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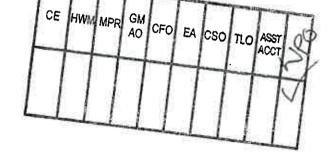
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page 3 of summary. It is interesting to read how WDC have supported some of the communities to upgrade - such as the Glaciers, Kumara etc. Otira is the gateway to the westcoast yet receives no support from the WDC whatsoever although there have been repeated requests for necessities such as a toilet for example. In fact we have never seen as much as a pot hole filled by the WDC in the 8 years that we have been ratepayers here, never even seen a council truck in the area. Apart from this submission we would like you to tell us what we receive for the rates that we pay. The library is an hour away from us, so that is not a service that we use. We are now being asked to pay an increase, but our question is

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what will we be paying for?? In terms of the removal of the rubbish skip from Otira, we are most concerned that this is mooted for our area. Ours is, in the main, a lower socio economic region. Many residents do not have vehicles to take their rubbish away. This will mean dumping in the river, in the national park, or the roads for many. Otira is currently a pristine environment and the proposed changes for the area do not make sense for the reasons stated above ie. gateway to the westcoast: national park. While there are areas that the council can reduce services to, such as beautifying towns, cutting berms etc there are several areas that WDC cannot afford to cut back. These include health related services such as the removal of rubbish and toilet facilities - the removal of these types of services will cost the council in the long run. It may not be while the current councilors are in office but it will be a costly exercise in the future. We urge councilors to ensure that at least the rubbish removal is maintained in Otira but that other options be explored for best value for money. Di and John Burns

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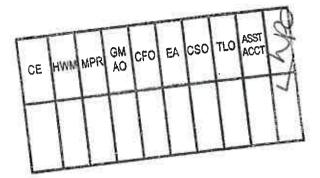
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I would like to see council focusing on the community. A happy community is proud of it's town and this makes it a beautiful place for people to live and to visit. Please don't cut out the support for community groups such as sports West Coast. Also stopping mowing the berms will leave our streets looking neglected and unloved. Not a good look for us or visitors. Stopping rubbish collections in outlying districts seems very harsh. There must be some solution there. Surely relocation of the bins would deter fly dumpers. Cancel the grant to Tourism West Coast and concentrate on making our town the best little town in New

Zealand. Just as John Key is throwing millions into tourism but cutting funding to the basics such as conservation, so our council is in danger of bolstering up the tourism sector but leaving the town unloved and uncared for.





# GETTING Submission on the Council's 2013-2014 Draft Annual Plan

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2) Please confirm that we are a Ryral Fire Force, and if so who, has council failed in its obligation to apply to Rural Fire for appropriate funding in the last few years? As we understand it, funding is only available it applied for!
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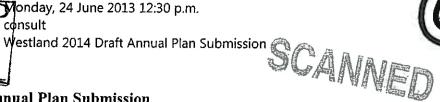
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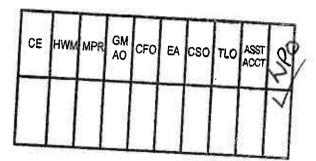
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Funding Cuts I would like to encourage the Council to continue to fund Events, Community Development and the Regent Theatre. These activites and grants are what make the Coast an interesting, attractive and safe place to live and helps to attract new residents and to retain existing ones. For the same reason I endorse the funding of the marketing of the cycle trail. Rubbish I would like to suggest that with the replacement of rubbish bags with 1201 bins and the recycling bins to be double in size, that the recycle collection goes down to monthly and the rubbish to remain at fortnightly. It is hard to imagine that our recycling needs will double in volume with the provision of new size bins. Westland Holdings I am pleased that the Council is attempting now to better balance the books. To match the austerity measures being suggested for rate payers could I suggest that the same is extended to Westland

District properties so that they don't invest in experimental schemes such as a Haast to Hollyford Road and subdivisions. Thankyou Yours faithfully Carol McIntosh

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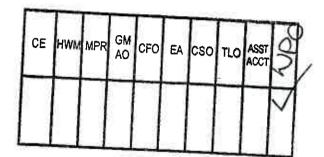
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I/We support the Ross Community Society submission on the 2013/14 Annual Plan.



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# Westland District Council Submission Form



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### Submission on the Westland District Draft Annual Plan 2013/2014

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Draft Westland Annual Plan 2013/2014

ACC's submission covers comment on some aspects of the plan, specifically community safety and well-being. Comments are made on the rationale for ACC's involvement in community safety in *Appendix 1* 

ACC is committed to working in partnership with the Council and other agencies to reduce the incidence, severity and cost of serious injuries and looks forward to providing support to the proposed annual plan.

#### New Zealand Injury Prevention Strategy

The New Zealand Injury Prevention Strategy (NZIPS) places responsibilities on ACC, central and local government and community organisations towards the vision of "A safe New Zealand, becoming injury free". Six priority areas are identified in the strategy: motor vehicle traffic crashes, suicide and deliberate self harm, falls, assault, workplace injuries and drowning. ACC has been assigned the role of lead agency for falls and drowning.

The ACC Injury Prevention Strategy (which is in line with the New Zealand Injury Prevention Strategy) is based around key areas where injuries of serious consequences are apparent: at work, home, during sport and recreation and on the road.

#### Injury Burden

Injuries to residents and visitors in the Westland area present a significant issue for ACC and the Westland community in general. In 2012<sup>1</sup>, 3018 claims were lodged which required medical treatment. The most common places that injury occurred in the Westland district were: at work (17.7%), around the home (42.7%), playing sport, (20.3 %), and on the road (9.4%).

<sup>&#</sup>x27; Calendar year

The total cost of injuries in the Westland Community for 2012 was \$3,891,045. In the Westland District, this equates to 24,070 days of lost productivity (based on ACC weekly compensation payment data).

#### Comment on the Draft Westland Annual Plan

Maintaining strong community-based safety programmes is an integral part of improving the rate of injuries in the wider community. ACC strongly believes that community and safety initiatives should receive priority over non-safety items in the planning process.

Reduction of funding for community development activities will have a detrimental effect on the overall health, safety, and well-being of people in the community. Many, if not most, community groups in the Westland District are managed and supported by volunteers, and coordination and support from the Council has allowed the development of a number of valuable community well-being initiatives.

Groups such as the Safer Community Council, perform a valuable function in the Westland Community by assisting groups to build networks and source funding. The proposed cuts to community assistance are likely to mean that this group may no longer be able to continue. It is no secret that many local authorities across New Zealand have expressed regret at the disestablishment of these strong community groups, and that many TLA's are now moving towards implementing Safer Community structures.

Safe, healthy communities also attract more people to move to the district, and encourage people to remain here, which must surely be a preferred outcome for the Westland District Council.

#### Conclusion

ACC encourages the Council to view itself as a leader and key stakeholder in creating a safer community. It is important that Westland Council plays a lead role in setting priorities and monitoring progress of improvements of the community's significant safety issues

ACC congratulates the Council on the production of their plan and consultation process. We appreciate being involved in the planning process, and having the opportunity to contribute.

Please address any queries to Cathy Blincoe, Injury Prevention and Management Consultant. 03 769 9118 or <a href="mailto:cathy.blincoe@acc.co.nz">cathy.blincoe@acc.co.nz</a>

## Appendix 1: Overview of ACC safety priorities in the Westland area

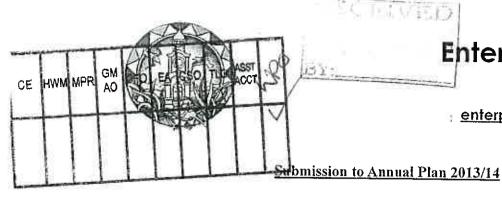
ACC has three safety objectives for the Westland District:

- To reduce the number of serious injuries occurring in several environments (road, home, workplace, water, sports and unregulated recreational environments).
- To build and maintain relationships with key stakeholders to develop sustainable and effective safety initiatives.
- To build a positive safety culture that maximises injury prevention efforts
  with all communities. Enabling communities to take ownership, leading
  injury prevention in a language they understand, in values that are theirs,
  and in ways that belong to them.

ACC's national priorities (as follows) are directly relevant to the Westland District Council:

- Promote The World Health Organisation (WHO) International Safe Communities (ISC) model: an approach to injury prevention that creates infrastructure in local communities to increase action on injury prevention and safety promotion through building local partnerships.
- Address the road toll and the impact of crash-related injuries. Promote road advocacy strategy that supports national and regional road safety action groups, with a particular focus on vehicle technology, motorcycle safety and speed.
- Reduce workplace injuries through focus on high risk industries.
- Support the creation of safer environments to prevent injury from falls and support to implement programmes that focus on the prevention from falls
- Reduce incidence and severity of injury incurred in the home. Foster relationships and collaboration to develop and deliver sustainable and effective home safety initiatives.
- Strengthen community action to reduce alcohol related harm through the development and implementation of a strategy to address drinking behaviour in private settings.

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#### Re Hokitika Area Promotions Uniform Charge (Funding for EH)

- The Hokitika Area Promotions rate is a uniform charge and targeted rate on each Commercial Ratepayer in the Hokitika area.
- This rate has no effect on the rates paid by Individual Ratepayers in Hokitika or Westland.

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- Tourism and Primary Produce are the main drivers for the Westland economy.
- A portion of the Hokitika Area Promotions rate enables EH to resource a Part Time Promotions Coordinator (10-12 hours a week). This ensures continuity and timely implementation of Hokitika marketing activities so promotional outcomes are achieved within funding budgets.
- EH contributes to and facilitates Council's own vision of a World Class Tourist Destination.
- The NZ Government has recognised the need for additional funding to market and promote NZ as a destination with an additional \$158m.
- EH acts in partnership with Tourism West Coast, Development West Coast, the Westland District Council, the Department of Conservation and Glacier Promotions. EH must continue to be included as part of the bigger tourism marketing picture to take maximum advantage of marketing opportunities and tourism funding to ensure the future viability of our town.

This year, WDC has resolved to remove the Hokitika Promotions Targeted Rate from its Draft Annual Plan and will not facilitate the collection of this uniform charge on behalf of EH. I support the reinstatement of the Hokitika Area Promotions Uniform

Charge/Targeted Rate.
We the undersigned make the above submission to Council's Annual Plan 2013/14 consultation process.
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Hi-

This submission is being presented to you as a member of Enterprise Hokitika (EH). EH is encouraging its members to make a submission to the Westland District Council on the future of EH's funding in the Draft Annual Plan.

Please read through the submission carefully and tick yes or no depending on your opinion.

You can also make individual submissions to Council online at <a href="https://www.westlanddc.govt.nz">www.westlanddc.govt.nz</a> or writing your own submission and dropping it into Council.

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I disagree with council removing the targeted rate on Commercial Ratepayers for the

funding of Enterprise Hokitika. This was well debated at its point of introduction and had

majority support from commercial ratepayers in Hokitika. To remove this and suggest that it helps keep the rate rise lower is a farce. This was a targeted rate in the first place for a

specific purpose. It is not related to the need for rate rises and shouldn't have been removed.

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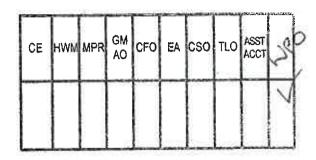
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I am a resident of Jacobs River where I own a motel business with my husband and we are also partners in a farm at Karangarua. The total rates bill for these properties is almost

\$7000. It is proposed under the new rates structure that our rates will rise between 25 - 36%. At present the only council supplied service specific to this area is the rubbish skip at Bruce Bay. This is to be removed leaving us with what appears to be NO council services specifically targeted to this area. We have no street lights, footpaths, swimming pool, iSite, events, parks and reserves, cemeteries, cycle trails or public toilets funded by the council south of Fox Glacier until you reach Haast. The only road adjacent to my properties is State Highway 6 which is the ONLY access to and from South Westland. I understand Land Transport NZ has the responsibility for the state highway network and not the WDC. As one of the few businesses on the main highway between Fox Glacier and Paringa I feel obliged to supply the public toilet facilities for tourists who call in here when "caught short". I do understand the bigger picture and as a member of the Westland Community willingly contribute to the facilities and infrastructure that hereaft our whole district. I would be a district.

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We object to the proposed rates increase for Awatuna, in particular our property at 122 Havill Drive, Val No 25740 02900. While we agree that costs need to rise, the increase of 27.17% is totally unreasonable. We have our own water, sewerage, no footpaths, or street lights. The waste management rate for small holding is over 50%! Along with the increase in both the general rate & charge for small holding our total rates rises seems unfair for the services provided. It would seem more reasonable and fair to increase the rates slightly over several years, instead of whacking a huge increase like this. We understand the councils ccurrent situation, and the need for increased rates, but the proposal outlined in the draft annual plan is ridiculous - Getting Real - yeah right.

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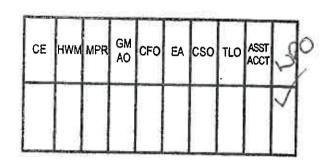
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Submission to the Draft 2013/14 Annual Plan Ross Community Pool (Pg 33) We are in support of the Ross Community Society's submission; using the Ross Endowment Fund for the current intending purchase of a new \$85,000 pool liner. Our community has many holiday home owners and rental properties, and therefore income from these sources is lower in our town and surrounding areas, due to them being occupied for only a portion of the year. The Pool is used by an average number, however high usage during its season, so this is a worthwhile facility for this community and therefore be a 'user pays' for all who, use this facility. The option which could make up some shortfall in particular ranges or areas; with continued fundraising from time to time, for lesser purchases/projects. We are not in favour of the alternative - 'Funded from a loan targeted to Ross Residents', as there are some who do not use this facility, but support others in the area. The Endowment fund

Comments:

needs to be utilized to support the two most crucial needs of the community, which have been on our agenda for many years. We would also like to see these funds spent on:-1)Alterations of the Ross Community Hall, by moving of the stage area to the eastern end of the hall, (as discussed at RCS meetings) this in turn would encourage a higher use of the hall as the facility would have a better facility to offer. 2)Addition of one or two heat-pumps to the hall area - the existing heating is insufficient in the winter months and vice-versa in the summer, and also assisted with fundraising by the Ross Community Society Committee. 3) The re-modelling of the Kitchen (as discussed at RCS meetings) and if necessary repairs or alterations to the roof, with the continued on-going leaking problem. This E/fund (a portion of it, depending on the requirements at any time, the fund balance and the communities supporting options) should be utilized for our 3 main Community used buildings, on repairs or purchases in the Ross community as each need arises. 2)Library -Page 30 Councils vision - "...providing a first class service accessible to all residents". Amending the hours could also include a shorter day for one day of the week, i.e open for 1/2 day and then open on the Sunday afternoon 1-4pm. This would allow all residents of the district, those living out of the area or work or have sports commitments, including tourists on the current days and times it is open, and not able to utilize this facility. It would also

bring visitors to the town over the winter months and could also support the i-site and other businesses in the town 3)Refuse Collection - Bags to Bins (Pg 26) The currently used (120 litre recycling) bins for the Refuse bin is a fantastic idea, enabling refuse bags to be protected (from dogs and cats ripping bags open and refuse strewn down the street) while awaiting collection. However our submission is to continue to use the rubbish bags or something likely to be used as a rubbish bag to contain refuse (for cleanliness and protection) inside the bin. Some may use these bins, as the article states 'instead of bags' – therefore throwing all and sundry (clean or not – as some do) into the bins. This in turn would cause the bins for some, to become in a dirty and smelly state, causing wondering animals to want to knock them over, which does happen from time to time.

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#### **Kirsty Manera**

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Thank you for this opportunity to submit to the draft Annual Plan for 2013. Rate Rise We are shocked at the percentage of rate rise proposed for our business, South Westland Salmon, being a rural commercial business. While the actual figure may not seem to be large to you, in the scheme of things, given the continuing depressed nature of the tourist industry, this could be the final nail in the coffin for us. We do not receive many direct council services and the one that we have had access to in recent years, the rubbish skip 16kms north at Bruce Bay, is now to be removed, which does not seem like a fair deal! We actually provide a free public service for most of the year in the form of 24 hour public toilets. We do not support this rate rise. Waste Disposal The full impact of that decision will be felt by our community in the whitebait season when there is a large influx of visitors who generate considerable waste. If they don't have a place to dump their rubbish then they will get rid of it in other ways - into the waterways, over banks, down tracks, etc, causing some very ugly and unacceptable pollution, a backwards step. While the logistics of the skip were questionable, some arrangement needs to be made for rubbish disposal to limit the impact that visitors have on our area, with the costs passed on to the actual users. Glacier Country Grant • We do not support the funding cut. • The Glacier Country targeted rate provides the funds for the important roles of Community Development Officers (CDOs in Fox and Franz

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demands longer opening hours. • The I-site summer hours (October to April) should be 8:30am to 6pm daily. Community Services We believe council should continue to support community halls, public toilets, community projects, etc. and never direct any management, administration or involvement to Westland Properties Ltd or any other subsidiary of council. Thank you for the opportunity to submit comment on the annual plan. Graham Monk Brenda Monk

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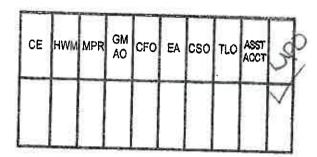
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My submission to the WDC 2013/2014 Draft Annual Plan is: 1. Tourism West Coast - grant funding approval for two years %86,000 p/a - I support the continued funding of TWC -Tourism is an important part of the Westland economy and supporting TWC is vital to it's success. - long term funding is necessary to engage in longer term strategic marketing investment, which will prove beneficial for the industry in Westland. 2. Community Township Development grant cut saving \$140,000 - I do not support this cut. - Being a tourism destination we cannot afford to cut this grant. - The grant helps fund the necessary upgrades needed in the townships. - As it is a targeted rate, I am happy to contribute to this grant through a targeted rate. 3. Glacier Country Grant - grant funding cut saving \$65,000 - I

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do not support this cut. - Glacier countries 3 Community development Officers funds these important community roles. - The functions of these roles are critical to the on going success of the organisations they support. - These roles are paid through targeted rates. I am happy to pay a targeted rate to fund this grant. 4. I-Site rationalisation opening hours - I do not support the opening hours being the same year round. - The summer season requires longer opening hours with long hours of daylight. - The I-Site summer hours should remain 8.30am to 6pm 7 days per week. 5. Council front line transactions moving to the I-Site. - I do not support this action unless Council staff is added to the I-Site staff numbers. On busy days the I-Site is in huge demand adding to the I-Site staff with Council matters would detract from the tourist purpose of the I-Site and potentially undermine tourism in the district. Thank you for the opportunity to submit to the Draft Annual Plan

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#### Kirsty Manera

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I support the inclusion in the 2013/14 Annual Plan for Council to make provision to help keep Hokitika's Regent Theatre open by including an average annual rates levy of about \$10/yr for each Hokitika ratepayer, and \$3/yr elsewhere.

I support the continued community use of the Regent as our "Town Hall" for cinema, live performances, community meetings and events, and as a historic heritage feature in the heart of Hokitika. Hokitika's Regent Theatre is important to the town and the wider Westland Community. The building has been saved with a huge voluntary effort and sponsorship from the community. I urge Council to get wholeheartedly behind securing the theatre's future.

Chris Steel 216 Revell Street Hokitika



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Fox Glacier Community Development Officer Rate. The Community Development Officer role has great benefits for our community and we believe there is widespread support for the

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Yes

Fox Glacier Community Development Funds. The Fox Glacier community is in the process of redeveloping our playing field - well actually developing a new one as it is likely to be more cost effective than trying to remedy the swamp that is currently our playing field. We had some \$31,000 in an account with Council for the purpose of undertaking the field development. Although tentative pricing had been completed and draft tender documents prepared the funds remained unspent at 31 May 2013. After this date we were informed that

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Council would not honour its commitment and had simply wiped this account. I submit that Council is morally obliged to honour its commitment and to reinstate that account.

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Fox Glacier Community Centre Funding. In 2009 Council passed a resolution to support the Fox Glacier Community Centre Project with \$500,000 from land sales and a further \$500,000 from other Council sources. This commitment has since been reconfirmed on numerous occasions as we in Fox Glacier have sought funding from other sources. The DAP now only indicates \$200,000 of 'secure' funding. We have invested nearly \$60,000 of our funds into the project planning stages and preparation of concept plans. This is now

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our funds into the project planning stages and preparation of concept plans. This is now wasted as it is clear that without the level of Council support that has been repeatedly promised we cannot hope to build a Centre of such quality. I submit that Council should continue to honour its oft repeated commitment to the Fox Glacier Community Centre and that in addition to the \$200,000 indicated in the DAP to still include a commitment to a further \$300,000 through property sales when that is possible.

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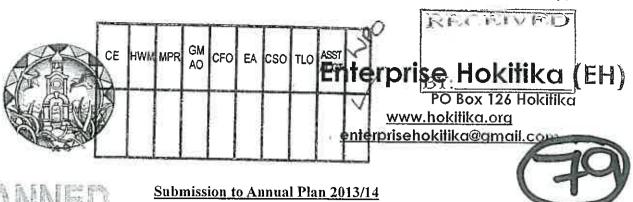
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### Re Hokitika Area Promotions Uniform Charge (Funding for EH)

- The Hokitika Area Promotions rate is a uniform charge and targeted rate on each Commercial Ratepayer in the Hokitika area.
- This rate has no effect on the rates paid by Individual Ratepayers in Hokitika or Westland.
- Tourism and Primary Produce are the main drivers for the Westland economy.
- A portion of the Hokitika Area Promotions rate enables EH to resource a Part Time Promotions Coordinator (10-12 hours a week). This ensures continuity and timely implementation of Hokitika marketing activities so promotional outcomes are achieved within funding budgets.
- EH contributes to and facilitates Council's own vision of a World Class Tourist Destination.
- The NZ Government has recognised the need for additional funding to market and promote NZ as a destination with an additional \$158m.
- EH acts in partnership with Tourism West Coast, Development West Coast, the Westland District Council, the Department of Conservation and Glacier Promotions. EH must continue to be included as part of the bigger tourism marketing picture to take maximum advantage of marketing opportunities and tourism funding to ensure the future viability of our town.

This year, WDC has resolved to remove the Hokitika Promotions Targeted Rate from its Draft Annual Plan and will not facilitate the collection of this uniform charge on behalf of EH.

I support the reinstatement of the Charge/Targeted Rate. Ye	/	ons Uniform
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## **Enterprise Hokitika**

PO Box 126 Hokitika www.hokitika.org enterprisehokitika@gmail.com

This submission is being presented to you as a member of Enterprise Hokitika (EH). EH is encouraging its members to make a submission to the Westland District Council on the future of EH's funding in the Draft Annual Plan.

Please read through the submission carefully and tick yes or no depending on your opinion.

You can also make individual submissions to Council online at <a href="https://www.westlanddc.govt.nz">www.westlanddc.govt.nz</a> or writing your own submission and dropping it into Council.

PLEASE NOTE: In each submission, the question is asked if you want to be heard in support of your submission. By ticking "yes", you are given the OPTION to speak to this submission at the Council hearing on submissions. It does not mean you HAVE to speak. If you tick "no", you cannot speak.

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#### Dear Chris Hennah

Thank you for the material about the meeting of ratepayers at 7pm on Friday 21 June. We appreciate you making this known to us.

With the current weather reports and promises of snow we do not plan to be at this meeting but certainly agree with the points you are making. It has been our experiences as ratepayers of our little holiday cottage for more than 20 years that we have received little from the District Council in the way of either support or amenities, and this move confirms this belief. Thank you for representing our interests.

Barry and Margaret Nelson

(Konini Cottage)



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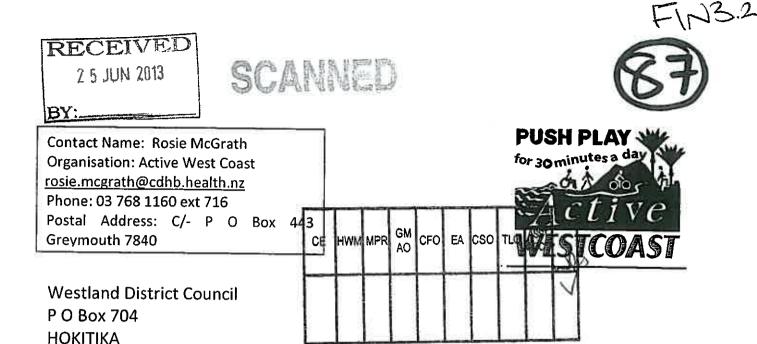
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I support the inclusion in the 2013/14 Annual Plan for Council to make provision to help keep Hokitika's Regent Theatre open by including an average annual rates levy of about \$10/yr for each Hokitika ratepayer, and \$3/yr elsewhere.

Hokitika's Regent Theatre distinguishes the centre of our town from others by its unique character as a building and as a point of connection between the town and it's past, it's people and it's cultural life. Without this central hub the town would lack a place the community can call its own. The fact that it is not subject to the whims of private ownership makes it a true symbol of the vitality and spirit of a town that has stood it's ground for 150 years. It has been saved with huge voluntary effort and sponsorship and this needs to be recognised by the Council in securing the theatre's future.

I support the continued use of the Regent as our "Town Hall" for cinema, live performances, community meetings and events, and as a historic heritage feature in the heart of Hokitika.

Lindy Roberts 100A Cement Lead Rd RD2 Hokitika



re: Submission to the Westland District Council's Annual Plan 2013-14.

We acknowledge the importance of Council's huge role in creating a healthy environment in which its residents can live, grow, learn, thrive, play and work.

#### **Active West Coast**

Active West Coast (AWC) is a network of agencies and groups committed to improving the health of West Coasters through the promotion of healthy lifestyles such as physical activity, nutrition, smokefree, youth and older person's health. While member organisations were involved in preparing this submission, the recommendations in their entirety, do not necessarily reflect the views of each individual agency.

#### Plan:

AWC understands Council is driven by the desire to 'Get Real' and that this Annual Plan attempts to address current financial issues without burdening future ratepayers with historic debt. However, while we consider the draft plan readable and well set out, we believe more information in specific areas, such as opening hours of the library and museum would assist the community in providing feedback. Additionally, where Council proposes cutting budgets it would be helpful for the community to know how this would be achieved. For example, does a cut in a specific budget mean loss of employment or hours for Council staff and, if so, are there any financial costs related to this?

Notwithstanding the above, AWC congratulates Council for implementing an information process to further inform and engage with Westland residents throughout the consultation section of this plan.

#### **New Financial Strategy:**

AWC acknowledges Council is currently facing a fiscal challenge however we believe the vision of Westland being 'the last best place' implies Council's focus is wider than just the provision of efficient and affordable infrastructure as it takes more than that to encourage people to visit, stay and invest in the District.

#### Library and Museum hours:

Provision of library and museum services supports life-long learning which has positive benefits to individuals and the community. AWC therefore supports Council's proposal to continue funding the branch libraries. However while Council acknowledges that reducing opening hours of both the Hokitika Library and Museum will impact on accessibility there is no explanation as to how the decision was made regarding opening times. There is no community social impact analysis regarding the proposed opening time changes.

We understand the reduction in hours is motivated by financial need. However we recommend that any changes to opening times be implemented in line with current periods of low use to diminish the impact of the reduced hours on Westland residents.

#### **Events:**

Providing support to local events maintains Council's contact with communities and supports local community vibrancy. This helps with making Westland 'the last best place.' Having a focus on one event (Wildfoods Festival) is the equivalent of Council putting all your eggs in one basket. This may not be the most effective way to support community events in Westland. The 2014 Wildfoods Festival will be the 25<sup>th</sup> time this event has been held.

We encourage Council to review its events activity after the 2014 Festival with a view to extending support to other smaller events throughout the District.

#### i-Site:

If rationalising the opening hours is expected to have negligible financial impact why decrease the service to visitors to the Westland District? Again, it would be helpful to have more information included in the draft plan regarding how this decision was made. It seems counter-intuitive to reduce visitor services hours (especially in the summer months) in an area that relies on visitor numbers for economic sustainability.

### **Community Services and Community Development:**

AWC is concerned that Council is proposing to reduce Community Services and Community Development activities, particularly with respect to supporting

community projects. We are aware this activity currently supports a number of community-based initiatives that are important for the wellbeing of residents. These include:

- the Safer Community Council (which includes an alternative transport scheme for over 20 transport disadvantaged people who don't meet the criteria for the Total Mobility scheme),
- Restorative Justice.
- Big Brothers, Big Sisters
- Victim Support,
- Assistance to communities to seek funding for their projects.

The draft proposes that Council will exit direct involvement with community groups and instead move towards performing an advisory role only. AWC questions how an advisory role can be effective if there is no direct involvement with the wider community.

We strongly recommend Council reconsider reducing its support for Community Services and Community Development. We also take this opportunity to remind Council that our members are available to work with Council to support community well-being projects.

#### **Community Assistance:**

AWC supports Council's decision to continue to fund the Public Transport Grant as the taxi service provides safe travel options as well as the means to continue with the Total Mobility Scheme for the transport-disadvantaged in Hokitika.

We are concerned that Council intends withdrawing financial support for Sport Canterbury West Coast. The Sports Trust is an important asset to communities within Westland and provides opportunities for children and families to be physically active and connect to their District. We are grateful that Council intends supporting the Sports Trust through the continued provision of office space and infrastructure.

#### **Ross Community Pool:**

AWC is pleased Council is seeking views from the Ross community regarding options for replacing the pool liner.

#### Kokatahi and Haast Rural Fire Parties:

AWC understands these Rural Fire Parties provide first response to fires, accidents and situations where property and lives require protection. We understand that the funding assists with training, equipment maintenance and personal protection equipment to support this essential service. AWC is concerned that lack of funding

will limit the ability of the Rural Fire Parties to provide this service in these areas and that response times will be significantly increased due to travel time required from other areas. The existence of the Rural Fire Parties also improves community capacity and the ability to respond to a major event while at the same time providing a link for emergency communication within the District.

AWC strongly urges Council to reconsider funding the Kokatahi and Haast Rural Fire Parties as these services are integral to emergency preparedness and response within the Westland District.

#### **West Coast Wilderness Trail:**

AWC supports Council's decision to contribute to the marketing of the Wilderness Trail as the potential economic benefits will not be realised without reaching the relevant tourist audience.

#### **Town Development Grants:**

AWC is disappointed Council has removed the Town Development Grants as these are utilised by the specific communities to fund projects identified, developed and funded by the ratepayers of those communities. The 2012 LTP describes the comprehensive process the communities go through to develop projects with input from Council. AWC has valued our relationship with the Community Development officers in both Franz Josef and Fox as they have provided a link to and a means of communicating with these communities.

#### **Pensioner Housing:**

AWC supports Council's investment in upgrading the roofs of the pensioner housing stock. We encourage Council to consider implementing a Smokefree Policy for the 46 pensioner units. Making the units Smokefree inside would reduce maintenance costs and enhance the health of residents and visitors. Active West Coast members would be happy to work with Council to develop a Smokefree policy.

#### **Solid Waste Management:**

AWC supports the extension of kerbside collection to Lake Kaniere. However we are concerned that removal of the trailer bins from Otira, Jacksons, Bruce Bay and Neils Beach will result in increased fly-tipping. We consider that expecting residents to travel significant distances to legally dispose of their rubbish will be a disincentive to solid waste management. We also consider the change to this activity is not in line with Council's Waste Management and Minimisation Plan 2012-2018 which aims to 'provide for the safe and efficient disposal of residual waste' and 'a reliable refuse and recycling collection service is provided to customers'.

#### **Local Alcohol Policy:**

We would like to thank the Westland Council for committing to develop a Local Alcohol Policy (LAP) in consultation with Police, licensing inspectors and the Medical Officer of Health. We support the development of one LAP for the West Coast region to provide consistency of approach in the sale and supply of liquor.

#### **Liquor Licensing Fees:**

With the passing in December 2012 of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act, there will be changes in Liquor Licensing fees with a move to a risk-based fee system.

The Ministry of Justice is currently consulting the public on establishing a new fee regime for the alcohol licensing system. The new fee system will be implemented from 18 December 2013.

AWC recommends that these changes be signalled in the Annual Plan.

#### **Smokefree Environments:**

Active West Coast encourages the Council to explore cost neutral ways to promote Smokefree lifestyles and the Council's own Smokefree Outdoor Areas policy. These could include Smokefree information and logos in Council newsletters and other correspondence as well as on the Council website. Free smokefree signage and stickers are available from Community & Public Health (03 768 1160) if required.

We also encourage Council to consider extending the areas covered under the current Smokefree Outdoor Areas policy. Hokitika, Franz Josef and other townships have many cafes and restaurants with outdoor dining areas. Many of these are on Council-managed areas such as footpaths. Smokefree dining areas protects health and enhances the dining experience.

We urge Council to consider extending Smokefree areas to include outdoor dining areas on Council-managed land.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit on the draft Annual Plan. We do not wish to speak to this submission, however we may be contacted by phone on 768 1160 or by emailing <a href="mailto:rosie.mcgrath@cdhb.health.nz">rosie.mcgrath@cdhb.health.nz</a> if required.

Rosie McGrath Coordinator

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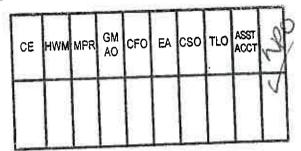
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The glacier Towns have had targeted rates struck with the funds to be used for specific purposes. The total amount of this revenue has not always been spent and has been held by the council. The balance of these unused funds which have been recieved directly from the glacier communities should be returned, not written off/used buy council elsewhere. Should the council not have the ability to repay these funds currently, it should be noted in the

council accounts as a debt to the glacier towns and the funds are to be repaid when the

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We support the inclusion in the 2013/14 Annual Plan of a grant to the Westland Community Centre Inc. to help keep Hokitika's Regent Theatre open.

We believe the Regent Theatre is an important part of Westland's community infrastructure, serving as our "Town Hall". In many parts of New Zealand such infrastructure is owned and operated by Councils, at considerable cost to ratepayers. Westland has been extremely fortunate that the Hokitika "Town Hall" has been managed and restored by a large group of dedicated volunteers.

The Regent Theatre six year restoration and upgrading project is nearing completion. The result will be, arguably, the best Art Deco theatre of its type in New Zealand and beyond. The theatre volunteers have received many positive comments from visitors from throughout the world.

The restored theatre provides for cinema, a wide variety of live performances, community meetings, conferences and events, and as a historic heritage feature in the heart of Hokitika. Hokitika's Regent Theatre is important to the town and the wider Westland community. The building has been saved with a huge voluntary effort and sponsorship from the community. We urge Council to get wholeheartedly behind securing the theatre's future by approving ongoing funding to support operation of the theatre.

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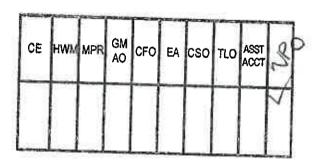


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#### Regards

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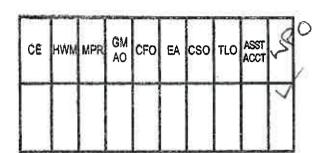
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I submit the following recommendations Relating to Jackson Bay Port charges page 80 Draft Annual plan. The existing management and charging system has been deemed as unworkable. Furthermore it is unfortunate to note that the draft annual plan document continues to seriously mislead the public to believe income may be derived from assets that do not exist. Eg. Jackson Bay Heliport facility charges. There is no Heliport at Jackson Bay.

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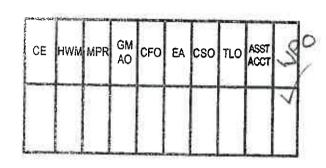
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I am writing in regards to the proposal to cut the uniform, commercial targeted rate that the Council collects on behalf of EH (Hokitika Promotions rate). For full disclosure, I am employed as the promotions coordinator for EH so if hte rate is cut, my position with EH will most likely no longer exist or be severely limited. Obviously, I am opposed to the rate cut, not just for personal reasons but also for the future of tourism promotion in Hokitika and the wider West Coast. I also wanted to provide some information on what EH does and what I do in particular for the Council to consider in its decision. What is EH? EH is an incorporated society with a Constitution whose main source of funding is a targeted promotions rate paid to the Westland District Council. EH's guiding principles are to safeguard business interests of members, support tourism promotion efforts, support and develop local business, council and community initiatives which promote local tourism and encourage strategic planning to obtain a focused balance between community, business and tourism. Who is EH? EH is run by a committee of dedicated volunteers from its membership. Membership is gained automatically through payment of the uniform charge, targeted Hokitika Promotions Rate or advertising in the Hokitika brochure or on www.hokitika.org. There are currently two sub-committees, a Promotions Group and Central Business Retail Group. There are also two paid contractors, one working as Part-Time Promotions Coordinator and an Administrator. How is EH funded?: There are two main funding streams. 1. The rate is composed of 136 ratepayers each paying \$329. Of the

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town" in order to provide a compelling and consistent message to potential visitors. • EH has more than doubled the size of its image library which is made available to all EH members for use. • EH has produced a series of six videos highlighting what makes Hokitika unique as a tourist destination. These are available for EH members to use. Since release in Sept/Oct 2012 these videos have more than 6000 YouTube views and have featured at several promotional events. It has been commented by many people that our videos are the best promotional videos they have seen. • EH has distributed 35,000 brochures and 40,000 town maps as well as 25,000 leaflets highlighting the walks in the area. -EH produced a series of five pull up banners which have been used at various business locations as well as at several promotional events. • The website www.hokitika.org has been redesigned to be more motivational in getting people to Hokitika. It builds on the success of the previous site as unique visitors to the site have increased an average of 30% a month over figures from 2011/12 with over 60,000 visitors in the last 12 months. Unique Visitors in 2011/12 were an average 36% higher than 2010/11 Event Participation • EH along with the Events Dept and iSite displayed at AgFest in Hokitika. We collected over 100 tourism related surveys used to help develop our brand and promotional collateral. • EH was part of the team organising the Hokitika based welcome event for over 120 tourism operators at the Tourism Export Council of NZ annual conference in August 2012. • EH attended the Canterbury A&P Show along with the Events Dept and iSite. This added over 500 new email addresses to our email newsletter database. These individuals receive a few email newsletters a year. Famils • EH hosted a journalist for the magazine Avenues (in Christchurch) last winter and a visit- ing travel agent during Wildfoods. Articles/blogs on Hokitika from both famils were achieved. It is fair to say little if any of these items would have been actioned without the rate funding. Despite the dedication of the volunteer members, they run their own businesses and do not have always have the time to get these items in motion. Having a dedicated person whose job it is to action the decisions of the committees is vital to get these great ideas a reality. In addition, relationships with other tourism bodies such as Tourism West Coast, the iSite, the Events department and other town promotional groups will suffer as there would no longer be a "go to" person within EH that can provide images, text and information that they need (usually in a short time frame) for advertising, journalists, travel agents, etc or a standard EH representative that attends these organisations' meetings. Without the rate funding, EH will most likely still be able to produce the Hokitika brochure, town map and run the website at an increased cost to advertisers as coordination time was subsidised by the rate funding. This would effectively be all EH could do in terms of promoting Hokitika. In order for the WDC to reach its goal of being a world class tourism destination, it needs to support local tourism by continuing to collect the Hokitika Promotions Rate. Without this rate, EH will effectively cease to exist in any substantial promotions role, meaning local promotions and support of wider area promotions (for example, through TWC) will suffer greatly. Thank you for your time. Celine Stokowski



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Re the removal of the Community Township Development Funding – Hari Hari

As outlined in the Westland District Council Long Term Plan, \$70,000 was to be allocated to each of the small townships in a 5 year rotation and this has been removed from the annual plan.

#### Why we need Township Funding:

- We are entitled to receive this we have been putting in to the fund and were due to receive our share 11/12, it is not fair or reasonable to remove it when we have already contributed.
- 2. Small towns need this money for the purposes of encouraging growth, development, enhancements and upgrades within our small community.

I/we the undersigned wish this funding to be re-instated immediately,

Yours sincerely

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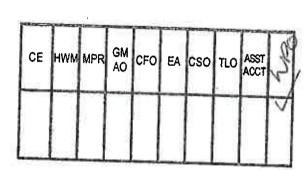
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I am sure that most rate-payers would support the retention of this community asset by way of a small addition to their rates If the Regent Theatre were to be lost it would not be replaced by a comparable facility in the current economic environment.

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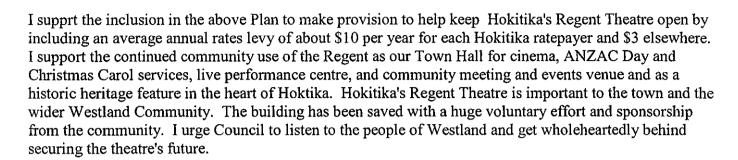
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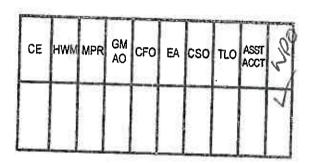
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I also strongly urge the Council to reconsider shortening the Museum hours because although our Museum is not a big revenue generating operation surely our focus should be on attracting tourists to our town and visiting our Museum without them feeling pressured to spend up large in a recessionary climate. They're unlikely to appreciate the inconvenience imposed by restricted hours and neither will exhibitors or locals viewing exhibitions. I propose you leave the Museum hours as they are.

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Following are the things that I care about and I am happy to pay more rates to support them: I think that the library opening hours should be kept at the present level. Being open until 6.00 p.m. is very convenient for people such as myself who work until 5.00 p.m. and I often dash into the library after work. I imagine that, likewise, the weekend hours are also important to those with children or parents with mobility problems who need to be taken to the library. The Regent Theatre is a very important community facility and should be supported. A town the size of Hokitika could reasonably be expected to have a venue for large community events supported by the Council and \$25,000 is a trifling cost for this. I think the Council should approve a \$25,000 grant to the Regent Theatre. I support grants to

#### Comments:

Tourism West Coast and Enterprise Hokitika, both of whom do a great job promoting Westland and they play a big role in ensuring that marketing messages are coherent. Events are also an important part of the branding and marketing of Westland and generate significant benefits to the community. The events co-ordinator does a fantastic job of assisting with all sorts of occasions which involve the local community and generate positive publicity. I support the Kokatahi Rural Fire Party and, as a Kokatahi ratepayer, am happy to pay more rates to cover the funding required to continue to support this. I don't support spending \$30,000 on marketing the West Coast Wilderness Trail as this project was supposed to be at no cost to ratepayers. I would have thought that both Tourism West Coast and Enterprise Hokitika would promote the Trail through the usual channels and that money spent on marketing something that others will surely promote is a luxury that the community can't afford at present. Could Enterprise Hokitika, who already have a good website, be funded and asked to assist?



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person?

No

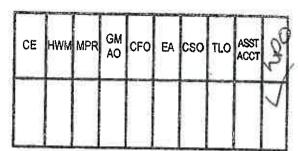
I oppose reducing the opening hours of the museum. This flies in the face of the Council vision for becoming a world class destination. If tourists are coming to Hokitika there needs to be a facility open for them to enjoy, learn about our area and its exciting history. The museum is an important and valuable contributor to our community and highly valued by visitors. Reducing any museum staffing or opening hours is a backwards step with damaging long term repercussions. I support \$25,000 of annual funding for the Regent Theatre. This is a beautifully restored historic building that has been earthquakestrengthened, rare in Hokitika, with many voluntary hours of hard work. This is an excellent

community assembly facility that should be supported. It is interesting that the Council

chose to have one of their community information evenings at the Regent Theatre. Reducing funding to soft targets is not the way I envisaged our council getting real. I strongly oppose the council funding advertising of the cycleway. We were told numerous times that no ratepayers' money would be used for the project. Council is now proposing to pour money into this venture when other business ventures will surely undertake the advertising, as they should. It is likely that Council will consider spending large amounts on maintaining and repairing the trail in the future. I support rate rises beyond those proposed as I believe these are a necessity so that Council can fund the ACTUAL cost to ratepayers of services that the

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community want and need. It is important to get real.





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No

My submission focuses on the intended changes to Hokitika's Solid Waste Collection, I believe that refuse bags already issued to ratepayers should continue to be collected after the

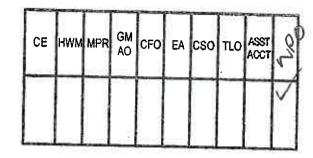
planned cut-off date in December. That glass continues to be collected at the kerb while

Comments:

Council investigates opportunities to manage this product. That Council use funding

opportunities/financial support to replace the play equipment at Lazar Park, which is old and unsafe. Thank you, for the opportunity to make this submission for the 2013/14 Annual

Plan.





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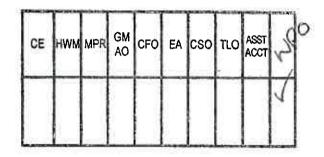
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I support the inclusion in the 2013/14 Annual Plan for Council to make provision to help keep Hokitika's Regent Theatre open by including an average annual rates levy of about \$10/yr for each Hokitika ratepayer, and \$3/yr elsewhere.

I support the continued community use of the Regent as our "Town Hall" for cinema, live performances, community meetings and events, and as a historic heritage feature in the heart of Hokitika. Hokitika's Regent Theatre is important to the town and the wider Westland Community. The building has been saved with a huge voluntary effort and sponsorship from the community. I urge Council to get wholeheartedly behind securing the theatre's future.

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Kokatahi Kowhitirangi Community Committee

Submit in person?

Yes

• The Kokatahi Kowhitirangi Community demand that the funds taken under the Kokatahi Community "Special Amenity Rate" agreed to as per letter to Council dated 7th December 2005 be disclosed and further require clarification as to where those funds have been applied or retained. • Kokatahi Community Rate to fund projects in the Kokatahi/Kowhitirangi community needs to remain in place, as it was agreed at the time the rate was implemented that it should stay until the community decided to cease the rate. • Our community feel aggrieved that our increase is proposed to be in excess of 20% when we will be receiving no further services or amenities for this over-inflated rise. • Waste Management for our community is excessive considering that the majority of our householders use MT Drums for rubbish removal. These householders pay MT Drums a considerable fee for each empty, who in turn are charged a fee by Council for using the Hokitika Transfer Station. This cost is passed back to the customer so in effect our householders are paying a waste management

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Comments:

is passed back to the customer so in effect our householders are paying a waste management fee twice (through our rates and then again through MT Drums). • Our community strongly feels that the Kokatahi Kowhitirangi Rural Volunteer Fire Force needs to remain in place for our rural area, part funded by the National Rural Fire Authority and Council. The volunteers, station and equipment provide safety and security to our local community and tourists alike, and are also a significant force that would be required in the event of a major civil defence incident. Our rural community would easily become isolated from the nearest town in the event of a natural disaster (i.e. flooding, earthquakes, twisters) or even a biosecurity outbreak (i.e. foot and mouth). As our community has already experienced some of these events very recently we have taken the initiative to begin planning for further such events. The Kokatahi Kowhitirangi Rural Volunteer Fire Force plays a major role in our continuity planning, through manpower, skills, communications and equipment.



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Comments:

I/We support the Ross Community Society submission on the 2013/14 Annual Plan.

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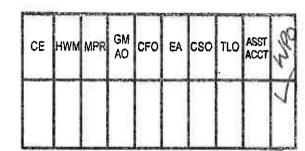
We understand the need for rate rises, however, we feel that rural rate payers are once again

having to subsidise Hokitika rate payers. Refer to pages 72/73 Funding Impact Statement rates sample (farm kokatahi 20.73% v residential hokitika 6.92%) is this really fare? On top

Comments:

of this council feels it nessasary to cease all operations of the Kokatahi- Kowhitirangi Rural Volunteer Fire Force putting our community at significant risk and the wider community at a disadvantage during a major CD event. On a positive note it is good to see that council is

starting to sort out staff/council FINANCIAL MISMANAGEMENT.



BY:



From: Sent RECEIVED Subject: 2 6 JUN 2013

Natasha Thomson <tashthomson@yahoo.com.au> Tuesday, 25 June 2013 9:25 p.m.

Hokitika's Regent Theatre - Westland District Annual Plan

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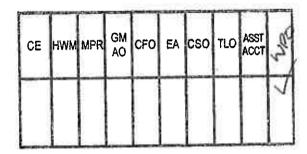
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Natasha Terry 92 Brickfield Road

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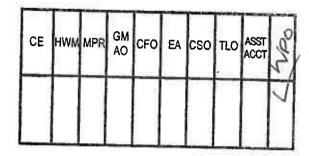
Our Fox Glacier community asked council some years ago to strike a rate for the district that would be used for the purposes of Township Development. The funds raised were held by Council on our behalf and used for projects and activities as the community saw fit.

There was a significant amount of OLIR money unspent at the end of May 2013 and we

There was a significant amount of OUR money unspent at the end of May 2013 and we were told after that date that it would not be given back to us. In my mind this is

Comments:

unacceptable and I urge the council to treat these funds as a debt to the Fox Glacier community that will be repaid in full within 5 years once the council has once agin regain control of its finances. We have via our CDO made numerous requests to ensure that these fund remained secure while we obtain the necessary additional funds elswhere to complete the approved projects and were assured that the money was safe. Regards Grant Gibb



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person?

No

I urge the council to continue the roll of Community development officers in both Franz

and Fox Glacier. This is the perfect conduit between the Council and the communities of both towns. This is a great way for the Council to show that it does care for its out lying

Comments:

communities and is prepared to have this open communication beween the two entities. With the added bonus that it is a service requested by the communities that it serves and is paid

for by the same. Regards Grant Gibb

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No

I wish to submit that the Coucil re-instate the Township Development fund for Fox and Franz Josef as it has a very real and tangible effect on the local communities because it is

sometimes the only visible new development or even upgrading of public facilities that the

Comments:

local ratepayers or traveling public can see in thes two "Jewels of Westlands crown" (as its refered to or at least paid lip service to within council chambers) I urge you to reconsider and

reinstate this much needed source of funding to polish small parts of our community.

regards Grant Gibb

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I support the targeted rate that allows the continuation of funding for the CDO roles and

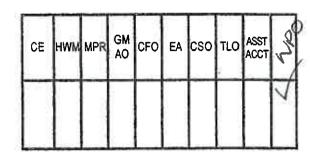
Glacier Country role. I feel these are vital roles in our community. In particular the CDO

Comments: ro

role will go hand in hand with our new community centre facility for supervision and event

management. The CDO role is an integral part of developing and maintaining community

spirit and wellbeing.



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I support the Glacier Country township development rate.

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Submit in

person?

No

I support the \$200,000 committed by Council for the Community Centre to stay in place. I

Comments:

would like to see a further \$300,000 to be promised when funds come available as

originally promised in 2009.

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Comments:

person?

No

The unspent money from the Glacier towns promotion and development targeted rates

should be returned to the community. This money came from here and should be returned to

here. If there are no funds at council to return this now, provision should be made to return

the money when funds allow in the future.

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person?

No

Comments:

Public Library weekend hours not to be reduced. Saturday and Sunday's are the most

likely days we are able to visit the library from Fox.

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#### Westland 2012-2013 Draft Annual Plan Submission

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Glacier Country township development rate. I support the \$200,000 committed by Council

Comments:

for the Community Centre to stay in place. I would like to see a further \$300,000 to be promised when funds come available as originally promised in 2009.

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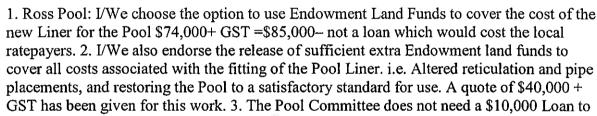
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Organisation:

ross community society

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No



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fix the Solar Panels. The cost for this repair has already been paid for by the local

Comments:

Swimming Pool Committee. We request that this extra cost be removed from the Ross Ratepayers. 4. I/We request that the Ross Pool Targeted Rate fund be used only and specifically for the Ross Pool and that any surplus funds be carried over to this fund for following years. 5. I/We request a detailed statement from Westland District Council at the end of its financial year showing in detail how the Targeted Rate fund has been spent and how much money remains in the account. 6. I/We request Council extend the Targeted Rating area for Ross Pool to include all dwellings from the Totara River in the North, down to Ross beach and to the Waitaha River in the South. We have keyholders from Totara Valley and as far south as Bold Head Road and Waitaha Valley. We accept that this change may not be possible this year, but ask that you implement it in 2014.



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m harrop <harropm@hotmail.com> Wednesday, 26 June 2013 3:50 a.m.

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Support for the Hokitika Regent Theatre

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Dear Westland District Council,

Thank you for the opportunity to write on behalf of the Hokitika Regent Theatre.

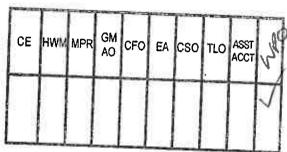
The incredible community effort to save and restore the Regent Theatre was added inspiration for me to move to Hokitika. It's historical presence downtown adds to the unique flavor of Hokitika, and it's modern functionality is also unique in such a small community.

I support the inclusion in the 2013/14 Annual Plan for Council to make provision to help keep Hokitika's Regent Theatre open by including an average annual rates levy of about \$10/yr for each Hokitika ratepayer, and \$3/yr elsewhere.

Hokitika's Regent Theatre is important to the town and the wider Westland Community. The building has been saved with a huge voluntary effort and sponsorship from the community. I urge Council to get wholeheartedly behind securing the theatre's future.

Sincerely,

Mary Harrop







From:

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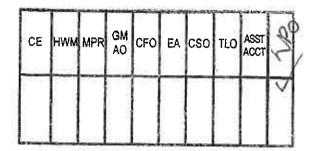
person?

No

Glacier Country targeted rate to remain in place. Glacier Country township development targeted rate to remain. Funding for tourism marketing to remain. With review on where it is allocated. Maintain and ring fence all funding commitments for the Fox Glacier Community center project. No marketing funding for the cycle trail. This should come under the roll of TWC. Maintain the summer hours of the I site to suit the tourists needs The glacier Towns have had targeted rates struck with the funds to be used for specific purposes. The total

Comments:

have had targeted rates struck with the funds to be used for specific purposes. The total amount of this revenue has not always been spent and has been held by the council. The balance of these unused funds which have been received directly from the glacier communities should be returned, not written off/used buy council elsewhere. Should the council not have the ability to repay these funds currently, it should be noted in the council accounts as a debt to the glacier towns and the funds are to be repaid when the financial situation allows ( within 5 years)



From:

Sent: To:

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Jacquie Grant <kiwi.house@xtra.co.nz> Tuesday, 25 June 2013 11:09 a.m.

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Fw: Submission Annual Plan from Jacquie Grant

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From: Jacquie Grant < kiwi.house@xtra.co.nz>

To: "consult@westlandddc.govt.nz" <consult@westlandddc.govt.nz>

Sent: Tuesday, 25 June 2013 11:06 AM

Subject: Submission Annual Plan from Jacquie Grant

Please find enclosed a submission to the WDC Annual Plan, I am unclear if I actually have to fill out some type of form as well possibly as a header and seek guidance.

Regards

Jacquie Grant MNZM

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8 Greyhound road

Kaihinu

Hokitika

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#### **PREAMBLE**

Page 4 Introduction reads in part:

Involving the community and stake holders

Having inspirational leadership

Having expanded development opportunities

Having top class infrastructure for all communities

Living the 100% pure NZ brand.

The Title of this plan is "Getting Real" I would suggest after reading "The Plan" this is all as far away from "Getting Real" as one could get and while it may be a laudable objective it is a long away from "Getting Real" especially given Council is proposing to cut services in some of our so called Top class Infrastructure.

"Getting Real" would be first to identify and come clean with why we are in this current position there has been no accountability whatsoever, we hear Reserves have been depleted to fund poor budgeting and poor advice from staff, yet we have never had a Councillor or Audit NZ publically question any of these mistakes or hold any one individual or individuals accountable.

Before we can move on we need that accountability, we hear Reserves have been depleted to balance the books, Reserve funds are / were set up by resolution of previous Council's for specific purposes and to my mind have always been sacrosanct for the given purpose, I can however accept with a stretch that a reserve fund say the reserve fund for subdivision consent which averages 3000 dollars per sub dived section being used for shortfall on Cass Square to fund repairs after Wild Foods, given it is a reserves reserve fund, an action that would possibly effectively disguise the true position of the festival, and dupe un suspecting councillors.

However if as is intimated Reserve Funds have been used as a slush fund to cover up mistakes and we have councillors and senior staff apparently unaware of that situation or so they have told us

A recent report to Council informed Councillors that these Council Created Reserves are not sacrosanct, "Get Real" our communities have always thought they were.

"Council Created Reserves: These reserves exist solely at the discretion of Council, as a matter of good business practice".

What we are being told is these reserves can be used for other purposes at the whim of council or its officers, even though at least some of these reserves are purpose specific and dedicated to individual communities, where is this in practice "Getting Real" how can a community trust a Council who without even consultation can use funds set aside for specific projects like:

Name Purpose / Activities
Foreshore Protection
Fund
Foreshore Protection for groin replacement on the
foreshore.
24 -- 24
Glacier Country
Promotions
Targeted rates collected from Glacier Country to
provide funding for marketing projects.
77 -- 77
Three Mile Domain To fund Three Mile Domain costs. 227 -- 227
The Preston Bush Trust Mr Preston donated the reserve to Council. This
fund was for the community to beautify the bush

with tracks and interpretation boards.
6 - - 6
Harihari Community
Complex
The Harihari Pony Club land was sold and the funding was to go towards a new community complex. (Another \$100,000 is allocated from the Reserve Development Fund.)
289 - - 289
Guy Menzies Day Surplus from Guy Menzies Day Event. 6 - - 6
Emergency Contingency
Fund
Rates collected to support Westland in a Civil Defence emergency.
45 - - 45

While this may be completely legal it is morally reprehensible.

#### **DEPRECIATION**

We may as well not fund depreciation at all if this kind of financial management can happen, after all why put monies aside for years as depreciation funds or Reserve funds and have it depleted in just one or two years.

Accountability is paramount to moving on as is a credible plan which gives acceptable solutions rather than weasel words.

Councillors we elected you on the understanding that you would look after our interests as a whole you have failed.

#### Page 10

#### **FUNDING CUTS**

Before we look at funding cuts it is my submission Council has failed us by not looking at ways to increase its income from Rates before cutting services, that when cut, will detract from the "Vision" on page 4.

The glaring examples for me are the number of Residential based businesses in Westland both in Tourism and industrially related who do not pay their fair share through no fault of their own, but rather through the complacency of councillors who have accepted the advice of equally complacent staff, who have continually advised them it is too hard.

Ladies and Gentlemen it isn't too hard at all to develop policy and identify these businesses and have them pay their fair share let's face it if it looks like a duck quacks like a duck it probably is a Duck ,in other words if the shingle is out it's a business, if it claims Tax deductions or depreciation for its space it's a business.

Some glaring examples are of course Seaview Estate a property that contains a good number of Rental houses, Caravan Park, different businesses, et pays \$3000 per year rates, the large plumbing shop in Fitzherbert Street, The Motor home Ass Caravan Park on Southside, Homestay's, Workshops, there are many examples of this lost opportunity to the community all over Westland and I would suggest enough lost revenue to fund the items on page 10 and 11 of the "Getting Real" Plan.

Page 10 / 11

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Library reduced opening hours Agreed

Event's Wild Foods reduce to bi annually.

Community Development Disagree

Regent Theatre Disagree

Enterprise Hokitika Agreed

Community groups like Enterprise Hokitika are strategically important and are one of the few ways we can market our district, however there needs to be far more discussion around what EH does with its money and how it can form closer a relationship with the I Site Council and tourism West Coast

Given the EH rate is a targeted rate and is supported by the majority of businesses I support this rates retention but would make the comment the anomaly where Tourism businesses are not eligible to have this rate struck against them because of the zoning on their rateable land for example Residentially rated but used at least partially for Tourism related activities. The quacking duck syndrome, this does Enterprise Hokitika as well as the General Ratepayer a dis service as the more funds collected the more effective the marketing and Council's own slogan "Getting real" would seem to be appropriate.

Tourism West Coast Disagree

As a Tourism business owner x 2 I have no knowledge of what TWC actually does, their communication is lacking. I see the current TWC funding as a waste of money.

**PLANNING AND REGULATORY Page 24** 

**Inspections and Compliance** 

Should be 100% user pays.

**Resource Management** 

Should be 100% user pays

**Emergency Management** 

Impossible to comment as there is no explanation however if this is budgeted and un used should just be carried over and topped up if needed, once again should only be for genuine emergency not slush funding.

**PROVIDING ESSENTIALS Page 25** 

Transportation

**Agreed** 

Cycle Trail

**Strongly Disagree** 

How the hell did this get into providing essentials for the community? along with Roading, Waste Management, and Water Supply. This is a non-essential service at the best is community infrastructure, this was always presented as having no cost to the Ratepayers and should remain so.

Council needs to urgently investigate where and how the funds are going to be obtained from to maintain this project.

There is no guarantee of the MDI funding and no plan as to how this is going to be self-sustaining let alone generate income to cover its maintenance, even with the marketing funds allocated how is this income to be derived?????.

SOLID WASTE Page 26

Strongly disagree

Our second highest cost on rates yet residents and Ratepayers are often paying far more if and when using the land fill which most of us do periodically, the charges are exorbitant and encourage fly tipping, putting an even higher cost to Ratepayers it is a never ending circle, it is just so un fair to communities like Otira, Bruce Bay et to lose what is an essential service and Council should be actively investigating other waste minimisation strategies, (whatever happened to the Mayor's jaunt to do such an investigation).

OTHER INFRASTRUCTURAL ASSETS AND SERVICES Page 27

Township Development . Agree in principal but disagree on timing.

One must assume that these funds have already been collected and even if this initiative is rescinded to cancel any funds already collected would be tantamount to theft.

**Land and Buildings** 

Disagree

I think you are saying it will only cost \$106.721 to bring the Council building up to scratch as well as fix the lift and re model the I Site into a so called seven day reception area for Council this is gobbledy gook council is only open 5 days a week so how can there be 7 day access to Council.

In principal the idea of combining the reception functions into the I Site is a great idea but 106k get real.

I would expect though this would reduce the cost of running the I Site to no cost to Ratepayers as there would / should be a re allocation of running costs.

I would also submit it should be possible for the I Site to have a relationship with EH for marketing initiatives and possible secretarial services freeing up EH targeted funds to be allocated more wisely.

## **DEMOCRACY SERVICES Page 28**

What can one say without much more information, sometimes it does not seem very democratic, more autocratic would be a better description, it appears there needs to be far more open information between Staff and Councillors some of whom appear to be extremely ill informed at times.

**Council Controlled Organisations** 

**Agreed** 

Council should be congratulated on its strategy of having Council controlled Organisations that can give the Ratepayers a return on the assets they hold.

As part of the "Getting Real" process I would suggest Council implement a Portfolio System for some of the more complicated areas of council operations, it would seem to make sense that at least one councillor is well informed on the different aspects of Council operations over and above the general reporting.

Council have asked Ratepayers to take cuts in services as well as paying for past mistakes yet nowhere have we seen where Council, staff or councillors have offered to match those requirements with say something like a 10% pay cut across the board themselves.

**Jacquie Grant MNZM** 

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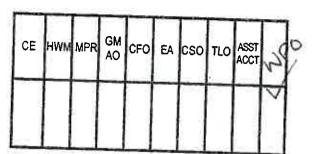
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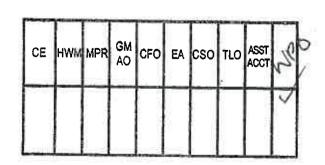
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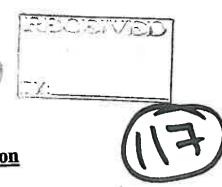
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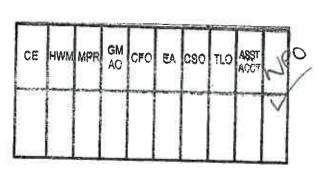
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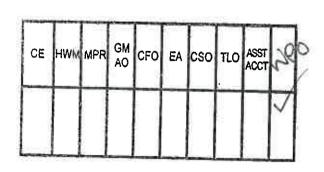
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Against the restriction to kerb side lawn moising a care of case square.
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Submission on the Council's 2013-2014 draft annual plan. Getting Real, yeah right.

Page 7. Rates are rising 9.2%.

In Ross last year 24.5% this year 13.7%. Last year you wrote off thousands of dollars of unpaid rates, and put it in the too hard basket. This year again, ratepayers are suffering. Talk about good quality services, we pay our rates and anything else we need we pay again.

Page 8.

Where are we really heading? To bankruptcy.

Council are spending our money like there is no tomorrow, there has been no accountability, some of you are even double dipping into the pot. We ratepayers have to live within our means, apparently not the council.

How has this all happened?

1:Court cases in the last 10 years, at what cost.

2:Employing extra people to do what the old council used to do, forming these companies at a huge expense to the ratepayer, looking after yourselves and getting paid handsomely for being on the "Board" of these companies. And you talk about getting real.

Are we alone?

No we are not the only council to have a high debt. You talk about Christchurch, Queenstown and Auckland. You cannot compare us to them in any way or form. The have a much larger population and infrastructure than we do, and we had a very healthy bank balance 10 years ago.

Page 10. Are these decisions set in concrete?

Why have you wasted more of our money doing this draft as you say one thing and ask our view then you do just as you want.

You seem to worry more about tourism than the ratepayer like the cycle trail. Initially no expense to the ratepayer. How come you are putting \$30,000 aside for marketing plus \$800,000 for maintenance?

Removing Rural fire grants. What happens if there is a fire and no engine going and also roads flooded. Yeah, Getting Real.

Banning camper vans like they were going to do, well where are those on the cycle trail going to go.Get Real.

I feel that it is time the councilors started to remember why we elect them, it is not about them and their mates and what they can rip the ratepayers off for. They were elected to act on our behalf and look after our interests and what is best for Westland.

Not buying into things that have not been researched properly.

- 1:Sawmill at Three Mile. Contaminated. Money down the drain, against ratepayers wishes.
- 2:Pine Tree Road Subdivision. Total failure, condemned, failed slump test. Against ratepayers wishes again, \$2Million down the tube.
- 3: Tudor Street Flats. Once again no research done. Units too small, don't meet regulations. One power meter, one washer and dryer for whole complex.

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4:Forming unnecessary companies. A massive drain on ratepayers as we are forever propping up these companies with no financial return. eg. Mayor and CEO (Robin Reeves) obtaining \$9.8 Million Dollar loan to hand over to subsidary companies. We the ratepayers pay the loan and they collect the profits, if any.

Maybe it is time now that we are almost bankrupt to get rid of these companies and get back to core council business, keeping within the budget and respecting the ratepayers, after all we are paying your wages. You say that these companies put money back into the council coffers, you seem to forget how much were put into them and that it is a pittance of a return we receive back.

The Royalties from the endowment land that has been used for mining being paid straight to the Property company, instead of the Ross Endowment Fund.

I agree that the repair of the Ross Pool be paid from our endowment money. The solar panel has already been repaired.

Why is there no mention of the \$21Million that we already owe and only the \$2Million for this year. How is this to be paid.

By now you can see I am against your unbalanced budget and your annual draft plan.

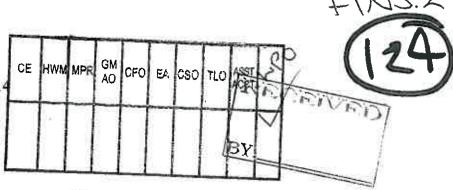
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#### **Draft Westland District Annual Plan Submission**

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#### My submission is as follows:

I support the inclusion in the Annual Plan for Council to make provision to help keep Hokitika's Regent Theatre open by including an average annual rates levy of about \$10/yr for each Hokitika ratepayer, and \$3/yr elsewhere.

I support the continued community use of the Regent as our "Town Hall" for cinema, live performances, community meetings and events, and as a historic heritage feature in the heart of Hokitika. Hokitika's Regent Theatre is important to the town and the wider Westland Community. The building has been saved with a huge voluntary effort and sponsorship from the community. I urge Council to get wholeheartedly behind securing the theatre's future.

#### Extras comments:

If this funding is not made available by Council, then what is Council's provision in the LTP for a community based venue to replace the theatre which could become insolvent and sold off to liquidate its assets to pay out creditors?

Most communities, be they small or large have a facility that is financially supported by the community through the Local Authority rating system.

The current provision where the facility is managed and maintained almost completely by volunteers, has the lowest cost input to the community. [Compare Greymouth's maintance and annual running support by their Council]

(As I will be in Christchurch during the hearing dates, I wish to submit the above. G G Stiles)

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West Coast Regional Council Submission on Westland District Council 2013-2014 Draft Annual Plan

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I would like to be heard at the Annual Plan Hearing

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#### **Franz Josef Oxidation Ponds**

In 2011 West Coast Regional Council (WCRC) commissioned a report into the future management of the Waiho River (attached). The Bob Hall report examines the issues faced by the community and is a follow up to his 2000 report.

The report highlights several key concerns, which have been discussed with Westland District Council (WDC), New Zealand Transport Agency, Department of Conservation and WCRC staff.

In addition to informal discussions, WCRC coordinated a meeting hosted at the WDC offices which Bob Hall attended and answered questions. Following this meeting a network of contacts was formed and has been working together to ensure information and opportunities to work together are realised. During this meeting Bob Hall made it very clear that the WDC administered Franz Josef oxidation ponds were threatened by the future migration of the River. One of the key concerns he highlights in his report is the potential avulsion of the Waiho River into the Tatare River. In his opinion the River will eventually erode and damage the ponds within the next five years unless works were undertaken to mitigate this threat.

Currently the Waiho River's main channel is flowing hard against the banks of the road to the oxidation ponds (attached file note). This has in previous floods damaged the infiltration gallery which is still unable to be repaired due to the location of this channel. The threat of the River damaging the ponds is high and could result in a significant cost to repair or completely replace.

WCRC submits that WDC arrive at a suitable engineering plan to deal with this important issue. If the River does take the ponds out gradually, or during a flood, WDC should have a "Plan B" of where to relocate the ponds to. WCRC can assist with River Engineering staff time if required to review plans and give advice if required.

#### **Decision sought**

That WDC undertakes appropriate relocation planning to address the possible loss of the sewage ponds; or provide for river protection works that safeguard the pond at its current location.

A copy of the Bob Hall report is available from Kirsty M.

File Note: 16 May 2013 Franz Josef Oxidation Ponds Michael Meehan

Planning and Environment Manager

I visited the Franz Josef oxidation ponds while down looking at recently completed riverworks on 16 May 2013. The Council's River Engineer Wayne Moen was with me at the time.

On site we noted that the main flow of the Waiho River was hard against the banks adjacent to the oxidation ponds. Some scouring had occurred to the road.

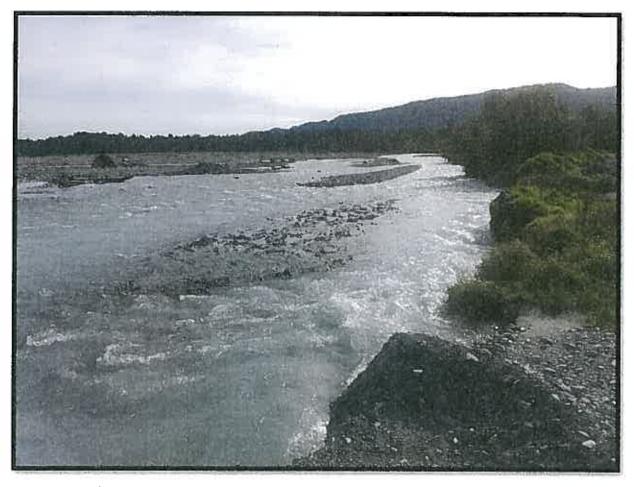
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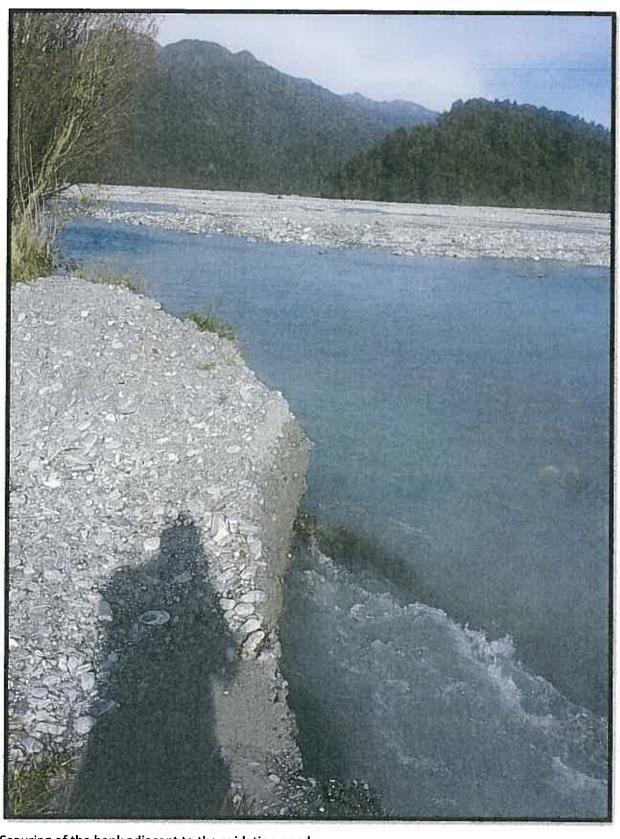
The bank adjacent to the road



Main channel hard against the bank by ponds



Downstream of the ponds



Scouring of the bank adjacent to the oxidation ponds



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You can also send us your submission form via email. Simply complete the submission form, scan it (PDF), attach to your email and send it to: consult@westlanddc.govt.nz

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Submission to the Westland District Council Annual Plan 2013/14
Re the removal of the Community Township Development Funding – Hari Hari

As outlined in the Westland District Council Long Term Plan, \$70,000 was to be allocated to each of the small townships in a 5 year rotation and this has been removed from the annual plan.



#### Why we need Township Funding:

- 1. Enhancements will benefit our small towns by providing an environment that allows business, social and recreational activities to take place in a well serviced and appointed township.
- 2. Plan for our small towns and give direction to future infrastructure;
- 3. Upgrade small towns;
- 4. Respond to and support community initiatives;
- 5. To assist and facilitate future growth and development of our small towns;

I/we the undersigned wish this funding to be re-instated immediately,

Please modify to suit your views - please send, do not forget this or Hari Hari will miss out.

#### Kirsty Manera

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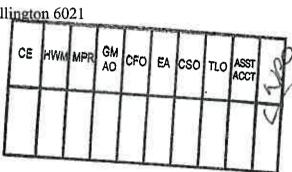
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Submission regarding Real issues for Consultation Changes to Leisure and Cultural Assets. p 30 Getting Real Draft Annual Plan 2013/2014 After a recent visit to Hokitika I came away with a huge appreciation of the services offered by both the Westland District Library and the Hokitika Museum. I am a former Coaster now based in Wellington where I have been working in the museum, library and archive sector for over 10 years. The thing that impressed me is the excellent service to the public offered by both institutions. It is no exaggeration to say that both the museum and library offer vastly enhanced services to the public than they did 10 years ago. I would also say they have an energy and creativity lacking in the much bigger heritage organisations in Wellington. This is of value and something Hokitika should be very proud of. To take the library first - it was a hive of activity at 5.30 on a wet Tuesday evening when locals and tourists alike were making full use of its facilities. Closing an hour earlier does not sound like a major downgrade of service but it is - because it effectively excludes all working people in Hokitika. That extra hour is

Comments:

gold in terms of getting locals in the doors to utilise the many services the library offers. Your council is to be congratulated for providing such a good library service - and you should do all you can to ensure it is valued by the maximum number of locals. The same argument applies to Saturdays. Many people have children with sporting commitments on Saturday mornings and the afternoons could be the only chance they have to access the library. The Hokitika Museum is an icon for the whole of Westland and beyond. The extensive holdings are increasing all the time and the value to future generations of Coasters cannot be quantified in dollars. But no collection is useful if it isn't discoverable and indexing and cataloguing archival records is time intensive, unglamourous and challenging. The Hokitika Museum has made huge progress with this work and there is more to be done. Discoverability enhances research and it also inspires confidence. More people will be willing to lodge their archives with the museum if there is tangible proof that it will reach it full potential research audience. As a personal example I intend to ensure that the mountaineering archives and slide collection of my parents, Peter and Elizabeth McCormack, is offered to the Hokitika Museum. This charts forty years of life in Franz

Josef from the 1940s to 1980s. And my whole family will want to ensure that this collection is freely accessible to future researchers. To reduce curatorial services - when the museum has been doing such a great job - would be tragic. Please do not let this happen. In summary the Westland District Council is to be congratulated for both the Hokiitka Museum and Westland District Library and the great services they are offering to the public. These institutions compare favourable to much bigger organisations with a lot more money and resources. And long should they continue. Thank you for considering my submission. Trish McCormack

#### Kirsty Manera

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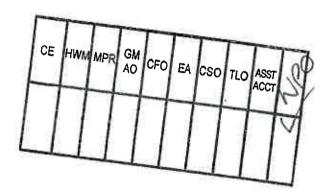
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Robert Halsey 124 Fitzherbert St Hokitika



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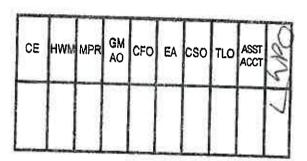
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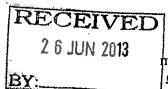
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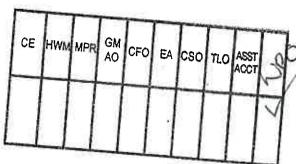
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21 June 2013

The Mayor Westland District Council Private Bag 704 HOKITIKA

Dear Mayor





#### SUBMISSION ON DRAFT 2013/2014 ANNUAL PLAN

The Franz Josef Community Council Incorporated wishes to submit on Council's Draft 2013/2014 Annual Plan. There are a number of topics of concern and we want to submit, in particular, on the removal of the targeted rate that funds the Community Development Officers role(s) known in your documentation as Glacier Promotions Officer.

The removal of this role from the Franz Josef Community would have large adverse effect. Over the years this role has grown and developed into an integral part of the community. This role is many things including a central point of contact, an organiser and manager of community events and facilities, a facilitator of communication between the Franz Josef residents and businesses, other South Westland communities, and between the Franz Josef community and Council itself. This role in our community has been described as "the glue that holds the community together" and the removal of this would see our community slide backwards, which no-one wants to see.

We therefore strongly request Council gives serious thought to the implications of carrying through with their proposed removal of this position, reconsider their proposal and reinstate the targeted rate that funds the Community Development Officer.

There is a petition being circulating around Franz Josef, which will also be presented to Council as a submission, and it states "We want to keep the role of Community Development Officer for our town, we want the rate strike to remain - for the same amount - and we are willing to continue paying this". The community understands the financial situation the Council finds itself in and the restrictions that forces upon the whole Westland District, however our community does expect Council allow the Franz Josef community to continue funding this position themselves via the targeted rate.

It is well known that Council perceives Glacier Country as "the Jewel in the Crown of Westland". Franz Josef, as one half of Glacier Country, cannot achieve "the Jewel in the Crown" without investment into the Community from residents and businesses (via the targeted rate for the Community Development Officer role) and investment from Council by way of acceptable and constant levels of service, and the re-instatement Township Maintenance Fund which helps our community to grow and flourish.

We are willing to speak to our submission. Our contact details are in the letterhead above which includes two contact email addresses.

Yours faithfully

Luke Tarplett Chairperson

Franz Josef Community Council Inc.

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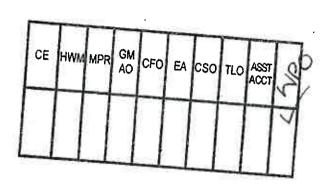
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Our understanding is this fund was created in 2009 as a result of the "Levels of Service Roadshow" which Council brought to Franz Josef and Fox Glacier. The discussion at the Roadshow was about the dollar value of rates being received by Council from the community, and the level of service/reinvestment being returned to the community by Council. The discussion revealed that there was disparity in this equation and the communities were given two choices:

- 1. Reduction in rates to match the level of service actually being received, or
- 2. Continue to pay rates at current level, and receive higher level of service to match. Both Franz Josef and Fox Glacier choise to pay the same amount of rates and receive a higher level of service. The receiving of a higher level of service has been a hot topic ever since:

The creation of this fund to help get some money back into the community was definitely appreciated. The fund seems to have many names including Township Beautification Fund, Township Development Fund and Township Maintenance Fund however, we've been advised these are all one and the same! These multiple names have created confusion in our community in the past, with people thinking the community was able to drawdown on more than one fund. We'd respectfully suggest that one name be chosen and used for this fund in the future.

It is currently Franz Josef's turn at this fund, and our community has put much thought into what to spend the money on, how to spread it to assist as many different projects, groups in our community as we can. The Franz Josef Community Council Inc has picked this up and run with it, and we were over-subscribed by more than \$30,000 when we asked for requests. This shows there is a huge need for this fund to continue as it supports so many things here in our community which in turn enables us to better provide a vibrant happening place to live. And this all comes back to being "the Jewel in the Crown of Westland". Franz Josef, as one half of Glacier Country, cannot achieve "the Jewel in the Crown" without providing a township that people want to expand/reinvest into, start businesses in, and most importantly be happy to live at. If we can get more people settling and investing into the township that brings growth which benefits the whole community and Council.

#### Page Two

We strongly suggest Council reconsiders their proposal to remove the Township Maintenance Fund as we fear our town will stagnate without it. The community understands the financial situation the Council finds itself in and the restrictions that come with this. However we would like to point out that Westland will not grow without investment into key areas. It's a well-known fact the Glacier towns generate huge income for the Westland District as a whole, and therefore Council itself. We see the \$70,000 fund as one avenue to help our community contribute to being "the Jewel in the Crown" of Westland, and would encourage Council to see the benefit of investing for the future.

We would also suggest the possibility of bulk funding this grant to the each Community Council respectively. Obviously with some clear guidelines and accountability process in place (much like all other grant foundations) as we see that this will reduce the amount of time and therefore cost required by Westland District Council administration staff and place the responsibility for the money onto the Community who stands to benefit from it. This would also give the Community the opportunity for forward planning and time to be really strategic about where the money should be spent for the best long term effect.

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Luke Tarplett Chairperson

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### 25/06/2013

To Vivek Goel,

After recent discussions regarding the Council Subsidy for Hokitika Taxis, we have put together another proposal, for a request to increase the current subsidy of \$32,199.96 another \$10,000.00.

Our supporting information from taxi chits and sales, shows that while the demand for our service has stayed relatively static with minimal variances, our running expenses have increased, our 'year to date' figures to March 2013, show we rely heavily on the subsidy in question, supplied by both the Westland District Council and the New Zealand Transport Association.

The current subsidy is now only \$3,600.00(approx.) more than the current Adult minimum wage for New Zealand. As directors of the company we both receive on average considerably less than the current Adult minimum wage, in salary to cover our own personal living expenses.

We know from general public opinion, that we supply a great public transport service for Hokitika and the surrounding areas, as well as a general taxi service our role in the community also extends to,

- Westcoast Regional council taxi chits
- Westland District council, total mobility taxi chits
- Local Hokitika Airport Support, with baggage deliveries, and plane disrupts
- Delivery of post office 'overflow mail' bags around the local town area
- Support to local community fundraising and events, eg, Westland High School 2013 diaries and Hokitika Race Day.
- Competitive bus and taxi charter rates for local businesses and community
- Work closely with local bar owners to supply a safe transport option for patrons, working in with bar operating hours.
- Transport for local ACC patients to and from treatments, and work.

It is agreed by the Council there is a definite need for a reliable public transport service in Hokitika, to work with and for the Hokitika Community. It would be fair to say the people who would benefit most from the public transport would be the elderly residents.

Without conducting an official survey, we estimate the elderly community to make up 60% of our weekly patronage, mainly during daytime operations, so in saying, it would be the elderly who would suffer most if our level of service was reduced, as without conducting an official survey we estimate the evening operations between Thursday to Sunday to make up 40% of our total income excluding the council subsidy.

We believe that our current service also increases the current level of public safety in the community, especially in the evenings. We ensure people without an alternative transport option make it home safely, we work closely with the local bar owners to ensure the bars are cleared quickly at closing time, to reduce the amount of intoxicated people roaming the streets, who have the potential to threaten public safety and the local business CBD if left in the streets with nowhere to go.

This is again why the Subsidy is so important to our business and why the requested increase would be put to great use for the community as well as to our business.

With a now aging fleet, it is our intent to upgrade one of our vehicles in order to maintain our interrupted reliable service.

We current employ 1 full time contractor and two casual contractors as well as ourselves. While it is impractical to consider increasing our team, at this stage, it is our intent to keep its current numbers, as again this ensures we can continue our current level of service to the community and it is also beneficial to our contractors as we can show them the same loyalty they have shown us by maintaining their current income and guaranteed work.

The current level of business operating costs is making this more of a struggle.

So again in return for the Subsidy increase by a further \$10,000.00 we offer, our continued level of service, reliability, support and involvement in the Hokitika community.

We will continue to make the elderly a priority for our business, and will continue to show them the same level of compassion and support.

We will work towards our vehicle upgrade to enhance the business and ensure reliability

We will work with the council when requested and make sure lines of communication and information are always open.

Hokitika Taxis would also like it noted that the councils current level of support has been greatly appreciated, and certainly not overlooked.

We would like to thank you for your time and consideration,

Kind Regards

Mark Sangster and Kylie Beri

Directors

Westland Hokitika Taxis

### Hokitika Taxis Cashflow report 1 April 2012 to 31 March 2013

	Sales minus subsidies	Miscellaneous	Wages	Repairs/main	Vehicle exp	Licence/rego	Insurance	Fuel and oil	Expenses	funds intro	sales	Income	
5 839	sidies	1,877	4,620	535	1,406			111		373	9,958		Apr 2012
7 472		1,038	3,190	2,233	1,271			1,460			11,470		May 2012
5 700		780	3,147	310	1,335		646	1,409	-		9,931		Jun 2012
6 143		761	5,991	698	2,274	173		1,316		1,000	10,313		Jul 2012
10.779		1,553	5,723	280	2,172		839	2,214			15,010		Aug 2012
7.409		1,915	5,273	658	2,826		839	2,079			11,933		Sep 2012
10.451		1,073	6,336	141	7,419	_	864	2,168			14,662		Oct 2012
10.408		1,842	5,383	66	2,630	151	839	1,690			14,856		Nov 2012
10 221		2,256	6,974		2,175	207	839	2,192			14,287		Dec 2012
14 127		1,623	5,889		2,496		868	2,167		200	18,185		Jan 2013
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### WESTCOAST REGIONAL COUNCIL SCHEME

### 1 April 2012 to 31 March 2013

Month	Total amount invoiced	Total passengers	Total monthly income
April	\$605.30	112	1210.60
May	\$606.80	110	1213.60
June	\$639.20	117	\$1278.40
July	\$580.10	113	1160.20
August	\$682.70	126	\$1257.40
September	\$718.50	117	\$1437.00
October	\$628.80	111	\$1257.60
November	\$758.70	125	\$1517.40
December	\$665.00	116	\$1330.00
January	\$598.30	101	\$1196.60
February	\$536.10	92	\$1072.20
March	\$698.45	119	\$1396.90

Total	\$7,717.95	1359	\$15,435.90

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### 1 April 2012 to 31 March 2012

Month	Total amount invoiced	Total passengers	Total monthly income
April	\$204.30	28	\$408.60
May	\$167.00	17	\$334.00
June	\$225.20	26	\$450.40
July	\$254.90	33	\$509.80
August	\$236.40	28	\$472.80
September	\$293.40	37	\$586.80
October	\$226.40	36	\$452.80
November	\$215.00	25	\$430.00
December	\$177.60	27	\$235.20
January	\$180.40	23	\$360.80
February	\$175.90	24	\$351.80
March	\$141.20	19	\$282.40

Total	\$2,497.70	323	\$4,995.40
Average	\$208.14	10-	
			\$416.28

17 July 2012

Mark Sangster Hokitika Taxis 169 Stafford Street **Hokitika 7810** 

Enquiries to: Nichola Costley

### **Total Mobility Service**

The Regional Council is required by the New Zealand Transport Agency to submit an end of year report on the Total Mobility scheme.

As part of the reporting requirements, a Total Mobility Passenger Survey was completed as part of the annual statistics provided. Twenty one survey forms were posted out to patrons of the Scheme in the Hokitika District who had renewed their Total Mobility Voucher book within the past 12 months. Of this, only 11 forms were returned (52% response rate).

The following table outlines the quality of the service running in the Westland district. Overall the service quality level is at a very good to excellent level.

### **Total Mobility Survey Results (shown in percentages)**

	Dreadful	Very Poor	Poor	Good	Very Good	Excellent
Overall Service — Overall, how do you rate the service?	-			9	36	55
Service value for money – Overall, how do you rate the value for money of the service?				27	18	55
Service availability – Is the service available when you need it?				27	18	55
Service reliability – How do you rate the reliability and punctuality of Total Mobility taxis?				27	9	64
Safety and security - How do you rate your safety and security during the trip?				18	18	64
Vehicle accessibility – Is the right equipment available ti get in/out of the vehicle?		9		27	9	55
Vehicle quality/comfort – Overall, how do you rate vehicle?				18	18	64

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Several patrons made comments about your particular service, which I have included below for your information:

- On a walker frame and not long home from hospital difficult to access taxi.
- They are always courteous and helpful.
- It couldn't be better. Are so grateful for the wonderful service.

Total Mobility trip numbers have declined in the Westland region over the last few years. I have included the statistics I have on record here for your information:

Total Mobility trip numbers
2,381
2,750
1,585
1,619
1,836
1,689
1,280

I would like to thank you for your support of the service and for assisting those who use the service. If you have any questions regarding the survey, or issues concerning the Total Mobility service, please contact me.

Yours faithfully

Nichola Costley Regional Planner



### Submission on the Council's 2013-2014 Draft Annual Plan

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### Please return your submission form before 4pm Thursday 27 June 2013 by:

### Post

Draft Annual Plan 2013-2014 Westland District Council Private Bag 704 Hokitika 7842

### In person

You can deliver your submission form in person to the Council offices, 36 Weld Street, Hokitika. A submission box is available in the foyer.

### Fmail

You can also send us your submission form via email. Simply complete the submission form, scan it (PDF), attach to your email and send it to: consult@westlanddc.govt.nz



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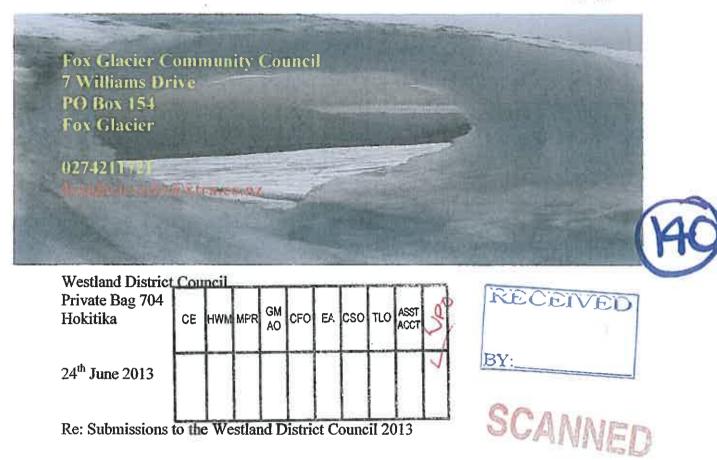
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Thanks to Westerd District Council for improvements to Okaito Road, new seal, white arrows a mown edges all contributed to safety of ratepayers + tourists. Also thanks for ongoing help with renovations to Donovans Store through mol funding. The finished project will be an asset for our whole district.

FIN3.2



To Councillors and Mayor.

Please find enclosed signed petitions from Fox Glacier community supporting the targeted rate for the role of Community Development Officer for Fox Glacier. You will find a second petition enclosed for the targeted rate for the Township Development Fund which will be every alternative year between Franz Josef and Fox Glacier Townships.

You will find the petitions are signed, dated, addressed, name and a secondary address as per Councils recommendations. This means each and every signature is to be counted as a submission.

Any concerns please feel free to contact us

Kindest Regards

Rowan Sullivan

Fox Glacier Community Development Officer Supervisor

# Petition to keep the Community Development Officer Role

We, the undersigned, wish to petition Westland District Council to reinstate the targeted rate that pays for the Fox Glacier Community Development Officer. We want to keep the role of Community Development Officer for our town, we want the targeted rate to be reinstated, for the same amount, and we are

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To whom it may concern

Submission to the Westland District Council draft annual plan

### Vision:

Westland will, by 2030, be a world class tourist destination and have industries and businesses leading through innovation and service. This will be achieved by:

- Involving the community and stakeholders
- Having inspirational leadership
- Having expanded development opportunities
- Having top class infrastructure for all communities
- Living the '100% Pure NZ' brand

My submission addresses the items highlighted below with the aim of helping council, and therefore the Westland community, realise the accepted vision statement and approaches.

### Proposed changes in the Draft 2013/14 Annual Plan

Community Assistance - Glacier Country Grant
 The proposal is to wipe this targeted rate and cut this grant and the associated community roles and services.

The targeted rates support the very important community development roles of CDO's in Franz Josef and Fox Glacier as well as the Glacier Country Tourism Group administration officers role.

These roles are critical to each community being able to co-ordinate forums for community-council engagement. This facilitates good communication and outcomes between Westland District Council and the respective communities. They support community participation through effective consideration of important community planning, development, maintenance and administration matters. Without these roles

Department of Conservation Te Papa Atawhai Franz Josef - Waiau Area Office PO Box 14, Franz Josef Glacier 7856 www.doc.govt.nz the community – council relationship and ability to effectively work together will be lost. People in both communities do not have discretionary time available to provide this function/service in addition to existing business/community commitments which is why the positions were lobbied for and secured in the first place.

The Glacier Country Tourism Group (GCTG) administration role is equally important in enabling the effective functioning of that group. GCTG has strong regional membership and importance. It is an effective and essential representative group for the tourism businesses in Franz Josef and Fox. Tourism is a hugely successful and important industry for the region. It is important that the administration role remains as this is essential to the effectiveness of GCTG functioning.

These roles enable the community and council to achieve the vision of being a world class tourist destination. It is essential they remain.

- My submission is that the Westland District Council continues to strike a targeted rate that enables CDO positions in both Fox Glacier and Franz Josef and the Glacier Country Tourism Group administration and support role.
- 2. Township Development Grants Glacier Country Grants
  I accept that the Westland District Council must take an approach that balances rates (and other) income with proposed annual plan expenditure.
  Franz Josef and Fox Glaciers are the key tourism attractions on the West Coast and the main drivers of visitors to the region. Consequently these townships are the destinations that are the engine room of the tourism driven economy of Westland. If the township development grants can no longer be supported through the general rates strike then the council must recognise that the presentation and maintenance of these townships to a high standard is of vital importance to the region. Consequently sufficient resources must be directed to the glacier townships to ensure that they achieve the aim of being world class tourist destinations.
- 2. My submission is that if these development (beautification) grants are wiped then the council must ensure that sufficient funds (proportionate to the importance of these townships being the key tourist destinations for all of Westland) are allocated and used effectively to maintain and develop Franz Josef and Fox Glacier townships as world class tourist destinations.
- Solid Waste

The change in service level to remove trailer bin stations at key tourist sites - in particular I am referring to Bruce Bay, and Neils beach, may lead to more rubbish being found on roadsides, reserves and beaches. This is unacceptable when the region is recognised for its pristine landscapes and the council is promoting Living the 100% Pure NZ brand as a means of achieving its vision of being a world class tourist destination. The Department also promotes a "pack it in - pact it out" ethos of people using the popular roadside sites along SH6; however we also regularly visit these sites and remove any rubbish that is left.

- 3. My Submission is that the Council weighs up affordability of the service (of trailer bins) against the cost of non-compliance (ie roadside dumping) cleanup and follow-up compliance work. Implementation of removal of these trailer bins must be accompanied with resolve from Council to monitor and deal with the impacts.
- 4. Hokitika i-SITE rationalising opening hours.

The Department of Conservation operates i-SITES in Punakaiki and Franz Josef - the key tourist destinations on either side of the important Hokitika i-SITE. For both these visitor centre's the Department varies its summer and winter hours. In summer (October to April) the Department lengthens the opening hours to provide better service during the important tourist season. In both cases we are open to 6pm. It is important that the Hokitika i-SITE also provides this same level of service in support of the tourism industry.

Westland cannot be (and the Westland District Council will not be supporting) a world class tourist destination if the services we provide are not meeting the basic needs of the tourism industry.

4. My submission is that the Hokitika i-SITE opening hours do need to vary seasonally (with the flow of tourists). Summer (October to April) i-SITE opening hours must be 8.30am to 6pm daily.

Sincerely

Wayne Costello

Franz Josef Waiau and South Westland Weheka

Area Manager

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Enterprise Hokitika Rate: I support the RETENTION of the targeted rate. EH promotes

tourism to benefit the entire Hokitika business community - e.g. directly for panel beaters to

fix damaged tourist vehicles to indirectly for tourism to promote employment and therefore

providing a population base for medical services. It is almost impossible to get all businesses to voluntarily pay a subscription - tried and failed, and it is only since the

targeted rate with a stable financial base that the work that EH has done, has been possible.

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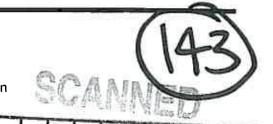
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I would like to know where the \$70.000 has gone that was our Rural Grant, and when The town are going to be reimbursed. What is being done about our town water supply. I am sick of the alarm going off, never during work hours always weekends, or early mornings and often taking hours to switch the noise off. Up until 2 weeks ago it was going weekly. Our footpaths were apparently done on the cheap. Why??????? The stone on them is so big and sharp that it is impossible to walk on and so most people have to walk on the road, a state highway. Recently a friend on crutches made three trips to the Tea Rooms and had to

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get her tips replaced on the crutches because it wore them out. Rubbish: We don't get a council funded rubbish collection and have a great system here but the cost has gone up 300% making it expensive and dearer than the People pay for a weekly collection in Hokitika. I would not mind that so much if we didn't pay the Administration Costs for something that is not being administered in South Westland. It is heart breaking to see our local contractor try so hard and being ripped off by council. I know towns people who can't afford to pay to dump rubbish now and use the local recycling place. Whitebaiters from away bring their rubbish down to there by the ute load and nothing is ever done about it. So why the administration cost. Its is time the Council (which is suppose to be our Council.) listens to the people.

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I support the continued community use of the Regent as our "Town Hall" for cinema, live performances, community meetings and events, and as a historic heritage feature in the heart of Hokitika. Hokitika's Regent Theatre is important to the town and the wider Westland Community. The building has been saved with a huge voluntary effort and sponsorship from the community. I urge Council to get wholeheartedly behind securing the theatre's future.

As a member of the Hokitika & Districts Country Music the retention of this facility for the provision of live music cannot in any way be overstated. This facility is the envy of everyone who sees it and must be retained at all costs.

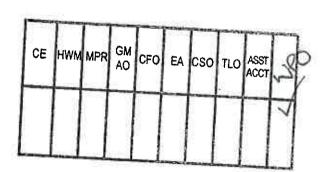
The Westland Theatre Trust is doing a great job of upgrading the theatre and running it pretty much on the smell of an oily rag and a lot of volunteer support. \$25,000 is a very small price for the Community to pay to ensure that this amazing building is retained for future generations.

This support not only has to be for this year but for all future years that the support is required.

I do not wish to be heard in support.

Yours sincerely

Ron Hazeldine



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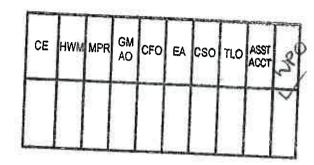
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Pg 9: - Your quote "..... service our past...." We are extremely disappointed in Council's past record, and want to know why the ratepayer is now being penalised and no one in Council is held accountable? What happened to financial audits? Why didn't the Council "Get Real" some years ago and set the process in motion to fix the problems. Why aren't the Mayor and elected people's representatives being held responsible? Because they are the ones making the decisions on our behalf - the ratepayer pays them to be true to Westland, not rip us off!! Which is exactly what we feel has been done! Pg 32: Your quote "Who knew rubbish was so complex". Why remove the free trailer bin from Neils Beach and other areas? Westland will no longer be "the last best place" as the roadsides will be littered with rubbish, not only from tourists, but from locals and other New Zealanders alike. We have seen it in previous years that with no controlled dump or trailers, the rubbish just gets dumped into the sea, into waterways and along roadsides. Council talks about rate rises, we would prefer to see an increase in the rates in those areas to cover the cost of retaining the rubbish trailers. Pg 28: Westland District Properties - get rid of this organisation and operate the assets from within the council. There are too many people paid by the ratepayer in this organisation and for what benefit to the ratepayer - NONE! Finally, Council should stick to its core business, that is running a sustainable district council satisfactorily on behalf of the ratepayers, and not branch out into other areas about which it has very little expertise.

Council may say it employs personnel with the expertise, but in actual fact, in this present climate of the need for "Getting Real", those personnel are costing us money with no return!

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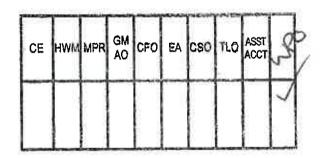
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Even though I live in Wellington I am a supporter of this theatre and have provided some assistance to keep it running. To have it really be sustainable for the future benefits of residents, and visitors to the region, I believe the Council should commit ongoing support by adding this provision to the Annual Plan. \$10 per year is little for the amount of community spirit this facility provides.

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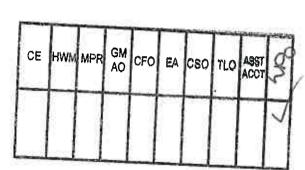
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Glacier Country Grant - I DO NOT SUPPORT the funding cut. I SUPPORT the continued

funding of the Hokitika I-site and that it will continue to open 7 days a week. I DO NOT SUPPORT the intention of having the same opening hours year round. Tourism is seasonal

and the I-site summer hours (October to April) should be 8.30am to 6pm daily.



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> the council that it has reconised the issue and communicated the issues to the community for consultation. This being said while the theme for this plan is "Get Real" I feel that some of the thinking for the plan has been a little short sighted. My submission will resolve around the following issues however if aspects of the plan are not mentioned it should not be assumed that I either support or oppose this plan. Solid Waste. I recognise that some decisions that the council has made will have been difficult. Solid waste is one aera of the region that is difficult with the spead of the population of Westland and being able to provide service. However in my view the free trailer removal is a form of false economic saving. With the council wanting to be a "world class tourist destination" (p.2) if you have short term visitiors visiting their region they will use the trailers and not polute the enviornment. This will be the cause of the population having large waste at the trailer sites. Removal of the trailers will increase the chance of "flytipping" which will worsen the tourism image of Westland and also provide costs to council for cleaning up and inforceing the staratory neusance that will incur. This cannot be dealth with by complaince officer but the enviornmental health officer under the Health Act 1956 and since they are a contractor, this could further blow out compliance and regulation budgets. I recommend that this still be retained however a recovery cost structure is put in place to minimise the financial impact. This will also assist the planning for future solid waste issues including ewaste and hazardous substances in which Westland has limited resource and are looking at a West Coast solution under it's waste management plan. Solid waste will become more of an issue in the future and will have the potential to impact on human health and the enviornment with the responsibility being placed at territorial authorites. Another issues I have with solid waste is the reduction of plastic bags in preperation for bins. I support the use of bin however with being in a rural region 13 bags are not sufficient to cover my familes waste and I have to pay for private extraction and still expected under this plan to accept a 25% increase in rates for a significant reduction in service. I do not use water or sewage by he

> First I would like to thank the council to be given the opportunity to comment on this annual plan. Because of the current situation that the district finds itself in I would like to applude

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council and only use services when I enter townships which I am happy to play my part. The 9.2% average rise when analysed withing each rateable group appears a little disingenuous. Haast Rural Fire Force. Removal of funding for the Haast Rural fire force impacts the region conciderably since they care the first point of contact to respond with the appriopriate services about 2 hours away to respond. The removal has not had the due dilligence allow for something to take over this responsibility. The savings in the shceme of overall spending appears to be penny pinching and for in my view little savings or benefit to the population concerned. The funding for the rural fire forces should be retained. Flood damage funding removal. The savings appears conciderate but the cost to the community if this work is not conducted will impact further on the community and then getting a loan to cover 20 years would be shutting the gate after the horse has bolted". I reccamend that the council looks at the 20 year option to do the work and add it to the hokitika general rate anyway. Council reserves I agree with the need to restore the coucil reserves to assist with the the long term impact on ratepayers. I do wonder why the choice of doing this over 4 years? I propose that the coucnil could adopt a policy that 1% of rate goes into the reserve funding the long term with the intention that the investment will be able to assit with the interest of investments going to reduce ratepayer urden and still have world class coucil services. A type of Kiwisaver model if you will. This can be sourced by the improvement in tourism as some sort of tarrif and when the interest payments take hold, will cover the impact made by tourists. In future the amount of income from investments will increase and be more sustainable. Events I think it is short sighted to just invest in the Wildfoods festival for events in this annual plan. The event is a well established event and while it lost money last year should have the ability to look at planning for a certain amount of profit to plan for advertising. Hokitika and the whle of Westland district should be working to improve the number of events to work towards meeting the goal of being a world class tourist destination. More events are needed to keep the local economy going. I reccamend that while coucnil should quite rightly balance it's books there is still a requirement to support local business by supporting other high class events to stimulate the economy in the region. Tourism development while page two does promote a vision statement I do feel that the focus of this annual plan is for debt reduction only and little about what further steps to reach this goal. Westland is missing some gret oppitunites to get more than just the campervan tourism people and council can look at how it can support ways to increase differnt types of tourism that can ceate longer stays in the region to supprt the economy. This does necessarily mean a lot of council investment but supportive strategies to create these oppitunties should be explored. I do feel that unless the district looks at developing into tourism at it's many levles it is a flawed propositio that touism will be a leading industry. The main focus is low cheap tourism and decelopment of supporting all types of tourism in a more year round approach is needed or another main industry is neede in westland for the long term prospect of this region and the whole West Coast. Compliance I agree that the current budget be retained. I feel that a model to allow for the ability to make the model. One area that is not utilised effectly at coucnil is the use of the Environmental Health officer. Their role is more than just food premise inspections. It also allows for cost recoverable when investigations are conducted. I note there is nothing about sewage and the oxidation ponds at both Hokitika and Fox have had issues that need to be addressed. The smell in Hokitika is worsening in the sence of how long it is notisable and the reduciton of oxygen in the pond appear in m view to be a lack of maintenece and poor design when it was first constructed. The resource consents for Hokitika run out in the near future what is the plan for council to address this issue. The rate rise. I feel that the allocation of rates for this annual plan is unfair on area that do not use many services that the council provide. I beleive that is the rates overall 9.2% across the board would be fairer for ratepayers. Also another aspect that council is not getting their apriopriate allocation in rates is that the complaince aspect of council is slow to sign off processess and this means in delays in getting the rates reallocated and council is missing out on funding. Overall I understand that there needs to be some auterity because of the current situation. I feel however there is some issues with some services being discontinued and ratepayers that are not using servies are expected to have conciderable input to bearing true costs and building up depleted reserves. While it has happened on this watch it is pleaseing to see that this coucnil is taking some responsibility.

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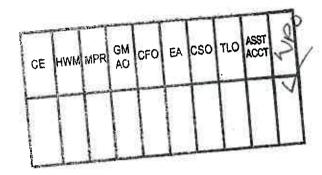
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We agree with the larger recycling bins and using the old ones as rubbish bins. We fill our recycling bin within days - forcing us to put recyclable items into the waste stream. More education is needed to help the community understand exactly what can and cannot be recycled. Phasing out the rubbish bags is a good idea too although they should be valid until they are all used up, not just until the end of the year. Changes to service levels - these will directly affect the community and council needs to be very clear and open with everyone

over exactly how things will change, especially with the changes to the community

development section. The Hokitika Museum is already severely stretched. We disagree with cutting curatorial services - these cuts will also impact on its ability to generate income. Cycle trail marketing - we have been told since day one that NO ratepayer money would be spent on this. Therefore we strongly disagree that \$30,000 of rates should go towards this. Tourism operators etc should be covering this, not ratepayers. Dog registration fee -

discounts should be given for those dogs that are neutered or spayed. Greymouth offers the

same, \$65 compared to \$75.

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I accidentally "sent" my submission before I completed it.

I have completed it below and ask that this be taken as my submission and not the incomplete one.

Regards

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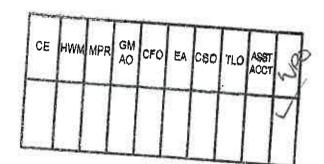
In 2010 I was part of a Technical Assessment Group, set up by Council, to look into the issue of rates as these related to the 'commercial' properties in the district. As the only member of the invited parties to attend all meetings I know there was considerable effort put into the meetings. The report was accepted by the commercial parties represented and I believe warrants serious consideration.

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Despite a plea by me at the time the report was presented to Council to take the hard decisions and act on the report and address the issues, this was not done and here we are three years on and few of the recommendations have been implemented. The same issues fester on.

Part of the issue was "what constituted Commercial".

While accepting the financial condition Council finds itself in, the last three Annual Plans have done little to address the ongoing anomalies created by the charges levied on the CBD commercial properties to the exclusion of other commercial properties



being used for commercial purposes outside Hokitika CBD.

The recommendations of the TAG group suggested a basis by which the funds for EH, TWC and I-site etc could be raised.

The broad parameters of the TAG report could have been used to apply a formula to raise the funds for EH, TWC etc and I would encourage Council to review these with a view to supporting these. I would also include the Regent Theatre grant in this.

### Overall Rate Rise

As a ratepayer whose rates are currently around \$5600 per annum (admittedly this is for two houses on the same title) I feel that any rise is unwelcome and believe it could have been managed better by addressing the spread of the rate burden.

### Summary

I support the TWC grant as proposed.

I support the EH grant being reinstated.

I support the Regent Theatre grant being reinstated.

I urge Council to address the issues of 'commercial' rating in time for the next annual plan.

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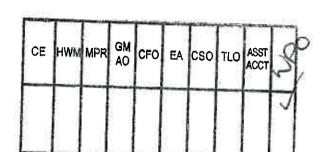
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1. With the proposed increase, my rates will have gone up by over 60% since the 2008/09

operations within budget and having to look at cuts to services is unconscionable and unjustified. My salary has gone up by only a few percent over the same period and I am having to work more hours to try to stay on top of such ridiculous and unfair increases. On top of that, my house is a pre war construction, some 64 sq m in area and I live alone, but as it is on the beach side of Revell Street where land values are higher, I am paying a disproportionate amount of rates. On top of that, there is now a proposal to charge beachside residents more for erosion protection. If my rates were higher because there were some extra services required, that would make sense, but the current district council system is flawed. Someone needs to review the rating system so that it has a greater emphasis on user pays ... and then look at making our District and the services more sustainable. Perhaps a better basis for rateable value would be to use capital value and perhaps per capita charges too. 2. The library provides a superb service but I agree, we can do without Sunday opening and we can probably manage without Saturday afternoon opening, although as some people have to work Saturday mornings, perhaps it could be kept open until 2pm on Saturdays. Also, when I occasionally use the library, it is after normal work hours so the 5-6pm slot is invaluable and I request that the weekday opening hours remain as they are, i.e. open to 6pm. 3. I value the museum and its staff and if hours can be retained by increasing revenue, efforts should be made to achieve that. If the decision is made to cut hours, I would like the decision to be reviewed in 12 months. 4. For grants that are funded predominated by the beneficiaries, e.g. Enterprise Hokitika, cutting it means nothing. Simply hand that back to the group. I understand that the Council was just administering the collection of the fund from local businesses. Enterprise Hokitika has been and continues to be an invaluable force for good for the local community - both residential and business - by bringing life and energy to the town and promoting it to potential visitors. Don't stop it. 5. The cost of waste is excessive. There needs to be more emphasis on reducing waste, with much more of a user pays approach rather than include high fees in the rates and provide bigger bins for kerbside

year. This level of increase set against a backdrop of failure to manage the day to day

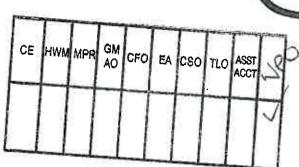
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collection. Low producers of waste and high recycling rates should be rewarded and encouraged. 6. I would like to see investment in or a plan to invest in state of the art sewage management for Hokitika. Cleaning out the 40 year old ponds was a poor decision when we should be raising standards of waste management, not bringing them back up to the standards of the 1970s. 7. I do not want to see any cuts made to funding for the Regent Theatre community centre. 8. A agree with the financial support for Tourism West Coast. 9. I do not believe any Council income should be spent on the Haast/Hollyford road concept or on anti 1080 action. Finally, "Get Real" and stop charging me \$2500 pa for my very low usage of WDC services. \$1200 might be fairer. PS I'd really like you to talk about THE Council, rather than just Council! Thanks for the opportunity to comment.

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The Mayor Westland District Council Hokitika



June 2013

re: Draft Annual Plan 2013/14



The West Coastal Pathway Society (WCP) supports Council's intention to contribute to the marketing of the Westland Wilderness Cycle Trail.

The vision of the WWT Cycletrail has been described as the 'jewel in the crown' of the NZ Cycleways. However in order to attract a wide number of users and generate economic returns, WCP believes it is imperative that the Trail is both completed and marketed widely.

We do not wish to be heard but may be contacted by phone on 03 762 6519 home or by email on <a href="mailto:scope hunting@xtra.co.nz">scope hunting@xtra.co.nz</a>.

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Pg 10. Tourism West Coast - grant funding approved for two years \$86,000pa. We SUPPORT the continuation of this funding to Tourism West Coast. Tourism is a major employer and source of income for the West Coast and the current management of TWC is working extremely well. Pg 11 & 31. Glacier Country Grant - grant funding cut saving \$65,000. We DO NOT SUPPORT the funding cut. We wish the targeted rates for Glacier Country residential ratepayers and commercial properties to continue to provide funds for the 3 essential positions of Franz Josef Community Development Officer and the Glacier Country Admin & Promotions Officer. These

Development Officer and the Glacier Country Admin & Promotions Officer. These positions support and expand on the huge efforts of each organisations' volunteers. They are

each important roles for the 3 organisations to continue to expand on their valuable

community and tourism goals. Pg 21 & 30. I-Site - Rationalising opening hours (negligible

financial impact). We SUPPORT the reduction of hours over the quieter winter period (closing at 5pm). However as tourism is seasonal and Hokitika is an important gateway, we

DO SUPPORT longer opening hours over the summer period, with closing being at 6pm. Also we DO SUPPORT the I-Site being a contact point for some frontline Council services (eg: payment of rates) and this service to be open 7 days per week. Pg 25 & 35 - Cycle Trail / West Coast Wilderness Trail - (Marketing) This should be reviewed in conjunction with the role of Tourism West Coast and the Grey District Council to get the timing of the

marketing right. Pg 27 & 35 - Glacier Towns and Community Township Development Grants. We DO SUPPORT a one year temporary removal of these grants. Upon

recommencement whichever town was at the top of the list stays at the top of the list. WE DO SUPPORT THE COUNCIL ACTING IN A PRUDENT MANNER TO BECOME

FINANCIALLY SUSTAINABLE.

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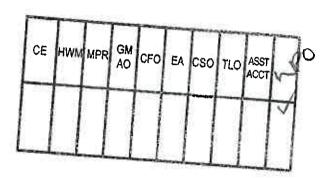
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Please find attached our submission to the 2013/14 Westland District Annual Plan.

We wish to be heard in support of our submission.

Regards Don Neale Secretary **Westland Community Centre Inc** (Hokitika's Regent Theatre)



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#### SUBMISSION OF THE WESTLAND COMMUNITY CENTRE INC TO THE DRAFT WESTLAND DISTRICT 2013-14 ANNUAL PLAN



#### **SUMMARY**

We strongly support ratepayer funding of \$25,000 per year for the Westland Community Centre Inc, to contribute to the sustainability of Hokitika's Regent Theatre.

In reference to the draft plan, we object to the proposed non-approval of that funding (p10 and 31), and we seek the reinstatement - in the form of an annual grant - of the \$25,000 allocation that was given in 2012/13, preferably using an altered rating formula that more fairly distributes the costs to ratepayers.

Financial support for Hokitika's Regent Theatre represents a core service of the Council that has been anticipated by the theatre's Council-approved business plan. The annual \$25,000 grant requested is a proven and sensible social and economic investment that would allow our community's theatre to continue serving as the 'town hall' and major entertainment venue for the town and district.

We wish to be heard in support of our submission.

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#### The Need for Financial Support

• The Theatre is operating close to the budget deficit predicted in the business plan that was approved by Council in 2011.

We wish to thank the Council for the \$25,000 ratepayer contribution in 2012/13 and for past assistance with the restoration of this important community facility.

The detailed argument for Council supporting the operational funding for the theatre is made in our submission to Council in January 2012, and a more recent summary tabled for the Council in April 2013.

Historically, the process began when Council approved WCCI's business plan as specified under MDI requirements. This plan showed a \$50,000 operational deficit for 2012. Our figures allowed for a proper maintenance provision to ensure the building and equipment did not deteriorate as had happened in the past.

In the subsequent LTP/Annual Plan process, WCCI bid for \$50,000 from a targeted rate on an ongoing basis; 62% of submitters supported this bid. In its final decision, the Council approved \$25,000 for one year only (2012/13).

After a further year of operation, trying to increase income and reduce our costs, our budget has been close to what was predicted with a deficit of around \$25,000 after the Council's contribution of \$25,000. This is not sustainable and so we are bidding in this year's annual plan for another grant of \$25,000. While we would normally bid for \$50,000 (the entire deficit), we realise that given the Council's financial situation this is not realistic.

#### Why the Council should support the Theatre

 Hokitika's Regent Theatre provides a 'core service' to the District in line with the LTP, and has the lowest ratepayer funding of any similar facility we know of.

There is ample cause for the Council to provide ratepayer support for Hokitika's Regent Theatre. Under the Local Government Act 2002, "recreational facilities and other community infrastructure" are among the Council's "core services" (s11A), and a purpose of local government (s10) is "...to meet the current and future needs of communities for good-quality local infrastructure...". Also, s14(1)(h) states that "a local authority should take into account ... the social, economic, and cultural interests of people and communities"

We support Council's 2030 Long Term Plan vision of "involving the community and stakeholders [and] having top class infrastructure for all communities". We believe that the theatre is perhaps the most successful demonstration in the District of how this can be achieved so that these top class facilities are kept affordable.

Thanks to community generosity (including volunteers & donations) and careful management in trying economic times, Hokitika's Regent Theatre has the lowest ratepayer funding of any similar facility we know of. Many other NZ local authorities (both districts and cities) provide ratepayer-funded support for the operational costs of maintaining their theatres and town halls. For instance, we understand that in 2012/13, the comparable NBS Theatre in Westport is Council-owned and receives some \$250,000 annually of ratepayer funds and the trustowned Greymouth Regent Theatre received ratepayer funding of over \$200,000 in 2012 and \$75,000 is provided in this year's annual plan. These sums are much more than the \$25,000 requested for Hokitika's theatre.

#### Community Value of the Theatre

• The Theatre serves many people - young and old - as the wider Hokitika community's 'town hall' and major entertainment venue, within reach of most of the district's population.

The Regent Theatre is Hokitika and Westland District's town hall, serving multiple uses and users. Among other uses, it is a movie theatre, live performance and entertainment venue, community meeting hall, conference and educational venue.

The theatre provides the only alcohol-free entertainment venue for teenagers in town. It is the gathering point for the whole community (from the youngest to the oldest) for events like ANZAC Day. It is vitally important for young families as a source of weekend and holiday entertainment, and it is the only proper staged auditorium venue for developing and showcasing local talent. People like superannuitants and young families on fixed incomes are the least likely to be able to afford to go to Greymouth for such purposes. There is no other venue in the District with audiovisual facilities that will seat over 350 people.

'Community event' use of the theatre (like end-of-year school prize-givings, school drama, and public meetings) has been steadily building, and will continue to grow once the refurbishment programme is complete. We strongly support the use of the theatre for such events because they are important to the area's vitality, despite them being financially marginal.

#### **Economic Value of the Theatre**

• In 2012, the funding of \$25,000 generously allocated for Hokitika's Regent Theatre by Westland District Council secured an economic impact of over \$1 million in the wider economy and \$870,000 in Hokitika and the district. This represents an economic return of \$40 for each \$1 invested by Westland District Council.

An Indicative Economic Impact Study, undertaken for WCCI by Auckland arts management consultants Henslowe Irving Ltd, shows how spending by the theatre and its audiences ripples through the economy, generating revenues for businesses, families and the local government. Among the findings in the report:

- It is estimated that the Regent (including its associated food and drink outlets), its staff and theatregoers directly spent \$356,252 in the local economy in 2012, through local wages paid, ancillary spending by audiences, and the purchase of local goods and services.
- The funding of \$25,000 generously allocated by Westland District Council secures an impact of over \$1,000,000 in the wider economy, and over \$870,000 in Hokitika and the district. This represents a economic return of \$40 for each \$1 invested by Westland District Council.
- While not included in these figures the theatre benefits from an extremely high level of volunteer support, which in 2012 amounted to approximately 10,200 volunteer hours the equivalent of five full time staff. The value of this donated time on a minimum wage basis is approximately \$140,000 per annum.
- The estimated value of the Regent Theatre to the national economy in 2012, including the significant refurbishment activity undertaken during the year, was \$1,941,228.

It is also worth noting that a great deal of funding revenue for the theatre refurbishment has come from outside the District (e.g. Lottery Grants Board, Transpower). And also, if there was no theatre in Hokitika there would be significant costs to individuals and to the community in travel to Greymouth and elsewhere for cinema and shows.

Overall these figures show the Regent provides a significant economic boost to the District in addition to its social benefits and this can be sustained by a relatively small contribution of ratepayer funds compared to the benefits received.

#### Impact of the Proposed Grant on Ratepayers

• All that is needed is an average General Rate of only \$10 per Hokitika property (and less than about \$2 elsewhere), or only \$5.25 per rated property as a Uniform Charge across the district.

Information sourced directly from Council managers (June 2013) shows that the impact on ratepayers of the \$25,000 grant in 2012/13 was about \$10.44 for an average Hokitika property and less than about \$2 for properties elsewhere. This relatively small contribution from each ratepayer will help to ensure they continue to have access to the theatre as a quality community and entertainment facility within the district.

Alternatively, it might make more sense and be fairer to make this an agreed uniform rate per property, not based on property value. If Council instead decides to include a \$25,000 grant for the theatre from the Uniform Annual General Charge, it would cost just \$5.25 per ratepayer. 80% of the district population lives within 30 minutes drive of the theatre, and most of these are within 20 minutes drive.

It does not appear that the rates struck for the theatre in 2012/13 were fairly shared among the people who are most likely to use the theatre regularly. For example it is hard to see why a property in Brickfield or Lake Kaniere should contribute far less than one in Hokitika. We note that Council is intending to review the rating system and encourage a more suitable approach to be considered in future years, such as 'uniform' rates to gather 75% from the wider Hokitika area and 25% from the rest of the district.

#### **Future Prospects for the Theatre**

• An annual grant of \$25,000 will enable another year of continued operation serving the people of Westland.

If the proposed ratepayer contribution is not approved, then the theatre will be, as shown by the business plan, in an extremely difficult financial position. We do have some cash reserves that will last a few months. But the reality is that without the proposed rate contribution within a few months we would not be able to afford a full-time manager with technical support and without these, the cinema side of the operation would have to go into recess. No doubt we would attempt to continue on a voluntary basis to run things like ANZAC Day and some other local uses, but as there are other high fixed costs such as rates and insurance there is no way that the theatre could maintain and expand its services to the community, the potential for which has been demonstrated over the last three years.

A further grant of \$25,000 will enable another year of continued operation serving the people of Westland, barring unforeseen emergencies.

As this annual plan has not sought comments on the Regent, we submit that the support given by 62% of all submitters in 2012/13 (and for \$50,000 ongoing not just \$25,000) should also be taken into account for this year's annual plan.

#### **Concluding Remarks**

The Regent is one of a number of public facilities that help keep Hokitika a great and vibrant place to live in and visit. The Theatre is administered by the WCCI on behalf of the people of Westland. We are totally committed to the continued operation and sustainability of this facility. Hokitika's Regent Theatre needs Council help to make sure the services it provides to the community are sustained.

Yours sincerely,

Don Neale Secretary Westland Community Centre Inc.

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#### Submission to WDC Annual Plan, 2013/14

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I wish to be heard in support of this submission.

Thank you for the opportunity to make this submission to the Westland District's Annual Plan. I'm finding that my submission is not too far away from my 2012 submission. In summary the relevant points are (with some additional notes added) as follows.

#### 1. Council's Financial situation

I generally <u>support</u> the fact that Council is endeavouring to address its financial situation. But the best way to cut expenses is to look first at the 'big ticket' items like transportation, waste disposal and sewerage. Cutting some of the smaller budget core community services is just an annoyance that does not achieve the objective with minimum disruption.

I also believe that ratepayers must accept a considerable rate rise (perhaps higher than that proposed) in order to fix the financial situation while retaining core services. It doesn't concern me too much that we might need an extra rates increase of ~\$200 to retain a range of community services.

#### 2. Transportation

I <u>support</u> the proposed cut to transportation funding, but seek a greater cut. I <u>oppose</u> the move towards rating transport as a uniform charge.

I am surprised that Council is not proposing to cut any of this budget, other than crossing its fingers by reducing the flood repairs 'contingency fund'. Some of the 'core' roading work around the District could surely be deferred, given that Sewell St, for instance, has remained in a state of disrepair for years without any Council urgency to undertake major repair works.

The cost of transportation should be cut further, and the 'rural weighting' provided by a general rate should be reinstated to recognise the relative use and impact of rural vehicles (milk tankers etc) on the roading network.

#### 3. Solid Waste disposal

I continue to strongly support efforts by the Council to reduce the flow of solid waste into Butlers. Council should resurrect its 'Zero Waste' target. The rates for waste disposal are simply a

reflection of the reality that waste disposal does cost money and financial incentives through rates and disposal charges are a strong way to encourage more waste reduction and recycling.

I <u>oppose</u> the introduction of 120 litre wheelie bins for rubbish and 240 litres for recycling, because it is <u>far</u> more than is needed by any waste-conscious household and so it will not encourage waste reduction or recycling. For an average household, the present 120 litres of recycling and 60 litres of rubbish is more than enough while providing a strong incentive to reduce waste.

I'm not clear why the rubbish bags need to be phased out, because the 60 litre 'units' & fortnightly collection that they provide for is about right. The present system also still provides the opportunity for wasteful people to pay (as they should) for the proper kerbside disposal of their extra waste, rather than by fly tipping.

If the proposed 120/240 litre bins are introduced, costs should be cut by reducing the frequency of collections to 4-weekly.

Far more education and information about solid waste reduction should be provided to Westland ratepayers. A waste coalition of interested community members that was active in the 1990s made good progress on some of these issues and Council should support such a group.

I also support any efforts made by Council to encourage appropriate waste disposal in rural communities.

#### 4. Hokitika's Regent Theatre

I <u>oppose</u> the removal of the \$25000 grant to Westland Community Centre Inc, and I <u>support</u> the submission by Westland Community Centre Inc seeking the reinstatement of that rates contribution.

The theatre is a vital community asset, and Council support for this type of infrastructure is part of its 'core service'. One feature of the theatre is that it is of value to the widest possible range of Westland residents and businesses, catering for all ages of people 7 days a week. It is also an important provider for tourists in the evenings and weekends, encouraging overnight and longer-term stays. Along with other community facilities like the pool, library and museum, the theatre is part of the vital infrastructure of the district that helps to attract and retain businesses and workers. A large portion of its revenue is ploughed back into the District through the employment of staff and contractors, and cooperative fundraising events.

#### 5. Westland Cycle Trail

I <u>support</u> the completion of the cycle trail and give cautious support for the marketing funding. As well as being great for tourists, it will help to encourage physical activity within the local community. In fact, greater provision for cyclists and walkers in town (and less dependence on vehicles) is one of the most effective ways for people to improve their personal financial situations as well as their health.

### 6. <u>Museum, Library. Swimming Pool & Community Services</u> I <u>oppose</u> significant cuts to these core Council services, which are already running on a relatively tight budget with good community support.

I <u>strongly support</u> the retention and limited upgrading of the Hokitika swimming pool at its present location in Hokitika. The present location of the pool at the entrance to town makes it very

accessible and a focus for the community, and so there are good reasons to keep it where it is.

Active encouragement of the district's enormous volunteer service sector will be essential to achieving the Council's aims.

There is disappointingly little reference to the promotion of arts and culture in the long term plan. To achieve the long term vision, the Council should **provide financial and in-kind support for arts and culture**, including events such as Driftwood & Sand, and WAI initiatives such as Take A Seat and Junk To Funk. As it stands, Driftwood & Sand is highly unlikely to happen in 2013 because the Council failed to consider it for Creative Communities funding.

I generally object to the proposed community services cuts and would support an additional rate rise in order to retain these services. They are essential parts of working towards the Council's long term vision to make the district 'the Last Best Place' and a world class tourist destination. But more important than tourism benefits, the proposals are really a small but effective contribution to making Westland a great place for us residents and ratepayers to live in. "If it's good for us, then it'll be good for the tourists".

#### 7. Beachfront development

I <u>support</u> a more comprehensive approach to coastal hazard management. The WDC has an important role in planning approaches, such as setback zones, and restrictions on building consents. The proposed rockworks will probably destroy the amenity value of the beach and will be an ongoing burden to ratepayers, so should be used only as a very last line of defence along with these other measures.

Council should put effort into implementing a comprehensive coastal hazard management plan.

#### 8. Westland District Property Ltd

I continue to have major concerns that this company is taking an approach excessively focussed on revenue generation, and not considering the public interest in many of its dealings. While some of their work might be worthwhile pursuing for economic and community benefits (e.g. pensioner flats, swimming pool and airport), the Council should direct WDPL to <u>cease</u> its work on:

- The Haast Hollyford Road I cannot see any income to WDC from this risky deal can prevail over the foolhardy creation of a Queenstown Milford Queenstown circuit that will cause tourists to miss Westland's population centres almost entirely. Let alone the environmental impacts of the proposal.
- Legal road stoppages case law proves that the public benefit of unformed legal roads must be considered as a high priority in such dealings. The WDPL's appalling efforts with the recent Beach St proposal thrown out by the Environment Court was an extreme waste of Council's money and staff time, not to mention the objectors' time. Claiming that these activities are not a cost to ratepayers is simply 'smoke & mirrors', because it uses staff time and lowers the CCO's returns back to Council.

Thank v	vou for	the on	ortunity to	o contribute	to the Plan.

Yours sincerely

Don Neale

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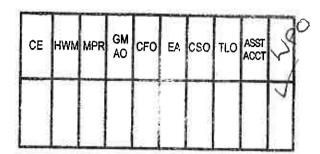
Events Department and Community Development: One of the manners in which the strength of a community can be measured, is in the activity of the volunteer groups. The healthier the community, the stronger the volunteer groups. However, the nature of volunteerism can mean that groups struggle with funding and event organisation. The two council

departments which have very strong links with the volunteer community are the events

department and community development. Reducing the access to these services will impact Comments:

on the functioning and sustainability of numerous volunteer groups. It is then likely that council will start receiving requests for financial assistance and support for the groups that have been undermined - thereby costing council not only in time, but also goodwill - a commodity in short supply. I do NOT support reduced funding to the Events Department or

Community Development functions





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# Many ratepayers are unable to afford these rate rises.

Council must very quickly make moves to correct the "mistakes" of past years which has resulted in shattered Westland Communities.

#### **Action required:**

Core Council functions must take priority.

Reduce the debt.

Restructure.

Share resources with other Councils.

Disband Property Company – Give the reins back to Council or re-establish in a more considerate manner.

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#### SUBMISSION ON THE COUNCIL'S 2013-2014 DRAFT ANNUAL PLAN

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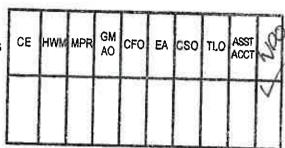
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I would like to speak to my submission ☑ yes

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Mayor and Councillors,



#### 1. Background

The Hokitika Reserves and Environs Community Group has been in existence for over ten years. It was originally a subcommittee of Council, comprising Councillors and appointed community members. The primary function was to prepare a Reserves Management Plan with community consultation. This task was completed and the document produced continues to benefit Council. The subcommittee continued to meet quarterly with relevant Council staff members to discuss and advise on the management and maintenance of reserves and environs in the Hokitika area. More recently under review of Council subcommittees, the committee became a community group with Councillors and community members volunteering their time to meet regularly.

#### 2. Council Support

The group seeks continued support from Council to maintain its current level of activity. This involves quarterly meetings in the Council chambers, staff support from Community Services and access to Operations staff involved in reserves maintenance. This volunteer group freely donates members time, expertise and experience in assisting Council to perform its essential role of maintaining parks and reserves in Hokitika and surrounding areas.

#### 3. Proposed \$30,000 cut in Hokitika Reserves Funding

#### Mowing Hokitika roadside berms

Many positive comments are made by visitors about the appearance of Hokitika. Part of the well maintained look that is so appreciated, are the areas of mown roadside, particularly on Fitzherbert and Stafford Streets, and the

route to the Airport. It would be a bad outcome of cost cutting if the roadside berms were allowed to deteriorate to an untidy appearance. The group submits that Council should continue to mow berms where the residents are not in a position to do so, due to disability etc.. This would be subject to an annual application/appeal process. The objective must continue to be that the township has a well maintained appearance to the benefit of residents, visitors and the visitor industry.

#### Cass Square maintenance

The group is concerned at the risk Council is proposing to take by reducing Cass Square maintenance. A longer term approach is required, as reduction in maintenance in the short term could result in deterioration of the playing surface which would require substantial funding for future repairs. If such funding is not available in future there is a real risk that Cass Square would revert to the "mud" field that it was before the large investment in drainage and sand layers. This would have a major impact on sport and events that rely on Cass Square. Our submission is that Cass Square should continue to be maintained at current levels to help safeguard its long term viability as Westland's premier turf sports ground and outdoor events centre.

Thank you for considering our submission.

Rob Daniel
Chairman on behalf of
Russell Gugich, Bruce Erickson, Barbara Erickson, Sue Asplin, Ian Gilbertson,
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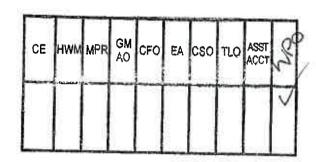
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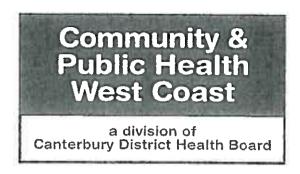
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## Submission from Community and Public Health, West Coast

25 June 2013

Westland District Council
Statement of Proposal Draft Annual Plan 2013/2014

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#### Introduction

We welcome the opportunity to comment on the Westland District Council's Draft Annual Plan 2013-2014. Community and Public Health West Coast, a division of the Canterbury District Health Board, is making this submission to promote the reduction of adverse environmental effects on the health of people and communities and to improve, promote and protect their health pursuant to the New Zealand Public Health and Disabilities Act 2000 and the Health Act 1956.

Our submission focuses on key health issues. This submission identifies a number of health issues that deserve to be considered and incorporated into the Annual Plan.

Specific page references and topics referred to in the Draft Plan	Discussion/Comment	CPH's suggested amendments to the Plan/action points
Introduction	We congratulate Council on the layout and informative approach taken in presenting their Annual Plan. We understand that the Council needs to make some difficult decisions regarding its funding and it is encouraging to see the high level of engagement that Council has with its communities. We encourage Council to listen carefully to all communities in deciding rate levels and levels of service.	
Leisure and Cultural Assets	Libraries, Museums and I-Site Provision of libraries, museums and I-Site supports life-long learning and offers residents the opportunity to extend their knowledge about 'their place' which assists with community connectedness. We are pleased to see that Council plans to continue funding the branch libraries.	We recommend that Council liaises with the community regarding the opening hours of the Library, Museum and I-Sites and trials shortened hours for a set period asking users to provide feedback.
Community Development and Community Assistance	We are concerned about the reduction of Community Development activities and Community Assistance, particularly with respect to supporting community projects. To be effective in this area, the Council needs to have direct involvement with the wider community, rather than just an advisory role. A number of community-based initiatives such as the Safer Community Council and Victim Support are supported through Community Development and we believe that the social benefits in continuing to support these projects outweigh the financial costs to the community	We encourage Council to liaise with the affected communities to assess the social benefits of community projects and decide together what level of service and funding is acceptable.
Community Halls and Buildings	We are pleased to see that the Council will continue to support Community Facilities in Harihari and Fox Glacier.	

Regulatory Services p44	We would like to thank the Westland District Council for committing to develop a Local Alcohol Policy (LAP) in consultation with Police, licensing inspectors and the Medical Officer of Health. We support the development of one LAP for the West Coast region to provide consistency of approach in the sale and supply of liquor.	
Smokefree Environments:	CPH encourages the Westland District Council to explore cost neutral ways to promote Smokefree lifestyles and the Council's own Smokefree Outdoor Areas policy. These could include Smokefree information and logos in Council newsletters and other correspondence as well as on the Council website. Free smokefree signage and stickers are available from Community and Public Health (03 768 1160) if required.	
	We encourage Council to consider making their pensioner housing units, especially new units and those scheduled for renovation, Smokefree inside. Having Smokefree units is not only cost effective for Council, it encourages people to quit - even older people benefit from stopping smoking. Community and Public Health can supply Council with free Smokefree stickers and signs to place in the units. (not sure if they're Smokefree atm but will find out)	We encourage Council to consider making their pensioner housing units Smokefree inside
	We also note Council's proposal to upgrade its reserves and urban streetscapes. As tobacco use is a major contributor to disease and mortality, creating environments that support Smokefree lifestyles is an investment in the wellbeing of communities.	We encourage Council to consider extending the areas covered under the current Smokefree Outdoor Areas policy to include dining areas on Council-managed areas such as footpaths.
Mint Creek Water Supply	We are pleased to see that the Council is liaising closely with users of the scheme on the future options for this supply. We recommend that the Council put in an application for financial assistance from the Drinking Water Assistance Programme (DWAP) should the community decide they would like to have further investment in the scheme. It is essential that residents will always have a consistent clean water supply which is essential to	

	their health and wellbeing.	
West Coast Wilderness Trail	It is encouraging to see that Council will contribute to the marketing of the Cycle Trail. The popularity of cycle trails in New Zealand continues to bring tourist revenue into areas which will benefit the Westland area.	
Ross Community Swimming Pool	CPH supports Council in upgrading the liner of the swimming pool. It is encouraging to see investment in sporting facilities is continuing despite financial constraints as pools are a vital community facility and encourage physical activity.	
Solid Waste	We support the implementation of a wheelie bin system for rubbish and recycling, this will provide the region with a more environmentally sustainable waste system. We are pleased to see that Kerbside collection services will extend to Lake Kaniere.	We encourage Council to work closely with the community in deciding to reduce the kerbside collection of glass and the removal of bin stations to ensure that these changes do not lead to an increase in illegal dumping.
Emergency Services	We encourage the Council to continue funding Kokatahi and Haast Rural Fire Parties as this increases preparation required to deal with emergencies affecting visitors and those living in isolated areas	We urge Council to ensure sufficient numbers of their staff are trained in emergency preparedness and response.

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I am concerned at how the Council finances have been managed at the council and feel that the council should be keeping to the core activities. I am concerned that the rural sector is bearing the brunt of rate increases, with increases of 20% or more. I suggest that the council should just increase the rates by the inflation index over all rate payers while working to fix

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should just increase the rates by the inflation index over all rate payers while working to the overall rating system and prove where the money is being spent, Something that the Grey District Council did about 15 years ago. Money collected in each sector should be

spent in the relative sector.





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I support the inclusion in the 2013/14 Annual Plan for Council to make provision to help keep Hokitika's Regent Theatre open by including an average annual rates levy of about \$10/yr for each Hokitika ratepayer, and \$3/yr elsewhere.

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I support the continued community use of the Regent as our "Town Hall" for cinema, live performances, community meetings and events, and as a historic heritage feature in the heart of Hokitika. Hokitika's Regent Theatre is important to the town and the wider Westland Community. The building has been saved with a huge voluntary effort and sponsorship from the community. I urge Council to get wholeheartedly behind securing the theatre's future.

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