed in Year 6 (2026/27)? The district's population is estimated to reach 96,000 by 2031. That is not a large population and it is an ageing population.

What else?

Zoo upgrade. Go ahead with upgrade. Must look after the animals. Zero-waste projects. Good to read on page 34 that these projects are being funded from Reserves or grants with no impact on Rates. Finally - a 'good on you' to the Councillors and Staff who answered questions at the public meeting on 25 March arranged by Positive Ageing, Grey Power, and Age Concern. This was a great opportunity for everyone to engage with the process and "well done" Cr Sam Bennett for fronting the Council's case. Please use this method in future and provide a member of the finance team also.

This article is from the CEO of the New Zealand Electricity Retailers Association. This issue may well be of interest to your members. Please feel free to comment.

To meet New Zealand's ambitious net-zero climate target we have a challenge ahead of us – we need to cut 50 million tonnes of carbon dioxide emissions by 2050. That's equivalent to 650,000 less full return flights between Auckland and Sydney running each year.

The good news is we can do this - if we act now. New Zealand is in an enviable position compared to other countries. Our electricity is already around 85 percent renewable and we have the tools and tech needed to decarbonise and build a cleaner, more sustainable future for all Kiwis.

The electricity sector has a key role to play in New Zealand's climate change transition. Our electricity is the 6th cheapest in the developed world, which makes it easier to switch from carbon intensive activities to renewable power – so it isn't just what's best for the planet but what's best for you and your back pocket.

Electric vehicles are a good example. Compared to a petrol car the cost of charging an EV is equivalent to \$0.40 cents per litre, so switching to a electric vehicle won't just save carbon, it will also save money - especially as the upfront cost of an EV is expected to fall significantly over the next 10 years.

Switching cars and trucks to electric vehicles and electrifying industrial heat processes (like milk pasteurisation) would drive massive emission reductions – around a third of those 650,000 return flights - at a low cost relative to other options.

The Climate Change Commission's report highlights the potential extra costs of a strict 2030 100 per cent renewable electricity target for the emission reductions gained. Even with demand increasing, the proportion of renewable electricity is expected to increase significantly over the next 15 years. Pushing for that last few percent could mean a massive extra cost for a small amount of emission reductions gained.

We need to be looking to the experts and all working together for the biggest gains – we've already proven we can do this in our response to COVID-19, and we need to take that evidence-based approach for our climate change transition. We can do this.

I wrote an opinion piece for the NZ Herald highlighting the need to push forward quickly, but with care. The scale of change needed makes it vital we make the right changes – driving the biggest emissions reductions at the lowest cost. If we make the wrong choices now we'll be loading extra unnecessary cost on Kiwi families now, or giving future generations an even harder task because we haven't succeeded.

All the best,

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Cameron Burrows

Chief Executive, Electricity Retailers' Association

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8224

Submission No: 3767

Suzanne Doran

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 3. Medium. Clear out the backlog and start making some improvements. \$140 million additional funding. NPDC's preferred option.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

The mismanagement of water-related assets by NPDC /historical underinvestment needs to be investigated and responsible parties brought to account.

Saving water and water meters

Option 3: Medium. A middle of the range water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$50 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$121 million over the long term. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

The information that has been shared on water metering is grossly inadequate. I do not understand how you have estimated cost savings when details over charges have not yet been figured out.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

It is very disappointing that the current state of stormwater facilities has not been investigated prior to formulating the 10 year plan.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 2: Extend the Coastal Walkway from Bell Block to Waitara and develop further the Taranaki Traverse Mountain to Sea, costing \$36 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Ratepayers need transparency over contractor selection and costs tendered vs actual costs as the project progresses. It should be easily possible to deliver well within the estimated budget. Penalties should be included in all contracts for overruns and inefficiencies. All conflicts of interest must be identified and highlighted to the public, if a contractor is engaged despite these.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. Continue working on the CAF but no new actions or additional funding.

Comments

I think the planting should continue to go ahead. Focus should be on behaviour change within NPDC - then reduce the NPDC fleet so that renewal with electric vehicles can be assured at the same cost as full fleet replacement with ICE vehicles (i.e. no additional cost to ratepayers). Serious attention should be given to making sustainable transport options appealing and practical for the public. Cycling is dangerous, largely due to car driver behaviours, council contractors (rubbish trucks) swerving through cycle lanes, or council contractors using cycle lanes as places to place road signs and traffic cones, forcing cyclists to merge into vehicle lanes. Cycle lanes frequently 'end' at random or taper into foot-wide gutters full of broken glass and gravel when the road becomes more narrow. Climate action involves behaviour change before throwing money at greenwashed solutions.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 1: Do not develop a multi-sport hub.

Comments

Now is really not the time, being a climate emergency and all. Stinks of a vanity project. Get the water infrastructure done and done right, and let that be your legacy to the citizens of New Plymouth.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8226

Submission No: 3768

Sam

Organisation: Parafed Taranaki

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Saving water and water meters

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Extending our tracks and trails network

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 3: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building faster, with work starting in year 4 and contributing \$40 million.

Comments

We need the hub as quickly as possible because many people with disabilities are missing out due to the lack of accessible sports facilities. This Needs to be accessible to all e.g open spaces, lifts and no heavy fire doors as well as accessible parking spaces

What else?

Because we currently do not have a multi sport hub we are missing out on hosting events for our region e. g. Wheelchair basketball tournaments by doing this it would raise more awareness for disability sport and recreation within the community. Due to the growing popularity of basketball it means that our wheelchair basketball team is missing out due to the lack of space which is why we need the Hub ASAP

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8227

Submission No: 3769 **Jo**

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 2. Low. Start chipping away at the backlog so that it grows more slowly. \$78 million additional funding.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option C: Fully debt fund long life assets.

Saving water and water meters

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo costing \$42 million over 10 years for new water supply assets. No water meters.

Comments

NO to Water Meters!!

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 1: Do nothing. No additional investment in Waitara stormwater.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. No new or additional investment in tracks and trails.

Comments

Extending the walkway out to Waitara would be amazing, but given the cost it's not appropriate to do at this time.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. Continue working on the CAF but no new actions or additional funding.

Comments

This should be cost neutral - i.e. any additional funding for this should be appropriated from another area.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 1: Do not develop a multi-sport hub.

Comments

The cost of the Multi-Sports hub is an eye-watering \$40 million, this is one of the first things which should be removed from the proposals as that just is way to much money to be added on to everybody's rates!

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

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Submission No: 3770

Taranaki Synthetic Turf Trust

Organisation: Taranaki Synthetic Turf Trust

Wish to speak to the Council: Yes

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Saving water and water meters

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Extending our tracks and trails network

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 3: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building faster, with work starting in year 4 and contributing \$40 million.

Comments

The Trust submitted to the long term plan in 2018, and the Management Response was as Follows: "The Council are working in conjunction with other district Councils, funding agencies and Sport Taranaki to develop a regional sport facility working group. The aim of this group is to evaluate the needs and trends of sporting and recreation activities. Hockey facilities would be considered as part of this Review." In 2016 Hockey had produced needs assessment reports showing that an additional turf was required in New Plymouth. Now 5 years on this need has not changed. We support the early development of the hockey turf in the Hub development process. The trust choose for the betterment of the community to remain as a key member of the Hub instead of proceeding in isolation by building this new turf adjacent to the existing turf at New Plymouth Boys High School. Over the last two years the Turf Trust have provided key inputs to the process and development of the Hub facility at the preferred Pukekura Raceway Site. The needs assessment has been completed by the Sport Taranaki led group. The result of all the effort by the collaborative groups is represented in the proposed plan and strategic development plan for the HUB facility. The long term focus for the HUB should be community well being, getting our community active for life, while sport assists this process, the proposed hub has the potential to cater for more than just sport going forward. We suggest consideration should be given to a name change from "Multi Sport HUB" to a name that reflects the true community use as it is more than just for sport.

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Office Use Only: 8229

Submission No: 3771

Aidan Morrell

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 3. Medium. Clear out the backlog and start making some improvements. \$140 million additional funding. NPDC's preferred option.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Access PIF Fund to assist with cost

Saving water and water meters

Option 2: Low. Introduce a water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$45 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$62 million over the long term.

Comments

Access PIF Fund to assist with cost

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Access PIF Fund to assist with cost.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. No new or additional investment in tracks and trails.

Comments

Absolute waste of money.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. Continue working on the CAF but no new actions or additional funding.

Comments

Another waste of money

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 1: Do not develop a multi-sport hub.

Comments

Now is not the time to be building these types of facilities. Invest in the upgrading of current facilities. A sports hub will be a waste of money

What else?

Over spending at the expense of the rate payer.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8231

Submission No: 3772

Sharron Steen

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 4. High. Clear out the backlog and make significant improvements. \$229 million additional funding.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

clean Water is an essential part of the mauri of our whenua - so utmost to prioritize how we look after our water for future generations.

Saving water and water meters

Option 4: High. A significant water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$56 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$120 million over the long term.

Comments

High priority to make sure that we are being diligent with the resources that we have as long as it is manageable for low income families.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Comments

Will leave comment to people who live in waitara as to which option they see would best meet the needs around water management.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Comments

The Taranaki Trverse from Mountain to Sea brings up issues around how is NPDC long plan going to ensure that what the people are coming to see in Taranaki which is the beauty of our maunga, the whenual, native bush & birds, clean water, abundant life in our waters if investing in tracks and trails over-rides the responsibility of looking after what already exists. which of the 3 options above ensures that this happens.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Comments

We have NPDC wanting to build a cycle way through the Kaitake ranges which will mean removal of trees and then we have a Planting our Place framework..

Developing a multi-sport hub

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8232

Submission No: 3773

Andrew Hooks

Wish to speak to the Council: Yes

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 4. High. Clear out the backlog and make significant improvements. \$229 million additional funding.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Although I support the remedial action and its urgency, I am concerned that significant government reform is pending in this area. I hope that the council is engaging in this process with an open mind and not distracted by the impact to existing power structures. Equally we need to avoid paying for this work twice - once through our rates now and then later under a regional system where other jurisdictions have not spent the money we have. Key spend decisions must be evaluated within the timeline of the government program. My support for option 4 is contingent on making hard decisions around other good proposals that are on the table and not trying to do everything all at once, i.e. while the sports hub is a good idea we need to phase our expenditure and move 'discretionary' spending to the back end of the plan.

Saving water and water meters

Option 3: Medium. A middle of the range water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$50 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$121 million over the long term. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Although I support meters we should first focus on fixing infrastructure and carrying out leak detection based on bulk flow measurement. After that we can re-evaluate where we sit in the NZ water use table and what the next steps should be. It would be embarrassing for the council if we installed water meters only to prove that our consumption is not as high as made out and is in fact attributable to leaky pipes.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 2: Invest \$9 million over 10 years.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 2: Extend the Coastal Walkway from Bell Block to Waitara and develop further the Taranaki Traverse Mountain to Sea, costing \$36 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

As part of the Waiwhakaiho walk it is critical that we start now to protect the green outlook on the far bank of the river up to Tupare. This has the potential to be a fantastic resource within the city - especially as the city expands northwards - our contribution to build on the parks left by previous generations. If this area is subdivided the opportunity to get back to nature within the city will be lost.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 2: Continue working on the CAF, implement Planting our Place costing \$200,000 per year and electrifying our NPDC vehicle fleet costing \$1 million over 10 years. Begin additional funding of \$150,000 per year for three years. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Like our water infrastructure, we have deferred dealing with climate change for too long and now must act with urgency. The location (parks vs farmland?) and type of trees (natives vs pines) is critical.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 1: Do not develop a multi-sport hub.

Comments

I support the creation of additional sports facilities however we simply can't do everything all at once. If we hadn't let our water infrastructure fall into disrepair, if we hadn't opted for the stadium repairs (TRC) and if we had retained revenue from the airport instead of committing it to the new airport then we might have more cash to spend. All of these have been good projects to do as is the sports hub but, like any household, sometimes you have to make hard decisions and play a longer game. I am disappointed by Sport Taranaki's "it's a numbers game" strategy (as per their website) and their campaign at schools to distort the consultation process. I would also point out that the concept currently described is not really big enough to be a 'hub' - existing facilities dotted around the city will still be required. It may make more sense to make code specific hubs that are better suited to large tournaments, e.g. expand the existing hockey turf rather than split games between two locations and more the displaced football field to the racecourse.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

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Submission No: 3774

Hayley

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 3: Medium. Clear out the backlog and start making some improvements. \$140 million additional funding. NPDC's preferred option.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Saving water and water meters

Option 3: Medium. A middle of the range water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$50 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$121 million over the long term. NPDC's preferred option.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 2: Invest \$9 million over 10 years.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 3: Option 2, plus give our tracks and trails network a boost over the next 10 years at a total cost of \$60 million.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 3: As per option 2, plus make the additional funding of \$150,000 per year permanent.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 3: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building faster, with work starting in year 4 and contributing \$40 million.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8237

Submission No: 3775

c/o Angie Benn

Organisation: Lepperton Residents Association

Wish to speak to the Council: Yes

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 1. Do nothing. Status quo. No additional funding.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Comments

We cannot comment on behalf of our community hense option one choosen for paying for plumbing. However we balance spending to allow funds for raoding improvements eg. Bell Block to Waitara State Highway.

Saving water and water meters

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo costing \$42 million over 10 years for new water supply assets. No water meters.

Comments

We cannot comment on behalf of our community hense option one choosen.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 2: Invest \$9 million over 10 years.

Comments

Lepperton has major stormwater issue. We request immediate investigation and funding be made available for repairs outlined by council officers.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. No new or additional investment in tracks and trails.

Comments

We cannot comment on behalf of our community hense option one choosen.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. Continue working on the CAF but no new actions or additional funding.

Comments

We cannot comment on behalf of our community hense option one choosen. However Lepperton Village would like planting along Waiongona River.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 1: Do not develop a multi-sport hub.

Comments

We cannot comment on behalf of our community hence option one chosen.

What else?

Public Toilets, Playground and undercover area for the Open Space Reserve in Lepperton. The LRA have met with NPDC Parks Officers and started discussions around a staged approach to development of the Open Space Reserve in Lepperton, while timeframes are still being decided we envisage being ready for a public toilet, playground and undercover within 3 years. Our community have requested this in last LTP supported by Waitara Community Board and spoken to our submission we hope that we can be successful in the submission.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8238

Submission No: 3776

Philip Wells

Organisation: Parafed Taranaki

Wish to speak to the Council: Yes

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 3. Medium. Clear out the backlog and start making some improvements. \$140 million additional funding. NPDC's preferred option.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Saving water and water meters

Option 3: Medium. A middle of the range water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$50 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$121 million over the long term. NPDC's preferred option.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. No new or additional investment in tracks and trails.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 2: Continue working on the CAF, implement Planting our Place costing \$200,000 per year and electrifying our NPDC vehicle fleet costing \$1 million over 10 years. Begin additional funding of \$150,000 per year for three years. NPDC's preferred option.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 3: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building faster, with work starting in year 4 and contributing \$40 million.

Comments

Multi-Sport Hub Parafed Taranaki Currently there are no suitable sporting facility in the Taranaki region to cater for those with physical disabilities. There are numerous aspects that make the available facilities inadequate within Taranaki, such as, the demand of other sports codes on facilities, the aging nature of sporting facilities making them inaccessible, two levelled clubrooms, facilities not wanting wheelchair users on their court surface, steps into facilities, inaccessible spectator area, no accessible parking, heavy fire doors that are hard to open, poor signage, limited storage, and inaccessible toilets and showers. With the new proposed Multi-Sports Hub, it would change the future for people with a disability in Taranaki. This would be a place where the environment is not disabling people to participate in sport and would allow inclusion to happen within the context of sport, recreation, and play. In turn more disabled people would be active within Taranaki increasing awareness of disability sport within the community, subsequently changing the attitudes and perceptions towards disability. Parafed Taranaki welcomes this change so that the barriers stated above will no longer take place in our community.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8239

Submission No: 3777

Geoff

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 2. Low. Start chipping away at the backlog so that it grows more slowly. \$78 million additional funding.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

The 12% rates rise is too much for pensioners to pay. Allow more subdivisions to go ahead, and don't listen to the minority of rate payers who don't want their small settlements, to grow. I.e. Oakura. I believe our Mayor has property there. Is this why another housing development was stymied. This will bring in more rates to help with infrastructure upgrades.

Saving water and water meters

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Extending our tracks and trails network

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 1: Do not develop a multi-sport hub.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8242

Submission No: 3778

Heather Crofskey

Wish to speak to the Council: Yes

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 4. High. Clear out the backlog and make significant improvements. \$229 million additional funding.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

A new long-term water storage system is an infrastructure priority as one of the major investments our district needs to prepare for. An upgrade to the current storage system will still be insufficient for the city's long-term needs. I believe "cosmetics" i.e. planting and trails, have been put in front of far more important long-term issues in our district.

Saving water and water meters

Option 3: Medium. A middle of the range water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$50 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$121 million over the long term. NPDC's preferred option.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

I have no issue with Waitara's stormwater issues and funding. I do, have issues with NO MENTION of Lepperton's URGENT need of investigation and immediate action of Lepperton's stormwater disposal. Since the advent of the new Subdivision Smith St/Richmond Rd, Council contractor City Water Care has been called to "patch up" (their own words), major drainage problems. Many of the residents on Smith St are still, since development, experiencing water flooding on their properties: up to their front doors after heavy rainfall. I ask the Council to receive from me further data and evidence at the NPDC 10 yr plan submission time in May. This will include an NPDC report also.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 2: Extend the Coastal Walkway from Bell Block to Waitara and develop further the Taranaki Traverse Mountain to Sea, costing \$36 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Comments

I don't subscribe to our "CLIMATE EMERGENCY" needs over infrastructure for all residents' needs.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 2: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building in year 6, contributing \$40 million. NPDC's preferred option.

What else?

I support the LRA's submission to Council. In particular; Lepperton has a very real need to vigorously continue the consultation and development of the Open Space area opposite the Lepperton Store on Richmond Rd. Our community wants and needs to develop in the short term a place of community connection, public toilets, plantings, small children's play area, and covered public seating. When appropriate and timely, and after full consultation, complete a design for the whole area when the old hall can be removed. We in Lepperton have NO developed green space and it is perceived as our most wanted community/council project. The planned Heritage walkway project is also a great idea and could also be started with clearing and planting.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8245

Submission No: 3779

H.Wells

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 4. High. Clear out the backlog and make significant improvements. \$229 million additional funding.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option A: Pay for it from rates

Comments

I would prefer if we fixed the existing pipes before we pay for everyone to have a water meter. I worry that by adding water meters to houses we may never fix the old pipes and still lose water. I think new houses should be required to have water tanks to collect rain water for back up to the city water. We need to be planning for future water reservoirs and not rely on our present one.

Saving water and water meters

Comments

As already noted, I think water meters should be introduced only after the existing leaking pipes are repaired. Paying for water may be difficult for some families. An education programme about water use would be useful regardless of which option the city chooses as water will become no valuable.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Make sure new developments are not in the flood plain. As with the big box retailers in the flood plain of the Waiwhakaiho River.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 2: Extend the Coastal Walkway from Bell Block to Waitara and develop further the Taranaki Traverse Mountain to Sea, costing \$36 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

I think the walkway has been a real blessing for the city. I think it gets the population out for exercise and gives the added bonus of reminding us how beautiful the area is. I hope the walkway is continued to Waitara. This also encourages cyclists to commute between the towns to free up the roads. The mountain to sea sounds great. I hope the tracks would be well planned and constructed to a high level for beauty and lasting qualities. It would be nice if the city planned for more cycle ways in the city for children to get to schools safely by bike, and for commuters to travel to work. We actually could use an education programme on the safe use of bikes in the city.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 3: As per option 2, plus make the additional funding of \$150,000 per year permanent.

Comments

As New Plymouth is known as the energy city why not use this title to continue and promote alternative energy. I'd like to see more initiatives for energy saving or alternative energy use. Rewarding folk that use electric cars by giving them free parking. Reward people that paint their roofs white, use solar panels, commute by bike. I'm sure there are many ways we could encourage alternatives.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 3: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building faster, with work starting in year 4 and contributing \$40 million.

Comments

Make sure the horse race track retains it's view! I think it's a great use of central land but it would be a disaster to ruin an existing use for a future use. This will require very careful planning, design, and building.

What else?

Thank you for the opportunity to have feedback!

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

Office Use Only: 8247

Submission No: 3780

Susan Wallace

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 2. Low. Start chipping away at the backlog so that it grows more slowly. \$78 million additional funding.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Because we live rurally we don't get any waste water service - we have to maintain our own septic tank (and our rates are still very high!). So my views are skewed because of this.

Saving water and water meters

Option 3: Medium. A middle of the range water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$50 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$121 million over the long term. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

How will this affect rural properties? We currently are on trickle feed.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 2: Invest \$9 million over 10 years.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 2: Extend the Coastal Walkway from Bell Block to Waitara and develop further the Taranaki Traverse Mountain to Sea, costing \$36 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

I love the coastal walkway idea but don't understand the Taranaki Traverse? Is it going to be a biking/walking track? I really don't know how much that will be used and prefer not to have that one happen.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. Continue working on the CAF but no new actions or additional funding.

Comments

Like the idea of planting but not the electric cars. What about the batteries in these cars, how are these disposed of?

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 2: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building in year 6, contributing \$40 million. NPDC's preferred option.

What else?

PLEASE think about how much you are putting up the rates! We live rurally (just 5 minutes from Bell Block, on SH3A) and we don't get much for our rates - no rubbish/recycling, no waste water. Our rates are really expensive already!

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Mel Henshilwood

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 3. Medium. Clear out the backlog and start making some improvements. \$140 million additional funding. NPDC's preferred option.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

This needs to be a priority

Saving water and water meters

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo costing \$42 million over 10 years for new water supply assets. No water meters.

Comments

No Water meters

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Needs to be done

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. No new or additional investment in tracks and trails.

Comments

We just need maintenance of what we already have

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 2: Continue working on the CAF, implement Planting our Place costing \$200,000 per year and electrifying our NPDC vehicle fleet costing \$1 million over 10 years. Begin additional funding of \$150,000 per year for three years. NPDC's preferred option.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 1: Do not develop a multi-sport hub.

Comments

This is a nice to have not a need - I believe we can work on this in the 10 years after once we have our infrastructure at the level we need

What else?

Please just focus on our needs not the wants at this stage. We need to also take a look at the council staffing to make sure we are running a tight ship

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Submission No: 3782

Brad Graham

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 3. Medium. Clear out the backlog and start making some improvements. \$140 million additional funding. NPDC's preferred option.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

I totally support this as it will encourage better conservational use of our water supplies and better for the environment.

Saving water and water meters

Option 3: Medium. A middle of the range water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$50 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$121 million over the long term. NPDC's preferred option.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Waitara definitely needs an upgrade with the stormwater as it floods a lot.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 2: Extend the Coastal Walkway from Bell Block to Waitara and develop further the Taranaki Traverse Mountain to Sea, costing \$36 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

I support extending the Walkway to Waitara but am concerned that if there are no public toilets around these tracks that people will go toilet in inappropriate places along the walkway.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 2: Continue working on the CAF, implement Planting our Place costing \$200,000 per year and electrifying our NPDC vehicle fleet costing \$1 million over 10 years. Begin additional funding of \$150,000 per year for three years. NPDC's preferred option.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 2: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building in year 6, contributing \$40 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

I don't think that the Hub should be situated where the race course is maybe towards the other side of town in the Spotswood area.

What else?

Keep up the good work.

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Submission No: 3783

Sarah

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 3. Medium. Clear out the backlog and start making some improvements. \$140 million additional funding. NPDC's preferred option.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Saving water and water meters

Option 3: Medium. A middle of the range water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$50 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$121 million over the long term. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Having just purchased my own rain tank, I've seen other councils subsidise purchase of these by supplying these from a bulk supply they purchased. Couldn't see anything similar from NPDC.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 2: Invest \$9 million over 10 years.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. No new or additional investment in tracks and trails.

Comments

We have more pressing issues. I'd like to see investment but get the region's fundamental issues sorted first.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. Continue working on the CAF but no new actions or additional funding.

Comments

As per previous answer. Climate change is something the needs to be addressed but I don't believe changing council vehicles is high priority for spending. I believe investment is required but not in agreement with what's being proposed. Trees yes, cars no.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 1: Do not develop a multi-sport hub.

Comments

How many people actually want this and will use it? We already have an empty stadium and how many of us are frustrated we are still having to pay for this to sit empty? Even before it's structural issues how often was it getting used?

What else?

NPDC need to focus the spending on what improves the lives of residents - infrastructure, looking ahead to what we need for the future, not just now. Many of us live here for the lifestyle so invest in improving parks, improve access to the water/views (cut off currently by main roads with large logging trucks etc), make it somewhere we want to live but tourists also want to visit. When I moved here from Auckland, I was so surprised at the lack of businesses that utilise the water views - imagine a version of the viaduct on our walkway with bars/restaurants and cafes taking advantage of that stunning view. We don't need gimmicks or one hit wonders like multi sport stadiums, improve the natural beauty we are already have but in most cases aren't utilising as well as we could be.

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Submission No: 3784

Jamie Henshilwood

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 4. High. Clear out the backlog and make significant improvements. \$229 million additional funding.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

If this is a problem from past councils under funding then shouldn't the NPDC start by looking within for money? Many of the people within Taranaki earn less than \$50,000 yet over 20 people in council get over \$100,000 plus benefits plus pay rises. The NPDC has not earned the extravagant and ever increasing wages/benefits they get. If the NPDC really care about the people and the community they will sacrifice a small part of their huge wages to help the people, instead of continually increasing rates due to poor management from high paid personnel.

Saving water and water meters

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo costing \$42 million over 10 years for new water supply assets. No water meters.

Comments

Invest in people having water tanks, rain collection & be educated on water saving techniques. Have a rates decrease of you have done the "course" and shown to implement water saving techniques. Again poor management from high paid personnel should not mean the community who have wanted these things done for a long time suffer.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Early investment is key to long term sustainability. However government contractors seem to never stay to a budget while the product they come up with never works as it was meant to. transparency & oversight is needed to stop companies not sticking the quoted or agreed budget continually while giving an under quality product.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. No new or additional investment in tracks and trails.

Comments

We have bigger concerns needed. No extra investment however the current % needs to be sufficient for the increase in population & usage of current tracks etc

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 3: As per option 2, plus make the additional funding of \$150,000 per year permanent.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 3: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building faster, with work starting in year 4 and contributing \$40 million.

Comments

Get rid of the raceway, it is a niche spectacle and if moved to one of the other Taranaki racecourses can be invested in to provide a full experience away from the city. The people need a multisport hub

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Submission No: 3785

Jacqui King

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 4. High. Clear out the backlog and make significant improvements. \$229 million additional funding.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option C: Fully debt fund long life assets.

Comments

Totally understand the underinvestment, however expecting this current generation of ratepayers to not only fund it from significant rates hikes (wholly or in part) is not necessary given there is Council debt funding capacity available. We are one of the strongest Councils in the country financially, therefore we have the ability to spread the burden of the necessary investment over a much longer period of time. We must remember that this Country and this district is still in a COVID recovery phase, the effects of which are still to be fully felt. The expectation that this generation of ratepayers foot the bill for past underinvestment and future investment is simply unwarranted. Also, the proposed rates hikes will have a seriously negative economic impact on our most disadvantaged members of our community. I have real concerns that this level of rates hikes (over multiple years) will simply perpetuate the poverty our poorest already endure.

Saving water and water meters

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo costing \$42 million over 10 years for new water supply assets. No water meters.

Comments

I fundamentally disagree with the need for water meters in this region as I firmly believe that it is our fundamental right as residents of our rohe to have free access to our wai. As Maori, it is a key source of our wellbeing (physically and spiritually) therefore having it restricted and charged to any resident is intolerable. Our water must be accessible to all. I would support increased water storage infrastructure as a way of capturing the important water asset that we have. Overall, I would support operational investment into a robust water conservation/education programme to raise awareness and build our district's understanding of its importance. Also, as mentioned in the last comment, the proposed implementation of water meters and charges will have a seriously negative economic impact on the most disadvantaged members of our community. I have real concerns that this level of rates hikes (over multiple years) will simply perpetuate the poverty our poorest already endure.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Same comments as the "fix the plumbing" submission.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 2: Extend the Coastal Walkway from Bell Block to Waitara and develop further the Taranaki Traverse Mountain to Sea, costing \$36 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Again, in terms of investment now, we need to spread some of the impact on this generation of rate payers, while still investing in the future. Option 2 achieves this, subject to sufficient and meaningful engagement with Mana Whenua and Iwi on any proposed work on our Maunga or other important areas.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 3: As per option 2, plus make the additional funding of \$150,000 per year permanent.

Comments

Supportive of initiatives that will minimise the negative impacts we are having on our Taiao

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 1: Do not develop a multi-sport hub.

Comments

As much as I would like a multi-sport hub, it is my view that the reinvestment in infrastructure and our environment must take priority. The investment is too significant right now and is something we could look to advance in the longer-term. My view is that we need to ensure our current sports hubs are well supported and maintained as these are often the heartbeat of our smaller suburbs.

What else?

The increases to key Council services (cemetary and crematorium / pools etc) are too steep. Again, as per my earlier comments on the negative effects to our poorest community members, it is imperative that we ensure they are not adversely affected. I support removal of the increase of fees as the costs are already significant, especially for the cemetary and crematorium. Again, as per my earlier comments on the financials, we have the capacity to spread the reinvestment impacts over a longer time period in relation to Capital investments. I also believe this can be achieved for operational revenue increases/costs.

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Submission No: 3786

Trina Stanley

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 2. Low. Start chipping away at the backlog so that it grows more slowly. \$78 million additional funding.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Saving water and water meters

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo costing \$42 million over 10 years for new water supply assets. No water meters.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 2: Extend the Coastal Walkway from Bell Block to Waitara and develop further the Taranaki Traverse Mountain to Sea, costing \$36 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. Continue working on the CAF but no new actions or additional funding.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 1: Do not develop a multi-sport hub.

Comments

Taranaki is well served with multi-sports hub..new one in Stratford. More people watch live sports teams on media...than go to actual sports stadiums.

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Submission No: 3787

Peter Watt

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 3. Medium. Clear out the backlog and start making some improvements. \$140 million additional funding. NPDC's preferred option.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Saving water and water meters

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo costing \$42 million over 10 years for new water supply assets. No water meters.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 2: Invest \$9 million over 10 years.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. No new or additional investment in tracks and trails.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. Continue working on the CAF but no new actions or additional funding.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 2: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building in year 6, contributing \$40 million. NPDC's preferred option.

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Submission No: 3788

Viv Perry

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 4: High. Clear out the backlog and make significant improvements. \$229 million additional funding.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Saving water and water meters

Option 4: High. A significant water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$56 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$120 million over the long term.

Comments

Householders should pay for the meters and work to have them installed, as was the case in Wanganui about 20 years ago - they introduced an interest-free loan to ratepayers and repayments were made by adding an amount on to quarterly rates. Made sense then and makes sense now. Water usage, for sure, will go down when meters are installed.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 3: Option 2, plus give our tracks and trails network a boost over the next 10 years at a total cost of \$60 million.

Comments

Mt Ruapehu is the favoured area for hiking. Taranaki needs to attract more people to our area.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 3: As per option 2, plus make the additional funding of \$150,000 per year permanent.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 2: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building in year 6, contributing \$40 million. NPDC's preferred option.

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Submission No: 3789

Sharon Jones

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 3. Medium. Clear out the backlog and start making some improvements. \$140 million additional funding. NPDC's preferred option.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Saving water and water meters

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo costing \$42 million over 10 years for new water supply assets. No water meters.

Comments

Water meters not proven to be effective savings when introduced other areas

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 2: Extend the Coastal Walkway from Bell Block to Waitara and develop further the Taranaki Traverse Mountain to Sea, costing \$36 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Need more investment in the Inglewood area, develop new tracks

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 2: Continue working on the CAF, implement Planting our Place costing \$200,000 per year and electrifying our NPDC vehicle fleet costing \$1 million over 10 years. Begin additional funding of \$150,000 per year for three years. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Alternative fuels e.g oxygen be considered for long term plans

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 1: Do not develop a multi-sport hub.

Comments

Too expensive for number of users, not best option for those living outside New Plymouth. Continuing costs penalize ratepayers. Placement at race course poor access and detrimental to current event users

What else?

Need more fair proportional funds spent in Inglewood. Need more recreational equipment/destinations for families e.g. bike trails, playground equipment for under 5 yrs. Town Centre needs more promotion and colour to encourage people to stop and utilize it more

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Submission No: 3790

Darryl Gaudin

Organisation: Taranaki Trails Trust

Wish to speak to the Council: Yes

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Saving water and water meters

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 3: Option 2, plus give our tracks and trails network a boost over the next 10 years at a total cost of \$60 million.

Comments

Refer to submission on next page.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Developing a multi-sport hub



6 April 2021

Submission on New Plymouth District Council's Long Term Plan

This is a submission from the Taranaki Trails Trust. We congratulate New Plymouth District Council on publishing an easy to read consultation document and all the work done to date to support trails in our region. We use the term "trails" to cover walking and cycle ways, with a particular focus on those that can be used for multiple active transport types.

This submission only comments on the aspects of the Long Term Plan relating to trails development. This submission is endorsed by all Trustees of the Taranaki Trails Trust, with the exception of Trustee Stacey Hitchcock, who has declared a conflict of interest and has had no involvement with this submission.

Background on the Taranaki Trails Trust

The Taranaki Trails Trust is a community-led charitable trust, created to connect Taranaki through trails and make our region a world class trails destination.

We were established in December 2019, and our trustees and supporters came together with a shared belief that our incredible region, Taranaki Maunga and the stories of our people have a huge potential to create a unique trails experience.

Our trails and journeys also have the capacity to unite and connect our communities. They can enrich our physical, mental and social well-being, as well as creating business opportunities and prosperity.

Our Trustees are Darryl Gaudin (Chair), Charlotte Littlewood (Secretary), Rob Haveswood (Treasurer), Ian Armstrong, Paul Roberts, Stacey Hitchcock, Darrel Nicholas and Blair Cox. We also provide a mentoring position on our Trust each year. The current position is held by Marc Ocampo Ramos.

Our vision, values and strategy is attached in the appendix of this submission.

Trails have a wide number of cross cutting benefits.

The Trust passionately supports the development of more trails in Taranaki due to their multiple benefits. These include:

- Trails encourage people to replace car journeys with walking, cycling, scootering and other means of active transport. The Climate Change Commission's draft budgets propose **reducing transport emissions** by nearly 50%. This will require increasing walking and cycling. One of the most common barriers to cycling in the region is safety. Trails help address this.

- Active transport also is much **healthier** than travelling by car. Recreational trails also support this by being an increasingly popular activity to burn some energy and get the heart rate going, as well as building a love of cycling and confidence cycling. This may mean people are more likely to commute by cycling.
- Active transport can also **reduce congestion** in our cities, and be part of greening our cityscapes and making them more attractive places, with less air pollution and need for car parking spaces.
- Recreational trails provide a significant **tourist attraction**. Cycle tourism has seen a huge growth in the last decade, and the increasing uptake of e-bikes makes trails popular to a much wider number of people than ever before. Tourism brings important revenue into the region.
- Trails contribute to making Taranaki an **attractive place to live and settle**, helping to attract talented and skilled people to support our economy.

Recommendation on “Big Call 2”- Extending our tracks and trails network

The Trails Trust commends the Council for its support of trails and including this areas as one of the “big calls”.

The Trust recommends the Council adopt option 3: Roll out all projects over the 10 years.

The reason for this are as follows:

- Extending the coastal walkway to Waitara has a huge number of benefits. With electric bikes, it has significant potential to support commuting between the multiple points on the walkway. The current bus network servicing Waitara is limited, and it’s important to provide alternative transport options to this community. It also can provide a significant coastal tourist attraction, especially with the possibility of the coastal walkway extending to Ōakura. The Trails Trust has heard people mention the potential of a “war and peace” trail, that links the significant historical and cultural sites between Te Kohia and Parihaka.
- Extending the coastal walkway to Ōakura is also very important, and provides another safe commuting route for a population with a large number of people commuting to New Plymouth. It also provides an off road link to the Kaitake Trail, which will be a phenomenal attraction and activity for tourists.
- The Taranaki Traverse is also a very important part of the cycleway connection. The mountain bike park at Lake Mangamahoe has gained hugely in popularity and this is only going to continue to increase. Again, with electric bikes being increasingly common, more people will want to cycle to the park rather than drive, and this is very unsafe at the moment along SH3.
- The Trails Trust has produced a 30 year regional trails vision, and this is currently being consulted on as part of feedback on the draft Taranaki Regional Land Transport Plan. This vision includes having a trail going around the base of the Te Papakura o Taranaki (Egmont



National Park). This trail has potential to link the Taranaki Traverse to Stratford, via a trail that Stratford District Council have investigated, linking Stratford to the York Road entrance to the National Park.

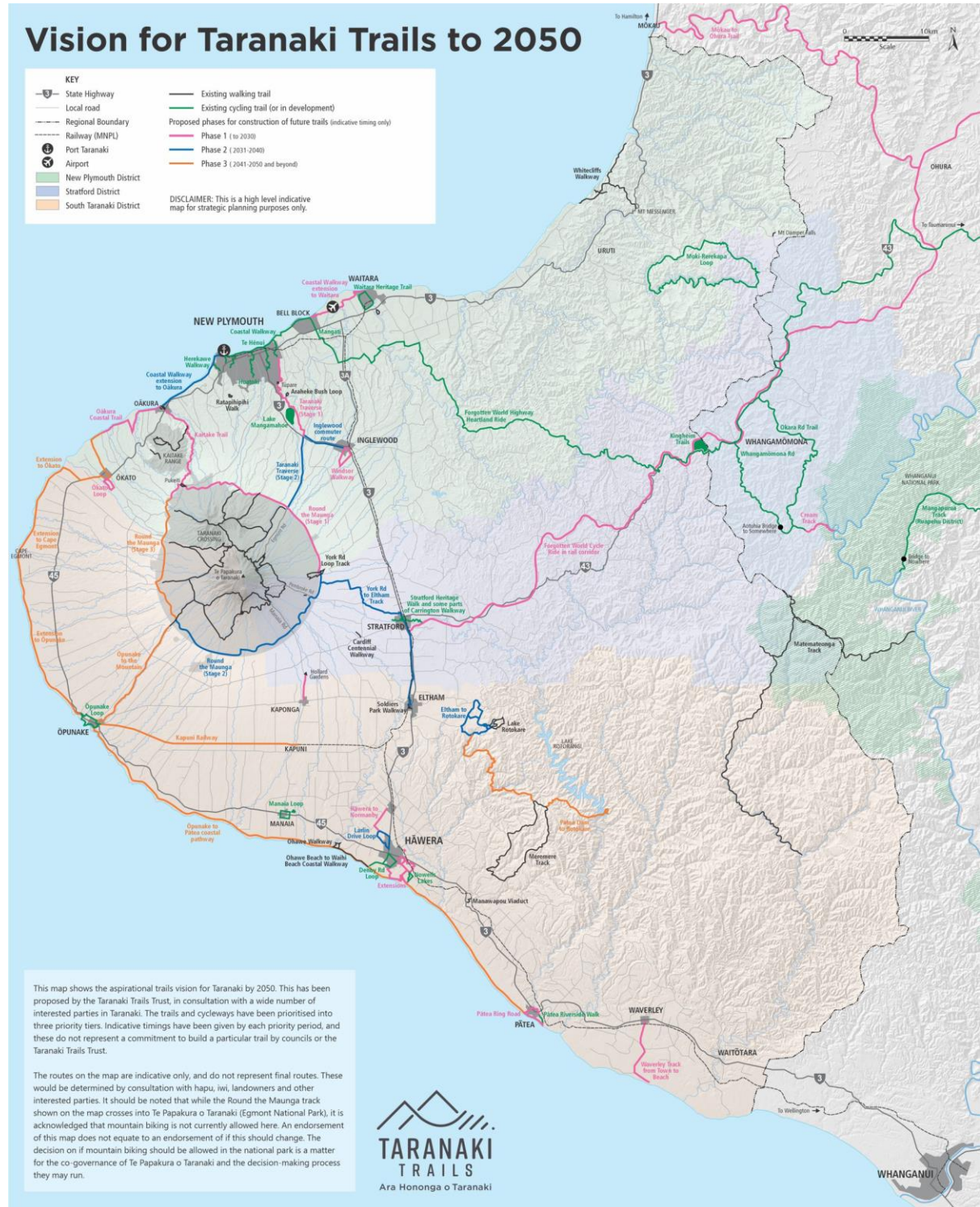
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Chair

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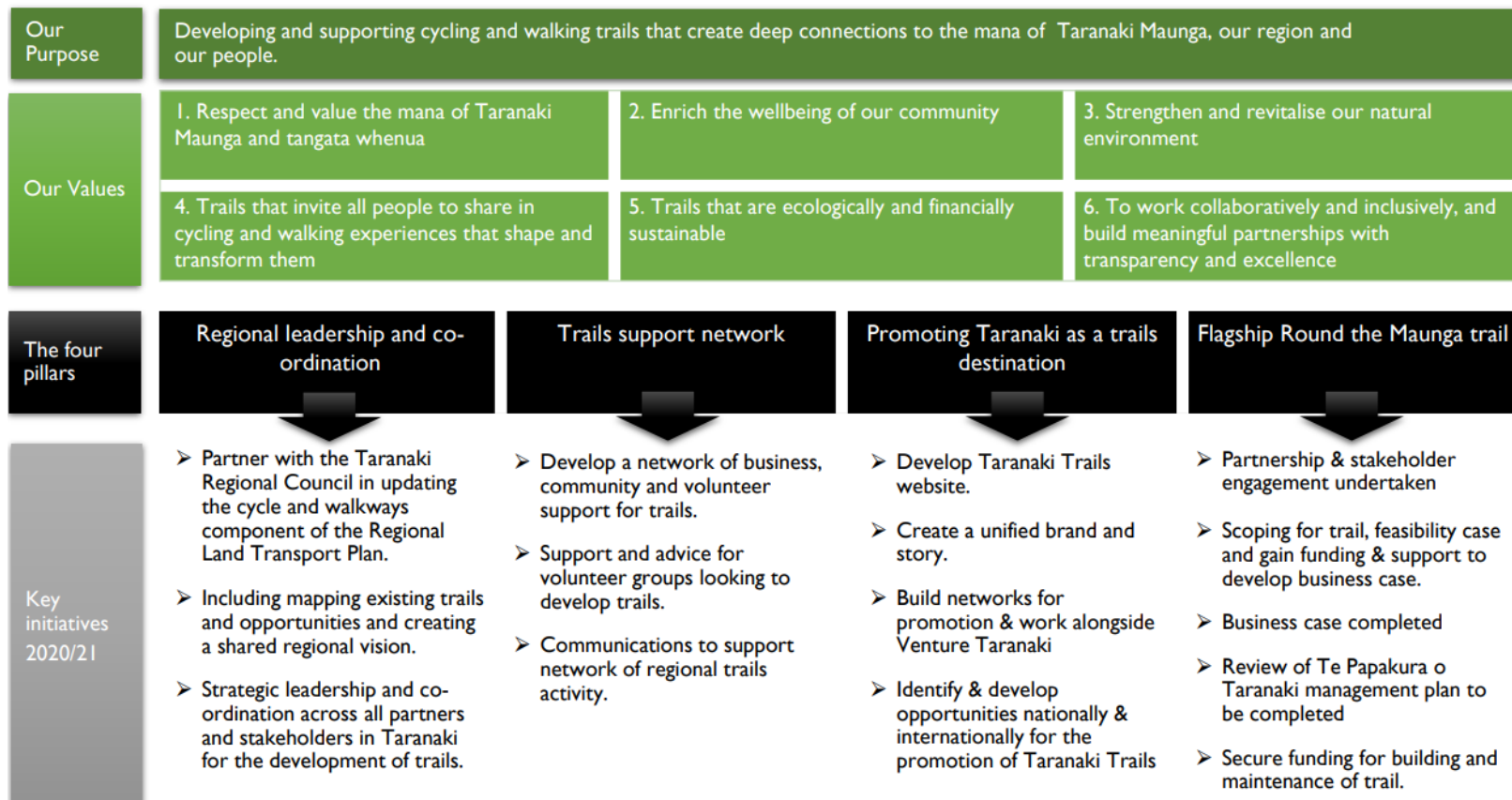
Appendix: Draft Taranaki Regional Trails Vision



Releasing the transformative power of trails

A community-led charitable trust created to connect Taranaki through trails and make our region a world class trails destination. Our trustees have a diverse range of skills, experiences and relationships, and are united in their passion for what trails can deliver for our region.

Taranaki Maunga and the stories of our people have huge potential to create a unique trails experience. Trails and journeys also have the capacity to unite and connect our communities. They enrich physical, mental and social well-being, and create business opportunities and prosperity.



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Submission No: 3791

Jill Pease

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 3: Medium. Clear out the backlog and start making some improvements. \$140 million additional funding. NPDC's preferred option.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Saving water and water meters

Option 2: Low. Introduce a water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$45 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$62 million over the long term.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. No new or additional investment in tracks and trails.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 2: Continue working on the CAF, implement Planting our Place costing \$200,000 per year and electrifying our NPDC vehicle fleet costing \$1 million over 10 years. Begin additional funding of \$150,000 per year for three years. NPDC's preferred option.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 2: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building in year 6, contributing \$40 million. NPDC's preferred option.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

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Submission No: 3792

Nelle A Rose

Organisation: WebsWORK

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 3. Medium. Clear out the backlog and start making some improvements. \$140 million additional funding. NPDC's preferred option.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option A: Pay for it from rates

Comments

We have a water meter and it saves us water and \$. People need to be educated about where their water comes from. How many school kids know about the water tank on Barrett Road and what it means to the community- and to them personally every time they have a bath or shower or a drink of water?

Saving water and water meters

Option 4: High. A significant water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$56 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$120 million over the long term.

Comments

Yep, refer to my previous comments.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 3: Option 2, plus give our tracks and trails network a boost over the next 10 years at a total cost of \$60 million.

Comments

Best investment ever.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 3: As per option 2, plus make the additional funding of \$150,000 per year permanent.

Comments

Encourage Regenerative Farming practices

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 1: Do not develop a multi-sport hub.

Comments

I support Jo Massey's concept of a Tiny Home Village at the Racecourse. Exercise need not be so structured at high input costs of a multi-sport hub. Non-structured play areas abound in adjacent Pukekura Park and Brooklands Park. Walking, jogging and furthermore obstacle course areas could be developed inobtrusively to blend in with the plantscapes.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

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Submission No: 3793

James Imlach

Organisation: New Zealand Motor Caravan Association Inc.

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 3. Medium. Clear out the backlog and start making some improvements. \$140 million additional funding. NPDC's preferred option.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Saving water and water meters

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Extending our tracks and trails network

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Developing a multi-sport hub

What else?

The NZMCA operates two private campsites in the district, including one in New Plymouth (leased) and another in Bell Block (owned). We suggest the Council budgets for the installation of at least two new public wastewater dump station units to cater for the growth in motorhome tourism. As we have with other public projects, the NZMCA is open to providing financial assistance along with written endorsement should NPDC apply for infrastructure funding from central government.

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

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Submission No: 3794

Submission Withdrawn

Wish to speak to the Council:

NPDC's Draft 10 Year Plan

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Submission No: 3795

Tracey Shaw

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 4. High. Clear out the backlog and make significant improvements. \$229 million additional funding.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option C: Fully debt fund long life assets.

Comments

Like you said "We've been underinvesting in our water networks for many years" Its time to put your big boy pants on and not only fix the current backlog, but also to prepare for whatever the future wants to throw at us, weather, water and population growth issues aren't going to go away, its time to take action. Our Mayor is complaining to NZTA to sort out our terrible roads, and your citizens need you to sort out our water network.

Saving water and water meters

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo costing \$42 million over 10 years for new water supply assets. No water meters.

Comments

Water meters will lead to privatization. Fix the water collection and infrastructure issues instead.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. No new or additional investment in tracks and trails.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 2: Continue working on the CAF, implement Planting our Place costing \$200,000 per year and electrifying our NPDC vehicle fleet costing \$1 million over 10 years. Begin additional funding of \$150,000 per year for three years. NPDC's preferred option.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 2: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building in year 6, contributing \$40 million. NPDC's preferred option.

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Office Use Only: 8269

Submission No: 3796

Rebecca

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 4. High. Clear out the backlog and make significant improvements. \$229 million additional funding.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

The issue has been neglected for decades and needs to be fixed. No matter what you do, someone won't like it so spend the money and fix the issue

Saving water and water meters

Option 2: Low. Introduce a water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$45 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$62 million over the long term.

Comments

Do the odds and even days thing. If your house is an odd number then you can use the hose etc

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

We pay the same amount of rates (technically more if you're on a leasehold property) as everyone in New Plymouth and we've been neglected for decades. Help us

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 2: Extend the Coastal Walkway from Bell Block to Waitara and develop further the Taranaki Traverse Mountain to Sea, costing \$36 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 2: Continue working on the CAF, implement Planting our Place costing \$200,000 per year and electrifying our NPDC vehicle fleet costing \$1 million over 10 years. Begin additional funding of \$150,000 per year for three years. NPDC's preferred option.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 3: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building faster, with work starting in year 4 and contributing \$40 million.

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Office Use Only: 8270

Submission No: 3797

Greg Xavier

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 2. Low. Start chipping away at the backlog so that it grows more slowly. \$78 million additional funding.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

The council needs to learn to operate within its budget, like all other people who operate under a budget. If there is infrastructure work that must be done, you need to sacrifice the wants in favour of the needs. Rates should not ever be increased by anything more than inflation. I don't get to tell my employer that I am spending too much and need a 72% pay rise over the next 10 years to support my poor budget management. The council should not be able to push these incredible rates increases on their employers either. If fixing plumbing is a need, then do it, but at the expense of the wants. In this case it sounds like a need.

Saving water and water meters

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo costing \$42 million over 10 years for new water supply assets. No water meters.

Comments

This plan only mentions water meters in the home. Do businesses already have water meters? Also all three progressive options include water meters which suggests to me that this survey has been designed to at least be somewhat manipulative. Where is the option for a water plan that doesn't include meters? The options granted are not diverse enough for me to be comfortable choosing so I am defaulting to option 1.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 2: Invest \$9 million over 10 years.

Comments

The council needs to learn to operate within its budget, like all other people who operate under a budget. If there is infrastructure work that must be done, you need to sacrifice the wants in favour of the needs. Rates should not ever be increased by anything more than inflation. I don't get to tell my employer that I am spending too much and need a 72% pay rise over the next 10 years to support my poor budget management. The council should not be able to push these incredible rates increases on their employers either. If fixing Waitara stormwater is a need, then do it, but at the expense of the wants. In this case it sounds like a need but must be accommodated responsibly within the current budget.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. No new or additional investment in tracks and trails.

Comments

The council needs to learn to operate within its budget, like all other people who operate under a budget. If there is infrastructure work that must be done, you need to sacrifice the wants in favour of the needs. Rates should not ever be increased by anything more than inflation. I don't get to tell my employer that I am spending too much and need a 72% pay rise over the next 10 years to support my poor budget management. The council should not be able to push these incredible rates increases on their employers either. Extensions and additions are a want and should be passed over in favour of the infrastructure work that needs to be done.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 2: Continue working on the CAF, implement Planting our Place costing \$200,000 per year and electrifying our NPDC vehicle fleet costing \$1 million over 10 years. Begin additional funding of \$150,000 per year for three years. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

The council needs to learn to operate within its budget, like all other people who operate under a budget. If there is infrastructure work that must be done, you need to sacrifice the wants in favour of the needs. Rates should not ever be increased by anything more than inflation. I don't get to tell my employer that I am spending too much and need a 72% pay rise over the next 10 years to support my poor budget management. The council should not be able to push these incredible rates increases on their employers either. Climate protection is a need, and this doesn't appear oppressively costly, however it still must be done within the current budget.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 1: Do not develop a multi-sport hub.

Comments

The council needs to learn to operate within its budget, like all other people who operate under a budget. If there is infrastructure work that must be done, you need to sacrifice the wants in favour of the needs. Rates should not ever be increased by anything more than inflation. I don't get to tell my employer that I am spending too much and need a 72% pay rise over the next 10 years to support my poor budget management. The council should not be able to push these incredible rates increases on their employers either. Developing a new sports hub is a want and should not be done until we have caught up with our needs.

What else?

The council needs to learn to operate within a reasonable budget, increasing it only by a reasonable (equivalent to inflation) amount per year. It is not acceptable for poor planning and budget management on the part of our district council to result in extortionate rates increases to the tune of approx 72% over the next ten years. This is a ridiculous and unreasonable expectation. Also, can you please not offer prizes for this kind of thing? I assume our rates pay for that?

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Office Use Only: 8271

Submission No: 3798

Claire Wallen

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 3. Medium. Clear out the backlog and start making some improvements. \$140 million additional funding. NPDC's preferred option.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Comments

No Meters. COSTS TOO MUCH. The amount of water used now under the present allocated amount which we are paying now should be given to us FREE OF ANY EXTRA CHARGE. I strongly recommend that we either pay for our own water tanks or have them provided for by Council. I prefer that we buy own tanks individually, suitable for our own individual sections. Our CHOICE.

Saving water and water meters

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo costing \$42 million over 10 years for new water supply assets. No water meters.

Comments

No Meters. COSTS TOO MUCH to install, read and maintain. The amount of water used now under the present allocated amount which we are paying now should be given to us FREE OF ANY EXTRA CHARGE. I strongly recommend that we either pay for our own water tanks or have them provided for by Council. I prefer that we buy own tanks individually, suitable for our own individual sections. Our CHOICE. We get a lot of rain. We need to catch it and store it. This is what we did on the farm. We were not on any town supply. IT CAN BE DONE! Yes it can.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 2: Invest \$9 million over 10 years.

Comments

Not just in Waitara - make us as self sufficient as possible.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. No new or additional investment in tracks and trails.

Comments

Maintain our present tracks and trails. Your plan for the Coastal Walkway and the Taranaki Traverse is a great idea but not just yet. It is MORE IMPORTANT to clear the back log of water provision, and plumbing.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 1: Do nothing. Status quo. Continue working on the CAF but no new actions or additional funding.

Comments

Being more efficient with our present plan wouldn't hurt.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 1: Do not develop a multi-sport hub.

Comments

NOTE: Not a permanent No but not yet. As ratepayers we have to live within our budgets and I expect Council and Government to do the same. Those earning well over \$100,000 per year can pay towards anything that's a nice to have.

What else?

The population of Taranaki is increasing so extra income is already coming in. Fund raising can happen. Do not burden the over 60 yr olds who have not had the earnings over the years that the present population enjoy. (There are exceptions of course)

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Office Use Only: 8272

Submission No: 3799

Margaret Showell

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

Option 4. High. Clear out the backlog and make significant improvements. \$229 million additional funding.

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Option B: Partially debt fund long life assets to bridge the gap. NPDC's preferred option.

Saving water and water meters

Option 3: Medium. A middle of the range water saving plan, including water meters. This will cost \$50 million over 10 years while reducing new water supply assets, saving \$121 million over the long term. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Increase fines for domestic water wastage, eg more strict "no hose" timings, etc. Offer discount \$ to install storm-water tanks on domestic properties so gardens and lawns are not only using Council water.

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Option 3: Invest \$20 million over 10 years. NPDC's preferred option.

Extending our tracks and trails network

Option 2: Extend the Coastal Walkway from Bell Block to Waitara and develop further the Taranaki Traverse Mountain to Sea, costing \$36 million. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Plan wider walk ways so us pedestrians don't get knocked over by cyclists.

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Option 2: Continue working on the CAF, implement Planting our Place costing \$200,000 per year and electrifying our NPDC vehicle fleet costing \$1 million over 10 years. Begin additional funding of \$150,000 per year for three years. NPDC's preferred option.

Comments

Can some trees be planted on the grass verges (next to the road) especially in all new housing developments and maintained by the Council. No more power poles.

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 2: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building in year 6, contributing \$40 million.
NPDC's preferred option.

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Office Use Only: 8274

Submission No: 3800

Brad Edwards

Organisation: Basketball New Zealand

Wish to speak to the Council: No

Fixing our plumbing

How much should we invest in our plumbing over the next 10 years?

How do we pay for fixing our plumbing?

Saving water and water meters

Improving stormwater management in Waitara

Extending our tracks and trails network

Boosting our Climate Action Framework

Developing a multi-sport hub

Option 3: Develop the hub and begin construction of the building faster, with work starting in year 4 and contributing \$40 million.

Comments

For the Taranaki region to meet existing and growing demand for indoor sports and to enjoy the economic benefits of hosting national and regional events a six court venue is essential to complete as soon as possible. Basketball New Zealand supports option 3. Currently we cannot bring national or regional events to Taranaki due to the lack of a suitable venue (minimum six courts in one facility). Basketball is growing at significant rates, with 40% growth in secondary school age players over the last seven years now placing basketball as the second largest participation sport in secondary schools (netball is first and it is also worth noting the rapid growth of other indoor codes volleyball and futsal). There are now two premier teams based in New Plymouth competing in the top tier National Basketball League (Mountain Airs (men) and Thunder (women)). This provides a benefit to the region and an aspirational pathway to get kids active and playing basketball IF there are suitable venues to cater for this demand - currently this is lacking and indoor codes are struggling to cater for existing demand, let alone forecast growth. Brad Edwards General Manager, Community Basketball New Zealand
