

Do you wish to speak in support of your submission at the hearing?: No

I am able to attend: Morning

I intend to attend: Virtually

Would you like to be added to our database to be notified of future consultations?: No

**Your Details**

Full Name: Faye Barrand

**Do you agree with our preferred option or do you support another option?**

Drinking water meters: Don't install meters

Let us know why: I do not believe installing a water meter on each house hold is the most cost effective way to discover your leaks. You could for example add a water meter per street at a much lower cost which will help you to further isolate where leaks are. The only reason a water meter scheme would be added is so you can collect data about water usage and sell this in the future to make profit. Look into alternative lower cost ways to discover your leaks.

Elderly Persons Housing: Self sustaining in 7 years

Let us know why: 2 years is not enough time for people to adjust to the cost change, especially for those that have budgeted at the lower rates. Maybe a deeper look into the maintenance and whether maintaining is the best long term plan versus building new. This could be a project for sustainable housing, that is eco friendly etc. Some of the money saved from water meters could be used here. I am against maintenance for cold damp places that have no long term viability, a band aid for now isn't good enough.

What do you think about our plans for our other projects and activities?: Overall I am not against them, what I am against is the time line and continuous spending. We are in unprecedented times with the impact Covid19 has had on many of us. People have lost jobs, businesses have folded, the ones that are surviving have made cut backs and savings. Yet the council seems to be spending money like there has been no impact and is asking for rate payers, many of which have lost jobs, businesses or are operating leaner finances. I'm not sure where you expect people to find this extra money to cover their rate increases? Minimum wage has gone up but even that increase in pay does not cover the proposed increase in rates over the next few years.