



Notice is hereby given that a Meeting of the Te Anau Community Board will be held on:

**Date:** Wednesday, 30 May 2018  
**Time:** 2.00pm  
**Meeting Room:** Distinction Te Anau Hotel and Villas, 64  
**Venue:** Lakefront Drive Te Anau

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## **Te Anau Community Board Agenda OPEN**

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### **MEMBERSHIP**

<b>Chairperson</b>	Rachel Cockburn
<b>Deputy Chairperson</b>	Sarah Greaney
<b>Members</b>	Shaun Cantwell
	Mary Chartres
	Kara Matheson
	Tony O'Loughlin
	Councillor Ebel Kremer

### **IN ATTENDANCE**

<b>Committee Advisor</b>	Jenny Labruyere
<b>Community Partnership Leader</b>	Simon Moran

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## **Terms of Reference – Community Boards**

Community Boards are bodies established by statute. Their responsibilities and powers are as delegated by the Southland District Council which are to:

- Represent and act as an advocate for the interest of its community.
- Consider and report on all matters referred to it by the Southland District Council, or any matter of interest or concern to the Community Board.
- Maintain an overview of services provided by the Southland District Council within the community.
- Consider annual estimates for expenditure within the community and recommend these to Council.
- Communicate with community organisations and special interest groups within the community.
- Undertake any other responsibilities that are delegated to it by the Southland District Council.

In addition to these activities, Community Boards will consider how best to provide for their communities, and the people who live there, into the future.

Community Board members will provide leadership by:

- Positively representing their community and the Southland District
- Identifying key issues that will affect their community's future and work with Council staff and other local representatives to facilitate multi-agency collaborative opportunities.
- Promote a shared vision for the wider community of interest area and develop ways to work with others to achieve positive outcomes
- Community Boards will adopt a strategic focus that will enable members to:
- Provide local representation and guidance on wider community issues, initiatives and projects.
- Contribute to the development and promotion of community cohesion, by developing and supporting relationships across a range of stakeholders at a local, regional and national level.
- Take part in local community forums, meetings and workshops.
- Inform local residents and ratepayers on issues that affect them.

Community Boards shall have the following delegated powers and be accountable to Council for the exercising of these powers

### **Engagement and representation by:**

- Facilitating the Council's consultation with local residents and community groups on local issues and local aspects of district wide issues including input into the Long-term Plan, Annual Plan, and policies that impact on the Board's area.
- Engaging with council officers on local issues and levels of service, including infrastructural, recreational, community services and parks, reserves and cemetery matters.
- Representing the interests of the community at Council, Committee or Subcommittee meetings when a motion under debate relates to a matter that the Board considers to be of particular interest to the residents within its community.
- Monitoring and keeping the Council informed of community aspirations and the level of satisfaction with services provided.

### **Financial by:**

- Approving expenditure within the limits of annual estimates.
- Approving unbudgeted expenditure for locally funded activities up to the value of \$10,000.

### **Rentals and leases**

- In relation to all leases of land and buildings within their own area, on behalf of Council;
    - Accepting the highest tenders for rentals of \$10,000; or less per annum.
    - Approving the preferential allocation of leases where the rental is \$10,000 or less per annum.
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**Local assets and facilities by**

- Overseeing the management of local halls and community centres which are owned by Council and where no management committee exists. This will occur by way of relationship with officers of Southland District Council.
- Appoint a local liaison person responsible for community housing.

Some Community Boards have specific delegations in addition to the broad delegations above:

**Stewart Island/Rakiura Community Board**

- Contributing to the development of policy relating to the governance of the Stewart Island Electrical Supply Authority (SIESA).
- Overseeing the management of SIESA by way of relationship with officers of Southland District Council.

**Te Anau Community Board**

- Overseeing the management of the Te Anau/Manapouri Airport by way of relationship with officers of Southland District Council.

The Community Boards can make recommendations to Council on:

**Assets and Facilities**

- Annually providing feedback on any asset management plans or community services strategies applicable to the community for which the Community Board is responsible.

**Rentals and leases**

- In relation to all leases of land and buildings within their own area, on behalf of Council;
  - Recommending rentals in excess of \$10,000 per annum to the Group Manager Services and Assets
  - Recommending the preferential allocation of leases where the rental is in excess of \$10,000 per annum to the Group Manager Services and Assets.

**Contracts/Tenders**

- Recommending tenders less than \$200,000 to the Group Manager Services and Assets.
- Recommending tenders in excess of \$200,000 to the Services and Assets Committee.
- Recommending tenders to the Services and Assets Committee where preference is not for acceptance of the highest tenderer,

**Financial**

- Recommending annual estimates to Council.
- Recommending unbudgeted expenditure in excess of \$10,000 to the Services and Assets Committee.

**Local Policy**

- Considering matters referred to it by officers, the Council, its committees or subcommittees, including reports and policy and bylaw proposals relating to the provision of council services within the Board's area; and
- Making submissions or recommendations in response to those matters as appropriate.

The Chairperson of each Community Board is delegated with the following additional responsibilities:

- Approval of leases, rental agreements and the rollover of existing contracts under \$1,000;
- Engaging with Community Board members to make submissions to the Council on behalf of the Community Board where a submission period is outside of the Community Board meeting cycle. Where a Chairperson is unable to base a submission on a consensus among Community Board members, a Community Board meeting must be held.

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**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**8.1 Chairperson's Report**

The Chairperson, Member Cockburn to report on matters with which she has been involved since the last meeting.

**COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

**9.1 Councillor's Report**

Councillor Kremer to report on matters from the District Council table.



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**1 Apologies**

An apology for non-attendance has been lodged by Member Matheson.

**2 Leave of absence**

At the close of the agenda no requests for leave of absence had been received.

**3 Conflict of Interest**

Committee Members are reminded of the need to be vigilant to stand aside from decision-making when a conflict arises between their role as a member and any private or other external interest they might have.

**4 Public Forum**

Notification to speak is required by 5pm at least two days before the meeting. Further information is available on [www.southlanddc.govt.nz](http://www.southlanddc.govt.nz) or phoning 0800 732 732.

**5 Extraordinary/Urgent Items**

To consider, and if thought fit, to pass a resolution to permit the committee to consider any further items which do not appear on the Agenda of this meeting and/or the meeting to be held with the public excluded.

Such resolution is required to be made pursuant to Section 46A(7) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, and the Chairperson must advise:

- (i) the reason why the item was not on the Agenda, and
- (ii) the reason why the discussion of this item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting.

Section 46A(7A) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (as amended) states:

"Where an item is not on the agenda for a meeting,-

- (a) that item may be discussed at that meeting if-
  - (i) that item is a minor matter relating to the general business of the local authority; and
  - (ii) the presiding member explains at the beginning of the meeting, at a time when it is open to the public, that the item will be discussed at the meeting; but
- (b) no resolution, decision or recommendation may be made in respect of that item except to refer that item to a subsequent meeting of the local authority for further discussion."

**6 Confirmation of Minutes**

- 6.1 Confirms the minutes of Te Anau Community Board meeting, held on 01 May 2018.



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## **Te Anau Community Board**

### **OPEN MINUTES**

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Minutes of a meeting of Te Anau Community Board held in the Distinction Te Anau Hotel & Villas, 64 Lakefront Drive, Te Anau on Tuesday, 1 May 2018 at 2.00pm.

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#### **PRESENT**

<b>Chairperson</b>	Rachel Cockburn
<b>Deputy Chairperson</b>	Sarah Greaney
<b>Members</b>	Shaun Cantwell
	Mary Chartres
	Kara Matheson
	Tony O'Loughlin
	Councillor Ebel Kremer

#### **IN ATTENDANCE**

<b>Committee Advisor</b>	Jenny Labruyere
<b>Community Partnership Leader</b>	Simon Moran
<b>Group Manager, Services and Assets</b>	Matt Russell

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**1 Apologies**

An apology for non-attendance has been lodged by Member Matheson.

**2 Leave of absence**

There were no requests for leave of absence.

**3 Conflict of Interest**

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

**4 Public Forum**

Lawton Weber – Canadian Geese Management Plan

**5 Extraordinary/Urgent Items**

There were no Extraordinary/Urgent items.

**6 Confirmation of Minutes**

**Resolution**

Moved Member Matheson, seconded Member Chartres **and Resolved;**

**That the minutes of Te Anau Community Board meeting, held on Wednesday 21 February 2018 be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.**

**Reports**

**7.1 Council Report**

**Record No: R/18/4/8631**

Community Partnership Leader – Simon Moran was in attendance for this item.

Mr Moran advised the purpose of the report is to provide an overview of key issues across the Southland District Council, as well as high level issues from various Council departments.

Mr Moran informed the report highlighted various issues of interest. Particular highlights included;

- Provincial Growth Fund
- Tourism Infrastructure Fund Application
- Representation Review

- Southland Regional Development Agency (SRDA) – Chair enquired whether there is access to the summary of the submissions (staff did not comment on this enquiry).
- Land and Water Plan Implementation – Chair commented that there is a need for a close eye to be kept on farming in the Te Anau Basin in this regard.

#### Local Projects

- The Board noted the underspend from operating costs and made mention in regard to the ageing festive flags and the need for a working party to work with the Community Engineer and arrange a replacement and upgrade of flags for the coming Christmas/summer season. The working group to consist of Members Greaney and Matheson along with the Committee Advisor and Committee Engineer.
- Members requested an update on project and budget variations for the Te Anau township maintenance contract to provide a clear understanding of expenditure for the current financial year.

#### **Resolution**

Moved Cr Kremer, seconded Deputy Chairperson Greaney **and Resolved;**

#### **That the Te Anau Community Board:**

- a) **Receives the report titled “Council Report” dated 16 April 2018.**

#### **Resolution**

Moved Member O’Loughlin, seconded Member Chartres; **and Resolved**

#### **That the Te Anau Community Board:**

- b) **Requests staff form a working group consisting of Members Greaney and Matheson to arrange for the replacement and upgrade of township flags.**
- c) **Requests staff provide an update on project and budget variations for the Te Anau township maintenance contract to provide a clear understanding of expenditure for the current financial year.**

### **7.2 Te Anau Community Board to Ratify Submissions to Council's Long Term Plan 2018-2028, and the closing of the Lumsden Birthing Unit.**

**Record No: R/18/4/7961**

Committee Advisor, Jenny Labruyere was in attendance for this item.

The purpose of the report is to ratify retrospectively the Te Anau Community Board’s submission to the Southland District Council’s Long Term Plan Consultant 2018-2028, and the Board’s submission to the Southern District Health Board on the proposed closure of the Lumsden Birthing Unit.

### Resolution

Moved Member Cantwell, seconded Member Matheson **and Resolved;**

**That the Te Anau Community Board:**

- a) **Receives the report titled "Te Anau Community Board to Ratify Submissions to Council's Long Term Plan 2018-2028, and the closing of the Lumsden Birthing Unit. dated 11 April 2018.**
- b) **Ratifies the submission to the Southland District Council's Long Term Plan 2018-2028.**
- c) **Ratifies the submission to the Southern District Health Board on the proposed closure of the Lumsden Birthing Unit.**

## Committee Reports

### 8.1 Te Anau Airport Update

**Record No: R/18/4/9556**

Group Manager, Services and Assets, Matt Russell was in attendance for this item.

Mr Russell outlined his responsibilities as services and asset manager which includes the airport, and provided an update on the current operations of the airport.

Mr Russell added Council is to undertake a review of the long term vision, strategy and commercial options to identify the best options going forward for the airport.

### Resolution

Moved Deputy Chairperson Greaney, seconded Member Cantwell **and Resolved:**

**That the Te Anau Community Board;**

**Request staff to develop a scope of costings and commercial options analysis to identify the most effective options going forward for the Te Anau Airport – Manapouri.**

### 8.2 Te Anau Wastewater Discharge Project Update

**Record No: R/18/4/9555**

Group Manager, Services and Assets, Matt Russell was in attendance for this item.

Mr Russell provided an update in regard to the Te Anau Wastewater Discharge Project advising that Council has approved the business case for the Kepler option subject to a final decision being made as to the preferred discharge method, adding that staff have been progressing the work needed to give effect to the decision made.

Mr Russell added Council has approved changes to the Terms of Reference for the Committee to reflect the current status of the project.

### **8.3 Chairperson's Report**

#### **Record No: R/18/4/9557**

The Chairperson, Member Cockburn reported on matters with which she has been involved since the Subcommittee's previous meeting, these included;

- Research Helicopter meeting to discuss the potential to loss the current service
- Destination Fiordland meeting with TIA, Trendz
- Tourism Infrastructure Fund Applications have been lodged for –Te Anau toilets and Te Anau Wastewater Discharge
- Milford Crescent work due for completion by the end of June
- Board to have discussions with other entities within the community to identify any genuine connections between various businesses to encourage better coordination in the town centre business area
- Members requested to revisit the Trading in Public Places bylaw when next due for review
- Fiordland Retirement Housing is acknowledged as a profitable project with six unconditional contracts signed and building consents being prepared to be lodged
- Fiordland Community Events Centre programmed for roof repairs and some repaint work, all to be funded by the Trust
- Fiordland Museum investigating further development with a vision in mind for future expansion
- Fiordland College multi use turf installed and to be used as a model for other communities/schools

### **Councillor's Report**

#### **9.1 Councillor's Report**

#### **Record No: R/18/4/9558**

Councillor Kremer reported he had no further items for further update or discussion.

The meeting concluded at 5.35pm

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD AT A  
MEETING OF THE TE ANAU COMMUNITY BOARD  
HELD ON TUESDAY 1 MAY 2018.

**DATE:**.....

**CHAIRPERSON:**.....

## Submission from the Te Anau Community Board to the Southland District Council Initial Proposal for the Representation Review

Record No: R/18/5/11734  
Author: Jenny Labruyere, Committee Advisor/Customer Support Partner  
Approved by: Rex Capil, Group Manager Community and Futures

☒ Decision ☐ Recommendation ☐ Information

### Purpose of Report

- 1 The purpose of the report is to enable the Te Anau Community Board to consider their submission to the Southland District Council Initial Proposal for the Representation Review.

### Recommendation

**That the Te Anau Community Board:**

- a) **Receives the report titled "Submission from the Te Anau Community Board to the Southland District Council Initial Proposal for the Representation Review" dated 24 May 2018.**
- b) **Endorses the submission of the Te Anau Community Board to the Southland District Council initial proposal for the Representation Review.**

### Attachments

- A Te Anau Community Board Submission - 2018 Representation Review [📎](#)

22 May 2018

To whom it may concern

### **Te Anau Community Board Submission – 2018 Representation Review**

#### **Question One – Do you think 12 Councillors elected from five wards gives you fair and effective representation?**

Yes, this is the Community Board's preference.

- Due to the anticipated workload, no less than 12 Councillors should be elected
- Councillors to be elected per ward as proposed, not at large.
- In particular we support 3 Councillors from the Mararoa Waimea Ward

#### **Question Two – Do you think that Stewart Island Rakiura should be an island community of interest?**

Yes, the Community Board support Stewart Island being an Island community of interest as proposed.

#### **Question Three – Do you think there should be eight community boards covering the whole of the District?**

Yes, the Community Board support this proposal with the following supporting comments:

- The board agree that 6 elected representatives is appropriate for Fiordland
- The board agree that one appointed councilor is appropriate for Fiordland

#### **Question Four – Do you support this proposal which consists of 12 Councillors elected from five wards and eight community boards covering the whole of the District?**

Yes, the Community Board support this proposal in principal with the following supporting recommendations to achieve a successful outcome:

- We ask that Council actively support ways to include existing or new communities of interest who may no longer have elected representation but wish to be actively involved in ongoing community planning or development.
- That existing CDA or CB reserves be well protected for the communities that set them, to give the opportunity for those communities to utilise in an appropriate manner as they see fit. In particular the reserves gained from asset sales such as Te Anau need to be retained by the community as an asset, to be utilised as appropriate by that community. This needs to be managed in a timely and constructive fashion.
- That there is a complete organisation review that runs in conjunction with the outcome of this review to ensure there is an appropriate structure to support the new initiatives and direction.
- The Board recognises communities of interest who have not had a direct or strong voice before may now have better representation on specific issues through this proposal.
- However, the Board recognises the risk of alienating communities of interest through poor management of this proposal. The outcome is very dependent on a general desire by all parties to make it work. We have a combined responsibility to make it work.

- We would encourage more opportunities to work across boundaries on common issues and to look at untapped opportunities.

The Board would like to provide feedback on future Community Governance discussions in relation to our support in principal for the new representation structure as an integral part of our submission.

- The Board would like to understand and be involved in future discussions relating to the funding of Community Boards. Due to the nature of our community and the ongoing growth we are facing, retaining the right to have a key decision-making role in setting local rates on a broad range of projects and services is a high priority for our board.
- The Board would also like to ensure we retain the ability to be involved in district wide funded projects that directly affect our Community Board area. While we acknowledge the decision will be Councils, we respectfully ask that the Board, as a representative body of the community, be included in the decision-making process.
- The Board acknowledge and agree with the opportunity for Community Boards to be able to report to Council.
- The Board supports Council proactively engaging with community or interest groups to facilitate appropriate “local community governance structures” to enable ongoing community development with support from a community development advisor.
- The Board supports improved induction training being provided for elected members.

The Board would like to speak to this submission.

Yours faithfully

**Rachel Cockburn**

Chairperson, Te Anau Community Board



## Requests and suggestions from submissions to the Long Term Plan 2018-2028

Record No: R/18/5/10523

Author: Nicole Taylor, Project Co-ordinator Corporate Planning

Approved by: Rex Capil, Group Manager Community and Futures

☐ Decision

☒ Recommendation

☒ Information

### Long Term Plan submissions 2018-2028

- 1 This report collates the information from submitters to the Long Term plan 2018-2028 who had requests or suggestions related to the Te Anau area.

### Te Anau related topics

- 2 As part of the Long Term Plan deliberations, Council confirmed the staff actions detailed in attached report to pass on to the relevant community board or community area development subcommittee specific requests and suggestions from submitters for their consideration and prioritisation.
- 3 The staff amendments and updates issues and options paper also had an amendment to projects that were planned in the 2017/2018 financial year that will not be completed by 30 June 2018. There are **five projects** for the Te Anau community that will be included in the 2018/2019 financial year budgets.
- 4 The district and local issues projects and operational matters issues and options paper is attached. The table below includes a summary of the submission points along with comments from staff in relation to the issues and the staff actions details for specific submission points (highlighted in yellow) for the Te Anau related submissions.
- 5 The submissions points were on a variety of topics including local projects, community facilities, cycle trails, roads and footpaths, wastewater, water supply, solid waste and resource management.
- 6 The proposed change to the Te Anau community board rating area (the removal of the Milford Sound township from the Community Board boundary) as stated in the consultation document was accepted.
- 7 The Te Anau office and library was the subject of an issues and options paper at the 2 May deliberations meeting. Council agreed to proceed with plans to carry out a feasibility study into the Te Anau community hub programmed for 2019/2020.
- 8 Please see the full council agenda for 2 May for all of the issues and options papers and the minutes of this meeting for all council decisions.
- 9 The Long Term Plan 2018-2028 will be adopted by Council on 20 June 2018 with a copy of the final plan available on the website.

## Excerpts of feedback on Community Future Planning

### District and Local Issues/Projects

Local Projects		
Glenda Bell - 137.5	Te Anau - Wants to see many more drinking water fountains in Te Anau, with water taps next to these so the public can fill their own water bottles which will reduce the plastic waste created.	That Council note the submitter's feedback and request that their specific suggestions be passed onto both the Te Anau Community Board and staff responsible for the development of the open spaces programme for consideration and prioritisation.
Julie Walls - 141.14	Te Anau/Manapouri - States that these areas are growing and requests council respond to the problems this is creating including 1) improving car parking (Little Park Lane overtaken by staff leaving no cars for locals) 2) ban boats/trailers parking as they block people getting out of parks 3) getting a parking warden 4) additional toilets/showers (not just at the library swimming pool). 5) a place where freedom campers can go with facilities so they don't use the library/pool. States that regional funding for these facilities should be applied for as investment has been lacking	
Community Facilities – Other Cycle Trails		
Gerard Hill - 82.10	Believes that community-led cycle trails are a lot better and comments that if the Council wants to increase visitor numbers to the region through developing cycle trails, it should assist the Fiordland Trails Trust with funding to finish the last stage of the Lake to Lake Trail.	That Council notes the submitter's feedback.
Bruce Sanford - 31.15	Believes more cycle trails are needed - including Te Anau/Manapouri to Tuatapere and to Invercargill, Lumsden to Invercargill and Jacks point to Kingston.	Council notes the submitter believes more cycle trails are needed - including Te Anau/Manapouri to Tuatapere and to Invercargill, Lumsden to Invercargill and Jacks point to Kingston. Also notes that NZTA have recently established a Heartland ride from Lumsden to Invercargill but no other trails are proposed at this time.
James Reardon on behalf of Te Anau Cycling Incorporated - 62.2	Te Anau Cycle Trails - Discusses the need to have better mountain biking options for youth, tourists etc, in the Te Anau region. There is a demand for tourist to use trails, and this could be part of what attracts tourists to the area. Suggests mountain biking in and around Te Anau as an ideal focus for investment. Suggests that SDC could support applications from TACI to community funds for trail development and work positively with Destination Fiordland and other bodies to boost the profile and support for mountain biking in the district.	Council notes the submitter has requested Council provide improved cycling and mountain biking infrastructure. This infrastructure could be a very complimentary and high-value addition to the amenities that attract visitors to Te Anau. Council could support applications to community funders for trail development and work positively with Destination Fiordland and other bodies to boost the profile and support for mountain biking in the district. Council notes its previously signalled intentions to work closely with community groups to help them achieve their goals and this is aligned with the submitter's point of view.
Gerard Hill - 82.11	Te Anau Cycle Trail - Request Council add professionally-designed mountain-bike tracks into Ivon Wilson Park (comment originally made in relation to Q2a, point 82.8)	Council notes the submitter's request for Council to add professionally-designed mountain-bike tracks into Ivon Wilson Park, Te Anau. In response Council notes that the Open Spaces studies will investigate needs and facilities in Council's open spaces and parks such as Ivon Wilson park. Further the budgets allowed for in years 4-10 of the LTP will allow for physical works, identified in the investigation phase, to be carried out.
Roads and Footpaths		

James Reardon on behalf of Te Anau Cycling Incorporated - 62.3	Te Anau Roads/Cycleway/Walkways - Suggests adding a cycle/walking bridge to the existing Upukarora River bridge, to create a secure cycle/walking lane at least to the junction of Sinclair road and a safe crossing point for cyclists, pedestrians, and school children.	That Council note the submitter's feedback and ask staff to table the issues raised around pedestrian and cycling facilities to with the Te Anau Community Board for consideration and prioritisation. No change is recommended to the current Long Term Plan however Council staff are to continue working with NZTA around funding options for active transport modes and continue to promote /improve road safety. Pedestrian facilities and amenities such as footpaths and walkways are prioritised and funded by each community. The change in government has resulted in a new draft Government Policy Statement on Land Transport which has a higher degree of focus on mode neutrality and active transport. This is still in the draft format and was released too late to be considered as part of the current LTP process.
K.F and G.F. Thompson - 142.7	Te Anau - Requests Council create vehicle access between Paperplus & Ray White with carparking behind and walkways signposted	That Council note the submitter's feedback and ask staff to table a copy of the submitter's requests for signage along walkways onto the Te Anau Community Board for consideration. Parking facilities are currently available along Little Park lane and access to Little Park Lane via Park Lane is less than 200m from the proposed vehicle access between Paperplus and Ray White.
Derene Christie and Colleagues for Fiordland Medical Trust on behalf of Fiordland Medical Trust - 30.1	Te Anau Cycling/Pedestrian Infrastructure - Requests improved cycle and pedestrian infrastructure in and around Te Anau. Notes the population is growing and the believe that the combination of increased vehicle numbers, overseas drivers, vehicle type and existing road conditions raise the potential for injury and death. Comments on an increasing number of incidents between cyclists or pedestrians and vehicles including students travelling to or from school. Suggests that improving cycling and pedestrian infrastructure can reduce risk, help improve wellbeing, create social opportunities (such as group outings and sporting events), reduce harm to the environment and create economic opportunities.	That Council note the submitter's feedback and request staff to table the issues raised around pedestrian facilities with the Te Anau Community Board for consideration and prioritisation as funder of local activities such as walkways, footpaths etc. No change is recommended to the current Long Term Plan however Council staff are to continue working with NZTA around funding options for active transport modes. The change in government has resulted in a new draft Government Policy Statement on Land Transport which has a higher degree of focus on mode neutrality and active transport. This is still in the draft format and was released too late to be considered as part of the current LTP process. The submitter is also welcome to talk directly with the Te Anau Community Board about the concerns, particularly as the Board are progressing a community leadership planning process for the area which includes an aspects of co-ordinated planning for the township.
Ray Willett - 126.7	Te Anau Pedestrian - Would like the pedestrian crossing outside Freshchoice relocated before someone gets hurt.	That Council note the submitter's feedback and request staff to table the issues raised around pedestrian facilities with the Te Anau Community Board for consideration and prioritisation. No change is recommended to the current Long Term Plan however Council staff to continue working with NZTA around funding options for active transport modes and continue to promote /improve road safety. Pedestrian facilities and amenities such footpaths are prioritised and funded by each community. The change in government has resulted in a new draft Government Policy Statement on Land Transport which has a higher degree of focus on mode neutrality and active transport. This is still in the draft format and was released too late to be

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		considered as part of the current LTP process.
Stephen Hoskin on behalf of Hoskin Family - 48.1	Te Anau roads/cycleways/walkways - Requests that Council 1) develop more extensive plans for active transport and work with NZTA to implement the plan on the basis of the benefits that it provides (making specific suggestions for improving infrastructure to encourage active transport - particularly related to safety of the Upukerora Bridge and the existing brick path below Kepler Heights that brings users to a point on Sandy Brown Road at right angles to traffic is unsafe and suggests a path be put along Sandy Brown Road) 2) put in native plantings (that are aesthetically pleasing and do not cause safety problems such as low tussocks and lancewoods) in the traffic islands on Milford Road within the town boundary.	That Council note the submitter's feedback and table the issues raised around vegetation and pedestrian facilities with the Te Anau Community Board for consideration and prioritisation. No change is recommended to the current Long Term Plan however Council staff are to continue working with NZTA around funding options for active transport modes and continue to promote /improve road safety. Pedestrian facilities and amenities such as gardening are funded priorities and currently funded by each community. The change in government has resulted in a new draft Government Policy Statement on Land Transport which has a higher degree of focus on mode neutrality and active transport. This is still in the draft format and was released too late to be considered as part of the current LTP process.
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## Excerpts of feedback on Community Future Planning

### District and Local Issues/Projects

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## Recommendation

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## Attachments

- A District and Local issues and operational matters [↓](#)
- B Investing in open spaces [↓](#)

## Appendix 7: District and Local Issues and Operational Matters

### Key Issues and Options – 2018 -2028 Long Term Plan & Policies Feedback

Record No: R/18/4/8691  
 Author: Nicole Taylor, LTP Project Co-ordinator

#### Background

67 submitters commented on a range of issues related to district/local issues and operational matters. An overview of the main feedback is detailed below. The tables at the end of the report include a summary of the submission points along with comments from staff in relation to the issues and proposed action points.

#### Summary of Feedback

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Ten submitters commented on this topic. Comments related to project supervision and cost, rapid town growth in Te Anau, requests regional funding for improvement to Te Anau facilities and that archaeological authorities may be required for certain projects scheduled in the LTP.

Specific requests included:

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The consultation document proposed \$1.1M for improvements to Stewart Island wharves and jetties. Four submitters commented on this topic. Comments were on the proposed transfer of ownership of Golden Bay Wharf, costs and the order of the jetty and wharf upgrades. Federated Farmers requested that Council consider a targeted rating structure be developed prior to assuming ownership of Golden Bay Wharf to ensure the costs do not fall on the general ratepayer.

##### Community Facilities

Nineteen submitters commented on issues related to community facilities.

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### Roading, footpaths, walkways and cycleways

A number of submitters commented on Roothing and Footpath related issues. The main topics included the Haast Hollyford Road, roading funding, Te Anau and Manapouri cycling, footpaths, walkways and roads, roading maintenance, road safety, the Curio Bay/Haldane Road, streetlighting in Tokanui, Stewart Island/Raikura Argyle Street carpark, the Colac Bay Foreshore Road, heritage and bridges.

*Specific roads* - Haast Hollyford Road was commented on by three submitters. One opposed the road and suggested Council announce it has abandoned any interest in the road and two submitters wanted the road to go ahead. Curio Bay/Haldane road was commented on by three submitters all supporting the sealing on the road. One submitter would also like to see improvements made at the Fortrose intersection as she believes it is unsafe with stopping and causing traffic issues. The Colac Bay Foreshore Road was mentioned by one submitter who believed that nothing has been done on the rock wall protection of the foreshore road and SDC is leaving it to self-destruct and has to be closed.

*Road Safety & Cycling* - One requested Council include commentary in the Roads and Footpath AMP about Council's involvement in the Southern Road Safety Influencing Group. The Ride Southland Governance also requested that the LTP to be amended to acknowledge the support of the formation of the Ride Southland Governance Group.

*Bridges* - Three submitters commented on bridges. One wanted the process sped up for replacing bridges and to make this a priority, one requested making the pyramid bridge a two way bridge for safety. One supported the rebuilding of bridges and wanted to streamline consents if required.

*Specific projects* - Project suggestions and comments included:

- Requests for a cycle/walking bridge to the existing Upukerora River bridge, to create a secure cycle/walking lane at least to the junction of Sinclair road and a safe crossing point for cyclists, pedestrians, and school children.
- Requests to develop more extensive plans for active transport with NZTA particularly related to safety of the Upukerora Bridge and the existing brick path below Kepler Heights that brings users to a point on Sandy Brown Road at right angles to traffic is unsafe and they suggest a path be put along Sandy Brown Road.
- Making access to and from Te Anau School and local amenities (such as the public library, local cycle trails and the lake) safe using pedestrian and cycle friendly routes.
- Relocation of the pedestrian crossing outside Freshchoice in Te Anau.
- Allocating funding to upgrade the footpaths, road and public car parking on Waiau Street, Manapouri and car parking at Pearl Harbour.
- Requests for additional Otto sealing up to the cemetery in Te Anau.
- Requests for a vehicle access between Paperplus & Ray White in Te Anau with carparking behind and walkways signposted
- Requests to shift the crossing at the roundabout which is at the end of Lakefront Drive and the town centre in Te Anau and to level the exit (drop off) of the roundabout.
- Requests for native plantings in the traffic islands on Milford Road within the Te Anau town boundary.
- Requests to change the one way system in Te Anau without the loss of carparks.
- Addition of improved cycle and pedestrian infrastructure in and around Te Anau.
- Opposition to proposal for a new car park on Argyle Street in Stewart Island.

### Solid waste

Two submitters commented on Solid waste. One requested that Council ban other Council's from disposing of plastic waste at Kings Bend and septic tank waste in central Southland. The other submitted believes that the Te Anau waste site needs cleaned up, that the costs are too high and that it doesn't have good usage.

### Stormwater

Five comments were received regarding stormwater topics. One submitter commended council for its work improving stormwater systems and the inclusion of communities. Two supported the improved environmental standards. One submitter wanted wide consultation with ratepayers and thought upgrades were overdue. One supported councils work to provide stormwater systems that comply with the land and water plan and NPS-FM. One submitter wanted more detail on the stormwater level of service and key performance information.

### Wastewater

Seventeen comments were received about wastewater with submitters were commenting on a range of issues related to discharge quality and improving environmental standards. Eleven commented on the Te Anau wastewater disposal project with a range of requests that Council look at alternatives to centre-pivot irrigation including using alternative sites, sub surface drip irrigation as well as looking at ways to treat wastewater to a higher standard so this can be disposed of on the alternative sites.

### Water supply

Six submitters commented on this topic. Comments related to fluoridation, water pipe replacements, funding water schemes, concerns over protozoal compliance.

### Resource Management & Climate Change

Thirteen submitters have commented on a range of issues including:

- Requesting that Council provide a heritage building incentive package for owners of heritage buildings to encourage their continue use and protection
- Requests related to Council supporting a range of environmental efforts/programmes around biodiversity, significant natural areas, high value areas, landscapes, actions for preventing the spread of wilding conifers, and controls around genetically modified organisms and oil exploration/fracking.
- The need to consider climate change more actively.

## Options

Council has two options, these are:

- Option 1: To confirm the staff recommendations and actions as indicated in the submission points
- Option 2: To amend to the staff recommendations and actions as indicated in the submission points

<b>Option 1 – To confirm the staff actions as indicated in the submissions</b>	
<i>Advantages</i>	<i>Disadvantages</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Staff are aware of the current recommendations and have considered the impact etc.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Council may wish to make other changes.</li> </ul>
<b>Option 2 – To make amendments to the staff actions as indicated in the submissions</b>	
<i>Advantages</i>	<i>Disadvantages</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Council can incorporate any changes as it sees appropriate.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Depending on the request staff may be required to obtain additional information that may impact on the decision.</li> </ul>

## Recommendation

That the Council:

- a) Confirms the staff actions detailed for submission points 5.4, 30.1, 48.1, 62.3, 67.5, 68.1, 91.1, 94.2, 94.4, 123.9, 126.7, 128.1, 128.8, 129.15, 133.7, 134.16, 134.18, 136.4, 137.3, 137.5, 141.14, 142.7, 143.9, 157.1, 157.2, 161.2

## Excerpts of feedback on Community Future Planning

## District and Local Issues/Projects

NAME (POINT)	SUBMISSIONSUMMARY	STAFF RECOMMENDATION
<b>12-Local Projects</b>		
Gary and Erica Carruthers - 136.4	Woodlands Public Toilets & Carpark (also refer point 136.3): Submitter requests council consider constructing public toilets and a parking site for self-contained camper vans in Woodlands village.	That Council note the submitter's feedback and ask staff to consider the request for toilets in Woodlands as part of the planning work to be done for the open spaces programme. Staff advise that the Woodlands CDA had previously discussed the possibility of creating a parking site for self-contained camper vans but decided against the proposal. Instead initial discussions were held with the hotel owner about the possibility of providing for this given they already have a sealed carpark and toilet facilities. However this has not been progressed.
Anonymous Anonymous on behalf of On behalf of SDC Ratepayers Throughout - 129.15	Stewart Island Walking Track - Also thinks the investment in Horseshoe Bay Rd track of \$160k over 3 years grossly excessive.	That Council note the submitter's feedback and request that the specific suggestions be passed onto the Stewart Island Community Board and staff responsible for the development of the open spaces programme for consideration and prioritisation. The Horseshoe Bay walking track projects in the LTP have been developed in conjunction with the Stewart Island Community Board with the funding budgeted to come from grants versus rates.
Ann Pullen - 157.1	Stewart Island - Opposes the planned \$150,000 on walking tracks along Horseshoe Bay Road as a waste of money.	That Council note the submitter's feedback and request that the specific suggestions be passed onto the Stewart Island Community Board and staff responsible for the development of the open spaces programme for consideration and prioritisation. The Horseshoe Bay walking track projects in the LTP have been developed in conjunction with the Stewart Island Community Board with the funding budgeted to come from grants versus rates. Generally, wherever possible Council tries to move pedestrians away from the carriage way and provide a separation between themselves and moving vehicles. It is widely known that tourists walk on the roads where there is no footpaths or gravel shoulders to accommodate them. However staff also acknowledge that there is a fine balance between retaining the 'rustic' appeal of the island and building hard infrastructure like footpaths in order to manage the safety of pedestrians. Staff will take the submitter's feedback into account and consider this as part of the more detailed discussions around the project before this proceeds. The Community Board may also wish to discuss the bigger picture around what type of approach should be taken in developing these facilities on the Island considering its unique nature. It may be appropriate for this to be done as part of the wider open spaces project.
Manion Donaldson - 161.2	Stewart Island - Requests a picnic area be formed at the base of the hill at the north end of Ringaringa beach and to make road open to vehicles (originally noted in point 161.1)	That Council note the submitter's feedback and request that the specific suggestions for the picnic area be passed onto the Stewart Island Community Board and staff responsible for the development of the open spaces programme for consideration and prioritisation. Staff advise that work is underway to resolve the issues around vehicle access at Ringaringa.
Irene Barnes - 128.10	Manapouri (Pearl Harbour) - States that toilets need urgent upgrades. Suggests that funding assistance could come from a government tourism grant and Real Journeys.	That Council note the submitter's feedback and request that their specific suggestions be passed staff responsible for the development of the open spaces programme for consideration and prioritisation. Council staff are aware of the pressures in the area and are working with Real Journeys on a project to improve facilities at Pearl Harbour, including toilets. Real Journeys are in the process of finalising a concept plan that will outline what they plan to do with the facilities that they provide at Pearl Harbour. Once this is available, staff will then be able to discuss what investment or improvements in toilets or other facilities that the Council should make for consideration and approval.
Glenda Bell - 137.5	Te Anau - Wants to see many more drinking water fountains in Te Anau, with water taps next to these so the public can fill their own water bottles which will reduce the plastic waste created.	That Council note the submitter's feedback and request that their specific suggestions be passed onto both the Te Anau Community Board and staff responsible for the development of the open spaces programme for consideration and prioritisation.
Julie Walls - 141.14	Te Anau/Manapouri - States that these areas are growing and requests council respond to the problems this is creating including 1) improving car parking (Little Park Lane overtaken by staff leaving no cars for locals) 2) ban boats/trailers parking as they block people getting out of parks 3) getting a parking warden 4) additional toilets/showers (not just at the library swimming pool). 5) a place where freedom campers can go with facilities so they don't use the library/pool. States that regional funding for these facilities should be applied for as investment has been lacking	
<b>11-Water Structures (e.g. wharfs/jetties)</b>		
Ann Pullen - 157.2	Stewart Island - Objects to the planned spend of \$23K on Little Glory Jetty. Thinks Golden Bay, Ulva and Millers Beach wharves should be the priority.	That Council amend the LTP and Water Structures AMP to bring forward the remediation work on Millars Beach wharf from 2026/27 to 2020/21 and push the project on Little Glory Wharf out to 2026/27 (from 2020/21). Staff recently received a detailed assessment of the condition of Millars Beach wharf that identified severe safety

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		deficiencies. As a result, due to the concerns, the wharf has now been closed. As such, following the receipt of the report and subsequent closure of the wharf, staff are recommending that the priority the wharf projects in the LTP be altered so that remediation work can be done on Millars Beach wharf ahead of other structures. This is covered in the 2 May report to Council 'Staff Amendments' (appendix 12).
Darryl Sycamore on behalf of Federated Farmers of New Zealand - 145.14	Stewart Island Wharf - Has the view that a targeted rating structure needs to be developed prior to assuming ownership (Golden Bay) to ensure those costs can be recovered. Seeks to avoid uncertainty with purchasing the wharf before a cost recovery plan is developed. Believes the costs of the purchase and upgrade should not fall on the general ratepayer.	That Council note the submitter's feedback and request to ensure that any cost of any wharf/jetty programme does not fall on the general ratepayer. Staff advise that discussions are still underway in relation to the transfer of Golden Bay Wharf. Council is working through a range of technical and legal considerations that will need to be resolved prior to a final decision being made. Further information will be considered by Council in due course.
<b>10-Community Facilities</b>		
Mary Napper - 51.14	Community Halls/Spaces - Would like to see halls and spaces consolidated	That Council notes the submitter's feedback and advises that the Council is planning to undertake a review of community facilities (including halls) over the next 12 months.
Irene Barnes - 128.9	Manapouri Hall - Review usage faster	That Council notes the submitter's feedback and advises that the Council is planning to undertake a review of community facilities (including halls) and the Manapouri hall will be included in this work.
Jennifer Faye Tayler on behalf of Lorne Peak - 156.16	Garston Hall - Review use of Garston hall due to its limited facilities.	That Council notes the submitter's feedback. Staff advise that Garston Hall is not a Council-owned facility and as such any decisions about its future will need to be made by the relevant owners.
Mary Napper - 51.15	Clifden Cave Toilets - Where is the promised toilet and parking area at Clifden Caves?	Council is working on an upgrade of toilet facilities at the nearby Clifden Bridge. The Clifden Caves is a DOC responsibility and the construction of signage or toilets is at the discretion of DOC.
Bill Hunter - 64.1	Council building - Believes the replacement of the new Council office building is important but would like to see this building based in the district.	That the Council notes the submitter's feedback. The location of the building will form part of the business case that will be developed.
Raelene Greer - 81.3	Council Office - Suggests that the \$10.5 million for the head office be used to relocate the office into the SDC area.	
Kenneth Davidson - 75.14	Upgrade all Southland District Council offices instead of building new offices in Invercargill	That the Council notes the submitter's feedback. The Invercargill office building has specific issues related to earthquake strength and external cladding that make it a priority project.
Darryl Sycamore on behalf of Federated Farmers of New Zealand - 145.13	Council office building - business case should be prepared to confirm the economic value of the work. Funding should be contingent on a business case and then put out for consultation.	That the Council notes the submitter's feedback and advises that a business case will be prepared.
SJ Peoples - 83.15	Manapouri Airport - Believes rates for Manapouri Airport is a waste of money.	That the Council notes the submitter's feedback.
Matt Menlove - 88.15	Community Housing - Opposes any proposal to sell Council flats.	That the Council notes the submitter's feedback and advises that the Council does not have any specific proposals to sell Community Housing at the current time.
Janice Templeton - 124.1	Community housing - States she believes there is a waiting list for community housing in Riverton and has several questions which are waiting to be answered by the property team. 1) If we go district wide to look at costs for community housing does that mean that Riverton may be subsidizing the rest of the SDC housing if they are not occupied. 2) Does the rent charged cover all the expenses re R & M, lawns, gardening etc. 3) Does the accumulated rent cover updating the houses/flats when they are vacated and/or replacement. 4) Using Riverton Houses as an example where I know there is a waiting list there is a reason why some appear to be empty for several weeks/months regardless of what needs to be done for the next occupant. 5) Is it because of the unavailability of contractors to do the refit?	That the Council notes the submitter's feedback. Staff advise that the operational costs for this activity are funded from rentals and as such the rent charges covers all the expenses as well as updating when houses are vacant. Sometimes there are delays in tenanting a flat due to prioritising the numbers on the waiting list and/or having to complete an upgrade prior to the new tenants moving in. The availability of contractors can be an issue.
Leanne Liggett on behalf of Southern District Health Board - 143.9	Wants Council to develop smokefree parks and playgrounds policy & signage	That Council note the submitter's feedback and request that the specific suggestions be passed onto staff responsible for the development of the open spaces programme for consideration and prioritisation.
Jennifer Faye Tayler on behalf of Lorne Peak - 156.15	Garston Cemetery - Approval needed by cemetery trust in order to be buried in the Garston cemetery. No transparent guidelines is causing friction in the community. Suggest phasing out and managed by the council instead.	That the Council notes the submitter's feedback. Staff advise that the Garston cemetery is run by a trust, independent of Council. Any administration by Council would be as a result of a request from the Trust.
<b>10-Community Facilities &gt; 10.2-Other Cycle Trails</b>		
Gerard Hill - 82.10	Believes that community-led cycle trails are a lot better and comments that if the Council wants to increase visitor numbers to the region through developing cycle trails, it should assist the Fiordland Trails Trust with funding to finish the last stage of the Lake to Lake Trail.	That Council notes the submitter's feedback.
Bruce Sanford - 31.15	Believes more cycle trails are needed - including Te Anau/Manapouri to Tuatapere and to Invercargill, Lumsden to Invercargill and Jacks point to Kingston.	Council notes the submitter believes more cycle trails are needed - including Te Anau/Manapouri to Tuatapere and to Invercargill, Lumsden to Invercargill and Jacks point to Kingston. Also notes that NZTA have recently established a Heartland ride from Lumsden to Invercargill but no other trails are proposed at this time.

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James Reardon on behalf of Te Anau Cycling Incorporated - 62.2	Te Anau Cycle Trails - Discusses the need to have better mountain biking options for youth, tourists etc, in the Te Anau region. There is a demand for tourists to use trails, and this could be part of what attracts tourists to the area. Suggests mountain biking in and around Te Anau as an ideal focus for investment. Suggests that SDC could support applications from TACI to community funds for trail development and work positively with Destination Fiordland and other bodies to boost the profile and support for mountain biking in the district.	Council notes the submitter has requested Council provide improved cycling and mountain biking infrastructure. This infrastructure could be a very complimentary and high-value addition to the amenities that attract visitors to Te Anau. Council could support applications to community funders for trail development and work positively with Destination Fiordland and other bodies to boost the profile and support for mountain biking in the district. Council notes its previously signalled intentions to work closely with community groups to help them achieve their goals and this is aligned with the submitter's point of view.
Gerard Hill - 82.11	Te Anau Cycle Trail - Request Council add professionally-designed mountain-bike tracks into Ivon Wilson Park (comment originally made in relation to Q2a, point 82.8)	Council notes the submitter's request for Council to add professionally-designed mountain-bike tracks into Ivon Wilson Park, Te Anau. In response Council notes that the Open Spaces studies will investigate needs and facilities in Council's open spaces and parks such as Ivon Wilson park. Further the budgets allowed for in years 4-10 of the LTP will allow for physical works, identified in the investigation phase, to be carried out.
<b>6-Roads and Footpaths</b>		
Doug Davidson on behalf of Southland District Chairperson The New Zealand Automobile Association Incorporated - 94.4	Requests council include commentary in the Roads and Footpath AMP about council's involvement in the Southern Road Safety Influencing Group and this contributes providing a safe network. Also requests commentary be included around the long-term viability of this group should NZTA funding not extend beyond its current term. Offer to work with Council to develop the mentioned Road Safety Action Plan.	Submitter's points are noted. Roads and Footpath AMP will be amended to better reflect points raised around Road Safety and Council staff will continue to work with interested organisation such as AANZ. Staff advise that an amendment of the AMP will better reflect Councils ongoing commitment to road safety and also show that this commitment is not just limit to direct financial input.
Alan and Deen McKay - 109.2	Colac Bay Foreshore Road - States that nothing has been done on the rock wall protection of the foreshore road and SDC is leaving it to self-destruct and has to be closed. States SDC dialogue full of apologies and false promises.	That Council note the submitter's comment. Staff are continuing to work on obtaining resource consent to allow the required work to be carried out for the ongoing maintenance of the current structure. Resource consent application has been submitted to Environment Southland. Revised design drawings have also been submitted in support of the application.
James Reardon on behalf of Te Anau Cycling Incorporated - 62.3	Te Anau Roads/Cycleway/Walkways - Suggests adding a cycle/walking bridge to the existing Upukarora River bridge, to create a secure cycle/walking lane at least to the junction of Sinclair road and a safe crossing point for cyclists, pedestrians, and school children.	That Council note the submitter's feedback and ask staff to table the issues raised around pedestrian and cycling facilities to with the Te Anau Community Board for consideration and prioritisation. No change is recommended to the current Long Term Plan however Council staff are to continue working with NZTA around funding options for active transport modes and continue to promote /improve road safety. Pedestrian facilities and amenities such as footpaths and walkways are prioritised and funded by each community. The change in government has resulted in a new draft Government Policy Statement on Land Transport which has a higher degree of focus on mode neutrality and active transport. This is still in the draft format and was released too late to be considered as part of the current LTP process.
K.F and G.F. Thompson - 142.7	Te Anau - Requests Council create vehicle access between Paperplus & Ray White with carparking behind and walkways signposted	That Council note the submitter's feedback and ask staff to table a copy of the submitter's requests for signage along walkways onto the Te Anau Community Board for consideration. Parking facilities are currently available along Little Park lane and access to Little Park Lane via Park Lane is less than 200m from the proposed vehicle access between Paperplus and Ray White.
Matt Menlove - 88.14	Haast to Hollyford road - Would like to see the road go ahead because of the employment and tourism benefits. Notes this is not in the LTP or SoRDs document.	That Council note the submitter's feedback and confirm that no change be made to the LTP. Council has previously outlined its position on this item. No further information has been presented to Council which would justify reconsidering Council current position.
Janette Buckingham on behalf of South Catlins Promotions Inc - 67.5	Tokanui - Is concerned at the lack of street lighting at the Tokanui - McEwan Street intersection.	That Council note the submitter's feedback and instruct staff to pass this onto the Tokanui CDA for consideration. Improvements such as street lighting and footpaths are funded by locally be each community. Staff also advise that this streetlight will be upgraded to an LED light as part of the district wide retro fit during the coming months. An advantage of LED lighting is that it provides better definition of the road and objects.
Susan Ford - 91.1	Stewart Island Carparking - Opposed to project for a new car park on Argyle Street, Stewart Island. Believes this is a waste of money, unwanted and would destroy the only tiny piece of 'green space' that stands between the sea front and the top of Argyle Street.	That Council note the submitter's feedback and instruct staff to table the concerns with the Stewart Island Community Board for discussion. Staff suggest that there may be a need to have a more holistic consideration to parking requirements including future developments around the area. There should be clear identification of the current problem but any interventions should also recognize any needs or impacts from planned future developments.
Doug Davidson on behalf of Southland District Chairperson The New Zealand Automobile Association Incorporated - 94.2	Notes continuation of the 80/20 principle, but requests that the risks to the community of this approach are considered (refer full text for detail around retaining flexibility to deal with immediate safety concerns, driver education to redirect drivers, reassessing classifications and funding needs, consider risks to community of pushing infrastructure harder).	That Council note the submitter's feedback and instruct staff to amend the Roads and Footpath AMP to better reflect points raised around Road Safety and Council's intention to continue to work with interested organisations such as AANZ. Amendment of the AMP will better reflect Councils ongoing commitment to road safety and also show that this commitment is not just limit to direct financial input.
Cr Alex Crackett on behalf of Chair Ride Southland	Requests that in the final Long Term Plan, the information in the plan for the Roads and Footpaths Activity (page 36/37 of draft) be amended to acknowledge the support of the formation of the Ride Southland Governance Group	

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Governance Group - 99.1	and its Vision Statement (page 12 of the Strategy): Our aim is to improve cycling safety and participation in Southland	
John Turner - 50.17	Haast to Hollyford Road - Request Council include plans for the road proposal be included in the LTP.	That Council note the submitter's feedback and make no change to the LTP. Council has previously outlined its position on this item. No further information has been presented to Council which would justify reconsidering Council current position.
Derene Christie and Colleagues for Fiordland Medical Trust on behalf of Fiordland Medical Trust - 30.1	Te Anau Cycling/Pedestrian Infrastructure - Requests improved cycle and pedestrian infrastructure in and around Te Anau. Notes the population is growing and the believe that the combination of increased vehicle numbers, overseas drivers, vehicle type and existing road conditions raise the potential for injury and death. Comments on an increasing number of incidents between cyclists or pedestrians and vehicles including students travelling to or from school. Suggests that improving cycling and pedestrian infrastructure can reduce risk, help improve wellbeing, create social opportunities (such as group outings and sporting events), reduce harm to the environment and create economic opportunities.	<b>That Council note the submitter's feedback and request staff to table the issues raised around pedestrian facilities with the Te Anau Community Board for consideration and prioritisation as funder of local activities such as walkways, footpaths etc.</b> No change is recommended to the current Long Term Plan however Council staff are to continue working with NZTA around funding options for active transport modes. The change in government has resulted in a new draft Government Policy Statement on Land Transport which has a higher degree of focus on mode neutrality and active transport. This is still in the draft format and was released too late to be considered as part of the current LTP process. The submitter is also welcome to talk directly with the Te Anau Community Board about the concerns, particularly as the Board are progressing a community leadership planning process for the area which includes an aspects of co-ordinated planning for the township.
Ian Taylor - 59.6	Would like more frequent grading and maintenance of roads	That Council note the submitter's feedback and request staff to the contact submitter to advise that any maintenance issues should be raised with Council and entered in the Council's request for service system. As maintenance needs are tailored for each road there is insufficient information as part of the submission to provide a detailed response. Activities such as grading are carried out where possible in a routine manner to maximize efficiency and reduce cost to rate payers however inclement weather can impact on roads performance, particularly gravel roads. While Council staff and contractors monitor the network the large size of the network does mean Council is partly reliant on the public notifying Council of issues as they arise.
Ray Willett - 126.7	Te Anau Pedestrian - Would like the pedestrian crossing outside Freshchoice relocated before someone gets hurt.	<b>That Council note the submitter's feedback and request staff to table the issues raised around pedestrian facilities with the Te Anau Community Board for consideration and prioritisation.</b> No change is recommended to the current Long Term Plan however Council staff to continue working with NZTA around funding options for active transport modes and continue to promote /improve road safety. Pedestrian facilities and amenities such footpaths are prioritised and funded by each community. The change in government has resulted in a new draft Government Policy Statement on Land Transport which has a higher degree of focus on mode neutrality and active transport. This is still in the draft format and was released too late to be considered as part of the current LTP process.
Stephen Hoskin on behalf of Hoskin Family - 48.1	Te Anau roads/cycleways/walkways - Requests that Council 1) develop more extensive plans for active transport and work with NZTA to implement the plan on the basis of the benefits that it provides (making specific suggestions for improving infrastructure to encourage active transport - particularly related to safety of the Upukerora Bridge and the existing brick path below Kepler Heights that brings users to a point on Sandy Brown Road at right angles to traffic is unsafe and suggests a path be put along Sandy Brown Road) 2) put in native plantings (that are aesthetically pleasing and do not cause safety problems such as low tussocks and lancewoods) in the traffic islands on Milford Road within the town boundary.	<b>That Council note the submitter's feedback and table the issues raised around vegetation and pedestrian facilities with the Te Anau Community Board for consideration and prioritisation.</b> No change is recommended to the current Long Term Plan however Council staff are to continue working with NZTA around funding options for active transport modes and continue to promote /improve road safety. Pedestrian facilities and amenities such as gardening are funded priorities and currently funded by each community. The change in government has resulted in a new draft Government Policy Statement on Land Transport which has a higher degree of focus on mode neutrality and active transport. This is still in the draft format and was released too late to be considered as part of the current LTP process.
Grant Excell on behalf of Te Anau School Board of Trustees - 68.1	Te Anau pedestrian/cycleways - Request Council help to make access to and from Te Anau School and local amenities (such as the public library, local cycle trails and the lake) safe using pedestrian and cycle friendly routes.	That Council note the submitter's feedback and table the issues raised around pedestrian facilities with the Te Anau Community Board for consideration and prioritisation. No change is recommended to the current Long Term Plan however <b>Council staff to continue working with NZTA around funding options for active transport modes and continue to promote /improve road safety.</b> Pedestrian facilities and amenities such footpaths are prioritised and funded by each community. The change in government has resulted in a new draft Government Policy Statement on Land Transport which has a higher degree of focus on mode neutrality and active transport. This is still in the draft format and was released too late to be considered as part of the current LTP process.
Sir Alan Mark - 8.8	Haast-Hollyford Highway - Requests that Council announce that is has abandoned any interest in this road.	That Council note the submitter's feedback. As this project is not currently within the 10 year plan no further action is recommended.
Brian Henderson - 13.4	Requests Council get petrol tax to pay for Southland roads.	That Council note the submitter's feedback. Council will receive 51% funding assistance rate from New Zealand Transport Agency towards qualifying roading activity. This 51% is funded by petrol excise taxes and road user charges.
John Turner - 50.14	States that the Council needs to get back to basics looking after core infrastructure. Comments roads are no longer the best in the country - points out issues with water lying of left of roads causing breakdown in tarseal. Suggests that	That Council note the submitter's feedback. In terms of the flushing comment, work is assessed and prioritised at a network level. This may result in some lower priority issues taking more time to be dealt with.

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	contractors doing resealing need better monitoring to avoid costly repairs.	
Irene Barnes - 128.12	Manapouri (Pearl Harbour) - States that increased parking is urgently needed. Suggests that funding assistance could come from a government tourism grant and Real Journeys.	That Council note the submitter's feedback. No change to the LTP is recommended as improvements to Real Journeys carpark is already planned. It is recommended that Council continue to pursue opportunities for funding such as Tourism infrastructure fund to help address infrastructure pressures from tourism. Improvements such as those being undertaken by Real Journeys require opportunity to be implemented and assessed to understand how these impact on parking requirements.
Linda D. Murdoch - 55.2	Te Anau roads - Would like to see a change to the one way system in Te Anau and doesn't want to see any car parks lost.	That Council note the submitter's feedback. Staff advise that safety improvements are planned for Milford Crescent including a review of the current pedestrian crossing location. Opportunity needs to be given for the current improvement plan to be completed. Changing the one way systems would in itself create new issues.
Bradley Yorke - 115.10	Bridges - States that more emphasis needs to be placed on replacing bridges that have weight restrictions as this is impacting on business efficiency and impacting the rural sector. States that if government funding is the problem then council needs to do a better job in obtaining a fair share.	That Council note the submitter's feedback. Staff advise that the LTP already has an allowance for increased focus on bridges. Structural inspections of Councils bridging stock are already underway. Due to the volume of Councils bridging stock this process will only be completed in time to inform the next LTP. On this basis it is not recommended to change the current LTP however it is recommended that any savings or under expenditure from other roading activities be redirected to accelerate the bridge upgrade program where possible. Increased expenditure beyond what has currently been allowed for would likely need to be funded via a loan and would also be subject to NZTA providing additional funding for their portion of the program.
Pam Yorke on behalf of Scobies Transport - 116.9	Bridges - Request council speed up the process to replace bridges, particularly given the importance to the rural sector economy. Expects council to reinvest for the future and make bridges a priority for replacement and requests to see a revised proposal around this.	
Pamela Yorke - 113.9	Bridges - Requests council develop a comprehensive bridge replacement plan urgently as putting weight restrictions on bridges is a hindrance to rural communities/economy.	
Manlyn Hunter - 65.1	Te Anau - Fully supports otta seal for Whitestone Road	That Council note the submitter's request and instruct staff to develop a policy around third party financing of activity improvements and responsibility for both the ongoing maintenance and renewal of the these assets. Based on the current maintenance requirements and associated cost along with the low traffic volume it is difficult to put a business case together that would meet the NZTA requirement to support sealing these types of roads. As such it is recommended that the project not be brought forward. Staff are suggesting that Council develop a policy around third party financing of activity improvements and responsibility for both the ongoing maintenance and renewal of these assets. This is particularly prudent if improvements would not meet the initial NZTA capital investment criteria.
Irene Barnes - 128.8	Te Anau - Approves of the Otto sealing up to the cemetery in Te Anau, but wants remainder done sooner ahead of the walkway improvements	
Fiona Black on behalf of Real Journeys Limited - 123.9	Manapouri - Requests the council allocate some funding to upgrade the footpaths, road and public car parking on Waiu Street as part of the work they are doing to develop more carparking on section they own. Refer full comment for details and point 123.1 for toilet requests. Staff note - the same request was made in 17/18 Annual Plan and submitter was advised that staff were planning to meet with them to discuss a joint concept plan ahead of the LTP.	That Council note the submitter's request and instruct staff to work with Real Journeys and the CDA to develop a co-ordinated plan for the area. This request is similar to one received in relation to the 2017/2018 Annual Plan where Council requested staff work with Real Journeys and other stakeholders to develop a coordinated plan for the area so that issues around funding/responsibility for projects could be determined. Staff have been in contact with Real Journeys and they advise that there have been some delays to their planning process for this area with other projects taking priority. However with these being addressed, they are keen to work collaboratively with Council on their plans for Pearl Harbour in Manapouri. Staff also note that as the CDA is responsible for funding local infrastructure like footpaths and streetlighting improvements, they will also need to be involved and staff will work with the CDA and Real Journeys to progress these discussions and planning. On an initial review, staff support some of proposed improvements such as pavement marking, raised pedestrian crossing and speed bumps as can be accommodated within current budgets, however improvements to the road itself are not supported at this point in time as these funds are better put towards bridge replacement program. This area is more consistent with that of shared zone and as such would benefit from some traffic calming measure to reinforce this. Items which are locally funded such as street lighting and footpaths will be passed on to the CDA.
Jonathan Howard on behalf of Heritage New Zealand - 134.16	Requests that Council be aware that archaeological authorities may be required for certain projects outlined in the draft LTP so that any costs and time associated with this are anticipated and understood at an early stage. These would include projects with works where there would be ground disturbance that could impact archaeological sites (e.g. water pipe renewals, bridge renewals on pre-1900 bridges.)	That Council note the submitter's request and request that the information be circulated to Council staff as a timely reminder of Councils responsibilities. Staff agree that working closely with stakeholders helps identify requirements early on and reduces the risk of potential delays and / or unexpected costs.
Mary Napper - 51.13	Would like to know where to find out information such as what roads are secondary roads and the maintenance schedule that applies to these roads	That Council note the submitter's request with Council staff to contact submitter directly to clarify the issues and provide information as required based on the outcome of discussions. As maintenance needs are tailored for each road there is insufficient information as part of the submission to provide a detailed response.
Stevie-Rae Blair on behalf of Te Ao Marama - 153.4	Supports maintaining/improving roads and rebuilding bridges. Suggests developing a schedule to streamline	That Council note the submitter's suggestion and instruct staff to work with Te Ao Marama to streamline process for gaining affected

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	consents if there are a high number needed to gain affected party approval	party approval. Staff agree that this will should result in improved efficiencies for both Council and Te Ao Marama.
Glenda Bell - 137.3	Te Anau Pedestrian - Believes the crossing outside Freshchoice supermarket needs to be shifted as someone will get hit. Likewise with the crossing at the roundabout which is at the end of Lakefront Drive and the town centre. The exit of the roundabout also needs to be levelled.	<b>That Council note the submitter's suggestions and ask staff to table the issues raised around pedestrian facilities with the Te Anau Community Board for consideration and prioritisation.</b> No change is recommended to the current Long Term Plan however Council staff to continue working with NZTA around funding options for active transport modes and continue to promote /improve road safety. Pedestrian facilities and amenities such footpaths are prioritised and funded by each community. The change in government has resulted in a new draft Government Policy Statement on Land Transport which has a higher degree of focus on mode neutrality and active transport. This is still in the draft format and was released too late to be considered as part of the current LTP process.
Janette Buckingham on behalf of South Catlins Promotions Inc - 67.3	Would like to thank Council for the work already done through the Catlins on the roads and plans around toilet facilities. Would also like to see improvements made at the Fortrose intersection as she believes it is unsafe with stopping and causing traffic issues.	That Council notes the submitter's feedback. While there are no immediate plans to change the intersection at Fortrose, there are plans to review signage along this route to insure consistency of Levels of Service. This will be done as part of standard work program.
<b>7-Wastewater</b>		
Pam Yorke on behalf of Lazy Dolphin Lodge - 114.6	Cunio Bay Wastewater - Requests to be informed on what is happening about the options for residents for the Cunio Bay wastewater treatment plant (already submitted in 2017 on this matter).	Comments noted - action plan is currently being developed Proposal for connection of Porpoise Bay subdivision has been finalised with the developer. Following this the proposal for further community connection will be finalised and proposed for consultation.
Leanne Liggett on behalf of Southern District Health Board - 143.11	If reticulated systems not an option then at a minimum engagement with property owners and occupiers on how to use and maintain their systems is needed. Suggests funding a user-pays service to clean septic tanks regularly.	Submission point noted - no action required. Council currently provides advice on how best to manage septic tanks with articles appearing in First Edition and other publications. This advice has also been targeted through some communities recently for example Gorge Road. Further advice can also be provided for example through the Building Consent process.
Darryl Sycamore on behalf of Federated Farmers of New Zealand - 145.8	Targeted Rate - Supports a targeted rate model to fund wastewater schemes as those communities who will directly benefit from the expenditure should be responsible for the funding. Believes it is appropriate for townships to fund the costs associated with wastewater discharges through user pays model. Affordability can be addressed by extending the term of the loan etc.  Land and Water plan - As water and land plan is subject to appeal, offers little support to future proof the Council's wastewater networks.  Te Anau Wastewater - States that it is imperative to advance the Te Anau wastewater treatment upgrade. FF supports Council carrying out further work to determine what option provides the greatest benefit to the community overall.  FF supports a co-ordinated replacement programmes to investigate differing options for the upgrade of aged underground infrastructure that has not yet come to the natural end of life.	Submission points noted - no action required Water and Wastewater Services are currently funded by the user pays model the submitter suggests ie only those connected to water and wastewater schemes pay the targeted rate. Those outside these urban areas are not required to pay, which will continue to be the case. The submitter's comments around Te Anau are noted and appreciated.
David Fortune - 34.15	Believes that water quality in rivers and lakes is a high priority and Council should be charging those who cause the pollution (with high nitrate and phosphate levels) and this should be a cost of operating these businesses. Asks council to change the targets and charge polluters.	Submitter's comments are noted - no action required Comments relate to improving water quality in rivers and other surface water bodies, which is primarily the responsibility of Environment Southland. It is noted however that Council also recognises that it has responsibility to comply with the objectives, policies and rules of the Water and Land Plan in areas where it impacts out activities most notably wastewater and stormwater discharges.
Sir Alan Mark - 8.5	Te Anau Wastewater - Suggests that in relation to the Te Anau Wastewater Treatment upgrade that Council should be allowing for an alternative site, closer to the Te Anau Township, with costings closer to the amount allocated, remain urgent and priority issues.	Submitter's comments in respect of the Te Anau wastewater project are noted. In December 2017 Council resolved to proceed with detailed design work in support of irrigation of treated wastewater to the Kepler Block to the north of Te Anau Airport Manapouri. As a result work has started on the detailed design of the pipeline and other supporting works at both the oxidation pond site and the Kepler site. At the December meeting Council also requested that staff develop a concept design for sub surface drip irrigation (SDI) to a point where it can be evaluated against the Centre Pivot Irrigation (CPI) proposal for which consent was granted in 2017. This concept design is currently being developed and will be independently peer reviewed before being presented to Council later in the year at which point a decision on the final means of irrigation will be made.
Mary Chartres - 23.15	Te Anau Wastewater - Support the sub-surface drip irrigation option for the Kepler site for Te Wastewater disposal project.	
David Fortune - 34.14	Te Anau Wastewater - Suggests the wastewater be processed to a high level at the existing site and then used on recreation ground in Te Anau.	
Bev Hartley - 43.6	Te Anau Wastewater - Suggests the plant that is being built should treat waste to a highly usable product that doesn't need to be pumped 19kms. Also comments of cost of replacing pipes in the future.	
Margaret Cambridge - 54.8	Te Anau Wastewater - Opposes the consented option for sub-surface irrigation	
Rachel Cockburn on behalf of Te Anau Community Board - 77.5	Te Anau Wastewater - Strongly supports and advocates for sub-surface drip irrigation given the current information to hand.	

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Lynley King - 90.6	Te Anau Wastewater - believes the best option is to treat wastewater to higher standard by upgrading current plant without need to pump 18km.	
Irene Barnes - 128.7	Te Anau wastewater project - applaud work done but don't waste any more money on investigations just do it.	
Fiona Black on behalf of Real Journeys Limited - 123.3	Te Anau - and look forward to resolving the Te Anau wastewater treatment plant and discharge system issues. Supports proposals to improve environmental standards.	Support for proposals to improve standards for wastewater and stormwater across the district - with particular reference to Te Anau wastewater and noted and appreciated. No action required. No action required as LTP currently outlines the programme for timing of wastewater and stormwater upgrades over the next ten years.
Darryl Sycamore on behalf of Federated Farmers of New Zealand - 145.19	Wastewater KPI's - Requests a new KPI is added (in addition to KPI 2.1) to record the number of known times the Council has exceeded the consent conditions with respect to wastewater discharge.	The submitter's comments are note - no action required Council currently has indicators in place that clearly demonstrate performance against compliance targets with water, wastewater and stormwater activities that are consistent with those used by other Authorities. In addition a number of these are mandatory measures brought in by the DIA to allow performance to be benchmarked in the future.
<b>8-Water Supply</b>		
Jean Anderson on behalf of Physicians and Scientists for Global Responsibility New Zealand Charitable Trust - 1.2	Requests that Council provide drinking water free of added fluoride and associated bio-accumulative, toxic contaminants.	Submission is noted. None of our water supplies are treated with fluoride. Any request to add fluoride will come from the District Health Board.
Leanne Liggett on behalf of Southern District Health Board - 143.6	Supportive, want to work in partnership with Council. Noted lack of protozoal compliance, recommends planning for improvements identified in their water safety plans.	Submission noted - no action required Compliance with protozoal standards requires extensive reporting of a number of parameters on a minute by minute basis across all of our drinking water supplies. Any gaps in the data can result in a non-compliance being recorded for the year. It does not necessarily mean that the water is unsafe for that period. Council currently uses a SCADA system to collect this information and has currently requested further funding through the LTP process to improve data monitoring and collection to allow us to demonstrate better compliance with this element of the Drinking Water Standard.
Darryl Sycamore on behalf of Federated Farmers of New Zealand - 145.20	Water Supply KPI's - Expresses a concern at the provision of safe drinking water in terms of current protozoan compliance of 23% (KPI 15.1). Requests that this be addressed to ensure adequate treatment in terms of protozoa in their water supply.	Submission points noted - no action required. Council has already allocated funding in the LTP in 2019/2020 and 2020/2021 to upgrade the SCADA software system to ensure compliance with the Protozoal reporting requirements of the Drinking Water Standards.
Helen Newcombe - 101.5	Te Anau Water - Concerned about lack of forward planning to improve water supply and comments on trend of repeated repairs, burst pipes which indicated pipes need to be replaced as well as water shortages. States that Council needs to prioritise replacements much earlier than what is included in the plan (2021 RWS Water Lateral Replacements and then 2033 for water pipe and pump renewals).	Submitter comments noted recent work undertaken in Te Anau includes extensive leak detection and repair programme, targeted renewals through Mackinnon Loop and undertaking work in support of development of a longer term demand management strategy which will help understand what future upgrading of the supply will be required to cope with continued growth of the town.
Sir Alan Mark - 8.6	Manapouri - Questions different figures for Manapouri Water Treatment upgrade in the LTP document and website.	The submitters request for clarification is noted. In the acknowledgement letter that has been sent to the submitter to acknowledge the feedback has been received, staff have clarified that the \$1.0M is associated with the upgrading of the existing Water Treatment Plant in Manapouri to maintain compliance with New Zealand Drinking Water Standards. While the raw water sourced from the lake intake appears "clear" it can sometimes exceed turbidity limits which has the potential to impact on the effectiveness of further treatment processes including UV disinfection and chlorination. The upgrade is about improving this. This differs from the \$160,371 amount - which is a separate project to "extend WTP for pH correction system" that was originally planned in 2017/2018 but is now planned to be carried out concurrently with the above treatment plant upgrade.
Darryl Sycamore on behalf of Federated Farmers of New Zealand - 145.7	Supports the provision of potable water to townships and rural water schemes and the proposed renewal programme. Supports a targeted rate model to fund water schemes but questions the 30% increase in costs over the life of the plan. Recognises the importance of understanding the life of the infrastructure assets and the costs associated with upgrading them in increasingly tougher regulatory environments.	That Council note the submitter's feedback with no action required. Water and Wastewater Services are currently funded by the user pays model the submitter suggests ie only those connected to water and wastewater schemes pay the targeted rate. Those outside these urban areas are not required to pay, which will continue to be the case. Upgrades have been allowed for in the Wastewater Activity Management Plan for Te Anau, Winton, Riversdale and Manapouri totalling \$23 million.
<b>9-Stormwater</b>		
Darryl Sycamore on behalf of Federated Farmers of New Zealand - 145.17	Stormwater KPI's - FF view is that performance measurements for the Level of Service relating to stormwater treatment and disposal are not adequately detailed. LoS(8) relating to delivering the stormwater to the required level of standard should also include a KPI clarifying how many times resource consent conditions were exceeded. It is our members perception, a duplicitous policy targeting farms exists while Councils and their unconsented discharges are treated with impunity.	Council currently has indicators in place that clearly demonstrate performance against compliance targets with water, wastewater and stormwater activities that are consistent with those used by other Authorities. In addition a number of these are mandatory measures brought in by the DIA to allow performance to be benchmarked in the future. In addition to the external KPI's provided in the LTP there are a number of KPI's reported to Council on a regular basis, but not included in the LTP. One of these is PKI8.3: Performance of

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	Federated Farmers seeks an additional KPI recording the number of times discharges of stormwater have breached the conditions of consent.	monitoring results that show compliance with resource consent conditions.
<b>18-Solid Waste</b>		
Brian Henderson - 13.5	Requests Council ban other Council's from disposing of plastic waste at Kings bend and septic tank waste in central Southland.	Submission is noted, no action required. The regional landfill site at Kings Bend is a privately owned and operated landfill site (AB Lime) While the disposal of solid waste from the WasteNet Councils forms a significant part of their day to day operation AB Lime do have the ability to accept waste from other areas outside of the Southland, Gore and Invercargill areas. The acceptance of waste to the facility is subject to strict resource consent conditions as regulated by Environment Southland
SJ Peoples - 83.16	Te Anau - Believes the Te Anau waste site costs too much and isn't good to use.	Submitter's comments noted the costs for using the Te Anau transfer station are consistent with those at other transfer stations across the district. Comments about the state of the site have also been noted. The site is subject to regular inspections by both staff and our contractor with any significant issues addressed in an agreed manner. There is also money included within future budgets to improve signage and address some issues with drainage that effects part of the site.
<b>16-Resource Management</b>		
Jonathan Howard on behalf of Heritage New Zealand - 134.18	Heritage - is concerned about the financial challenge being faced by owners of heritage buildings to pay for seismic strengthening and the impact that this will have on heritage buildings. Encourages Council to look at ways to protect heritage buildings and provide incentives to private owners of heritage buildings. Suggests Council consider setting aside money for a heritage incentive fund to help protect heritage areas. Suggests an option would be a targeted area fund, for example focusing on the regeneration of the Winton town centre. Suggests greater benefits could be delivered by looking at hubs/clusters of projects. Also suggests Council look at rates rebates and specialist advice to building owners as ways of promoting the protection and conservation of historic heritage. Requests council put in place incentives in 18/19 or ask council staff to investigate heritage incentives for the 2019/20 year.	<b>That Council consider if anything needs to be included in the Long Term Plan over establishing a Heritage Buildings incentive package.</b> Council is aware of the impending heritage building challenges but at this stage have not included any specific funding to assist heritage building owners. The Resource Management Activity Management Plan has identified that a Heritage Buildings incentive package is the preferred option to help facilitate the upgrading of commercial heritage buildings which are also earthquake prone.
Matt Menlove - 88.16	Requests Council make it easier to build houses and subdivide. Harder today and Council less user-friendly.	That Council notes the submitter's feedback and recommends no changes to the LTP. The new rules in the District Plan provide for subdivisions in the Urban Zone as controlled activities (must be approved) provided certain requirements (eg servicing and access ways are met).
Ali Meade on behalf of Environment Southland - 92.2	Requests that Council continue to support (via staff time) the Biodiversity Southland Forum.	That Council notes the submitter's feedback and recommends no changes to the LTP. Staff advise that the current LTP budget does include some allowance for some staff time to support Biodiversity Southland which forms part of the District Plans method for promoting an advocacy role.
Chris Henderson - 119.11	Suggests that biodiversity protection has to be high priority in the plan.	That Council notes the submitter's feedback and recommends no changes to the LTP. Council contributes to a number of biodiversity initiatives including part funding the high value area role with Environment Southland and are a partner on the Biodiversity Southland Forum. Additionally Council is currently undertaking some region wide biodiversity work in conjunction with Environment Southland, Invercargill City Council and Gore District Council, the outcome of the work will help inform Council on options to help protect biodiversity further.
Nienke van Dijken on behalf of Tourism Industry Aotearoa - 131.4	Comments that NZ's natural environment is critical to tourism but that New Zealand's natural environmental assets are under threat, including many of our native species, our freshwater rivers and lakes, and our unique landscapes. Suggests ways the Council can support the valuable environment by 1) Recognise the economic value of your environmental assets to tourism 2) Ensure the Long-term Plan accurately reflects the environmental needs of tourism 3) Action the requirements of the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management as quickly as possible.	That Council notes the submitter's feedback and recommends no changes to the LTP. Council shares the same environmental concerns as the submitter and is working to ensure that the natural environment is supported. Council has rules into its District Plan to manage the natural environment, it also has incorporated additional projects to ensure that water quality from wastewater disposal meets requirements.
Jean Anderson on behalf of Physicians and Scientists for Global Responsibility New Zealand Charitable Trust - 1.3	Request that Council conclude that given the risks, responsible legislation is required to reflect the precautionary principle on any proposed release of a genetically engineered organism into the environment in Council's area of jurisdiction - similar to the approach taken by Councils in Northland, Auckland, Bay of Plenty and Hawkes Bay. Requests that Council refrains from using glyphosate as an herbicide in all places accessible to animals and humans including waterways and where spray drift could pose a risk to people and could damage food crops, suggesting that less invasive methods are available.	That Council notes the submitter's feedback.
Dianne Miller on behalf of	Refer sub point 133.3 - Request in the Catlins, Council work in collaboration with others around the 5)	That the submitter's comments are noted. Council shares the submitter's desire to work together and suggests that the submitter

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Chairperson Catlins Coast Incorporation - 133.4	Environment - preserve water quality, maintenance of biodiversity, flora and fauna and consideration of pest management strategies and eradication, preserve areas of uniqueness and appropriate management/resourcing of recreational areas.	contact Councils community partnership leader, Michelle Stevenson in relation to specific initiatives.
Sue Maturin on behalf of Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society of New Zealand Inc - 47.3	With regard to RMA Key Issues 1) Landscapes: prefer Option 1 - undertake a district wide assessment; 2) Biodiversity: requests that Council considers carrying out a full district SNA survey/mapping exercise to meet its District Plan objectives/Method BIO 2, 3 and 4) in the next 3 years. Also comments that it is not clear about the resources that are being put into enforcement of District Plan rules and consent conditions and suggests that specific targets be set in the LTP and that Council develop specific projects to deliver on BIO Methods 1-4 of the District Plan.	The submitter's comments are noted and staff recommend no changes to the LTP. Staff advise that in regards to the specific requests that the submitter raised that Council is in the process of undertaking a region wide landscape assessment with ES, ICC and GDC, the reports on this are likely to be issued in the middle of the year. Council is also currently undertaking some region wide biodiversity work in conjunction with ES, ICC and GDC the outcome of the work will help inform Council of options to help protect biodiversity and be a step towards identifying significant natural areas. Council currently has one compliance officer who also processes consents. Staff consider that there is sufficient resource to carry out current compliance activities.
Paul Brimcombe - 100.14	Does not want oil exploration and fracking in the Te Anau basin.	The submitter's feedback is noted. Permits for oil exploration are not administered by Council. However the Southland District Plan and Environment Southland have rules relating to these activities which may trigger resource consents.
Sir Alan Mark - 8.9	Requests Council include a section in the LTP about the wilding conifer threat and treat this as a priority issue in the areas specified and suggests that for future planting in similar locations, if permitted, should carry a condition of owner responsibility for wilding control on adjoining properties. Comments on potentially illegal clearance of indigenous shrubland/tree planting on the Te Anau Downs Station and requests a formal response regarding this.	That Council notes the submitter's feedback and recommends no changes to the LTP. The Ministry for the Environment has released a National Environmental Standard for Plantation Forestry which provides a permissive framework for forestry activities nationwide. There are wilding controls within this standard which requires companies to undertake an assessment prior to planting. There are also some indigenous vegetation requirements in this standard. Under the Standard council can be more stringent with rules in relation to Outstanding landscapes and significant natural areas. Council is aware of development works occurring on Te Anau Downs Station and is in the process of investigating options about future enforcement.
<b>19-Climate Change</b>		
David North - 150.16	Believes there is no reliable climate change model available.	The submitter's comments are noted. While it is acknowledged that predicting the effects of climate change is not an exact science, the Council considers that it is important that it obtains a greater level of information on the potential effects of climate change for the District to help inform future decisionmaking for communities and infrastructure, albeit that there may be a margin of error to such predictions. This is consistent with national direction from the Ministry for the Environment which seeks to elevate climate change assessment to the forefront of local government thinking.
Sue Maturin on behalf of Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society of New Zealand Inc - 47.1	Endorses Council's proposals to invest more money into a community future planning model that takes account of Climate Change. Suggests that Climate Change needs to be included as one of the future big changes mentioned in the LTP. Requests that Council work towards a zero carbon economy and develop and plan about how Council will reduce GHG emissions over all its work streams (including the design of infrastructure and use of materials, reduction of waste and recycling, reduction in use of energy based on fossil fuels and provision for public transport).	The submitter's comments in relation to the important issue of climate change are noted and appreciated. The Council is very conscious of the importance of this issue to the District and hence has factored in funding into the 2018-2028 LTP to seek to gather a greater level of information than it currently holds on the implications of climate change for the District, so as to seek to better inform its future community and infrastructure decision-making.
Chris Henderson - 119.4	Believes coastal erosion is made worse by loss of sediment from major rivers and is concerned about this on the lower Waiau plus man-made structures at Colac Bay which could be major contributors to coastal erosion West and East of the river mouth. States spending another three years gathering data about climate change seems to be a luxury we do not have. Suggests that Council establish a forum for community future planning including responding to climate change.	While the Council has no specific in-house expertise to comment on what may or may not be causing coastal erosion and loss of sediment, the submitter's concern regarding the potential implications of climate change and the future implications for Southland District is noted. The Council agrees this is an important issue and hence has factored funding into the 2018-2028 LTP to seek to gather a greater level of information than it currently holds on the implications of climate change for the District, so as to seek to better inform its future community and infrastructure decision-making.
<b>20-Strategic Framework</b>		
Sue Maturin on behalf of Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society of New Zealand Inc - 47.4	Suggests that the community outcome would provide better guidance if it also included providing for a healthy and protected unique natural environment and notes that the framework doesn't include what is good for biodiversity and Southland's natural environment which underpins all other aspects of community wellbeing now and in the future. Believes that the frameworks reference to 'considering environmental sustainability and the best use of natural resources should be wider than just Councils infrastructure and service delivery in order to enable Council to implement its wider environmental responsibilities (under the District Plan and RPS) and prepare for climate change.	That Council note the submitter's feedback and make no change to the Strategic Framework as outlined in the draft LTP. The strategic framework reflects the discussions that Council have had in the lead-up to the LTP development. The framework includes the community outcome - Resilient communities that leave a legacy for tomorrow - which is intended to encompass some of the wider wellbeing issues raised by the submitter. The explanation of this outcome states that this means Southland District is made up of strong communities that take a sustainable approach by considering the impact on the environment and the social, cultural and economic wellbeing of our communities now and in the future. Council has a wide range of responsibilities and it is difficult to encapsulate all of these into a single framework. In saying this staff do not consider that the current framework wording downplays the importance of the environment in any way.
Leanne Liggett on behalf of Southern District Health Board - 143.12	Highlights value of working partnership between council and public health service especially about population health. Positive health outcomes accrue when council considers	That Council note the submitter's feedback.

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	potential impacts upon health. Wants to work with council under the health in all policies umbrella.	
Bridget Rodgers on behalf of WellSouth Primary Health Network - 138.3	Advocates for health to be a primary consideration in all policy and strategy development at local level noting that public policy has a profound impact on the health status of a community.	
<b>21-Governance</b>		
John Turner - 50.16	Suggests that elected members should be trained in company governance and should be compensated and held accountable in their actions. Suggests that council needs to encourage ratepayers to take a greater interest in affairs of council. Also suggests Council use actions sheets so projects can be monitored.	That Council note the submitter's feedback. Council is always looking at ways that it can provide advice and training to elected members. Council has an induction and training programme for elected member and this will be reviewed leading up to the next elections to assist representatives to be well-prepared for the 2019/2020 term.
SJ Peoples - 83.20	Milford - Suggests having a representative from Milford Sound township on council.	That Council note the submitter's feedback. The Council is going through a separate representation review process and will be seeking community feedback about the initial proposal. This will be released consultation on 30 April and submissions will close on 6 June. The initial proposal is for 12 councillors over 5 wards (with slight changes to existing boundaries), district-wide coverage of Community Boards with 8 Community Boards in total. At this stage proposal does not include an elected representative for Milford - however Council will look at ways of ensuring input is obtained from the Milford area.
Chris Henderson - 119.5	CDA's - States that eliminating CDAs is not an encouraging start if the Council is serious about better ways to work together with communities. Suggests Council have Community Boards for individual towns and widen boundaries to take in wider community of interest and allow them more say in how their towns function.	That Council note the submitter's feedback. The Council is going through a separate representation review process and will be seeking community feedback about the initial proposal. This will be released consultation on 30 April and submissions will close on 6 June. The initial proposal is for 12 councillors over 5 wards (with slight changes to existing boundaries), district-wide coverage of Community Boards with 8 Community Boards in total.
Allan Youldon - 132.12	CDAs - Comments on hearing that Council is considering getting rid of CDA's but no mention of this in the plan. If this was being proposed, expects to see it in the plan and questions whether Council sees CDAs of such low importance as to not warrant consultation on their future?	
Jennifer Faye Tayler on behalf of Lorne Peak - 156.14	CDAs - Suggests CDAs be removed.	

## Operational Matters

NAME (POINT)	SUMMARY	STAFF RECOMMENDATION
<b>13-Rates and Finance</b>		
Crosbie and Candace Grieve - 22.13	States that infrastructure funding should be loan funded to ensure future users also pay their share.	Submitter's point is noted. As the submitter has noted Council currently does not have any external debt. Currently our policy is to use funds in reserves to loan to other parts of the organisation before excess funds are invested externally. These internal loans are used to fund capital items, with loan repayments for a period of up to 30 years (depending on the type of assets). The loan repayments are rated for rather than the initial capital work. The implementation of depreciation funding in the 2015-25 Long Term Plan is also to allow the consumption of the asset (depreciation is identified as a proxy for this) to be paid for by the people the asset is benefiting at the time.
Ian Taylor - 59.5	Would like more of a focus on core services while using surplus funds for improvements	Submitter's point is noted. A significant portion of Council's funds are spent on infrastructure (68% of operating expenditure and 95% of capital expenditure in the years 2018-28 is to be spent on infrastructure activities).
Blair Hamilton - 140.16	Requests council focus on core business before factoring in population increases or getting generous with ratepayers money.	
Shirley Mouat - 102.12	Requests Council reduce rates and keep to core activities.	
E.A. Loose - 18.17	States that the Council needs to think carefully about increasing rates giving the aging population and suggests some costs need to be decreased.	Submitter's point is noted. Council is aware of the impact on ratepayers of the affordability of rates. Council has initially completed a review of its current level of rates compared to household income for its main townships and plans to extend this research further for the next LTP.
Andrew Feierabend on behalf of Te Waiau Mahika Kai Trust - 147.1	Would like to have rates remission on property used as a restoration and mahinga kai site. If rates remission isn't provided for in Council policy, requests that Council make an annual grant to the Trust to meet the cost.	Submitter's point is noted. Council staff have responded to the submitter by email on 10 April 2018. Advice was provided on the current rates remission policies and additional information on which Council would consider a grant in lieu or a remission for exceptional circumstances.
Allan Youldon - 132.13	Believes the debt limit is too high, rates increase of 30% over 10 years is too high and questions the sample property rates (value) figures for Manapouri in the consultation document.	Submitter's point is noted. The debt limit is designed to allow for any the capital work planned in the 2018-28 Long Term Plan, while still allowing for funding any unexpected events. With the current work program the debt limit will reach a maximum of 21.25% in 2025/26. Council is aware of the impact on ratepayers of the affordability of rates. Council has initially completed a review of its current level of rates compared to household income for its main townships and plans to extend this research further for the next LTP. The rate examples provided on pages 22-23 of the consultation document are

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NAME (POINT)	SUMMARY	STAFF RECOMMENDATION
		based on actual properties within the rating database. Council staff are aware that every township has a range of property values and provide an online tool to enable ratepayers to see the impact on a specific property. This property was an additional selection in 2015-25 Long Term Plan and we have continued to use it.
Darryl Sycamore on behalf of Federated Farmers of New Zealand - 145.5	<p>Refer full submission as a number of points raised!</p> <p>FF has the view that Council should minimise rating pressure by reducing expenditure on non-core activities. Alternatively, non-core activities could be funded by a greater reliance on targeted rates.</p> <p>FF supports a targeted rate model to fund water and sewerage schemes across the District.</p> <p>FF opposes contributing more rates to further fund public conveniences across the District. FF recommends the Council adopt a two-tiered uniform targeted rates differentiated by both land use activity and potential benefit.</p> <p>The key financial goals set out in Section 2 of the financial strategy are appropriately aspirational. FF are cautious of the population growth assumptions.</p> <p>Regarding income from rates, it is FF view that view the farming sector subsidises the commercial and industrial sectors.</p> <p>FF considers the future growth model of land as a percentage of the Districts land area used for dairy farming over the life of the plan is ambitious.</p> <p>FF considers the local government rates enquiry commissioned by Government in 2007 is unhelpful.</p> <p>FF believes limiting rates to the LGCI plus 2%, with a total of no greater than 70% of annual income should also be tempered by a coefficient relating to each communities' average household income.</p> <p>Items of expenditure that are 'nice to have' rather than necessary should also be reconsidered, i.e. a refurbishment of the Invercargill Offices.</p> <p>FF's view is that risk associated with debt relates to the projected rate of population growth which remains less than the national rate. Assuming the projected growth is not met, the financial consequences will fall on the communities and especially those settlements with targeted rates reliant on the assumption projected growth.</p> <p>FF supports a user-pays model whereby general ratepayers are not unnecessarily burdened by costs associated with providing a service to other parties.</p> <p>FF does consider the costs associated with the Certificate of Title search fee should be retained on an at-cost basis. Proficient staff and LINZ/administrative costs should ensure this service can be provided cheaper.</p>	<p>Submitter's points are noted. We appreciate the recognition of the prudent financial management Council is looking to apply on behalf of it's communities. Part of the additional work being undertaken over the next few years is to provide a better understanding of our communities and the assumptions that are used to underpin the planning processes across Council. This will include population demographics. Council is aware of the impact on ratepayers of the affordability of rates. The work completed on affordability to date has looked at individual township income levels (where available from Statistics NZ) and is being use to highlight which towns affordability may be an issue within. This work has been based on household incomes from the 2013 census and the information will be updated for the 2018 census information when it is available. Debt (both from internal sources and external sources) is used by the Council to fund capital items, mainly infrastructure related. The repayment of debt enables the cost of these assets to be spread more evenly over the life the asset and the ratepayers who use those assets. Council considers who the beneficiary of a service is, and whether any one individual/group exacerbates the need to undertake an activity when considering how the activity should be funded. This will determine how much of the cost of running an activity Council is looking to recover through fees and charges. Where there is a community good this may be recovered from the community at large. During the current review of proposed fees and charges Council has looked to ensure that charges for similar items across all departments are consistent, the certificate of title search fee is one fee this has applied to.</p>
Sir Alan Mark - 8.7	<p>Requests clarification of what is included in the District Leadership activity (page 19 of the Consultation Document). Also queries the different values and rates figures for the sample properties in Manapouri and Te Anau in the consultation document</p>	<p>Submitter's question is noted. The group activity of District Leadership includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Community Futures (includes community planning and economic development)</li> <li>- Customer and corporate support (includes customer support, people and capability, communications, strategy and policy, financial management, information management)</li> <li>- Forestry</li> <li>- Representation and advocacy</li> </ul> <p>Descriptions on what each activity delivers can be found in the supporting documentation to the draft long term plan included on our website and will also be included in the final long term plan adopted in June 2018. The rate examples provided on pages 22-23 of the consultation document are based on actual properties within the rating database. Council staff are aware that every township has a range of property values and provide an online tool to enable ratepayers to see the impact on a specific property. The Te Anau property has a land value (\$60,000) slightly below the median land value in Te Anau of \$66,000. The Manapouri property was selected during the 2015-25 Long Term Plan and has one of the higher rateable capital values for the town. A number of rates have a component calculated on the capital value of the property. This results in the Manapouri example having a higher rate charge than the Te Anau property (that has a lower capital value). This relates to the District General Rate, Mararoa Waimea Ward rate, Roading rate and waste management rate. These two properties also have different hall, pool and community development area or community board rates.</p>
<b>1.4-Anything else</b>		
Julie Walls - 141.17	<p>Building code - comments on need to be transparent when no consent has been applied for and where permission should have been sought. Asks why when complaints made over lack of building consent for small buildings they are now followed up by staff.</p>	<p>That Council notes the submitter's feedback. When Council receives concerns or issues about alleged illegal building work, these are always followed up as it is part of the Councils territorial authority responsibility under the Building Act. However, that does not always</p>

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NAME (POINT)	SUMMARY	STAFF RECOMMENDATION
		mean that enforcement action is required, this depends on the circumstances.
Jonathan Howard on behalf of Heritage New Zealand - 134.1	Asks that Council be aware that the archaeological authorities may be required for certain projects outlined in the draft LTP so that any costs and time associated with this are anticipated and understood at an early stage, and included in project budgets. Also, that Council considers establishing non-regulatory heritage incentives such as a district-wide contestable fund or targeted area fund to facilitate the seismic strengthening heritage buildings in Southland.	That Council notes the submitter's feedback.
Leanne Liggett on behalf of Southern District Health Board - 143.10	Local alcohol plan to be regularly reviewed and engage with the community during consultation.	That Council notes the submitter's feedback. Council is currently working with stakeholders on a review of the Local Alcohol Plan. This process will include consideration of consultation and engagement methods and channels.
Bev Hartley - 43.5	Comments that Council won't listen and the digitisation of property records should have been done in Southland versus Auckland.	That Council notes the submitter's feedback. Regarding the digitisation project - Council put this project out for a competitive tender and selected a company from those who submitted a tender. The Auckland company was chosen based on their experience, capability and quality of end product given the varying standard of documents to be digitised.
John Turner - 50.15	Notes that the online computer form wasn't user friendly.	That Council notes the submitter's feedback. Staff are continually refining the online consultation form and the feedback will be considered for future processes.
David North - 150.6	Critical of the publicising of the consultation document specifically mailbox delivery to ratepayers and residents.	That Council notes the submitter's feedback. Staff will consider the issues raised by the submitter when planning future consultation. The specific issues around delivery of the consultation document related to an issue with the delivery contractor. Staff intend to work with them more closely in the future to better manage and monitor distribution/delivery.

## Appendix 4: Open Space Experiences

### Key Issues and Options – 2018 -2028 Long Term Plan & Policies Feedback

Record No: R/18/4/8665  
 Author: Kevin McNaught, Strategic Property Manager  
 Simon Moran, Community Partnership Leader

#### Background

In 2017 Council began looking at whether its network of open spaces (parks, playgrounds, walkways etc) are meeting the needs of people who use them today and how this might change in the future.

Increasing tourism pressure and a reliance on individual communities to fund improvements to open spaces in their areas has meant that the standard of the District's open spaces is highly variable and not always in line with how these spaces are now being used.

As part of the development of the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan (LTP), Council asked for an independent review of its open spaces. This review found that considerable investment in the design and improvement of facilities is required and there was a need for more specialist planning/design input to take a district-wide strategic approach to open space development.

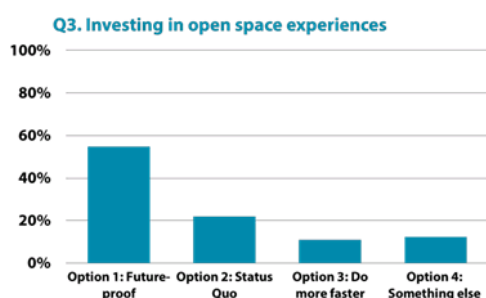
As a result, Council proposed to increase the investment going into open space planning and design (an additional \$150,000 in operating expenditure per annum), in addition to setting aside an annual amount for facility improvement (of between \$500,000 and \$1 million annually) to carry out the physical improvement works (total over ten years of \$5.5 million).

The LTP consultation document pointed out that the specific projects were yet to be decided and the focus initially would be on preparing a detailed implementation plan. Once this plan is prepared, Council will then be in a position to discuss the detail of the proposed priorities options and designs with the community.

#### Summary of Feedback

##### Open Space Investment

Seventy six people provided feedback on this issue with 73 indicating a preferred option as shown in the table below.



OPTIONS	NO.	%
Option 1: Future-proof (extra \$150,000 opex per year and \$5.5 million capex in years 4-10)	40	55%
Option 2: Status Quo (no additional funding)	16	22%
Option 3: Do more faster (as per option 1 and increase the capex funding to \$1 million per year)	8	11%
Option 4: Something else	9	12%

##### Option 1: Future-proof comments

Those indicating support for option 1 generally commented on the importance of open spaces to community wellbeing and in particular health benefits, sport/recreation opportunities and general wellbeing. Several submitters noted the importance of Council collaborating with others. This feedback

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included requests for Council to collaborate with (and consult with) the local communities, and enable different areas to create their own ideas. Stakeholder groups, including Sports Southland, Southern District Health Board, Well South, Community Trust of Southland, Te Anau Community Board, CCS Disability Action also welcomed the opportunity to work with Council on this planning. Sport Southland also specifically mentioned working together on developing a regional strategy for sport and recreation which includes “spaces and places”.

Other submitters also mentioned the need to ensure rates are used well, highlighting a need for action as well as planning, the need for better facilities for increasing visitors and local communities (mentioning more toilets, rubbish bins, playgrounds, walking tracks).

#### Option 2: Status Quo comments

The main comment made was that the investment would be better made by local communities than Council as they have a better idea of what is needed and will keep the cost down. Other submitters were concerned about the increase in rates involved and indicated that the money would be better used elsewhere.

#### Option 3: Do more faster comments

For those who selected “do more faster” the main comment made was in relation to the increase in tourist numbers (freedom campers) and the need to provide facilities for this group to reduce any negative impacts occurring on open space/environment/landscapes as well as community support for tourism. People mentioned the need for additional toilets, signage, wardens).

CCS Disability Action also requested that Council develop a system plan to ensure that open spaces and associated facilities are accessible – in particular playgrounds, walking tracks and toilets. They indicated a desire to work with Council to carry out open space accessibility audits to provide council with comprehensive information regarding accessibility of its play grounds and allow it to plan to improve access.

#### Option 4: Something else

The main comment from those who selected this option was in relation to the need to work with local communities on this including Community Boards and CDAs. Comments were made about the need for diversity in the approach and that local interest in spaces be recognised to ensure that these are used and therefore the investment is warranted.

In terms of expenditure-related comments these range from using existing funding only, using the funding for other more important projects and using the funding for a range of activities that contribute to wellbeing including arts and culture (not just open spaces).

Again, specific comments were made in relation to the need to improve facilities for tourists/visitors including toilets, signage and rubbish with suggestions that Council seek government funding for these projects.

### **Open Space - Facilities**

In the feedback provided to Council, either as part of the Open Space question or general feedback, eight comments were made which related to open space facility improvements. These generally related to issues around high numbers of visitors and freedom campers and providing infrastructure to support the sector and help protect the environment as follows:

- NZ Motor Caravan Association requested that the LTP includes resourcing and prioritisation for public dump station facilities along with free/low cost refuse and recycling facilities for visitors;
- Toilets / Rubbish – submitters made requests for additional toilets/rubbish facilities to protect the environment and reduce indiscriminate fouling by visitors including at Slope Point, along the Te Anau/Mossburn highway and at popular camping spots;

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- Signage – a number of submissions also commented on the need for better signage for visitors. Suggestions included having signage showing distance to the nearest toilet where there were problems with visitors toileting, providing multi-lingual signage, better direction to key areas/attractions and using Q-codes on signs;
- Providing better parking and free Wi-Fi.

### Freedom Camping

In the feedback provided to Council, twelve comments were made about issues relating to Freedom Camping. These comments were either via the Open Spaces category or in addition to these and covered both facilities related to freedom camping and also regulation of freedom camping.

The specific comments included:

- Asking Council to provide facilities/support for managing freedom campers as follows:
  - Banning campervans from the mainstreet of Te Anau and providing alternatives (off-street / Events Centre);
  - Providing an area in Te Anau and Manapouri for freedom campers;
  - Providing a dedicated warden to monitor illegal camping in Te Anau Basin;
  - Providing more toilets/rubbish facilities on the Te Anau/Mossburn highway and around Lake Te Anau, Lake Manapouri and in Mossburn;
  - Continuing to support the Freedom (Responsible) Camping initiative in terms of the Responsible Camping Ranger in the Catlins.
- Asking Council to ensure that freedom camping is effectively managed in the region to ensure that social licence concerns of communities are dealt with.
- Asking that local communities not be made to pay for facilities for tourists or requests that Council charge visitors for facility use (specific mention made of Te Anau basin, Mossburn and Lumsden)
- NZ Motor Caravan Association requested that the LTP includes sufficient resourcing to initiate an integrated freedom camping management regime (including a comprehensive review of Council's relevant rules, policies and bylaws) and that Council explicitly recognise their Motorhome Friendly Scheme in the LTP.

### Issues

The key issue(s) relating to the additional investments in open spaces is whether the Council should increase its investment in improving open spaces and to what extent (if at all).

### Options)

The three options put out for consultation were as follows:

- Option 1: To future proof and establish an ongoing annual provision of \$150,000 for open space design and planning and \$5.5 million capital expenditure from years 4-10 (inflation adjusted).
- Option 2: Status quo - To continue the current management and investment in open spaces – ie, ad hoc development.
- Option 3: Do more faster - The ongoing annual funding would remain (\$150,000), but capital expenditure funding to upgrade the facilities would increase to \$1 million a year.

#### Option 1: Future-proof (\$150k opex and between \$500k - \$1.0m capital expenditure per year)

Advantages	Disadvantages
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strategic and targeted approach to open space improvement.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Will require time to be invested in planning and community discussions</li> </ul>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enables professional landscape/design expertise to be engaged.</li> <li>Reduces rates burden on local communities to fund visitor-related pressure improvements in their area.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>May see some local priority projects not aligned with district priorities</li> <li>Increase in debt - \$5.5 million repaid over 30 years with annual repayments of \$62,000 in 2018/19 increasing to \$279,000 in 2027/28</li> </ul>
<i>Impact on Rates</i>	<i>Impact on Levels of Service</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Total rates required increases from \$150,000 in 2018/19 to \$651,000 in 2027/28 which equates to - a fixed amount of \$1.45 in 2018/19 increasing to \$6.28 in 2027/28; plus a variable component each year per \$100,000 of capital value of \$0.63 in 2018/19 increasing to \$2.74 in 2027/28.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Would result in better planned open space improvements, better facilities and greater consistency across the District, focusing on priority areas and moving to the whole District over time.</li> <li>This option would allow time to get community and stakeholder input into the proposed facility improvements. This could include looking at where investment is best made e.g. Council-owned playgrounds or school playgrounds or both.</li> </ul>

<b>Option 2 – Status Quo</b>	
<i>Advantages</i>	<i>Disadvantages</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Locally driven investment</li> <li>Debt - Nil</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rates burden remains on local communities to fund visitor-related pressure improvements in their area.</li> <li>Likely to result in ad-hoc improvements occurring as what is provided would depend on the value the individual community places on improving open spaces. Investments may not be made in the key priority areas across the District as a whole.</li> </ul>
<i>Impact on Rates</i>	<i>Impact on Levels of Service</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nil at a district level. Local rate impact would depend on individual community projects.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No change</li> </ul>

<b>Option 3 – Do more faster (\$150k opex and \$1.0m capital expenditure per year)</b>	
<i>Advantages</i>	<i>Disadvantages</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>As per option 1 but with more immediate increased level of service to those using upgraded facilities.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Could see improvements duplicated – non-council owned and council owned facilities.</li> <li>Increase debt - \$7.0 million repaid over 30 years with annual repayments of \$62,000 in 2018/19 to \$375,000 in 2027/28.</li> </ul>
<i>Impact on Rates</i>	<i>Impact on Levels of Service</i>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Total rates required increases from \$150,000 in 2018/19 to \$747,000 in 2027/28 which equates to - a fixed amount of \$1.45 in 2018/19 increasing to \$7.20 in 2027/28; plus a variable component each year per \$100,000 of capital value of \$0.63 in 2018/19 increasing to \$3.14 in 2027/28.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This would allow for a wider range of work to be completed relative to option 1. As a result there would be an increased level of benefit delivered to the District's communities. This could also mean Council ends up improving its own spaces, where alternative investment (eg, in school playgrounds) may have been more appropriate.</li> </ul>
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## Discussion/Analysis

### *Open Space Investment and Facilities*

To finalise the 2018-2028 LTP, a decision is required on whether Council should increase its investment in open spaces planning/design and facilities.

66% of people indicated support for the concept of Council increasing its investment in open space experiences (55% supporting Option 1; and 11% supporting Option 3) and Council taking a more strategic approach to this.

In doing so, submitters also noted a number of specific considerations in relation to who should be involved in setting the priorities (local communities, stakeholders) and also what facilities need improvement where.

There is also a wider request to ensure that existing and new spaces are designed with accessibility in mind. There is no issue seen with this request given Council's position on improving accessibility across the District where appropriate or practicable.

There seems to be a common theme in the feedback about the impact that the increase in visitor numbers is having on certain open spaces and also concerns about the impact visitors are having on the environment in some areas. While there is a need to ensure that all open spaces are appropriate (for residents and visitors), in the short-term there seems to be support for placing a higher priority on improvements in facilities and spaces used by visitors. While a number of people commented on the need to charge tourists/users for these services, in the absence of a cost-effective tool to enable this, there is a preference for these improvements to be funded from district rates versus local rates.

Council staff are currently in the process of preparing an application for the Tourism Infrastructure Fund which will include requests for funding for additional infrastructure related to visitors in Southland. At the time of writing, this application is expected to be lodged for the following:

- Te Anau toilets – (between Paper plus and Ray White – Top end of town) – and will link users to park at the events centre to reduce parking pressure
- Waikawa – toilets, effluent disposal and parking
- Clifden Bridge – toilets, effluent disposal and parking
- Monkey Island – toilets, effluent disposal and parking

In terms of process, it is clear from the feedback that there is an expectation that both stakeholders and local communities should be involved in the process. Staff agree with this expectation and see it as appropriate for these issues to be considered further as part of the next stage of planning in relation to the specific improvement projects to be progressed.

Council also needs to consider whether it wishes to work with all relevant stakeholders in the development of a regional recreation strategy in parallel or in advance of the open space planning (taking into account how the findings from one affect the other). Staff are of the view that the development of such a regional strategy should follow development of a wider community facilities strategy that looks at all community, arts, recreational and sporting facilities across the region. Staff are not aware of any level of priority being

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given to the development of such a strategy at present and do not see a need to delay implementation of the existing Southland District open spaces strategy.

### ***Freedom Camping***

In terms of freedom camping, the Council has recognised the importance of developing a strategic framework for management of freedom camping across the Southland District, and also recognises the significant work being done on this issue across New Zealand by local government and other stakeholders.

It is seen as relevant for any local developments to await the outcome of some of the national review work which is currently underway. A particular focus of much of this work has been the future management of non-self-contained vehicles which have been associated with many of the situations where freedom camping has caused problems throughout the country.

Some draft principles for strategic management of freedom camping across the District were workshopped in late 2017 with Councillors and this will be progressed in 2018 and open for public consultation at the appropriate stage.

This work needs to be suitably resourced and progressed in a timely way consistent with national direction and the legislative framework under the Freedom Camping Act and related legislation such as the Reserves Act. In the 2017/2018 season additional resources have been provided to assist with the provision of a shared Responsible Camping Ranger in the Catlins area with DOC and the Clutha District Council, and further resources have been provided for enforcement in the Lumsden area.

### **Recommendation**

That the Council:

- a) Confirms option 1: To future proof and establish an ongoing annual provision of \$150,000 for open space design and planning and \$5.5 million capital expenditure from years 4-10 (inflation adjusted).
- b) Request staff consider the submitter's specific suggestions for facility improvements as part of the planning stage of the open spaces programme.
- c) Indicate support in principle for the development of a regional community facilities and recreation strategy (as suggested by Sports Southland) and ask staff to raise the possibility with the other Southland councils.
- d) Endorse the development of a strategic framework for management of freedom camping.

## Excerpts of feedback on Investing in Open Space Experiences

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NAME (POINT)	SUMMARY	STAFF RECOMMENDATION
<b>COMMENTS MADE IN RELATION TO OPTION 1</b>		
Caroline Loo on behalf of Loss and Grief Centre - 3.13	Believes open spaces are important to people's wellbeing.	That Council proceed with option 1 and note the submitter's feedback. The majority (66%) of submitters indicated support for Council's proposal to increase its investment in open space experiences (Option 1 and 3). In terms of process, it is clear from the feedback that there is an expectation that both stakeholders and local communities should be involved in the process. Staff agree with this expectation and see it as appropriate for these issues to be considered further as part of the next stage of planning in relation to the specific improvement projects to be progressed. As such staff are recommending that the final LTP be prepared in the basis of Option 1.
John Turner - 50.3	Believes Council should keep overheads down and only do projects that bring a return to ratepayers.	
Margaret Cambridge - 54.3	Suggests allowing different areas to create their own ideas/plans.	
Janette Buckingham on behalf of South Catlins Promotions Inc - 67.2	We feel it's important to seek help in the design and improvement of facilities - This could save time and money in the long term	
Rachel Cockburn on behalf of Te Anau Community Board - 77.4	Looks forward to working with Council to enhance the well being of our community and meet the needs of both locals and visitors.	
Kathy Singleton - 86.11	Comments on the lack of action.	
Catherine Brimcombe - 87.12	Notes the better open spaces are the more they will be used.	
Helen Newcombe - 101.3	Suggests free toilet facilities need improvement to cope with increasing visitors (also refer point 101.16)	
Christopher Shaw - 104.13	States the investment seems appropriate.	
Jackie Flutey on behalf of Community Trust of Southland - 121.2	The proposal aligns well to the Trust's strategic pillar related to Health, Wellbeing and Active Lifestyles. Their desire is to encourage community organisations to provide sustainable services with sharing of services where appropriate.	
Fiona Black on behalf of Real Journeys Limited - 123.2	Supports initiatives to improve the council operated 'open spaces' across the district.	
Irene Barnes - 128.4	Manapouri Reserves - Suggested reviewing and assessing unused reserves (e.g. Te Aika reserve)	
Nienke van Dijken on behalf of Tourism Industry Aotearoa - 131.7	Supports Council's aim of improving open spaces for Southlanders and visitors to the region.	
Bridget Rodgers on behalf of WellSouth Primary Health Network - 138.2	WellSouth supports provision of adequate facilities like walkways, rubbish bins, toilets, play equipment and beautification of open spaces. Will help make open spaces more accessible and enticing so people can be physically active. Their preferred option allows for community consultation of what facilities are important for local areas which would encourage usage.	
Leanne Liggett on behalf of Southern District Health Board - 143.3	Endorses this and wants to work with Council.	
Stevie-Rae Blair on behalf of Te Ao Marama - 153.3	Supports future proofing, better facilities and consistency	
Jennifer Faye Tayler on behalf of Lorne Peak - 156.4	Prefer option 1	
S Dickie - 35.13	Asks Council to address freedom camping in the plan so that open spaces are kept clean and are places where locals can still go and enjoy.	The submitter echoes the concerns of some other submitters regarding the need for a Southland District -wide strategic framework for management of freedom camping for the future. The council has acknowledged this and it is in Council's work programme for development, including public consultation in due course.
Nathan Burdon on behalf of Sport Southland - 135.2	Sports Southland would like to work in partnership with Council regarding Community Future Planning. They believe the organisations should be working together to understand the impact on the Sport and Recreation sector of changing settling patterns, population demographics, socio-economic conditions, visitor trends, climate change & other contributors to societal change and the role of the sport and recreation sector. Sports Southland can share insights, help develop a regional strategy for sport and recreation (including spaces and places) and work together with council to support communities to be more physically active and achieve their wider outcomes. They can provide financial support for the development of a regional strategy, leadership and strong relationships in communities and have experience in community development activities.	That Council proceed with option 1 and note the submitter's support and request to work together with Council. The majority (66%) of submitters indicated support for Council's proposal to increase its investment in open space experiences (Option 1 and 3). In terms of process, it is clear from the feedback that there is an expectation that both stakeholders and local communities should be involved in the process. Staff agree with this expectation and see it as appropriate for these issues to be considered further as part of the next stage of planning in relation to the specific improvement projects to be progressed and will contact Sport Southland representatives to discuss this further. As such staff are recommending that the final LTP be prepared in the basis of Option 1. In addition, while staff see merit in developing a regional sport and recreation strategy in principle, staff also note that there are a range of other issues and regional discussions which may impact on priorities, including the need for a broader regional community facilities strategy to clarify priorities around facility investment across the region in the longer-term. Staff intend to discuss the issues in more detail with the submitter and Council in order to make a

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		recommendation on the way forward. Additional detail about the views of submitters and options are included in the 2 May Council report (Appendix 4).
COMMENTS MADE IN RELATION TO OPTION 2		
Sir Alan Mark - 8.4	Requests that no additional funding be allocated to open space improvements given the situation with the cycle trail.	That Council proceed with option 1 and note the submitter's feedback. The majority (66%) of submitters indicated support for Council's proposal to increase its investment in open space experiences (Option 1 and 3). As identified in the priority setting report, Council has recognised that there has been under-investment in open spaces, however we also recognise that not everything can be tackled at once and there needs to be a process of prioritisation in order to manage the impacts on rates. In terms of process, it is clear from the feedback that there is also an expectation that both stakeholders and local communities should be involved in the process and that Council should prioritise dealing with issues where the lack of facilities for visitors is causing concern. As such it is appropriate for the priorities and issues raised by the submitters be considered further as part of the next stage of planning in relation to the specific improvement projects to be progressed and staff are recommending that the final LTP be prepared in the basis of Option 1.
Rob Turner - 28.4	States that investment decisions should be made by local communities. Suggest the open space money would be better spent on speeding up infrastructure projects.	
Bev Hartley - 43.4	Comments that Council should listen to the community to see what they want and a lot can be done within the community.	
Shirley Mouat - 102.10	Believes locals are best placed for this and experts will only add to the cost.	
Mervyn & Patricia Cave - 111.6	Comments that no details of projects were provided to assess worth or priority.	
COMMENTS MADE IN RELATION TO OPTION 3		
E.A. Loose - 18.13	Supports option 3 because of increased tourist numbers.	That Council proceed with option 1 and note the submitter's support for option 3. The majority (66%) of submitters indicated support for Council's proposal to increase its investment in open space experiences (Option 1 and 3). While some submitters felt that the more needed to be done faster (Option 3), in order to balance the impact on rates and the need to work with a range of stakeholders, staff are recommending that the final LTP be prepared in the basis of Option 1. In terms of process, it is clear from the feedback that there is an expectation that both stakeholders and local communities should be involved in the process and that Council should prioritise dealing with specific issues, in particular related to facilities for visitors. These issues will be considered further as part of the next stage of planning in relation to the specific improvement projects to be progressed. Additional detail about the views of submitters and options are included in the 2 May Council report (Appendix 4).
Karen Turner - 29.4	States that it would be a nice to have but ratepayers are not a bottomless source of funding.	
SJ Peoples - 83.13	Comments that improving open spaces also means protecting them from freedom campers/visitors who spoil these (point 83.21 for specific comments).	
Stephen Hoskin - 93.12	Believes these are one of the key attractions in Southland.	
Paul Brimecombe - 100.11	Believes this will boost Southland's profile.	
Lynley King - 90.5	Te Anau - Comments that there is a need for a toilet block for tourists in the town centre so that they don't queue up in library affecting library users	As above. Staff also advise that an application to the government's Tourism Infrastructure Fund is being prepared seeking funding for toilets and facilities related to increased tourism, including in Te Anau.
Catrina Cunningham - 85.13	Te Anau Basin - Comments on the increase in visitors in Te Anau an need for more resources including warden to tackle illegal freedom camping, more toilets and better signage on the Te Anau/Mossburn and at hot-spots to reduce indiscriminate fouling (also referenced point 85.16 and 85.17)	As above.
Mary OBrien on behalf of CCS Disability Action - 149.4	States that CCS Disability Action would like to work with the council to carry out a project to use the University of Otago audit tool to conduct access audits on the play grounds identified for improvements to provide information regarding accessibility of its play grounds and allow it to plan to improve access. Requests that all new toilets and toilets that are upgraded are accessible. Request council look at the open spaces as a whole group and develop a systematic plan to ensure that these are accessible across the region. Notes that disabled people enjoy adventure activities.	As above. Staff also advise that this will involve considering the accessibility issues raised by the submitter in the planning and review work to be done. Additional detail about the views of submitters and options are included in the 2 May Council report (Appendix 4).
COMMENTS MADE IN RELATION TO OPTION 4		
Ian Taylor - 59.4	Improve spaces gradually over time using existing funding council already collects from ratepayers	That Council proceed with option 1 and note the submitter's feedback. The majority (66%) of submitters indicated support for Council's proposal to increase its investment in open space experiences (Option 1 and 3). As identified in the priority setting report, Council has recognised that there has been under-investment in open spaces, however we also recognise that not everything can be tackled at once and there needs to be a process of prioritisation in order to manage the impacts on rates. In terms of process, it is clear from the feedback that there is an expectation that both stakeholders and local communities should be involved in the process. As such it is appropriate for the priorities and issues raised by the submitters to be considered further as part of the next stage of planning in relation to the specific improvement projects
Tim Mann - 112.13	Opposes extra funding of open spaces that channels funds away from more important projects. States that additional funding should be targeted carefully by local community boards on a case-by-case basis from specifically allocated (limited) funds for this purpose.	
Chris Henderson - 119.7	Supports modest increase in spending on community facilities which is done in conjunction with local communities to ensure that the diversity of the District is encouraged rather than one particular design being imposed. Requests council prioritise more/upgraded toilets at popular camping spots and where influx of visitors are. Requests improved signage and rubbish facilities and working with NZTA to make roads safer. Suggests that Government's Regional Development Fund be used to 'kick-start' major	

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	upgrades of infrastructure for communities impacted by increased tourism (also refer point 119.13)	to be progressed. As such staff are recommending that the final LTP be prepared in the basis of Option 1.
Allan Youldon - 132.4	Comments that more effort is going into process than actually achieving anything. Believes that the people living in the community know best what is needed and taking this under one umbrella will remove pride and slow down work. Notes those who look after the estuary at Riverton won't be pleased with this proposal. Questions how \$5.5m can be set aside without knowing what is yet needed.	
David North - 150.5	Suggest that Council get local communities to decide what they need and want and then use the \$5.5M to fund it.	
Lance Hellewell - 151.4	Asks Council to work with local CDA's to keep the cost to a minimum and look at staffing before increasing costs to ratepayers.	
Nathan Surendran - 155.5	Supports open space investment and asks that thought should be given to uses that support the types of community activities that are within the boundaries of future solution spaces, as defined by the limits based thinking have outlined in points	
Mary Napper - 51.4	Should be investing more widely than just open spaces, in the general well-being of residents = open spaces, arts, culture etc.	Staff acknowledge the submitter's preference that Council invest in arts as well as open spaces. The Council does provide for some funding for arts activities (in all of its forms) through the funding that it provides to Venture Southland, Regional Heritage and a range of other grants. While at this stage the Council does not have any plans to increase funding for arts activities, there may be opportunities to do so in conjunction with specific open space projects which could incorporate art-forms into the way facilities and/or spaces are designed. This concept will be considered further as part of the next stage of planning in relation to the specific open space improvement projects to be progressed.
Brian McCandless - 37.11	Comments that Council has quantified the impact on rates for the \$150,000 design and planning but not the \$5.5 million capex.	That the submitter's query is noted. The information in the LTP consultation document 'We're just getting started, Southland' did include information about the impact on rates of funding both the \$150,000 in operating cost and the \$5.5 million in capital cost. The information on page 13 states that the combined impact of these would be to increase rates by \$150,000 in 2018/19 through to \$651,000 in 2027/28. The impact of this on rates is split between the fixed component where every property pays the same and a variable component collected on the basis of capital value. This increase in the fixed amount would equate to \$1.45 in 2018/19 increasing to \$6.28 in 2027/28. The increase in the variable component (per \$100,000 of capital value each year) equates to \$0.63 in 2018/19 increasing to \$2.74 in 2027/28. The increase in rates also includes the repayments on the 30 year loans which would be used to fund the \$5.5 million of capital work.
Kenneth Davidson - 75.4	Would like to know if allocated funds are spread evenly around the wards or if monies will sit in reserves.	The decisions on how the money will be spent across the District will be considered further as part of the next stage of planning in relation to the specific improvement projects to be progressed.

#### OPEN SPACE – FACILITY SUGGESTIONS

NAME (POINT)	SUMMARY	STAFF RECOMMENDATION
Allan Baird - 95.15	Requests that council improve the visitor experience for those who may have limited English language skills with use of things like Q-codes for signs and free Wi-Fi options for visitors in tourist locations to support promotion.	That Council note the submitter's feedback and request that the specific suggestions be passed onto staff responsible for the development of the open spaces programme for consideration and prioritisation.
Dianne Miller on behalf of Chairperson Catlins Coast Incorporation - 133.3	Requests Council work with other stakeholders to develop proactive plans and partnerships to work towards supporting infrastructure and environment within The Catlins with the ever-increasing visitor numbers to The Catlins. Requests that Council collaborate with stakeholders to 1) Improve signage - for improving driving safety and where to locate key areas/attractions. 2) Use of multi lingual signage. 3) Support major Community Projects which in turn will help provide important infrastructure such as parking, walking tracks and camping grounds.	
James Imlach on behalf of New Zealand Motor Caravan Association Inc - 5.4	Requests that Council includes sufficient recognition, resourcing and prioritisation to support the continued growth of the domestic motor caravanning sector. Specifically recommends that the LTP includes resourcing and prioritisation for public dump station facilities built to NZS 5465:2001 specifications, along with free/low cost refuse and recycling facilities for visitors.	That Council note the submitter's request. There are currently six public toilets (operated by either Council or
Dianne Miller on behalf of Chairperson Catlins	Slope Point Toilet - Requests that a toilet at Slope Point is needed as a matter of priority due to increasing visitor	

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Coast Incorporation - 133.7	numbers and to help protect this magnificent location with its precious environment.	DOC) between Fortrose and Waikawa. As such staff consider that the area is well serviced for toilet facilities given that most people travel by vehicle. However staff believe there is a need to improve signage at Slope Point telling visitors the distance to the nearest toilet facilities.

**FREEDOM CAMPING**

NAME (POINT)	SUMMARY	STAFF RECOMMENDATION
James Imlach on behalf of New Zealand Motor Caravan Association Inc - 5.2	Requests that the LTP includes sufficient resourcing to initiate an integrated freedom camping management regime (including a comprehensive review of Council's relevant rules, policies and bylaws)	The Council recognises the importance of a strategic framework for management of freedom camping across the Southland District, and also recognises the significant work being done on this issue across New Zealand by local government and other stakeholders. Mayor Tong is involved in a mayoral working party focusing on this issue, and staff have also attended a recent national local government freedom camping forum. A particular focus of much of this work has been the future management of non-self-contained vehicles which have been associated with many of the situations where freedom camping has caused problems throughout the country. Some draft principles for strategic management of freedom camping across the District were workshopped in late 2017 with Councillors and this will be progressed in 2018 and open for public consultation at the appropriate stage. At staff level, staff agree with this submitter's comments that this work needs to be suitably resourced and progressed in a timely way consistent with national direction and the legislative framework under the Freedom Camping Act and related legislation such as the Reserves Act. In the 2017/2018 season additional resources have been provided to assist with the provision of a shared Responsible Camping Ranger in the Catlins area with DOC and the Clutha District Council, and further resources have been provided for enforcement in the Lumsden area.
James Imlach on behalf of New Zealand Motor Caravan Association Inc - 5.3	Requests that the Council's LTP explicitly recognises the value of the NZMCA Motorhome Friendly Scheme.	The current LTP does not specifically recognise the NZMCA Motorhome Friendly Scheme. While the Council does not seek to dispute the potential benefits as outlined by NZMCA in its submission of such Scheme, there is no legislative requirement for such recognition; and there are a range of organisations across the District and New Zealand which have potential benefits of membership schemes but the LTP cannot recognise all these. As per previous comments in relation to the NZMCA submission, the broader strategic work which the Council is proposing in this area would be highly unlikely to preclude an individual community from seeking NZMCA Motorhome Friendly status.
Peter and Sandra Officer - 7.14	Opposed to freedom camping and providing facilities free of charge.	Staff are aware of the concerns of some sectors of the community, particularly residents and ratepayers that facilities for freedom campers are provided free of charge. However, there are also residents and ratepayers who very strongly support freedom camping for what they consider to be its socio-economic benefits to communities. This concern will be factored into the Council's consideration of its broader strategic framework development for freedom camping referred to above.
S Dickie - 35.15	Suggests that freedom camping needs to be addressed in the plan given growth and problems they are causing for communities.	The submitter echoes the concerns of some other submitters regarding the need for a Southland District -wide strategic framework for management of freedom camping for the future. The council has acknowledged this and as referred to above it is in Council's work programme for development, including public consultation in due course.
Margaret Cambridge - 54.7	Te Anau - Would like to see better parking for campervans off the main street	It is acknowledged that some campervans are large vehicles, including full sized buses, which can create difficulties for parking these vehicles and also reduce available parking for other vehicles in townships. This will be factored into the District -wide strategic framework development referred to in relation to other submissions above.
SJ Peoples - 83.21	Comments that improving open spaces also means protecting them from freedom campers/visitor who leave rubbish and faeces in open spaces. Suggests that Council provide infrastructure and charge users for this (e.g. for toilets). Believes local spaces are at risk and future planning is an imperative (moved from Q1.3, point 83.13)	The submitter's request for future planning in relation to freedom camping is noted. As commented with other submissions on this topic, the Council intends to develop a strategic framework in 2018 for managing this issue in the future, having regard to national direction on this matter.
Catrina Cunningham - 85.16	Te Anau basin - Comments on the increase in visitors in Te Anau and need for more resources including warden to	The submitter's concerns regarding the impacts of tourism activities area noted. The Council already has a dedicated

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	tackle illegal freedom camping and more toilets and better signage on the Te Anau/Mossburn and at hot-spots to reduce indiscriminate fouling (also referenced point 85.13 and 85.17)	warden during the season, co-funded with DOC, to police freedom camping in the Te Anau- Manapouri area. The submitter correctly highlights that signage is important to ensure that people know where they can and cannot camp. However, there is also a balancing act as to how much resource can be provided for signage across a district which is 11% of the land area of New Zealand. The Council hence also uses social media through the Campermate app to seek to raise awareness on this issue so as to encourage people to camp use appropriate ablution facilities, and dispose of waste correctly. This app has a high uptake from camper traffic.
Damian Daly - 103.14	Believes council should be collecting fees from freedom campers.	Staff are aware of the concerns of some sectors of the community, particularly residents and ratepayers, that facilities for freedom campers are provided free of charge. However, there are also residents and ratepayers who very strongly support freedom camping for what they consider to be its socio-economic benefits to communities. This concern will be factored into the Council's consideration of its broader strategic framework development for freedom camping referred to above.
Nienke van Dijken on behalf of Tourism Industry Aotearoa - 131.2	States that Council can help address social licence concerns in communities about the number and visitors and impact by 1) ensuring freedom camping is effectively managed in your region 2) Promoting the benefits of tourism in your region to the local community (also refer point 131.1)	As referred to above, staff acknowledge the excellent proactive work being done by the TIA, and the tourism industry generally, to seek to create a social license to operate for freedom camping. As referred to above, the Council intends to do further work on a strategic district - wide framework for freedom camping management, and will seek to ensure consistency with other sectors also working in this area. The Council has very closely monitored the very useful commentary and guidance material which the TIA has produced on this topic.
Dianne Miller on behalf of Chairperson Catlins Coast Incorporation - 133.2	Catlins - Thanks Council for participating in the Freedom (Responsible) Camping initiative in terms of the Responsible Camping Ranger. Supports Council continuing this initiative beyond the 2017/2018 pilot season based on feedback and the positive outcomes being achieved for the local community and The Catlins environment.	The submitter's positive support for the Responsible Camping Ranger shared service in the Catlins area is noted. Continuation of this service is obviously subject to ongoing funding from the partner agencies, but feedback has generally been positive on the benefits of this service in mitigating freedom camping issues in the Catlins area in which it operates.
Julie Walls - 141.15	Te Anau/Manapouri - States that there needs to be a space for freedom campers so they don't use facilities at the library and swimming pool and affect ability of others users to use these facilities (ref point 141.14)	During the development of the Council's current freedom camping bylaw, a decision has been made in the Te Anau-Manapouri area not to provide a specific free area for freedom camping, but rather to direct freedom campers to commercial camping facilities, and to operate a freedom camping ranger (co-funded by DOC, the Te Anau Community Board and the District Council) to provide an enforcement regime for the bylaw, which takes an education focus firstly but with an infringement regime if necessary. This approach had the majority support of the members of the community who participated in the bylaw development process at the time, and feedback generally has been that the community still largely supports such an approach. There are a range of commercial accommodation options which campers can utilise in the Te Anau - Manapouri area. The New Zealand Motor Caravan Association also has its own consented facility on the outskirts of Te Anau.
K.F and G.F. Thompson - 142.6	Te Anau - Requests Council ban campervans in main street and encourage parking by Events Centre.	It is acknowledged that some campervans are large vehicles, including full sized buses, which can create difficulties for parking these vehicles and also reduce available parking for other vehicles in townships. This will be factored into the District -wide strategic framework development referred to in relation to other submissions above.