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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

We oppose the extreme roading rate increase of nearly 1,200% per annum for exotic forestry. As investors with Greenplan Forestry for many years, this increase of the roading rate in one year is diabolical. The exotic forests provide economic investment to the Waitomo region and with more cost to the investor most long-term investors may look elsewhere (outside of your region) to invest their money. Additionally, though the logging trucks may increase the damage to public roads, isn't this paid for with their road user charges - like all other commercial (diesel and now electric) vehicles. Finally, if there is an increase of the roading rate for exotic forests, the percentage of increase should only be double the current roading rate (e.g. from \$4.00 per hectare to \$8.00 per hectare) to allow for the current 'cost of living' increases to everything. Again, on behalf of the Hoeberechts Family Trust investors we oppose the Roading Rate (Forestry Exotic) increase. Thank you. Veronica A Hoeberechts Manager of the Hoeberechts Family Trust - Investors in the Greenplan Forestry

#### 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

None of the Hoeberechts Family Trust trustees are rate payers in the Waitomo District Council thus our opinion on the above is not applicable. However, this submission form won't allow me to submit without choosing an option in all other Long-term Plan issues.

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

None of the Hoeberechts Family Trust trustees are rate payers in the Waitomo District Council thus our opinion on the above is not applicable.

## Elder persons housing - how should we fund it?

Option 1 - Status quo - ratepayers subsidise elder persons housing

# 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

None of the Hoeberechts Family Trust trustees are rate payers in the Waitomo District Council thus our opinion on the above is not applicable.

#### 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

None of the Hoeberechts Family Trust trustees are rate payers in the Waitomo District Council thus our opinion on the above is not applicable.

#### 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

None of the Hoeberechts Family Trust trustees are rate payers in the Waitomo District Council thus our opinion on the above is not applicable.

Conversation: Impact of retaining 3 Waters

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

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

None of the Hoeberechts Family Trust trustees are rate payers in the Waitomo District Council thus our opinion on the above is not applicable.

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

None of the Hoeberechts Family Trust trustees are rate payers in the Waitomo District Council thus our opinion on the above is not applicable.

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

None of the Hoeberechts Family Trust trustees are rate payers in the Waitomo District Council thus our opinion on the above is not applicable.

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

None of the Hoeberechts Family Trust trustees are rate payers in the Waitomo District Council thus our opinion on the above is not applicable.

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