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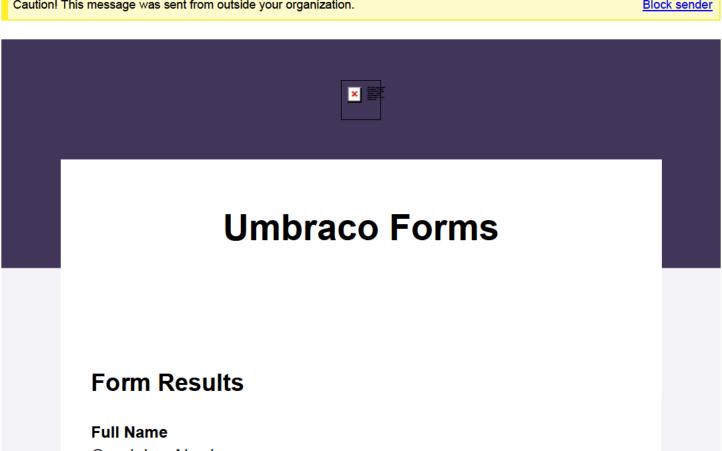
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I wish to speak to Council about my submission

Introduce a targeted or differential rate on the District Roading Rate - Which option do you prefer? :

Option 1

My comments on this proposal

The proposal loads disproportionate costs on owners forestry land that produces no income until it is harvested. The industry suffers from chronically low prices and returns, so the perception forestry land is undervalued is not valid. Similarly, other commercial rural (farming) land value is directly linked to its operating profitability. Options 2 and 3 create no incentive on trucking companies (who directly cause the damage, not the landowner) to modify their trucks or operations to reduce impact on roads. I recommend an alternative option of introducing levies directly on harvesting and/or trucking companies, which could be by way of local annual licences or distance-based (similar to RUC). This would incentivise them to be more efficient, reducing damage and befitting both operator and council in the long term.

Te Kūiti flooding remedies

Option 2 - Build retention ponds, storm- water modelling and capacity improvement planning long term (preferred)

My comments on Te Kūiti flooding remedies

Essential high priority work.

Funding and future of our Rural Halls - what should we do?

Option 2 - Transfer ownership of Council halls to community groups (preferred)

Your comments on the funding and future of our Rural Halls

Consider shared ownership for a significant transition period, e.g. 5 years.

Elder persons housing - how should we fund it?

Option 2 - Council increases rental levels (preferred)

Elder persons housing - is Council the best provider for elder persons housing?

Option 2 - Explore options to transition elder persons housing to a provider (preferred)

Your comments on elder persons housing

A careful balance between affordability and social purpose is required. Rents should not increase more than the rate of inflation on real costs of maintaining the property.

Update the Te Kūiti Stormwater Rating Area

Option 2 - Extend the Te Kūiti Urban Rating Area (preferred)

Your comments on updating the Te Kūiti Stormwater Rating Area

Simplifying the rates structure

Option 2 - Simplifying the split of rating costs between General Rate and UAGC. (preferred)

Your comments on simplifying the rates structure

Conversation: Impact of retaining 3 Waters

I agree with keeping the status quo with investing "as and when needed"

I agree with installing water meters

Your comments on our approach to how we will deliver our 3 Waters services

Water meters are proven to reduced demand by modifying behaviour and enhancing leak detection. Good ROI.

What do you think about our plans for projects and activities?

What do you think about our plans for finances and rates?

Do you have any other feedback on our Draft Long Term Plan 2024-2034? (for example our landfill and sludge disposal)

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