

# Have your say submission document

Enhanced Annual Plan 2024-25





#### **KEY DATES**

**5 April 2024** Consultation opens

**5 May 2024** Consultation closes

15 & 16 May 2024 Hearings

**22 May 2024** Deliberations

**26 June 2024** Adoption of Enhanced Annual Plan

www.swdc.govt.nz/ enhanced-annual-plan/

### How to have your say

Me pēhea koe e whai reo ai?

We want to hear from you about which proposals you support, and welcome comments on the other areas we're focusing on.

Supporting information including the FAQs and draft policies can be found on our website.

#### How to provide your feedback

Anyone can make a submission online at www.swdc.govt.nz-enhancedannual-plan or by completing a paper submission form. These can be printed off our website or picked up at the Martinborough Council office or any of our libraries, and returned to us via;

- In person: drop into to any of our libraries or to Council office at 19 Kitchener Street, Martinborough
- > **Post:** PO Box 6, Martinborough 5741
- > Email: <a href="mailto:submissions@swdc.govt.nz">submissions@swdc.govt.nz</a>

You can present your feedback verbally at a hearing (with or without making a written submission first) – in person or via technology (which can be a live or recorded statement).

Informal feedback can be provided at community engagement events or via social media. Please note that formal submissions (written and-or spoken at a hearing) with names-addresses attached will be given greater weight than informal feedback.

#### Visit us at one of the community workshops we're hosting

**Greytown** Saturday 6 April | 10.30am - 12pm | Greytown Town Centre/Library

Martinborough Saturday 13 April | 10.30am - 12pm | Waihinga Centre

**Featherston** Saturday 20 April | 10.30am - 12pm | Featherston Community Centre

We'll be popping up at other locations around South Wairarapa throughout the consultation period. Find out where, along with further information about the community workshops at <u>www.swdc.govt.nz/enhanced-annual-plan/</u>

Please get your feedback to us by Sunday 5 May 2024.

#### Have your say

Let us know what you think. Visit <u>www.swdc.govt.nz/</u> <u>enhanced-annual-plan/</u> to complete your submission.

## Submission and feedback form

Name	Phone
Email	Organisation
Address	
Do you wish to speak to your submission at the public hearings scheduled for 15 & 16 May 2024?	Is your home or place of residence either connected or able to be connected to
□ Yes (in person)	water services?
□ Yes (online)	□ Yes
🗆 No	🗆 No

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 DECISION

#### How much should we spend on operating and maintaining our water services?

More information about this on page 8 of the Consultation document

- □ \$5.61m: Maintain the current level of funding with an allowance for unavoidable extra costs.
- □ \$6.63m: Maintain the current level of funding with additional priorities to increase planning and resilience. This is an additional 4.1% added to the proposed total rates increase.
- □ \$7.44m: The highest level of investment for planning and resilience. This is an additional 7.3% added to the proposed total rates increase.

Do you have any additional comments about the first decision?

### SECOND DECISION

#### How should we charge for water use?

More information about this on page 18 of the Consultation document

- □ Maintain the current allocated quota (350 m<sup>3</sup>) of water provided to all users, and the current user charges (\$1.84 per m<sup>3</sup>) for litres of water used above this.
- □ Reduce the allocated quota to 250m<sup>3</sup> of water provided to all users (household or commercial) and increase the excess water charges to \$2.50 per m<sup>3</sup> for water used above this.

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Do you have any additional comments about the second decision?

### THIRD DECISION

#### How should we pay for the replacement of our assets?

More information about this on page 22 of the Consultation document

- □ Manage debt through cashflow analysis and only borrow what is needed as needed. Continue to fund an appropriate level of depreciation to fund future renewals.
- □ Continue to charge rates to fund both a loan reserve (to pay for the existing assets) and depreciation (for future replacement of the assets).

Do you have any additional comments about the third decision?

#### Rating review feedback

Do you have any feedback that has not been raised previously?

More information about this on page 27 of the Consultation document

Do you have any additional comments on other areas we're focusing on?

Thank you for taking the time provide feedback about the Enhanced Annual Plan.