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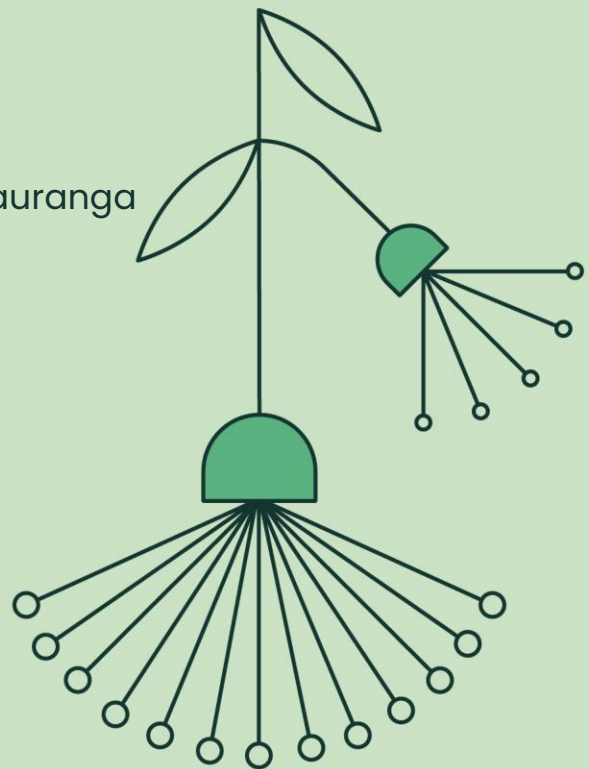
Annual Plan and Long Term Plan Committee

Komiti Kaupapa Tiro Whakamua

APLTP24-5

Monday, 26 August 2024, 9.30am

Council Chambers, 1484 Cameron Road, Tauranga



Annual Plan and Long Term Plan Committee

Membership:

Chairperson	Deputy Mayor John Scrimgeour
Deputy Chairperson	Cr Rodney Joyce
Members	Cr Tracey Coxhead Cr Grant Dally Mayor James Denyer Cr Murray Grainger Cr Anne Henry Cr Margaret Murray-Benge Cr Laura Rae Cr Allan Sole Cr Don Thwaites Cr Andy Wichers
Quorum	Six (6)
Frequency	As required

Role:

To manage the process of development of the Annual Plan, Long Term Plan and amendments, including the determination of the nature and extent of community engagement approaches to be deployed.

Scope:

To undertake on behalf of Council all processes and actions precedent to the final adoption of the Annual Plan, Long Term Plan and any amendments including, but not limited to:

- The development of consultation documents and supporting information,
- Community engagement approaches and associated special consultative processes (if required), and

- The review of policies and strategies required to be adopted and consulted on under the Local Government Act 2002 including the financial strategy, treasury management strategies and the infrastructure strategy.
- In relation to the Annual Plan and Long Term Plan, listen to and receive the presentation of views by people and engage in spoken interaction in relation to any matters Council undertakes to consult under the Local Government Act 2002. Receive audit reports in relation to the Long Term Plan and any amendments (prior to adopting a Consultation Document).

Power to act:

- To make all decisions necessary to fulfil the role and scope of the Committee subject to the limitations imposed, including the adoption for the purposes of consultation under the Local Government Act 2002 of the Consultation Document and Supporting Information.
- Receive audit reports in relation to the Long Term Plan and any amendments (prior to adopting a Consultation Document).

Power to recommend:

To Council and/or any Committee as it deems appropriate.

Power to sub-delegate:

The Committee may delegate any of its functions, duties or powers to a subcommittee, working group or other subordinate decision-making body subject to the restrictions on its delegations and provided that any sub-delegation includes a statement of purpose and specification of task.

Notice is hereby given that a Annual Plan and Long Term Plan Committee Meeting will be held in the Council Chambers, 1484 Cameron Road, Tauranga on:
Monday, 26 August 2024 at 9.30am

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1 KARAKIA

Whakatau mai te wairua	Settle the spirit
Whakawātea mai te hinengaro	Clear the mind
Whakarite mai te tinana	Prepare the body
Kia ea ai ngā mahi	To achieve what needs to be achieved.
Āe	Yes

2 PRESENT**3 IN ATTENDANCE****4 APOLOGIES****5 CONSIDERATION OF LATE ITEMS****6 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members are reminded of the need to be vigilant and to stand aside from decision making when a conflict arises between their role as an elected representative and any private or other external interest that they may have.

7 PUBLIC EXCLUDED ITEMS**8 PUBLIC FORUM**

A period of up to 30 minutes is set aside for a public forum. Members of the public may attend to address the Board for up to five minutes on items that fall within the delegations of the Board provided the matters are not subject to legal proceedings, or to a process providing for the hearing of submissions. Speakers may be questioned through the Chairperson by members, but questions must be confined to obtaining information or clarification on matters raised by the speaker. The Chairperson has discretion in regard to time extensions.

Such presentations do not form part of the formal business of the meeting, a brief record will be kept of matters raised during any public forum section of the meeting with matters for action to be referred through the customer relationship management system as a service request, while those requiring further investigation will be referred to the Chief Executive.

9 PRESENTATIONS

10 REPORTS

10.1 DELIBERATIONS ON THE LONG TERM PLAN 2024-34 AND RELATED MATTERS

File Number: A6440263

Author: Katy McGinity, Senior Policy Analyst

Authoriser: Rachael Davie, Deputy CEO/General Manager Strategy and Community

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to facilitate deliberations on the Long Term Plan 2024-34 and recommend its adoption to Council, subject to amendments made through the deliberations process. The recommendations of the report also enable Council to undertake deliberations on the related matters released for concurrent consultation with the Long Term Plan 2024-34 and recommend their adoption to Council.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the Senior Policy Analyst's report dated 26 August 2024, titled 'Deliberations on the Long Term Plan 2024-34 and related matters', be received.
2. That the report relates to an issue that is considered to be of **high** significance in terms of Council's Significance and Engagement Policy.
3. That the Committee receives all written and verbal feedback from the special consultative procedure 17 May – 17 June 2024, as set out in **Attachments 1 – 4** and the consultative procedure 17 June – 14 July 2024, as set out in **Attachment 5** to this report.
4. That in relation to the Consultation Document's key proposals (as set out in **Attachment 6 and Tabled Item 1**), the Committee resolves the following preferred options [for the reasons stated]:
 - Project timing and rates affordability
 - a) Key proposal: option [X]
 - Reduce roading and walkway/cycleway projects to reduce impact on rates
 - a) Key proposal: option [X]
 - Roading rate differential
 - a) Key proposal: option [X]

Town centre development fund

a) Key proposal: option [X]

Future community facilities fund

a) Key proposal: option [X]

Pukehina development rate

a) Key proposal: option [X]

Te Puna Station Road

a) Key proposal: option [X]

5. That in relation to the issues and options arising from community feedback (as set out in **Attachment 6**), the Committee resolves the following preferred options [for the reasons stated]:

a) Solid waste: option [X]

b) Community building: option [X]

c) Community engagement: option [X]

d) Economic development: option [X]

e) Planning for the future: option [X]

f) Recreation and open space: option [X]

g) Representation: option [X]

h) Regulatory services: option [X]

i) Stormwater: option [X]

j) Wastewater: option [X]

k) Water supply: option [X]

l) Support services: option [X]

m) Tangata Whenua relationships and engagement: option [X]

n) Transportation: option [X]

o) Community facilities: option [X]

p) Natural environment: option [X]

6. That in relation to the following matters released for consultation concurrently with the Long Term Plan (as set out in **Attachment 6**), the Committee resolves the following preferred options [for the reasons stated]:
 - a) Rates Remission Policies: option [X]
 - b) Revenue and Financing policy: option [X]
7. That in relation to the following matter released for consultation consecutively with the Long Term Plan (as set out in **Attachment 6**), the Committee resolves the following preferred option [for the reasons stated]:
 - a) Financial Contributions 2024/25: option [X]
8. The Committee directs the Chief Executive to present the preferred option (as amended by resolution 7) for adoption to Council at its meeting on 26 September 2024.
9. That in relation to the internal submissions (as set out in **Attachment 6**), the Committee resolves the following preferred options [for the reasons stated]:
 - a) Changes to proposed funding of the capital programme: option [X]
 - b) Structure plan schedules and maps update: option [X]
 - c) Community halls funding: option [X]
 - d) Katikati Arts Junction: option [X]
 - e) Waihi Beach stormwater re-prioritisation: option [X]
 - f) Maketu wastewater disposal field capital cost: option [X]
 - g) Wastewater and stormwater operational funding: option [X]
 - h) Water treatment plant improvements (central): option [X]
 - i) Water treatment plan improvements (western): option [X]
 - j) No 4 Road bridge: option [X]
 - k) Dave Hume Pool: option [X]
10. That in relation to the re-budgets (as set out in **Attachment 6**), the Committee resolves the following preferred options [for the reasons stated]:
 - a) Recreation and open space: option [X]
 - b) Stormwater: option [X]

- c) Wastewater: option [X]
- d) Water supply: option [X]
- e) Transportation: option [X]

11. That it be recommended to Council that the final Water Rates Remission Policy, Remission of Rates Penalties Policy and Revenue and Financing Policy be adopted inclusive of the amendments in accordance with the Long Term Plan and Annual Plan Committee resolutions of APLTP24-3 on 26 August 2024.
12. That it be recommended to Council that the final Long Term Plan be adopted, inclusive of the amendments in accordance with the Long Term and Annual Plan Committee resolutions of APLTP24-3 dated 26 August 2024 and inclusive of any related consequential amendments arising from the decisions made through APLTP24-3 on 26 August 2024.
13. That the Committee directs the Chief Executive to prepare a decision document as the formal response to all submitters, for adoption by Council alongside the Long Term Plan 2024-34, and that the decision document will be in general accordance with the Long Term and Annual Plan Committee resolutions contained in the minutes of APLTP24-3, dated 26 August 2024.

BACKGROUND

1. The purpose of this report is to:
 - Provide elected members with all feedback received (written and/or verbal) through the special consultative procedure for the Long Term Plan 2024-34 and related matters, which ran from 17 May – 17 June 2024, and
 - Provide the issues and options papers, internal submissions and re-budget proposals to enable the Committee to conclude its deliberations on the plan.
2. The decisions in this meeting will be reflected in the final Long Term Plan, which is to be presented for adoption at the Council meeting on 26 September 2024.

SIGNIFICANCE AND ENGAGEMENT

3. The Local Government Act 2002 requires a formal assessment of the significance of matters and decision in this report against Council's Significance and Engagement Policy. In making this formal assessment there is no intention to assess the importance of this item to individuals, groups, or agencies within the community and it is acknowledged that all reports have a high degree of importance to those affected by Council decisions.
4. The Policy requires Council and its communities to identify the degree of significance attached to particular issues, proposals, assets, decisions, and activities.

5. In terms of the Significance and Engagement Policy this decision is considered to be of **high** significance because the decisions made through the deliberations process will affect a range of Council activities, have significant cost implications (in total), the number of residents and ratepayers affected by the decisions, and the level of community interest in the Long Term Plan process.

LONG TERM PLAN DEVELOPMENT PROCESS - ENGAGEMENT, CONSULTATION AND COMMUNICATION

6. Council began its Long Term Plan development in March 2023. Two phases of community engagement have been undertaken to seek community views on the key issues, priorities and projects for the next 10 years.
7. Legislation requires Council to undertake formal consultation for the Long Term Plan based on a consultation document. Council chose to additionally undertake one phase of pre-engagement to better inform the development of its consultation document (including the seven key proposals).

<p>Phase one – Pre-engagement 30 May to 30 June 2023</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5,834 individual poll topic responses to survey questions. • 8,6365 page views (sit visits). <p>Key methods to seek feedback included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have Your Say website • 12 community engagement events. • Promotion through social media, radio, print media, digital media.
<p>Phase two – Special consultative procedure 17 May to 17 June 2024</p>	<p>588 submissions received, with 3884 submission points. Key methods to seek feedback included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have Your Say website. • 12 community engagement events. • Formal hearing opportunity for those who registered. • Mail out to Pukehina Beach Residents. • Promotion through social media, radio, print media, digital media.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Informal workshop for all Community Board Chairs and members. • Workshops with iwi and Hapū representative – Tauranga Moana and Te Arawa.
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8. Community views from the consultation period are reflected in the Issues and Options Papers to be considered through this deliberations meeting. These are set out in **Attachment 6** to this report.
9. A summary of submissions (by topic/issue) and the full submissions are set out in **Attachment 1 – 5** of to this report.

ISSUES AND OPTIONS ASSESSMENT

Option A Committee makes decisions on all deliberations matters and recommends adoption of the final LTP and related matters to Council	
<p>Assessment of advantages and disadvantages including impact on each of the four well-beings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Economic • Social • Cultural • Environmental 	<p>Advantages:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elected members can consider the practicable options, advantages and disadvantages of each option, and the financial implications of the options • Staff are given clear direction on the amendments required to complete the Long Term Plan for 26 September 2024, and can complete audit requirements in advance of the adoption meeting • Enables preparation of the decision document.
<p>Costs (including present and future costs, direct, indirect and contingent costs).</p>	<p>The financial implications of each option are outlined in the attached papers, as well as the proposed funding source</p>
Option B Committee does NOT make decisions on all deliberations matters and is unable to recommend adoption of the final LTP and related matters to Council	

<p>Assessment of advantages and disadvantages including impact on each of the four well-beings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Economic • Social • Cultural • Environmental 	<p>Disadvantages:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unresolved matters will jeopardise completion of the Long Term Plan, which is required by the Local Government Act 2002 to be adopted no later than 30 September 2024.
<p>Costs (including present and future costs, direct, indirect and contingent costs).</p>	<p>Financial implications may be unclear.</p>

STATUTORY COMPLIANCE

10. The recommendations of this report enable Council to complete its Long Term Plan, using the process and requirements determined by the Local Government Act 2002. This includes the completion of the special consultative procedure and requirements in relation to decision-making. The decisions are considered to be consistent with Council's plans, policies, bylaws, uncles specifically identified as being inconsistent through the deliberations process.

FUNDING/BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Budget Funding Information	Relevant Detail
LTP production budget	Within existing budget allocations.
Deliberations matters	The financial implications of each option are outlined in the attached papers, as well as the proposed funding source.

ATTACHMENTS (FOUND THROUGH HYPERLINKS BELOW)

Attachment 1 – [Submission Pack 1 of 3](#)

Attachment 2 – [Submission Pack 2 of 3](#)

Attachment 3 – [Submission Pack 3 of 3](#)

Attachment 4 – [Summary of Submissions](#)

Attachment 5 – [Financial Contributions Consultation Submission Pack](#)

Attachment 6 – [Full Deliberations Pack](#)

ATTACHMENTS TO THIS REPORT

Attachment 7 – LTP Workshop Notes – 7 August 2024  

Attachment 8 – LTP Workshop Notes – 8 August 2024  

Attachment 9 – LTP Workshop Notes – 14 August 2024  

LONG TERM PLAN WORKSHOP

DATE:	Wednesday 7 August 2024 at 9.30am
HELD:	Council Chambers, Barkes Corner, Tauranga
TOPICS:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Recap;2. Receive only matters;3. Internal Submissions;4. Project Re-budgets;5. Key Proposal 1: Project timing and rates affordability; and6. Key proposals from the consultation document.
GENERAL MANAGER RESPONSIBLE:	R Davie (Deputy CEO/General Manager Strategy and Community)
FORUM MEMBERS PRESENT:	Deputy Mayor J Scrimgeour (Chairperson), Cr T Coxhead, Cr G Dally, Mayor J Denyer, Cr M Grainger, Cr A Henry, Cr R Joyce, Cr M Murray-Benge, Cr A Sole, Cr D Thwaites and Cr A Wichers.
OTHERS PRESENT:	Laura Rae (Newly elected Maketu-Te Puke Ward Councillor)
STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:	J Holyoake (Chief Executive Officer), R Davie (Deputy CEO/GM Strategy and Community), A Henderson (General Manager Corporate Services), C Crow (General Manager Infrastructure Group), E Watton (Strategic Policy and Planning Programme Director), C McGirr (Policy Analyst), R Gallagher (Senior Policy Analyst), C Leitao (Financial Accountant / Business Partner), P Renouf (Commercial Business Analyst), S Bedford (Finance Manager), J Fearn (Chief Financial Officer), K McGinity (Senior Policy Analyst), M Leighton (Policy and Planning Manager), A Badenhorst (Infrastructure Growth and Delivery Manager), J Abraham (Asset Management Team Leader), C Ertel (Infrastructure Capital Delivery Manager), P Van Den Berg (Infrastructure Engineer Water), C McLean (Director Transportation), D Sami (Water Services Project Engineer), A Kumar (Infrastructure Engineer Stormwater/Wastewater), L Balvert (Communications

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Manager), P Watson (Reserves and Facilities Manager), H Wi Repa (Governance Systems Advisor) and P Osborne (Senior Governance Advisor).

VIA ZOOM:

E Thiart (Finance Business Partner), L Jackett (Contracts and Procurement Manager), P Renouf (Commercial Business Analyst), S Harper (Property Officer – Assets Data and Fleet), V Hall (Senior Project Coordinator), A Kumar (Infrastructure Engineer Stormwater/Wastewater), V Dekkerova (Systems Advisor – Policy and Planning), A Carey (Financial Business Partner Lead), E Thiart (Finance Business Partner), N Patel (Corporate Performance Advisor), E Bates (Finance Systems Lead), J Jury (Financial Analyst), J Carr (Principal Building Control Officer), K Little (Operations Manager), C Steiner (Senior Policy Analyst), J Field (Reserves and Facilities Assets Manager), P Labuschagne (Risk and Assurance Manager), and S Meredith (Revenue Lead).

INTRODUCTION:

The Senior Policy Analyst provided an overview of the next two days, noting that they were about setting the direction regarding the option Committee Members wished to consider as part of the decision-making process. This was to ensure that Committee Members were comfortable that they had all the information they required to make decisions on 26 August 2024.

1. Recap

The Senior Policy Analyst, supported by the Finance Manager and Chief Financial Officer, provided an overview on what had taken place to date, which included financial information. They spoke to a PowerPoint presentation, which outlined the below:

- The LTP development;
- Formal Consultation;
- Community Conversations Kōrero-ā-hāpori;
- Draft financials recap;
- The journey to 13.6%;
- Draft financials recap;

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- Since then;
 - Draft financials recap; and
 - Debt Affordability Benchmark – Draft LTP vs Proposal final LTP.

The presenter/s responded to pātai as follows:

- The decline in debt during the earlier years was attributed to other subsidies and alternative income sources.
- Debt Affordability reflected actual funds accounted for under the recognised funds process, not predicted funds.

2. Receive only matters

The Financial Accountant/Business Partner, supported by the Chief Financial Officer, introduced this item, noting that these were matters that had arisen since the consultation document and supporting information were prepared, and where there was only one practicable option. These were a result of aligning numbers that went out for FINCOs consultation.

The Financial Accountant / Business Partner spoke to the *changes to the 'proposed funding of capital programme'*.

The presenter/s responded to pātai as follows:

- The Ōmokoroa project (bridge over the railway) depended on the timing of deliverability. The General Manager of Infrastructure Services was unaware of any current health and safety issues relating to this project, however would follow up. It was noted that the project could be expedited if necessary.
- Loan-funded verses current account-funded was an internal transfer and did not have an overall affect on the rates.

The Infrastructure Growth and Delivery Manager, supported by the General Manager Infrastructure Services, spoke to the *'Structure Plan schedules and maps updates'*.

The presenter/s responded to pātai as follows:

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- Regarding the Waihi Beach Community Board’s submission to include the Athenree Crossing Project in the Structure Plan instead of Three Mile Creek, it was noted that this could be addressed offline and presented to the Councillors as a separate project.
- The review of a Structure Plan would typically occur as part of a Spatial Plan, based on the discussions surrounding growth.
- The completed projects showed that the maps were pending due to outstanding FINCOs. It was noted that the Structure Plans also directly fed into the District Plan.
- Following the Te Puke Spatial Plan there was an exercise to identify the infrastructure required.

Direction	Responsible
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To provide more information regarding the health and safety issues that related to the bridge over the railway in Ōmokoroa. • To take the Anthenree Crossing Project offline and bring it back as a stand-a-lone project for Councillors to consider. • To provide regular updates to Councillors on the direction given by the Regional Council regarding the Athenree Crossing Project. 	GM Infrastructure Services

3. Internal Submissions

The Senior Policy Analyst introduced this item, which related to matters for Committee Members consideration on issues that arose since the consultation document and supporting information was prepared. All internal submission authors were in attendance to speak to their corresponding submissions.

Community Facilities – Community Halls Funding

The General Manager Infrastructure Services spoke to the options provided.

The presenter/s responded to pātai as follows:

- The 20% insurance increase over the next 10 years suggested that the procurement process for Council might need to be reviewed, or alternative ways to reduce the premium should be explored.
- The insurance cost differed from hall to hall, noting that the Hall Committee also had the ability to take the appropriate insurance out.

Community Facilities – Katikati Arts Junction

The General Manager Infrastructure Services spoke to the options provided.

The presenter/s responded to pātai as follows:

- Depreciation on Community Facilities was rates funded.
- The insurance excess on halls varied by policy.
- The Katikati Arts Junction repairs would be considered through the 2025/2026 Annual Plan, noting that it was safe to occupy in the meantime.
- Te Puke Community Board and Council agreed there was a need to review policies to address equity and funding distribution towards Community Halls.

The following tākupu was made:

- There should be an effort to use under utilised buildings instead, providing Pātuki Manawa in Katikati as an example.
- There was a desire to emphasise the importance of consulting the community regarding the demolition or upgrade of the Katikati Community Hall.

Direction	Responsible
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To explore alternative options for insurance premiums to reduce costs. 	GM Corporate Services GM Infrastructure Services

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Information would be provided on the maintenance compounding figure of 7.5%, along with clarification on whether it will be a recommendation or compatible with their maintenance schedule. 	
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10.37am The workshop adjourned.

10.55am The workshop reconvened.

Waihi Beach Stormwater Re-prioritisation

The Asset Management Team Leader, supported by the Infrastructure Capital Delivery Manager and General Manager Infrastructure Services, spoke to the options provided.

The presenter/s responded to pātai as follows:

- Due to timing, these options did not go to the Stormwater Liaison Group for feedback.
- The recommendations did align with current Levels of Service (LOS), with a LOS review planned for the next few years, to capture the outcomes in the next LTP.
- The plan was to replace the dam with stop banks, which would eliminate water storage.
- The Wilson Park scope needed to change due to flooding, ultimately shifting the focus and levels of service requirements, driving a budget increase.
- It was clarified that the recommended option should read from the Stormwater UTR rather than General Rates.
- Properties that had raised their houses above flood level were no longer flooding. This was to be considered in the Levels of Service Review.
- The Seaforth Road drainage issues were to be addressed through the upcoming road upgrade work.

The following tākupu were made by Committee Members:

- It was signalled that communication regarding this project was of high importance.
- It was important to acknowledge the Liaison Group and not just the SWAT group in this engagement.
- Without explicitly stating 'the removal of the dam', the direction was considered misleading.

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Wastewater – Maketu Disposal Field Capital Cost

The Asset Management Team Leader, supported by the Infrastructure Capital Delivery Manager and General Manager Infrastructure Services, spoke to the options provided.

The presenter/s responded to pātai as follows:

- The \$1 Million for the repair, was the estimated cost provided by the engineers, and not a quoted figure.
- The initial design and construction were correct, but the estimate of longevity was not.
- The field was compliant before the damage, so replacing it with a 'like for like' should not cause any issues. However, the renewal plan would need to be stringent.
- The maintenance requirements were not responsive to the design. However, improved maintenance with tighter processes would be explored to ensure a 10-year lifespan.
- Under the current operation the grass clippings were going to stock feed.

Increase in wastewater and stormwater OPEX funding

The Asset Management Team Leader, supported by the Infrastructure Capital Delivery Manager and General Manager Infrastructure Services, spoke to the options provided.

Water Supply – WTP improvements (Central)

The Infrastructure Engineer Water supported by the Infrastructure Capital Delivery Manager and General Manager Infrastructure Services, spoke to the options provided.

The presenter/s responded to pātai as follows:

- If Council was mandated to fluoridate the water in additional plants, the upgrades would include provisions for this.
 - There was a Treatment Plant on Youngston Road.
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- The water grading remained the same, however new classification had been implemented by Central Government to address water treatment.

The following tākupu were made by Committee Members:

- Clear communication regarding the project was of high importance due to recent classification changes.

Water Supply – WTP improvements (Western)

The Infrastructure Engineer Water supported by the Infrastructure Capital Delivery Manager and General Manager Infrastructure Services, spoke to the options provided.

The presenter/s responded to pātai as follows:

- Central Government was funding the updated cost of the plants due to the mandate to fluoridate the water.
- Eastern was not considered for UV treatment at this time.

Transportation – No 4 Road Bridge

The Transportation Director, supported by the General Manager Infrastructure Services spoke to the options provided.

The presenter/s responded to pātai as follows:

- The additional costs were due to the required work and the increase in bridge costs. It was acknowledged that the initial estimate was flawed.
- The current programme indicated that the No 4 Road Bridge would be completed by the end of February 2025, with the remaining minor works to follow.
- The Council did not meet the threshold to draw on the 91% from Waka Kotahi.

Recreation and Open Space – Dave Hume Pool funding increase

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The Reserves and Facilities Manager, supported by the General Manager Infrastructure Services spoke through the options provided.

The presenter/s responded to pātai as follows:

- The pool could go through another season prior to re-lining.
- Council agreed to the project as part of the Level of Service, noting that in 2020/2021 a Level of Service review was undertaken.

Direction	Responsible
<p><u>Community Facilities – Community Halls Funding</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In relation to the increase in the insurance premium, staff would seek clarity from AON on where the assumptions were derived. • Request an alternative option following feedback from AON. <p><u>Community Facilities – Katikati Arts Junction</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Option 3 was the preferred option, noting that they would like to see reference to the 2025/2026 Annual Plan, to ensure progress. <p><u>Stormwater – Waihi Beach Stormwater Prioritisation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Committee had a level of comfort with the recommended options, noting that clear communication would need to go out to the community. • Staff would work on Concept Designs of Option 1 noting that those would go out to the community. • The recommended options should read that it was funded through the Storm Water UTR rather than general rates. <p><u>Stormwater – Maketu Disposal Field Capital Cost</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Committee had a level of comfort with the recommended options. 	<p>General Manager Infrastructure Services</p>

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<p><u>Wastewater/Stormwater – Increase in OPEX Funding</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Committee had a level of comfort with the recommended options. <p><u>Water Supply – WTP Improvements (Central)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Committee had a level of comfort with the recommended options. <p><u>Water Supply – WTP Improvements (Western)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Committee had a level of comfort with the recommended options. <p><u>Transportation – No 4 Road Bridge</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Committee had a level of comfort with the recommended options. <p><u>Recreation and Open Space – Dave Hume Pool Funding Increase</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Committee had a level of comfort with the recommended options. 	
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4. Project Re-budgets

The General Manager Infrastructure Services introduced this item, which highlighted the changes required to the timing of projects from the draft financials. These were discussed in activities, with the relevant staff in attendance to speak to each item.

Recreation and Open Space

The Reserves and Facilities Manager and Reserves and Facilities Assets Manager spoke through the timing options provided.

Stormwater

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The Infrastructure Engineer Stormwater/Wastewater and Infrastructure Capital Delivery Manager spoke through the options provided.

The presenter/s responded to pātai as follows:

- A suggestion was made that the establishment of stormwater ponds was to be assessed within the Te Puke Spatial Plan.

Wastewater

The Infrastructure Engineer Stormwater/Wastewater and Infrastructure Capital Delivery Manager joined the presenters to talk through the options provided.

The presenter/s responded to pātai as follows:

- Compliance and capacity limitations were driving the recommendation.
- The re-budget would address upgrade standards.

Water Supply

The Infrastructure Capital Delivery Manager and Director Water Services joined the presenters to talk through the options provided.

Transportation

The Transportation Director joined the presenters to talk through the options provided.

Direction	Responsible
<p><u>Recreation and Open Space – Reserves and Facilities</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Committee were comfortable with the options provided. <p><u>Stormwater</u></p>	<p>General Manager Infrastructure Services</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Committee was comfortable with the options provided. <p><u>Wastewater</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Committee was comfortable with the options provided. <p><u>Water Supply</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Committee was comfortable with the options provided. <p><u>Transportation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Committee was comfortable with the options provided. 	
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12.27pm The workshop adjourned.

1.05pm The workshop reconvened.

5. Key Proposal 1 – Project timing and rates affordability

The Senior Policy Analyst introduced the Issues and Options Papers which were presented for consideration. It was noted that the recommended options had resulted in a nil rates impact, as outlined previously. The first key proposal for consideration was '*Project timing and rates affordability*'. A recommended option was not made through this Issues and Options Paper, as potential further analysis may be required to achieve further savings.

Key Proposal 1 – Project timing and rates affordability

The following tākupu were made by Committee Members:

- The feedback provided a clear message that something needed to be done in regard to rates affordability.

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- It was suggested that the Council should examine overhead costs and identify areas where spending could be reduced to find internal savings.
- The Community Fund was established for community initiatives, so the Maketu Hub should apply through this process to utilise the fund as intended.
- There was some community demand to have the Maketu Hub.

Projects suggested to be reviewed further:

- Ōmokoroa wharf – Seek more clarity from Bay of Plenty Regional Council (BOPRC) regarding the discontinued ferry project.
- Park n Ride Te Puna – Not an urgent project.
- Maketu Community Hub – To provide more clarification regarding whether this was a want or need by the community.
- Te Puke Pool – Pāpāmoa pool was still uncertain.
- Te Puke Natural Burials – Desire to see this project brought forward from an Elected Member.
- Seal Extensions – Suggested this could be paid by Rural Roading targeted rate rather than general rates.
- Community Fund – concerned that pushing out to FY27 would create a large influx of applications, opportunities to cut.
- Katikati Bypass JOG funding (Joint Officials Group) – to be removed
- Reserve Projects – Push them out – Some noted not rates funded but showing from general rate, some do not have at all.
- Waihī Beach Library – commentary was made around whether to proceed with project.
- Dave Hume Pool – commentary was made around whether to proceed with project.

Request for further explanation or clarification regarding the projects that have been brought up.

- Provide clarity regarding projects and their relevance.
- Determine which projects were linked to a level of service.
- Determine which projects were not linked with a level of service.

Direction	Responsible
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Structural Review of Council – noting that the timing for this may need to be contemplated once there is more certainty around local waters done well' • LTP Workshop (14 August) to provide some explanation around the projects that had been suggested. Rates Impact (rates portion funding) within the next 3 years. 	ELT
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6. Key Proposals: Issues and Options

The following discussion was in relation to the Issues and Options for the seven key proposals, and where appropriate, related matters for consideration. Each key proposal was spoken to by relevant subject matter experts.

Key Proposal 1: Project timing and rates affordability

The Senior Policy Analyst took Committee Members through this proposal.

Key Proposal 2: Reduce roading and walkway/cycleway projects to reduce impact on rates

The Senior Policy Analyst took Committee Members through this proposal and responded to pātai as follows:

- The funding received from Waka Kotahi for funding of walkways and cycleways was to be distributed across the district.

Key Proposal 3: Roding Rate Differential

The Senior Policy Analyst and General Manager Corporate Services took Committee Members through this proposal and responded to pātai as follows:

- Commercial property examples were sought.

Key Proposal 4: Town Centre Development Fund

The Senior Policy Analyst took Committee Members through this proposal.

Key Proposal 5: Future Community Facilities Fund

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The Senior Policy Analyst attended via Zoom to take Committee Members through this proposal, and responded to pātai as follows:

- Starting the funding in Year 3 would provide the Council adequate time to work with the community in order to develop the criteria and policy effectively.
- There was a desire to commence a “head start funding” in Year 2 from some Elected Members.

Key Proposal 6: Pukehina Development Rate

The Policy Analyst took Committee Members through this proposal.

Key Proposal 7: Te Puna Station Road

The Senior Policy Analyst took Committee Members through this proposal.

- A cost comparison of re-opening Te Puna Station Road verses the required upgrades to Clarke Road was sought

Direction	Responsible
<p>Key Proposal 3: Roading Rate Differential</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To provide examples of commercial properties. <p>Key Proposal: Te Puna Station Road</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Request more information on the requirements to enforce a bylaw mechanism to ban heavy traffic, the broader impacts of such a ban, and how soon improvements can be implemented on Clarke Road (i.e., 1C). - Request for a cost comparison of re-opening Te Puna Station Road verses the required upgrades to Clarke Road was sought 	<p>Senior Policy Analyst</p>

The Senior Policy Analyst provided a recap of the workshop, including what had been covered and what would be covered for Day 2.

The workshop closed at 3.25pm.

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LONG TERM PLAN WORKSHOP

DATE:	Thursday 8 August 2024 at 10.30am
HELD:	Council Chambers, Barks Corner, Tauranga
TOPICS:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Issues and Options;2. Other consultation items;3. Decision story topics; and4. Next Steps.
GENERAL MANAGER RESPONSIBLE:	R Davie (Deputy CEO/General Manager Strategy and Community)
FORUM MEMBERS PRESENT:	Deputy Mayor J Scrimgeour (Chairperson), Cr T Coxhead, Cr G Dally, Mayor J Denyer, Cr M Grainger, Cr A Henry, Cr R Joyce, Cr M Murray-Benge, Cr A Sole, Cr D Thwaites and Cr A Wichers.
OTHERS PRESENT:	Laura Rae (Newly elected Maketu-Te Puke Ward Councillor)
STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:	J Holyoake (Chief Executive Officer), R Davie (Deputy CEO/GM Strategy and Community), A Henderson (General Manager Corporate Services), E Watton (Strategic Policy and Planning Programme Director), C McGirr (Policy Analyst), R Gallagher (Senior Policy Analyst), C Leitao (Financial Accountant / Business Partner), P Renouf (Commercial Business Analyst), S Bedford (Finance Manager), J Fearn (Chief Financial Officer), K McGinity (Senior Policy Analyst), M Leighton (Policy and Planning Manager), A Badenhorst (Infrastructure Growth and Delivery Manager), J Abraham (Asset Management Team Leader), C Ertel (Infrastructure Capital Delivery Manager), P Van Den Berg (Infrastructure Engineer Water), C McLean (Director Transportation), D Sami (Water Services Project Engineer), A Kumar (Infrastructure Engineer Stormwater/Wastewater), L Balvert (Communications Manager), K Little (Operations Manager), C Leitao

(Financial Accountant/Business Partner), H Wi Repa (Governance Systems Advisor) and P Osborne (Senior Governance Advisor).

VIA ZOOM:

P Watson (Reserves and Facilities Manager), E Thiart (Finance Business Partner), V Dekkerova (Systems Advisor – Policy and Planning), A Carey (Financial Business Partner Lead), E Thiart (Finance Business Partner), N Patel (Corporate Performance Advisor), J Jury (Financial Analyst), J Crummer (Senior Recreation Planner), C Thyne (Research and Monitoring Analyst), T Miller (Strategic Advisor Resource Management), R Albertyn (Team Leader Consent Planning), N Sadlier (Team Leader Property), R Harrison (Team Leader Consents Services), and S Meredith (Revenue Lead).

INTRODUCTION:

The Senior Policy Analyst provided a recap of the matters that were covered in the Day 1 workshop.

1. Issues and Options**Solid Waste**

The Operations Manager and the Solid Waste Planning and Behaviour Change Lead introduced this Issues and Options Paper and responded to pātai as follows:

- There was an action within the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan to review the PAYT tag system. It was noted that the Radio-frequency Identification (RFID) system would be considered during the review.
- There was an assisted service for those that were unable to take their bins to the pick-up location. For those that were experiencing high theft of tags they could opt for a private contractor as rubbish collection was not something they paid for in their current rates (the rates funded component covers recycling and food scraps collection).
- The service council provided was a kerbside service, so any additional roads/driveways that were being requested would incur an additional cost due to the changes that would be required to accommodate this i.e. vehicle.

Community Building

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The Community and Strategic Relationships Manager, supported by the Deputy CEO/General Manager Strategy and Community, introduced this Issues and Options Paper and responded to pātai as follows:

- The funding increase received by the Western Bay Museum Trust was in relation to their Service Delivery Contract that they held with Council due to the service they provided. This funding request was a separate request in relation to the building, which was owned by council, and the renovations that the Trust were hoping to undertake on the building.
- In relation to the Te Puke submission requests, it was recommended that they waited until the Te Puke Spatial Plan work was undertaken to see the outcome of this.

Community Engagement

The Communications Manager, supported by the Chief Executive Officer, introduced this Issues and Options Paper and responded to pātai as follows:

- There was a set budget per year through the Annual Plan and staff were looking to stay within that budget. Information would be spread across existing platforms that staff had identified as useful.

Economic Development

The Community and Strategic Relationships Manager, supported by The Deputy CEO/General Manager Strategy and Community, introduced this Issues and Options Paper and responded to pātai as follows:

- Staff had completed a review of council's Economic Development Group of Activities and had consulted on this through the consultation phase of the Long-Term Plan.
- During the Economic Development Group of Activities review, it was built in as a goal that council had economic development that was sustainable in the long-term with a focus on what that looked like in a changing climate and ensuring resilience was built into the economy.
- Staff would provide an option around flatlining these organisations rather than increasing with inflation.

Planning for the future

The Environmental Planning Manager, supported by the Deputy CEO/General Manager Strategy and Community, introduced this Issues and Options Paper and responded to pātai as follows:

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- The Resource Management Act 1991 required Bay of Plenty Regional Council to address matters which had a flow on effect to Council.
 - The legislative requirements were consistently changing; however, staff were equipped to adapt to this.

Recreation and Open Space

The Reserves and Facilities Manager introduced this Issues and Options Paper and responded to pātai as follows:

- There had been a revised placement of hard courts which staff were happy to receive and provide feedback on.
- The Reserves and Facilities Manager had been advised by the Ministry of Education and would contact the Principal of Te Puke High School to determine the next steps for the Te Puke Swimming Pool.
- The Commerce Lane Public Toilets in Te Puke had been raised previously through Council, but funding requests had been declined. This was the most frequently used public facility within the district and the level of service had been increased.
- The Shade and Accessibility Policy was introduced through the district wide policies as part of the review of the Te Puke–Maketu Ward Reserve Management Plan. As a result of this, when staff were designing playgrounds and doing new builds, shading would be introduced as part of the project funding.
- Staff met six monthly to identify funding opportunities for Council and community projects. Funding from harvest organisations would be part of these conversations in future.

Representation

The Deputy CEO/General Manager Strategy and Community introduced this Issues and Options Paper.

Regulatory Services

The General Manager Regulatory Services introduced this Issues and Options Paper.

Stormwater

The Asset Management Team Leader introduced this Issues and Options Paper and responded to pātai as follows:

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- The stormwater performance levels indicated that Council had different levels of service across the district. There was potential that Council had a performance measure that did not accurately reflect how council was performing in stormwater.

12.31pm The workshop adjourned.

1.05pm The workshop reconvened.

Support Services

The General Manager Corporate Services introduced this Issues and Options Paper and responded to pātai as follows:

- Staff would make it clear to the public that the inclusion of gold kiwifruit license rating evaluations was not a Council decision through the decision document.

Tangata Whenua Relationships and Engagement

The Chief Executive Officer introduced this Issues and Options Paper and responded to pātai as follows:

Transportation

The Policy and Planning Manager and the Director Transportation, supported by the Chief Executive Officer, introduced this Issues and Options Paper and responded to pātai as follows:

- There had been internal discussion regarding the street tree policy, but it had not been initiated yet. This would be brought back to Council to determine the work programme once the Long-Term Plan was adopted; however, it was not seen as a priority at this time.
- The New Zealand Transport Agency Waka Kotahi had advised staff to reduce the number of new assets and instead maintain the existing ones.
- Council had received indicative funding from New Zealand Transport Agency Waka Kotahi for the maintenance and minor upgrades of existing walkway/cycleway facilities however had not received indicative funding for the installation of new walkway/cycleway facilities. Staff would be looking at maximising the benefit of the money Council had received by using it to create small connections from existing paths.

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- The walkway/cycleway budget related to the Roading and Transport budget only.

Wastewater

The Asset Management Team Leader introduced this Issues and Options Paper and responded to pātai as follows:

- Staff would submit to the Bay of Plenty Regional Council Plan Change next year regarding the wastewater treatment plant standards, as one of the more effected parties.

Water Supply

The General Manager Infrastructure Services introduced this Issues and Options Paper and responded to pātai as follows:

- there was not a set timeline for this work at the time of the meeting.

Community Facilities

The Operations Manager introduced this Issues and Options Paper and responded to pātai as follows:

- Staff would inform the committee on the possibility of taking a staged approach to the natural burials in Te Puke to get the project operational, with further development occurring overtime.
- There were limitations under the Development Contributions Regime regarding what a Council could apply to community facilities which is different from Financial Contributions.

Natural Environment and Sustainable Living

The Community and Strategic Relationships Manager and the Community Outcomes Advisor introduced this Issues and Options Paper and responded to pātai as follows:

- The Royal Forest and Bird's role was advocacy for changes that could be made for the natural environment and local projects as well.
- The Sea Cleaners Trust had confirmed support from the Bay of Plenty Regional Council of \$150,000 across three years and had approached Tauranga City Council and TECT for further support. Sea Cleaners did not operate within the Bay of Plenty region

but there was potential that the funding from the Bay of Plenty Regional Council could bring them to the region. Staff advised Elected Members to refrain from supporting the Sea Cleaners Trust until they operate within the region.

Direction	Responsible
<p>Economic Development Staff would provide an option around reducing the budget for some organisations.</p>	GM Strategy and Community
<p>Recreation and Open Space The Reserves and Facilities Manager would return with further information regarding the next steps for the Te Puke Swimming Pool following conversations with the Te Puke High School Principal.</p>	GM Infrastructure Services
<p>Support Services Staff would make it clear to the public that the inclusion of gold kiwifruit license rating evaluations was not a Council decision through the decision document</p>	GM Corporate Services
<p>Transportation Option 2 would be brought back to 14 August 2024 workshop to ensure clarity as it was presented incorrectly.</p>	GM Infrastructure Services
<p>Community Facilities Staff to inform the committee on the possibility of taking a staged approach to the natural burials in Te Puke to get the project operational, with further development occurring overtime.</p>	GM Infrastructure Services

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<p>Provide a third option around rephrasing of the Maketu Community Hub Remove option D from the recommended option.</p> <p>Natural Environment and Sustainable Living</p> <p>Staff to look at other Long-Term Plans from coastal Councils to gauge the appetite for supporting the Sea Cleaners Trust.</p>	<p>GM Strategy and Community</p>
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2. Other consultation items

The Senior Policy Analyst introduced this item, noting that these were matters that were subject to concurrent consultation with the Long Term Plan (LTP).

Rates Remission Policies

The Senior Policy Analyst introduced this Issues and Options Paper.

Revenue and Financing Policy

The Senior Policy Analyst and General Manager Corporate Services introduced this Issues and Options Paper and responded to pātai as follows:

- The level of overheads included in the Animal Services activity had increased, as the organisation had increased.
- Premise of wrapping up the District Wide Library rate into the UAGC was to reflect the true cost of the activity, as they were funded from multiple sources, not just the district-wide targeted rate.
- The Animal Services bands were reasonably wide as they applied to different activities within the business, so it was important that these bands allowed for flexibility.
- The Revenue and Financing Policy set out Councils position on how it wanted all its activities to be funded. The application of a differential through this Long-Term Plan was not feasible.
- Staff would look through the previous workshop notes to ascertain whether direction was provided to relook at the banding approach.

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- The banding were not targets but were indications for revenue recovery. Considerable work undertaken on regulatory activities and increasing the amount of user fees.

2.41pm Cr Wichers left the workshop.

Financial Contributions Consultation

The Commercial Business Analyst and the Financial Account/Business Partner, supported by the General Manager Corporate Services, introduced this Issues and Options Paper and responded to pātai as follows:

- Financial Contributions did not meet the Council's future needs and the changing environment that staff were dealing with. A policy reset allowed Council to set goals and objectives from any framework and had the ability to answer lingering questions.
- A lack of sales within any one year meant that the funding requirement/cost of capital was carried forward for another year, which was then added on to Financial Contributions.

3. Decision Story

The Policy Analyst introduced this item, which was for the Committee to consider their decision story topics, noting that they would be brought back to the Long Term Plan Committee workshop on 11 September.

4. Next Steps

The Senior Policy Analyst provided Committee Members with an outline of what was scheduled for the upcoming workshop (14 August) and the upcoming Committee meeting (26 August).

The workshop closed at 3.35pm.

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LONG TERM PLAN COMMITTEE WORKSHOP

DATE:	Wednesday 14 August 2024 at 10.00am
HELD:	Council Chambers, Barkes Corner
TOPICS:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Undertakings from LTP Deliberations workshops on 7/8 August 2024;2. Memorandum on DIA changes to water supply performance measure; and3. Overview of rates options.
GENERAL MANAGER RESPONSIBLE:	R Davie (Deputy CEO and General Manager Strategy and Community)
FORUM MEMBERS PRESENT:	Deputy Mayor J Scrimgeour (Chairperson), Cr R Joyce (Deputy Chairperson), Cr T Coxhead, Mayor J Denyer, Cr G Dally, Cr A Henry, Cr M Murray-Benge, Cr M Grainger, Cr Sole, Cr A Wichers and Cr Thwaites.
OTHERS PRESENT:	Laura Rae (Newly elected Maketu-Te Puke Ward Councillor)
STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:	J Holyoake (Chief Executive Officer), R Davie (Deputy CEO and General Manager Strategy and Community), A Henderson (General Manager Corporate Services), A Curtis (General Manager Regulatory Services), C Crow (General Manager Infrastructure Services), E Watton (Strategic Policy and Planning Director), K Little (Operations Manager), S Bedford (Finance Manager), R Gallagher (Senior Policy Analyst), C McGrirr (Policy Analyst), K McGinity (Senior Policy Analyst), J Proverbs (Communication Specialist), J Fearn (Chief Financial Officer), P Watson (Reserves and Facilities Manager), C McLean (Transportation Director), H Wi Repa (Governance Systems Advisor) and P Osborne (Senior Governance Advisor).
VIA ZOOM:	A Carey (Financial Business Partner Lead), A Kumar (Infrastructure Engineer Stormwater/Wastewater), C Leitao (Financial Accountant/Business Partner), J Abraham (Asset Management Team Leader), J Crummer (Senior Recreational Planner), K Little (Operations Manager), N Patel (Corporate Performance

Advisor), V Dekkerova (Systems Advisor – Policy and Planning), P Van Den Berg (Infrastructure Engineer Water), P Labuschagne (Risk and Assurance Manager), J Jury (Financial Analyst).

1. Undertakings from LTP Deliberations workshops on 7/8 August 2024

The Senior Policy Analyst took staff through the undertakings from the LTP deliberations workshops that took place 7 and 8 August 2024. Staff talked through the each of the undertakings and responded to further relevant pātai as below:

- Agenda;
- Recap and direction received to date; and
- Undertakings from LTP workshops;

Staff responded to pātai as below:

- The total costs within the current budgets were what AON recommended, however this could be adjusted if Council wished.
- The Community Halls were not owned by Council, and decisions on insurance and excess were made by the Community Hall Committee, not Council. It was clarified that Council must provide clear direction and guidance to help the Community Hall Committee decide on insurance and excess.
- The delay to the Dave Hume Pool project was reflected in the revised LTP percentage rates increase%.
- The Dave Hume Pool direction provided, was to put project on hold to re-evaluate costs. It would be considered in the 2025/2026 Annual Plan.
- The Te Puke pool lease was due to end in 2026.
- The Principal of Te Puke High School did not provide a response on the direction of the Te Puke pool prior to this meeting.
- Once the bylaw for natural burials was reviewed, deliberation on starting the process could proceed.
- There was no slope stabilisation being undertaken on Te Puna Station Road.
- Vibration monitoring could rectify the concerns Tangata Whenua were having on the stabilisation of their pā site on Te Puna Station Road.

The following tākupu were made by Committee members:

- It was emphasized to the Waihi Beach Community Board and clarified to the Committee that funding must remain allocated to its originally agreed purpose, therefore the idea to shift funds from roading to water projects was not possible.
- It was worth exploring Council's risk appetite concerning insurance commitments due to increasing excess rates.
- Commentary was made to favour the recommendation from AON in regard to insurance options.
- Clarification was provided that the changes to the water supply did not increase the quality of water, but more so mitigated potential risks.
- Clarification was provided that the Dave Hume project costs related to the future operating costs following the new design.
- In regard to the Te Puke pool project, Council's portion of large assets should not be modelled under current year rates, and instead evaluated over its lifespan.

Direction	Responsible
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A request was made for the Te Puke Civil report. • To provide the financials from the previous year of the Te Puke Pool. • To investigate further into the deliverability of the taps under the water supply. • To have Staff explore options to install rubbish bins, cameras and lighting to the end of Te Puna Station Road. 	GM Corporate Services GM Infrastructure Services

11.15am The workshop adjourned.

11.30am The workshop reconvened.

2. Memorandum on DIA changes to water supply performance measure

The General Manager Corporate Services introduced this item, which was to inform Committee members of changes made by the Department of Internal Affairs to the mandatory performance measures for the water supply activity.

Staff responded to pātai as below:

- Staff were confident that the work being undertaken was within the required timeframe.

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- This was an anticipated change that Council knew was coming.

3. Overview of rates options

The Executive Leadership Team, Senior Policy Analyst and Finance Manager took Committee Members through an overview of the rates options in relation to the 10 projects identified in the previous weeks workshop, including implications and financial impact of each option. They spoke to a PowerPoint presentation which touched on the below topics:

- Direction received to date;
- Overview of rates option/senarios;
- RAG (Red, Amber, Green) Ratings applied to options;
- Option 1;
- Option 2;
- Option 3;
- Option 4;
- Estimates average rate per property per year;
- Maketu Community HUB;
- Katikati Bypass Joint Officials Group (JOG);
- Dave Hume Pool;
- Future Community Facilities Fund;
- Seal Extensions;
- Ōmokoroa Warf;
- Te Puna Park and Ride;
- Te Puke Pool;
- Waihi Beach Library;
- Are Elected Members comfortable with the level of information provided regarding these options?; and
- Looking Forward.

Staff responded to pātai as below:

- The driver of the rates increase from FY29 to FY30 was due to the deferral of the Te Puke Pool project and the Waihi Beach Library.

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- The Maketu Community Hub was not a targeted rate, but was district funded.
- The Maketu Community Hub was added into this LTP, noting that it had been something that had been in the works for a while, as the Maketu Community Board funded a feasibility study some time ago.
- It was important that the criteria was established prior to funding being invested by the community for the Future Community Facilities Fund.

1.15pm The workshop adjourned.
 1.20pm Cr Joyce left the workshop
 1.20pm Cr Henry left the workshop
 1.46pm The workshop reconvened.

Direction	Responsible
<p><u>Katikati Bypass JOG</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Committee gave direction to remove this project. <p><u>Maketu Community Hub</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Committee gave direction to remove this project. <p><u>Dave Hume Pool</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The preference of the Committee was to make no change to the recommended option. <p><u>Future Community Facilities Fund</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The preference of the Committee was to make no change to the recommended option. <p><u>Seal Extensions</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The preference of the Committee was to remain at \$1.5 Million rather than reduce the budget. 	<p>Executive Leadership Team</p>

<p><u>Service Delivery Contracts</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The preference of the Committee was to flatline inflation in Years 1, 2 and 3 for the Tourism Bay of Plenty and Priority One Service Delivery Contracts only. <p><u>Ōmokoroa Wharf</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Committee gave direction to remove this project. <p><u>Te Puke Pool</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The preference of the Committee was to make no change to the recommended option, however, review the timing of operational costs. <p><u>Waihī Beach Library</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The preference of the Committee was to make no change to the recommended option. <p><u>Te Puna Park and Ride</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Committee gave direction to leave the project where it was currently scheduled for 2029/30 and 2030/31.	
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The workshop closed at 1.51pm.

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