

Your Details	
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Organisation:	Hakatere Multi Cultural Council
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Do you think we should decrease our day-to-day levels of service to reduce the average rate increase? :	No
Why / Why not?:	There are many service levels that do not adequately address ADC's obligation to consider cultural, environmental, economic and social aspects of the Mid Canterbury community. However, there are areas where millions of dollars are poured in annually, that could be redistributed.
If so, what should we do less of?:	
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Do you agree with using \$1.7 million from our forestry reserve to pay for major roading repairs?:	No
Why / why not?:	Forestry reserves should be used for replanting in the district, if not for forestry then for carbon sequestration. We spend millions annually on roads when we should be considering ways to reduce road transport needs, and thus our carbon emissions. Hakatere Multi Cultural Council strongly believe in a global approach to reducing carbon emissions and increasing carbon sequestration.
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General comments:	Hakatere Multi Cultural Council would like to see the role of Welcoming Communities Advisor filled, given that the current post-holder has been on secondment elsewhere in ADC for several months. We believe it is important that ADC's contestable funding for groups working with those in our community who are new to the district and/or country (around 20% of our community are born overseas) is increased, and that ADC staff have more time to work collaboratively and share knowledge reciprocally with these groups. We would like to see greater opportunity for elected members to learn more about this significant group within our community, and understand better their needs and aspirations. This aligns with the purpose of local government, as outlined in the Local Government Act 2002. Many of those new to the district are essential workers in the primary industries, and therefore essential to the general wellbeing of the district. We would welcome the opportunity to work collaboratively with ADC staff to achieve the fulfillment

	of the strategic goals of the ADC Welcoming Plan, many of which also align with the strategic goals of Hakatere Multi Cultural Council.
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