

Annual Plan 2023/24 Submissions

Submissions can be made in a variety of different ways

- Online at www.swdc.govt.nz
- By email, either by responding to the questions within the body of the email or by scanning your responses and sending to submissions@swdc.govt.nz
- By posting your responses to Council offices, PO Box 6, Martinborough 5741
- If Council venues are open, drop this completed submission form to your local library or the Council Offices at 19 Kitchener Street, Martinborough

You can also:

- Contact an elected member to have a conversation
- Attend the planned Zoom meeting and in-person drop-in sessions to find out more and give us your feedback.
- You also have the option to speak to your written submission at the Council meetings especially set aside for this purpose on 8 and 9 June 2023 at the Supper Room in the Waihinga Centre, Martinborough.

See our website for all these details www.swdc.govt.nz

Consultation Questions

The next two pages contain the four questions Council wishes to hear from our community on.

You can complete this in hard copy form and drop it at the Council's office or local libraries, or make your submission on our website www.swdc.govt.nz

It is a requirement that all submissions are made available to the public. As a result your name and feedback will be available to the public on the Council's website following consultation. However, contact details will remain private.

First and last names

Residential address

Postal address

Landline (if any)

Mobile phone number

Email address

Preferred method for contact (tick as applicable):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Mail | <input type="checkbox"/> Call my mobile phone |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Email me | <input type="checkbox"/> Send me a text message |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Call my landline | |

Do you wish to speak to your submission at the public hearings scheduled for 8 & 9 June?

- Yes No

The Council is keen to work more collaboratively with our community to ensure what we are doing remains fit-for-purpose. If you'd like to be considered for future workshops and consultations, then please indicate below:

- Yes No



A. Water Budget

Please tick one option Feedback

1. Keep Long-term Plan budget of \$3.5 million, not maintaining current levels of service. Included in the proposed budget.
2. Increase budget to \$4.9 million, improving the ability to meet current levels of service, with some gaps.
3. Increase budget to Wellington Water Limited's recommended level of \$7.496 million (including inflation).

B. Rural Road Reserve

Please tick one option Feedback

1. Keep current budget of \$300,000 p.a. which will likely not meet the Council's foreseeable requirements to fund emergency works.
2. Increase budget to \$500,000 p.a. which will provide a greater level of reserves for Council to draw on to fund emergency works.
3. Increase budget to \$1 million p.a. which will enable more essential work to be completed and a reserve built up for future use.

C. Pool of Casual Library Staff

Please tick one option Feedback

- 1. Keep a budget of \$165,000 for the cost of casual staff to keep libraries open when permanent staff are on leave.

- 2. Remove the budget for the cost of casual library staff and risk continued library closures on some days of the week.

D. Community & Youth Grants

Please tick one option Feedback

- 1. Keep current level of grants of \$170,000 included in the budget.

- 2. Do not provide any grants in 2023/2024

What else is important to you? Is there anything else you'd like to say?

Tell us more – looking ahead to our next Long-term Plan

We would love to hear more from you so we can begin planning for our next Long-term Plan (2024-2034).

While the formal consultation process for the 2024-2034 Long-term Plan won't begin until next year (so you will have more chances to input and make a formal submission), the earlier we can begin understanding what matters to you for the district and what the Council should be focused on to achieve this, the better.

We have a number of outcomes and strategic drivers in the current Long-term Plan, we'd like to understand which ones are most important to you and if there are others that are missing.

Please choose your top ten priorities by ticking those ten points that are most important for you.

- Residents are active, healthy, safe, resilient, optimistic and connected
- A place of destination, new business and diverse employment that gives people independence and opportunity
- Sustainable living, safe and secure water and soils, waste minimised, biodiversity enhanced
- Strong relationships with whānau, hapū and marae, celebrating diverse cultural identity, arts and heritage
- Enhancing three waters delivery and environmental quality
- Nurturing and creating the district's special character, qualities and culture
- Creating better connections and social wellbeing
- Supporting sustainable growth, employment, economic wellbeing and development
- Strengthen social connections within the community
- Encourage civic pride and participation
- Provide universally accessible, safe and diverse spaces to strengthen connection between people and place
- Advocate for better transport and technology to improve social and business opportunities
- Plan for growth that protects rural land and character
- Contain rural residential expansion
- Support quality urban development
- Limit growth in coastal and other areas subject to climate change impacts
- Support the transition to a low carbon economy
- Encourage economic diversity and local vibrancy
- Leverage partnerships with central and regional agencies to enable economic development and employment opportunities
- Deliver sustainable, clean, clear, safe and secure drinking water
- Design and implement innovative, sustainable, efficient and affordable wastewater and stormwater systems
- Protect and replenish our natural environment and biodiversity
- Minimise waste and provide environmentally sustainable services
- Take active measures to adapt and mitigate the impacts of climate change
- Empower and enable our community to drive behavioural change for the benefit of the environment
- Work in partnership with mana whenua and iwi, respecting tikanga, kaitiakitanga, and taha Māori
- Take opportunities to embrace and celebrate diversity
- Take opportunities to advance and showcase arts, culture and heritage
- Protect town and rural community character, retaining our unique look and feel
- Improve urban design and integrate what we build with natural features
- Other - please specify: