From: council@westlanddc.govt.nz on behalf of Westland District Council

<consult@westlanddc.govt.nz>

Sent: Sunday, 1 May 2016 2:20 p.m.

To: consult

Subject: Form submission from: Submission on the draft Annual Plan 2016/17

Submitted on Sunday, May 1, 2016 - 14:20 Submitted by user: Anonymous Submitted values are:

Name: Bruce Smith

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Phone Number: 021-922860

Submission: I oppose the proposal

Type submission here:

Firstly I remind Councillors this is your plan not staff's, and it should reflect the community's aspirations for the coming year.

Council can be a facilitator for development where its vision and passion for the District show clearly in your Plan, and when this is carried through to both your planning and building consent sections.

This year's plan will like the Wild foods debrief attract a record low number of submissions in my opinion. Our people have lost faith in Councils ability to listen to them and they will convey their frustration in September and we will see 90% of those around the table at present gone. Ratepayers turned out in record numbers last year ,you ignored them and damaged the reputation of this Council in Westland.

This year's plan starts off by saying the 10 year plan was extensively consulted on.

This is factually incorrect as the meetings last year were cut short before significant aspects of the 10 year plan were able to be discussed, which included the unacceptable rate rises.

All discussion concentrated on the community's plea to remain with land based rating which Councillors ignored. It has since become very obvious the public were right and Councillors got it wrong. I doubt it can be reversed without significant cost but the unfair aspects must be addressed.

Community Initiative Funding Capital rating

I submit that the townships of Bruce Bay and Okarito become stand-alone communities, enabling them to access the funding they contribute for community initiatives and that this be done as part of this Plan and not be delayed further.

They have been another casualty of Capital rating in the only district on the Coast that has it.

Council Operational Funding

An unacceptable increase in rates is proposed again in this year's draft plan. Rates collected in 2013 were \$7,958,000, in this year's plan it's \$14,688,000. That's an 84% increase in the rate take over a 4 year period.

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Ratepayers are being asked for an extra \$815,041 to fund the Council this year, and the question is why? Not once in the last three years have Councillors layed it on the line to the CEO to reduce costs in the annual plan process.

I submit that the total increase in rates required to fund Council is limited to a 3% increase, being the long term average rate of inflation

I submit that Council launch an investigation into the circumstances of the \$2,000,000 not billed to DWC or MBIE for work done on the cycleway since 2013.

There can only be two causes.

Incompetence

Or to attempt to manipulate the financial outcome of Council in election year.

Lets look at incompetence where the senior staff and the Executive committee simply over looked the need to raise cost recovery invoices.

Its seems unlikely.

The reports from Johnathan Kennett who reported to Government over a two year period all questioned why the claims had not been made.

It's likely that the Development West Coast claim will be in the order of

\$1,700,000 million dollars. DWCs Financial controller is Cr Mark Dawson who is also the Chairman of the Executive committee and is responsible for monitoring financial performance therefore he would have had full knowledge of what had been claimed or not claimed.

I can't find any reference by Councils Auditors to the unclaimed moneys, if they did not highlight this material omission they have failed in a basic duty.

Councils CEO is reported to have stopped all work on the cycleway due to a lack of money so she was aware there was a problem.

Based on the available evidence it's not incompetence.

That leaves the attempt to manipulate the financial outcome of Council in election year.

This would be a sackable offence in any organisation if proven to be correct.

You can reach your own conclusion but if the Chairman of the Executive committee was aware, if the CEO was aware, if Councillors were not aware, if Councils accountants failed to bring the unbilled amount in as work in progress, if the Auditors had failed in their duty and not bought this to the attention of Councillors via the audit report then it supports a deliberate attempt to manipulate the election year accounts.

The evidence is clear as Council has now billed DWC and MBIE and will receive close to \$2,000,000 by my calculation before the 30th of June 2016.

I submit that Council use this money to complete the cycleway and to provide a marketing budget for it. These areas of concern are highlighted for those Councillors in the Kennett report.

I submit that as part of an investigation that Councillors seek an explanation from the auditors as to why this \$2,000,000 error was not uncovered.

If Auditors had alerted staff and they had not informed Councillors there can be only one outcome.

Franz Josef Sewerage Scheme

Public debt is \$22.6m against \$16.9m in 2013 and flies in the face of the reasons given by the CE and Mayor in the 2013 annual report where they claimed the increases then were necessary to fund depreciation and repay debt. Debt has risen and depreciation is now being charged at the 2013 levels that were considered by this Council and its

consultants to be unacceptable in 2024/2015. These rate increases, which dwarf our neighbour's, have become an annual thing under this administration and are unacceptable.

The plan proposes Franz is to get a \$6m sewerage system. Govt will pay \$3m.

Government have not been approached yet, nor indicated support, there have been some big porkies told about where they sit on this matter to try and push the new scheme through.

Yes the budget may have a contestable fund for tourism areas like Franz for toilets where visitor numbers exceed the ability of the local community to fund them.

Will this include new sewerage schemes we don't know and you don't know.

We are told big local users will make capital contributions and yet when spoken to this seems very unlikely to be consented to on a voluntary basis.

The greatest issue is that the option of upgrading the existing system in Franz was never considered by Councillors as the CE advised that a consent would be unavailable. This statement was and is incorrect and I have checked my statement to ensure it is completely accurate.

The Council consultants confirmed at the public information meeting that they were not asked to consider an upgrade, only a new plant by Council staff.

That's a pre-determined agenda of staff and is unacceptable.

So no options, just a \$6.5m spend for a community who Councillors and the Mayor say can't afford it, when its possible a \$1m scheme upgrade would suffice.

The Indian company that has indicated it will be installing this new never-proven system in New Zealand or Australia seems to think a contract is in place with work starting on the 1st of July and yet the community is only just now being consulted.

Council is obliged to go to tender or seek expressions of interest. It cannot "appoint" a contractor without going through a process, even if it is a preferred contractor process.

This feels like another let's have capital rating deal where Council has gone far ahead of itself and we are being treated like puppets.

Councillors will have driven past the three mile ponds in the last few days and the smell is awful and I sympathise with those that are effected and live in the proximity.

If Councillors throw \$6.5m at Franz without confirming the contributions and without considering how the use of this money will impact of problems like the Hokitika scheme has are letting all of Westland down.

I submit that Council waits before making its decision, at least until they have confirmation from Government that it will contribute \$3,000,000 and confirmation from the major users in Franz that they will meet the other \$3,000,000.

It's material to this proposal as without the funding Franz ratepayers will pick up \$6,000,000 of funding and have to meet the interest and principle, which for 300 residents is unacceptable.

I submit that Council halts immediately all negotiations with contractors wanting to install a new scheme and considers the upgrade of the existing system option before committing to a \$6.5m scheme, especially if it is to be purchased from an Indian company with no track record in New Zealand.

Investigate upgrading the existing system and ponds. Council already owns all the land in that area much of which is now in the Waiho river.

Sewerage harmonised across all connections in the district is one option being promoted in this annual plan. The 2016 sewerage rate was \$275, 2017 will be \$400, 2018 - 2021 \$500, 2022 \$700.

Sewerage rates will go up 254% by 2022 and once again those on fixed incomes will be disadvantaged, with some being unable to meet the costs of owning property in Westland.

I submit that the Council retains the policy of capital items such as water and sewerage being funded by the direct users and that this includes principle and interest.

I support the harmonising running costs for water and sewerage across Westland.

Franz Alpine Resort

Despite requests Council have not disclosed the impact and remedy of the sewerage being discharged directly into drains at the Franz Alpine Resort, which was placed into liquidation and then receivership. It has not disclosed how and when the bonds, held to ensure any unfinished work could be completed in the event of failure, were discharged, leaving Council financially exposed.

It has not disclosed why, after finding out that the sewerage system which was signed off by Council as complete, and then found to be incomplete, did not result in a caveat being placed over the property to avoid it being sold and leaving Council hung out to dry.

It was of course sold and Council now holds the liability for remedying the failure. This current plan could well be to hide the costs into a \$6.5m sewerage scheme at the cost of the people in Franz.

I submit that Council discloses what part the remedy for Franz Alpine Resort plays in any current plan before proceeding, and gives a cost estimate for mitigation at this subdivision.

I submit that the unmodified report prepared for Council by Greg Carlye on Councils planning section be provided to all Councillors in a confidential section of the next meeting and Councillors now address the serious issues raised.

There has been a spike in complaints over the last 3 months in relation to planning staff and they all have the same common thread.

It's time to act Councillors because if you don't the next Council will.

I submit that the issues raised in my submission be taken into account when the CEO performance is reviewed.

Waiho River

The \$6.5m allowed for in the Plan to build a new sewerage system in Franz to the north of the village lacks thought. If you build the system and the Waiho River comes through the Franz Village because it is not protected you lose the value of the system.

I submit that the effort in Franz should focus on protecting the North bank of the Waiho River from 100m above the bridge on the state highway down to just past the existing sewerage ponds. This protection to be co-ordinated between the existing rating district, Hokitika Airport Ltd and Land Transport NZ to protect the State Highway.

Franz Earthquake Fault Zone.

The creation of a zone in Franz that recognises the fault zone by creating a formal zone is flawed.

This came about because Council's planning department thought it would be a good idea and it gathered legs from there.

New Zealand is full of fault lines. Get used to it. But don't try and predict where the next earthquake will happen or how far from a mythical line damage will occur.

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Councillors the fault avoidance scheme is a mistake and to then expect ratepayers who have had their values reduced by up to 70% by the zone to then fund a Rolls Royce waste water system is plain nonsense.

I submit that Council withdraw from the Environment Court appeal and remove the section from the District Plan as a matter of urgency.

I Submit that all LIM reports for property's in Franz within the zone are tagged to alert would be purchasers of the proximity of the fault line.

Hokitika Storm Water

The Hokitika storm water upgrade is well overdue.

I submit that consideration should be given to assess where the level of most economic damage can occur in the event of a further flood.

Specifically, if the Allan Bryant Hospital is at risk its loss would be extreme and on that basis any remedy should ensure their protection is a priority.

Staffing and Consultants

There is concern over the use of consultants within every aspect of Council's administration and planning as it indicates that staff employed are not capable of carrying out the function they are employed to do, while claiming they are understaffed is the reason for the consultants.

I submit that the delegations manual be amended to ensure only full Council can commission consultants.

I submit that a top down analysis be carried out of Council by Councillors to determine why the skill sets required are not present within Council despite the increase in staff numbers or the use of consultants because staff numbers are claimed to be inadequate. The Council overhead has expanded significantly under this Council.

I submit that Council cap the overhead content at 30% of income.

Wildfoods Festival.

Nothing exists that has added so much value to the Westland brand than the Wildfoods Festival.

I submit that it be budgeted for to \$100,000 per annum and that its success becomes a KPI for the CE remuneration and that Council runs it.

Standing Orders

I submit that Council revokes the existing standing orders and replaces them with the set which is included in the Act.

From: council@westlanddc.govt.nz on behalf of Westland District Council

<consult@westlanddc.govt.nz>

Sent: Sunday, 1 May 2016 4:14 p.m.

To: consult

Subject: Form submission from: Submission on the draft Annual Plan 2016/17

Submitted on Sunday, May 1, 2016 - 16:14 Submitted by user: Anonymous Submitted values are:

Name: Tina Bond

Organisation (if applicable):
Postal address: 132 Jollie Street
Email: tinasafox@hotmail.com
Phone Number: 0210738092
Submission: I support the proposal

Type submission here: Policy on dogs / registration Do you wish to be heard in support of your submission?: No If yes, do you want to make a joint case with another party?: No Do you require a language interpretor in order to

present at the hearing?: No Would you prefer to present via an audio or audio-visual link?: No

From: council@westlanddc.govt.nz on behalf of Westland District Council

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Sent: Sunday, 1 May 2016 4:44 p.m.

To: consult

Subject: Form submission from: Submission on the draft Annual Plan 2016/17

Submitted on Sunday, May 1, 2016 - 16:44 Submitted by user: Anonymous Submitted values are:

Name: June Holdcroft Organisation (if applicable):

Postal address: 60 Park Street Hokitika

Email: jayel@actrix.co.nz Phone Number: 755-8828

Submission: I support the proposal

Type submission here:

I totally support the changes to the Dog Registration Policy. Something I have argued for over the past 12 years. However I am concerned to read the dogs must be speyed or neutered to qualify. I have 3 miniature poodles, They are completely under control at all times and never leave the section unless leashed or in the car. Therefore I feel this condition is unnecessary, and unless dogs are inclined to wander or not under the control of owners, shouldn't be part of the criteria proposed for caring responsible people. I am sure the Council Officers are able to recognise good and bad owners.

From: council@westlanddc.govt.nz on behalf of Westland District Council

<consult@westlanddc.govt.nz>

Sent: Monday, 2 May 2016 10:52 a.m.

To: consult

Subject: Form submission from: Submission on the draft Annual Plan 2016/17

Submitted on Monday, May 2, 2016 - 10:52 Submitted by user: Anonymous Submitted values are:

Name: Amanda Taylor Organisation (if applicable):

Postal address: P O Box 309 Hokitika 7842

Email: ajt.architect@xtra.co.nz

Phone Number:

Submission: I oppose the proposal

Type submission here:

My submission is regarding the stormwater upgrade in Hokitika.

- 1. The work obviously needs to be carried out.
- 2. I am concerned about proposed budgets being exceeded. MWH's Report and pricing is based on a preliminary design only: "The assessment carried out in this report is a preliminary phase, for the purpose of comparing feasible flood improvement options for the requested stormwater systems. The assessment is based on desktop information which has inherent inaccuracies, but these are considered acceptable for a preliminary phase options assessment. In our assessment we have taken a conservative approach to uncertainty, for items such as catchment areas, runoff factors, pipe gradients, and pump capacities.

Detailed design of selected options would require additional time and effort to improve the quality of information that the design is based on, to ensure appropriate design solutions are achieved.

- 3. Alternatives to upgrading pipework and pumpstations have not been considered including the reduction of paved areas to allow for more absorption of stormwater. There is also the possiblity of the use of retention areas / swales such as along Gibson Quay between the road and railway line.
- 4. Of particular concern to us is the height of the road crown on Weld Street. While the Building Code requires a new building to have a floor level of at least 150mm above the road crown there is no requirement for the road to maintained at that height. In our case, our home is 110 years old and the road crown is now 250mm above our ground floor level and the height of the flood water in our home was 190mm. Note also that this crown height is an issue for long vehicles exiting the Challenge Garage onto Weld Street.
- 5. Finally I oppose the 11% rate increase for our property. The 10 Year Plan propososed a cap on the rates increase for this year of 5%. Our rates have more than doubled in the past six years and yet the million dollar business next door is paying less rates than they were six years ago.



SUBMISSION on COUNCIL'S DOG POLICY

This submission is a public document and the details provided will be displayed to members of the public.

Description of Proposal -

On 4 April 2016 Council provided public notice that a Statement of Proposal to review the current Dog Policy is available. The public notice provides information about how the public can acquire information about the proposal and make a submission.

The closing date for submissions is 6 May 2016, 5pm.

Send or deliver to: The Westland District Council Private Bag 704 36 Weld Street HOKITIKA.

Email to:

consult@westlanddc.govt.nz

Complete a submission online: www.westlanddc.govt.nz

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- 1. Please use one form for each submission
 - Extra forms are available from the Council Office and online www.westland.govt.nz
- 2. Indicate your attitude to the proposal
 - i.e. I support/oppose/ am neutral to the proposal.
- 3. Make your submission
 - State clearly and in summary the nature of your submission. Give reasons.
- 4. State whether or not you wish to be heard by the Council at a hearing
 Please note: If you do not want to speak, your written submission will still be equally taken into
- 5. State if you wish to present a joint submission, if you require a language interpretor, or if you would like the Council to consider audio or audio-visual presentation options.

Use separate paper if necessary.

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Would you prefer to present via an audio or audio-visual link? Yes $\sqrt[n]{No}$ (Circle one) If yes, you will be contacted to discuss arrangements.



SUBMISSION on the DRAFT ANNUAL PLAN 2016/17

This submission is a public document and the details provided will be displayed to members of the public.

Description of Proposal

On 4 April 2016 Council provided public notice that a Consultation Document and the draft Annual Plan is available. The public notice provides information about how the public can acquire information about the proposal and make a submission.

The closing date for submissions is 6 May 2016, 5pm.

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Use separate paper if necessary.

I support / oppose / am neutral to the proposal (Circle one)

My submission is:

That the Wiskand District Council encrease the annual grant for the cleaning and maintence of the Rublic Toclets at Hari Hari to \$16,000 to take into account the increased cost to the community for the new Vacilities bee accompanying Budget are explanation for details

Submissions will be heard in May 2016

Do you wish to be heard in support of your submission? Yes / No (Circle one)

If yes, do you want to make a joint case with another party? Yes / No (Circle one) Specify the party:

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Would you prefer to present via an audio or audio-visual link? Yes / No (Circle one) If yes, you will be contacted to discuss arrangements.

Thank you for providing your input.

SUBMISSION TO ANNUAL PLAN

The Hari Hari Community Association request to have an annual grant for the cleaning and maintenance of the toilets increase from its current level to \$16,000 to take into account the increased costs incurred by the community for the new facilities.

The Major increased expenses are as follows:

Labour: It has been pointed out that our current cleaner is getting paid below the minimum wage with no allowances for holiday pay or statutory holidays this is illegal. The increase will bring it into line with our councils obligations. (+ \$4551.56)

Electricity: The old toilets did not have electricity. The new toilets have lights, fans and oasis disposal system all of which use power and incur a supply charge. We have used our budget on the whole complex using aprox the power of a large house (\$3904 trust power) and apportioned the toilets share at 40% (\$1561.60)

Insurance: We have had a quote through an insurance broker which average at \$4000 per year, the toilet share of this as apportioned at 25% (\$1000)

Rubbish Removal: This previously was paid by Council. We have been informed it will now come out of our toilet grant. If this is not the case this can be deducted from the budget, (\$1378)

Other expenses have increased only to effect the increase in the number of toilets and usage.

Hari Hari Community Association Budget / Toilet Grant 2016

Labour at \$17.50/hr, 1hr x 365 Stat and holiday allowance 11 days @ \$8.75 Holiday replacement cleaner, 28 days @ \$17.50	\$6387.50 \$96.25 \$490.36 \$6974.11
Rubbish Removal, 52 x \$26.50	\$1378.00
Water Rate	\$360.00
Electricity, 40% of \$3904.00	\$1561.00
Paper towels, Toilet products, @ \$300 per month	\$3600.00
Maintenance, brushes cloths, brooms, graffiti, replacement bins etc	\$500.00
Insurance, building \$4000, 25%	\$1000.00
Oasis System, 6 month inspection \$250 x 2	\$500.00 \$15873.2 7

No allowance made for any compliance costs or council inspections

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From:

Heritage Park Lodge <heritageparklodge@xtra.co.nz>

Sent:

Monday, 2 May 2016 4:55 p.m.

To:

consult

Subject:

Marks Road Reserve Haast \$10000

Submission for Draft Annual Plan 2016/2017

I support that the \$10,000 funding from the Reserves Fund for development of the Marks Road Reserve at Haast, to be carried out in 2015-16 (ie, by 30 June 2016) be carried over to 2016-17.

I support that extra money from the Reserve Fund also be allocated to this upgrade of the Marks Road Reserve.

The Marks Road Reserve on State Highway 6 at the Haast Township is part of the gateway/southern entrance to Westland. The upgrade should reflect its importance to the region.

JH Farmer Haast

From:

Diane Maitland

Sent:

Tuesday, 3 May 2016 8:09 a.m.

To:

Karen Jury; Rachel Reid

Subject:

FW: SUBMISSION TO ANNUAL PLAN 2016 - 17

From: R & A Keenan [mailto:keenanr@kinect.co.nz]

Sent: Monday, 2 May 2016 8:08 p.m.

To: Lisa De Rooy < Lisa.DeRooy@thelastbestplace.co.nz > Subject: SUBMISSION TO ANNUAL PLAN 2016 - 17

SUBMISSION TO WESTLAND DISTRICT COUNCIL DRAFT ANNUAL PLAN and OUR WAY FORWARD:

I did prefer the Land Value rating system. Do not appreciate the increase of Tourism Charges or Hokitika Business Rate Charge being applied to Rural areas or small business outside the CBD, whom have little or no infrastructure. Is the Rating Information Data up to date?.

Westland District Council are now aware of Local Government Commission actions taking place later this month. To encourage ratepayers to take part in discussions about what is working well and what is not working well with Local Government / Councils on the West Coast. It is reassuring to know there is being more collaboration between Councils.

Council Overhead Cost Reduction and repayment of debt

There is obvious expense being carried out which is not necessary. We could all come to Council for a morning tea or lunch...cut those costs out, cut out unnecessary costs, trim up. Can policies at least be standardised? Hard core debt should be a priority, in the eyes of all Council Staff & Councillors, to ensure it is repaid as absolutely quickly as possible...reduce debt interest/financial costs.

Franz Josef Waste Water and Hokitika Storm Water systems:

Under Procurement Policy, Council must carry out proper due diligence regarding these systems. We have seen before where the quoted costs have been more expensive than necessary. There have been offers of advice from people who have knowledge in these systems and whereby the costs could be a less...find the information suitable for Westland. Ensure that Council looks at all options and procures the most suitable, price effective and affordable to the ratepayers.

Ensure all pumps, pipes and drainage, infrastructure means, in Westland District, are in good order. Core function business must be priority.

Hokitika Sewerage Ponds

Have bad smell of recent times...this, the untidy entrance to township...perhaps encourage someone to mow roadsides especially on entrances to townships.

Heritage, Monuments, Museum, Cemeteries

Other than core function business, a main priority for Council is to ensure that our Heritage and history of Westland is maintained. Our Museums are an essential means of educational activity and attraction for both locals and visitors. ..Please ensure extra hours as a priority...even throughout Winter months, where this is an important under-roof facility for visitors & locals alike.

Monuments must be cared for under Museum/Heritage budget. Cemetery budgets increased to enable all to be maintained well and including Historic Cemeteries – Council assets & responsibility = all require maintenance plan.

Westland Community Centre

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Halls in the district require Council assistance as necessary...they are central to community function.

Civil Defence

That Westland District has excellent Civil Defence planning in place and that Communities have guidelines and instructions to be self—resilient, communication calling systems.

Please ensure that all Council Controlled Organisations are kept well under Council Control and check, returning dividends as per SOIs. Our airport facilities are up-kept to best of standards so that flight and aircraft users are encouraged. That Pensioner Housing is seen in Council eyes as a priority and need for those people who meet criteria for supported accommodation at affordable rental. Keep overhead costs down.

A retirement village could well be a goal for future Westland.

Apologies if these matters are outside the range of subject which are noted within Consultation Document...thanks for your consideration.

Kind regards Anthea Keenan

SUBMISSION on the DRAFT ANNUAL PLAN 2016/17

Name: JANE CHURCHWELL
Organisation: WAI, AGE CONCERN, MEALS ON WHEELS, LITERACY ACTEAROA ETC.
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Do you wish to be heard in support of your submission?: C Yes

The Hokitika Waterfront

The proposal for 2016/17 is to further support the implementation of the Waterfront Plan. It is proposed that \$100,000 be added to this with funds coming from the existing Reserves Development Fund.

I support this	/
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Reasons:

- Little has been done to replace or improve amenities on the beachfront since construction of the seawall in 2013.
- Two years of time and effort on the part of volunteers and council staff, plus \$30,000, have already been
 invested in the developing the Waterfront Concept Plan. This will be wasted if the project stalls.
- Working drawings for Stage 1 will be completed in June ready for implementation at the beginning of the 2016/17 year.
- Public consultation has indicated positive support for the Waterfront Concept Plan and its implementation.
- The project fits the purpose of the Reserves Development Fund- to improve recreational facilities. The
 waterfront is the most popular recreational area of the town, a draw card for visitors and Hokitika's special
 asset.
- \$100,000 is necessary to achieve the landscaping work for the Stage 1 (beachfront). Any less will
 compromise the design and continuity of landscaping on the beachfront.
- Laying the foundation of the Concept Plan by landscaping will provide a framework for further initiatives
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SUBMISSION on the DRAFT ANNUAL PLAN 2016/17
Name: MICHEAL JAMES LEE MCEWEN
Organisation: WAI Hentage Hokikika/Commity Patro / Strohns Shuttle Industry Hentage Park Old Loty thate: nicheal meewen 2 gnail. com Preferred Contact details (email or address): nicheal meewen 2 gnail. com
79 KANIERE TRAMWAY
HOKITIKA 7811
Phone Number: 027 303 0073 Signature:
Do you wish to be heard in support of your submission?: Yes No

The Hokitika Waterfront

The proposal for 2016/17 is to further support the implementation of the Waterfront Plan. It is proposed that \$100,000 be added to this with funds coming from the existing Reserves Development Fund.

I support this	
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Reasons:

- Little has been done to replace or improve amenities on the beachfront since construction of the seawall in 2013.
- Two years of time and effort on the part of volunteers and council staff, plus \$30,000, have already been invested in the developing the Waterfront Concept Plan. This will be wasted if the project stalls.
- Working drawings for Stage 1 will be completed in June ready for implementation at the beginning of the 2016/17 year.
- Public consultation has indicated positive support for the Waterfront Concept Plan and its implementation.
- The project fits the purpose of the Reserves Development Fund- to improve recreational facilities. The
 waterfront is the most popular recreational area of the town, a draw card for visitors and Hokitika's special
 asset.
- \$100,000 is necessary to achieve the landscaping work for the Stage 1 (beachfront). Any less will
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Budget submission to Westland District Council from Tourism West Coast for July 2016-June 2017. 1st March 2016

Tourism West Coast seeks a continuation of funding for tourism marketing based on the historical amount of \$86,000 for the period July 1st 2016 to June 30th 2017. This is paid quarterly in amounts of \$21,500 X 4 including GST.

Tourism West Coast has a primary function as a destination marketer with the objective of getting more visitors to the West Coast and spending more. Year to date December 2015 visitor numbers to the Coast increased 6.4% to 1,279,067. National average 6.2%. Visitor expenditure YTD March 2015 increased by \$31 million to \$348 million of which \$201 million was spent in the Westland region.

Tourism West Coast produces 100,000 regional visitor guides and the Westland was represented by 32 pages out of 102 as well as featuring on generic pages on cycle trails and walks. The guide is distributed throughout New Zealand by Jasons, Carlton and Matuka as well as all i-Site information offices from Northland to Southland. Trade manual, video and USB drives also include Westland.

A new website will be live by early May featuring Hokitika/Jade Country, Glacier Country and Haast World heritage with a separate pass word/log in for each area so a designated person can update information and events for each area which is like their own website within a website. The current West Coast website which also has sections on each of the Northern areas and is attracting 86,499 users a year.

Tourism West Coast has supported Glacier Country, Haast and Hokitika with sales to inbound tour operators and at overseas Kiwi Link with Tourism New Zealand

TWC has facilitated meetings to assist local tourism operators as well as reporting regularly to the Westland District Council.

The new domestic campaign will be supporting a number of Westland events and the West Coast Wilderness Trail including the Hokitika Wild Foods festival, Agfest, Glacier Country Adventure Festival, Haast whitebait festival and Hokitika races. A total of \$82,900 has been allocated to Westland from the domestic campaign budget.

Richard Benton Chair 021 669 026 Jim Little CEO 03 768 6675 jim@westcoast.co.nz

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From: council@westlanddc.govt.nz on behalf of Westland District Council

<consult@westlanddc.govt.nz>

Sent: Tuesday, 3 May 2016 3:41 p.m.

To: consult

Subject: Form submission from: Submission on the draft Annual Plan 2016/17

Submitted on Tuesday, May 3, 2016 - 15:41 Submitted by user: Anonymous Submitted values are:

Name: Oscar Morgan

Organisation (if applicable): Rainforest Retreat Postal address: 46 Cron Street

Email: oscar@rainforestretreat.co.nz

Phone Number: 021742763

Submission: I oppose the proposal

Type submission here:

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From: council@westlanddc.govt.nz on behalf of Westland District Council

<consult@westlanddc.govt.nz>

Sent: Tuesday, 3 May 2016 3:51 p.m.

To: consult

Subject: Form submission from: Submission on the draft Annual Plan 2016/17

Submitted on Tuesday, May 3, 2016 - 15:50 Submitted by user: Anonymous Submitted values are:

Name: Hokitika Lions Club

Organisation (if applicable): Hokitika Lions Club Postal address: PO Box 184, Hokitika

Email: HokitikaLions@HokitikaLions.org.nz

Phone Number:

Submission: I support the proposal

Type submission here: Hokitika Lions Club supports the allocation of \$100 000 from Council reserves funds towards the waterfront improvements. We have viewed the proposed plans and find them exciting and innovative and support their implementation. We understand that the funds would be used to provide the initial landscaping earthworks to define levels and garden areas in the Stage 1 seawall zone. North and South of Weld St. We also understand that landscape designer Neil Challenger has been contracted by Westland District Council to develop Stage 1 of the Concept Plan for implementation.

(Information supplied by WAI)

From: council@westlanddc.govt.nz on behalf of Westland District Council

<consult@westlanddc.govt.nz>

Sent: Tuesday, 3 May 2016 5:48 p.m.

To: consult

Subject: Form submission from: Submission on the draft Annual Plan 2016/17

Submitted on Tuesday, May 3, 2016 - 17:47 Submitted by user: Anonymous Submitted values are:

Name: David Priest

Organisation (if applicable):

Postal address: 133 Davie Street Hokitika

7810

Email: dazla2007@hotmail.com Phone Number: 022 702 594 Submission: I support the proposal

Type submission here:

I support the proposal in principle. I do not support the requirement for a dog to be desexed or late payments to disqualify an owner from qualifying for a discount.

The discount should be based on if the dog has had any recent complaints and that the dog is contained in a fenced property.

I have a well behaved entire dog and no history with substantiated complaints. My dogs are always registered do why should I not qualify for a discounted fee.

Yes i have paid my registration late. But the council has a poor practise of sending out invoices with little advance warning. I have paid the late fee and that should be the end of it.

I have lived in many regions and have noted the WDC is the only one to not offer an early payment or responsible owner discount. It is also the only region to require payment the same month it issued an invoice.

From: council@westlanddc.govt.nz on behalf of Westland District Council

<consult@westlanddc.govt.nz>

Sent: Tuesday, 3 May 2016 6:31 p.m.

To: consult

Subject: Form submission from: Submission on the draft Annual Plan 2016/17

Submitted on Tuesday, May 3, 2016 - 18:31 Submitted by user: Anonymous Submitted values are:

Name: caroline alexander Organisation (if applicable):

Postal address: 18 greens rd Franz Josef Email: carolinealexander77@gmail.com

Phone Number:

Submission: I oppose the proposal

Type submission here:

I don't even rely on the town sewage so why should I pay for it? I have my own septic system that gets collected, so why should I pay and here are some other points for my fellow locals who do rely on the town septic.

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From: council@westlanddc.govt.nz on behalf of Westland District Council

<consult@westlanddc.govt.nz>

Sent: Tuesday, 3 May 2016 5:58 p.m.

To: consult

Subject: Form submission from: Submission on the draft Annual Plan 2016/17

Submitted on Tuesday, May 3, 2016 - 17:57 Submitted by user: Anonymous Submitted values are:

Name: Clive

Organisation (if applicable): Franz Josef Mechanical Postal address:

PO Box 111 Franz Josef

Email: fjm08@yahoo.co.nz

Phone Number:

Submission: I oppose the proposal

Type submission here:

When you CAN'T!!!!! get a septic tank (the correct tank) workable on

Donovan Drive, I highly expect you CAN'T get it right when you want to install a Town unit in FJ.

Its totally a disgusting open hole in the ground with a hole in the actual "Fresh Water Tank" and the inlet pipe is NOT EVEN CONNECTED!!!!!!!!!!

WE WHO LIVE HERE ON FRANZ ALPINE RESORT AGREE YOU ARE ALL "BRAIN, DEAD

CUNTS"

From: council@westlanddc.govt.nz on behalf of Westland District Council

<consult@westlanddc.govt.nz>

Sent: Tuesday, 3 May 2016 7:04 p.m.

To: consult

Subject: Form submission from: Submission on the draft Annual Plan 2016/17

Submitted on Tuesday, May 3, 2016 - 19:03 Submitted by user: Anonymous Submitted values are:

Name: Michael Nolan

Organisation (if applicable): Franz Josef resident and ratepayer Postal address:

PO Box 129 Franz Josef 7856 WEST COAST

Email: mike_heli@vodafone.co.nz Phone Number: 0272552033 Submission: I oppose the proposal

Type submission here:

Franz Josef proposed waste water plant

- * Council has not provided the Franz Josef community with information on the proposed new site for the waste water plant but we are expected to fund 50% of it
- * Council assumes someone is making money in this town as Franz Josef is in the top 4? (of what) during peak season (which is only 5 months we have 7 months of not busy to get through the rest of the year). We just cant afford to fund 3 million dollars on such a small ratings base
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* I would like to be heard in support of my submission but I am not available for the entire month of May, I need to know when in May submissions can be heard.

From: council@westlanddc.govt.nz on behalf of Westland District Council

<consult@westlanddc.govt.nz>

Sent: Tuesday, 3 May 2016 8:21 p.m.

To: consult

Subject: Form submission from: Submission on the draft Annual Plan 2016/17

Submitted on Tuesday, May 3, 2016 - 20:20 Submitted by user: Anonymous Submitted values are:

Name: mark gibson

Organisation (if applicable): alpine glacier motel Postal address:

p o box 69 franz josef

Email: stay@alpineglaciermotel.com

Phone Number: 03752026

Submission: I oppose the proposal

Type submission here:

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From: council@westlanddc.govt.nz on behalf of Westland District Council

<consult@westlanddc.govt.nz>

Sent:

Tuesday, 3 May 2016 8:34 p.m.

To:

consult

Subject:

Form submission from: Submission on the draft Annual Plan 2016/17

Submitted on Tuesday, May 3, 2016 - 20:33 Submitted by user: Anonymous Submitted values are:

Name: Nigel Mehrtens Organisation (if applicable):

Postal address: 43 Rolleston street

hokitika

Email: nignehrtz@hotmail.com

email address undeliverable

Phone Number: 020 40738903 Submission: I support the proposal

Type submission here: I support the upgrade of the Rolleston street stormwater upgrade and to make this the

number one priority on your agenda.

Thank you.

From: council@westlanddc.govt.nz on behalf of Westland District Council

<consult@westlanddc.govt.nz>

Sent: Tuesday, 3 May 2016 8:41 p.m.

consult To:

Subject: Form submission from: Submission on the draft Annual Plan 2016/17

Categories: Submissions

Submitted on Tuesday, May 3, 2016 - 20:41 Submitted by user: Anonymous Submitted values are:

Name: Kelly Bartlett

Organisation (if applicable):

Postal address: P.o. box 50 Frsnz iosef

Email: Kelnosc@xtra.co.nz Phone Number: 037520056

Submission: I oppose the proposal

Type submission here:

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<consult@westlanddc.govt.nz>

Sent: Tuesday, 3 May 2016 9:07 p.m.

To: consult

Subject: Form submission from: Submission on the draft Annual Plan 2016/17

Submitted on Tuesday, May 3, 2016 - 21:06 Submitted by user: Anonymous Submitted values are:

Name: andre mehrtens Organisation (if applicable):

Postal address: 43 rolleston street Email: andremehrtens@hotmail.co.nz

Phone Number: 0273799907

Submission: I support the proposal

Type submission here: i feel that rolleston street is a priority THE priorty before all else we still are not currently living at our own property from last years big flood if we were to encounter the same devestation as we did i could not bear it on behalf of myself and my family Do you wish to be heard in support of your submission?: No If yes, do you want to make a joint case with another party?: No Do you require a language interpretor in order to present at the hearing?: No Would you prefer to present via an audio or audio-visual link?: No

From: council@westlanddc.govt.nz on behalf of Westland District Council

<consult@westlanddc.govt.nz>

Sent: Tuesday, 3 May 2016 10:04 p.m.

To: consult

Subject: Form submission from: Submission on the draft Annual Plan 2016/17

Submitted on Tuesday, May 3, 2016 - 22:04 Submitted by user: Anonymous Submitted values are:

Name: Linda Holmes

Organisation (if applicable):

Postal address:

P.O. Box 127 State Highway 6

Franz Josef Glacier

Email: linda3holmes@gmail.com Phone Number: 03 7520155 Submission: I oppose the proposal

Type submission here:

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From: council@westlanddc.govt.nz on behalf of Westland District Council

<consult@westlanddc.govt.nz>

Sent: Tuesday, 3 May 2016 10:42 p.m.

To: consult

Subject: Form submission from: Submission on the draft Annual Plan 2016/17

Submitted on Tuesday, May 3, 2016 - 22:42 Submitted by user: Anonymous Submitted values are:

Name: Nathan Hende Organisation (if applicable):

Postal address: 12 McFetrick place

Franz Josef

Email: kipa.hende@hotmail.com

Phone Number:

Submission: I oppose the proposal

Type submission here:

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From: council@westlanddc.govt.nz on behalf of Westland District Council

 $<\!consult@westlanddc.govt.nz\!>$

Sent: Wednesday, 4 May 2016 8:08 a.m.

To: consult

Subject: Form submission from: Submission on the draft Annual Plan 2016/17

Submitted on Wednesday, May 4, 2016 - 08:08 Submitted by user: Anonymous Submitted values are:

Name: Kaedance Mehrtens Organisation (if applicable):

Postal address: 43 Rolleston Street Hokitika

Email: k_mehrtens@westlandhigh.school.nz Phone Number:

Submission: I support the proposal

Type submission here: I want you to fix the drains so my road stops flooding Do you wish to be heard in support of your submission?: No If yes, do you want to make a joint case with another party?: No Do you require a language interpretor in order to present at the hearing?: No Would you prefer to present via an audio or audio-visual link?: No

From: council@westlanddc.govt.nz on behalf of Westland District Council

<consult@westlanddc.govt.nz>

Sent: Wednesday, 4 May 2016 8:36 a.m.

To: consult

Subject: Form submission from: Submission on the draft Annual Plan 2016/17

Submitted on Wednesday, May 4, 2016 - 08:35 Submitted by user: Anonymous Submitted values are:

Name: Steve Mackie

Organisation (if applicable): Totally Tourism Limited Postal address:

29 Lucas Place Queenstown Airport

Queenstown

Email: operations@totallytourism.co.nz

Phone Number: 0212546208 Submission: I oppose the proposal

Type submission here:

The proposed changes are unfair on the businesses and residents of Franz Josef township. As mentioned in the underlying points, rate payers are being asked to pay twice in the form of a capital contribution and a local rate. Our company owns two businesses in Franz Josef and we pay rates on seven properties in the area. We are considering investing further in the township but proposals such as this will negatively influence any future investment decisions. We oppose the proposal for the following reasons;

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2 May 2016

West Coast Tobacco Free Coalition C/ PO Box 544 Greymouth 7840

Westland District Council Private Bag 704 Hokitika 7842

Dear Mayor and Councillors

Submission to the Westland District Council Draft Annual Plan 2016-2017

West Coast Tobacco Free Coalition (WCTFC) is a group of organisations and individuals who share an interest in supporting West Coasters to live healthy lives free from the harms of tobacco smoking. We welcome the opportunity to submit to the Westland District Council's Draft Annual Plan.

The New Zealand government has committed to a goal of Smokefree Aotearoa 2025. To achieve this, three things need to happen:

- 1. Fewer people start smoking,
- 2. Demand for, and supply of, tobacco reduces, and
- 3. More people successfully quit.

The Coalition would like to congratulate the Westland District Council for adopting a revised Smokefree Environments Policy. We look forward to working alongside the Council and cafés and restaurants in Westland to implement smokefree outdoor dining. Free signage is available from Community & Public Health to promote the smokefree message.

We do not wish to make a verbal presentation in support of this submission.

Yours sincerely

Anne Hines

Chair - West Coast Tobacco Free Coalition

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From: council@westlanddc.govt.nz on behalf of Westland District Council

<consult@westlanddc.govt.nz>

Sent: Wednesday, 4 May 2016 10:43 a.m.

To: consult

Subject: Form submission from: Submission on the draft Annual Plan 2016/17

Submitted on Wednesday, May 4, 2016 - 10:42 Submitted by user: Anonymous Submitted values are:

Name: Richard Benton

Organisation (if applicable): Teewah Holdings Ltd - Building Owner of the Franz Josef Wildlife Centre Postal address:

Franz Josef Wildlife Centre Cnr of Cron and Cowan St

Franz Josef

Email: richardbenton@me.com Phone Number: 021669026 Submission: I oppose the proposal

Type submission here:

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<consult@westlanddc.govt.nz>

Sent: Wednesday, 4 May 2016 10:50 a.m.

To: consult

Subject: Form submission from: Submission on the draft Annual Plan 2016/17

Submitted on Wednesday, May 4, 2016 - 10:50 Submitted by user: Anonymous Submitted values are:

Name: Bronwyn Burrows

Organisation (if applicable): Glacier Country Kayaks Postal address: PO Box 32 Franz Josef Glacier 7856

Email: paddle@glacierkayaks.com Phone Number: 037520230 Submission: I oppose the proposal

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Categories: Submissions

Submitted on Wednesday, May 4, 2016 - 10:50 Submitted by user: Anonymous Submitted values are:

Name: Dale Burrows

Organisation (if applicable): Glacier Country Kayaks Ltd. & Glacier Lake Tours Postal address: PO Box 32 Franz Josef

Glacier

Email: daleburrows46@gmail.com Phone Number: 0273226207 Submission: I oppose the proposal

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Sent: Wednesday, 4 May 2016 11:00 a.m.

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Submitted on Wednesday, May 4, 2016 - 11:00 Submitted by user: Anonymous Submitted values are:

Name: Natasha Goodwin Organisation (if applicable):

Postal address: PO Box 53

Franz Josef Glacier 7856

Email: tash.cliff@hotmail.com

Phone Number:

Submission: I oppose the proposal

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Wednesday, 4 May 2016 11:04 a.m. Sent:

To: consult

Form submission from: Submission on the draft Annual Plan 2016/17 Subject:

Submitted on Wednesday, May 4, 2016 - 11:04 Submitted by user: Anonymous Submitted values are:

Name: Bruce Millin

Organisation (if applicable):

Postal address: P O Box 22 Franz Josef Email: glacierview@callplus.net.nz Phone Number: 037520705

Submission: I oppose the proposal

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Sent: Wednesday, 4 May 2016 12:01 p.m.

To: consult

Subject: Form submission from: Submission on the draft Annual Plan 2016/17

Submitted on Wednesday, May 4, 2016 - 12:01 Submitted by user: Anonymous Submitted values are:

Name: Celina Lin

Organisation (if applicable): 58 on Cron Motel Postal address:

58 Cron Street Franz Josef

Email: coteouestnz@gmail.com Phone Number: 03 7520627 Submission: I oppose the proposal

Type submission here:

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Sent: Wednesday, 4 May 2016 11:56 a.m.

To: consult

Subject: Form submission from: Submission on the draft Annual Plan 2016/17

Submitted on Wednesday, May 4, 2016 - 11:56 Submitted by user: Anonymous Submitted values are:

Name: Kate Smith

Organisation (if applicable):

Postal address: P.O Box 106 Franz Josef

Email: katelsmith@yahoo.com

Phone Number:

Submission: I oppose the proposal

Type submission here:

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Sent: Wednesday, 4 May 2016 12:31 p.m.

To: consult

Subject: Form submission from: Submission on the draft Annual Plan 2016/17

Submitted on Wednesday, May 4, 2016 - 12:31 Submitted by user: Anonymous Submitted values are:

Name: Alister Yeoman

Organisation (if applicable): Franz Josef Oasis Hotel Postal address:

PO Box 138

Franz Josef Glacier
Email: yeom@xtra.co.nz
Phone Number: 0274 322 677
Submission: I support the proposal

Type submission here:

We support funding proposal 1 (one) for the waste water scheme in Franz Josef Glacier Township. We feel the capital cost of the waste water plant should be carried by the users of the scheme.

Franz Josef Oasis Hotel is a relatively new business and, when deciding to set up business, chose an area where we would not have to accept the existing infrastructure/risk issues that Franz Josef Glacier Township has.

We have spent considerable capital developing our own infrastructure (waste water, water treatment etc.) and consider it would not be fair to be encumbered with capital costs of another scheme that we cannot connect to. In summary, we feel capital cost of Franz Josef Glacier Township's waste water scheme should be carried by the users of that scheme so we support funding proposal 1 (one).

From: council@westlanddc.govt.nz on behalf of Westland District Council

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Sent: Wednesday, 4 May 2016 1:25 p.m.

To: consult

Subject: Form submission from: Submission on the draft Annual Plan 2016/17

Submitted on Wednesday, May 4, 2016 - 13:24 Submitted by user: Anonymous Submitted values are:

Name: Andrew Hocken

Organisation (if applicable): Aspen Court Ltd Postal address: PO Box 17202, Greenlane 1546, Auckland

Email: andrew.hocken@ihug.co.nz Phone Number: 021-822969 Submission: I oppose the proposal

Type submission here: Franz Josef sewer upgrade.

- 1. Council must amalgamate all of the communities sewage rates in order to fund any government shortfall. This has been done elsewhere in New Zealand with smaller communities banding together to provide the required infrastructure upgrades. It has worked well.
- 2. Any leftover targeted rating of local ratepayers must be stretched out over the life of the asset ie: 50 years. Don't put all of the onus on current ratepayers to pay over a shorter period of time.
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- 5. Is WDC working with West Coast Regional Council in respect of discussing flood protection works and timings? I note the Regional Council are doing nothing in respect of the aggradation of the Waiho River until later this year. Surely both Councils need to be on the same page.

Thank you.