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Draft Annual Business Plan & Budget 2023/2024 and Long Term Financial Plan 2024-2033 – Financial Summary Public Consultation Summary Report

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submission	I wish to lodge a protest against the rate increase of 9.5%. With cost of living, inflation increases and wages being stagnant this high increase will create financial stress for many residents. Please find ways to trim the budget, as I have to do personally myself with limited income	2023-05-25 09:58:21
Rate Increase	Is the PLCC really serious with such a colossal increase in our rates? Didn't vote for this new Mayor, but hell if this is the outcome let's hope it's a one term reign. Justify it! If you can?	2023-05-25 15:28:16
Puckridge Park	Hello, I am just wondering about the Puckridge Park Playground upgrade? It is looking rather sad these days :) Thank you Charlotte	2023-05-25 21:05:01
stenross boat ramp	stenross boat ramp requires either large scale or on going maintenance dredging total restoration of the basin 150K or annual maintenance 50 K the pontoons at the boat ramp are also nearing the end of there operational life . these items were discussed with JP and Damián Windsor in november & december 2022	2023-05-30 21:38:15
Submission Draft ABP & Budget 2023/2024	The amount of funding budgeted for paving of existing unpaved footpaths in the residential streets of Port Lincoln is inadequate. Many residential streets still have no paved footpaths at all, while many others have a paved footpath on just one side of the street. Many of the unpaved footpaths in the residential streets of Port Lincoln are unsafe on which to walk, let alone to push a baby carriage or to ride a personal mobility vehicle, and yet the council does very little or nothing to remedy this situation by making an effort to progressively upgrade and pave all these substandard and unsafe footpaths. One of the so-called significant factors that apparently influenced the preparation of this annual business plan is quoted as follows: "Requirements to maintain and improve infrastructure assets to acceptable standards, including	2023-06-05 11:33:46

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	roads, footpaths, stormwater drainage and other community assets." In the case of footpaths, the annual business plan has ignored this significant factor, and thereby will fail to meet the above-mentioned requirements.	
Submission 2	Please include more spending on the provision of sealed footpaths in residential streets, also planting of street trees in residential areas. These items are sadly lacking in the draft annual business plan. Thank you.	2023-06-05 11:35:56
submission	Mayor Diana Mislov City of Port Lincoln Your Worship Thank you for suggesting I make a written budget submission to Council relative to the Town Jetty. A substantial financial savings exists from shortening the Town Jetty. From Bent 31 the seaward jetty length is approximately 45 meters. This length represents about 20% of the total jetty. Council should request from Maritime Construction Ltd a comparison of: 1/ An estimate of repairs/ replacement from bent 31 seawards to the existing end of the jetty. 2/ an estimate of cost to remove the jetty from bent 31 onwards. The savings of not having to repair and replace some 45 meters of jetty piles, structural timbers, hand rails, etc will be significant. Irrespective of the above cost saving, there is the practical reality that it is impossible to correctly protect the swimming pool by retaining the existing jetty length. All repairs or replacement seaward of bent 31 is fundamentally stupid. Council should consider the criticism of the Essential Services Commission, [times, 11th may, page 3] where it states average rate rises of 3.4% annually for the next 9 years may cause community difficulties:And Council wants a 9.5% rise this year alone! Are there any benefactors with a lousy \$400,000 handy ??? Please ensure this letter is delivered to each Councillor. [Copy to Pt. Lincoln Times].	2023-06-05 11:41:40
Rate Increase	It is far beyond time council learnt to live within its means. These constant rate rises without consultation are ridiculous. Rate payers should be publicly consulted before any rate increase let alone consecutive large rises year after year. 9.5% this year plus previous years. I would like to find the documents stating	2023-06-05 11:44:29

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	how much it's increased each year over the last decade but that seems to be very hard to find. Would you be willing to reply with the percentage increase of each year? I doubt it. Regards An unhappy rate payer.	
9.5% Increase	To Budget Committee The proposed Council Budget increase of 9.5% which is 1.7% above CPI added to significant increases in energy, food and accommodation is unsustainable. All forms of government seldom appear to understand that taxpayers are not a bottomless pit to prop up their budgets plus you can keep on borrowing. Sooner or later you have to live in your means. Council has wasted money such as the new playground and the proposed moving of the Andrew Small playground and not doubt there are other fanciful schemes. The council needs to concentrate on its core business whilst the current high cost of living continues. No doubt changing how you rate properties would probably have seen an increase. Whilst we are lucky to live in this beautiful area not everyone can afford 9.5% increase and that effects renters as well. 9.5% increase in rates you are dreaming if you think the public are going to swallow this trim your sails like most of has to!	2023-06-05 11:46:55
Depreciation	Hi, Your increasing our rates overall 8.7%, your have depreciation over 4 million dollars. Why do you believe this is fair. It's more than cpi . I'm sure you benefit from tax right off's	2023-06-08 10:48:56
Draft ABP & Budget 2023/2024	Dear Councillors, I am totally opposed to any rate rise for obvious reasons that the cost of living is to high for the average family. I have encouraged young family members to buy houses and all levels of govt. have betrayed them. Your arrogance and ideology is seriously floored if you ignore your constituents again. There will not be local councils in the future if they do not listen to the people. , with love of course., you're learning like all of us,	2023-06-06 22:25:10
Draft ABP & Budget 2023/2024	Dear Councillors I write to formally express my opposition to a 9.5% rate rise for the next financial year. I have expressed the reasons for my concern verbally at the Council Meeting held on 28th May 2023 where I highlighted the following reasons against: 1. Recent high levels of inflation currently around 6.6% but as	2023-06-08 20:20:36

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	<p>high as 7.5% in recent times. 2. General cost of living pressure for all households including 3. Increases in energy and water rate costs 4. Increased cost of food and fuel 5. Recent further increases in interest rates 6. Pensions not increasing by similar amounts. 7. Wages not increasing by similar amounts 8. The current rental crisis being felt around the nation and certainly in Port Lincoln. All household budgets need to reflect deeply on costs vs expenditure during these difficult times. I believe Council is no different. Indeed, one could argue they have a responsibility to lead by example and focus on consolidation of current projects until they are completed, maintain existing assets and when the forward estimates look more positive then and only then embark on new projects. The public purse is not a bottomless pit to continue to draw upon. This Council seems to have lost its focus which is, I believe, responding to the community voice which put you all in office. You did not listen to some 3000 voices who asked you to retain the Andrew Small Playground. I am hoping you will listen to the community voice which asks you to rethink this budget.</p>	
<p>Draft Annual business plan & budget 2023/2024</p>	<p>Re some of the key priority projects Of the 1.3 million to complete the Foreshore redevelopment can you please advise how much it is costing to move the playground and reset it up in Nelson Square , and how much it will cost to put the basketball court in its place and what toilet facilities will be constructed there? I draw your attention to the fact that most people want it to remain where it is which would allow people with older and younger children to take the little ones to the Andrew Small safe playground and their older children would be able to go to the new playground without crossing the road - I also point out that it would cost the same to maintain the Andrew Small playground no matter where it is so that is a false reason to move it. Please give detail of the 4.17 million for the Councils depot - also please advise where the slippery pole is currently housed Please advise what upgrades are intended for the Ravendale changerooms 500,000 for the replacement of the Swimming enclosure. What is being replaced and do you intend to put it on the Yacht club side of the jetty where it should have been in the first place I object to the taking away of some of the carparking in the town centre.. As I am involved with aged care I can assure you not everyone can walk distances and also people with a couple of small children and shopping will find it very hard. let alone anyone who has recently had surgery - we actually need more parking not less Please explain the Gas Flare at the recovery centre means</p>	<p>2023-06-08 09:34:36</p>

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	<p>Please explain where the increase to rates of 9.5% comes from - this is way way above CPI</p> <p>Increase in waste and recycling - please list what will change regarding recycling</p> <p>Please advise who the Eyre Peninsula Landscaping board are and what they expect they will spend this increase of 7.7% on</p> <p>Awaiting your reply to ALL of the above at your ealiest convenience</p>	
Submission	<p>Your Worship</p> <p>Thank you fir inviting me to make a submission to Council's Annual Business Plan..... and I am sorry for lodging it after the closing time.</p> <p>Whilst there are other significant issues that are of concern to me I have chosen to respond specifically to the Town Jetty, swimming enclosure and breakwater. The enclosed letter to Minister Koutsantonis is self explanatory:.... As is the excellent photo bof the Town Jetty and breakwater.</p> <p>Given the shortage of funds Council is experiencing relative to Jetty repairs, the opportunity to undertake removal of the seaward end of the Jetty is patently obvious.</p> <p>PS: There is no point spending \$500,000 on the swimming pool if it is not properly protected.</p>	<p>2023-06-09 10.30.30</p>