

**Tasman District Council
Draft Annual Plan
2022-2023**

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Submitter details

1. Nelson Marlborough Health (Nelson Marlborough District Health Board) (NMH) is a key organisation involved in the health and wellbeing of the people within Te Tau Ihu o te Waka a Maui. NMH appreciates the opportunity to comment from a public health perspective on the Tasman District Council's Draft Annual Plan 2022-2023.
2. NMH makes this submission in recognition of its responsibilities to improve, promote and protect the health of people and communities under the New Zealand Public Health and Disability Act 2000 and the Health Act 1956.
3. This submission sets out particular matters of interest and concern to NMH.

Specific Comments

4. NMH supports Tasman District Council's intention to prepare and implement water safety plans and comply with drinking water standards. NMH supports the revision of water quality monitoring programmes and new monitoring equipment.
5. NMH strongly supports TDC taking advantage of Waka Kotahi funding to improve walking and cycling infrastructure in regards to Church Street to Cambridge Street, and the shared Williams Street pathway.
6. In regards to the two options regarding rate increases, NMH does not wish to give a preference. However, if Option 2 is chosen, NMH would like to emphasise the importance of retaining budgets for active and public transport. These projects are vital for reducing our carbon emissions and should be given the utmost priority.
7. NMH supports the water projects that are proposed for 2022/2023 as these upgrades will provide more resilience for our communities.
8. NMH supports the construction of two new wetlands at Eves Valley and Motupipi and the restoration of native vegetation in Teapot Valley as this helps to improve biodiversity.
9. NMH supports initiatives that supports neighbourhood events, training programmes for youth and Welcoming Communities activities.

Conclusion

10. NMH thanks the Tasman District Council for the opportunity to comment on the Draft Annual Plan 2022/23.
11. NMH does not **wish to be heard** in support of its submission.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Lexie O'Shea', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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