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Submitted to **10-Year Plan 2018-2028**

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Challenge 1: We are borrowing to pay for everyday costs

1 Which of the following options do you think Council should adopt? (select one option)

2 Do you have any other ideas about how the Council should change the way the rates are calculated?

Do you have any other ideas about how the Council should change the way the rates are calculated?:

3 Do you have any ideas about changes the Council can make to increase its revenue to cover everyday costs?

Comments::

Challenge 2: Deciding where Hamilton's next big housing area will be

4 Where do you think Hamilton's next major new housing area should be? (select one option)

Option 2, Rotokauri in the northwest of the city

5 Is there anything you think the Council should consider in deciding how the city grows?

Comments::

The Peacockes area contains gullies which contain significant rare and threatened native fish species, the best populations of any stream within the HCC area because this catchment is the least impacted by urban/commercial development. RMA and designation processes and requirements can only go so far in protecting these values and the costs of full protection may mean that development is either very expensive or inadequately undertaken. More consideration needs to be given to the ecological effects associated with development of the Peacockes area when deciding of future growth cells for the city. Various plans including 'Integrated Catchment Management Plans' are being promulgated to protect, in part, the values of concern to the Mangakotukutuku Stream Care Group, however we have low confidence in the existing values actually receiving the required or appropriate level of protection.

Challenge 3: Improving Hamilton's transport system

6 Do you think the investment of \$251 million in transport improvement is the right option? (select one option)

Not Answered

Invest but at a lower level of 10% less (spend \$226m) across - Safety improvements:

Invest but at a lower level of 10% less (spend \$226m) across - More choice – public transport, cycling, walking:

Invest but at a lower level of 10% less (spend \$226m) across - Managing congestion:

7 Do you have any specific transport projects you think Council should consider?

Comments::

Increased walking and cycling opportunities within the cities gully network is requested. A prime example is the Peacockes gully above Waterford Road where the HCC owns most of the gully system, but it is currently inaccessible by the public and growing weeds. Development of this area is probably planned for the future but it is requested that this development be bought forward so that the benefits to the public accrue earlier through increased recreation use and potential commuting routes for cyclists are also bought forwards, concurrently with appropriate ecological enhancement of the gully and stream system so that protecting mechanisms (ie stormwater attenuation and treatment, riparian planting, ecological gully restoration planting etc) are established well before the impact of full development occurs.

Challenge 4: Investing in community infrastructure

8 Do you think the investment of \$70.7 million in the nine projects is the right option? (select one option)

Not Answered

9 In preparing the 10-Year Plan Council considered but did not include the following projects.

10 Are there any other community projects you think the Council should consider?

Comments::

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routes for cyclists are also bought forwards. The Mangakotukutuku Stream Care Group has significant resources and expertise available to potentially assist the HCC in such a project.

11 Do you think the Council should charge a \$10 entry fee to Hamilton Gardens' enclosed themed gardens for visitors who are over 18 and not Hamilton residents? (select one option)

Not Answered

Other Ideas

12 Do you have an idea not covered above that you want the Council to consider? Please tell us about it.

Who is putting forward the idea?:

Increased HCC investment in the parks and ecological enhancement in the Fitzroy, Bader, Glenview and Peacockes areas. While much HCC investment has gone into reserve areas in central and northern parts of the city, many of the reserve areas in the southern area (being within the catchment of the Mangakotukutuku Stream) are in poor condition and grossly under resourced as recreation assets or for ecological enhancement purposes.

Although not commented on further in relation to subsequent questions within this submission, increased HCC investment is desperately required in infrastructural upgrades to reduce the current frequent occurrence of raw sewerage spills to the Mangakotukutuku Stream, principally due to stormwater ingress during rainfall events.

What is needed to make the idea work?:

One new additional staff member dedicated to this role and working with community groups plus limited seed funding (eg \$50,000) as most of the work could be undertaken in conjunction with community groups with appropriate resourcing from HCC.

It appears that the staffing and resourcing to support community groups to undertake environmental enhancement work on HCC reserve land has been progressively reduced over the years to the point where there are no/few new initiatives in this area and no/limited support or resourcing available for ratepayers to undertake concurrent ecological enhancement (eg plant/animal pest control and native planting) of privately owned gully land, eg the previous 'Trees for Gullies' scheme.

who will be impacted by the idea?:

The idea would be of potential benefit to all HCC residents/visitors who could get additional recreational value from the southern parks and reserves, along with concurrent ecological benefits.

how much will your idea cost?:

not costed in detail - a additional full time or part time staff plus limited annual seed funding

Who will pay for::

Rates, grants and/or commercial sponsorship from companies wishing to lower their environmental footprint, for example.

Are there any opportunities for Council to partner with other organisations?:

yes, partnering opportunities exist with current community groups, commercial organisations and potentially the WRC

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About you

13 I am responding as (select one option)

An organisation

Other (please explain):

14 I live (select all that apply)

I live in the home I own in Hamilton

Please tell us your Hamilton suburb, which town or part of NZ you live:

Hillcrest

15 I am living (select one option)

As a family or couple with dependants (children or other family)

16 My age group is (select one option)

51-64

17 Your contact details (you must provide this information)

My name is:

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My contact phone is:

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My contact email is:

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My postal address is:

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City:

Hamilton

Verbal submissions

18 Do you want to verbally present to the Council in support of your submission? (select one option)

No

19 Last checks