

Long Term Plan 2024-2027 - Deliberations Solid Waste

37 comments were received for Solid Waste (including Waste to Energy)

Theme	Submissions	Topic	Points raised on submissions	Options and Assessments	Impact on LTP 2024-2027	Recommendation to council	Response (to submitter/s)
1. Implement rubbish and recycling service 2. Support/incentivise recycling 3. Support community composting	27	Rubbish and recycling	No charge for recyclables at Transfer Stations	The options for recovering costs are either through user pays or rate funding. Council resolved to continue with user pays for this LTP period	No change to the LTP	No change to the LTP	Council needs to recover its cost. This is either through user pays or rate funding. Council resolved to continue with user pays for this LTP period.
			Bins for rubbish and recycling	The General Manager Infrastructure Service provided a briefing to Elected Members at the 20 March 2024 Council briefing, that given the recovery focus of this LTP, that the new items set out in the table 4, page 17 of the WMMP (link Waste Management and Minimisation Plan) (refer Attachment A) proposed to be implemented during the 2024-2034 are now considered in year two of the next LTP period 2027-2037. The Activity statement was updated to reflect this change	No change to the LTP	No change to the LTP	Given the recovery focus of this LTP and minimising the rates burden, these services will be assessed and included for consideration in year 2 of the 2027-2037 LTP.
			Add paper recycling to collection routes	This provision currently exists, and paper can be	No change to the LTP	No change to the LTP	This provision currently exists, and

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				included in the current recycling bags.			paper can be included in the current recycling bags.
			Review Rubbish and Recycling contracts (introduce more audits to track against WMMP)	Council staff regularly reviews the Contractors performance and carries out audits	No change to the LTP	No change to the LTP	Requirement for audits already exist for rubbish and recycling with our operators, and performance is regularly reviewed. Results are reported in the Annual Report
			Continue improved recycling originally included/ WMMP	Elected Members provided direction that these services will be assessed and considered in year 2 of the 2027 – 2037 LTP.	No change to the LTP	No change to the LTP	Given the recovery focus of this LTP and minimising the rates burden, these services will be assessed and considered in year 2 of the 2027 – 2037 LTP. Further, Council is currently meeting the targets required of the National Waste Strategy.
			Invest in composting and recycling infrastructure	Refer to the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan for proposed activities	No change to the LTP	No change to the LTP	We agree with the initiative of composting and recycling, however, as Council need to minimise the rates burden to its residents, these services will be considered in the next LTP. However, we will continue to work with any

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							community organisations who wish to undertake this activity
1. Concern regarding loss of rubbish collection 2. Concern regarding cost of rubbish collection		Collection	Expand collection routes	There is no additional funding provided in the LTP to expand collection services, unless demand increases, and the collection route is economic viability	No change to the LTP	No change to the LTP	We will continue to review the economic viability of adding collection routes as demand for the service increases
		Cost	Cost of rubbish bags is too high	Staff will continue to work with the Contractors to keep any rise in costs of the bags to no more than the CPI increase for the previous year and also continue to encourage residents to minimise their waste, to minimise their disposal cost	No change to the LTP	No change to the LTP	We will continue to work with the Contractors to keep any rise in costs of the bags to no more than the CPI increase from the previous year. We encourage our residents to minimise their waste.
Increase number/emptying of public bins		Public bins	Keep public rubbish bins, increase collection frequency and public recycling bins	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is no additional funding provided in the LTP to increase the number of public bins. Review this in the next annual plan. Council is encouraging personal responsibility for removal of rubbish and minimisation of rubbish to landfill 	No change to the LTP	No change to the LTP	While there is no plan to increase or reduce in number of public rubbish bins, Council does regularly assess if changes are required in numbers of bins or frequency of collection. Any additions or removal of bins will review as part of the Annual Plan consultation process.
Relocate transfer station		Transfer station	Relocate Dargaville Transfer Station	Expected future growth means we are looking to identify location options that are not flood prone	No change to the LTP	No change to the LTP	Expected future growth means we are looking to identify location options that

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				or on the river's edge. Any new location and relocation will be assessed and included in the next LTP			are not flood prone or on the river's edge.
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Concern regarding future waste disposal 2. Opposed to building a waste incinerator 3. Support waste to energy plan 4. Seek clarity on waste to energy option 	10	Future waste	Where is our rubbish going to go in the future/ circular models	Refer to the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan for the proposed way forward	No change to the LTP	No change to the LTP	<p>The vision in the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan is to by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2050, Kaipara District is a low-emissions, low-waste society built upon a circular economy. This including the provision of waste to energy. Any waste to energy plant would be the responsibility of a private service provider.