

Long Term Plan 2024-2034 5th June 2024



Outline

Changing the budget -> impacts, P&L, BS, reserves

Changing the RFP -> options, impacts

Combined impacts -> reviewing rate impacts across the region

Budget changes – reduced rates required

Subsequent to the publication of the CD and Hearings, proposed budget changes could result in a reduction in total rates required.

The reduction in rates required has a significant impact on the largest group of ratepayers.

96% of ratepayers more impacted by budget changes than rate policy change

The proposed reduction in budget will reduce rates on average by;-

\$450k property \$ 25 per annum

\$5m property \$280 per annum

\$12m property \$673 per annum

Financial resilience

Use of reserves

The Financial Strategy, Financial Principles

Everyday expenses paid by everyday income

Current General reserves balance available for distribution = \$0

Proposed budget assumed slow rebuild of reserves, Yr. 2 onwards

Change in circumstance of Marine Fee income

Income from cruise ships fluctuating significantly

2023.24 income higher than budget by \$500k

Forecast to be \$1m+ lower than budget in Yr. 1

Recommend the use of reserves in Year 1

Updated budget assumes no growth in Marine reserves

Financial resilience

Leasehold reserves

Submitters suggested council use reserves to fund maintenance
Use of Leasehold reserves within the catchment considered appropriate
Recommended change to budget to fund "priority flood bank maintenance"

Biosecurity and Land sustainability surpluses

Arisen over time

Recommend use of some surplus in Years 1- 2 to fund activities in these areas

Overall \$2.35m of reserves are proposed to be spent in Years 1-2 to support programmes of work.

Council to agree the amount of reserves and surpluses to be applied

Debt levels

Borrowing

Submitters expressed concern around the level of proposed borrowing.

Proposed expenditure within the CD is not committed expenditure.

Expenditure on capital projects is subject to review each year by the council and dependent on availability of external funds.

Reviewing capital expenditure and projected inflation sees the original total debt at year 10 reduce from \$72m to \$67m.

Opening balance debt

Forecast term debt at 30 June 2024 was \$15m with \$5m in the bank, net debt of \$10m.

The updated forecast debt at 30 June will be approx. \$8.5m.

The difference is timing of projects and transactions.

Revenue & Financing Policy

The RFP proposed;-

Creating one Flood Infrastructure rate based on CV Land sus and Bio move to CV from LV New infrastructure be funded by debt and rated regionwide

The RFP Statement of Proposal noted ;49% ratepayers have rate reduction
70% ratepayers change in rates +/- \$40

2% increase overall increase for residential 8% decrease overall for rural ratepayers 30%+ for commercial

If a transition option is considered, undertaken in November can form the basis of such an option.

The table on page 41 of the agenda details how a transition could work and the flexibility and options that it allows in Year 2.

The rate impact benefit for most ratepayers is not as material as the change in budget.

However, for ratepayers outside a rating district or with larger capital values, there is a benefit in the transition option.

The transition option proposed;

keeps the UAGC @ \$143 Year 1 allows further reconsideration of catchment options rates all catchments on the same basis allows Catchment Operations (Catchment Planning) efficiencies

Combined changes – Impacts on ratepayers

The combined impact of policy change and budget is higher for those outside current rating districts or with higher capital vs land values, or both.

The following slides show the rating impacts from

The proposal as per the CD

The proposal updated with lower rates (excludes Waiau)

Status quo i.e. no change in policy

A transition option

A potential "Transition option" will reduce policy change impact on properties impacted more by the proposed rate policy change.

Combined changes – Impacts on ratepayers

Options

The proposal with the adjusted budget and the transition option both show significant decreases in rates impact.

Both options have 47% - 48% of ratepayers paying less than \$1 per week

Both options have 86% - 89% of ratepayers paying less than \$3 per week

	All properties in Southland									
Average \$ increase in rates for 2024/25 year	\$ per week	Status Quo	CD proposal	Proposal with adjusted budget	Transition with adjusted budget					
<52	< 1	21,757	17,445	24,508	24,280					
52-152	1 - 3	25,390	23,386	19,459	21,622					
152-252	3 - 5	1,691	5,309	4,066	2,844					
252-352	5 - 7	867	2,102	1,457	1,023					
352-452	7 - 9	544	860	590	508					
452-552	9 - 10	334	522	343	314					
>552	10+	803	1,762	963	795					
Grand Total		51,386	51,386	51,386	51,386					

Properties < = \$1 per week increase	42%	34%	48%	47%
Properties < = \$2 per week increase	87%	66%	76%	81%
Properties < = \$3 per week increase	92%	80%	86%	89%

Residential properties - Average \$ increase in rates for 2024/25 year

Capital \$ value of property	Properties in this category	Current rates	Proposed per CD	Status quo with adjusted budget	Proposal with adjusted budget	Transition with adjusted budget
<300000	9,123	211	17	38	7	22
300000-449999	16,177	294	65	53	48	49
450000-599999	8,007	356	95	60	71	64
600000-749999	4,241	417	136	71	105	87
750000-900000	2,323	470	193	90	155	122
>900000	2,180	548	360	125	260	194
Grand Total	42,051	324	88	59	66	62

Residential properties - Average \$ per week increase in rates for 2024/25 year

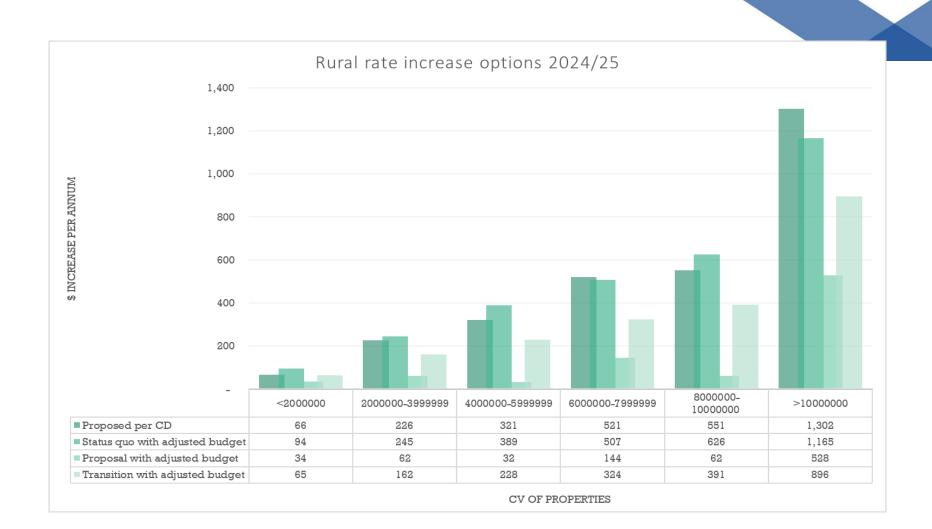
Capital \$ value of property	Properties in this category	Current rates	Proposed per CD	Status quo with adjusted budget	Proposal with adjusted budget	Transition with adjusted budget
<300000	9,123	4.1	0.3	0.7	0.13	0.4
300000-449999	16,177	5.7	1.3	1.0	0.9	0.9
450000-599999	8,007	6.8	1.8	1.2	1.4	1.2
600000-749999	4,241	8.0	2.6	1.4	2.0	1.7
750000-900000	2,323	9.0	3.7	1.7	3.0	2.3
>900000	2,665	10.5	6.9	2.4	5.0	3.7
Grand Total	42,536	6.2	1.7	1.1	1.3	1.2

Properties < = \$1 per week increase	21%	59%	59%	59%
Properties < = \$2 per week increase	78%	94%	88%	88%



Rural properties - Average \$ increase in rates for 2024/25 year

Capital \$ value of property	Properties in this category	Current rates	Proposed per CD	Status quo with adjusted budget	Proposal with adjusted budget	Transition with adjusted budget
<2000000	2,714	690	66	94	34	65
2000000-3999999	1,230	2,110	226	245	62	162
4000000-5999999	729	3,496	321	389	32	228
6000000-7999999	403	4,701	521	507	144	324
8000000-10000000	250	6,007	551	626	62	391
>10000000	281	9,140	1,302	1,165	528	896
Grand Total	5,607	2,286	260	267	72	179



1,020

11,975

1,922

8,881

5,431

Commercial properties - Average \$ increase in rates for 2024/25 year								
Capital \$ value of property	Properties in this category	Current rates	Proposed per CD	Status quo with adjusted budget	Proposal with adjusted budget	Transition with adjusted budget		

1,152

1,558

1,819

7,961

2,612

3,243

<1000000

1000000-199

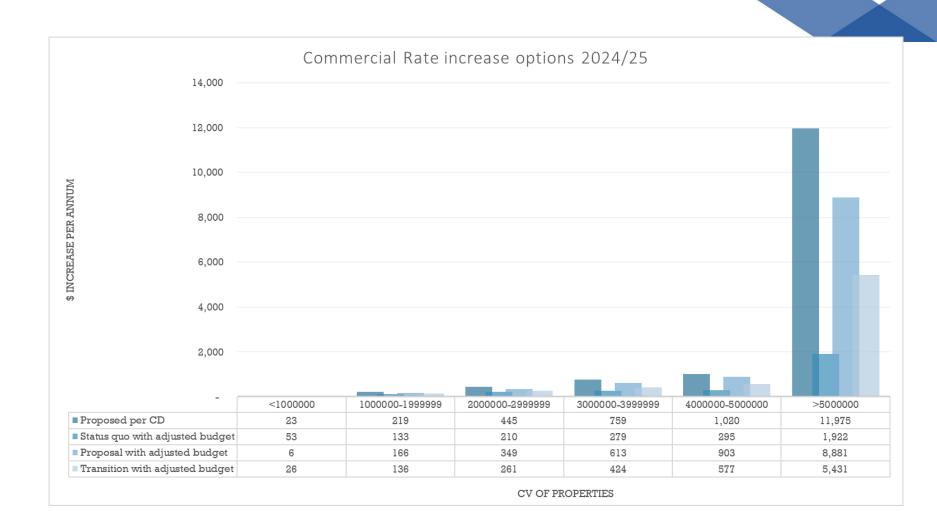
2000000-299

3000000-399

4000000-500

>5000000

Grand Total



Higher capital value properties benefit from a potential transition option

		Proposed rate increase Year 1							
Capital value	Current rates 2023.24	Proposed per CD	Status quo with adjusted budget	Proposal with adjusted budget	Transition with adjusted budge				
877,750,000	255,405	351,594	56,750	306,188	184,3				
620,648,850	184,290	219,780	47,552	190,681	119,4				
248,042,000	163,544	21,579	21,994	7,062	16,7				
218,754,000	63,099	86,159	14,482	75,148	45,4				
211,220,000	62,472	70,463	6,654	60,577	34,2				
203,459,000	10,988	134,040	73,464	123,488	97,9				
177,297,400	86,206	55,283	17,377	46,141	32,9				
137,900,000	102,991	29,362	21,983	22,893	21,6				
108,308,200	74,191	7,592	7,167	526	5,2				
104,014,000	48,856	25,040	15,186	20,087	16,4				
93,710,000	79,700	7,030	10,482	1,851	4,1				
91,776,000	35,359	25,777	8,166	21,482	14,3				
90,471,000	33,537	31,291	5,552	26,850	16,4				
87,283,000	28,780	26,653	8,760	22,568	15,2				
79,232,100	42,014	15,480	510	11,429	5,6				
76,400,000	16,185	31,932	8,547	28,356	18,6				
69,670,000	42,270	11,943	4,266	2,134	6,1				
67,896,000	56,955	1,112	6,917	-2,596	1,2				
67,040,000	63,160	7,895	3,822	2,033	4,2				
66,335,000	42,788	14,365	6,614	11,261	8,4				
66,700,000	26,894	17,130	6,504	14,005	9,7				
68,230,000	34,839	18,074	14,916	14,435	15,5				
64,701,000	20,268	24,514	4,230	21,252	12,8				
61,073,500	72,296	-5,758	4,556	-9,404	-2,5				
60,624,800	22,416	21,106	11,011	18,190	14,6				
57,616,250	16,837	19,839	2,481	17,143	9,9				
57,505,000	40,300	5,241	3,842	2,209	2,7				
50,692,000	26,546	9,862	5,419	6,482	6,6				
48,820,000	34,633	6,104	3,374	3,450	2,7				
48,612,000	39,705	7,136	3,429	1,611	3,5				
47,802,000	13,984	17,201	4,003	14,906	9,9				
47,144,100	28,012	10,078	4,238	7,598	6,3				
46,530,000	28,846	5,475	2,875	3,388	3,2				
45,891,000	13,979	17,131	7,359	14,984	11,2				
45,150,000	27,757	3,903	2,476	1,580	2,8				
42,914,000	24,667	10.824	4,618	8.799	6.5				
5,078,686,200	2,273,940	1,431,884	473,602	1,159,898	828,4				