



**Our Plan 2016-17**  
**Officers' Responses to**  
**Rates Related**  
**Submission Points**

## Other Points Raised re Rates

Sub#	Name	Additional Comments
48	Larry Dallimore	Hold rates rise to CPI
54	Marie Dunningham, Grey Power Hastings & Districts	no rates rise
116	Coralee Matena, Hawke's Bay Federated Farmers	Rates
172	Julie Thomas	Hold rates rise to CPI
190	Matt Woods	Hold rates rise to CPI

### Officers' Response to Comments Received

- “The proposed rate increase in the 2016-17 budget is 4.95%. This has been reduced from the 5.69% included in the LTP 2015-2025 which was an original forecast for the 2016-17 year.
- This increase is made up of the Local Government Cost Index of 1.9% (this being a cost index that specifically relates to those costs incurred by local government in their operations and in capital activities) and a further adjustment of 3.05% to reflect increases in level of service – the most significant level of service increase is the additional \$300,000 for tourism promotion which is paid by this Council to Hawke’s Bay Tourism.”

### Recommendation

*That Council considers the submission points received relating to **Rates**, and any comments and proposals made by Council officers.*