

## WELCOME TO OUR 2022-23 ANNUAL PLAN SUMMARY

The coming financial year is Year 2 of our 2021-2031 10-Year-Plan. When we adopted our 10YP last year it was a time of great challenges for our community, councils and our country. Our forecasts were set in an economic climate where inflation was relatively steady and the cost of borrowing low.

Fast forward 12 months and we are seeing record inflation. In March it was sitting at 6.9%. The COVID pandemic is still very much part of our lives and has had a major impact on supply chains, while the Russian invasion of Ukraine has had repercussions worldwide.

As you will see, these have impacted on some of our major projects and services, which have fallen victim to supply chain issues and cost increases.

In particular over the past 12 months we have been affected by a 20% increase in chemical costs and a 30% increase in the cost of some materials. This means it is going to cost us more to deliver the same level of service.

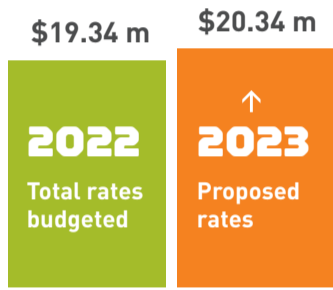
### Rating Impact

So, what does this mean for our ratepayers?

Staff have worked hard to keep budgets tight, delivering a district-wide average rates increase of 5.94%.

When set against the backdrop of today's economic pressures, we believe this compares favourably with the 4.95% rates increase flagged in our 10YP and the rate of inflation.

We are looking to collect \$20.34 million in rates next year. This is \$1million more than the Council budgeted to receive in 2021/22.



A significant portion of this increase is attributable to rising costs in roading.

External pressures have forced a 20% increase to our roading budget. This equates to \$600,000 and adds 3% to our overall rate take.

Rates funding for roading comes from capital value rates. Consequently, any changes to the cost of roading will affect higher value properties, such as farms and large commercial properties, more than it will affect lower value properties.

Residential properties are more affected by the fixed charges and targeted rates, which fund Council activities where we have more control over costs.

One of the cost-saving measures we took to contain the rates increase to a minimum was to opt for no principal payments on debt associated with Three Waters assets. This decision reflects the uncertainty of the Three Waters reform and the proposals being championed by the Government that would see Three Waters debt transferred to a new water entity.

### What this looks like across our rating areas

Taking an average valued property, the rates movements for next year will be:

Rating Area	Amount Increase	Percentage Increase	CV Value
Gore residential	\$193 increase	5.97%	(CV \$375,000)
Mataura residential	\$131 increase	5.30%	(CV \$150,000)
Rural	\$285 increase	6.12%	(CV \$2,500,000)
Commercial	\$480 increase	8.24%	(CV \$400,000)

### What are the changes?

As we've mentioned, the factors influencing our predictions in 2021 are quite different now. This translates into changes with our forecasting. Here are the key points:

	AP 2022	AP 2023	Reason
Rates Revenue	\$19.34m	\$20.34m	Increase from Roading and 3 waters plus decreases in other areas (including the removal of rates for Otama water supply)
Other Revenue	\$3.96m	\$4.82m	Review of Building Control, Cemetery and Transfer Station fees and charges
Subsidy and Grant Revenue	\$8.89m	\$4.65m	2022 figures were higher due to Government Shovel Ready and Stimulus funding
Operating Expenditure	\$27.78m	\$30.61m	Increased expenses in Roading and 3 Waters chemicals and materials
Capital Expenditure	\$20.11m	\$15.8m	Change in phasing for major projects

### What do your rates pay for?

Rates are a property-based tax to pay for public services. How much you pay varies depending on where you live, what services you access and the value of your property.

### Where does each \$100 of your rates go?



### No Spray Register

Around September each year, the Council starts its roadside vegetation spraying. Residents who do not want their roadside frontage sprayed can apply to go on our No Spray Register.

Those already on the register will get a reminder letter closer to when we start spraying. Anyone who wants to go on the register or has changed address can apply via Parking, Roading, Transport page on our Do It Online portal. You can access the portal through our website [www.goredc.govt.nz](http://www.goredc.govt.nz).

Applicants need to provide us with a map of the no spray area and will need to make sure the area is kept free of weeds. Failure to do so will result in the area being removed from the register.

### Heavy Traffic Bypass Temporary Closure

River Street, between Medway and Mersey streets, will be temporarily closed to allow KiwiRail/SouthRoads to reconstruct the railway crossing.

It will be closed from

- 8:00am Saturday 23 July to 5:00pm Sunday 24 July, and
- Friday 5 August from 8:00am to 5:00pm

North bound traffic, including heavy traffic, will detour via River Street, Mersey Street, Main Street (SH1) and Medway Street (SH1)

South bound traffic, including heavy traffic, will detour via Medway Street (SH1), Main Street (SH1), Mersey Street to River Street.

### Resource Consent Application - Power Farming Holdings Ltd

RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991

File Number LU2022/164

Power Farming Holdings Limited

What is proposed:

Land use consent to remove two significant trees (District Plan Reference T32) to facilitate the establishment and operation of a commercial and industrial business within the Industrial Zone.

The location this application relates is:

40 Charlton Lane, Gore

Lot 2 Deposited Plan 14496 and Lot 1 Deposited Plan 14502.

The Council planner processing this application is Joanne Skuse, ph 027 498 1745 or email [jskuse@goredc.govt.nz](mailto:jskuse@goredc.govt.nz).

Submissions close at 5:00pm Wednesday 3 August 2022.

They must be served on the Consent Authority, Gore District Council, and the applicant, and must be dated; signed by the person making the submission; and include the following information:

1. Name, email address, postal address and phone number.
2. Details of the application the submission relates to, including location and the resource consent number.
3. Whether the submission is in support or opposes the application.
4. The submission, with reasons.
5. The decision the submitter wishes the consent authority to make.
6. Whether the submitter wishes to be heard in support of their submission at a hearing.

Any person may make a submission on the application, but a person who is a trade competitor of the applicant may do so only if that person is directly affected by an effect of the activity to which the application relates that:

- a) adversely affects the environment; and
- b) does not relate to trade competition or the effects of trade competition.

Details of the application and a submission form are available at [www.lets.talk.goredc.govt.nz](http://www.lets.talk.goredc.govt.nz).

Details of the resource consent application and submission forms are also available in the Council's main office, 29 Bowler Avenue, Gore, between 8:30am and 4:30pm.

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Signed by

GORE DISTRICT COUNCIL Dated: 28 June 2022