PARIATUA SWIMMING POOL

Let's take a look at the options

OPTION 1 - Do nothing, status quo

No extra costs, no impact on rates

Ongoing funding for repair and maintenance on the outdated outdoor pool, prone to ageing issues

Limited usage of the current facility for the Pahiatua community

Pahiatua remain limited in hosting swim schools, meaning community members must travel for lessons

What is the cost?

Ongoing funding for maintenance

How does that impact rates?

No impact this financial year

What is the impact on debt?

No impact

Impact on level of service?

No change

In a nutshell, this scenario means we do not give the requested \$2.5 million and there is no impact to rates. Bush Aquatic Trust faces an uphill fundraising task, the community is left travelling for swim schools, and residents have limited local summer swimming options, and no options in winter.

OPTION 2 - Fund the \$2.5 million, and once complete the indoor aquatic facility becomes a Council-owned asset.

We prefer this option

A revamped indoor aquatic facility for our district, ready for future growth and community well-being

The funding supports a sustainable facility accessible to the community throughout the year

Pahiatua can have their own swim schools, alleviating pressure on other pools in the district

Maintenance from the outdoor pool stops and would go towards the new pool

Council will be responsible for the ongoing maintenance of the new facility, which will need to be funded by the ratepayer

Bush Aquatic Trust have committed to fundraising to help with the ongoing maintenance costs

It is not clear where the additional \$1.1 million in required fundraising will come from

What is the cost?

\$2,500,000

How does that impact rates?

\$53.36 per ratepayer (average 10 years)

What is the impact on debt?

\$2,500,000 (paid off over 20 years)

Impact on the level of service?

Increased level of service, from outdoor to indoor with increased operating hours

OUR PREFERRED OPTION.

We prefer option 2.

Getting behind Bush Aquatic Trust's fundraising can give them the boost they need for that final \$1.1 million. Council support adds a compelling story, paving the way for future fundraising. Working together on the design and build means the aquatic facility becomes a well-planned Council-owned asset—a win for Pahiatua, fostering well-being, a thriving community, and ready for future growth.

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Closing date for submissions is 30 May 2024 at 5pm

What do you think?	
We want to hear your thoughts on the proposed options. Should we:	
 Stick with what we currently have? Give \$2.5 million towards fundraising and ensure the new indoor aquatic facility becomes a Council-owned asset? 	
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