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Submitter ID: 5

Hearing? No

**Ben Clist**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

The numbers for CHB are insane, you're essentially proposing a massive shift in the rate burden away from commercial and revenue generating land onto everyday residential ratepayers, in the middle of a cost of living crisis.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 6

Hearing? No

**Roger Wakefield**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **Don't know**

What is the difference between the land value and the capital value? Are capital value rates based on both the land and the dwelling? If moving to capital value means more rates money going to the regional council the answer is no.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? -

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

I object to subsidising buses that I do not use. It should be totally user pays and nothing else. The buses are not well placed for my use so I do not use them. It is a "nice to have" get rid of it.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 7

Hearing? No

**Sam Hartree**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

After a rates increase for my property this year of 29%, and having a ration of 2.59 I am looking at another significant increase so I oppose this move. This is another money grab from HBRC to pay for their mistakes and wasteful spending.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

I agree however it should only be charged to properties that are in flood prone areas as they have chosen to buy there such as most of Napier and the flood plains of Hastings.

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4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **No**

Our public transport in Hawkes Bay is almost non-existent and what is available is late or cancelled often. It should be user pays.

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **No**

It's nice to know where there are issues such as Napier City Council pouring raw sewage into the ocean due to the poor location of the treatment plant after the cyclone but unless they make them do something about it then don't waste the money in the first place.

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **No**

You recently purchased a block of land off Little Bush Road for 'Biodiversity' and have spent over \$500k on it so far with nothing to show for it. The public can't access it, it's full of pests and is a massive liability for the council. HBRC should leave that kind of thing to DOC and stick to pest control not buying land for personal benefits. Sustainable Homes rates should be user pays, not put onto people like myself that have built a sustainable home from their own hard earned money.

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **No**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?*

HBRC doesn't care about anybody's opinion that will be submitted on this and will end up doing whatever you want to do, I don't believe any of my rates that I pay to HBRC goes to anything that benefits me.

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**Submitter ID: 8**

**Hearing? No**

**George Spiers**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

HBRC mainly provides services to land owners and rates should be based on this value. Capital value distorts the price paid for services relative to benefit received. I can't think of one service HBRC provides relative to buildings.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **Don't know**

I don't have enough detail to form an opinion. If the HBRC guaranteed to spend the rate on pre-approved/agreed Regional Economic Development and this was published a year in advance I'd be supportive. If the rate ended up in a general fund I'd not support the proposal.

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Yes**

We need better flood protection infrastructure. Council needs to be sure it has the ability to target these rates towards those benefiting from the infrastructure and not take a scatter gun approach across the region.

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **Don't know**

Not familiar with this proposal

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Yes**

Provided they are targeted and the outcome is measured against benefit. There is a risk of poor cost/benefits on this type of programme.

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Yes**

Provided it is targeted correctly

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Yes**

Provided they are properly income tested

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* Not familiar with these

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Submitter ID: 9

Hearing? No

**N Rik**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**
  2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
  3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**
  4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
  5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
  6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
  7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
  8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -
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Submitter ID: 10

Hearing? No

**Mark Benjamin**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
Regional council in no way has an effect on my home improvement value, personally I see the regional council as a redundant entity only out to take our money for insignificant reasons and should be disbanded and incorporated into the city councils. We pay enough in rates already, if you go by capital instead of land the rates will become unaffordable, people can barely afford the council rates as it is and the regional rates aren't much better....considering it isn't value for money
  2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**  
I don't support any regional council plans....they are pointless
  3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**  
District Councils should be sorting these as stated above I believe regional council is a redundant entity
  4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
  5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**  
Just another money grabbing proposal
  6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**  
Stop raping the ratepayers of hard earned money.
  7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
  8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -
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Submitter ID: 11

Hearing? No

**Raewyn Owens**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
It would be unfair to charge rates on a property based on the capital value. There is too much fluctuation on house prices these days, as we saw over the last three years, especially in the latest valuations. Property prices have sky rocketed and are overvalued. For pensioners the new rates charges are extremely expensive. Just because you may own a property in a sought after area, and the property prices have gone through the roof with totally exaggerated prices, it is becoming impossible for superannuants to afford the very high rates that are even based on the the land only calculation as they are at the moment.



2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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**Submitter ID: 12**

**Hearing? No**

**John Owens**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:**

1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

The HBRC rates on residential properties have increased considerably, being based on land valuation already. It would be unfair to calculate the rates based on capital value for a property, when house prices have been increasing at an unrealistic rate over the last few years. Property/house prices have since dropped, so that the latest Valuations the recent rate demands were calculated on are already not correct. This makes the rate demands almost out of reach, particularly for Superannuants who may live in an expensive suburb, but do not have the income to afford the high rates. The rates should stay being calculated on the unimproved land only.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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**Submitter ID: 13**

**Hearing? No**

**Tony Robson**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Rural

1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

I don't support moving to CV for general rate, seems to me this is just a way for you to take even more money from ratepayers, hardly fair, especially when you let the dam consortium in CHB get away with not paying what they should.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -  
No, just another money grab
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

**Andrew Reyngoud**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Land value rating provides an incentive for development to occur. Any extra costs because of capital development are already recovered through targeted rates.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Yes**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?

This is an enormous change in rating philosophy with some groupings having rate rises of over 40% and others having decreases of over 40%. This current consultation has not been advertised sufficiently (I only saw this by chance on facebook). Every ratepayer should be consulted and given the opportunity for feedback. The logic of the changes has not been adequately expressed - the current rating formula was set after previous consultation and has only been tweaked in a minor way, so why make such a drastic change? I believe any changes need to be phased in, with a maximum change being capped at 20% per year.

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**Nicky Robertson**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

This is simply a way to increase rates. There is no transparency on what is included in the "improvements"

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

Unfair to put so much onto horticulture when they do not gain an advantage from tourism.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

Only those who can access transport should fund it. Rural properties can not access public transport.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

The 4ha cut off should remain. Lifestyle blocks do not add the same risk as commercial production.

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

Remissions should be available

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?

Now is not the time to increase rates across the board (which this will effectively do). Instead the HBRC should prioritise and go back to core services such as flood protection.

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Submitter ID: 16

Hearing? No

**Carl Ferguson**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

I do NOT support this if it means significant rate increases as seems to be the view of those who understand this better than I. They already go up far too fast you blood sucking leaches.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **Don't know**

I do NOT support this if it means significant rate increases as seems to be the view of those who understand this better than I. They already go up far too fast you blood sucking leaches

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Don't know**

I do NOT support this if it means significant rate increases as seems to be the view of those who understand this better than I. They already go up far too fast you blood sucking leaches

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **Yes**

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Don't know**

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Don't know**

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Don't know**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

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Submitter ID: 17

Hearing? No

**Julia Byrne**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **Yes**

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Yes**

Provided its implementation is fully transparent to ratepayers, including job positions and descriptions, projects, deliverables, and expenditures.

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **Yes**

Yes, provided public transport is made better available through Clive. Alternatively, the council could set up an e-bike purchase scheme to help rate-payers invest in an e-bike and make better use of the HB trails and reduce road traffic.

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Yes**

Provided its implementation is fully transparent to ratepayers, including job positions and descriptions, projects, deliverables, and expenditures.

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Yes**

Provided its implementation is fully transparent to ratepayers, including job positions and descriptions, projects, deliverables, and expenditures.

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Don't know**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

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**Jessie Smith**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:**

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*1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **Yes***

This is a more equitable way to determine rates, as those with more capital will pay higher rates than those who can't afford the capital increases. So this approach will help to spread the rates burden more fairly - those who can afford to pay more, will.

*2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Yes***

This treats people that benefit in a similar way from the funding, the same. It seems like a more fair way to do things.

*3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes***

Again, this seems more fair than the status quo. It also seems to ensure more funding (from general rates rather than targeted) for stream and river maintenance, which is really important. It would be great if this maintenance could take more of a focus on ecosystem health, though.

*4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes***

Those who can benefit from the service should pay for it.

*5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes***

The funding for this work should come from the people who require the work to be done (i.e. people who pollute the water). This is a great idea.

*6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes***

The current rating system is really confusing; the proposal looks far simpler, and more fair. Everyone will benefit from this work, so everyone should contribute to making it happen. Pests that affect particular areas should be paid for by the people in those areas.

*7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know***

I don't fully understand the proposal.

*8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -*

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**bae ihaka**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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*1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No***

HBRC look after rivers / corrolation is not in development. kiwifruit farm has a very large cv compared to a full concrete cbd building. you should consider moslty TR without cv or lv as your rating areas are not aligned in the revaluation years. the market swings are large and likely to continue. it is unfair / uneven

*2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No***

this is not a regional council core function

*3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes***

sort it out

*4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes***

tax the urban "trucks" 4wd'ers - completely useless and unsustainable

*5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know***

*6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No***

this is not a regional council function

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

maybe give remissions for ratepayers that are sustainable

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?

why do you over complicate the drainage area's rates should be a "community" for all good tax and not targeted so specifically - the cost to administer and maintain the complication level is

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**Submitter ID: 20**

**Hearing? No**

**Kim Thorp**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

My residential rates have increased \$1500 in a year for the 2024 year to close to \$8,500 PA. However, I receive: No rubbish Collection No recycling collection No sewage (myself and other neighbours had to fund our own connections) No berm maintenance Connected to mains water supply but water runs out several times a year meaning cost of trucking in water is again shared with neighbours at significant cost. I am sure with a switch from land value to capital value my rates are very unlikely to go down and most probably up. And I already struggle to see what my rates provide for my residence at very considerable cost.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? -

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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**Submitter ID: 21**

**Hearing? No**

**Colin Baynes** on behalf of Makapua Station

**Constituency:** Wairoa

**Type of property/ies:** Rural

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **Yes**

only real way to get a realistic value

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? -

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

Also, I believe you should revisit pest control policy. At present we are paying for our own pest control on 3,700 acres of which 2,000 is in bush as we are in the TB buffer area. this used to be on the Council now it is on us for no gain to us as it is a TB protection zone for a large area north of us, Gisborne, East Coast. the whole district should pay for this. over our 3,700 acres our costs are significant, especially having to trap and poison a bush area of 2,000 acres with virtually no roading access and in hard financial times.

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 22

Hearing? No

**marcel van hooijdonk**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **Yes**

support all rate increases if it helps with flooding

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Yes**

support all rate increases if it helps with flooding

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

yes dearly, But note only if Haumoana pump station is made self-sufficient on its pumping capacity and power reliance. this has been a long-time problem. if we get heavy rain we flood as a community.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**

support all rate increases if it helps with flooding

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**

support all rate increases if it helps with flooding

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

support all rate increases if it helps with flooding

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

support all rate increases if it helps with flooding

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 23

Hearing? Yes

**John Bostock** on behalf of Bostock New Zealand

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential Rural Lifestyle Commercial/Industrial

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

The proposal will increase costs for all growers and farmers and is completely unsustainable. What the council needs to understand, raising the capital charge will hit all growers and farmers alike. For every apple tree, vine, animal, and forest grown on the land requires matching capital expenditure in freezing works, packhouses cool stores, wineries and timber processing etc. Capital charge increases will hit predominantly the capital-intensive rural servicing industries inevitably hitting the grower and farmer as it is all passed on. The only solution is for the HBRC to cut its costs, stop rate rises --not just change the chairs on the Titanic. We have just experienced the worst cyclone in 150 years. The fabric of HB horticulture has been damaged while markets and costs conspire against growers. If HBRC blindly pushes up costs for growers and farmers, the council will quite quickly end up with less rates as horticulture and farmers will reduce production. The council needs to understand the result of ever rising costs will be a ripple effect and reduce HB prosperity and ultimately HBRC wider rate base. The best course of action is a nil rate rise and HBRC reduce waste, cut staff, focus on core activities. The HBRC has reserves for a rainy day. It is now "pouring with rain "and time to use capital reserves on capital projects such as urgently needed flood protection. If the HBRC doesn't heed this advice there will be a strong reaction.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

No. Regional development by HBRC is totally ineffective and wasteful. The results to date are self-evident very little to show for the wasteful spend. Regional economic development is better served at this time by lowering rates for the productive sector. Politicians picking winners by rating the productive sector to give to the unproductive or wishful thinking is total folly!!! If the bureaucrats in council were capable of creating

a profitable enterprise, they wouldn't be living off ratepayers. They would be doing it for themselves- don't rate us for the council to demonstrate its business incompetence.

**3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? No**

No, the primary role of HBRC (formerly the HB catchment board) is flood protection and drainage. The council sold the Port and has investments which need to be cashed up and used on long term capital works such as flood protection. These investments were put away for a rainy day-it is time to use them as the flood protection system is not fit for purpose. We will get another Gabrielle or worse!!! The HBRC has lost its way.

**4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? No**

No, it is not a primary HBRC role, and this service should be cut or severely reduced.

**5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? No**

No, this is a primary role. All the science needs to be clearly defined and result driven. Scientists will find endless excuses for more study. If special rates are raised for this, they will never be withdrawn.

**6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? No**

No, sustainable land management and biodiversity is a primary role. If a special rate is levied for this important function, it will not be carefully managed and scrutinised. It will become an endless draw on ratepayers and difficult to reduce. Sustainable land management also includes financial sustainability.

**7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? No**

No, Require all ratepayers to pay by enforcement of collection. Those who pay the rates should not subsidise the non-payers. - just stop raising rates!!

**8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? If it is not clear. The HBRC needs to cut its woeful waste, cut staff numbers and focus on core activities. Capital projects such as flood protection needs to draw on its own capital reserves.**

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**Submitter ID: 24**

**Hearing? No**

**Catherine Ashby**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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**1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? No**

1. Your role doesn't change however a person upgrades their home. 2. I do not see enough accountability for how your income from our rates are spent now 3. Ratings via capital values devalues a person upgrading their property as they will be paying the capital gains to you, simply 4. I have not seen value for money for the income you have from ratepayers to this point especially as the Cyclone has exposed many cracks in your services, or lack of them

**2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? Don't know**

Need more information for clarity... what's available is a sales pitch, in my opinion

**3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? Don't know**

Need more information for clarity... what's available is a sales pitch saying what some want to hear but it is short on detail We had flood waters through our block which due to mismanagement from local n regional council has made life harder for us. To date, not one person on staff has approached us to discuss my concerns which were voiced at public meetings the regional n district council staff attended. Yes they took my contact details, thus seen to do the right things however no one has followed up....

**4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? Don't know**

Need more information for clarity...

**5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? Don't know**

Need more information for clarity...

**6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? Don't know**

Need more information for clarity...

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?

HBRC needs more clarity, transparency and honesty... I have had several folks I've spoken to about this say, this is a done deal. They, HBRC, are only doing this so they are seen to be doing the right thing.... hmmm the proof is in the pudding

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Submitter ID: 25

Hearing? No

**Cyril Brownlie** on behalf of Karamu Ltd

**Constituency:** Wairoa

**Type of property/ies:** Rural

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **Yes**

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 26

Hearing? No

**Christopher Bath**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

It seems a convenient and opaque way for HBRC to raise the rates. Having looked at the tables a 25% increase for the comparison property in Central is not acceptable, most of which appears to be related to this. I strenuously do not agree with this.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

Let those who benefit pay

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

Expensive mitigation or just a feel-good factor? Until the next event and the flood protection just causes flooding in a new area.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

Grandiose schemes such as the Mercedes vans that the ratepayer can't afford to pay for and that are grossly under utilised. Cost benefit? Expensive?

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -

yes, but only if it doesn't mean more and more reports. Let's start with reducing water consents and even cancelling some. Build the dam(s) with appropriate piping to urban areas to reduce the ever-increasing water restrictions. Do we have to wait until water supplies run out completely before we start on some mega water storage projects?

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

All I see is more expensive reports and studies. How much is it going to take to reverse all the bad choices and consents of the past?

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

Not really sure who it would apply to. Those who simply can't afford the rates?



8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?  
Honestly, it just looks like a money grab. 25% increase in Central Hawkes Bay, and the cumulative increase in future years. Exactly like the Council rates that will double during the 10-year time span of the Long Term plan, they are becoming unaffordable now for most ratepayers. How many will need to take advantage of the rates remission and postponement policies then? Or just not paying.

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Submitter ID: 27

Hearing? No

**Scott Mackie**

**Constituency:** Not sure

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Capital Value of properties can vary way too much and be affected by other reasons. Also, HBRC has not used that money in the past where it's needed correctly nor done the maintenance requirements. Cyclone was a big eye opener on what had not been done. The percentage on the rates could be increased but only by justification on what it's to be used for and follow up that it has been done

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

Some items not all

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 28

Hearing? No

**Mike Herrick**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential Rural Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

The capital value of the property has no direct correlation to the services provided by HBRC therefore I can't see how this can be justified. Rating based on the value of the land seems to be a fair system and it should remain this way. From what I can see (and your supporting documentation/ explanation is extremely poor) we can expect approximately 42% increase this is not acceptable. What improved service will we see from this? We can accept a fair and reasonable increase due to inflation but this is not reasonable. If it is due to issues related to Cyclone recovery go back to Central Government for more.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

I looked for information on this but couldn't find it. Regional Economic Development is required but it's very unclear what changes are being made. Given we now have REDA I would hope the level of funding in this area is at least going to stay as is.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 29

Hearing? No

**Ashley Miller**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

We are young new home owners. We cannot afford to pay more money in the already expensive rates prices. How unfair and greedy to expect more from us. Living in New Zealand is becoming to economically impossible. We just want to live our life without worrying about our finances. Leave us alone! You get enough!

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

We are young new home owners. We cannot afford to pay more money in the already expensive rates prices. How unfair and greedy to expect more from us. Living in New Zealand is becoming to economically impossible. We just want to live our life without worrying about our finances. Leave us alone!

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 30

Hearing? No

**Sukhdeep Singh**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Land based rates are better and it will be very hard for people to afford to pay rate increases. Specially for residential properties owners

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 31

Hearing? No

**Rachael Walker**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Because you are essentially stealing more money from owner, the more expenses (my house) is the more you get. You are still providing one service based on that household not how much value I add to my land

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

Money stealing

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

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4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 32

Hearing? No

**Rohana Dawson**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
Land value is how it has always been and the service is to the community. The type of dwelling or worth does not come into it and i do not support it being on capital valuw
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**  
You should have already had that planned prior
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 33

Hearing? No

**Alex Cameron**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
Rating capital value has the effect of rewarding people who land bank. We need to nudge land owners towards investing capital to develop land to enhance economic growth.
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**  
Needed infrastructure investment.
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**  
Not a service regional council should be putting money into. Private provision is preferable.
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**  
Very technical area. How could we normal folk offer an informed view?
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**  
Very technical area. How could we normal folk offer an informed view?
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? The increases are egregious in many cases.

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Submitter ID: 34

Hearing? No

**Jody Dawson**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

We already live in one of the more expensive regions, our roads are appalling (even before the adverse weather), and we get very little visual evidence of the already too high rates that we pay. Rates generally only go up due to the poor management/ incompetence of those running the regions. Maybe take a good long hard look at your business model and the wastage of funds as it currently stands before punishing the lose that are already financially stretched.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

As above

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

This should already have been in place.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 35

Hearing? No

**James Benge**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 36

Hearing? No

**rosie powell**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
rates increase of up to 46 percent is NOT ok, we pay enough rates as it is.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 37

Hearing? No

**Jolene Fontaine**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Are you all crazy? You want us to be able to afford this shit in a cost of living crisis with the worst rents and costs in history.??

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 38

Hearing? No

**Jacqui Hartley-Smith**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Rates are already collected by HDC and Regional Council, both recently increased due to events in the region. I view moving to capital value as pure revenue collection. May I suggest a streamlining of both Councils to see where savings could be made on personnel. Also, what would there be in return for the increase? It's a solid 'no' to this change.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

Unable to comment without further information. Perhaps the answer will come from those in areas who require additional flood protection. Why levy everyone?

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

Don't have information on what is proposed. How about some public meetings to keep people informed before asking these questions? Communication is key for change and seems to be lacking.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

Communication please? Public meetings? When and where?

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

Communicate with us please, so we are informed.

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

Where's the communication please?

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 39

Hearing? No

**Melissa Whitehead**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Times are hard enough. I can't see any information provided to support a massive hike for most in their rates. There has already been a big rise in rates for Hastings rates payers after the local council decision to over value the land and under value improvements. This, together with the large scale kainga ora housing making selling at a decent price impossible will have many negative effects on rates payers.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 40

Hearing? No

**Brett Monteith**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 41

Hearing? No

**Korina Mullins**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **Don't know**
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**  
Because all you do is put prices up. And double charge
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**  
Only if it improves
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**  
You should have done this already
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**  
Because the admin/consultation fee will outweigh any benefit
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?  
Reduce your fees instead of increasing ours

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Submitter ID: 42

Hearing? No

**Justine Bishop**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 43

Hearing? No

**Helen Bennett**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
This is preposterous. We are in a financial recession and homeowners are struggling to put food on the table and you've decided to charge us for our capital value instead of our land value. This is money mongering. Cut back on top level staff and then we won't have to change the system.
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**  
Financially it's going to break families who are already struggling
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**  
We don't have public transportation and the walks etc we have are usually fundraised by our community
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 44

Hearing? No

**karen Eivers**

**Constituency:** Ngaruroro

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
You are parasites that sunk Pakowhai.....if you think that after 25 years of paying regional rates that include flood control and stock bank maintenance, you are dreaming. Your not getting a cent from me....and not only that, you sent a digger to blow the stock bank to sink Pakowhai without giving us warning. I lost 80 sheep because of your negligence. I lost everything that I owned, and almost my life. When you fix the stock bank to protect us, which should have been done with the 25 years of my and everyone elses money then I might start paying rates.
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**  
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**  
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 45

Hearing? No

**Laura Pelly**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Nobody can afford this in the midst of a cost of living crisis, recovering from A cyclone, including vastly increased insurance premiums. This is a tone deaf suggestion in the circumstances.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

Don't have enough info in the proposal - where ar the public meetings to discuss any of these changes

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

Same as above

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

Same as above

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

Same as above

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 46

Hearing? No

**GREG SMITH**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Disadvantages outweigh any advantages - Claiming that CV is "fairer" is inaccurate and therefore actually a disadvantage. Improvements on any property, particularly residential are at the home owners cost, and should not additionally result in higher rates. Generally services to standard residential properties are not more just because the CV is higher Totally disagree with this approach, however I suspect this will be pushed through anyway.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

As above - LV should be the sole measure for setting rates. Fluctuations in CVs could mean large increases for households that are struggling with higher interest rates

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

I am not supportive of CVs being used for any measure - LV is the better measure

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

Again the current LV approach is the right one - CVs should not be used for Rates Setting, particularly as Hawkes Bay have two sets of rates to pay.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**

Yes I can understand the approach on this

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

No - I do not believe Urban users should have this approach applied to them - this should be targeted to those properties that have the most impact on this area



7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

Not really sure that the changes are too major here - ultimately Rates need to be paid, so having remission policies is needed

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? I

believe bringing this survey out with little notice or awareness, along with the timeline being very short, suggests that this proposal will be pushed through. This should have a longer consultation period and public meetings to discuss before any decisions are made

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Submitter ID: 47

Hearing? No

**Aaron Brittin**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Hbrc offer no services as a lifestyle resident. Why should I pay more rates for upgrading my house on a lifestyle block? All work would be done by building consent with large fees from the HDC then would be penalised again by the hbrc?

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Yes**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

If hbrc actually looked after the stop banks for the last 50 years the cyclone damage would have been reduced by a large margin. Hbrc have a box ticking culture instead of proper monitoring.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

Transport should be user pays. If people want to use the bus they pay for it, why make lifestyles pay for transport they don't use?

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**

Water is very important and needs to be monitored appropriately.

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

I don't see any clear benefits to this proposal.

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 48

Hearing? No

**Mary Mayes**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

We pay you too much already and why do you say that our money goes towards flood protection when there is no flood protection?

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

You've never done anything about it before.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

Don't use it.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 49

Hearing? No

**Linda Hogan**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **Yes**
  2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Yes**
  3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**
  4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**
  5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**
  6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**
  7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**
  8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -
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Submitter ID: 50

Hearing? No

**susan whittington**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
land values are more even across areas than capital value. if a property owner has a higher value building on the same section size as a lower value using the same services rates should not be different.
  2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**  
charges should be user based
  3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**
  4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**
  5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
  6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**
  7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**
  8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -
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Submitter ID: 51

Hearing? No

**Jason Kaan**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Rural

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
How I add value to my land should have no bearing over how much you charge me in rates
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**  
The user should be the one to pay for it
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 52

Hearing? No

**Sarbjit Hayer**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 53

Hearing? No

**Mel Taylor**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**  
Leave it as is
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**  
We don't need this we have enough through the three waters changes
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**  
Focus on the rebuild and cyclone as this is the main priority.
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**  
Central Hawkes Bay rates are a lot higher than Napier and we received less and the grounds and community is not looked after nor maintained as nice.
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?  
Within Central Hawkes Bay there needs to be a lot of work done and the council down here is delayed and backwards. Council land and grounds is not looked after nor cared for. There are still properties almost a year later still having problems with drainage due to the cyclone and it is not okay. They continue to blame others and it just needs to be fixed as enough is enough. They are putting residents at risk health and safety as well as property's and there own land as well. Whatever the council is spending there money is isn't working and it needs to be focused on what is important, what is the need for the community, listening and actually hearing and doing not coming up with plans that were 5 years old instead adapt as within the last year we have changed and we will never be the same.

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Submitter ID: 54

Hearing? No

**Paul Cudby**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
Perceived lack of value for services delivered
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

Again a rates increase for no service level increase for my family makes.no sense

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **No**

Again a rates increase for no service level increase for my family makes.no sense

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **No**

Again a rates increase for no service level increase for my family makes.no sense

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **No**

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **No**

Again a rates increase for no service level increase for my family makes.no sense

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Yes**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

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Submitter ID: 55

Hearing? No

**Moira McGarva-Ratapu** on behalf of Pursuit Limited

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

Please keep pur rates the same families are already facing higher cost of living this will add more financial strain and hardship to the hard working middle class

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

But show rate payers options of what you are planning to do then let us decide the best option

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Yes**

But only rate payers who would be impacted by this protection should pay for example residents who live by rivers or beaches etc not those who choose to live inland they should not have to pay for something they will never need to use

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **Yes**

These jobs are not high paying jobs but maybe you can put a rate to a threshold number of earnings and not to each ride to make it fair for low income earners for example: every ride over \$1000 per day = a xx amount tax rate? But I'm not a driver so you should ask them

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **No**

Can you send me more information about this, but until I understand what this is its a NO

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **No**

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **No**

I don't have enough information about this rate to agree with it and to know what it is.

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* I

know that there is a lot of clean up and work to do with little money but where is all the cyclone relief fund? Can we not use that? I heard Red Cross still had Millions left to use? There has got to be a better way of thinking outside the box to fund these initiatives. . . There are clever delegates who sit on the Regional Council I'm sure they have better ways of accessing funds without picking on residents and how much we pay for our rates. Next time send out the rate proposals to every person with detailed information about what each rate is and then ask the people if they want them this style does not work, only a selected few would see this ad on Facebook and then give feedback. what you are doing is NOT transparent! No transparency NO TRUST, HB has been through enough give us a break.

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Submitter ID: 56

Hearing? No

**Jerry Flay**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

1. Why not make some serious savings within council operations first - just increasing rates every time you want to spend more money is a very irresponsible way to approach matters. Prove that you are worthy of the task from an economic management perspective 2. This is not a time to be placing greater financial burdens on ratepayers

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

As a lifestyle property owner, I find your rationale for change condescending, and entirely without basis

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

Increased public transport for rural areas is pointless - empty buses costing money

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

Make the polluters pay

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

Make the rich growers pay for their impact

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

window dressing

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? a very tone deaf plan - grandiose dreams which, until the economy has recovered, should be put on the back burner

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Submitter ID: 57

Hearing? No

**Sam Vernon**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Rural Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

The cost of living is already unaffordable, an increase in rates will push people's living costs up even higher resulting in less people being able to own property. We already have a housing crises, this change will further contribute to that.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 58

Hearing? No

**Blain Vernon**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Rural Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

The cost of living is already unaffordable, an increase in rates will push people's living costs up even higher resulting in less people being able to own property. We already have a housing crises, this change will further contribute to that.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 59

Hearing? No

**David Browne**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Our rates will go up considerably in difficult enough times. I also notice that farming and, especially, forestry rates will remain the same or even go down. This is grossly unfair as pollutants from farming cause problems in our waterways and clear felling and slash have an enormous detrimental effect.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

I notice Esk valley is not mentioned. I believe you intend to do nothing to protect the valley (the main road in) and yet you want to increase (double) our rates.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

I don't use Passenger transport and therefore can't comment.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

The targets seem to be on the wrong properties.

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 60

Hearing? No

**Jono Griffith**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Looking at the examples you've provided, the change doesn't seek to redistribute rates based on perceived wealth (which might be fair), rather it's just an unprincipled cash-grab.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 61

Hearing? No

**Pete Rutter**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Massive increase in rates that you guys just waste. People cannot afford these huge rate increases.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

Another bureaucratic obfuscation to move money around and achieve sod all. Central Govt should help us out more

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

This targeted rate is for important work

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

Green agenda that costs too much, let commercial operators decide if it's viable

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

Your bureaucracy chews up all this money and provides no actual value. Water permit renewal is a joke,

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 62

Hearing? No

**Sarah Le Gry**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

The price of the rates will go up so much. Why are you doing this.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 63

Hearing? No

**Tracey Pinfold**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 64

Hearing? No

**Jacob Bixley**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
Cost will be ridiculous considering all the other increases we have had on rates lately and not received anything in return except poor management
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**  
Not enough time given for public to get full information
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 65

Hearing? No

**n Chard**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
This is a revenue grab. Alongside any change for rates there should be a full review of revenue expenditure. And every rate payer should be asked for feedback not just an online form.
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**  
The councils to support maintain infrastructure not economic development tourism support or public transport subsidisation
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**  
This is the regional councils core job infrastructure
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**  
This is not a councils role to subsidise buses
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 66

Hearing? No

**Andrew Pattullo**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**



Council increased rates significantly between last year & this year & are now proposing another significant rate hike of 46%. I appreciate that other sectors, forestry in particular, are having a rates reduction. However I despair at council at hiking rates to such a degree, AGAIN. My income is not going up 46% next year, in fact disposable income is actually reducing. I urge council to live within its means and the accepted rate of inflation; I have to!

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

Council should let private enterprise drive regional economic development

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

We need more robust stopbanks, simple

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

Seriously, the number of times I see that Mercedes mini bus getting about town with one or two people on board is becoming quite concerning. If passenger transport does not pay or at least break even, then get out of providing the service....simple.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**

Yes, but keep a lid on costs for this initiative

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

Yes but again, please focus on costs & efficiencies

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

No no no!!!! This will become a gravy train & will encourage rates remission for spurious reasons, leaving the general rate payer to pick up the tab. Could agree to remission immediately following a natural disaster but that should be the only reason.

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?

Please get back to basics

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Submitter ID: 67

Hearing? No

**Mark Graham**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 68

Hearing? No

**Todd Alexander**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 69

Hearing? No

**Linda Dallas**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential Rural

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

I live in the country where land value is deemed somewhat lesser than town due to lack of services available. Namely recycling, rubbish collection etc which are not available to us. We also are independent with sewerage, water(tanks) etc which increases our capital value therefore we will be penalised by paying more rates if it changes to capital value.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 70

Hearing? No

**Rachael Bradley**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Land value is relevant to services provided by HBRC, capital value is not. The value of my house does not impact, for example, how many staff are employed by HBRC, or the upgrade of a river bank, etc. Find the money required by reducing costs instead of making more difficulties for HB residents.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

1. Has the pay-out gone out to drivers yet? If HBRC is unfairly managing funds already, how can the entity be trusted with more funds? 2. Inequity/ unfairness: e.g. in the example given, a large new building erected may be storage, not employing 50 more staff.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?

Another reason to delay this decision is bad timing.

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Submitter ID: 71

Hearing? No

**Jennipha Porter**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

I do not agree this proposed change to using land values to set rates. This means for many Hawkes Bay residents and businesses a substantial increase, which far exceeds the current annual inflation. It is not the

right approach at a time when households and businesses are already confronted by rising costs due to high inflation. There are many, many Hawkes Bay resident property owners who are currently struggling financially and this is proposed change if it went ahead could mean even more hardship to those individuals.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? -
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 72

Hearing? No

**Matthew Hardy**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

People are struggling and you want to put rates against capital vs land is totally a cash grab. In 10 years time most people will be living in the streets or tiny homes or caravans as it is impossible to fund your cash grab. You will then have little revenue and driven retired people out in the street as your proposal will cost rate payers too much. First, learn to manage your budgets. If you cannot balance them, then there is something wrong with your organisation and the people who are in it. Stop building cycle lanes and new art centres; yes these are great, but right now Hawke's Bay has a lot more issues- cyclone recovery and cost of living crisis. You need to get bang from your buck from your employees, too many are not efficient and are not supervised to get their A into G. I personally could do 5x the work they do each and every hour they do. Many are smoking and sitting around too often. This is not efficient. If you got bang for buck then you would have slot more money to do all the extra feel good projects. I am only giving you one example of your inefficient work force. You need someone at the top to kick things into gear. The public are not happy with you.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

Cost of living crisis requires you to delay any rate increases. Come into the real world.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

Wake up, cost of living crisis at the moment.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

Too expensive.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

Too expensive.

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

Cost of living crisis.

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? The group that write this obviously do not know what their rate payers are going through at this time. Out of touch.

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Submitter ID: 73

Hearing? No

**Gill Lincoln**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

People can't take much more. Mortgage rates are rising, local council rates are moving to capital value based rates. It all seems like a way to excuse huge rate rises. There's not enough money to go round. Flood affected area houses have decreased hugely in the property market so can't sell without losing out.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? I can't say yes to any of the above plans until I know that the rate increase is not going to leave me bankrupt, homeless and hopeless

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Submitter ID: 74

Hearing? No

**Thomas Rutter**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 75

Hearing? No

**Jared Parnell**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
Why?

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 76

Hearing? No

**James Simons**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

The cost of living is already high enough let alone having to pay rates to two different councils. Pull your heads in.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 77

Hearing? No

**Pat Rumble**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

I don't see value in the services It is becoming increasingly too expensive to live in HB your rate increases will force me to move to a more affordable twin to retire

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

No increases they aren't affordable

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

Only applies to the risk areas User pays

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

Public transport is a white elephant

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

Not needed

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 78

Hearing? No

**Chris Greaney**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential Commercial/Industrial

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

It's not a fair representation of the actual costs. Those with higher cv houses still have the same services supplied and it's not fair. Why should the rate payer pay more when what we already pay is wasted time and time again. Like all other businesses the council should look inwards to save costs and cut waste instead of passing on increases to the rate payer. Very few will have cheaper rates under this scheme. The infrastructure we paid for in our rates has failed twice in three years and cost the rate payers millions. Why ask for more and provide the same services. I am strongly against rate rises and this system

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

Because it failed last time and was paid for by the rate payer who considered it was all in order, when it wasn't

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

Passenger transport is a joke, any rates should be put towards 4 landing the expressway

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 79

Hearing? No

**Martyn Gyde**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **Don't know**

Not enough information given out by HBRC

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

Don't know what it is!!

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

Don't know what it is!!

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

No fu\*king use to me.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

Why are you asking me questions about things I don't know?

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

Ditto

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

JUST STOP INCREASING RATES, LIKE THE REST OF US, CUT YOUR CLOTH TO FIT YOUR BUDGET. STOP SPENDING, CUT STAFF ETC.

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?

Load of crap, only designed to get the results you want,

[ADDENDUM] What I want to say it is too complicated, too difficult to understand and far too rushed.

Please put the information in simple terms and post it to all ratepayers, so they have time to understand it.

How about a calculator that you enter your address and it tells you what your new rate would be.

As all of NZ are currently experiencing massive increase in rates, insurance, food bills, mortgages/rents

what are you at HBRC doing to cut back your costs.

Every time I drive past your offices on the weekends/holidays I see heaps of vehicles parked behind your building. Are all these necessary?

As a pensioner on a low fixed income, I am finding it extremely difficult to cope.

STOP INCREASING THE RATES, MAKE DO WITH WHAT YOU CURRENTLY GET LIKE THE REST OF US

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Submitter ID: 80

Hearing? No

**Ruby Fogarty**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Rural

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 81

Hearing? No

**Errol Brock-Smith**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
How can that be a fair way to assess rates for services provided. Example two properties, side by side, one house is top end quality, the other is budget. Why should the person who paid for a nicer house have to pay more in rates for the same services. Makes no sense at all, totally unfair & biased approach.
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Yes**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**  
Its needed...
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 82

Hearing? No

**Emma Sey**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
Increasing costs at this stage will cripple people more when they're already struggling.
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 83

Hearing? No

**Guy Bell**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:**

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Any rate change that may have a tendency to increase the cost in the farming sector over time will not be supported in the rural farming sector. It seems that combining the land and capital value to base the rates on is unfair on those who have developed their properties to a higher value and production. As always the further back or more isolated properties end up subsidizing to some extent those nearer to main centres. I am not in favour of a rate based on the capital value, because of the previous comments.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? -

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 84

Hearing? No

**Wayne Pohe**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential Rural

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Capital Value has nothing to do with the council. The council don't undertake development of my dwelling, what investment investment choose to make is not attributable to rating.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

Economic development is a commercial activity, not one for rates to pay for.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

User pays

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

Too complicated

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? The common person can't afford huge increases. How about we amalgamate all councils and save on backoffice triplication

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Submitter ID: 85

Hearing? No

**Phil Coker**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Just another excuse to increase our rates

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**



Just stick to your core responsibilities without thinking that you have to get involved in areas that aren't your concerns

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **No**

This is your core responsibility already where else are you wasting our money

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **No**

Not a regional council concern

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **No**

This is what you already are getting paid to do where's the money being wasted!

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **No**

To much regional council interference

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Yes**

Only for exceptional circumstances like the cyclone damage

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* It's

about time the council chiefs took a paycut seeing as there's no dam proposals to justify the huge remuneration that they awarded themselves to supposedly compensate for the additional workload

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**Submitter ID: 86**

**Hearing? No**

**Ashlee Friis**

**Constituency:** Not sure

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

Cause your just money gouging now. Cost of living is already hitting us all hard enough. Keep stuff how it is or I will make sure to make my home an ugly eye sore for all, not add capital to it and not keep it pretty for napier. Screw your money digging ways. Your just like the grinch.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **Don't know**

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Yes**

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **Don't know**

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Don't know**

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Don't know**

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Don't know**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

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**Submitter ID: 87**

**Hearing? No**

**Paul Johnston**

**Constituency:** Not sure

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

It's just another way of increasing rates

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

Stick to your core business and stop wasting money.

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **No**

Not clear enough of what the true costs

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **No**

This is not an area for a more wasteful spending. Maybe if rates were lower on transportation would not be needed.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

Learn to be more efficient and cut the inefficient spending

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

No confidence in council to carry this out.

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?

Just stop trying to figure out more ways to disguise how to get money out of a suffering community.

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**Submitter ID: 88**

**Hearing? No**

**Ben Friar**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Rural Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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**Submitter ID: 89**

**Hearing? No**

**Kaye Newland**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

I don't believe going from LV to CV is fair. It's just an excuse to charge more and more when people are already under financial pressures.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

As above

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

You should already be doing this without increasing rates.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? Get rid of some of your over paid Staff first before you come to the rate payers

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**Submitter ID: 90**

**Hearing? No**

**Bridget M Bell**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:**

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

The move from land value to capital value for general rate assessment purposes is a disincentive to property owners to improve their properties . Therefore I am against the move.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? -
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 91

Hearing? No

**Patrica Sellers**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

It appears to be an underhanded method of increasing the regional rates . We pay more than enough for little return as it is . Maybe stop employing consultants unnecessary “been counters” instead .

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

As above

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

As above

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

As above

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

As above

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

As Above

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

As above

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? As above

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Submitter ID: 92

Hearing? No

**Peter Robson**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

You are just trying to rip off the poor ratepayers by an underhanded method of increasing the rates. How about reducing your own costs, stop employing consultants and paying excessive salaries to managers.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

The stop banks etc should have been built to the correct standard in the first place. Even now when you repaired the broken one, you did it on the cheap and not to a proper standard.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

Local passenger transportation ie buses and trains should be free. Stop wasting taxpayer money on stupid projects.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

You should have been protecting our waterways but you haven't. You have let farmers and industries pollute them and they are continuing to do so . The cost should be borne by the polluters.

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **No**

This should have been done before if you had been managing the region correctly. Reduce your costs- stop burdening the taxpayers with your extravagant spending.

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **No**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

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**Submitter ID: 93**

**Hearing? No**

**Jay Mason**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **Yes**

Land is not a clear reflection of the wealth or the ability to pay of a household.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **Don't know**

I don't know it

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Don't know**

I don't know it

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **Don't know**

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Don't know**

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Don't know**

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Don't know**

I don't know it but I feel our local council needs to operate as a struggling business with limited funds that need to be prioritised. We can't keep acting like our ratepayers have endless amounts of funds they can keep forking out with regional and local rates increasing substantially.

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* Not sure

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**Submitter ID: 94**

**Hearing? No**

**Iain McGibbon**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

I am a pensioner on limited income, my rates will increase significantly - please tell me where I am going to find the extra money to pay them. The move to CV is clearly a "gross" attempt to target the wealthy, but please explain why a pensioner on limited income in Havelock North should pay 3 or 4 times the rates of a beneficiary in Flaxmere.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

Tell me where I will find the money to pay

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Yes**

Necessary

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **No**

I have mobility issues even with a walking stick have difficulty walking a 200 metres. It is an impossibility to walk for 20 minutes to the nearest bus stop. I have never been able to use the bus.

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **No**

It's all more money that I don't have

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

More money

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

Don't help me at all

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?

There is nothing about fairness in the new policy - it is simply "gross" targeting the so called wealthy, rather than getting everyone to pay a reasonable amount for receiving the same services. I am utterly opposed to the move to CV. Why did I have to find about this on the news? Why did the Council not e-mail me or mail me direct with the proposals- is it simply a means of slipping the proposals through quietly under the guise of so called consultation?

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**Submitter ID: 95**

**Hearing? No**

**Luke Jacksob**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Regional Council should be dealing with issues around the environmental, and should therefore not take building and improvements on land into consideration when charging rates.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Yes**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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**Submitter ID: 96**

**Hearing? No**

**Brendan Bourke**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Increasing the General Rate from LV to CV will lead to more and more pressure on young families already living day to day because of the increased cost of living. When we purchased our home, we budgeted on the rates at the time, so its disappointing to see the Council now trying to squeeze more out of its rate payers in this trying time.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Yes**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 97

Hearing? No

**Jake Bowcock**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential Lifestyle Commercial/Industrial Other

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

It's not fair User pays is a better system

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

As above

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

As above

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 98

Hearing? No

**Lisa Haskell**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Why change it? This would mean an increase in rates obviously, we are paying enough with the local city council, so for the regional council to change and implement meaning increase in rates again, people can't afford to live as it is. Stop \$\$ gouging

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?

Stop finding ways to push increase of rates on homeowners

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Submitter ID: 99

Hearing? No

**Cheryl Kerling**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **Don't know**

Because we cannot understand what you are proposing for the Onekawa district

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

We cannot understand the meaning of the proposal

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

Same as above

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

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As above

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?  
This is far too complicated. You need to have public meetings to explain these proposals .

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Submitter ID: 100

Hearing? No

**Dominic Salmon**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **Yes**

Fair approach

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Yes**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

Cyclone Gabrielle and the need for continued improvement

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**

It would be good to see the accessibility to PT increase as well as passenger numbers. Improved public transport has multiple benefits.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 101

Hearing? No

**Sallie Moore** Sallie Moore

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Rural

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **Yes**

The move brings Hawke's Bay into line with similar districts and seems fairer overall.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

In spite of the proposed extended passenger network I see absolutely no advantage for outlying areas.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 102

Hearing? No

**Nickie Delamere**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

As usual just grabbing ppl's moni for your own greed!!! Absolutely appalling these just keep going up and up and the excuses are getting lame 🙄🙄🙄🙄

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**  
Yas clearly failed just look at Gabrielle and the damage lol now Yas Wana do something
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

Submitter ID: 103

Hearing? No

**Tracey Phillips**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
Double dipping! We already pay capital value with our council rates! Regional rates continues to rise expediently as it is. This proposal will see at minimum doubling of what is currently paid. This initiative will make selling up and leaving this country even more attractive
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**  
As above
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**  
Won't mean much if I have to sell up because rates are becoming even more extortionate!
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**  
I don't use public transport
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**  
More money down the drain
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**  
As above
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?  
Stop fleecing rate payers

Submitter ID: 104

Hearing? No

**Vicki Butterworth**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
I think unfair for residential property owners, changing from LV to CV, the value of the land should only be taken into consideration for Regional Council rates. We already have large rate increases from district council based on CV, 50% in the past 10yrs. Values keep going up regardless of rates increases, property values do this automatically, it actually seems like you are double dipping. The largest % increase is to people living on Napier Hill, those who have specifically chosen to live outside of the Tsunami zone, or to be least affected by rising sea levels and want to be able to walkable or bikeable to the city center/Ahuriri. Also, majority of these homes are very old, require substantial maintenance/upgrading of insulation and due to area do not get any financial assistance like Heat Smart, compared to those in other areas. I understand parts of Hastings get free insulation. Many people living on Napier Hill are older and may not be able to afford this increase on limited income and it makes it difficult for young families. It will also make



the rental market close to the city more expensive. I do not agree with this, based on a blanket perceived ability to afford this increase, because you live in a 'rich area' you must be wealthy.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Yes**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

You have not made clear what the changes are in your document.

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 105

Hearing? No

**Angela Bateson**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

The current system is fair

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

Prefer this to be funded under the general rate. While people near the river benefit from these works, little or no cost is attributed to people / other properties contributing to silt build up (eg. clive river) And we are still waiting for the river to be dredged!

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

This should be user pays, not council funded.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 106

Hearing? No

**Angela Farrell**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Rural Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

The cost of living has increased exponentially in the last few years. My family, like many others, is already struggling to cope with this. You cannot add this extra financial burden on everyone.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? -

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 107

Hearing? No

**Simon Dunn** on behalf of Wallace Development Company Limited

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Commercial/Industrial

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

The HBRC mandate is more suitable to rates raised on Land value.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

Not required.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

Need to prevent future flood events where possible.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 108

Hearing? No

**Greg Donnison**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **Yes**

I agree with the general premise of a move from LV to CV. This will better reflect the "human footprint" on the environment, assuming that intensity of an activity (be it domestic or business) can be most easily measured by the value of capital improvements made by owner of the property.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Yes**

I agree that business will be the direct beneficiary, but the region as a whole will also benefit.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

It strikes the right balance between ratepayers who directly benefit from flood protection and drainage and the the benefit to ratepayers more generally. It also sends the right message for future developments. i.e. costs for prone areas should come with the correct pricing signal. The only downside is the potential for litigation if ratepayers who are paying more due to being directly beneficiaries of a flood protection scheme suffer damage should the scheme fail in a weather event.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

It's not altogether clear whether the proposed new rate adequate reflects water usage from stored assets (aquifer/dams) which I believe should be primary metric for this charge. All water takes outside of the urban reticulation system (whether commercial, lifestyle, domestic) should be metered/monitored and targeted freshwater science charges applied accordingly. There is way too many lifestylers using water indiscriminately IMO.

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 109

Hearing? No

**Russell Green**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Stop ripping ratepayers off. Take a pay cut, your all over paid for what you do

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

No this is a rip off. Why should I pay more because of my land value? It is a poorly run system. Were has all the money gone. Take a pay cut

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?

Too many people doing nothing at the Regional Council. You would never get a job in the private sector

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Submitter ID: 110

Hearing? No

**Daniel Milne**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Rural

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 111

Hearing? No

**Murray Brown**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

this is just another money grabbing exercise .People who own there homes are all ready hurting in all the rates they are paying .As a HBRC rate payer i see no benefit of it ,all i see is all the stuff ups the council makes. I do a lot of driving around the district and see a lack of drain cleaning ,tree fallen into the rivers ,a lack of shingle being removed from the rivers ,narrowing of stop banks and running to many rivers into one (as a kid we could fish from four to five river mouths) . As for a council no wonder we had a disaster with all the silly decision you have made over the years and now you want as to paid for that .If i do improvements on my home my rates will go up under the new proposal to no benefit to my place .NO KEEP THE RATE AT LAND VALUE . Thank you

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? -

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

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What drainage schemes ,you do not clean the drains how and floor protection with all the stuff ups over the years look where it got to in February one big mistake

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **Don't know**

I do not use public transport

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **No**

leave the rates at land value

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* -

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* -

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

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**Submitter ID: 112**

**Hearing? No**

**Debra Gardiner**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

The rate should be only on the land value, not capital!!!! As property owners own the houses not the councils ! and have spent their own money renovating and taking pride in them , why should they be punished for that! We may aswell let our properties turn to slums!!!! How bout you look at your salaries ,alot probably being paid way to much!!!! And doing nothing!!!

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

Should stay the same

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **No**

Already pay heaps in rates already.

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **No**

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **No**

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **No**

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* -

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

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**Submitter ID: 113**

**Hearing? No**

**Angi Pearce**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

This will double or triple what we pay for rates. Already it is a horrendous price and in this time of economic hardship it is unrealistic to expect people to be able to afford such a huge hike in rates.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

See above

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Don't know**

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **Don't know**

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Don't know**

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Don't know**

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Don't know**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

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Submitter ID: 114

Hearing? No

**Gellyn Payongayong**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

The 5% increase in rates will greatly affect our household financially.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 115

Hearing? No

**Scott Patchett**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:**

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

I don't buy the claim that this is a more 'equitable' way of gathering more funds. The fact that you have added more value to your property (by investing your own money), has very little to do with the amount of council services you use. (As a residential property owner, not commercial) Investing and improving your property has benefits beyond just the individual owner, but the society at large. This is almost a punishment or disincentive to do so. There always seems to be some excuse for huge above inflation rates increases.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

If we as a community, can't afford all of these initiatives, don't do them, or pare them back!! Pretty simple

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 116

Hearing? No

**Sheree Carman-Robertson**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential Rural

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Financial, this is going to have a huge impact in ownership of properties, more businesses will fail, more people will struggle, more job losses, the impact of this is endless

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

any type of rate proposal, just because a person's property has a high value does not mean the income matches i.e. is not necessarily high like a high value. High value properties often come with high mortgages.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

see above

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4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**  
will have no benefit to myself and many other ratepayers i know

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**  
just another higher tax

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**  
just another higher tax

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 117

Hearing? No

**Jess Norton**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **Don't know**

I am not against the proposed changes - except - I am assuming this is going to make my rates increase even more expensive. The only thing I have a problem with is the fact that the council does not provide rubbish bins. Having to pay for plastic bags, that get ripped apart by cats and dogs and then end up all over the road - is frustrating. Even if you bought in a system where you had to put a tag on the bin (like Waikato does), it is so much easier and cleaner. Even if people have to pay for the bin themselves! We need rubbish bins. The recycling system is fine and works well. I know there is kiwi kanz but I thought this was just for garden waste, but I might be wrong. Please if you could consider this in your discussions about rubbish.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

Not entirely sure. I definitely support funding for flood prevention.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

This is needed - 100% happy to contribute to this.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**

Any improvement to public transport is awesome. Please think about reinstating the train - this would be incredibly useful.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**

We need fresh water

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

Because we need it

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

Yes because people need help sometimes

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? Not really just want I have already said. I believe at the moment I am paying \$940 a quarter. How much are my rates going to increase by?

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Submitter ID: 118

Hearing? No

**Annette Cooper**

**Constituency:** Not sure

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 119

Hearing? No

**Daryl Spooner**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
The value of houses in ongaonga is close to those in waipukurau so will be rated similarly, but do not have the same amenities, each house has its own water supply and septic system
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**  
Small towns never seem to get funding
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 120

Hearing? No

**Stacey Mann**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Rural Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 121

Hearing? No

**Steven Moody**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
The percentage increase is excessive!
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 122

Hearing? No

**Tarlei-Marie Turner**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

This is ridiculous, it would cripple me and may result in needing to sell as I would not be able to afford my home. I'm a single person not trying to make money on home just trying to survive!

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 123

Hearing? No

**Tracey Janssen**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

1)Our rates are extremely excessive already 2) we are in a cost of living crisis 3) councils must cut internal costs and learn to manage ratepayers funds effectively 4) we already pay rates on capital value

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 124

Hearing? No

**Chelsey Jackson**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Local council already charge on CV, dont double dip. LV is sufficient

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 125

Hearing? No

**Suzannah Brbich**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

It will make my rates more expensive for a zero value increase in what I receive, its already going up a huge amount, both this year and last year.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

If it increases my rates I'd rather stick with the current system.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

My house isn't affect by floods, those who are should be the ones paying to improve it, especially if they bought or built in a known flood zone.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -

I don't live in a major centre and there is zero public transport where I live, I would rather not be paying for something I don't receive.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

The current policies seem to work fine and I'd rather not have to pay more for others to not pay their rates when they could drip feed like I do.

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 126

Hearing? No

**Richard Thomas**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

This would raise the cost to ratepayers significantly at a time when few can afford the current increases in local body rates.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? -

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 127

Hearing? No

**Sarah Giddens**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Absolutely a joke. Our rates are SO HIGH compared to what others pay around the moto and we see no improvement what's so ever. Double dipping in rates is an absolute rip off especially seeing NOTHING for it. Cost of living is extremely high. Buy out of town as first home buyers and we are actually paying more in

everything. Really think you all to have a good hard look at yourselves. Drinkable water out the tap would be nice, to swim in our rivers and have access to would be nice, to have street lamps down our street would be nice, drainage to be fixed, we pay for rubbish bags, we need wheelie bins, to fix roads, would be nice, things we pay for and see nothing from. All of down below.. I have nothing to say. Do right by the people, do what you say you are going to do.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 128

Hearing? No

**Gary Howat**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:**

1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
Because regardless of what you say to justify it, it comes across as an obvious attempt to increase rates. What possible reason justifies changing from the current land value to capital value that isn't a money grab. Do you have no concept of the cost of living crisis?
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**  
More money grabbing to cover for previous incompetent maintenance programmes.
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 129

Hearing? No

**Ian Scott**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
Front page report HB Today indicates \$100 increase to urban ratepayers & a reduction in rates to farmers under your proposed new policy 😞 😞 My increase would be \$472 😞 a far cry from the \$100 reported, I have a pension being 80 now. Farmers earn considerable incomes from their large land holdings by rearing & sales of stock, cropping etc, yet HBRC considers their land value warrants a rate reduction 😞 😞 Your statements of being FAIR, TRANSPARENT & EQUITABLE & THAT YOUR RATE INCOME WILL NOT BE INCREASED, are misleading, to put it mildly, or extremely DUPLICITIOUS to put it bluntly. Whichever way you manipulate the numbers, I strongly resent any increase of this magnitude to my rates.
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 130

Hearing? No

**Julia Collison**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

The work HBRC does relates to land only, not property (CHBDC) so it's unfair to charge rates based on capital value & should only be charge on land value

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Yes**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 131

Hearing? No

**Nicole Shimmin**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential Lifestyle Commercial/Industrial

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

We are on a rural property we pay a lot on rates now and get nothing for it. NO rubbish collection, footpaths, etc. You have put a metre on our water and are planning to charge us extra if we use too much water but do nothing for us. It's not ok.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

You show no sign of supporting the houses that have been effected by the floods or the fact you can't fix the drainage system around our area. Why should we trust you to do anything for the extra money. You have done nothing before this.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 132

Hearing? No

**SA Austin**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Rural

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

BECAUSE IT IS GOING TO MAKE OUR RATES WAY TOO EXPENSIVE FOR ANYONE TO AFFORD TO PAY!!! THIS IS A RIDICULOUS IDEA!

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

Because once again our rates are going to be priced out of affordability.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

Because there should be enough money in the rates to cover this already.

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **No**
5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **No**
6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **No**
7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **No**
8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?*  
People in CHB are doing it very difficult as it is, we live over an hour from the nearest hospital, no public transport, every thing is just that little bit more expensive ie petrol etc. If you live rural as we do, we don't get any thing extra for our huge rate increase except the very edge of the grass verge out side our house mowen twice a year! If you increase the rates by the preposed huge %, you are going to cause more heartache and stress and people not being able to afford to live here. Please do the right thing!

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Submitter ID: 133

Hearing? No

**Michele Courage**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Rural

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**  
We won't see any benefit for improvement of services for our rates.
2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **Don't know**
3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **No**  
Again we won't benefit from this where we are situated
4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **No**  
Again we won't benefit from this where we are situated
5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **No**  
Again we won't benefit from this where we are situated
6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **No**  
Again we won't benefit from this
7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Don't know**  
Haven't heard about it
8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* Cut the rates by less council members and them becoming more more efficient and accountable.

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Submitter ID: 134

Hearing? No

**Eli Stuart**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**
2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**
3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Yes**
4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **Don't know**  
Does not effect me as I am based in CHB
5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Don't know**
6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Yes**
7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Don't know**
8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

**Hollie Hales-whitaker**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

This will dramatically increase alot of people's rates and it is not fair to us as residents

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

**linda walsh**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

this is forcing considerable rises on predominantly residential / commercial properties when there is huge pressures on cost of living are killing these sectors .. rents will increase as landlords have greater cost greater areas of land should incur greater cost because it is a greater 'user' of the rated items, not a smaller piece of land just because it happens to have a fancy house on it .. the increases per sq mtr are proportionately huge compared to much larger properties that are getting huge percentage drops where increases would not adversely affect vunuerably people directly why would you decrease the rate for those who are already paying ? you have to ask who is benefiting mainly from the RC activities ? possibly to help out would be a rates rebate scheme like HDC ? I know pensioners who will be tremendously adversely affected by this, rents will increase .. if you just want to get more money for your activities just increase for everyone

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Yes**

you need more money I get it, just take it fairly from those who have the big pieces of land not those who have high value small properties high capital value doesn't mean disposable income

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

recent events tell us it is needed

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -

I love the ideal of public transport, just can't see it working know a lot of people who could benefit from what is on offer but don't know how to access I have put many on to age concern for subsidised card and set up my ride for others there is just a huge lack of communication of what is available and how to access it - perhaps also access is difficult for target market (saw article on how those answering your calls were doing too much for my ride ... well get more reception or physically go out and help those using the call function to do it otherwise)

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

sorry don't understand why one structure of ownership would preclude someone from contributing to rates ... they should have to apply for relief like everyone else ... get it that some Maori land is used for marae only or not used in an income making way, so apply for relief as others have to not apply a blanket freebie some maori land is profit making so should be able to charge rates on that ?

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? lets just be fair - who uses your services most? its sq mtr and locality based more than capital value ...

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Submitter ID: 137

Hearing? No

**Teresa Moleta**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Because i simply cannot afford your exuberant prices

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 138

Hearing? No

**Travis Henry**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Because I will pay more money and I pay enough to just live! IF I EARN SAME AS YOU. THEN MAYBE I WOULDN'T MIND! MY NANA ISN'T HAPPY HOW WILL SHE PAY MORE? BUT YOU DONT CARE AYEE!! JUST GO AHEAD LIKE YOU WILL AND ALSO PLEASE GIVE ALL HBC STAFF BIG PAY RISE TOO. Thank you

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

I've seen nothing done for me. Or much for my town!

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

Didn't get flooded. Also with out all the wasted money over the last 20 years maybe you could of maintained and upgraded it. But you all pay yourself to much!

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

It don't work for me. No bus at 3am in morning

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

I pay rates for fresh water anyways!!!!

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 139

Hearing? No

**Jesse Singson**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Rural

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

It's clearly an attempt to get more money out of ratepayers, we just can't afford it , there's your reason we are not walking ATMs !

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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**Submitter ID: 140**

**Hearing? No**

**Juliet Getbes**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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**Submitter ID: 141**

**Hearing? No**

**Annelies Vautier**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
 Keep rates at land value supports people to maintain and update their property without being penalised for doing so. If they improve their property it benefits them and the area as a whole. If there is a shift then people will be less likely to significantly alter their property as they see a disadvantage as long term have to pay more. Also the change which has no financial benefit to the council, which i assume wont change total revenue, will frustrate and create angst amongst ratepayerswhich already exists And areas requiring more work remain to have targeted rates for their area in which they choose to live.
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Yes**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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**Submitter ID: 142**

**Hearing? No**

**Megan Dingley**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? We pay enough now. We don't have rubbish collection or recycling and still have to pay for it. We ask you to come and spray your weeds and thistles so don't contaminant our property, you never do it now we have to clear our paddocks of thistles and blackberry coming from your side of the fence. Don't think it's fair to ask us to pay more when we don't get anything in return

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Submitter ID: 143

Hearing? No

**Ross Gilbert**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
Capital value rates are already paid to the District Council, Regional Council rates should be on kand value as capital value has no bearing on the Regional Council.
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 144

Hearing? No

**Pamela Gardner**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
Why should it be on capital value....should be on land value only....I would consider that if regional rates were on capital value then regional council will be double dipping
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 145

Hearing? No

**Amber Wijnsma**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
We pay more than enough in rates. The cost of living is so high already you will be making people poor!!! Think wisely about this because you are really making our region suffer in this proposal.
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**



We pay more than enough in rates. The cost of living is so high already you will be making people poor!!!  
Think wisely about this because you are really making our region suffer in this proposal

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **No**

We pay more than enough in rates. The cost of living is so high already you will be making people poor!!!  
Think wisely about this because you are really making our region suffer in this proposal

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **No**

We pay more than enough in rates. The cost of living is so high already you will be making people poor!!!  
Think wisely about this because you are really making our region suffer in this proposal

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **No**

We pay more than enough in rates. The cost of living is so high already you will be making people poor!!!  
Think wisely about this because you are really making our region suffer in this proposal

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **No**

We pay more than enough in rates. The cost of living is so high already you will be making people poor!!!  
Think wisely about this because you are really making our region suffer in this proposal

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **No**

We pay more than enough in rates. The cost of living is so high already you will be making people poor!!!  
Think wisely about this because you are really making our region suffer in this proposal

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* We pay more than enough in rates. The cost of living is so high already you will be making people poor!!! Think wisely about this because you are really making our region suffer in this proposal

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Submitter ID: 146

Hearing? No

**Anna Lowes**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **Don't know**

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Yes**

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **Yes**

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Yes**

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Yes**

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Don't know**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

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Submitter ID: 147

Hearing? No

**Jennifer Hancock**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

We are already paying rates on capital called this us just a easy way for you to grab more revenue, it does not serve as a council who cares for their community. You earn enough revenue now use it more wisely then ask for other options. So it's a No , No from us.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* -

It should be supported by local government. Small towns cities cannot keep up with inflated construction costs if maintaining these areas. Especially Hawkes Bay with so many rivers.

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* -

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

Again hawkes Vaynerchuk gas so many rivers to be guardian if it's a national problem not localized and therefore local council costs. Campaign the government to step in.

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

It's a joke. Where you can allow good land to be planted in pines. Permission given by councils.

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 148

Hearing? No

**Deni Ewart**

**Constituency:** Ngaruroro

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Why should we pay more if you change it to capital value because the housing market and demand increases every year due to housing shortage and population growth that is out of our control as home owners that reside in them

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

As we were already let down when paying so much for this protection in our rates so why should we pay more

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

Haven't had any transport available for our areas for years so do not want to pay more for something we don't get

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

But I'm guessing you want to remove that option during a natural disaster

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 149

Hearing? No

**Campbell Prendergast**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Rural

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Paying rates for services we don't get. No stormwater or water serviced here. Already pay extra for water secince with our dairy effluent consents. Why forestry going down. With the damaged they caused to the roads when logging and the slash too. They need to pay there fare share. They should pay rates on the price they paid for the land plus the money they spend on the roading and improvements which add to the value. Not a below value once brought.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

No, Tutira doesn't get any flood protection.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

Tutira we don't benefit from ot.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

No public transport Here.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**  
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**  
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?  
Clean the rivers out and build up the stock banks.

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Submitter ID: 150

Hearing? No

**Nicola Lewis**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

This is revenue gathering and we are already paying napier city council rates, if you do capital value the rates you will set will be unaffordable to homeowners. How can you justify this and for what reason?

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

This needs to be done.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

I don't use this service ever.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**

We don't want another havelock north water contamination problem.

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 151

Hearing? No

**Lauren Hoskin**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Council is double tax dipping and I do not want my rates trebling in price for greed. People are suffering with the cost of living already, why make owning a home/land be the downfall of many, we struggle from pay to pay and what you propose to do is make us homeless!! Us and hundreds of others

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 152

Hearing? No

**Jenny Blok**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

I don't support it. Last year our ratings were altered to increase our land value and decrease our improvements value which resulted in rates increasing massively. An addition 100 from memory if not

more. And now you seek to do that again. No. You cannot keep increasing rates you need to learn to work within your means.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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**Submitter ID:** 153

**Hearing?** No

**Andrew Deeprise**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

As this would be out of proportion versus rural areas

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

Already paid development rates to NCC

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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**Submitter ID:** 154

**Hearing?** No

**Rachael Hinchco**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Not fair due to different sizes of land and homes.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Yes**

Profits of tourism hit business first before filtering down to the home owners.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

HB public transport is a joke. Not acceptable for where I live/work time/etc.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

I just want to know what is happening with our pipes etc so we don't end up with a massive issue like Wellington. Everyone keeps paying but where is the physical upkeep to pipe works etc. get rid of the chlorine

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?

Rates need to come out earlier to help people pay for these, current times are still extremely hard and this also needs to be taken into account for increases etc. Special consideration of charges also need to be put into place for people still not able to live/make a living off land they own that has been flood damaged.

**Peter Cadwallader**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

We already pay rates to HDC based on CV. HBRC provide services that have nothing to do with the improvement value of any property. It's a stealth way of getting a large amount of money from ratepayers that already have a difficult time paying the HDC rates. This would mean, for us personally, to move away from where we are living into a place with a low CV so we can afford the HDC and your extortionate rates. A good idea to cut costs would be to remove any maori/iwi/ngati no holer BS from your operations, think of how much you'd save!

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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**Callum Mullins**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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**Tracey Harris**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Rates have already gone through the roof . How on earth are people supposed to afford paying rates on capital value ! No where else in nz does it so why should we .

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

We had a once in a 100 year flood

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**

We don't live in a 3rd world country we should Have clean water to drink

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

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8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 158

Hearing? No

**Sue Allen**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential Rural

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

It will rate people out of their homes

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

Because we need to protect our productive land at all cost because when it is gone we will never get it back

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 159

Hearing? No

**Phillip Schwass**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Your model shows an indicative rise for residential properties of over \$200, on top of the large increase this year. Everyone is struggling with the still rising costs of living, and this feels cynical and poorly timed. I understand land value increases tied to HBRC rates. But all buildings and improvements, and the resulting infrastructure costs, are the responsibility of the HDC, and they already tie our rates to the capital value. For the HBRC to also tie their rates to capital values, especially when they bear no responsibility or costs for the administration of capital improvements, and given the current economic environment, seems lazy at the very least. Perhaps there should be some work done on achieving their goals through more efficient and cost effective processes and procurement.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 160

Hearing? No

**Ashley Jones**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

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6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**  
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**  
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?  
Stop charging rate payers more for your stupid vanity projects.

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Submitter ID: 161

Hearing? No

**Sue Cole**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

The cost of my house is nothing to do with the council, I get the same services regardless of the value of the house.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**  
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**  
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**  
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**  
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**  
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**  
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 162

Hearing? No

**David Okros**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**  
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**  
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**  
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**  
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**  
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**  
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 163

Hearing? No

**Guy Eastwood**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

The rates are expensive enough as it is you need to look at your own expenditures before you pass costs onto the rate payers.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**  
As above.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**  
As above.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

Who actually uses the public transport?? Most of the buses go around and around with very few passengers.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

Reasons already explained above.

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

As above.

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?

Have a serious look at the number of staff on high salaries and all the company vehicles plenty of savings there!!

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Submitter ID: 164

Hearing? No

**Daniel Owen**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

As a ratepayer we are paying higher and higher costs yet with very little gains. This is evident by the state of our rivers and waterways maintenance. As a rate payer the change would move us closer to the breadline.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

In central Hawkes Bay we int have a public system

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 165

Hearing? No

**Shahn Johnston**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

unfair, can't afford it, should pay the same as someone with a house worth less and not stung for having a nicer house in a nicer area etc

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

same as above

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 166

Hearing? No

**Rebecca Llewellyn**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**



Please do not increase rates. I oppose any rate rise. I struggle financially as it is.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

Please do not increase rates. If proposal means increase to rates I strongly oppose. I struggle financially as it is.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

Don't increase rates

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 167

Hearing? No

**Angela Crabtree**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

We already pay on capital to city council.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Yes**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 168

Hearing? No

**Kristie Jenkins**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 169

Hearing? No

**Donna O'Connor**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Regional Council is about the environmental ... land, water, air. I strongly oppose changing from land value to capital value. So many struggling paying Regional and Local Authority rates .. please leave this alone.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 170

Hearing? No

**Jan Davison**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

We already pay rates to the Napier City Council based on this. Its robbery that you want to do this. You do not do any improvements that justify using my home value as well as land value in assessing your proposed rip off of the residents in Hawkes Bay.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

As above

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

Since 1938 floods the councils gave known about the flood risks and should have sorted this issue out years ago!!!!

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? No

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Submitter ID: 171

Hearing? No

**Dylan Kiwara**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

We are already are paying capital rate this is double dipping and is not fair on all rate payers

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 172

Hearing? No

**Jessica Arnold**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Double dipping huge increases

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 173

Hearing? No

**SHANNON POWELL**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 174

Hearing? No

**Michaela Meredith**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
This is un fear that all you,are wanting to do it take more money of us!!!! Stick to how it's working now
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 175

Hearing? No

**kate molineaux**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
How on earth can rate payers afford this increase - it is unfair and not ok.
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 176

Hearing? No

**Chris Butler**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

An 18% proposed increase to rates for residential rate payers is nothing short of disgusting. At a time of high inflation, rampant cost increases and looming job losses, this will be the final kick in the guts for many. You should all be ashamed and disgusted with yourselves. I am disappointed that I voted for so many of you, but will not make that mistake again.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 177

Hearing? No

**Amanda Moylan**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

This will make our rates too expensive and not sustainable.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

Yes as we live in flood area and drains didn't work properly when there was excess water.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

Doesn't affect me

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

No as don't want to pay any more rates

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 178

Hearing? No

**Jonathan Love**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

I think it will make it more expensive for me

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

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6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**  
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**  
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 179

Hearing? No

**David Bosley**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Napier, h b in general is facing hardship, with difficult enomic times ahead. Any increase in rates is largely unsustainable for the majority of ratepayers. Time to pull you horns in! End of

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

Not sustainable for the vast majority of ratepayers in the h b

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

Those that mostly benefit from the above are the ones that should pay the larger amount of what you propose.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

Lots, and lots of ratepayers can't get to use the subsidized transport, yet they are charged for it regardless. Should by rights, and to be fair, be User Pays .

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

Overdue time hbrc stuck to its knitting policed our water more actively, and our environment?

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

Council should be doing that anyway! As a matter of course.

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

I believe government social services should be the ones involved. Not the policeman of our environment. End of

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?

Yes, people that I have spoken to are absolutely aghast at Council's Finance & Revenue Committees unscrupulous rates proposals= Rates Hikes!

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Submitter ID: 180

Hearing? No

**Lisa Toohey**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Absolutely should not be based on capital value! We already pay council rates based on capital value. These rate's were meant to be based on environmental issues not house values. Just trying to cause more financial angst for people and increase your own revenue. Town people should not cover farming. What services have been improved?

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 181

Hearing? No

**LK Hargreaves**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

The LV is a more consistent valuation as the CV is not based on a property inspection and has no idea of the current condition / quality of the improvements. Therefore the improvements value is not as accurate resulting in inconsistency of rate calculations.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

Economic develop which directly supports the citizens of Hawke's Bay is the only ones I would support. Growth at the expense of the rate payer does not have my support

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Don't know**

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **Don't know**

There is no bus route near our home and this would be the same for many others. Transport initiatives should be equitable fir everyone

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Don't know**

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Don't know**

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Don't know**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

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Submitter ID: 182

Hearing? No

**Nicole Bartlett**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

People will have to sell up their homes just because they can't afford such a huge jump in rates.. people are already having to for-go insurances because the cost of everything is so great! Think about the impact this will have on people who have just scraped enough together to get into their first homes, then to lump this extra cost on would be devastating to an already impacted region!

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **Don't know**

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Don't know**

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **Don't know**

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Don't know**

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Don't know**

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Don't know**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

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Submitter ID: 183

Hearing? No

**Rachel Broadbent**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Commercial/Industrial

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

We pay enough as it is with our other rates People are struggling everywhere

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

As above

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Don't know**

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4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 184

Hearing? No

**Lisa Smith**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
I do not agree with changing the rating to capital value, this is not fair to homeowners
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? -
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 185

Hearing? No

**Melanie Nahona**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
District council rates are already through the roof based on CV and due to the cyclone. HB is becoming an unaffordable region to live in. Stop with hiking up rates!!
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 186

Hearing? No

**Jeanette Jobbins**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
Money making bullshit to be honest. What's changed?? Absolutely nothing!! Come on, people are struggling now. Don't do this!
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**  
Same as above
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**  
What have you changed or fixed or bettered?? Nothing!

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -  
Same as above
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?  
Daylight robbery and it's unacceptable

**Submitter ID: 187**  
**Hearing? No**

**Matt Forman**  
**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier  
**Type of property/ies:** Residential

1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**  
Sadly no councils have invested in the upkeep or improvements of this
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

**Submitter ID: 188**  
**Hearing? No**

**Michele Oliver**  
**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier  
**Type of property/ies:** Residential

1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
Double dipping. Land value is more than enough.
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**  
Land value is more than enough
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

**Submitter ID: 189**  
**Hearing? No**

**John Bull**  
**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier  
**Type of property/ies:** Rural Lifestyle

1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
We are already being rated by the Napier city council for capital values Hbrc is already pumping up the costs for small blocks with cost increases But 38% is just gouging We are trying to recover from inflation And covid lock downs and cyclone Gabriel This is just another nail in the coffin of those who cannot subdivide It's so easy to take money you don't have to earn and squeeze them that are trying to make ends meet



2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

Most people are unable to access public transportation to do what is basic travel needs

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

We are already paying for water rates and water use rates and well inspection rates for what just mmore clipping the ticket

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

Always taking but that is easy your not having to earn money for these rates

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 190

Hearing? No

**Pip Jones**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

I am struggling to pay rates , and just live financially now . If it changes I won't be able to afford them . My Land Value is bigger which i will be charged more.I am seriously struggling to pay for things for my family. Please DONT CHANGE. We might have to sell up and live in our cars!!!!!!

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 191

Hearing? No

**Sandy Dooney**

**Constituency:** Not sure

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

1. Any improvements put on our property we paid for at no cost to any one else. If we pay rates on the value of our improvements we would effectively be penalised for what we have worked hard for and in most cases got into debt for. Surely this discourages people from improving their properties 2. As we have a lifestyle property we are unable to make a living from it. We could therefore be rated off our property that we worked all our lives to achieve. It seems to be the harder you work the more you are penalised. 3..Our capital value rose 60% this valuation to 1.6m while at the same time our market value was only 1.25m. We would be paying rates on an overvalued property. 4. The idea that the value of a property indicates how much the property owner is able to pay towards rate payments is not accurate. This idea does not take into consideration debt loadings on the property or income levels. My husband is a superannuitant and I will be in a couple of years which means we cannot afford to pay more rates just because we worked hard all our lives to finally get a lifestyle property. This is a very flawed reason to use Capital valuation rating.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

Using CV not LV

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

I do except for once again you are using CV not LV

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**

If it encourages the use of public transport and only charged in areas that actually have public transport available and if on LV not CV

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 192

Hearing? No

**Kerran Williams**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

We already pay rates on our capital value. This would be double dipping on your behalf.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 194

Hearing? No

**Damien Harris**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Because there should only be one council anyway, The Napier council already base there's on cv as opposed to land value. Its double dipping

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

No enough people using, to make it worth while

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 195

Hearing? No

**Tina Clark**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Absolutely not, why are we having to pay more than taradale properties, we have had bogged up drains and messed up roads that have take years to fix and still aren't, when a pot hole appears in taradale its fixed in a week...houses are being erected without considering drainage before being built...we were promised these to be fixed and still waiting

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

Same reason as above...

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

It's a waste of money, not a reliable service at all

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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**Submitter ID:** 196

**Hearing?** No

**Rebecca White**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Totally unfair. We already pay city council rates based on CV - there is no way regional rates should be paid at CV - ITS A COST OF LIVING CRISIS ! if you increase rates you are making it more unaffordable to live in HB.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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**Submitter ID:** 197

**Hearing?** No

**Mark Welch**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

We already pay plenty. Leave it alone.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

It's fine as it is

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 198

Hearing? No

**Chris Kelly**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Your trying to double dip. You are trying to send people broke by asking for more money to pay for a poor infustucture. Stop putting in speed bumps and roundabouts and use the money better. You can't expect us all to pay for the flood rebuild.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

Everyone should fend for themselves. If you are in a flood risk and can't afford insurance/rebuild sell up move. Don't open land in high flod areas

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 199

Hearing? No

**Kelly Jones**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 200

Hearing? No

**Dianne Salmon**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

We are pensioners, this will make our rates too expensive to continue to stay in our home

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

Financial hardship on many people, who just can't afford, the increased cost of living expenses

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 201

Hearing? No

**Andrew Richards**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

The reason should be blindingly obvious ! Because I already pay my fair share and doing it this way means I will pay more

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

As above

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **No**

As above

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **No**

Don't use public transport ever

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **No**

No because it just give you an opportunity to increase rates

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **No**

As above- eye roll

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Don't know**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

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Submitter ID: 202

Hearing? No

**Jacqueline Krzyzewski**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Rural

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

The Council mandate is to manage environmental concerns affecting the land so it is fair to base the rate on the land value. We have already seen services degraded over time including pest management. The fees for renewal of water and waste water consent that have to be done periodically are now exorbitant and hard to justify especially when it's the same conditions as before and still costs over \$2500 plus GST. Moving to capital value based rating is just a money grab and I doubt we will see much in improvements in services for the extra cost.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **Don't know**

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Yes**

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **No**

Rural properties will not benefit at all.

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **No**

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **No**

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Yes**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

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Submitter ID: 203

Hearing? No

**Lorraine Whyte**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

In most cases it will double or triple what we pay! General rates are already huge- over \$4000 per annum and Regional rates are now getting unaffordable too.

*2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

Should already be covered by General rates

*3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Yes**

Have to pay general rates already and since it's split into regional as well it's just going up and up! Ratepayers already pay enough!! Who's in charge of our water supply? It's not fit to drink now! Why not charge the bottling companies a percentage per litre so we can fix our infrastructure at no cost to the ratepayers? It's unbelievable that they pump billions of liters of pure water from the aquifer and export it to China and the source councils and people don't benefit at all. If it was reversed ie we were getting water from anywhere else, you'd bet we'd be paying for the privilege.

*4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **No**

Buses don't go where people want

*5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Yes**

Charge the bottling companies for using the water under this land!! Then all your proposals can go ahead WITHOUT further cost to the ratepayers. Ludicrous that they pay nothing at all!!

*6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Don't know**

*7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **No**

*8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?*

Just a fancy way of saying "we're going to put your rates up again!! " We can't afford to pay over \$5000 per year! That's \$100 per week on rates which is a tax. We already pay tax. Charge the bottling companies what they should be charged and fix all our infrastructure problems without sticking it to the ratepayers( again )who can ill afford it. You could do all your proposals, fix the reservoir problems, stopbanks

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**Submitter ID:** 204

**Hearing?** No

**Kelly Lategan**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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*1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

NO! This is absolutely double dipping! We already pay council rates based on CV - how you can possibly think it's ok to charge SO MUCH MORE for regional rates is appalling! Regional rates have more than doubled since Covid - This is incredibly unfair and makes Hawkes Bay an extremely undesirable place to stay. It's expensive enough just to live day to day - why punish homeowners more! This would make things extremely difficult for every day people who are already struggling. If this is also forced upon landlords it will only result in more people homeless and living in cars because the cost of passed to tenants who can't afford to pay any more than extremely high rent already!

*2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

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*3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **No**

No. Stop charging us more, we already pay SO MUCH! It is not our fault that HBRC didn't maintain drainage and flood protection in all these prior years - where has all the money gone for the upkeep of these things in prior years!? It's also not our fault that a one in 100 year flood happened and so much was destroyed because HBRC and the city councils didn't maintain these in previous years.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

No. Stop charging us MORE for basic things that MAJORITY of people in our cities DONT USE. Public transport is not used as much these days and it should not fall on rate payers to keep subsidising and paying for these when you're not providing adequate services anyway. Buses never on time, hardly ANY buses to catch now and sometimes not even turning up! Astonishing to think it's ok to increase our rates to cover this, absolutely not.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

Our rates are already HIGH ENOUGH. It is hard for every single Hawkes Bay resident to live at the moment with the high and cost of living, let alone the exceptionally high cost of rates pushed onto homeowners and landlords. These things should be covered by the hundreds of millions you're already collecting from land owners.

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

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7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 205

Hearing? No

**Cristie Weir**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Using current CV values will push rates over and above what house holds can actually afford. Some of us have seen our CV triple over the last year but our house hold income doesn't change.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 206

Hearing? No

**Michelle Grant**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

You charge enough already and this is double dipping on top of council rates

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

**Kerrinda Kell**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:**

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

We are already feeling ripped off with the rates increase over the last few years.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **No**

Nature is nature just don't allow building where it's likely to flood

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **Don't know**

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Don't know**

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Don't know**

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **No**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

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**George Spiers**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

1) There is a total disconnect between the services you provide and ratepayers house. You provided services to the land not the home. 2) with respect to lifestyle properties the home is typically of greater value than the land. If you start rating the home as well you will cause a great amount of hardship to thousands of families. 3) If you start rating the home will you then provide the services, eg, water, drainage, sewerage, these being facilities the property owner has paid for

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

It's right outside your mandate.

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Yes**

This is a regional service the council should be providing

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **No**

You don't provide public transport services to the rural communities so shouldn't be charging for services you don't provide

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Yes**

Freshwater is becoming a scarce commodity and should be monitored in cases where you provide the water. Those who collect their own water should not be charged for a service they can't use.

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Yes**

Sustainable land management is important as land is an essential medium for food production. This is an area which is easy to collect rates for but also easy to divert the money into other areas and not spend it in the areas collected for.

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Yes**

Not everyone will be able to afford the rates increase you're planning, eg pensioners who no longer receive a wage.

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* Do

not increase the rates under the guise of Gabrielle. Likewise do not increase rates using Gabrielle as the excuse.



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Submitter ID: 209

Hearing? No

**Kerre Parker**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Capital value is not a true value as it is only accessible when the property is sold. As the City Council already claims on capital value and the change is made, ratepayers are disadvantaged by 2 Corporations claiming the same fee. Double Dipping in its simplest form! It's also not equitable. For general rate payers. What exactly are you giving back to us for this increase.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

You are panicking and charging for an event that has already happened and is not a common occurrence. It's not equitable

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

You don't provide an adequate equitable service

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

Would like more detail

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 210

Hearing? No

**Caitlin Mcivor**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 211

Hearing? No

**kevin oliver**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 212

Hearing? No

**Vicki King**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

That's ridiculous to expect rate payers to pay capital value on both sets of council rates. It's an unbelievable increase.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 213

Hearing? No

**Thanh Nguyen**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Rates payer, myself included, have recently faced **\*\*significant\*\*** district and regional council rates increased for flood recovery and other reasons. We simply cannot afford more increase one after another, nor it is acceptable to demand for it when our basic surroundings like rivers etc.. have got worse compared to say 10 years ago. Perhaps cuts in spending/wages and better funds management are more appropriate?

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

Have not seen any viable ROI to warrant yet more increase

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

Aren't this being paid by rate payers?

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

No more.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?

Any more increase will force us to move elsewhere as it is already cheaper in other cities.

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Submitter ID: 214

Hearing? No

**Nathan Wall**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Are councils trying to financially cripple home/land owners??!!??? Councils are charging more and more yet deliver less and less for 90% of rate payers Just another revenue gathering exercise

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

Rates have horrendously increased already and the house value has nothing to do with anything that regional council offers!! Get stuffed

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3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

Dont use it and dont want it!

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

Too little too late

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?

Less council smoko shouts and private vehicle use, reduce stupid wages from poor managers and stop wasting land owners hard earned money!!

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Submitter ID: 215

Hearing? No

**Roger Wakefield**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Our rates have gone up exponentially every year to the point where I feel I do not want to contribute anymore! If the HBRC could prove in simple language that they doing anything about resilience of stop banks, maintenance of said banks and water storage I may feel differently. You take money with no tangible results. You take incompetence to a level which you cannot even explain. I do not support any of your plans as they are incompetent, with no thought or the consequences of what you plan!!

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

I object to paying for something which is of no use to me. If I use a bus I expect to pay the full amount. It is called user pays. Get rid of it

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? Go

back to the drawing board, think again and come up with a simple easier to explain plan. Then spend the money wisely on things that matter. Boring projects in building resilience and maintenance are vital. Spend your money there. Get rid of transport subsidies. At present you have your hand out wanting more because you "cocked it up in the first place."

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Submitter ID: 216

Hearing? No

**Lisa Davey**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

We are already paying enough on rate, by switching to capital value from land value it will only increase our rates more. With the cost of living crisis this is completely unfair and is making it even more impossible for people to buy homes by added extra expenses on top of mortgage and insurance. Completely unfair to look at rate payers as a solution to money issues within the council. I appreciate all that the council does for the community but we are all already struggling enough with money please don't make it worse.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

After the cyclone I think it is important to put a focus on ensuring that we have the right systems in place to avoid another situation like that

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 217

Hearing? No

**Monica Millard**

**Constituency:** Not sure

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
Capital value is what we already pay for with the regional council, Yes it sucks paying 2 sets of rates in Napier, but there's a fine line between regional and city council
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**  
Need better allocation/organisation of transport, including transport systems and employees on decent wages
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**  
It's good at the moment especially with the cost of living right now
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 218

Hearing? No

**Virginia Walker**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
Because you will be double dipping and significantly increasing rates. Until you start spending rate payers money on necessary infrastructure repairs and not wasting it on beautification projects you are not justified in increasing rates what's so ever. If the NCC is short on funds perhaps you should look at the amount of unnecessary and unproductive employees you have on the payroll and then stop wasting funds on unnecessary proposed changes to road layouts etc.
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**  
Because the NCC needs to start to spend ratepayers funds on improving infrastructure.
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 219

Hearing? No

**Connor Horn**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 220

Hearing? No

**Bernadette Stevenson**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
I don't know how you think people will be able to afford this! We currently pay enough on the land value and urban rates are at unsustainable levels now.
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**  
There simply is not enough money around at this time.
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 221

Hearing? No

**Ricky Baldwin**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
The same services are provided to me and my neighbour's, so we should be paying equal amounts not more or less because our houses are different
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

**Megan Bardell****Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings**Type of property/ies:** Residential**1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? No**

Our general rates are through the roof and we can just make ends meet. Now because our house is valued so much more than what it was when we purchased it 20 years ago we are suddenly wealthy? We can afford these huge expenses? Now the hbrc want their cut of the pie, which is based on a house that has been extremely over valued. No thank you.

**2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? No**

As above - also choosing to put people into financial hardship isn't a great move.

**3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? No**

If the drains and waterways had been maintained then this wouldn't be an issue.

**4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? No**

Don't use it, so why am I paying more to support it...???

**5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? No**

More money grabbing ideas. Stop sending our water over seas.

**6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? No**

As above

**7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? No**

Because at this stage it all means we are put into financial hardship. Thanks but no thanks.

**8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?**

Why don't I want to present my submission - because we work as much as we can to keep our house and to survive.

**Callum Macdonald****Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay**Type of property/ies:** Residential**1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? No**

Because the capital improvements to a property do not affect the HBRCs bottom line.

**2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? Yes**

We need to attract more people, businesses and growth to the region.

**3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? Yes**

Make it safe for future generations and attract people to the region

**4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? Yes**

Better public transport should be funded locally for the locals. With increased costs across the board, more people will need cheap transport.

**5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? Yes**

If you said you could make our rivers the way they were when I was a kid, I would be happy to pay a lot more. I want my kids to have the same experience, and their kids too.

**6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? Yes**

Sustainability is the name of game for long term sustainability of the region.

**7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 224

Hearing? No

**Rebecca Sefton**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **Don't know**

I don't really understand this but please don't raise our rates too much, we along with many others are struggling so much to even afford to own a house for us and our child (both working adults) currently with how high NCC's rates alone are

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

Will support this if it means our house won't be flooded for a fourth time due to a weather event or heavy rain (previously 2015, 2020, 2023) - unsure why the drainage in our street is so bad at our end

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 225

Hearing? No

**Eden Pohio**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

HBRC rates are already huge for young families struggling with the cost of living. The last rates hike was huge, we can't have another huge jump in rates.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

I never received an email with my rates invoice one year and only received a letter once it was overdue. The regional council needs to do a better job of giving people enough notice of the invoice

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 226

Hearing? No

**Taylor Emerson**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**  
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 227

Hearing? No

**Kate Lowe**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Cause you charge enough I can hardly afford it along with the cost of living and raising 3 kids and I work full time! And so does my husband

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

Stop raising the rates

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

I don't use public transport as it's unreliable and I work so need reliable transport

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

The cost is astronomical

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

No you guys do nothing to support the average people of hb! Also the recycling bins and wheely bins are absurd a tiny bin for a household of 5 and the same bin for a 1 person house no logic there

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?

Stop raising the rates!

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Submitter ID: 228

Hearing? No

**Kayla Barnden**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Absolutly not, As if people arent already struggling as it is.. the last thing we need is higher rates.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 229

Hearing? No

**Holly Greer**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**



5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 230

Hearing? No

**Isobel Patheyjohns**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 231

Hearing? No

**Anthony Moore**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
NO TO YOUR PROPOSAL!! HBRC sold 45% of Napier Port and banked over 100 million dollars, what has happened to that money? Do you think or hope rate payers have forgotten about it? HBRC said the sale would not increase rates due to the reduced dividend from the port. Why in your proposal is forestry getting a large reduction when they cause so much damage due to slash and erosion? Have you conveniently forgotten about the last cyclone and the destruction caused. Maybe you can use the extra money to buy some batteries for your flood warning system.
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?  
You councillors lie, I don't trust any of you to work in the best interests of ratepayers. Stop wasting money and expect ratepayers to top you up.

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Submitter ID: 232

Hearing? No

**Tarn Gardner**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?  
Stop bleeding us dry!!

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Submitter ID: 233

Hearing? No

**Casey Brown**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Times are tough enough as it is, a lot of people (including myself) cannot afford the increase, just scraping by with no extra money after bills and necessities and 2 young children - 5 and 3. So many things have increased in recent years making even some necessities out of reach. Make cuts elsewhere to make up for the money needed.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 234

Hearing? No

**Martin Madden**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

All you are doing by looking at capital value is taking money from hard working people who generally have smaller sections than those in suburbs like Onekawa, Marewa and so on. Why should those with smaller sections pay more? We are currently on water restrictions yet in 2023 we had a huge amount of wet weather. Why can't the council improve the storage of water? The cruise ships that come into port take huge amounts of water each time so charge them more and use this to reduce the amount of the increase.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**  
But still look after the over 65s.
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 235

Hearing? No

**Calum Vernon**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:**

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 236

Hearing? No

**Dee Davies**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 237

Hearing? No

**Rebecca Mcintosh**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Stick to land value. If you went down the route of capital value . I would question what that value is based on and I would want a 3rd party's opinion regarding capital value, I would want a guaranteed that my property was actually worth that. You would see property owners joining together and taking this to court. We are ok with current rates. But no more , we are tapped out. And this could backfire... what incentive is there for a property owner to keep there property in top condition? Times are tough inflation/ cost of living high interest rates. Does the government know what you guys are up to? You know what you can do to save money. Restructure local government. Hawke's Bay Napier / hasting / waipawa/ Waipukurau/ wairoa under 1 council. Get rid of the middle management. All elected local representatives that sit on the council - need to have a business acumen . The landscape has changed for our region, tough times ahead. Hawke's Bay region needs switch on people . Who ever rethought of this revenue gathering idea. Off with his head.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?

Pretty simple - time for a change, restructure. One umbrella 1 super council. 1 mayor. 1 district. Cull cull cull. That's what any business would do.

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Submitter ID: 238

Hearing? No

**Florence Kerr**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

All I can see in the examples is that Residential rates go up & Rural goes down which does not seem fair when I already pay CV valued (high I might add) to CHB District Council.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Yes**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 239

Hearing? No

**Tina Henderson**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential Rural

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

We already pay rates to HDC based off capital value. Why should we do this twice. You have no or very little stop banks protecting us in Waiohiki. You need to remain same at Land Value. You will be responsible for many mortgage sales as people simply cannot afford hikes like will happen.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 240

Hearing? No

**Virginia Lawson**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

I object to the proposed move from land value to capital value for the general rate - as are zoned as main rural so we are not on town supply for our water or sewerage etc. Our properties out here are a lot larger so have a higher land value. So I strongly object to an increase in HBRV rates based on land value when we do not receive the same benefits as an urban property!

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

As above.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

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8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 241

Hearing? No

**Kerry Albertini**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Absolutely do not agree. As a whānau we have worked hard to be able to buy our home. I feel that, once again, hard working people who've strived to get ahead would be penalised by this initiative. We aren't affluent, we pay taxes and contribute to society, yet we never qualify for any assistance and instead get pinged left right and centre by increases in pretty much everything. This proposed move to a CV rate is just another example of being disadvantaged for having knuckled down and worked hard for what we have.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

Yes work needs to be done, especially in light of Cyclone Gabrielle, but more should have been done previously. What has HBRC been doing? Recent weather events have shown your efforts to be woefully lacking.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 242

Hearing? No

**Zeb Albert**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

No wants to pay more than they have to and at the moment with the cost of living sky-rocketing this is really bad timing, I think smaller rises in rates would be better that way they actually get paid

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 243

Hearing? No

**Nicolene Van**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

We already pay too much, this increase will create more homelessness and unnecessary struggles financially.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 244

Hearing? No

**Megan Gallen**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

I also pay this to the NCC. What extra will I get. My insurances have also increased for earthquake and now flood levies. Everyone wants more. And don't give anything extra. Yet another reason to move overseas

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

I pay for this already in my rates. Clearly you need to sort out who covers what. Or is it going to be double charges

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

This is a national standard.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 245

Hearing? No

**Maree Buscke**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential Commercial/Industrial

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

This effectively will increase our rates by tenfold without providing anywhere near the equivalent level of value. It will potentially force us price us out of the region.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

I'd support a project based, fully costed project by project scheme. Councils have a bad habit of funding ideologically driven projects not core infrastructure ones.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 246

Hearing? No

**Jo Field**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Due to increased living costs people are struggling financially currently with the increase of rates, insurance, interest rates, food, petrol and access to medical. A larger increase to rates will put more financial pressure onto people just trying to keep up financially. Changing from land value to capital value will increase costs too much

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

Families/people are already struggling with increased living expenses and increasing rates again will push those just teetering on the edge of stability into financial crisis. All expenses have increased due to recent events and this will not be helping. In turn increasing stresses onto other resources such as mental health due to breakdowns.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 247

Hearing? No

**Eve Vokins**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:**

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?

Stop trying to price everyone out of affording to live here.

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Submitter ID: 248

Hearing? No

**Michael Taane**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

I already pay rates to HDC based on Capital value so i shouldnt have to pay the same rate again

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

Not when calculations are based on capital value

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

The council rates are not affordable for struggling families in Tangoio. Time has proven again and again that residence there don't get their money's worth from the council.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

Not used

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 249

Hearing? No

**Nicholas Hinks**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Just a chance to up the rates even more when we already pay ncc rates aswell making it hard for people to own there on houses with th cost of living and inflation when I fist bought my house the rates where a Meer fraction of what they are today only seems like hbrc are just putting rates up every year

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

Excuse to put rates up

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

You should have sorted this in 2018 after the flood in eskdale and followed the recommendations cost would have been far cheaper and spread out hbrc is reactive not proactive and could have saved more properties if hbrc had done any of them

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 250

Hearing? No

**Peter Wiparata**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

We already pay city rates on capital value. Its double dipping.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 251

Hearing? No

**H Joros**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

No one can afford this change.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -

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8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 252

Hearing? No

**Ewen Cameron**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Insufficient justification.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 253

Hearing? No

**Lisa Pollock**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

The land sales of the farms in our area would make our rates sky rocket Being only a lifestyle that would be grossly unfair

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

We need to do better post cyclone

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

We have no passenger transport available to us

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

Offers no value to us

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

Offers no value to us

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

Cost of living is high so anything to help is good

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 254

Hearing? No

**Sharon Loftus Peterson**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Ridiculous idea

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 255

Hearing? No

**Grant Peterson**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Ridiculous idea

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 256

Hearing? No

**Kelly Kernahan**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 257

Hearing? No

**Blair Palmer**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 258

Hearing? No

**Ann Johnson**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

As a ratepayer our budget is already stretched and we can't sustain exorbitant increases. It seems woefully unfair to change the system.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Yes**

Obviously due to the latest cyclone measures have to be put in place.

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **Don't know**

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Don't know**

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Don't know**

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Don't know**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

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Submitter ID: 259

Hearing? No

**Rachel Van der werf**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

It becomes so unaffordable. Why should you have to pay more when you receive the same services?

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **Don't know**

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Don't know**

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* -

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* -

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Don't know**

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Don't know**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?*

Maybe the regional council could look at cutting costs and wastage before they start implementing new charges to ratepayers.

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Submitter ID: 260

Hearing? No

**Nathan Monk**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

The costs should be shared out equally across all ratepayers. A person with more land uses the same council services as someone with less.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **Don't know**

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **No**

You should have done your job properly to start with.

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **No**

Funding should be needs based such as via a community services card or student id only

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Don't know**

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6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**  
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**  
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? No

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Submitter ID: 261

Hearing? No

**Teresa Makris**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

This would crippled my household the flooding and covid was enough this would force me to sell house  
How is it fair for all

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? -

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

Because it's being double dipped Coming out of district rates and regional on top of government support

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

I don't think the rubbish wheelie bin should be delayed any longer this would tidy up this town and get rid ofnplastic

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 262

Hearing? No

**Maddison Koch**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

This change would see our rates go up a considerable amount. With the cost of living (especially having two toddlers and a baby) I don't know how we will cope with the additional financial pressure.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

I'm flabbergasted by the proposal to change rates from LV to CV that I'm not able to concentrate on the other changes you're proposing. I feel any truly positive/beneficial changes proposed for other areas may get lost as people are upset and focused on the above

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

I'm flabbergasted by the proposal to change rates from LV to CV that I'm not able to concentrate on the other changes you're proposing. I feel any truly positive/beneficial changes proposed for other areas may get lost as people are upset and focused on the above

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

I'm flabbergasted by the proposal to change rates from LV to CV that I'm not able to concentrate on the other changes you're proposing. I feel any truly positive/beneficial changes proposed for other areas may get lost as people are upset and focused on the above

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

I'm flabbergasted by the proposal to change rates from LV to CV that I'm not able to concentrate on the other changes you're proposing. I feel any truly positive/beneficial changes proposed for other areas may get lost as people are upset and focused on the above

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

I'm flabbergasted by the proposal to change rates from LV to CV that I'm not able to concentrate on the other changes you're proposing. I feel any truly positive/beneficial changes proposed for other areas may get lost as people are upset and focused on the above

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Don't know**

I'm flabbergasted by the proposal to change rates from LV to CV that I'm not able to concentrate on the other changes you're proposing. I feel any truly positive/beneficial changes proposed for other areas may get lost as people are upset and focused on the above

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* No

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**Submitter ID:** 263

**Hearing?** No

**Max Koch**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

This change would see our rates go up a considerable amount. With the cost of living (especially having two toddlers and a baby) I don't know how we will cope with the additional financial pressure.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **Don't know**

This change would see our rates go up a considerable amount. With the cost of living (especially having two toddlers and a baby) I don't know how we will cope with the additional financial pressure.

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Don't know**

This change would see our rates go up a considerable amount. With the cost of living (especially having two toddlers and a baby) I don't know how we will cope with the additional financial pressure.

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **Don't know**

This change would see our rates go up a considerable amount. With the cost of living (especially having two toddlers and a baby) I don't know how we will cope with the additional financial pressure.

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Don't know**

This change would see our rates go up a considerable amount. With the cost of living (especially having two toddlers and a baby) I don't know how we will cope with the additional financial pressure.

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Don't know**

This change would see our rates go up a considerable amount. With the cost of living (especially having two toddlers and a baby) I don't know how we will cope with the additional financial pressure.

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Don't know**

This change would see our rates go up a considerable amount. With the cost of living (especially having two toddlers and a baby) I don't know how we will cope with the additional financial pressure.

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* No

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**Submitter ID:** 264

**Hearing?** No

**Tyler H**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

Please don't take more of our money. The cost of living crisis is bad enough, people in Hawkes Bay can hardly even feed themselves at this rate.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **Don't know**

No more rates increases

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

No more rates increases

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

No more rates increases

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

No more rates increases

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

No more rates increases

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

No more rates increases

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? No

more rates increases

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Submitter ID: 265

Hearing? No

**Dawn Baxter**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Money grabbing

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 266

Hearing? No

**Nathan Makris**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Will cost far too much

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

Need to spend money on what is important not whats wanted.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

Not at all

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

**Jordache Jones**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

I cannot afford any further rates jumps and this would blow mine out. We are struggling financially enough and already behind on rates

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

I cannot afford any further rates jumps and this would blow mine out. We are struggling financially enough and already behind on rates

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **No**

I cannot afford any further rates jumps and this would blow mine out. We are struggling financially enough and already behind on rates

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **No**

I cannot afford any further rates jumps and this would blow mine out. We are struggling financially enough and already behind on rates

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **No**

I cannot afford any further rates jumps and this would blow mine out. We are struggling financially enough and already behind on rates

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **No**

I cannot afford any further rates jumps and this would blow mine out. We are struggling financially enough and already behind on rates

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **No**

I cannot afford any further rates jumps and this would blow mine out. We are struggling financially enough and already behind on rates

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?*

Leave it alone

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**Jaclyn Hankin**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

The value of the improvement we do to our property does not have a bearing on the regional council costs or inputs. If we have improved our land through improvement to our dwelling, why should our rate to the regional council need to increase. You said that it is more equitable, yet that is not the case for a residential property with no earnings, as you say it is more equitable due to capacity to earn from the property which is not the case for a residential property which is a full time residence.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **Don't know**

Has there been any consideration to how this cost could be captured from the tourism market itself, rather than impacting the citizens of the region who are struggling as it is. We have a high influx of tourists through the summer months from cruise ships, yet talking to businesses the financial benefit from these visitors is not felt from local businesses (other than bus operators etc).

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Yes**

I agree with this if there is accountability for activities being undertaken. It is clear that the Esk River Mouth and the lack of ensuring that was kept clear and free flowing had some level of impact on the devastation caused by Cyclone Gabrielle.

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **No**

Your increase in the area covered by this is not consistent with services offered. For those in the area north of the Airport we have limited services which you have to drive to get to a bus stop in the first place, and then the limited availability of the services and the likelihood that the services actually runs does not lead itself to ever being able to use the bus services, especially should we have to get to work/appointments on time.

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Yes**

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Yes**

I agree with this if we actually get access to this service. There is a huge rabbit issue in the region and it is not seen as a problem, but the impact this is having on our flora and fauna is out of control. The possum population has also recently returned after being almost eradicated for years, this could lead to the assumption that while paying for a "service" it is not being undertaken.

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Yes**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

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**Submitter ID:** 269

**Hearing?** No

**Amanda Price**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

Am happy as it is. CANNOT afford big rate increases

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Yes**

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **Don't know**

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Don't know**

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Don't know**

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Don't know**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

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**Submitter ID:** 270

**Hearing?** No

**Adrienne McDonald**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

Rates high enough now would you like people to loose their homes and pensioners don't get enough money especially a region devastated by a cyclone and many lost everything mayb you prefer us all to be homeless

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

Same as above

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Yes**

U maintained drains cause problems

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **Don't know**

Don't know what it is

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Don't know**



6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**  
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**  
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? Do you job

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Submitter ID: 271

Hearing? No

**Sarah Bennett**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
I don't support this as it's more costs for families that are struggling financially including ours.
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**  
Yes we were flooded in 2020
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? I strongly disagree with any further increases in rates fees, especially when you see money being wasted on nonsensical roundabouts such as the one in Harold Holt Ave, the roundabout would be funny if my rates weren't helping paying for such a stupid roundabout.

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Submitter ID: 272

Hearing? No

**Kylie Winkley**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
Stop and take one minute to think of everything that is going on right now. We are been driven out of homes with rising prices.
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 273

Hearing? No

**peter shakes**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Other

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
We own a lifestyle character block and it's basically residential rates. Combined NCC and regional rates are now \$5152 We chose HB as where we would retire to and shifted up from wellington based our ability to afford ongoing rates based on the present rating system. Under the proposed changes our rates would go up quite a bit. So our options are: a/ they become unaffordable so we shift out (taking our business with us,

which will be a loss to the local economy) or b/ they become unaffordable and we reduce spending in the local economy to offset Either way, not good outcomes for changing a system that works

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Yes**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

don't trust that this will not just be a lot of boffins talkfest

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?

don't just increasing costs. Look for ways of delivering these outcomes with better ways of doing things with less money...ie: efficiencies, innovation, less bureaucracy. Less use of contractors and more use of dedicated works depts

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**Submitter ID:** 274

**Hearing?** No

**Mel Jacobs**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

This raises the rates immensely, making it hard for the average working person/family to afford to pay their rates in an already struggling financial situation. This is making the hard working rate payers suffer even more for little or no benefit.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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**Submitter ID:** 275

**Hearing?** No

**Anthony Maher**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Because it will result in higher fees and many people like pensioners can't afford it.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

Just means higher rates

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

Because for over 100 years people have been paying into this flood protection scheme which proved inadequate so why throw more money at what obviously is out of our control as the cyclone proved

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

Should be funded by the government

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

There is a testing system in place which appears to be operating ok

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -

Just sounds another way to milk the public like the rest of the above questions. If we haven't already got this in place why do we need it?

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **No**

Only an entitled rich minority will benefit

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?*

Leave everything as it is for those you represent. Many can not afford to throw more money at Regional Council activities and job creation. We have to contend with bank interest rates.. food prices.. Napier City Council rates.. fuel.. etc. Be real people cannot afford more costs when incomes are not keeping up with inflation.

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**Submitter ID:** 276

**Hearing?** No

**Simon Spice**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential Lifestyle

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

The hrbc will garnish more money from property without putting any money to into the property to add value. Land value is the only fair way to determine rates. If you want rates for improvements ie cv then you should pay a portion of the improvements

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

Economic improvement is up to the businesses of the region not the hrbc

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **No**

There has been little to no money spent on these in the past decade so why would that change now. Maybe had the rivers and river mouths been maintained properly the latest flood could have been mitigated.

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **No**

It's a white elephant and is no longer fit for purpose

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **No**

Science is only as good as the agenda of the organization paying the scientist.

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **No**

My land my responsibility to manage

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Don't know**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

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**Submitter ID:** 277

**Hearing?** No

**Steph Wright**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

I struggle to pay the mortgage yet alone increasing our rates. We live on a small section in a good area, therefore capital of house is worth more than that of people who live on larger sections in worse areas. It does not make any sense.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **Don't know**

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Don't know**

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **Don't know**

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Don't know**

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**  
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 278

Hearing? No

**John Rickard**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Residential ratepayers will end up paying more - as well as high city council rates. Land should be developed and productive and the proposed change is a disincentive to this.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

This should be User pays.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 279

Hearing? No

**Raechel Leishman**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

I believe we pay enough rates to our local council NCC and the cost of living is so high at present increasing the regional tax seems grossly unfair and a huge increase. While I appreciate there is still a lot of clean to be done from the cyclone - this feels excessive and unnecessary

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

Unfair, unwarranted and highly inappropriate at a time when our community is struggling as it is.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 280

Hearing? No

**Tori-lee Little**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

We pay enough already

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

We pay enough already

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? –

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Submitter ID: 281

Hearing? No

**Simon WALSH**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential Other

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

The Regional Council rates should be set based on the services provided. The land value better reflects the likely services used. The property capital value is irrelevant to the services used. Just because your 100sqm, three bedroom house is worth \$2,000,000 as opposed to \$400,000 has no impact on its impact on the environment, flood protection, emergency management etc. etc. It does not cause enhanced contamination of rivers, sea or air. It does not require greater Regional Council monitoring or enforcement action. Remain with land value and the basis for establishing a fair and uniform regional rate.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

Let those that benefit from Economic Development fund the development cost. They will gain the benefits not the general ratepayer. Stick with your core functions - Protections of the environment

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

No - The service is so poor that it is of no use to the public. There is no viable public transport system in Hawkes Bay. One can not even get between Napier and Hastings cities within a reasonable time (and it is only 26km distance) Just forget about it completely. Just try and get public transport on a weekend and the poor service will be instantly apparent. It is now too late to develop a suitable public transport system. Abandon the idea and put the funding into things that the Regional Council has a chance of achieving.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

You use or damage it - You pay.

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? No

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Submitter ID: 282

Hearing? No

**Samara Kelly**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

How can you benefit from the value of investment I make on my own dwelling. We already pay capital on our council rates.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

No one uses this- it's never functional!

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 283

Hearing? No

**Gail Sharp**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

We are already paying capital value to CHB Regional Council and gaining very little in return in the rural villages. There has been nothing at all on offer from HBRC in return for rates paid.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

HBRC do nothing for us.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

This is a government responsibility paid for in taxes.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

This does not benefit us in any way.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

This is not the responsibility of ratepayers.

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? It is unjust that ratepayers in rural areas where there is no provision whatsoever from Hawkes Bay Regional Council should be expected to contribute financially to the schemes proposed. Rates are already high on a local level and increasing charges further for nothing in return is not sustainable or fair for pensioners and those who are already paying higher interest rates on mortgages. How is the Council proposing to change their provision for places like Onga Onga?

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Submitter ID: 284

Hearing? No

**Maria Murray**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 285

Hearing? No

**Aimee Ward**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Because it is more money. Where does it end? Insurance has gone up, interest rates, council rates, food prices... This is the problem - rates are something we have to pay - so what gives. What do we give up so we can afford this? I get it, you guys need more money. Expenses everywhere has gone up. But seriously with the cost of living crisis going on this is just another kick in the guts for us. Even if you don't own a home it

will effect rental prices too and people that rent are already overpaying so much. Just wait a couple of years. When other costs come down, then put the rates up.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* -
3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* -
4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* -
5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* -
6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* -
7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* -
8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

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Submitter ID: 286

Hearing? No

**Reuben Hilton**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

My land value where I live is much bigger than alot of the homes in my area. I want it too stay at the land value

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

I'm ok with the way things are, only because I really don't see no changes in the low poverty area, flamere from what I believe have don't alot of fixing on their own with sponsorships.

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **No**

Drainage should be already being maintained as all the past years.

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **No**

Because I don't use any of the transport company, also If I had too pay I will pay with my money when using it.

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **No**

I really don't need too speak about this. The water is so bad due too this.

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **No**

I pay for the dumb when I use it. And I already pay for the rubbish pick ups

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Yes**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

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Submitter ID: 287

Hearing? No

**Sravani Elasarapu**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

We are hoping that it would increase the charges we will be paying, we aren't up for it during this inflation with NCC increased rates so much and high interest rates to banks too. It will make people move out of hawkesbay as the natural diasters taking place so frequently and rates keep going up.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **Don't know**

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **No**

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **No**

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Don't know**

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Don't know**

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **No**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

**Lionel Da Silva****Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Council is out of pocket . Rather look after the rate payers and improve accountability . Stop wasteful spending and get back to basics . Get rid of your units that are losing us money . Look at your payroll start there . You are trying to borrow of this proposal rather than fixing your failure

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

There has always been more than enough revenue and now these proposal are because it's not he case anymore. Go back to the model that worked and stop wasteful spending

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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**Kate Scheele****Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

It will be a huge increase for home owners

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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**Bianca Lord****Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

This will increase my rates and gives me no more value for money, I am happy to pay based of land value as this has increased with time and aligns with a rates increase. You are changing the calc purely to get more money and not supply more service.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Yes**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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**ROBYN O'CONNOR****Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier**Type of property/ies:** Residential**1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? No**

Firstly, successive councils have ignored ratepayer feedback in almost all activity, councils waste money on the "For show" activity will ignoring basic housekeeping. The waste of council in altering the War Memorial against the peoples wishes, building a Museum that is too small for most exhibits with no parking, demolishing a council building the "may" be damaged should and earthquake hit it & rebuilding an expensive edifice after spending way too much money on property lease for years, earthworks for a pool that did not eventuate, I could go on. In my 20 years in Napier my regional rates have gone from \$150 to \$670 for no benefit to myself, if most is for flood mitigation etc, clearly no work has been undertaken & if it has the effect has been a catastrophe as seen after the cyclone. We have potholes that can ruin a car and yet it seems that spending millions putting wire down between traffic lanes is the priority, there are people with no homes and huge piles of silt, where is the council. Wealthy consortiums are able to lay waste to the landscape with very little requirement to clean up the mess and walk away from any responsibility towards the homeowners who are left devastated with no redress. People work hard to buy a house, not a mansion, pay it off prior to retirement so at least they have a home, wages do not increase at the same rate as property, and you are trying to penalize people for working hard. My home has doubled in resale value in 12 years, my income has decreased to 2 x superannuation, how are we supposed to pay more when most home owners are asset rich and cash poor. Your policy is elitist at best, alot of hard working people will not be able to cover another rate increase. The street I live on has not had any council money spent on it in 13 years. I drive to town, the berms are mown very irregularly, creeks rarely cleaned, litter everywhere, it's hard to feel proud of this town. Water is currently restricted and yet the cruise ships take hundreds of thousands of litres, as does the water bottling plant that does not benefit anyone in Hawkes Bay. Times are tough and yet council wants to kick the ratepayer yet again. You tell me how people can afford more with the financial crisis we already face.

**2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? No**

Why should the ratepayers pay for services they get no benefit from. why should ratepayers carry the financial burden for a council that does not cover the basics

**3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? No**

clearly nothing has been done for a long time and yet we pay every year. Gravel levels are not kept low so the rivers and streams can rise without breaking the banks. willow trees are a scourge on the landscape as it appears no control measures have been put in place to thin them out regularly, now they choke the banks. clearly no regular upgrades are done to storm water to mitigate flooding, lots of new builds, no new infrastructure

**4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? No**

never use it and from what I can see, vey few do use public transport

**5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? No**

the money will go to consultants and any work will be outsourced with no accountability

**6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? No**

the money will go to consultants and any work will be outsourced with no accountability

**7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? No**

council are inefficient and expect ratepayers to cover

**8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -**

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Submitter ID: 292

Hearing? No

**Cameron Ryder**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 293

Hearing? No

**Tiffany Knauf**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **Yes**  
I think it is fairer assessment of the value of the property and wont have much impact on the people who can afford it the least.
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Yes**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**  
Clearly needed
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 294

Hearing? No

**Graeme Chapman**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
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2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**  
rip off
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

**Shani Eccles-Smith****Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier**Type of property/ies:** Residential**1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? No**

This is just a money grabbing move by the Council. Our NCC rates are already based on CV. I do not support this change at all. It is hard enough already to cover mortgage, rates and insurance when wages are not keeping up with the cost of living rises.

**2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? Yes**

I think it is fair that rural landowners should contribute to this as they do generate income from their property.

**3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? Yes**

Money certainly needs to be spent on flood protection, but perhaps the council could take a look at their own actions in contributing to the terrible flooding in Esk Valley last year. The Council needs to consider who they give consent to for building stop banks on private property, and then closely monitor those works to ensure they do not exceed the allowed extent.

**4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? No**

I have not and am highly unlikely to ever use public transport in Hawkes Bay. The buses do not run at convenient times for my work start and finish times, and even if they did, I would still have a 8 minute walk to the bus stop and then a 10 minute walk from the CBD stop to my office (I can drive to my leased carpark and walk down to my office in less than 10 minutes). A passenger train running in the evenings until late between Napier and Hastings on weekends is something I would probably utilise if it existed.

**5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? Yes****6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? Yes****7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? Yes****8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -****Irene Samways****Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings**Type of property/ies:** Residential**1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? No**

People are struggling already. Increased rate hikes won't help anyone. Ok if you're rich and can afford the extra \$\$\$\$\$\$ but far out it's no wonder people are homeless.

**2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? Don't know****3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -****4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -****5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -****6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -****7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -****8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -**

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Submitter ID: 297

Hearing? No

**Evangeline Nelson**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

We already pay enough

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 298

Hearing? No

**Wendy Sadler**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

This is a rental property. If rates go up, so does the rent. Due to a shortage of rental homes in the area, this could potentially put the tenant at risk of homelessness

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 299

Hearing? No

**Greta Sullivan**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Already paying this on Napier rates, so regional rates seen as double dipping, not ethical practices by government agencies. We are paying full rates in Napier, so shouldn't be paying more rates with house values on the regional rates as well. That's double dipping and not ethical practice by government based agencies.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

Not transparent to Not accountant people where funds going.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

Currently planning should already account for that

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

Passenger transport isn't reaching enough outlying areas

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

Waste of money

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6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**  
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**  
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? –

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Submitter ID: 300

Hearing? No

**Sam Fuhrer**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

My capital value has nothing to do with regional council. HBRC looks after land, air and water, quite poorly may I add. Rates should be based off land value

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

I do as long as it is targeting people or organizations that make money off our region instead of residential land owners

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

This has very poor information and given the current state of our infrastructure and lack of maintenance by HBRC and also the fact that making money instead of actually caring for our environment, water and air I don't support what you currently do

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

Hawkes bay has very poor public transportation. Trains would be great but you allocate this to business and that is shit. Seeing the railway bridges repaired after the cyclone purely for big business that utilize them and zero done to our poor roads I don't have faith that any beneficial changes will be made for the wider community

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

Poor management and maintenance in the past has given me little faith you will actually do anything different. You have a presence in this area will little benefit to the environment. Water is big money for you

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

We currently don't have sustainable land. You let it just be raped

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?

Really disappointed in the timing you have put this information out as most won't see it or reply. This is a reflection of how you do things and i have little faith in the local councils want to protect our environment over making money

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Submitter ID: 301

Hearing? No

**Pauline Woodmass**

**Constituency:** Not sure

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Rates should be based on the services received by the property owner, not by how much money is invested to improve a property's overall value.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

I don't believe that increasing the coverage is going to make for a better service. Buses on the current service routes are often late or don't run at all because of issues with employees. If the small service we

currently have can't be reliably run, how do you propose to enforce and ensure that a larger area is reliably covered?

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 302

Hearing? No

**Karla Gannaway**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

We are already paying high rates to the Napier City Council for our properties and that is done on Capital Value. Why, when you guys are for the "region", are the residential properties going to be paying more than the Regional or country Properties. This hardly seems fair in this day and age of trying times. To me it is double dipping. Maybe go back to being one entity with our councils again. I will have to let my house fall apart and stop doing improvements when I can afford them, so that my capital value drops!!! Going to be more poverty and mortgagee sales with people unable to afford their rates, let alone food and necessities!!!

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

I don't know

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

It is like we are being baffled with too much information and I don't understand what you are getting at. If people are in hardship because of these rating changes they need to have the excess penalty fees waived and given more time to pay. Also the limit to rates rebates/wage needs to be upped. Middle income earners are now struggling just as much as lower income earners.

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? No but I Bet you don't take into account our feedback on this anyway :(

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Submitter ID: 303

Hearing? No

**Deana Gillespie**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Because we already pay enough in rates overall and would not be able to afford such and increase. There is no need that I can see (other than money gathering) as to why the rates should be calculated on capital value. Between district and regional rates I believe we are already paying enough.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

Don't understand this policy, people who are late because of hardship shouldn't be penalized

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? I don't think these submissions will be considered anyway.

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Submitter ID: 304

Hearing? No

**Juergen Boucher**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

With increased cost of living, rates, mortgage payments this would make another extra cost, soon not more liveable for hardworking people in Nz

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

All those cyclone related costs should be payed by all taxable incomes not just ratepayers, totally unfair

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -

Again not only ratepayers responsibility to pay

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 305

Hearing? No

**Susan Clifford**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

This is not fair it should stay the same all this is is transferring the debt from one citizen to another. A lot of people have spent their lives paying a mortgage and paying you are now on a pension and do not have the money to pay what seems to be a penalty tax I believe this is another way you can take more money from the people you are supposed to be acting for if Napier south is a suburb you have decided can shoulder the extra costs you no longer should be employed by the people

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? -

Same question bit sneaky stop manipulating questions to get outcome you want when you already know what you are going to do we all know this is just a formality ok

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

No more money to give you ok what more can I give you until it is all gone ffs

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

Pay for yourself

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

For gods sake let us at least have free water it's the basic for your people to survive

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

Start building multi storied public housing next to your house or your mothers house then talk to me you destroy people and you know it

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

It's a trick

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 306

Hearing? No

**Blewett Joan**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Make cost very high

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 307

Hearing? No

**Geneva Liddall**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? -

I already pay CV to NCC for my rates. The capital value of my house has nothing to do with Regional council except for the utilities that enter and leave it. Everything else I pay.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

Targeted costs, fundings, benefits etc( too numerous to remember here) are hugely inflated to general rates 100% in places. Having the misfortune of living near a place or activity developed for the benefit of all is an unfair grading and incr.cost for those who do. My main gripe is the huge shift to 100% general rating.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

Absolutely fairly obvious I think.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

About time it was reinforced.

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 308

Hearing? No

**Daniel Soltau**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

The regional council is there to look after the shared environment and the residents should pay based on Land value and not improvements to their properties i.e. their wealth. The proportionality should be on land value only.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

The regional council should not be involved in this at all as it's just a make work scheme to create jobs at the council. That's for businesses to do and council should stay out of that and stop trying to empire build



and trying to make more work for itself. Time to restructure the council and reduce the scope of your services and save ratepayers money.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

The council is blatantly trying to expand the base from which to get more money, this is not right especially since those targeted by the expansion do not use and will not use the bus services. The busses I see are always empty, ratepayers should not be subsidizing public transport, if you want to get from A->B you need to pay the full amount or invest in your own transport.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?

Council needs to find cost savings, cut staff and do less instead of trying to find more ways to get money out of ratepayers. Look after the basics; fix the roads and keep an eye on dodgy businesses polluting our environment otherwise say out of peoples lives.

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Submitter ID: 309

Hearing? No

**Karen Taotahi**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

It's just a scam for putting rates up.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

It will benefit only some areas. Not at Eskdale.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

Waste of money

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

Excuse to raise rates.

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 310

Hearing? No

**Elizabeth Dunn**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

I do not support this move. Properties that are looked after and well maintained will have a higher capital value than those that are poorly maintained. Leave it as it is.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

Leave things as they are. If it ain't broke don't fix it.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

As above

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

Leave as is

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 311

Hearing? No

**Alana Geddes**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

With the price of living, we can't even afford the rates as they are. We don't have clean water to drink, we have to filter our drinking water. We smell like chlorine getting out of the shower and our storm water and drainage is useless. Raising rates is just going to push us all out of the houses that we own that are getting more difficult for our families to live in.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 312

Hearing? No

**Scott Cooper**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

I will only be making comments on this part of the submission. The hbrc has already made up there mind so this is a waste of time. Just to make people think they've had a say. Just like the port sale it was a waste of time making submissions. The first think the hbrc council should be sorting is the excessive spending going on in all departments and ditch the whole if you don't spend it in the budget you lose it. How about been financially stable. You got the port money and are blowing through it so fast you need to find away to keep up with the excessive spending. The hbrc immediately need to cut spending by 20% and need to flick there job back to the basics.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 313

Hearing? No

**Tashya Ellen7 Heath**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

I think myself we are already paying way and beyond what we should be as a home owner..especially after the cyclone.. insurance hikes etc some of us are just keeping up as it is...this needs to stop..give us a breather for God's sake!

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

I just don't.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 314

Hearing? No

**Emily Christie**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Everything's expensive enough. With all the potholes that are still around and the other shitty aspects of Hawke's Bay I think I'd put that money to better use. Buying a house these days is hard enough. Do we not pay enough to live?

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 315

Hearing? No

**Aleisha Gerbes**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Our land value is far less than our capital value. With the current living cost growth, three growing sons we cannot afford to pay more rates than what we already are... heck we can barely afford life now as it is period. Please don't make this change. So many more whanau and the tamariki of hawkes bay will only suffer more from this change.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 316

Hearing? No

**Pam Joyce**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 317

Hearing? No

**Hayley H.**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
The cost of living has increased so drastically that even small changes to people's budgets can cause people to have to make sacrifices financially for other necessities. There are also a lot of older people living in large houses that were cheaper to purchase when they were young, and these people are now living on pensions that don't increase each time rates and cost of living increases.
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**  
Is probably the wrong section for this answer. However, I think it makes sense to charge different rates, but based on residential/agricultural/viticultural etc. land. Not by size of a house on land. Look at what a property is used for and the size of that property.
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**  
I do think there needs to be more research, development, and investment to prevent another situation like cyclone Gabrielle having such severe consequences
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? My feedback is focused on proposed rate changes from LV to CV. I do wish I had more time to read and understand the other policies. But as I only found out today this change was happening, and that having a say was shortly to close, I feel pressure to give feedback without the benefit of time to fully understand all proposed changes. Making this a 'have your say' over Christmas and new years, and not receiving any information about this in the mail, is very limiting for the reach of feedback you might receive. I hope that was not the intention.

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Submitter ID: 318

Hearing? No

**Lee Martin**

**Constituency:** Wairoa

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

The proposed increase is a ridiculous hike. Will not be able to afford it, especially on top of the astronomical increase of regular council rates. Additionally, the capital value will be assessed as higher than actual market value. It's a greedy cash grab.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **Yes**
3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Yes**
4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **Yes**
5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Yes**
6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Yes**
7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Don't know**
8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?*  
Your policy is fine for people involved in council, but it is not fit for purpose for the majority of average, time poor ratepayers, many of whom will not understand any of what you have proposed. You are taking advantage of this.

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**Submitter ID:** 319

**Hearing?** No

**Johnnie Taunoa**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**  
Life is hard enough you're making enough money as it is there's nothing wrong with the way things are.
2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**  
You haven't done much as it is what rivers have you kept Clean. What river can we swim in what stock bank has survived where did the money from the port ho? Why is your office so flash?
3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **No**  
I have a question do you actually do work regionally? Shouldn't you be working on flood related stuff anyway knowing we've had floods in the past. Does the forest industry clean there off cuts now?
4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **No**  
Not really, that's transit nz not regional council.
5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **No**  
You have already stuffed up alot of fresh water outlets around hb and think it's OK it's not. Should've been done when you all knew about it not waiting 20years!!!
6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **No**  
Again nothing gets done by regional council let alone biodiversity.
7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **No**  
If we don't polluted the water why are we paying for other ppls mess
8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?*  
Clean up your act , you have many years to make changes our city looks disgusting

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**Submitter ID:** 320

**Hearing?** No

**Teenica Grant**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential Rural Other

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**  
The resources used by a property have no basis upon a properties capital value. Where is the facts and information to prove that this is a fair and best supports the Hawkes Bay ratepayers?
2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

As above

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 321

Hearing? No

**Bridget Hall**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Why penalise those that invest more into their homes?!

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 322

Hearing? No

**Kerry Mackenzie**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

This proposed change significantly shifts the larger rates burden to residential, industrial, and horticultural properties. As a home owner in a residential zone, it is becoming harder on a fixed income to afford to stay in our own homes because of increases in costs we had formerly been able to plan for, such as district council and regional council rates. Those of us on low incomes are barely holding onto our own homes as it is. Many on low or middle incomes, NZ super, winz support because we're unwell ourselves or caring for disabled family members and with mortgages and families to support simply do not have the capacity to take another hit like this. Some of these are the same households struggling to recover from cyclone damage, as we're in low-lying housing on land that cost less to purchase initially but that would, as a result of your proposed changes, become more expensive to maintain than we could have ever predicted. Likewise the horticultural sector, which has been hit hard by the cyclone and continues to battle unpredictable weather conditions, is not in a position to take on such a burden. The rates model is only just manageable as it is, and farmers, horticulturalists, industrial and residential land owners can at least plan for this in some shape or form now, despite constant increases. We bought our properties with a clear understanding of how rates would be charged on our properties. To give anyone who has improved and added value to their land (building, planting, other improvements) an increased rate based on capital development is penalising this development by essentially taxing it twice - once by the local authority, and once by the regional council. Not only is this unaffordable, but it creates an environment of further mistrust of local bodies (which is currently very high), affects choices people make about land use as it disadvantages those who develop their land, and potentially stifles economic development in the region by the flow-on affect of increased industrial rents and costs being passed on to already struggling consumers (or more businesses shutting down or moving out of region and taking job opportunities with them), horticulturalists finding it economically unfeasible to have orchards in the fruit bowl of New Zealand, and

home and lifestyle block owners giving up and moving away. I am also very concerned about how disingenuous this whole process has been. The HBRC has been working on this for a long time but has only called for submissions for a limited period at a time when so many businesses are closed and homeowners on holiday. In addition, I have seen no calculator or other tool to assist ratepayers to work out how this proposed change would affect them. I am sure there is such a tool, or at least there has been time to prepare one, as the HBRC will have calculated how the changed burden would have affected its rates take across the region. I appreciate that the HBRC has a lot of work to do in the region and would like more money to do this with particularly as it is now having to rebuild stopbanks and maintain other assets. Such as the stormwater network, that it has failed to maintain adequately over the past thirty years. It feels like a betrayal that the HBRC refuses to gather the almost four million dollars in outstanding research fees for the dam project from people who will have planned for and can well afford them yet is reaching out a hand to gather more revenue from an already hard hit community that hasn't the capacity to fund this change. The fact that HBRC councillors do not even answer or acknowledge correspondence from ratepayers on that issue tells us clearly where the HBRC's priorities lie, and it is not with the majority of ratepayers or the cyclone affected rate papers. No, capital value does not fairly reflect ability to afford higher rates. Interviews with the residents of lower Waipawa, for example, would have told you this. I do not support this proposed change. I cannot afford this proposed change. And if this proposed change goes ahead, please take this as warning that I will simply not be able to pay the increased rates.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

Please see my response above.

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Don't know**

We need a complete review of whether or not our so-called flood and drainage protection, designed many decades ago, is up to bedtime practice standards and adequate.

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **Yes**

We need to open up public transport to the wider region, particularly CHB.

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **No**

This is something that you should have experts enough in house to manage on current rates.

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **No**

Again, this should be manageable under current rates. So far there has been much talk on this and little measurable action.

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* -

There are still many people struggling in our region who cannot afford current rates, let alone your proposed new ones.

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* I have covered these in my first section.

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Submitter ID: 323

Hearing? No

**Debra Billings**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

You are not proposing to reduce the rate when you change to capital value, therefore doubling the rates on some of your examples.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **Don't know**

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Don't know**

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **Don't know**

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Don't know**

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**  
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 324

Hearing? No

**Stas Senkov**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**  
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**  
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**  
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**  
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**  
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**  
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 325

Hearing? No

**Cherie Craig**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

The value of the property improvements does not effect the percentage of use compared to the property next door. It is my belief that this is unfair rating as my neighbours use the same amount of regional council rates for the betterment of our community. The fair way to calculate regional council rates should use the land value.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

We all want our community to benefit from expansion. I am happy to pay towards this but still fail to see why these rates should be set using capital value as opposed to land value. The rate should be set fairly so we all in the community pay our share. It is unfair to set a rate based on whether someone has made improvements to their home and their neighbours may not have done. In Porangahau many properties are owned by absentee holiday owners, by using the land value we all pay an equitable share.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

When I see some flood management being effected in our local area - other than just talk and more talk and no action I would support a review of the scheme and its funding. Porangahau river-bank is a disgrace - the banks have not had any work locally since the cyclone last February that our locals have not done. There has been public meeting after public meeting about what our local needs are, the council has sort our opinions and then gone back to town and then NOTHING until the next public meeting - where a lot of talk is done and then NOTHING. Every time I cross the bridge into the village we get to view the carnage from the cyclone that is still filling the river and its banks. The community got together just before Christmas and worked on reinstating a road track down to the swimming hole for the community as we were sick of waiting for council - as one resident commented on the What's on Porangahau FB page - too much hui and not enough dooey. We as a community can only hope that we do not get another weather event before some work is done on the river to mitigate flood damage. There has been work done down at the main bridge down to the beach but this has been done by our local river catchment committee with help from the community. Perhaps the HBRC would get support from the community if the community could see that the HBRC were working for the benefit of our community. At present I would think that most of us would question that there was a flood protection scheme in place for the betterment of Porangahau. I can only wonder at how our farming community are being supported???

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**



The value of the property improvements does not effect the percentage of use compared to the property next door. It is my belief that this is unfair rating as my neighbours use the same amount of regional council rates for the betterment of our community. The fair way to calculate regional council rates should use the land value. I would also like to address the inequality of access to educational opportunities for our High School students. At present it costs \$40 per week per student for College Students to travel to High School in Hastings and they also have to get to and from Waipawa to catch the bus to Hastings. This creates a problem for students who for whatever reason do not want to attend CHB College but do wish to remain in the educational system if their parents can not afford to pay \$40 per week for the bus ticket. It is my understanding that the fee used to be \$10 per week which most families would be able to find and so give educational choice. There is real problem with keeping students in education, especially at the High School level. Is there any grants available for students and their families to enable choice and so keep students in education.

**5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? Yes**

It seems fair that the costs be spread for the benefit of the community.

**6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? Yes**

It seems fair that the costs be spread for the benefit of the community.

**7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? Yes**

The HBRC must take into account individual circumstances on a need basis.

**8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? I**

would appreciate the HBRC considering the following anomaly which has come to my attention when working with Year 8 students. I would also like to address the inequality of access to educational opportunities for our High School students. At present it costs \$40 per week per student for College Students to travel to High School in Hastings and they also have to get to and from Waipawa to catch the bus to Hastings. This creates a problem for students who for whatever reason do not want to attend CHB College but do wish to remain in the educational system if their parents can not afford to pay \$40 per week for the bus ticket. It is my understanding that the fee used to be \$10 per week which most families would be able to find and so give educational choice. There is real problem with keeping students in education, especially at the High School level. Is there any grants available for students and their families to enable choice and so keep students in education.

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**Submitter ID: 326**

**Hearing? No**

**Andrea Trotter**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:**

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**1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? No**

Because to many are struggling to pay as is, changing it will likely result in people financial hardship on the already high costs of living.

**2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? Don't know**

I don't know because It was hard to understand all of it

**3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? Don't know**

I know we've been needing drainage to be fixed for years now but I need a better idea of plan of how it'll be done to work out and actually be sorted.

**4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? Yes**

Hawkes Bay's public transportation is unreliable and needs fixing.

**5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? Don't know**

I don't know because I need an easier indepth explanation of it

**6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? Don't know**

I don't understand how it'll work

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

Hard to understand need an easy explanation of what it means.

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 327

Hearing? No

**Teresa Guylott**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

People are struggling at the moment as it is, without having all these extra payments added on. The more we work to get on top of it all the more we are taxed, so can't win.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 328

Hearing? No

**Cheryl Pile**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **Don't know**

Just want whatever is cheaper. I'm a beneficiary having trouble paying them now. Rates rebate needs to increase lots.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

Can't afford it as a beneficiary, can't afford to move either.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

Not enough research into what actually works.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 329

Hearing? No

**Ange Bassick**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

No, unfair system I have always thought that rates based on CV rather than LV were dishonest and unfair. If I put my hard earned money into my home I would be penalised. Rates should be based on services provided. It is a trend that Councils think that they are in the entertainment industry and no longer principle providers of "core services".

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

Why should we be subsidising a service that we dont use. Absolute waste of money.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 330

Hearing? No

**Bridget Richardsin**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

It will provide us with a substantial rate increase and every family is already struggling to provide basic necessities such as food piper petrol insurances mortgages rents etc due to increases in all of these mecessities and minimal budgets cannot be further stretched especially as wages for most remain stagnant or less than pre covid and gabriellr

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 331

Hearing? No

**Shauna Jenkins**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Rates are already too expensive

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 332

Hearing? No

**Barbara Moore**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

It's not relevant as to what the value of the improvements are. The Regional Council are providing services centred on the land itself not the housing etc.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**

We have to keep on top of providing adequate fresh water as required.

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 333

Hearing? No

**Terisa Bashford**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Rural

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

who can afford these changes in rates NOBODY we are all struggling as it is why cant you see that people are living rough ours have increased so much and we get nothing from you no water no rubbish collection i know people that just dont see a way out and i would hate to see someone lose there life because of your greed how about cutting back on staff in chb and the wages you pay are way to high for what you do pay cuts perhaps less staff and perhaps cut back on what you spend on food for meetings ect

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

see above

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -

see above people cant give anymore !!!!!!!

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 334

Hearing? No

**CAROL OLSEN**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

I am already rated on capital value with Napier City Council and I see the change for Regional council to also do so is double dipping and unfair.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 335

Hearing? No

**Bernie Fleming**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Can not afford another increase in rates

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 336

Hearing? No

**Judith Beets**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

We already pay a rate that is on capital value and the risk of paying a higher regional rates is too high and would be extremely unfair.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 337

Hearing? No

**Anonymous**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

CV value of a property is, in no way, representative of the level of council services used by a home owner. This methodology is lazy and discriminatory, targeting perceived wealthy individuals. In many cases the services the council provide have no bearing to one's property value or size. A user pays system should be employed.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

No. This is not your core purpose. Stick to improving our infrastructure and not wasteful spending on pet projects and "consultative" processes

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

Yes in principle, as long as those affected are the ones charged. People have choices where they live and any house in a flood or erosion prone area should bear the cost of protection measures.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

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Subsidised transport should be scrapped and a user pays system employed. This would represent a fairer way of offering this service. Decarbonisation projects are woke and not an economic solution. A user pays system should be employed to run any public transport initiative.

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **No**

Individuals who pollute into waterways should be responsible for any costs in relation to this. The health and wellbeing of water that is discussed in your proposal is just an absurd concept. I am surprised that you are not also concerned about waters mentally healthy.

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **No**

Scope is too broad. Stick to ensuring our region's infrastructure is maintained and usable.

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Don't know**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?*

Taking into account the tone and addenda of this proposal I am disappointed with the quality of people employed in the regional council. Councillors will not gain my vote in the next local body election. This proposal is a money grab from those perceived to be wealthy and project that focus in areas outside of the "tax take" zone. Projects are Woke and "pet" projects with no obvious real economic outcome for the majority of rate payers. Stick to ensuring our basic infrastructure is capable of supporting current community and the population growth in the main centres. You do not have permission to use my personal details in relation to this form and comments

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Submitter ID: 338

Hearing? No

**Pauline Jones**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

Everything has increased in cost to the average person - who is just holding their head above going under. Why would you consider doing this huge increase when we don't see anything for our rate now. How about sorting out your office cost before hitting up the people who can't afford it.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

As above - cost

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **No**

Nothing has worked previously done

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **Don't know**

We don't have a passenger transport in our area.

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **No**

Costs

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **No**

AS above - cost

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **No**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

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Submitter ID: 339

Hearing? No

**Shannon Tait**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 340

Hearing? No

**Rebecca Tait**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 341

Hearing? No

**jeff tichborne**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

rates are already high enough, this 'new' way of calculating is nothing more than a cunning way of gauging more money from ratepayers while becoming more confusing to some on how it's all worked out, personally, I am about to go hit 65, my super payments don't cover my existing mortgage let alone the all the rates on my simple and basic residential property, this is forcing me to have have someone else live in MY HOUSE to help pay my way, due to surviving a motor vehicle accident many years ago, which affected my ability to work continuously, which means, I have been on a all ready limited income for some time, there is not enough money now, let alone having to find more for higher rates, when, frankly, the councils, regional included, have had plenty of money over the last nearly 20 years I've been back living where I live, ( which incidently, is where I started from) it's what the money you've had has been spent on is something I'd like to know, what vanity projects money's been wasted on, when it should have been spent on core infastructure, if the councils kept the rivers clear, straightened up and kept the river banks clear, and opened up the mouths of ALL the rivers to the ocean, perhaps there wouldn't have been the level of flooding that occured, - I could go on.....

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**  
why would I? - what does it actually mean? another excuse to increase tates?

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

not if it means paying yet more money no, you've had plenty of money over the years for this, if you installed quality equipment in the first place, this plant would have a long life span - as long as it's maintained properly - and there's the rub, and I use the example of the automatic pump across the road from me in clive that, when Gabrielle hit, it turned out the diesel tank was empty, that took days to be addressed, then, when an attempt to start it occured, and the diesel engined pump failed to start correctly, the on site regional council person (apparently only in the job a couple of days) didn't know what he was doing, panicked, and call the fire brigade, and that was the end of that, for a few days more, now, if the council hadn't got rid of their older maintaince engineers( I expect) one of these men would have known

what the significance of the "white smoke" (water in fuel) and black smoke(combustion) meant, as I do when I was told of what happened over at the pump house, meanwhile the council controlled gutters were still closed, which CAUSED the local flooding of properties front yards - including my own, it was at this time I realised the I hadn't heard that pump house start up automatically( as it used to do) for quite some time, - all to save money, will no doubt be the cry.....

**4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? No**

while this country in particular napier/hastings, wellington, being areas I have experience with, USED to have a working public transport service, this was of course, when the NZR railways ran most of the buses, and the trains, run by the Govt. department, but that all went out the window when when they started privatising public transport, personally, while I do support the need to have a public transport system THAT WORKS, I rarely used any public transport as an adult, and for some time, it isn;t an option for me due to injuries, "Passenger Transport rates" are just another drain my my limited supply of money, "public transport" should be funded and subsidised by central government- like it used to be, and kept affordable if you want people to use it, - and it has to be reliable,(might be too much to ask for in this now third world country nz has become) I personally don't mind if I payed a COUPLE of dollars more in tax to cover thing like this, if everybody pays, it spreads the load.....

**5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? No**

you don't need more "science" to be done, you already know what the problems are, and causes, it's been going on for years, EVERYBODY knows about it and any number of people could tell you - for nothing..... here's an idea, - STOP BOTTLING OUR WATER AND LETTING IT BE SOLD/ SWAPPED Or WHEELED AND DEALED, call it what you like, and particularly being shipped offshore, for the benefit of who?..... 'coz it's not us, the taxpayers and ratepayers of this country..... we, NZ needs all the water it has, to sustain "OUR LIVES".....

**6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? No**

technically, I guess I do, - but not if I have to be shelling out more money I don't have for it, stop over populating the country, anyone with half a brain can see we can't sustain it, we don't have the infrastucture for the people in the country we have let alone more, overpopulation is tha cause of the most of the issues we have in this county now, including placing more strain on our limited land mass.....

**7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? No**

I started reading what this actually meant - and lost the will to live,

**8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? I, -**

like a lot of other ratepayers I imagine, don't support rates increases, especially for 'core business' I mean, it took the council over for months to replace a street light that failed in front of my house in clive, you'd think it'd be a priority, - safety at night and all that, but no..... it's an led light as well, not even that old, I fit an extra light to my house to light up the footpath in front, so I could see the low lifes up to no good.....

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Submitter ID: 342

Hearing? Yes

**Jesse Richardson** on behalf of Common Ground Aotearoa

**Constituency:** Out of region

**Type of property/ies:** Other

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**1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? No**

Land value is a superior rating basis to capital value for a number of reasons: (1) As mentioned in your consultation document, capital values disincentivise development, which is a major detriment to more housing supply at a time when housing costs are extremely high. Specifically, it's a disincentive to \*denser\* development, which is also important for building vibrant, growing, low-carbon cities. CV rates encourage land speculation, while LV rates encourage building and good use of land. (2) LV rates are more equitable. We at Common Ground Aotearoa have analysed CV vs LV as a rating basis across many cities/districts in New Zealand (read more: <https://www.common-ground.org.nz/analysis/>) and we consistently see a lower rates burden for average residents under LV rates (holding total revenue constant). We have not yet



conducted the same analysis for the Hawkes Bay Region, but we are working on that now. This idea may seem counter-intuitive given CV takes into account the total value of a property, but the reality is that wealthier people tend to live in much higher land value areas, and therefore have a lower CV:LV ratio. For example, land values in beachfront Napier properties can get as high as \$4000/square metre, whereas land values in Wairoa are generally around \$100/square metre. Wealthier people are also likelier to own empty or undeveloped land, that sees much lower rates under a CV rating basis. In fact, your own consultation document shows that LV is more equitable: if the general rate is switched from LV to CV, the average residential rate goes up by 4% in Wairoa, 5% in Napier, 1% in Hastings and 16% in CHB. Of course, pastoral properties would see their rates go down, but this is clearly not equitable for the simple reason that the vast majority of Hawkes Bay ratepayers are residential, not pastoral. To conclude, there is absolutely no evidence for the statement that CV is more equitable, and there is considerable evidence to show that LV is more equitable. (3) LV reflects the provision of council and government services. Unlike improvement values, which can be affected by individual property owner decisions, the land value of a property is the sum of a number of factors, such as natural environment, private amenities (e.g. local businesses) and public amenities, which are provided by local and central government. This makes LV a natural choice for a rating basis, and ensures that those who receive more benefit from the regional council pay more in rates and vice versa. (4) LV is strongly preferred by economists (due to it being both efficient and equitable) and also has a strong track record of success overseas. To see more of those benefits, Hawkes Bay should consider moving more of the rates burden on to land value, rather than the other way around. Please get in contact if you have further questions about these points, Common Ground Aotearoa is a research and advocacy organization that focuses on choosing the correct rating basis for local government.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

Same reasons as for the general rate, it's a bad idea to switch from CV to LV.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? It's generally better to have a simpler rates system, and to avoid fixed/per-unit charges. The most efficient and equitable rates system would receive most/all of its revenue from a single rate on land value, with differentials for different land use (residential, commercial, agricultural) and limited targeted rates if there is an overwhelming need. That's the direction the Hawkes Bay Regional Council should be moving in.

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Submitter ID: 343

Hearing? No

**Alicia Kerley**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Rates based on CV rather than LV are dishonest and unfair. If someone chooses to put their hard earned money into their home why should they be penalised while perhaps their neighbour chooses not to and gets rewarded with lesser rates. Rates should be based on services provided. End of.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 344

Hearing? No

**Francess Mitchell**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Rural

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **Yes**

It is fairer for rates to be based on the total value of the property, not just the land value e.g. a small farm with a moderate house versus a million+ dollar house on a small section- if they are worth the same they should pay the same for the general rate.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

As a pastoral farm we do not see any benefit from funding regional tourism.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**

Much fairer way to charge this as we all have an impact on our environment and all benefit from a healthy environment. Some permitted activities if not maintained and managed properly can have the same or even a greater impact as a single consented activity that is well managed and monitored.

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

We all benefit from improved biodiversity and it is everyone's responsibility to protect our native flora and fauna. There is usually no financial benefit to doing this, and often a cost for the land owner. However the control of specific pests that benefit an industry makes sense to target the charge to those that benefit.

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 345

Hearing? No

**Grant Wilson-Bramwell**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Rural

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 346

Hearing? No

**Rex Graham**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? -

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -

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8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 347

Hearing? No

**Brendon Leeuw**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

How are we supposed to afford the latest increase? Our household increase is in excess of \$1000 a month. With interest rates, insurance, fuel, rates, electricity and the likes. Our wages just can't keep up with increases and we have to find alternative ways to survive. When is enough enough

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 348

Hearing? No

**Annette Clifford**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

This is so unfair as it should only be on the land value, they are high enough as it is! You guys only look after the land not the buildings.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 349

Hearing? No

**Adrian Fong**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Too expensive. I can't even pay the current rates using land value. Capital value will strain my wallet.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

I know that I am only a small person, but just to say, I'm against anymore increase costs. I simply can't afford it.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

I'm not impacted. Napier Council already covers this.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

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Don't use it because the buses are always cancelled due to driver shortages, but I don't see any ads on Trade Me or seek for new drivers. Yet you have a shortage. Also the buses don't exactly have routes to industrial areas where people work. So I'm forced to take a car.

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Yes**

We need freshwater. I support if you were more transparent on costs for said freshwater works.

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Yes**

Yes

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Don't know**

I never pay. I can't afford to pay. If you had different payment terms like how Napier Council does, I'll be able to afford to pay small amounts per week.

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?*

Don't increase it. But I already know you will. 98% of all consultations always end up in favour of the councils wishes. Consultation is just a formality you have to go through. I understand that.

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**Submitter ID:** 350

**Hearing?** No

**Paul Benefield**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

Because it is a disgusting way to try and cover yourself from the poor budgeting and spending of the councils. Things are already super tight for people and you are kicking them while they are down. People are already struggling with the cost of living.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **No**

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **No**

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **No**

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **No**

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Yes**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

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**Submitter ID:** 351

**Hearing?** No

**Keri Benefield**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

People are already doing it tough with the Cost of Living ridiculous, budget better,

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **No**

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **No**

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **No**

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **No**

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Yes**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

**Deane Morrison****Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay**Type of property/ies:** Residential**1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? No**

We have already been adversely affected by the cyclone having been displaced and this is another kick in the guts. It is totally unfair to even be considering a change such as this when CHB council rates are already set to rise by 47% this year. There are many people living here who are already struggling to meet their basic expenses and this is just another kick.

**2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? Don't know****3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? Don't know****4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? Don't know****5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? Don't know****6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? Don't know****7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? Don't know****8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -****Graeme Perry****Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle**1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? No**

In the majority of cases the Capital Value increase is portrayed as being beneficial, yet only to HBRC, not to the landowner. Clearly in the section relating to this (p 8 ) you talk about fairness however, to me, this is a thinly disguised Capital Gains Tax being levied at a local level. Recently HBRC has shown immense inability to deliver to rural areas, viz the Cyclone and non-existent support and recovery in CHBDC (to be fair CHBDC performed in the same way) it may be more pertinent to have HBRC focus on some cost cutting and delivery before running out revenue gathering under the guise of 'changing the rating structure'.

**2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? No**

HBRC being the sole funder for tourism and development is hardly appropriate to increase a rate where rural properties, as aside from horticulture and in particular vintners, gain no real economic benefit from tourism. In CHB most travellers pass through on their way to Wairarapa or if traveling north to Napier. Hardly a reason to have widespread rate increase across rural properties.

**3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? No**

In simple terms you failed the community during the Cyclone, years of deferring stop bank and river bed maintenance lead to catastrophic damage and loss - which is, in a lot of areas, still affecting everyday lives of people. Surely it would be better to attend to the aftermath of the Cyclone, get people back in their homes and on their feet, rather than come to the affected communities and ask for more money. Your timing, based presumably on unaffected Councils staff looking to claw more funds from the community, frankly could not be worse.

**4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? No**

Show me the subsidised passenger transport in CHB. There is none, so why should CHB fund a town / city based benefit.

**5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? No**

Another example of HBRC trying to claw money without creating a benefit. From your 8 bullet points, no less than 4 are devoted to 'reports and research' if you could prove an annual requirement for this level of reporting and research then it may be different. In my opinion there is no visible output to the community for this level of reporting and research.

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

Around my area, myself included, the farmers are doing an excellent job - on their own and with no help from external sources - of improving their environment and sustainability. Regular culls are undertaken for rabbit (and hare) pests, along with clearing noxious weeds from properties, possum population has, I am informed, reduced in CHB over the past few years. Where HBRC could, and should, do better is reducing the environmental impact of the towns and residents thereof.

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

The only clearly output driven support for the community in the entire document. Where people are truly struggling - and in some rural areas around CHB there are communities supporting those who have lost work or do not have the financial ability to cope with the cost of living crisis. Where is the local and regional council support? Non existent. This, at least, may provide some relief to those who are desperately struggling to survive and exist..

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?

There is never a good time to introduce changes to everyday cost of living, now, after a Cyclone, matched with the inflationary increases and cost of living rises, our Regional Council believes this is a good time to come along and add to the pressure. It isn't. I would be more supportive of a Council that had a clear plan to deliver it's responsibilities to the community, HBRC doesn't have one. Put a proper long term plan together with hard commitments to deliver improved management of the Region, backed by a proper financial budget and prove that the staff, and Councillors, are capable of fiscal responsibility and clear ability to deliver on promises. Until then this project should be shelved

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Submitter ID: 354

Hearing? No

**Karena Waihape**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

You have not offered any assistance... I refuse to pay you anything until you do your job. Tell me what are we paying for???? All you are made up of are paper pushing..meetings...looking for a way to get more money.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

Reasons above.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

Reason above.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 355

Hearing? No

**Andy Davis**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential Other

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Regions with a lower socioeconomic status will be negatively impacted by the proposed changes. Homeowners that already struggle to pay their rates will be forced further into financial hardship while conversely, large land owners/farmers will benefit financially from the changes.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

The figure of 30% is too high for funding via residential rates. A reduction in funding from pastoral farmers etc should not be offset by residential rates but through business rates.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

Farming and forestry will contribute a disproportionate amount of income to this funding if the new rating system is implemented. Many of the issue Hawkes Bay faces in relation to flooding and the impact on urban areas are directly related to farming and forestry practices.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**

Public transport infrastructure is an important and critical part of developing a thriving place to live.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

Great idea but once again a distribution of tax to residential owners that will see little of the benefit.

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

This is a blatant acknowledgment that the HBRC's proposed changes to rates will negatively impact residential home owners. This is not taking responsibility for the harm that will be caused by aggressive revenue gathering but a cope out for the inevitable.

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 356

Hearing? No

**Geoff Ellis**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential Rural

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

This rating change seems to be ill timed considering the effects on our business with the pending decisions from the HBRC TANK committee on water take consent. A HB Regional Councilor and TANK member has just informed us that under the current TANK policy we will not receive renewed water take consent and thus after 30 odd years of orcharding without water we can no longer continue with our horticultural business or transform over to any other land based growing operation that requires water. To change the rating system now while we are currently Plains/Horticultural rated and not be given opportunity to revisit our rating zoning due to the effect of the TANK decision is a double hit of not only losing our orcharding business but having our rates increased under this proposal. Require more time to ultimately see the final effect of TANK water consent decision and thus have land correctly zoned for any new rating system.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 357

Hearing? No

**Linda van Selm**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

I am a single wage earner and the proposed change will put significant pressure on my finances, so much so that I will no longer be able to stay in my home and be forced to sell. I am lucky enough to own my home

due to my husband passing away and leaving a life insurance but that doesn't mean that I am financially rich just asset rich. I do not find the new system fair at all and I believe that it will force a lot of older residents to sell as their pension will not be able to cover the increase. PLEASE reconsider this proposal.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

For the same reasons as above.

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **No**

Should stay at LV

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **No**

Being "supposedly wealthy" does not ensure a better service or have better access to public transport.

Where I live I would have to drive to the bus stop and leave my car in a vulnerable location, how is that fair that I pay more than someone who has easy access to the service.

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* -

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Yes**

Because it is important that the council isn't constantly running in deficit over these charges being unaffordable for the small number of people that are required to pay. I think spreading this cost over the total ratepayers will allow important water testing to continue.

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Don't know**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

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**Submitter ID:** 358

**Hearing?** No

**Les Billington**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

As a pensioner ,I can't afford higher rate costs..

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **Don't know**

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Don't know**

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **Don't know**

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Don't know**

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Don't know**

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Don't know**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

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**Submitter ID:** 359

**Hearing?** No

**Rebecca Bennett**

**Constituency:** Not sure

**Type of property/ies:**

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* -

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* -

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* -

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* -

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* -

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* -

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* -

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* I believe it would be fair and honest to hold a referendum to see if the people of the Hawkes Bay wish to change the base criteria on which you calculate their Regional rates. If indeed the Pie is merely being re-



calibrated and not expanded then listening to the people you were voted in to represent should not reduce your income in any way. To bring this change to pass over the Christmas Holiday period also reeks of a little underhandedness. I believe after the past three years you should looking to counteract the mistrust in governance that is inherent in the community, and a move like this is counter productive to that outcome. Just listen to comments in the supermarket queues and you will truly start to understand that your community is no longer your largest supporters. Please treat the people of the Hawkes Bay with the respect you yourself would like to receive.

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**Submitter ID:** 360

**Hearing?** No

**Andrew Carney**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:**

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? -
  2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? -
  3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -
  4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -
  5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -
  6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -
  7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -
  8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? I simply think rural like Poriati should pay less than town as they do not use town supply.

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**Submitter ID:** 361

**Hearing?** No

**john Sanko**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:**

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? -
  2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? -
  3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -
  4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -
  5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -
  6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -
  7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -
  8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? As a property owner both in Havelock North and Waimarama I am against your proposed change, particularly in Waimarama where there are limited services provided by council. Given the pressure on everyone the proposed increases are unfair because of the overheated property market pushing values up and poor council planning opening up land for housing development. This problem has been bought about by council over regulation and excessive fees, poor delivery and timeliness of services and unwillingness to open up land lost for housing.

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**Submitter ID:** 362

**Hearing?** No

**Steve Goodman**

**Constituency:** Not sure

**Type of property/ies:** Rural

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? -
  2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? -
  3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -

As a rate payer for farmland beside waterways and beach property, I think rates should be allocated/tiered based on cost of maintaining the area/zone the property is in. For example, in Waimarama the rates are tiered to provide for and pay the coastal erosion rock wall. Basically three tiers 1/Beachfront, reducing to next 2/property back (first 50%) and then the 3/ Hawkes Bay rating community funds the other 50% - something like this. Essentially the rating risk is shared but with the immediate properties to the risk contributing the most.

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -*
5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -*
6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -*
7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -*
8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -*

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**Submitter ID: 363**

**Hearing? No**

**Paula Yeates**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? No*

So you are thinking of changing the way you charge, from Land Value to Capital Value !!! Capital Value is considerably more than Land Value which will mean my rates will increase by a huge amount. Being on a fixed pensioner income this will mean hardship for me. Therefore I do not agree with this proposal.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? -*
3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -*
4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -*
5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -*
6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -*
7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -*
8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -*

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**Submitter ID: 364**

**Hearing? No**

**Glenn Marshall**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:**

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? -*

I would like to see the following amendments. A move away from the current land value rating to a flat rating. Neither the current land based rating or the proposed capital value rating is a fair and reasonable system. E.g. a 90 year old widow living on her own in a property on the hill with sea views whose sole source of income is the pension will end up paying far higher rates than a six person family living in Maraenui. Yet clearly the single person household puts much less pressure on our resources and uses much less of the HBRC services e.g. public transport. This proposal frankly smacks of charging people solely based on the assumption that if they live in 'flash house' then they must have more money so therefore it makes sense to 'milk them' more. At its essence you are providing goods and services. Please tell me what other organisations that provide goods and services charge differential pricing for those services based on the perception of how wealthy that person is?

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? -*
3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -*
4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -*
5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -*
6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -*
7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -*

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? I would like to see the following amendments. Risk based pricing. HBRC will be well aware that insurance companies have now moved to risk based pricing based on risk assessment modelling. Climate change is real and it is having an increasingly negative impact. The time has come for HBRC to start factoring in risk based pricing into its rating model. I.e. someone that lives on the hills of Havelock North or Bluff Hill or Hospital Hill or the hills of Poraiti should not be expected to be the same contribution to risk protection such as stop banks as someone whose property is low lying and right beside a stop bank and in a known flood plain area.

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Submitter ID: 365

Hearing? No

**Rayewyn Hansen**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? -
  2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? -
  3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -
  4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -
  5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -
  6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -
  7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -
  8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?

How on earth our retired people on pension meant to pay a big rise? obviously because i live in Francis Drake Street but did not flood this is going against me. Not happy about this, bad enough with CHB District Council and Insurance shooting up.

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Submitter ID: 366

Hearing? No

**Joan Bishop**

**Constituency:** Not sure

**Type of property/ies:**

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? -
  2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? -
  3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -
  4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -
  5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -
  6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -
  7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -
  8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? The increased amount should be changed to people's & businesses that are g.s.t registered & only a \$1.00 increase to everyone else.

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Submitter ID: 367

Hearing? No

**Debbie Beamish**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

My view is that it is unfair to change your rating of residential properties to capital value. This is an unfair and revenue gathering exercise and will unfairly penalise property owners. It is fair to tax the land value of

a property and not include the value of the dwelling ie capital value. In my view the value of the house has nothing to do with the Regional Council rates or what the Regional Council provides for its rates.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? -
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 368

Hearing? No

**Leclue Oosthuizen**

**Constituency:** Not sure

**Type of property/ies:**

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? -
  2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? -
  3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -
  4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -
  5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -
  6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -
  7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -
  8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? Its ridiculous As a home owner we are barely surviving with the finances coming in. You are killing us.

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Submitter ID: 370

Hearing? Yes

**Bruce Bissett**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:**

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? -
  2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? -
  3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -
  4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -
  5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -
  6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -
  7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -
  8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? On the face of it the major change proposed from Hawke's Bay Regional Council's review of rates is to alter the underlying basis of rates for a given property from land to capital value, and as far as this principle is concerned there appears to be some logic to adopting it. However the devil is always in the detail, which in this case consists of what is, or is not, to be covered under the auspices of the "general rate" as opposed to targeted or differentiated rates. One glance at the "examples" used, and as council's summary itself admits, shows that the major thrust of the proposed regime is to shift a significant proportion of the burden of rates from rural-dwellers to urban (both residential and commercial/industrial) by the simple trick of moving the rural-specific existing categories of rating (such as for sustainable land management, major pest control, and biodiversity) to within the general rate. Contrary to council's own fundamental principles, as per direction via the Rating Act, this is neither fair nor equitable. Before anyone accuses me of entering into a "townie versus country" debate, let me point out it is council who has manufactured one! But in addressing this I wish to make a different distinction: business versus home-owner. While I am sure commercial and industrial premises will have their own saws to sharpen with the current proposal, without doubt it impacts most on residential properties, wherever they may be. That impact may not be much in

dollar terms, but is significant in percentage terms - with increases ranging (as per the examples HBRC provides) from 28% for an average house in Hastings, through 42-46% for higher-end properties in Napier and Havelock, to a whopping 69% for a supposedly "low-value" home in Flaxmere. What those properties share is they are all homes, not businesses. Whereas regardless of whether it's a dairy farm, an orchard, or a forestry block, what all "farms" share with commercial and industrial premises is that they are businesses. Sure, someone may run a home office activity from their house; equally, farmers may live in homes on their farms. But primarily a farm is a business - and should be distinguished as such. Meaning, in this case, that the nature-specific responsibilities and costs of any rural land use must be differentiated from the quiet enjoyment of a residential house - be it in town, at the beach, or indeed on a country section. To a large extent, and as reflected in the current rating regime, council's costs for in particular ensuring sustainable land management, plant and animal pest control, and sustained/enhanced biodiversity are all rural-specific costs. It must be noted however that the existing regime already places much of the burden on the general rate; the targeted rural rate for land management, for example, is only 25% of the total for that cost. But to my mind this makes the proposed change, removing that targeted rate altogether, even more pernicious. There is no adequate let alone valid reason for lumping those costs into the general rate and expecting residential home-owners to pay them - especially as on top of that we "townies" have a range of urban-specific targeted rates we are, more fairly, charged.

2 Would a crop farmer in central Hawke's Bay be happy to pay a rate for public transport? No, they would not! Yet we in Hastings who do pay such levies must now be expected to pay that farmer's rural-specific charges - reducing their rates overall by some 40% in doing so (again, per council's example). But that's not the worst of it. We have all seen, and variously suffered from, the effects of Cyclone Gabrielle and other "extreme weather events"; aside, I wonder how long it will be until these are re-labelled "normal"? A year later and one only has to visit any patch of shore along virtually the length of the East Coast to witness the aftermath: the detritus of millions of trees still littering the beaches. How much of that wooden burden is forestry slash? As much as official inquiries have attempted to minimise the figure, I suggest in reality it's considerably more than admitted. And how many bridges roads and train tracks are we still missing as a result? Yet inexplicably council's proposal states that "No specific, separately identifiable, group causes a need" to be delineated under "sustainable land management" rates. Beg pardon? As a result of which determination, "There is no particular need to fund this activity separately". So not only is the forestry industry not being more heavily rated for the environmental damage they do - consistently, I submit - but under the all-in approach up for adoption a 598-hectare Wairoa forestry block (council's example) will have its rates reduced by 74%. That'll pay for a lot of clean-ups, won't it. I remind the council that it exists to be our environmental watchdog - and I have no problem paying my fair share of costs for it to properly carry out its work. This proposal does not properly identify and consequently rate industries which are known to repeatedly cause pollution and other environmental impacts. I hesitate to use the term protectionism, but there's worse I might. One size fits all might be a good rule if you are running a donut stall. It will not work with land-use. If this is a "comprehensive" review, as advertised, then someone at council needs to get out a dictionary and look that word up. I haven't even begun to talk about dairying or monocultures.

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Submitter ID: 371

Hearing? No

**Joseph & Sally Rudzevecuis**

**Constituency:** Not sure

**Type of property/ies:**

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*1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? No*

Dear HBRC: we are strongly against your council's proposal to change the rates system from Land Value to Capital Value. We fail to see where the justice is in the move - are not the Council's remit to deal with environmental issues, not imposing a grossly unfair increased tax? HBRCs claim should remain purely with land value, not improved values to ratepayers properties (which are covered by Valuation Dept and used by Napier City to set rates). Our costs will rise by 11pc - going by your table - wake up to what people in "the real world" face. This is a double whammy on overburdened ratepayers, so please let common sense prevail !!! Perhaps HBRC should lobby the Government to impose some other form of funding so

everything is more equitable, especially after all weather-related problems faced, including spiralling insurances.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? -
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 372

Hearing? No

**Froma Rakuraku**

**Constituency:** Wairoa

**Type of property/ies:**

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? -
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? -
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?

What does HBRC do for us, nothing that I can see We gather rain water in our tank We arrange and pay for our own sewer septic tank clean We take our rubbish to the dump in Wairoa and pay there Why should our rates increase Our village have no footpaths The school kids walk on the road and have to dodge the logging trucks They cross the main road against 70 km heavy traffic without a zebra crossing Why should our community pay rates that benefit those in town?

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Submitter ID: 373

Hearing? No

**Linda McCully**

**Constituency:** Not sure

**Type of property/ies:**

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

If you want to encourage slum houses, this would be the way to go! With this suggestion, there would be zero motivation to improve your property whatsoever. My land value is \$295 K. My capital value is \$550 K so my land value is 53 % of my capital value. I paid \$288 K for the property in 2013, which is less than the current land value now. The land value then was \$155K with a capital value of \$275K so the land value was 56% of my capital value in 2013. The current land value is a 90% increase already on what I paid for it and there are no improvements to the land itself - how does this get justified?. I have spent \$47 K (17%) of the capital value at purchase to achieve a capital value now of \$550 K. There is now a garage on the property and an updated kitchen. The capital value from \$275 K to \$550 K is a 100% increase. You do not have to spend a great deal of money to achieve a huge capital value increase. Valuing my rates based on the capital value would be an 86% increase in rating costs which is ridiculous! \$485.29 would become an additional \$417.35 or a total of \$902.64 Due to medical requirements, I can only work part time and am nearing retirement. which will mean a reduced and fixed income. I have not received a wage increase this year so my income is not increasing but the overall cost of living is. Please bear this in mind when considering the realism of what you are proposing to do. There is the potential to force a lot of people to sell their homes because they will not be able to afford the increased rates on a fixed income.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? -

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 374

Hearing? No

**Ann Redstone**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential Commercial/Industrial

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Although personally I would be better off with a change to capital value I don't think the Regional Council should have any interest in capital values. You are an environmental agency which means the land value is your business. A change to capital value will disincentivise developers and residents making improvements and the horticultural sector will be negatively impacted as well. Only the rural farming sector would be advantaged.

I don't think the regional council should have any interest in capital values. Council's mandate is environmental so should be focused on land, not property improvements

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

I don't believe it's HBRC's mandate

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

This infrastructure is vital. Flood protection is vital at this time of needing to adapt and mitigate the effects of climate change

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**

We need more accessible public transport if we are to work towards mitigating climate change. We need a better more connected transport system if we are to reduce carbon emissions

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**

Water is our taonga. Water is a taonga.

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

This is important to our environment and should be a focus of council's

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

For those people impacted by the cyclone in particular

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 376

Hearing? No

**Samantha Russell**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

We are already paying the local council on c v. Why should you be able to increase my rates due to the capital value when you have nothing to do with my property I do not see this fair as everything is rising in price apart from wages. You will end up with more people not buying and end up selling up and leaving the area. Regional council have not done enough with the river beds or stock bank repairs you seem to all like to pass the problems on to someone else. Your maintenance of the stop banks is poor and not good enough.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

The issues that we have here have been years in the making why charge us more for the fact that the service is not up to par

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **No**

The flood protection has been not been done you have not listened to the community to what we need done

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **Don't know**

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **No**

Your water is not up to standard and never will be

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **No**

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Don't know**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

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**Submitter ID:** 377

**Hearing?** No

**John Newrick**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential Rural

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

Don't be greedy

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

Not your business

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **No**

You should have done this work before the flood, which will come again

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **Yes**

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **No**

All crap

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **No**

Also very debateable stuff, which we never debate

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Yes**

Many people have been dumped on by the government without any support of them by the regional council

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* Not really sure what all the ramifications of them actually are, and as I don't speak maori am not sure why you keep ramming it at me. I don't like the speed of all this. Not happy.

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**Submitter ID:** 378

**Hearing?** No

**Jan Appleby**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

Unequitable as our LV is significantly less than the CV. When we bought the property 17yrs ago, it was with the plan of retiring here, coming up in two years. In 2020, our Regional Rates were \$531.00. Last year they doubled to \$1,018. Any more increases are unfair and not equitable. Our CV is significantly higher than land value but that is not reflected in our financial situation, especially once we retire. It would be heart breaking to have to move due to not being able to afford the ever increasing local body taxes. Jan and Trevor Appleby.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **Don't know**



3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 379

Hearing? No

**Jarrold Harris**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

At a time when the inflation rate is currently 5.6%, for my situation it is going to be hard enough to find the extra approx \$48 going on the 11% increase to my HBRC rates let alone if the proposal changing from LV to CV comes into play. We already are charged through the NCC rates pertaining to CV. In the current economic climate where the cost of living is sky rocketing, insurances annually are increasing hugely due to cyclone Gabrielle, in my situation being an orchard manager and loosing half of my blocks that are written off due to the cyclone, in turn I am restricted in income and going to earn probably \$10K less this year than last year these on going proposals no matter which way I turn are huge. My situation has dramatically changed over the past 12 months. 12 months ago I felt comfortable financially, would have considered myself middle income. This past 6 months like many others have slipped back a notch or 2 through no fault of our own and yet it seems like councils think its ok to just keep hammering the rate payers to a point that is unsustainable for many. IS THIS FAIR! I strongly oppose this proposal at this point in time.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 380

Hearing? No

**Lisa Robson**

**Constituency:** Māui Ki Te Raki (Māori Constituency)

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 381

Hearing? No

**Cindy Mckinnie**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Can't afford to pay it!!!! I have been raising 3 grandchildren for 6 years on my own...there is no way I can more!!!!

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

I cant afford it, like most people!

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 382

Hearing? No

**Kim Roscoe**

**Constituency:** Not sure

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **Yes**

We are pensioners and don't feel we should be taxed twice on the capital value of our property. At present we live on one pension. Having a second lot of rates any way is an added cost so increasing them by this method in particular is basic robbery. As it is thus rates bill is about rural land, waterways, not about our infrastructure that is covered by our council rates. We also had damage from the cyclone not a great deal compared to a lot of people but it cost \$35,000 to fix inside and out. HBRC to think carefully about what they spend their money on. As do the Napier City Council. Fund the basics first before looking at funding big projects outside of these.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

As above

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

As above

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

Twin the existing funding

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 383

Hearing? No

**Sharon Sciascia**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

We are all users of the same services regardless of capital value of property! There should be a standard one size fits all per resident property. Penalising those who invest pride in their property is unfair. ONE SIZE FITS ALL.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 384

Hearing? No

**William Innes**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Rural

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
you are proposing to increase the rates on families who are already in the midst of a cost of living crisis. whilst giving reductions to those who wouldn't notice the increase. This is a gross miss-service of duty to you constituents and reeks looking out for your own self interest rather than those whom you represent.
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 385

Hearing? No

**Ray Daly**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
Regional council has shown nowhere where they intend to cut costs and is treating rate players like a money tap. Your proposal indicates that you will charge rates on my house that has nothing to do with your business. Your comment that we as owners can afford this as we have more resources is offensive. We are pensioners with a set income living in a modest house. Rates will eventually force people out of their homes and you are part of this impact. Be ashamed!
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

**Jacqui St Clair****Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier**Type of property/ies:** Residential**1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? No**

This is a huge increase and will result in a payment that is more than double the current rate - which in itself has also increased significantly since last year. With all the extra expenses and cost of living that affects everyone (including council) I understand the need to increase rates, however this hike is totally unrealistic and unacceptable. This change feels like we are being conned and Council is taking an easy option (in for a penny, in for a pound stance) to increase the rates significantly. There is no real reason to justify the increase or explain where the extra money will be spent as is normally the case. In this case, the only justification is that we are shifting an old rating scheme to another one. There is no justification of the increase and where the difference will be spent. I do not believe the Economic Development tax will remain at a reduced rate next year and then we will be back to paying the exorbitant rate. I absolutely refute this strategy and consider it pure greed at a particularly difficult time for everyone.

**2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? No**

My opinion is that this rate will easily be adjusted upwards again next year as it is not a major item and may simply slip into the calculation without any public negotiation.

**3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? Yes****4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? No**

The buses are not frequent enough nor are there enough bus stops to be useful for the majority of people to make good use of them - thereby rendering the service unused and ineffective. This whole area requires significant funding and revamping in order to justify the expense. In the meantime I consider it a waste of taxpayer money, but with potential to be a useful and cost-effective service if well managed.

**5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? Yes****6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? Yes****7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? Don't know****8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -****Mathew Arcus****Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings**Type of property/ies:** Residential**1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? Yes****2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? Yes****3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? Yes****4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? Yes****5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? Yes****6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? Yes****7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? Yes****8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -****Allan Fleming****Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay**Type of property/ies:** Residential**1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? No**

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 389

Hearing? No

**Chris Warren**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

I read a statement from the Chairperson quoted in the HB Today on 16 Jan 24. It defies rational thinking for her to make the statement that "capital value is seen to be more equitable. fairer and stable because those with more capital have more productive earning capacity, consume more resources and capital values fluctuate less than land value". Where does she get this nonsense from.? Perhaps if the rate payer is a commercial enterprise that logic might be true however for the majority of rate payers that is totally incorrect as most are on fixed incomes and will now be penalised by having an increased rate burden that will be subsidising rate payers such as farming operations that have the ability to generate more income and where the land value probably exceeds the Capital value resulting in a reduction in rates at the expense of those on fixed incomes. That is not equitable. That is as inequitable as it gets. The arrogance and ignorance of those comments made by the Chairman astound me. Also to say that HBRC will be considering all submissions is not truthful. This decision has already been made and this is just a box ticking exercise. Why was the submission process sneaked in at the last minute.? This should have happened 6 months ago. Show some integrity HBRC. The very reason that HBRC don't want the land value rating system is because as stated by the Chairman they fluctuate more than capital values! Councillors remember that you are representing us the rate payers of HB. You are not employees of the HBRC so be responsible when making decisions that have impacts on peoples lives.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Yes**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

But Only if the intended work is properly executed. Poor stock bank construction and maintenance in the past came back and hit us hard recently

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

Does not benefit me at all

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**

Yes those that take water need to pay. There have been too many consents issued without due consideration in the past by HBRC that have severely impacted on the essential water supply for rate payers in some areas Classic example: Ongaonga wells being affected by excessive groundwater take by careless and unmonitored agricultural irrigation

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

No because HBRC have not shown any ability to manage any of this properly in the past We have serious pest problems that are being ignored. What results do we see for what we pay?

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

**Alan Simpson****Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings**Type of property/ies:** Residential**1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? No**

Simple reason! nothing is going to change for us and our home of 24 years, if this gets passed we will wake up in the morning and our rates to HBRC will increase by about \$300 P/A, we get nothing extra for that amount!!!! except our pension will lose a weeks income for the year to pay for this increase we are in our late 70's, due to an Accident when I turned 50 I have been a beneficiary ever since and every year I have watched all of of bills go through the roof our income stays virtually the same and now this!!! just another knife in the spinal cord! we cannot sell up or go anywhere without a massive asset decrease we are in a no win situation along with a massive amount of other people, there must be a better fairer way where ALL citizens pay their fair share of all Rates!!! {TAX} it is totally unfair!!! that if you own your own home, we have to pay all of these other bills as well, for example, we pay pay for subsidised buses/Rail & splash planet will never ever use any of them, got taken to Splash Planet for an outing, they wouldn't let us in unless we paid an admittance fee \$13 and I've paid thousands towards the place, same with Buses!!! same with Rail!! {just examples!!} the whole system is totally unfair and if this gets passed it's about to get a whole heap unfairer, why do we have to pay an extra \$300 P/A for nothing, that is one whole weeks income almost!! how fair is that!! we were always told that life is unfair! but it does not need to be this unfair!! Kind Regards Alan Simpson.

**2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? No**

As above.

**3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? No**

We had a one off Cyclone, the chances of it being repeated are almost zero!!

**4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? No**

User pays very simple, if I use something I'm well prepared to pay for it!!

**5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? Yes**

Water is for everyone BUT we should all contribute not just home owners!!

**6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? Don't know**

Don't know anything about it I'm afraid.

**7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? No**

We should all pay towards to costs of running our area, not just the home owners, it should be a citizens tax not just another tack on to our ratyes bill!

**8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? The current rates should be scrapped in favour of a citizens living tax, where everyone contributes to cost of the upkeep of our area, it shouldn't just be loaded onto a home owner! something like the Auckland fuel tax system seems to a be a fairer option! it's 2024**

**Sandra Ousley****Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings**Type of property/ies:** Residential**1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? No**

Last year's QV more than doubled land value resulting in substantial rates increases and Rebate increase of only \$50.

**2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? No**

Fixed income ratepayers (ie CSC holders) cannot afford any more increases

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

Why should ratepayers not in affected areas be paying this.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

Bus routes need to be reviewed ie why can't Havelock bus go up Napier Road, Russell Robertson, loop down Te Mata Road

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

In times of high inflation no extra spending

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

Restraint in today's inflationary times needed

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

CSC holders won't be able to continue living in their homes if rates continue rising at last year's rates

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 392

Hearing? No

**Nicola Truuts**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

It's extremely unfair to increase rates based on capital value. The cost of living is horrendous enough as it is without you double dipping into the rates. We already pay Napier Council rates which have hugely increased and now you lot want your cut as well. Why should I pay capital value to both Napier and regional rates. Your proposal is disappointing, it's money grabbing off people who are already struggling and it's down right bloody greedy! Get rid of some of your overpaid staff and unnecessary spending if you need to claw back money.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 393

Hearing? No

**Jo Munialo**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

One of the main purposes of the Regional Council is to maintain a 'sustainable regional well-being and to manage the effects of using freshwater, land, air and coastal waters' - I don't see how using the Capital Value to generate the rate instead of the Land Value is beneficial to rate payers. Surely, this is what the city council is for? Isn't this double dipping with the rate payers HBRC ?? Shame on you! The timing of this consultation is appalling and what you are proposing is totally unfair on Hawke's Bay Residents

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

Why are you insistent on charging by CV and not LV - this is what the City council is for

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 394

Hearing? No

**Yvonne Forrest**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **Yes**
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 395

Hearing? No

**Damon Harvey**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
I don't agree with the HBRC view that those with more capital have more earning capacity and consume more resources. This is simply not true. How do you actually calculate that? Chair Ormsby made this claim in an opinion piece and therefore she assumes that only the rich own higher valued properties - this is simply not the case. Many have a fixed income and many don't earn income from their property. Also those with more land also don't 'consume more' in fact again this could be quite the opposite and in fact what does she mean by consume more? Does she mean more of the services provided by HBRC - well again I doubt that very much. A residential home in Hastings or Napier consumes very little of the services provided by HBRC - as is the same for lifestyle properties like ours. We are also restricted from using the land for any primary growing practices - due to the restrictions of water use imposed by HBRC as well as the fact the the size of the property makes it impossible to be maximised. Holding out for any chance of the property being part of any amalgamation with adjacent properties is also highly unlikely. I struggle to understand that if I make improvements to my property, especially buildings, that HBRC should charge me additionally, when they provide no or few services to support this improvement/betterment. I think the change will put people off from enhancing their properties.
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Yes**  
It's not about the cost of the rate but actually what is being done and there's little to no evidence that anything is being done to foster sustainable economic development in the region. The community needs to know the benefits and successes of regional What evidence can be provided to show that ED has been a success and if this is the case - then certainly support ongoing investment. But first we need the metrics on this.
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -  
Why should those that don't have easy access to passenger transport but charged for it? we live less than a km from the urban area of Hastings but there's no bus stop nearby Also HBRC has a pretty poor record of delivery - for example the myway bus concept was a great idea but then HBRC decided to pull the pilot.
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**



7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**  
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 396

Hearing? No

**Megan Fowden**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Two properties the same, size and same land value they pay the same rates. If it is changed and one of the land owners decided to build a double garage which costs him thirty grand, now his cv goes up due to the improvement and so would his rates.. So if you improve your property, you will be paying more that your neighbor who rents out his place and doesn't want to improve his property. So it's not fair to penalise land owners who improve their properties.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 397

Hearing? No

**Robert Hepi**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Other

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

I don't agree because the Regional Council has nothing to do with the capital valuation of our property, and should be focused on land, air and water. This seems like a revenue based decision rather than a people based decision. A quick review of the comparison table shows a decrease in some areas and an increase in others, especially in areas with vulnerable populations.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

Charge the environmental polluters

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

Um duh...we all learnt from Gabrielle didn't we?

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**

I use buses occassionally

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

Polluters should be forced to pay

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 398

Hearing? No

**Hayley Browne**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **Yes**

It is more equitable - rates are essentially a wealth tax and CV more accurately reflects the wealth required to purchase/own the property than LV.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **Yes**

It sounds fair

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Yes**

It more fairly reflects how the benefits are received.

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **Yes**

Seems fair

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Yes**

Seems fair

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Yes**

Well done for simplifying this and more effectively attributing costs to the beneficiaries.

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Yes**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?*

Just to say Well Done! Obviously a huge amount of work required to get you to this point and all of the proposed changes seem equitable, reasonable and simplified.

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Submitter ID: 399

Hearing? No

**Charlene Tipene**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:**

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

I own my house n you are going to make it harder for me to pay the bill i am all ready behind in payments how am I going to pay 200.00 dollars more I live buy myself I work .all you need to work on is the water n land are around napier

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **No**

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **No**

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **No**

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **No**

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **No**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

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Submitter ID: 400

Hearing? No

**Taryn Elliott**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Rural

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

Outrageous increase for residents & unfounded as we already pay CV for district council.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

We're already contributing to flood relief when many areas that are contributing were unaffected not to mention preventative care was not taken in the first place by the council

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 401

Hearing? No

**Wendi Good**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

What is true value? Nothing aligns against CV, RV, Rates. Our properties need one value across all so we can see justification and how it's calculated in the different rates we pay.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

Where do I find this?

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

Where do I find this?

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

Where do I find this?

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?

Where do I find this?

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Submitter ID: 402

Hearing? No

**Ross Hill-Rennie**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

I don't think it is a fair way of rating

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

I feel that we need to go back to just digging out the rivers,

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

I don't feel it is used well enough

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

**David Todd****Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings**Type of property/ies:** Rural Lifestyle

1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

On the face of it, and even having had a look at the information provided with sample properties, changing from Land Value to Capital value appears to simply "tax" properties with significant improvements on them. Those improvements sit "inside the gate". As such they are/have been paid for by the land owner. The services etc that are paid for by rates do not contribute to those improvements so it feels like a mismatch of funding to provision of service. To also be "taxed" on improvements that the land owner has made themselves, irrespective of the level of service their rates pay to have accessible to them on or leading to their land, is hard to reconcile.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

I certainly support Regional Economic development. I'm not so sure that a rating arrangement from HBRC to capture the funding for it is appropriate. Is that HBRC's core business? Given the apparent plethora of economic development agencies and the difficulty to see either any clear outcomes from their work or evidence of them working together I am reticent to support a rate proposal that funds a model that doesn't appear to be delivering tangible results.

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Yes**

To a point. It appears this rate proposal will apply only to horticultural land? If that is correct then it will be a small few who pay for the benefit of many - as well as themselves. If the proposal is to be levied across all properties then I am more supportive of it. However I would prefer to see it on the basis of land value than capital value. Yes the growers with valuable land will see most of the apparent benefit of a secure flood protection scheme. Gabrielle taught us many things, perhaps one of them being the number of people who those growers provide food and/or employment/business for. It would therefore make sense for the rating for flood protection to be shared all.

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **No**

It appears to me the public transport system in Hawkes Bay is poorly patronised at best. Are we flogging a dead horse here? Do we have the population to justify it?

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Don't know**

I haven't studied them so am not in a position to comment.

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Don't know**

Sustainable Land Management and Biodiversity sound like noble ideas. As long as there are clear strategies and implementation plans for them then having some rating channelled there sounds like a reasonable line of thinking.

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Don't know**

Haven't read these but applying some common sense regarding remission and postponement sounds like a worthy concept.

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* **No.**

**J&L McGurk****Constituency:** Wairoa**Type of property/ies:** Rural

1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **Yes**

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **Yes**

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 405

Hearing? No

**Greg Reynolds**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

When we purchased 7 years ago our HBRC rates were \$300. Now they are over \$2000 and you want to put that up another 30%. We have spent our life savings and 7 years of hard graft upgrading our property and you want to punish us for that because our CV to LV ratio is too high. This is in part due to our new valuation which we have lodged a request to be done again as its crap (eg they reckon we have 54 covered car parks). I also note we are charged the horticultural rate but listed primary use is LIFESTYLE. This change also sees us paying more in nearly every other category.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

I dont think you have been doing a very good job here. I have seen very little on promoting visits to the bay post the cyclone and covid. Have not seen anything done to get the orchard workers back either.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

Sure but we bought where we did because we knew it would not get flooded. I think your performance during and after the cyclone was sub par and you did not even do what you said you would do in the LTP. Eg river level monitoring. I was here during the cyclone and apart from one message from HDC saying "we got this" heard nothing from emergency management. You were caught with your pants down and need to pick up your game.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**

What passenger transport. I cant even find PT on the rates examples or on my rates demand. Have not see A GoBay bus go past our place ever. But yes I encourage more people to use it so dont have a problem paying it.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**

Again a necessary evil. But how about getting some more water storage sorted. The Ruataniwha dam would have been fill to overflowing if that had been achieved. But another failure by you here.

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

Yeh but I think the work you did in the Ahuriri estuary compounded problems during the cyclone.

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

Sure, some people need it.

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? I

thought some of the information provided was inaccurate in the Have Your Say document. Eg the example in Figure 1 for Hasting Horticultural average has a CV to LV ratio lower than 1.78 but you showed a rate increase regardless. eg on page 9 you say ratepayers in horticultural and other dont see a large difference between using CV and LV. Yet Horticultural the biggest impacted?

**John Cannon**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

The proposed plans places a unfair rise in rates on residential rate payers. The land owners had had very significant support during the last few years both environmentally and as a result of the cyclone. This is not true for residential property. Infact in our area it is reported that the council neglected to care for the water ways resulting in significant damage to residential home. The council has done very little in support of these poor people. Please stop socialing losses.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **Don't know**

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **No**

If you let people build or set up businesses in dumb places that their fault

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **No**

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Don't know**

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Don't know**

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **No**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

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**Teresa Te Aho**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

Cost of living is making it hard for everyone financially and any increase to rates in the next 2 years would be a kick in the guts to most who don't earn more than 90,000 per year at this time of global financial instability..its not fair..council should think more on how this effects low income house holds who just manage to get by right now and don't qualify for help because they earn more than 60,000 but less than 100,000,

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

Just another bill that would leave less money in hand for food and current bills.

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **No**

Cost of living right now

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **No**

Same as above

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **No**

I think council should look at ways business wise to gather more money in to cover all these proposed cost rather than putting the cost on to rate payers,and no counselors should take pay cuts if the they earn more than 100,000 per year.

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **No**

I don't support any increase to the cost living due to how costly it is right now,prices go up but don't people don't get pay rises when costs go up,and should not have to change how they live every few months to manage the costs..more stability =less mental health issues.

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **No**

Same as all the above

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

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**Kathryn Bayliss****Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay**Type of property/ies:** Rural Lifestyle**1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? No**

This is not Fair, Simpler, Consistent or Flexible. My total rates will go up about 96% ! My general rate will increase 86%. The sample properties for comparison information is misleading. Or am I the only ratepayer who has such big percentage increases? I disagree with the statement "CV can be considered to be more equitable than LV because it considers ..... the capacity to earn from, both the land and the improvements on the land." Most residential and many lifestyle property owners can't or don't earn income from their land and their improvements on the land. I was surprised to find I am negatively affected. Looking at the bottom line I would be better off and have lower general rates if the general rate was kept on land value.

**2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? No**

This is not Fair, Simpler, Consistent or Flexible. I get no benefit from Regional Economic Development. It would be better to have lower rates and leave the money with ratepayers so can pay for their own Economic Development and support the businesses they choose to by buying their services or products. We should not have to subsidise other businesses. There should be no Regional Economic Development rate for residential and lifestyle property owners. It should be 100 % funded by broader business/rural community on capital value; with a differential on commercial/industrial to pay three times more. The Tourism industry should not be given preferential treatment and funding as they are just another type of business. They should not be given any funding or subsidies from general ratepayers.

**3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? No**

This is not Clear and Fair, Simpler, Consistent or Flexible. My U.T.T.F.C.S rate will increase about 218% for no benefits from Flood Protection. I live beside the Maharakeke Stream. There are no stopbanks on the Maharakeke Stream and no flood control works are done for it. My house was not flooded during Cyclone Gabrielle and my house paddock has never flooded in living memory. The water has not even reach my pump shed which is lower down on the river bank. My rates are unfair. My rating basis class needs to be reviewed and reclassified as I get no benefit from any stopbanks and river and flood control works. In the Revenue and Financing Policy FAQs HBRC said "Many rates charges such as drainage and flood control can be applied geographically. For example – flood protection activities throughout the region are funded by those properties which are directly impacted, and therefore receive the benefit." This has not been done correctly for my property. I asked HBRC for the HBRC rate cents per Capital value unit for the U.T.T.F.C.S for the proposed 3 rating factors Class A, B, C. and what % each Class A, B, C is allocated of the total rate revenue for the U.T.T.F.C.S. (When calculating the rates for the new proposed rating basis 2023-24.) I also asked for a copy of the rating review for the Upper Tukituki scheme. No one could / would answer these questions. I do not trust a fair system was used to allocate the U.T.T.F.C.S rating categories and rates portions or that it was checked if properties were in the right rating category. No changes should be made to the way overall Flood Protection and Drainage schemes are rated until post Cyclone Gabrielle reviews and plans are finished and any changes or new Flood Protection and Drainage schemes are decided and agreed to. Also the development of Riparian Management Plan needs to be completed. We should give our rivers 'room to move' and allowed to them to flow and flood naturally. Please review my rating basis class and reclassify it into no rated class or at the lowest rated class. I agree to the proposal to allocate 30% to the general rate and 70% for the Flood Protection and Drainage schemes. I agree for Rivers and stream maintenance being moved to the general rate.

**4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? Don't know**

I live in Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay and no public Passenger Transport is available.

**5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? No**

This is not Clear and Fair, Simpler, Consistent or Flexible. It should be kept the same - 65% general rates and 35% as section 36 charges for water quality and water quantity. It is simpler to keep Freshwater Science charges for water quality and water quantity as they are. My reasons: Urban areas also affect the water

quality. They discharge sewerage and storm water that can enter our water bodies so they need to pay their share. Consented discharges can exacerbate impacts on water quality more so holders should pay at least 35% of water quality science activity via section 36 charges. Other land and property owners can pay their share via the general rates. I agree with the change Water Information Services 90% from consent holders 10% general rate.

**6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? No**

This is not Clear and Fair, Simpler, Consistent or Flexible. I disagree with the 100% targeted rate on non-urban ratepayers based on land value for primary production pests. Rural Lifestyle property owners with less than 4 hectares are seldom involve with primary production. 4 hectares is seldom viable for an economic business and isn't large high value productive land. It is easy enough to keep the 4-hectare threshold for rate charges with computer software. This is already programmed into rates. Rooks, rabbits, and some plant pests (primary production pests) don't differentiate between urban and rural areas. Urban properties and their gardens can be affected by rabbits, rooks and plant pests also. If the 75% general rate and 25% targeted rate for Sustainable Land Management is not kept then I agree with the 100% general rate for Biodiversity/Biosecurity. It would be simpler to include primary production pests in this category also. The targeted rate should be for non-urban land over 4 hectares based on area for sustainable land management. The Sustainable Land Management rate should stay the same as rural landowners with more than 4 hectares rely more on Sustainable Land Management for their businesses as compared to small land owners and urban property owners. The activity Sustainable Land Management (Farm Environmental Management Plans) should be paid by businesses that have them. They are a separately identifiable, group which causes a need for them.

**7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? No**

I disagree with the Māori Freehold Land Policy. It is racial discrimination. This is not Fair, Consistent or Flexible. All Hawke's Bay land owners and property owners should pay for their fair share of rates and costs. No one should be given preferential treatment and rates remissions for most of the objectives of the policy. Other land owners and property owners have certain conditions, features, ownership structures or other circumstances. Other land owners and property owners use their land for traditional purposes. Other land owners and property owners have a special relationship and culture and traditions relating to their ancestral land. Other land owners and property owners often desire to develop their land for economic use. Other land owners and property owners will want to use their land to provide economic benefits and infrastructure to support their family. Other land owners and property owners know the importance of their land for community goals relating to: - the preservation of the natural character of the coastal environment - the protection of outstanding natural features - the protection of significant indigenous natural vegetation and fauna - the level of community services provided to the land and its occupiers - matters related to the physical accessibility of the land.

**8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?**

Consent holders who do not pay their fees and section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1990 charges should have their consents withdrawn and cancelled due to non-payment 6 months after the due date. When overdue there should be interest charged on the overdue amount owing. I agree with Policy and Regulation Group Activity - Resource Consents and Compliance being changed to 90% from consent holders via fees and user charges / 10% of recoverable costs, 100% of non-recoverable compliance costs from the general rate. I agree with Policy and Regulation Group Activity Maritime Safety being Split into two distinct sub-activities. - Harbour Operations Activity paid by 100% Napier Port and other users - Maritime Safety Education and recreational users activity 100% after other income from the general rate. Having two activity categories for the Emergency Management Group - Hawkes Bay CDEM and HBRC Emergency Management - and rating them differently is unclear and not simple. What is the difference between Hawkes Bay Civil Defence Emergency Management (CDEM) and HBRC Emergency Management and why are they rated differently?



**Bronwyn Slingsby****Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay**Type of property/ies:** Other

1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

Un affordable

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **Don't know**

Have not read enough information about it

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Don't know**

Have not read enough information about it

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **Don't know**

Have not read enough information about it

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Don't know**

Have not read enough information about it

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Don't know**

Undecided, discussing more with family

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **No**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

**Aaron Percival****Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier**Type of property/ies:** Residential

1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **Yes**

Using CV appears to be more equitable.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

This sounds needlessly complicated to me with the differentials and different rating calculations for rating categories. Prefer funded 30% by residential/lifestyle, 52.5% by commercial/industrial, and 17.5% by remaining rating categories. Calculate all on CV as economic development benefits the top end of town more.

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Yes**

It's simpler.

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **No**

I don't support rating this by either CV or LV as I don't think either will result in an equitable distribution of rates to the categories based on who most benefits from the service. e.g. why should horticultural and pastoral rate payers pay more than commercial/industrial? And why should lifestyle rate payers pay more than residential?

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Don't know**

If [redacted staff name] say's it's a good idea, then I agree.

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **No**

Disagree with 100% general rate for sustainable land management and biodiversity. While all rate payers' benefit, I feel it is mainly how non-residential land is managed and activities related to non-residential land that exacerbates this cost.

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Yes**

Sounds good.

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? I support simplifying efforts to reduce the administrative burden of rating and promote understanding.

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Submitter ID: 411

Hearing? No

**Amber Kay**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?

This applies to all areas note below: These proposed changes are unfair to the majority of Napier residents. Allowing the majority of Napier residents to pay for items that the minority utilise is unfair e.g. pest traps, public transport, tourism. Allowing Maori a 100% rates rebate on their land is unfair to non-Maori who are in dire circumstances. Rebates should be based on hardship not race or religion. Pushing the rates up on properties that were devastated by the Cyclone and are just getting back to normal e.g. orchards will have a double impact on ratepayers when food prices go up. Has HBRC considered this? We all know flood protection is required to protect people and assets. Some areas of Napier were spared major devastation based on the stop banks that HBRC had already built. We are grateful for that. The rest, HBRC should consider fees and charges to users. Your councillors are saying that the proposed changes will not result in an increase on total rates but they will negatively affect more than half of your ratepayers, who will have to pay more. You will be contributing to the hardship of the majority of Napier residents and other Hawke's Bay residents if these changes occur. It is very clear that HBRC have determined by proposing CV over LV they can capitalise off residential dwellings, who are the majority of Napier residents and will have to pay 11% extra this year and continue to pay more every year. HBRC councillors, come election year, please plan for Napier and other Hawke's Bay residents to vote you out if changes occur.

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Submitter ID: 412

Hearing? No

**Jennie Law**

**Constituency:** Out of region

**Type of property/ies:** Rural

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **Yes**

It's fairer

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Yes**

Sounds fair to me

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?

This has to be fairer to all rate payers

**Adrian Young**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

*1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? No*

No I do not support the move from land value to capital value. Your role in the Regional Council is to manage natural resources like water, land, air, coast, transport and civil defence. Your guiding principle is to be fair. If you fall back to first principles, the number of people in a household will determine the water usage, land usage, air usage, how much the coast is used, if transport is used and how many lives to save in an emergency. Typically the bigger the piece of land is, the more people can reside on the land. A land owners decision to build a deck in the yard should not influence the rates he would be liable for. The argument that other councils have following this method, demonstrates your preference to following what is popular rather than concentrating on what is right. Increasing rates aligning with higher capital values will also encourage tradesmen to charge increased rates for those that can afford it for any maintenance or renovation. This will have a undesirable influence on society. Epsom and Remuera are classic examples of tiering services. We don't want this behaviour in our great city. The previous government promoted behaviours like this and they were voted out. We have a new government in power that supports ideals like user pays, we should follow suit to align ourselves with governmental bodies and practice good prudent spending. I would like to remind you of the conflict of interest that the council has as a forestry owner. How have you recused yourselves from any bias in these proposals. This become important when forestry exposure to rates have dropped in all of your proposals. This could indicate to the public that you have a generic idea of cyclone cost exposure and are not sharing with the public in a timely fashion. Your statement that capital value is more equitable is flawed. A families ability to pay more should not be included in the decision making of your rates review. This reminds me of behaviours of the previous government that have been voted out. Your statement that capital value is more stable is also flawed. The capital value is based on the a buyers perception of the value of the house with the additional of the land value. Often the premium or discount a buyer pays for a house is often pushing into the land value, as a house is material and can be costed out and depreciated. True land value should not have large swings. Your statement that the proposal is fairer can be viewed in the exact opposite way. If you flip the coin to the other side, we should be rating the land the same to encourage land development into useful housing stock, income generating orchards, and income generating farms. Land banking should be discouraged for the general communities sack. Land banks land encourage grazing animals in residential areas, that expose residential water system to biohazards. It creates noise pollution at inappropriate years. It creates excessive weed migration and unpleasant sites for neighbours and developers.

*2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? No*

I dont support the changes. I have no preference if the amenities are modern, they just need to be fit for purpose and well maintained. Your role to provide civil services as minimum requirement. Investment in tourism should be born by the business and commercial owners. If I go to a concert because I like the singer, I don't mind to pay a non subsidised slightly higher priced ticket. With regards to civil amenities such as stadiums and libraries, I think some prudence against economic conditions and our cyclone recovery should be considered. Stadium maintenance maybe be subsidised by other private and public sporting organisation funding models and two libraries to support the Napier area maybe excessive. Especially with technology advancements and the gradual move to e-books, we should be seriously considering down sizing the two libraries to one to save costs to all rate payers. I would encourage the council to exercise prudence with your budgets. I hope you can encourage cost saving initiatives from your rate payers in the future in these surveys to gather ideas and support for ways to reduce rates. I am unsure sure how security comes into with your proposal. Are you suggesting that this fund hires private security in the towns to protect business owners and the public? If so, I would encourage you to engage the police and governmental bodies to provide better security to the region given the rise in crime in 2023 due to the cyclone black out.

*3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? No*

I don't support the proposal. There is no relationship between capital value and flooding & drainage. There is an argument to use roof area as a measure of flood protecting as that is the volume of water that needs to be drained away from the property. Please consider a two or three storey house may have a larger capital value but actually have a smaller roof area than that of a single story house with the same liveable area. You have the roof line of every house in file, why not use that. That would be fairer. Forestry rates have nearly halved. You have failed some basic litmus testing with regards to flood management. The whole cost of the cyclone impact was caused by the poor operational practices within forestry industry. Forestry owners around Hawkes bay can come from the wealthiest families and organisations in the world and yet we are reducing their rates. This is inexcusable and appalling that the councillors failed in their duty of care to provide fairness. Forestry owners saved costs by convincing councils that slash was a good sustainable operational practice that had a positive impact on the environment, they may have saved costs by not engaging the right forestry engineers to properly and successfully risk assess the operation change in their business practices. One of the councils failed to identify and properly mitigate the risk introduced to the public and private power companies and ensure proper engineering solutions were implemented to ensure the public's safety. I think the total flood relief shortage (assumed) should be allocated to the forestry owners next to the rivers and that contributed to the destruction of public and private assets and numerous fatalities and other associated injuries of the residents of Hawkes bay. Where is the investigation and review of the flood? I am waiting for the public submission for the cyclone relief funding options that you propose. There is a direct conflict of interest here the HBRC being a land owner of forestry in the region. Please take some time to recuse yourself as a council member if you feel like you have not kept the public's best interests at heart. On another note, I am perplexed 11 months after the cyclone we have not been presented with a statement of expenditure accumulated prior to the cyclone, how it was forecast, how it was spent, how much were we short or surplus from the accumulation of funds. I hope the review details improvements of how we can more accurately forecast accumulated flood funds taking into account for inflation based on labour, material and service indexes.

**4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? No**

I do not support this proposal. We are a driving community, we are a 10 minute city, we don't have problems with car parking outside the city. Let's keep it that way. The government is promoting road user charges, inline with the most fair method in history is each passenger should pay the fare they travel. Subsidising public transport for handicap people is acceptable, other subsidies are not.

**5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? No**

I do not support this proposal. I think end users and area consents should pay more than 50% ie a majority of the costs.

**6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? No**

I don't support this proposal. The cost of sustainable land practices should be borne by the land owners that require consistent guidance to ensure the residential land owners safety from slash, animal bacteria invasion into ground water. You have failed us rate payers with the management of forestry owners and then you reward the forestry owners with a reduction in rates. Note that at the time of this submission, councillors are aware of the cyclone recovery costs and have not presented these costs to the public and potentially manipulating cost allocations prior to rolling out the cyclone review.

**7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? No**

I can't support this proposal. People that buy land need to pay rates like all of the other land owners, if you can't afford the rates then you need to sell the land as you cannot afford its operating expenses. Some short term relief for those that lost their land in a disaster is already been implemented and practiced. As I cannot support any of the councils proposals I would propose a vote of no confidence if your ability to govern this region.

**8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? I have lost confidence that you are taking the public's best interests at heart.**

**Arlo Armstrong**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

**1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? No**

I do not support the proposed move from land value to capital value for the general rate. The principles advocated by economist Henry George "Georgism" and succinctly described in "Land is a Big Deal" emphasize the societal value of land and the importance of taxing it accordingly to discourage speculation and encourage productive use. The proposal by the Hawke's Bay Regional Council to switch from land value (LV) to capital value (CV) for the general rate contradicts these principles for the following reasons: Discourages Productivity and Development: The CV system discourages property development and improvement because any enhancement to the property increases the tax burden. This goes against the incentivization of productive land use and improvement, which is crucial for economic growth and development. Inequitable Tax Burden: The shift to CV places a disproportionate tax burden on those who improve and develop their land, leading to a situation where land speculators, who hold undeveloped land, benefit at the expense of those who actively contribute to the community's development. George's model seeks to place the tax burden on land value, not improvements, to ensure fairness and equity. Encourages Speculation: The LV system is inherently anti-speculative as it taxes land based on its inherent value, not its development status. Moving to a CV system encourages land speculation, as undeveloped or underdeveloped land would be taxed less, contrary to George's principles which aim to discourage speculation and promote the efficient use of land. Complexity and Stability: The Council argues that CV is more stable than LV and less subject to fluctuations. However, George's model seeks to simplify the tax system by focusing on the unimproved value of land, which is relatively straightforward to assess and does not fluctuate as wildly as assessments that include improvements. Stability in taxation is crucial for long-term planning and investment, both for individuals and businesses. Environmental Concerns: George's model inherently supports environmental conservation by encouraging the efficient use of land. Taxing based on CV leads to intensified land use and potentially adverse environmental impacts as property owners seek to maximize the use of their land to offset the higher taxes on their capital improvements. In conclusion, the proposal to move from land value to capital value for the general rate is at odds with the principles of Georgism. It discourages productive land use, promotes speculation, places an inequitable burden on property developers, introduces complexity and instability into the tax system, and potentially exacerbates environmental degradation. Therefore, maintaining the LV system or finding a more balanced approach would align better with an equitable and productive use of land.

**2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? Yes**

While it's crucial to support economic development, the funding mechanism should ensure that it does not discourage land improvements or disproportionately burden certain property owners. The shift to a broader base might align with spreading the tax burden; however, the reliance on CV would still discourage property improvements.

**3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? No**

I support the simplification and retargeting of the rating. I strongly disagree with the switch from CV to LV as the rating principle. Flood protection increases Land Value and the taxes would be most efficiently and equitably allocated through this mechanism.

**4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? No**

With regards to the Passenger Transport rate proposal I support the extended urban footprint. I do NOT support the switch from LV to CV. The Rating Passenger Transport proposal suggests implementing a 100% targeted rate based on Capital Value (CV) for extended urban footprints to fund passenger transport services. While the intention to extend services and improve transportation infrastructure is commendable, this approach is flawed for several reasons: Penalizes Property Improvement: Taxing based on CV discourages property improvement and development. When the tax burden increases with the value of improvements (buildings, landscaping, etc.), property owners are less inclined to invest in or upgrade their properties, leading to lower overall quality of infrastructure and living standards. Inequitable Tax Burden:

A CV-based tax system imposes a disproportionate burden on those who have invested in their properties, whether for residential use, business, or community services. This leads to an inequitable distribution of the tax burden, where those contributing more to the community's development and infrastructure through their improvements are penalized more heavily. **Disincentive for Efficient Land Use:** Efficient land use is a key to economic prosperity. A taxation system based on CV would lead to underutilization of land, as property owners opt for less intensive land use to minimize their tax liability. This contradicts the goal of dense, efficient urban development that is often necessary for the effective and sustainable operation of public transport systems. **Potential for Disproportionate Impact on Low-Income Property Owners:** The CV system disproportionately impacts low-income property owners who may live in areas with high land values but have limited capacity to pay higher rates. This could lead to gentrification, where the financial pressure forces lower-income residents to move out of their neighborhoods, potentially disrupting community cohesion and accessibility to essential services. **Contradiction with the Benefit Principle:** In public finance, the benefit principle suggests that taxes should be levied on individuals according to the benefits they receive from government services. A CV-based tax for passenger transport would not accurately reflect the individual benefits received, especially if the tax is significantly influenced by the value of property improvements rather than the use or benefit of the transport services. In light of these considerations, while funding and improving passenger transport services is crucial, the approach to taxation should be carefully structured to align with principles that encourage property improvement, equitable tax distribution, efficient land use, and fair allocation of tax according to benefits received. A system more aligned with George's land value taxation, focusing on the unimproved value of land, would better meet these objectives while still providing necessary funding for crucial transport services.

**5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? Yes**

I support the Freshwater science charges, and a new targeted rate. Understanding and managing water quality (which can be affected by diverse, dispersed sources) is a public service that affects Land Value and so should be allocated as such.

**6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? Yes**

The proposal to simplify sustainable land management, biodiversity, and biosecurity rates is commendable for its potential to streamline administrative processes, encourage environmentally friendly practices, and ensure fairness and equity in the allocation of costs. Simplification can lead to increased participation in conservation efforts, better adherence to the polluter pays principle, and more effective use of funds for environmental initiatives. Additionally, employing land value as the basis for rate allocation further aligns with these objectives by: **Promoting Efficient Land Use:** Using land value for rate allocation encourages property owners to utilize their land optimally, aligning with the goals of sustainable land management and biodiversity conservation. **Ensuring Equity:** Basing rates on land value ensures that owners of more valuable land, which often has a greater environmental impact or potential for conservation, contribute proportionately to the costs of managing and protecting these resources. **Supporting Transparency:** Land value is a clear and objective measure, making it easier for stakeholders to understand and accept their financial responsibilities towards sustainable land management, biodiversity, and biosecurity. Incorporating land value into the simplified rate structure complements the overarching goals of the proposal, fostering a responsible, fair, and effective approach to environmental stewardship and land use.

**7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? Yes**

**8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? No**

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**Submitter ID: 415**

**Hearing? No**

**Hannah Ludlow**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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**1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? No**

Changing to capital value places the HBRC valuation focus more on residential properties. Whereas many rural blocks are businesses as well and so should continue to be rated as such. Majority of HBRC's focus is land, soil, biodiversity, water based so should continue to be rated accordingly. Understand the majority of

spend lately has been ensuring stopbanks are fit to protect urban centres but don't believe rating system should now be changed as a response.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Yes**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**

Definitely! More funding for the freshies! (in fact the proposal likely doesn't change/add enough)

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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**Submitter ID:** 416

**Hearing?** No

**Patricia Dyde**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

I am opposed to the change because I do not believe that changing to a capital value rating system is more equitable and fair than a land based system. I totally disagree with Hinewai Ormsby's statement that "those with more capital have more productive earning capacity, consume more resources and capital values fluctuate less than land value." My husband and I have worked our whole lives to build a capital asset for a more comfortable retirement. As a two person household how can we possibly consume more resources than a family. We are on a fixed income (pension) and find it impossible to believe that Hinewai would consider retired people with a higher capital value home have a more productive earning capacity. If the change to rating on capital value instead of land value will not change the total amount of revenue collected - why do it?

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? -

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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**Submitter ID:** 417

**Hearing?** No

**Anne-Marie Bancks**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

I would refer you to the article in Hawke's Bay Today of 18 January by Linda Hall which actually summarizes everything that is wrong with the proposal : - it will not bring anymore money so why do it ? - apparently it will be more equitable and stable because those with more capital value have more productive earning capacity, consume more resources and capital values fluctuates less than land. How am I able to have more earning capacity while retired just because my capital value has increase and how do I use more resources (do I use more water or make more rubbish? - pensioners cannot increase their income, how can I keep coping with the cost of living as well increasing rates ? Will I get more services from the Regional Council ? No of course not. - horticultural properties are expecting an increase in their rates. They have been hit by cyclone and crops have been wiped out. Last thing they need is an increase in rates. Growers might decide to stop or move that would certainly have a very negative impact on the economy of the region. - submission deadline needs to be extended - December and January is not the right time to ask for

submissions - or was it a planned strategy so they would be very few submissions. - You might be facing a revolt from ratepayers who might decide en masse not to pay. Remember you serve us not the other way round. Think also about the next election.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

See above

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **No**

No we already pay in our regional rates.

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **No**

What passenger transport ? We have no transport in central hawke's bay.

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **No**

You have made a mess of that - don't think you guys know what you are doing.

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **No**

It is all talks - nothing you do is having any real impact on the environment.

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Don't know**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* See my first submission.

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**Submitter ID:** 418

**Hearing?** No

**DE Janssen**

**Constituency:** Not sure

**Type of property/ies:**

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

The new rate for capital assessment on my property and others is unfair. Especially to those of us that are struggling to pay rates, food, petrol, insurances. As for cyclone recovery, what have the HBRC done??? Our river banks are stilled piled high with rubbish, old power lines in trees, etc. HBRC have done nothing to protect homes from more floods that will happen, No stop banks have been built higher, no rivers dredged out to be deeper. As far as I am concerned I get nothing for my rates to HBRC. What happened to all the funds the HBRC are sitting on??? Digusted Rate payer

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* -

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* -

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* -

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* -

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* -

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* -

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

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**Submitter ID:** 419

**Hearing?** No

**Peter Alexander**

**Constituency:** Not sure

**Type of property/ies:**

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

Here is my submission (ex-my LinkedIn post of this week... "It doesn't take much brain power to determine that whilst "initially" this proposed change in the rating calculation methodology may not result in an increase in the overall size of the pie, as capital values continue to increase going forward (and they will, primarily due to a growing shortage of suitable land for development purposes versus demand), the size of the pie "would" be likely to steadily increase going forward...unless HBRC policy is changed to introduce a cap/ ceiling on the maximum permitted size of the overall rates revenue pie. The latter being an unlikely



voluntary HBRC action. The Hawke's Bay population is expected to exceed 200,000 people by 2048, making it one of the fastest growing regions in New Zealand. I foresee the proposal producing dampening/ discouraging effects where property ownership is concerned, in the form of a growing reluctance by property owners to enhance the value of their properties - to avoid increasing the capital values of their properties. It would also foreseeably lead to rates increases being passed-on to tenants of rented properties. So reduced accommodation affordability for those who rent. Reading between the lines, this proposal seems to be motivated by an understanding that owners of properties with a relatively high CV:LV ratio are more likely to be able to afford rates increases and therefore HBRC can be more assured of "receiving" rates payments...meaning that the size of the pool of actual rates "collected/ paid" is likely to increase, versus forfeited due to ratepayer inability to pay. This continued targeting of middle-high income earning New Zealanders needs to stop. It is perpetuating a "why bother achieving when what I earn from my achievements increasingly benefits others and not me and my family" attitude. It serves to compound an already general low achievement/ ambition/ productivity psyche in our country. This mentality needs to be encouraged/ led to change as soon as possible, particularly if New Zealanders want to aspire to return to being a First World country. The last thing our country needs right now is further disincentives to be ambitious/ high achieving being imposed on New Zealanders. Rather, New Zealanders need INCENTIVISING to be productive and high achieving, and to use the rewards from such efforts to elevate our country towards being a First World prosperous country (which includes the quality of our properties). In my view, the current proposal - along with any associated intended use of rates funding - needs to be thoroughly re-reviewed; with a further proposal published to Hawke's Bay people." Plus these comments in relation to my above LinkedIn post... "If the underlying objective in this proposed change in rates calculation methodology is to increase the total size of the rates pie/ pool then HBRC need to cut their "current" cloth more deliberately and reflectively to suit a smaller jacket. That is, accept setting and achieving fewer objectives per financial year. I would also like to see HBRC factoring-in a "positive" variable into its rates calculation, where property owners have chosen to develop whatever % of their land with tree plantings - particularly native trees; which have a "positive" environmental effect. In the current era and going forward, such a consideration of favourable environmental impact "should" be factored-in to rates calculations. Such trees serve no "productive" (monetary) purpose for such landowners, and reflect owner sensitivity towards environment preservation." And... "...the flow-on effects could conceivably also include owners of bare/ pastoral land resisting/ avoiding developing their land with capital infrastructure (CAPEX). Consequences ? Productivity opportunities foregone, value-add opportunities foregone...further downward spiraling of New Zealand's GDP. A further step closer to Third World status. Not good at all." Here is the public link to my post in the LinkedIn environment:

<https://www.linkedin.com/feed/update/urn:li:activity:7151964868831514624/>

*8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?*

[addendum 21 Jan 2024] I came across this article during the past couple of days.

<https://baybuzz.co.nz/hbrc-rates-review-no-cause-for-panic/> Its flavour (tone) reminded me of why so many New Zealanders don't participate in lively public debates and/ or refuse to provide input into community issues/ opportunities...particularly those that are Government related. The tone of this article attempts to belittle the contributions of those Hawke's Bay people who have bothered to express their concerns about the proposed new HBRC rates calculation approach. There's nothing "superficial" about their views - rather, their views are as valid for them as the author's views in the attached article are for him. A word to Government at all levels in New Zealand... If you genuinely want to practice "good governance", then start by inviting and embracing the input of "any and all" New Zealanders who care enough to contribute their thoughts/ perspectives. And resist the urge to use terms such as "ammo", in response to perspectives that simply differ to your own...as such terms only serve to paint an "us" versus "them" picture to New Zealanders. And yes, I have most certainly made a formal submission to the HBRC to oppose the present HBRC rates calculation change going forward in its current shape and form. I have taken a medium-long term view and can clearly see the very real land development (CAPEX) dampening/ disincentivising - and associated country-wide productivity and GDP suppression - consequences of its effect going forward. Christopher Luxon Anna Lorck" Here's the post in LinkedIn:

<https://www.linkedin.com/feed/update/urn:li:activity:7151964868831514624/>

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Submitter ID: 420

Hearing? No

**Shirley Champion**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Rural Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Not a sound fair plan

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

Is rushed and not substantiated

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 421

Hearing? No

**Bruce Robson**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

we cant afford the rates to be increased to such a substantial rate, we are only pensioners, we are building our own home to save money, the price increase will force us to sell.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? -

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 422

Hearing? No

**Gaye Bowater**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

we are unable to afford the price increase. we understand that there are increases considering the cyclone damage and accept we have to help pay towards this, but there is definitely an imbalance as to what will have to be paid if the rates are based on GV. We are living in a shed and building our own home, why should we have to be paying an incredibly substantial amount of money towards rates once our home is built and there is a new rates/GV assessment. we are pensioners and we simply wont be able to afford this, that we why we are building our own home

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Yes**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

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**Paul Baker**

**Constituency:** Not sure

**Type of property/ies:** Residential Rural

1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **Yes**

Moving from LV to CV seems fair enough.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

I don't really see what value ratepayers get from the Regional Economic Development Agency? What increase in Tourism is attributed to their work rather than what comes from others efforts? A lot of money seems to be spent with very little visibility over what it is spent on and what tangible results arose! Do we get value for money? If so, prove it by hard and fast economics and figures, not nefarious social economics! Open, transparent and accountable expenditure and returns required for ratepayers money.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

I support it in part. The existing flood protection systems are woefully inadequate from effective monitoring, effective and timely notifications, effective flood control etc points of view. \$14.8 M pa is far too low as a budget. It needs to be \$148 M pa until key issues are resolved. Drainage asset component specification to drain 32 mm runoff in 24 hours in rural areas is a nonsense if the hydrological input is from a larger river, in flood, (E.g. The Esk) versus 32 mm precipitation from a subcatchment surrounding the Tangoio Forest Wetland. Drainage requirements also need to be specified for the Whirinaki community at the Tangoio Wetland drain. This drain is totally inadequate for current inflows, and gets blocked at its entrance and exit points. For many years, no Local Authority (HDC or HBRC) or NZTA wanted anything to do with the culvert, neglected its maintenance, and did nothing to upgrade its capacity or deal with a poor design etc. This is poor from an organisation whose role it is to have oversight of river flows and stormwater. (See Item 8, page 20 of an undated and untitled HBRC report from around 15 years ago.)

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

I don't see the Passenger Transport rate proposal as applicable to my household as we do not receive the service and are not to have such a service in future. (Whirinaki Road, Hastings District.) I wonder about this service as all too often I see empty or largely empty "Go Bay" busses in service on HB roads, some travelling to Napier from Bay View. The user of this service should pay for it, and not the regions ratepayers and not NZTA subsidies. Zero passengers on busses should not be a fiscal burden on ratepayers or those that pay Road User Charges, vehicle registrations or however else NZTA gets its funding. Uneconomic services need to be curtailed.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**

The charges are sensible and necessary.

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

Kill possums economically and humanely with poisons and shooting them.

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

Yes and no. I don't favour rates remissions. I feel that if a ratepayer receives a service, that they should pay for it. This only applies to necessary services not empty busses or Regional Economic Development rates which appear dubious to me in terms of their value for money.

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? The beginning of the Submission gave me the option of "Heretaunga - Hastings", or other constituencies as a place of residence. "Hastings District" would have been fine but the Heretaunga Plains are 30 minutes drive from where I live and the title "Heretaunga - Hastings" has little relevance for me. Whirinaki - Hastings, or Esk - Hastings are descriptors I identify with. It appears as though some misguided zealot(s) wanted "Heretaunga" inserted as a prefix in an organisations revised title. This revised title has no relevance for many of the Hastings District residents north and west of Napier. Reverting to "Hastings

District" as a title is wider and more encompassing than "Heretaunga - Hastings". HBRC could advocate for this.

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Submitter ID: 424

Hearing? No

**peter vaughan hallagan**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* -

People on fixed income like my self are going to have to pay more.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* -

same reasons as above

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Yes**

common sense must prevail in a lot of cases though

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **No**

not enough population to support it

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Don't know**

I don't have the qualifications to comment

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Don't know**

same reason as above

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Don't know**

same reason as above

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* The people we elect are meant to do that

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Submitter ID: 425

Hearing? No

**Bob Pearce**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

This change is unfair and will hit elderly very hard. Our homes might have gone up in value but our incomes haven't. The regional council has responsibility for land water etc not urban suburbs. In CHB the rates have shot up and another big jump is going to hit hard. The two rates together will be hard to pay. I will need to review if Hawkes Bay is a place I want to live!

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

No enough clear information on effects

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **No**

Again not sure what the impact is?

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **No**

There is nothing in the proposal that I can see for CHB

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Don't know**

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Don't know**

I expect council to be able to do this work not seek a tick from rate payers

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **No**

Rates owed should be collected.

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?

This review seems like a sham so HBRC can make changes to benefit small numbers of payers in a big way while hitting many more with big rates rises. I don't have confidence our views will be heard but at least I have tried.

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Submitter ID: 426

Hearing? No

**Sandra Cross**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Rates are too high now for pensioners and those on incomes just above the rate rebate scheme

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

Need more information

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

Need some information about it

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

Nothing in Central Hawke's Bay to help elderly people and others who should be getting public transport

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

Need to know more about it

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

Where is the information

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

We suppose we do but again where is the information. Tried to get into the stuff above but nit able to.

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? **No**

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Submitter ID: 427

Hearing? No

**Emma Black**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

It'll result in a large increase for me. If it is to be based on capital value using QV values this is totally unfair. People who have recently moved will see a big increase in the value. Whereas neighbours who have an equal or more expensive property will have a lower qv value and therefore pay significantly less. This system of valuation for rates can be quite significant and is unfair.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 428

Hearing? No

**Gladys Houston**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

The changes should not happen (timing) for people most affected by firstly struggling with cost of Living, shortage of housing ,majority will be paying big increases. A example is comparison of such like Hastings, the Flaxmere and Parkvale areas. There capital value does not equalize to the high % increases. Rental properties ,in shortage, will have increases passed on to them. There is only so many increases the landlords can absorb. My major agreement is who is financially better off, with a very few shown to benefit.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

Everyone is contributing to a essential programme sooner than latter.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

More encouragement needed to get young people and older people with choices to get less cars on our road. Just see how many cars parked outside schools. with older people finding it harder to pass drivers licences.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 429

Hearing? No

**Mary Ellen Warren**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **Yes**

In keeping with other jurisdictions in New Zealand

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 430

Hearing? No

**Ken Palomar**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Rates would double and in a time where there is a cost of living crisis, this would be a heavy burden to all.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

Just spend our money efficiently.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

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5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 431

Hearing? No

**Raymond Arthur**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Rural

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
I object to paying tax on my personal home of which all my working life paying tax has gone into. Very unfair to the successful achiever.
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**  
it is too open for unintended use
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**  
because work hasn't been done in the past so what guarantees it will change
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**  
No because there is no benefit to those who live rural
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**  
Too much uncertainty on the future of water this stage. Apparently the council doesn't own water so why is the council using it to reap income
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**  
Definitely not. should be up to the landowner not the dictating council as currently operating
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**  
uncertainty on how it is currently written up
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?  
should be more user pays than just a general rates increases

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Submitter ID: 432

Hearing? No

**Ralph Heesterman**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
Firstly, Hawkes Bay people don't need further changes. The HB Regional council is responsible for 'land' related activities and the rating system currently reflects that. Many people are on fixed incomes, because a residential property's capital value is high, does not translate to the owner being more able to afford to pay more rates. Please ask yourselves the question; what problem are we trying to fix with this change? If it isn't broken, then no change is needed.
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

**William Hale****Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay**Type of property/ies:** Residential

1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

I agree with Jesse Richardson (reported in Gary Hamilton-Irvine's NZ Herald's article) that:

1/ The proposed move from LV to CV based rating by HBRC Will disincentivise development with negative outcomes for housing supply

2/The fact that forestry negatively impacts the environment and should pay a fair share

3/It goes against the HBRCs own principles of equity

4/It is my understanding that HBRCs main domain involves whenua and has little business in the maintenance of private capital as that domain (for the most part falls to, and is rated by, District Councils within the region so, as such, this proposed rating shift is a 'double dip'.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

Further I call for those councillors that will gain a pecuniary advantage from the shift in policy (ie: those with farming and forestry interests) to declare this conflict and withdraw from any further involvement with the proposed shift in policy from LV to CV model for rating.

**Jo Drylie****Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier**Type of property/ies:** Residential

1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

**Paul Bailey****Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier**Type of property/ies:** Residential

1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **Yes**

I believe that the change from LV to CV for the basis of calculating the General Rate will be fairer in the long term. With respect to the negative commentary about this proposed change I'm reminded of a saying - If you can afford to buy a Rolls Royce don't complain about the price of petrol.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

I think there needs to be more honesty around the Regional Economic Development rate as it's only significant expenditure for many years has been the subsidy granted to Hawke's Bay Tourism. I'm not sure



how I would feel as a pastoral farmer in Wairoa being asked to contribute significantly more to Hawke's Bay Tourism as I would struggle to see the benefit which would accrue to me.

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Yes**

There is a certain logic to what you are proposing as I agree that it will bring consistency and simplification.

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **Yes**

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **No**

This is essentially giving Water Holding Hawke's Bay Ltd a 57% reduction in their Sec 36 charges as they do not own any landed property so are exempt from the proposed targeted rate on non-urban properties based on land value. I don't know how land owners who are going to have to make up for this reduction feel about this, but if it were me I would not be a happy camper.

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Yes**

If we are serious about Predator Free goals then we as an urban ratepayer I would be happy to further support rural ratepayers to do more in this space.

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **No**

I appreciate that you have to develop these remission and/or postponement policies under the Local Government Act. However this should not preclude you from developing policies around remission and/or postponement of fees and charges which are not rates. This would have likely taken a lot of heat out of the debate about non payment of the science charges by Water Holdings Hawke's Bay.

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

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**Submitter ID:** 437

**Hearing?** No

**Lisa Walker**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

The cost is just too prohibitive for everyone in a Cost of Living Crisis, for those on a fixed incomes it will be the difference between healthcare, food and/or living in their own home, for those who rent the weekly cost will increase substantially Any increases MUST be kept to the official CPI figure issued each year (this would be the max).

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **Don't know**

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Yes**

It needs to be fair to all the community as a whole, all citizens of HB should contribute not just those who own land

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **No**

Havelock North's public transport is pretty much non-existent, the buses are too big and mostly 90% empty...suggest you find more cost effective solution. Land owners in Havelock North shouldn't be subsidising other areas of Hastings

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Don't know**

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Don't know**

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Yes**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

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**Submitter ID:** 438

**Hearing?** No

**Kirstin Chapman**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

Can't afford an increase in anything right now and after the last year in HB it is just another blow

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **No**

Very hard to read the maps, there is no legend for them.

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **No**

I don't use it

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **No**

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Don't know**

Unsure about this.

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Don't know**

Didn't read this

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?*

Very poor form putting this out for consultation over what is traditionally a holiday period when people are busy with families, holidays and NOT looking for this sort of thing. I have seen nothing through the postal system just a random facebook post while looking for info on toxic algae (which I note you seem to be handing off to the broken health system??). I don't see that this is acting in a considerate way for HB residents. Especially after letting a large part of it flood due to lack of monitoring last year. Current economic times are hard and you have not been 100% clear on all proposals stating there might (I take that as will) be further changes with Cyclone impacts on some. Given Hastings DC will probably rape and pillage us due to their debt increase I'm loath to pay more here. I just see this as a total rort and a way to take more money by stealth. I also note you set the submission presentation to default to No when all other questions had no default answer selected.

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**Submitter ID:** 439

**Hearing?** No

**Noel O'Riley**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

What is obvious from the proposal is a shift of cost from business properties who can claim the costs as an expense against their income to residential owners who cannot. This is true of many lifestyle blocks as well who have set themselves up as such. Homeowners already have had to pay towards the cost of the dam proposal - something that never actually benefitted them but cost millions. Homeowners already pay the price of such shifts - electricity being the best example where business costs reduced and homeowners costs went up. While I had considered favourable the change to some extent meaning houses with permanent swimming pools etc would be charged more I think a fixed annual fee for these is the better option.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **Yes**

For the same reason as above - the ability to claim the cost back as an expense against income makes a significant difference to the real cost of rates. As all businesses benefit from the economic development it seems logical that all should pay.

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **No**

Is a small proportion of the rates but support drainage systems being paid for in part by those directly impacted.

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **Yes**

There is a need for improved public transport during seasonal periods to get workers to orchards etc. This should be lifted. Also there are many older people in more rural areas who are starting to lose their licences and will need mobility and public transport access - we need to start planning for this.

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Yes**

Yes.

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Yes**

Yep but would also want to see increased enforcement and legal action against breaches. Way too soft on breaches.

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Yes**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

**Charles Murray-Macgregor**

**Constituency:** Wairoa

**Type of property/ies:** Residential Rural

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

Times are hard know this could put rates out of range for some also it could potentially give you the rights to take this land like a corporate take over it's definitely a no

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **Don't know**

Didn't understand a dam thing that was written

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **No**

How can you put something forward when we are still waiting for engineers report to cyclone Gabriel damage you need to get flood victims homes sorted and fixed then bring to the table these decisions have them discussed then make decisions and have that voted on

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* -

I believe this is a proposal for Napier / Hastings rate payers only

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Don't know**

Not really enough info but it would be great to see a drop in water rates thus this isn't really helping me understand what it is you are putting forward in this proposal

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Yes**

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Yes**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* At

this stage we need to look at the homes damaged through flooding and more careful reviews looked into what can be put in place too prevent and protect us from further damage it's not a time to rush things and create even more problems further down the track one step ( project ) at a time let's get it right know and not regret it later down the track and leave more problems for our next generation to fix

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**John Goss**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

In almost all residential situations including mine, the capital value is much higher than the land value and as such your proposal would see our rates substantially increase. There's a cost of living crisis on and many of us can't afford more increases. Remember that for all of us council rates, insurance costs, food, petrol everything has increased and for many there's no reserve left.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **Don't know**

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Don't know**

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **Don't know**

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Don't know**

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Don't know**

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Don't know**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

**Tom Gainey****Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier**Type of property/ies:** Residential

1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

Land value remain as all Local bodies are using it for setting their rates The Regional Council core business is rivers environment bio security port Local Council ie NCC HDC Wairoa CHBC deal with all necessary infrastructure ie building permits etc so how can Regional Council use Capital How about looking within your organisation running more efficiently

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

More important matters sorting flood issues ie stopbanks-warning systems-civil defence

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Don't know**

Have not seen proposal

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **No**

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **No**

Same

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Don't know**

Same

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Yes**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

**Colin Wake** on behalf of C A Wake Ltd.**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings**Type of property/ies:** Rural

1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

Assuming that horticultural properties with more capital have more productive earning capacity doesn't take into account that growers returns are dictated by supply and demand and the vagaries of the weather. Many are suffering from the last two disastrous seasons and some from the cyclone. A 41% increase would not provide more benefits and the amount of revenue gathered would stay the same. So what's the point in changing? Other HBRC costs borne by growers are \$2300 water take consent renewal and water science fees on top of rates. The viability of fruitgrowing is now becoming questionable for many. The last thing the HBRC needs is to alienate itself from the people it is there to serve. To change to Capital Value would be imprudent

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **Don't know**

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Yes**

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **Don't know**

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **No**

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Don't know**

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Don't know**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

**Debbie Monahan** on behalf of Biodiversity Hawke's Bay

**Constituency:** Not sure

**Type of property/ies:**

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? -

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? -

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

Biodiversity Hawke's Bay supports the proposal in the HBRC Rates Consultation document to change the rating for biodiversity and biosecurity to 100% general rate. We agree with the comments made about the importance of work in this area to the health of the environment and that everyone in the region benefits from activities to improve biodiversity and that it is fair to place all costs associated as part of the general rate.

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?

Biodiversity Hawke's Bay will not be making any comments on the other proposals in the document.

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**Will Coltart**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential Rural Commercial/Industrial

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Yes**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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**Stu Burden**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Rural

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **Yes**

Capital value is used to set rates by about 70% of councils in N Z including the main cities so it's just falling in to line with other areas of NZ. Land value rating relies heavily on how valuers value improvements as sufficient bare land sale data is often not available. Valuers tend to use depreciation methods that overly favours the improvement value on new property which means these properties pay lower amounts of rates under land value rating. Capital value rating is fairer because it is backed by robust sale data.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

I don't believe economic development should be a role of regional council, rather supporting economic development by providing resilient infrastructure.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

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Council should only provide public transport on routes that have a proven history of strong patronage. Council proposes to rate public transport of areas that gain no benefit from it.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 447

Hearing? No

**David Walker**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

The cost is just too prohibitive for everyone in a Cost of Living Crisis, for those on a fixed incomes it will be the difference between healthcare, food and/or living in their own home. Any increases MUST be kept to the official CPI figure issued each year (this would be the max). The HBRC needs to cut its cloth and find other avenues to garner revenue for the general populous rather than just land owners.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

providing its fair and the community as a whole benefits from it, again all citizens of HB should contribute not just those who own land

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

Havelock North's public transport is pretty much non-existent, the buses are too big and mostly 90% empty...suggest you find more cost effective solution. Land owners in Havelock North shouldn't be subsidising other areas of Hastings

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 448

Hearing? No

**Kurt Williamson**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

This gives far too much benefit to farm owners and moves the burden unfairly to residential property owners.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

**Shelley Burne-Field****Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay**Type of property/ies:** Residential*1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? No*

I do not support the proposed move from land value to capital value. This will affect residential mum and dad property owners as well as pensioners who cannot claim a rebate on their taxes like businesses. This comes out of the bottom line for wage earners who are under extraordinary stress already in a cost-of-living crisis. It is horrendous timing on the HB Regional Council's behalf. Time for HB Regional Council to cut your coat to suit your cloth - instead of trying to manipulate ways of funding regional rates in order to decrease rates for those who can afford it most, and pile on more rates for those who can afford it the least. If indeed you are trying to do something else more noble, the collateral damage i.e. unaffordability will be far too costly. Leave it alone.

*2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? Don't know**3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? Don't know**4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? Don't know**5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? Don't know**6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? Don't know**7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? Yes**8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -***Andrea Eden****Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier**Type of property/ies:** Residential*1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? No**2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? Don't know**3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? Don't know**4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? Don't know**5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? Don't know**6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? Don't know**7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? Don't know**8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -***Wendy Milne****Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay**Type of property/ies:** Residential Commercial/Industrial*1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? No*

The shift from land to capital Value, reflects little of the core functions as I perceive them of the regional council. For Wairoa forestry to be getting a 74% decrease in the light of cyclone damage to infrastructure that their commercial activities have cost the communities around them is perverse to say the least. Those affecting rivers and water quality and their environment need to bear a rate that reflects the greater need of regional council monitoring and remedial action.

*2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? No*

When looking at the new rates forestry once again is a winner and strangely enough so is the commercial sector. It has to be asked who is subsidizing who? The council shouldn't be in the business of picking



winners and I am drawn to ask the question why are the council straying into non-core functions like economic development at all.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

Not a function of the regional council

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

Who is subsidising who?

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 453

Hearing? No

**Paul Scott**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

The council does nothing in regards to my dwelling. Why take more even more rates, especially after the rate grab after the Cyclone.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

I don't use Public Transport and we have too many cycle ways.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

The Georges Drive creek and Riverbend road require constant dredging of the weed. Science will not help in this regard.

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

You never know at what point either council will rate us out of our properties.

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 454

Hearing? **Yes**

**Grant Monaghan**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Unfair people like our selves take pride in our property and have done significant improvements to maintain its value so why should we be penalised leave rates as they are. Also alot of rate payers are struggling at the moment especially people affected by cyclone Gabriel and other weather events don't support any increase due to the above points.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 455

Hearing? No

**Sharyn Pyott**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**
  2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
  3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**
  4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**
  5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**
  6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**
  7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
  8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -
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Submitter ID: 456

Hearing? No

**Natasha Hira**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
The council is double dipping. We already pay enough. Please leave as it is.
  2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**
  3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**
  4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**
  5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**
  6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**
  7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
  8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -
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Submitter ID: 457

Hearing? No

**John Frith**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:**

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? -
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? -
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? I am totally against increasing rates they way the HBRC now want to calculate them This is poor form from an underperforming & unnecessary HB council- can you not amalgamate the 3+ councils in Hawkes Bay??? To reduce costs on rate payers but no, now you want to increase costs for those on fixed incomes your submissions form on this topic doesn't even work (<https://napier.wufoo.com/forms/m15pfe8b0kaealo/>) & I struggle every year to work out what the HBRC does for me & my property that goes beyond or improves on, what HDC charges you for, as well.

**John Nielsen****Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier**Type of property/ies:** Residential**1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? No**

The proposed changes –from L.V. to C.V. are a rot. I am against this. It seems that the larger area (farms, lifestyle blocks etc.) are the winners in this change. Yet they contribute more to sediment transfer, bad water quality (I'm thinking dirty dairy here) deforestation, and land slippage than any residential property. And, they pay minimal council rates. The rivers come from/through farm lands. Systematic erosion of soils should be something that the farmer has to pay;-why burden an already taxed household with extra costs when farming is directly responsible? The floods recently have made people very aware of what is required to keep people safe. And the money has to be made available for this – and coastal controls as well. Surely, all farming areas should firstly be made to pay a rateable portion? Would that not be a more feasible option?

**2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? -****3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -****4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -****5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -****6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -****7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -****8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? I**

submit my comments regarding the revenue & financing policy as headlined above. The costs for repairs & new works have to come from somewhere. I understand that. Existing residential properties have a fixed value on costs/m2. They (and these are my unsubstantiated beliefs) have commonly drainage, sewage & potable water requirements, which are generally accounted for by the local city council.

**Jo Black****Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier**Type of property/ies:** Residential**1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? No**

Capital (and even Land) values are not a consistent form of measure as a Regional Council in this volatile market. You have different valuation years - example Hastings is much higher valuer just by luck for the year they got valued. Dumb

**2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? Don't know**

your documents are not worded clearly / plain language. confusing

**3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? No**

You do not know what you are doing, you do not listen to any advice from experienced areas / people

**4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? Yes**

Your focus needs to be on this and providing sustainable future solutions - get rid of the ugly diesel buses and provide environmental friendly solutions to moving people. It is not a big area, 2 cities within 20km should be easy to provide a solution - charge tolls for cars, stop all the 1 person transportation. Ban the farm vehicles from CBD's HB is about 50 years behind the rest of NZ and world with arrogance in driving big fat trucks (utes) / work vehicles as town commuting with no consideration to their actions.

**5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? Yes****6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? No**

Farmers should do this themselves

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

Why should the whole community pay to support others - Region Rates are Tax for what? Not for this. Go back to your own focus, you are not the Local Government / TA.

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 460

Hearing? No

**Robin Exton**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Absolutely appalling. It's too expensive now to own a home. This is only going to make to hurt the middle income people

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 461

Hearing? No

**Craig Madams**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

There is more than enough tax that we pay. With the original split of rates came they said we wouldn't notice a difference. Another story that was clearly always going to end up as a lie. Perhaps the regional council needs a complete restructure. You need to find other ways to achieve what you think you need, rather than just increasing revenue by taxing those who invest heavily in your region.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

As Above

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

As above

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

As above

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

As above

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

As above

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

Not needed if take notice as above comments

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 462

Hearing? No

**Terry lamont**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential Commercial/Industrial

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
I have no confidence in council managing a change.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 463

Hearing? No

**Lisa Harrison**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

I do not support the move from land value to capital value for the general rate as the the role of HBRC is predominantly focused on rural land owners not urban land owners. Through a district rates, we are already rated on capital value so i feel this would be double dipping and the urban ratepayers would be subsidising the rural ratepayers when urban ratepayers are already facing affordability challenges due to being connected to council infrastructure e.g 3 waters.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Yes**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 464

Hearing? No

**Dorothy Barraclough**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

I feel it will increase our rates especially in the future and apparently if any improvements are made to the property.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Yes**

Yes I do, but do not think we need to change our rating system to achieve our goals. A more frugal approach by Councils when undertaking work and showing the rate payers how they have reached a decision based on economics. When we hear of chairs being purchased at exorbitant prices etc it does not give the average rate payer a very good impression that our dollar is being spent wisely. Maybe you need a Public Relations person to instill a feeling of trust and faith in the Council. The impression you try to give of being transparent is just not working and often, off beat comments on social media create more of a lasting impression in people than what is actually the truth.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

As above

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**

I think a lot of times whenever I see a bus it is normally nearly empty. Maybe a study of peak times in area's would show a big bus is only needed twice a day. The rest could be done by mini-van. I live on a bus route and one or two people using the bus is the norm not the exception. I also think instead of subsidising fares to make it look like more people are using public transport the correct amount should be charged with discounts for the amount of trips purchased. We all have to pay to get from a-b and if I need to use a car the costs are very real per km compared to a bus.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 465

Hearing? No

**Stephen Mote**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 466

Hearing? No

**Marcus HYDE-HILLS**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

City and District Council's provide a partial CV rating approach because the services they offer are area specific, such as parks, libraries, rubbish collection services, roading, etc. HBRC services are region-wide, and therefore every property should pay the same. HBRC has a user-pays approach with resource consents, including the bogus annual science fee consent holders are forced to pay. Perhaps because the rural sector is the biggest user of the HBRC services, should the rural sector and farmers pay more ..... not sure. I note that the HBRC fluff states that "people should pay their fair share, a user pays approach", maybe HBRC could stop subsidizing the Farm Advisors and start having the rural sector pay for their time, instead of funding out of the general rates pool. Other regional councils don't fund a free Farm Advisors service, why should ours.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

Don't build in at risk areas.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 467

Hearing? No

**Rachel O'Brien**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

The cost of living crisis, we already pay so much on rates yet councils just continue to increase rates every year. I understand inflation but when it comes to projects that are not deemed a necessity we should be concentrating on doing the right thing for the people of our region.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 468

Hearing? No

**Graham Peacey-nash**

**Constituency:** Wairoa

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 469

Hearing? No

**Matthew Dobson**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Unfair rates increase will apply to every homeowner.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

As above

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

I cannot trust the skills and knowledge of our council as well their judgement. Their past history doesn't give any sense of that they will do this the right way the first time.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

As above.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

Fresh water is everyone's. not just one part of our society.

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6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**  
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**  
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 470

Hearing? No

**Brittany Stevenson**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
Increasing costs when people are already struggling to pay their bills and feed their children is disgusting. Hawkes bay already have extremely high rates compared to other regions
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**  
Prevention should've been put in place prior to the cyclone
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 471

Hearing? Yes

**John Andrew**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Lifestyle

1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
In this time of tight budgets grossly unfair to increase our costs The support we get from Regional Council is very minor
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**  
So when are you going to run busses out here
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**  
This work should already being done
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**  
This work should already being done
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**  
Its a very trying time financially for most in your region
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? **No**

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Submitter ID: 472

Hearing? No

**Mike Halliday**

**Constituency:** Ngaruroro

**Type of property/ies:** Rural

1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? -  
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? -



3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

Firstly I fully support the submission from Biodiversity HB. Secondly, it has become quite apparent over recent years that urban dwellers have really bought into Biodiversity/Biosecurity as evidenced by the number of trapping groups being set up, and the popularity of voluntary tree/riparian planting days; to me this is an indication of an urban "buy-in", and therefore logical to move this to the general rate.

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?

Whilst wary of some of the added costs personally, I fully support the simplification of the Rate - setting procedure.

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Submitter ID: 473

Hearing? No

**Sharon Smith**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

I live in Maraenui because it's what I can afford

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

Not at this time people including me are struggling

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 474

Hearing? **Yes**

**Cyrus Munro**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Rates would definitely increase hugely. This would affect me as I am a beneficiary with low income of about \$22,000 annually. I'm concerned greatly about this. Would a Rates rebate be included with the new way of how you're going to change this? HDC provide a Rates rebate for lower income rate payer's. I would hope this would be tabled and considered at the decision of change with the Hawke's Bay Regional Council. Understandable why increases occur however, understanding the rate payer should be considered also.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? -

Because I am unable to access the information provided I'm not able to give a reason. I have chosen no because I am unable to receive the information. Would had been courtesy to snail mail all relevant information to the changes for rate payer's to make a more informed decision.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

Reason for no is because information is not accessible for me on my device. I cannot make an informed decision because of that.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

Reason, same as above.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

Reason for this is the same as above. Unable to make an informed decision because unable to access the information provided.

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

Reason same as above, unable to access the information provided to make an informed decision.

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

Reason same as above unable to access the information provided.

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? **No**

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**Submitter ID:** 475

**Hearing?** No

**Simon Hall** on behalf of Ashland Investments Ltd

**Constituency:** Not sure

**Type of property/ies:** Commercial/Industrial

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **Don't know**

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Don't know**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?

Please refer to attached letter.

# ASHLAND INVESTMENTS LIMITED

24th January 2024

Hawkes Bay Regional Council  
159 Dalton Street  
NAPIER

Submission for the Revenue and Financing Policy Review

RE: [REDACTED], Wairoa District

Please see a copy of the latest rates invoice attached.

This property is managed by Forest Liferforce Restoration Trust ([www.forestliferforce.org.nz](http://www.forestliferforce.org.nz)) and is known as Maungataniwha Forest.

It comprises 12000 ha of native forest and is the largest ecological conservation project in Hawkes Bay.

Annual direct expenses of approximately \$500k per year are spent on conservation activities that includes plant, pest and animal pest control and sustainable land management.

Despite funding our own conservation costs, we pay targeted annual rates as follows:

Plant Pest Strategy Northern	\$ 7,525
Animal Pest Strategy Northern	\$34,062
Sustainable Land Management	\$16,107

In return for the above rates in a typical year we receive \$5,000 of poison for rat control. This year we have asked for more Sentinnel possum traps but have been told no, and offered other traps which are not suitable.

Maungataniwha Forest is a high-ranking SNA with biodiversity values as high as any other Hawkes Bay Forest or conservation project. It has very significant ecological values, as recognised in a recent report by Wildland Consultants. It is also the largest producer of kiwi for release back into the wild in the Hawkes Bay and at other locations.

Not only do we pay for our own plant/animal pest and sustainable land management costs, but we also pay targeted rates of \$57,694 for the same thing and get virtually nothing in return.

Regards

[REDACTED]  
SIMON HALL

P O Box 45-013, Te Atatu Peninsula, Waitakere 0651

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# Rates Assessment/Invoice

For 1 July 2023 - 30 June 2024

Invoice date: 3 August 2023



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Ashland Investments Ltd  
C/O Simon Hall  
PO Box 45013  
Te Atatu  
Wairakere 0651

Company: Ashland  
Date: 21-08-23  
Chq No: a  
Amount: \$61,526.42

Tax Invoice / Debit Note / Credit Note  
GST No. 51-227-875

## Your Details

Valuation Roll Number

Location

Legal Description

Land Value: \$11,300,000  
Capital Value: \$11,800,000  
Area: 12118.1760 ha

Legal Description: L P 6590 -

## Annual Rates for 2023/24

Code	Description	Rating Basis	Factor	Rate Cents/Unit	Amount Payable
006	General Rate - Wairoa	Land Value	11,300,000	0.02152	2,431.76
007	Uniform Annual General Charge	Fixed \$	1	65.89000	65.89
011	Plant Pest Strategy Northern	Area	12118.176	62.10290	7,525.74
021	Animal Pest Strategy Northern	Area	12118.176	281.08217	34,062.03
026	Sustainable Land Management	Area	12118.176	132.91700	16,107.12
027	CDEM Emergency Management	Fixed \$	1	43.96069	43.96
034	Economic Development Wairoa	Fixed \$	1	11.58000	11.58
260	Wairoa River & Streams Scheme	Capital Value	11,800,000	0.00569	789.42
288	Regional Cyclone Recovery - Fixed	Fixed \$	1	55.00000	55.00
289	Regional Cyclone Recovery - Variable	Land Value	11,300,000	0.00384	433.92

Total 2023/24 Rates (GST inc) 61,526.42

## Statement of Account

Opening Balance @ 1 July 2023 0.00  
Penalties 0.00  
Current Rate Charges for 2023/24 61,526.42  
Payments Received Before Invoice Date 0.00  
Adjustments 0.00

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE BY 20 September 2023 61,526.42

## INTERNET BANKING

Rates Payments Only: 02-0700-0010824-04

Each property requires a separate payment using the Valuation Roll Number as the reference. This property reference is:

0882000720B



## RATES REMITTANCE 2023/2024

Name Ashland Investments Ltd  
Valuation Roll No. [Redacted]  
Total Rates Due 61,526.42

PAYMENT DUE 20 September 2023  
A 10% penalty will be added to current rates unpaid after this date

Thanks to the income generated from Regional Council Investments - including the majority ownership of Napier Port - your rates are automatically reduced each year. Already included in your Total Year's Rates is an averaged reduction per rateable property of \$223.20.

Submitter ID: 476

Hearing? No

Steve Norman

Constituency: Not sure

Type of property/ies:

1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? No

I do not support the proposed move from land value to capital value across various rates because I care about the health of the local economy. I think this would be a bad move and a step backwards for the people of Hawkes Bay. The job of the Hawke's Bay Regional Council is to ensure that Hawke's Bay can thrive. Part of that is ensuring that the region is building enough houses. This change to the rates system will harm that goal, which is why I am opposed to the shift to capital value.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? -
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -
6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -
7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 477

Hearing? No

**Derek Newton**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

It means residential properties will pay an unfair proportion of the rates while large farms or forestry, will pay very little rates,

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

it is not the mandate of regional council to support economic growth.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

The current system is not patronised very uneconomical and produces greater pollution than it says, in the fact that large diesel buses are running with very few people in them

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

Everybody should pay the fair share of the rates,

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 478

Hearing? No

**Suzanne Kim Hunter**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential Rural Lifestyle

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

I do not believe that people should be penalised with a higher rates bill, for improvements they have made to their homes I feel that the rateable value should only be on their Land Value.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **Yes**

This is something that all should contribute to for the future generations

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

For the same reasons as above. But I'd also love to know why was the Waipawa Stop Bank not maintained to the degree required to stop the river breaching it. I'm still not back in my home.... And neither are so many.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

We already pay taxes on fuel, road user charges etc. Government should be contributing more for this

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**

It benefits everyone

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

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**Tony Pattison**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

*1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? No*

Unlike the consultation document states, it is difficult to see there is any correlation to CV to 'use or benefit' of regional resources or cost of running the HBRC. This seems another form of wealth tax (in this case rates) whereby owners of some property regardless of property use will pay more than others simply due to their improvements being of a higher value. As it is, land values already reflect the return from their use/activity, so hard to see a reason for the need to move towards CV for rates calculations and assessments. Council needs to continue to evolve to user pays model of resource use and allocation. For horticulture land there is a risk that improvement values to land may include intangible asset value of licences attached to fruit tree variety value. This has occurred in the Bay of Plenty to kiwifruit orchards. There is a risk there will be exponential increase to horticultural land based on improvement values of licences held (which have seen a dramatic increase in recent years) and subsequent increase in CV that again have no correlation to resource use and or allocation of a greater rate increase.

*2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? No*

For the reason that supporting regional economic development projects are unlikely to benefit the wider region and rate payers to justify any rate allocation or any increase to this allocation. History would show the benefits of these regional economic development projects (and others) tend to benefit the selective few of the business sector (normally high profile business and more recently iwi commercial enterprises) to which the returns rarely flow on to the wider community that justifies a blanket approach of rate payers funding regional economic development projects and the agencies formed to support these. In addition, Central and Local government and affiliated agencies are well known to be inefficient bureaucracies (compared to business) whereby jobs are created internally that ultimately have little transparency and accountability to ensuring economic and social returns to all rate payers. Funding flood protection, roads, wastewater, energy projects and other infrastructure to support wider economic benefit to the region is justified and where rate payers' money should be allocated to. If this is done effectively and efficiently by the HBRC and other councils, then the region should prosper economically to which business and iwi should then have the confidence to invest further in the region.

*3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? Yes*

For reasons stated in consultation document.

*4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? No*

Moving to CV means higher value properties will pay a greater share of this service for an extremely inefficient service that benefits very few. How many buses are driven around HB next to empty? Rather than extending the reach of who funds this service to CV funding mechanism, what should be asked is why as a region we are funding this service at all. There are plenty of other commercial service operators that could fulfill this niche service to which the cost should be directly targeted to the small number of users who are relying on this transport. For any person who cannot afford the commercial service then it is up to central government social agencies to provide social support to meet their needs as individuals, not as part of the annual rating take. Would rather see \$3M p.a put to regional activities like improvement to flood protection, clear waterways, water access, sewage, roading network, bio security (that our region is dependent on) that benefits the wider rating base of our region than so few number of users of the Go Bus public bus service.

*5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? Yes*

For the reasons stated in the consultation document.

*6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? Yes*

For the reasons stated in the consultation document

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 480

Hearing? No

**Nigel Tomalin** on behalf of Pukeorapa Station Ltd

**Constituency:** Wairoa

**Type of property/ies:** Residential Rural

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **Yes**

It will be a fairer more equitable funding model This change will future proof HBRC rates income.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

I don't believe HBRC has a role or a mandate to fund Hawkes Bay Tourism

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

I agree the whole region and all communities will benefit from this work

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 481

Hearing? No

**Johannes Theodorus Maria Jansen**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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Submitter ID: 482

Hearing? **Yes**

**Rachael Simmons**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Pay too much already for little back. Becoming so unaffordable for so many people. Stop with the wastage of ratepayers money on stupid shit. Same as NCC

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? -

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? -

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? -

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? -

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? -

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? -

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**Christian Dowrick**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

You charge too much now and can't fix anything

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

You charge too much and can't fix anything and just waste our money on shit

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **No**

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **No**

Just did, same answer as above

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **No**

Our water was fine until you touched it

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **No**

Same as above

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **No**

Same as above

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* -

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**Vanessa Shipp**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

Because it is unfair and city ratepayers will pay more than rural ratepayers and the HBRC is covering mainly things in the rural sector. You are also saying that if you live on Napier Hill and Havelock North you are rich so there can afford this which is absolutely incorrect. This will put more financial hardship of residential ratepayers as usual and big companies get a decrease. How people are suppose to live I have no idea.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **No**

Not for me as I don't live in a flood zone

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **No**

I am disabled and can't even get on a bus or any type of public transport and work for a living so would have to pay full price for the disabled ones you talk about

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **No**

We should have freshwater as we use to until it was mucked around by councils and now is disgusting

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Don't know**

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Yes**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?*



**tim gilbertson**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Rural Commercial/Industrial

1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **Yes**

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2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

Councils and publicly funded organisations are usually useless at economic development . The best thing they can do is make things as easy as possible for entrepreneurs by having fast efficient consent progresses and have efficient effective affordable infrastructure. Our economy was built and sustained by individuals like Jim Wattie . Apple wasn't started by a committee. I served on councils for 18 years and watched a parade of doomed efforts and millions of dollars wasted as councils tired to be businessmen . If we have good affordable facilities,economic development will generally follow . If you neglect the basics such as taking the shingle out of the rivers,,it doesn't matter how much you spend on so called economic development ,people will stay away from a badly run flood prone province Case Study About four years ago ,HBRC employed an economic development officer covering CHB. . I contacted her about starting a tourism operation hiring out kayaks for people to explore the rivers in CHB .(I live on the banks of the Tukituki at Patangata) She was delightful,enthusiastic and informative and offered to do some further work and research on the project and get back to me with some general and some specific information. within two weeks ..I never saw her again .I was disappointed but not altogether surprised.In my 18 years serving on councils in HB I saw four attempts ,at least, as HB Councils tried to kick start economic development .All were total failures and there is nothing to make me think that another effort on your part will be any different .If you stick to your primary job and make a success of it , business will follow,.If keep subsidizing heat pumps for the wealthy citizens of havelock north instead of your core business such as killing pests and protecting the countryside from flooding by managing the rivers prosperity will follow and you wont need to consider Economic development levies.Learn the lessons of history u

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **No**

You need to spend more on this issue and reduce expenditure on non core activities

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **Don't know**

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **No**

inequitable

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Don't know**

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Don't know**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?*

Employ independent auditors from outside the organisation and the chief auditors office to analyse your spending.

**Liz Hart**

**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

Because you are reducing forestry rates quite substantially. How is that fair on residential land owners when we already pay a local rate. Also it beggars believe you want to do this now when many people are struggling to survive in this economic climate. I hope you listen this time as in the past I note you'll go ahead regardless.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

The same reasons as above!

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

More costs on already burdened rate payers. Try living within your means!

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**

Not the time for more increases

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

More burden on ratepayer

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **No**

More burden

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **No**

No change at all at this time

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? **No**

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**Submitter ID:** 487

**Hearing?** No

**Terese Glenny** on behalf of PTG Apples Ltd

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Rural

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**

Do not support a rate rise on horticultural land as many of us suffered financial loss from the cyclone. We might produce a crop from our land but do not make a profit due to increased labour costs, overhead costs and operating costs e.g. fuel, power, interest rates etc. Also the returns have been lower over the past few years due to the overseas economic situation. We have complained about our drains needing cleaning for over the past 12 months and still nothing has been done to clean them. Someone from Fulton Hogan came and had a look and agreed that it was a problem but nothing has been done. This impacted on the flooding in our orchard during the cyclone and other weather events we have had over the past 12 months which increased our costs as we had to pump the flood water and also rotary hoe and resow the rows between the trees.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

Not unless this is spread evenly across all rural rate payers. Why should the farmers and forestry block owners get a lower rate when their land has a higher value.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **No**

You need to advise us of what you are going to do for flood protection and drainage and make sure this is done. I would rather pay for this after the work completed not before.

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

Not affected by this

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

Not enough information to comment

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**

Not enough information to comment

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**

Not enough information to comment

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?

You are driving the small orchard block owners out of the industry.

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Submitter ID: 488

Hearing? No

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**Constituency:** Ahuriri-Napier

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**
  2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
  3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**
  4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Yes**
  5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Yes**
  6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**
  7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**
  8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?
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Submitter ID: 489

Hearing? No

**Edmond Ormond**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
If you are not going to get any more money from doing it why change something that's not broken. You have spent a whole lot of money on consultants to come up with something that doesn't need fixing.
  2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**  
Same as above
  3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Don't know**
  4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**
  5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**
  6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Don't know**
  7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Don't know**
  8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?
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Submitter ID: 490

Hearing? No

**Owen Spotswood**

**Constituency:** Tamatea-Central Hawke's Bay

**Type of property/ies:** Residential Other

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **No**  
Regional Council has nothing to do with with Capital Value. You are an organisation that is connected to Land Valve and Capital Value has nothing to do with you and you have no right to rate on it. We pay capital Value rates to our District Council and this is where it should stop. Waipukurau sees very little for what you charge at present, Pourerere Beach see's even less than Waipukurau. You need to get your act together and get on and do something constuctive, You might find you don,t need to change the rating act
2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**
3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**  
If the rivers etc continue to fail as they did during Gabrielle they need to be upgraded
4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **No**  
We have no Passenger Transport in C.H.Bay. I don't see way we should support something we will never have and do not require
5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **No**

What a waste of money. We are in an era where money is wasted on all this and what good has it done, none. Its about time you just got on and did the job without all the unnecessary rubbish that appears to be top heavy in today's enviroment

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **No**

As above

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Don't know**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?*

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**Submitter ID:** 491

**Hearing?** No

**James Brownlie** on behalf of Nga Tuhoe Station

**Constituency:** Wairoa

**Type of property/ies:** Rural

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **Yes**

I strongly support this change. Much of the Regional Council's costs are about protecting the structures ON land, not just the land itself - this was especially evident in dealing with the effects of Cyclone Bola. It is only fair that the beneficiaries of this support share in the costs of this support and the ongoing costs of mitigating future effects.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **Yes**

The new proposal more fairly link costs to the beneficiaries.

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Yes**

Agree completely with the rational in the Council's supporting documents

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **Yes**

Strongly support, as transport is very much a people and business based activity, much more fairly represented on a Capital rather than a Land value system.

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?*

Inclusion of a greater proportion these costs on those who mostly contribute to changes in water quality (i.e. non-urban landowners) is demonstrably a fairer way of meeting some of these costs.

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Yes**

Pest control is one of the Council's core responsibilities. This activity should be largely funded by the non-urban sector, especially Forestry, which provides a significant pest environment.

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Yes**

The council's explanations appear to me to be very sound.

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?* **No**

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**Submitter ID:** 492

**Hearing?** No

**Rebecca Skudder**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

I hv worjed gard to achieve capital gain by myself, and its not for everyone else to gain \$\$

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **No**

My street floods continuously, My driveway has cracked to the point of dangerous and council refuses to help, leaving me with a 27k issue to retify

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **No**

The floods shud never hv happened if the councils gad of jleft the rivers to create their own natural flow, instead of mam making for developing, stupid! U cant bet nature

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **Don't know**

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Don't know**

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Don't know**

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Don't know**

8. *Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?*

find other alternatives, stop taking from lower income struggling families

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Submitter ID: 493

Hearing? No

**Chris Bain**

**Constituency:** Heretaunga-Hastings

**Type of property/ies:** Residential

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1. *Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate?* **No**

if I've interpreted P9 of the Consultation Document correctly, the method works for most categories however I think it appears to have one serious flaw: the (uniform) reduction in total rates for Pastoral and, in some cases, Other which includes Forestry. Given that land use for Pastoral and Forestry purposes has been and remains the prime instigator of widespread environmental damage across the region, the CV method amounts to a free pass to the sectors which are chiefly responsible. In this respect, the CV method fails the stated test of being more equitable or fair (P8 of the Consultation Document) nor is it targeted.

2. *Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal?* **Yes**

impact per rate payer is reasonably modest. One could argue that it is significantly insufficient when compared to most other NZ regions.

3. *Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal?* **Yes**

support the proposed targeted increase approach.

4. *Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal?* **No**

neither the proposed or status quo approach are acceptable. This item is the 2nd costliest on our current rates bill (\$164.73 per annum) and is merely a tax by another name as we do not use public transport in any form. On the basis of targeted use, patrons should be shouldering 100% of the cost. Recognise Council has legislative responsibilities however HB is saddled with limited patronage and poor farebox recovery. Needs to improve.

5. *Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal?* **Yes**

conditional support only because the I'm unsure whether the proposed ratio's fairly reflect the workload? The basis for allocation (consent holders only) seems incorrect when a major contributor to water quality is related to upstream (pastoral) activities - nitrate leaching and runoff. It continues to be a critical issue across the region therefore changing to a more targeted approach (Pastoral and Other sectors) with a lower general rate impact would more fairly levy those who contribute to poor water quality. All rate payers are currently levied for the upstream activities of land use - how equitable or fair is that upon a residential property owner?

6. *Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal?* **Yes**

again, conditional support only. Understand the rationale that the whole community benefits however the initial responsibility lies with rural land users. Too few take their responsibilities seriously. It has been extremely disappointing to see the impact of Cyclone Gabrielle despite Council efforts to avoid a repeat of Cyclone Bola (with schemes such as subsidising the planting of poplar poles on hill country). Take up has been poor using the a 'carrot'. Council needs to use the 'stick' more often when rural land owners don't comply with appropriate farm plans which address hill country slippage etc. When uniformly achieved I'm sure the community wouldn't object to the proposed general rate but in the interim I think non-urban properties should pay considerably more.

7. *Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement?* **Yes**

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy? given Council has sought feedback on only 7 specific questions, it seems to me to not have taken a broad enough view. I hope the forthcoming 24-27LTP will propose a much stronger approach re mitigating the impact of Climate Change through- out our region. As indicated in my response to Question 1, I believe that the CV method has a major flaw and will undermine making the required changes to improve our environment and Climate Change in particular. The proposed rating changes take a softly, softly approach (community sharing and caring) however I think this hasn't proven successful to date. Non-rural property owners have a far greater impact on our environment than urbanites and the rating changes should strongly embrace that reality.

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**Submitter ID:** 494

**Hearing?** Yes

**Jim Galloway** on behalf of Federated Farmers of New Zealand Inc

**Constituency:** Out of region

**Type of property/ies:**

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1. Do you support the proposed move from LV to CV for the general rate? **Yes**

[see full submission attached] We support the proposed change to capital value from land value for the general rate.

2. Do you support the regional economic development rate proposal? **No**

[see full submission attached] Federated Farmers opposes the changes to the Regional Economic Development Rate (REDR) and questions how targeting ratepayers that will receive little direct benefit from the rate aligns with Councils stated intent to treat user categories that benefit in a similar way, the same.

3. Do you support the flood protection and drainage schemes proposal? **Yes**

[see full submission attached] We support the proposed changes to the Flood Protection and Drainage Schemes

4. Do you support the passenger transport rate proposal? **Don't know**

[see full submission attached] We partially support the proposed changes to the Passenger Transport targeted rate but have questions as to whether the proposed new areas will receive benefit from the service.

5. Do you support the freshwater science charges and new targeted rate proposal? **Don't know**

[see full submission attached] Federated Farmers is concerned that rural ratepayers are shouldering full responsibility for "contributing" to the need for freshwater monitoring. We believe that this rate could be targeted more widely to reflect the wider communities' contributions to the need for freshwater monitoring.

6. Do you support the sustainable land management and biodiversity/biosecurity proposal? **Yes**

[see full submission attached] We support the proposes changes to the sustainable land management, biodiversity and biosecurity rates.

7. Do you support the additional policies for rates remission and postponement? **Yes**

[see full submission attached] We support the changes proposed to the rates remission and postponement policies while offering constructive suggestions to assist those rural ratepayers who will likely see a significant rates increase while still dealing with the aftermath of Cyclone Gabrielle.

8. Do you have feedback on any other of the proposed changes to the draft Revenue & Financing Policy?

[see full submission attached]

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1. Federated Farmers of New Zealand (Federated Farmers) welcomes the opportunity to provide a submission on Hawkes Bay Regional Councils Revenue and Financing Policy Review.
- 1.2. We wish to emphasise to the Council that the current financial landscape poses challenges for many of our members. In various farming sectors, incomes have declined, resembling levels from a decade ago, while rates have steadily increased during this period. When compounded with inflation, surging interest rates, and the detrimental impact of Cyclone Gabrielle on the region's farming industry, numerous farmers are grappling with financial uncertainties, prompting serious concerns about meeting their financial obligations.
- 1.3. As representatives of the farming community, we wish to highlight the disproportionate rates burden faced by rural ratepayers under the current rating system. Farm properties generally face much higher rates than urban homes and businesses despite their distance from most council services and infrastructure. This unfair discrepancy should be a core consideration as council reviews its rating policies.
- 1.4. Federated Farmers is a voluntary membership-based organisation that represents the interests of farmers in New Zealand. We work constructively with local and central government on policies affecting the agricultural sector.

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- 1.5. We appreciate Hawkes Bay Regional Council consulting on this important issue. Our submission focuses on the key proposed changes, how they will impact our members.
- 1.6. This submission extends our support for the Hawke's Bay Regional Council's proactive steps in overhauling the local rating structure. We especially commend the proposed shift from land value to capital value for the general rate as a positive step forward.
- 1.7. While our overarching sentiment is one of support, this submission will also outline specific concerns and recommendations to ensure the proposed changes align optimally with Council's expressed desire for transparency and fairness.
- 1.8. We would like the opportunity to speak to our submission.

## **2. KEY ISSUES**

- 2.1. We support the proposed change to capital value from land value for the general rate.
- 2.2. Federated Farmers opposes the changes to the Regional Economic Development Rate (REDR) and questions how targeting ratepayers that will receive little direct benefit from the rate aligns with Council's stated intent to treat user categories that benefit in a similar way, the same.
- 2.3. We support the proposed changes to the Flood Protection and Drainage Schemes
- 2.4. We partially support the proposed changes to the Passenger Transport targeted rate but have questions as to whether the proposed new areas will receive benefit from the service.
- 2.5. Federated Farmers is concerned that rural ratepayers are shouldering full responsibility for "contributing" to the need for freshwater monitoring. We believe that this rate could be targeted more widely to reflect the wider communities' contributions to the need for freshwater monitoring.
- 2.6. We support the proposed changes to the sustainable land management, biodiversity and biosecurity rates.
- 2.7. We support the changes proposed to the rates remission and postponement policies while offering constructive suggestions to assist those rural ratepayers who will likely see a significant rates increase while still dealing with the aftermath of Cyclone Gabrielle.

## **3. MOVING FROM LAND VALUE TO CAPITAL VALUE FOR THE GENERAL RATE**

- 3.1. Of the two options in the consultation document, we support the proposed change to capital value from land value for the general rate.



- 3.2. This adjustment ensures a fairer representation of rural property values, particularly for dry stock and dairy farms. While recognising the potential for a slight increase in rates for some rural properties, we believe this change aligns with principles of fairness and equity. Additionally, the anticipated rate adjustments for urban properties underscore the need for a more balanced distribution of rates.
- 3.3. The proposed change ensures that property owners contribute to local council funding based on the actual value of their assets, aligning more closely with their capacity to support public services and infrastructure. This approach enhances the fairness of the rate system by acknowledging the diverse economic contributions of rural and urban areas and appropriately reflecting the varying needs for council services in these distinct settings.
- 3.4. We would like it acknowledged however, that supporting capital value rating doesn't mean that we think that's a good approach to funding local government. What we're saying is that it is better than land value.
- 3.5. The consultation document states that its first guiding principle in this review is that the changes and by association the entire rating system is "clear and fair". Federated Farmers agree that the changes are clear but despite some relief to some rural ratepayers we still question the fairness of the rate burden placed on rural ratepayers.
- 3.6. Is it fair for rural ratepayers to bear higher general rates solely based on property values. The current system seems to neglect the nuanced economic realities of rural residents, where service reliance and financial stability can vary significantly. This raises questions about the fairness and effectiveness of a model that disregards both service usage patterns and the actual financial capacity of rural ratepayers. Emphasising higher property values doesn't accurately reflect the ability to pay, particularly given the unpredictable nature of agricultural income.
- 3.7. We would also like to emphasise the importance of the Uniform Annual General Charge (UAGC) as a critical component of the general rate.
- 3.8. The UAGC helps to ensure all properties contribute a reasonable base amount to fund region-wide services. From our calculations, it appears the UAGC is currently set at around 20% of total rates revenue.
- 3.9. We strongly encourage council to maintain use of the UAGC at this level, or ideally increase it towards the legislated maximum of 30%. Higher use of the UAGC is important to ensure fairness across diverse property types.
- 3.10. The use of differentials and tools like the UAGC allows councils to fine-tune the distribution of rates, ensuring a more equitable and targeted approach that aligns with the diverse characteristics of their communities.
- 3.11. Federated Farmers strongly supports the use of differentials of less than 1.0 for farmland. Our support is based on the simple argument that property value does not reflect actual

wealth, income, or benefit from services. The fact that farming is a land intensive business (that is, you need a lot of it, unlike, say, a tech company or law firm) should not mean that farmers pay so much more than other residents for services often miles away from the farm.

#### 4. REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT RATE

- 4.1. According to the sample properties document rural businesses and ratepayers are going to experience a significant increase, as much as 2500%, in their REDR.
- 4.2. Conversely the proposed changes see the sample REDR for a Napier hotel decrease by about 40% and all other non-residential urban properties will also see a decrease. Residential properties remain on a very small, fixed rate.
- 4.3. Federated Farmers considers this completely imbalanced and unfair. The consultation document states, *"We consider that the average increase for these types of ratepayers is reasonable as it is a small percentage increase on their total rates, and they directly benefit from this activity."* We question the validity of the second part of this statement, particularly when considering the considerable drop in this rate for a Napier Hotel from the sample rates document.
- 4.4. The Regional Economic Development Rate is primarily used to promote economic development for the region through contributions to Hawke's Bay Tourism and, according to the consultation document, *"The main driver for the change is to treat user categories that benefit in a similar way...Examples include wineries, orchards, farms, and 'other' such as forestry and golf courses."*
- 4.5. We find it unbelievable that a forest, dairy farm, dry stock farm and other such operations could be considered beneficiaries of tourism dollars in the same way as a hotel. By the same logic it might be fair to assume that certain agricultural business such as vineyards and orchards do benefit to some degree from tourism, but certainly not pastoral farms.
- 4.6. We would suggest that the REDR remain a targeted rate, but either differentials are applied to it or it is targeted more narrowly so as to not inadvertently capture rural properties that do not directly benefit from the rate.

#### 5. FLOOD PROTECTION AND DRAINAGE SCHEMES

- 5.1. Federated Farmers supports the proposed changes to the flood protection and drainage schemes.
- 5.2. We believe that the proposed changes achieve Council's desired outcomes of more consistency between similar schemes, simplified rating differentials and spreading the costs fairly across scheme beneficiaries.

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## 6. PASSENGER TRANSPORT

- 6.1. We support the proposed change to the passenger transport targeted rate of moving from land value to capital value as the rating basis.
- 6.2. This aligns with the rationale that passenger transport provides greater benefit to properties that have higher capital values through enabling economic opportunities.
- 6.3. However, we have concerns about the proposal to expand the rating area for passenger transport. While we agree that it makes sense to expand the footprint to account for urban development, the proposed map shows the inclusion of some rural areas that seem unlikely to benefit from or have a need for public transport services.
- 6.4. We request that the rating area be reviewed to ensure it accurately reflects the areas serviced and direct beneficiaries of the passenger transport system.

## 7. FRESHWATER SCIENCE CHARGES INCLUDING NEW TARGETED RATE

- 7.1. Federated Farmers has concerns regarding the proposal to introduce a new targeted rate on rural properties to fund 20% of the costs of water quality monitoring and science.
- 7.2. While we agree that diffuse sources impact water quality, urban areas also contribute to freshwater pollution through stormwater discharges, wastewater overflows, contaminants from roads and other sources. Singling out rural ratepayers to fully fund the targeted portion of this rate does not seem equitable.
- 7.3. The consultation document states that water quality monitoring provides community-wide benefits. If that is the case, we submit that it would be fairer for the targeted portion to be applied more broadly, for example across all non-urban ratepayers or split between rural and commercial/industrial ratepayers. This would better reflect that water quality is an issue arising from multiple sources across the community.
- 7.4. We understand the rationale that consent holders contribute to the need for water quality monitoring, and it is reasonable that they contribute an appropriate portion through direct charges. However, targeting only rural properties for the remaining 20% overlooks other contributors.
- 7.5. Urban waterways can have very poor quality due to contamination from urban stormwater, so urban ratepayers also benefit from scientific efforts to improve water quality. Commercial and industrial premises equally contribute contaminants to waterways through their operations and discharges.
- 7.6. Furthermore, the proposed targeted rate would disproportionately impact high value rural properties, whereas a small business discharging contaminants would pay a flat fee. This raises equity concerns.

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- 7.7. We recommend council reconsider how the 20% portion could be shared more broadly, either across all non-urban ratepayers, or possibly split between rural and commercial/industrial ratepayers. While not perfect, this would somewhat better reflect the diverse sources impacting community water quality across the region.
- 7.8. We believe a collaborative approach is vital to improving freshwater health. Targeting any one sector entirely risks disengagement. Shared responsibility for the targeted funding portion would be fairer and could foster collective action.

## **8. SUSTAINABLE LAND MANAGEMENT, BIODIVERSITY AND BIOSECURITY RATES**

- 8.1. Federated Farmers supports the proposed changes to fund sustainable land management and biodiversity fully through the general rate, and to fund primary production pests fully through a targeted rate on non-urban properties based on land value.
- 8.2. This appropriately reflects the community-wide benefits of sustainable land management and biodiversity, while targeting costs of managing primary production pests to the direct beneficiaries.

## **9. RATES REMISSIONS AND POSTPONEMENT POLICIES**

- 9.1. We support the proposed additions to the Rates Remission and Postponement policies, in particular the introduction of a rates remission for hardship resulting from changes to the rating system. This recognises that some ratepayers may face financial difficulty from increases under the new system, especially given recent cyclone impacts.
- 9.2. We suggest that the rates remission policy could be further strengthened by providing specific assistance for horticultural properties facing significant increases. This could involve remitting the added value of vines, trees and crops from the rateable value of horticultural properties for a defined period.
- 9.3. There is some precedent for this approach, and it would provide welcome relief for orchards as they recover from cyclone damage alongside the shift to capital value rating.
- 9.4. The proposed postponement policy for the Sustainable Homes voluntary targeted rate also seems reasonable, aligning with council's debt recovery provisions.
- 9.5. Overall, the changes modernise the policies and introduce helpful new mechanisms to alleviate hardship from the rating reforms. We appreciate council considering constructive ways to assist vulnerable ratepayers through this transition.

## **10. RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 10.1. Federated Farmers recommends Hawkes Bay Regional Council:

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- Increase the Uniform Annual General Charge (UAGC) to the maximum 30% allowable if it is not already at that level. This helps rebalance any inherent inequity from the use of capital value as the rating basis. The Consultation Document does not specify the current UAGC level - we urge maximum transparency on its use as a vital funding tool.
- We would suggest that the REDR remain a targeted rate, but either differentials are applied to it or it is targeted more narrowly so as to not inadvertently capture rural properties that do not directly benefit from the rate.
- Reconsider the targeted portion of the water quality monitoring rate to apply more broadly across non-urban properties or a wider group of beneficiaries.
- Review the proposed expanded area for the passenger transport targeted rate against the direct beneficiaries and serviced areas.
- Explore extending rates relief for horticultural properties, such as temporarily excluding capital improvements from their rateable value.

## 11. CONCLUSION

**11.1.** In conclusion, Federated Farmers broadly supports the proposed reforms to modernise Hawkes Bay Regional Council's rating system, in particular the shift to capital value for the general rate. We believe this enhances fairness and transparency. However, we have identified some areas of concern regarding equity and targeting of discrete rates and encourage council to consider our recommendations. Overall, the changes appear well-intentioned, and we hope our feedback assists council in refining the reforms to achieve optimal outcomes for all ratepayers. We thank council for the opportunity to submit on this important issue.

Federated Farmers thanks Hawkes Bay Regional Council for considering our submission.

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### About Federated Farmers

Federated Farmers is a not-for-profit primary sector policy and advocacy organisation that represents the majority of farming businesses in New Zealand. Federated Farmers has a long and proud history of representing the interests of New Zealand's farmers.

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The Federation aims to add value to its members' farming businesses. Our key strategic outcomes include the need for New Zealand to provide an economic and social environment within which:

- Our members may operate their business in a fair and flexible commercial environment;
- Our members' families and their staff have access to services essential to the needs of the rural community; and
- Our members adopt responsible management and environmental practices.

This submission is representative of member views and reflect the fact that local government plans, policies and spending impact on our member's daily lives as farmers and members of local communities.

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