

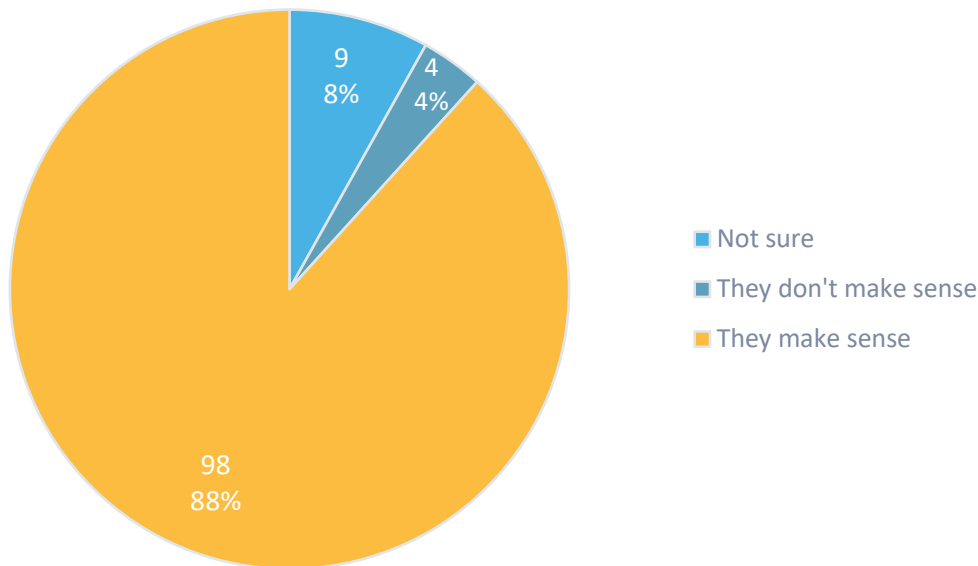


TECT 2023 Community Consultation Feedback: Collated Responses



What do you think of our proposed purpose, vision, and mission?

Total 111 Responses



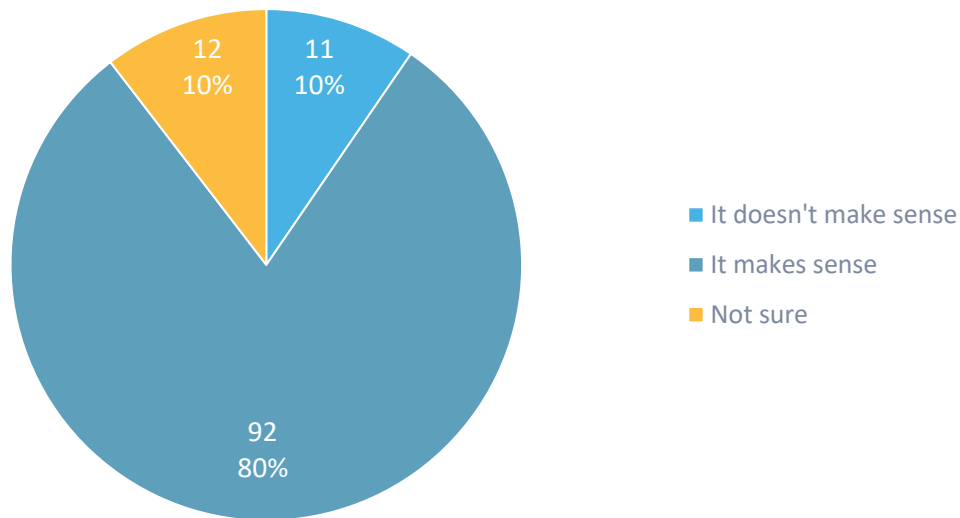
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- The purpose and mission make sense. What doesn't make sense is that Mount Maunganui Playcentre relocation project application to TECT's Community Facilities Fund was declined. Playcentre's vision and mission are aligned with TECT's. Playcentre has significant impact on shaping the quality of life and wellbeing of tamariki and their family and has been doing so in our community for over forty years. The very essence of Playcentre is so that whānau are strengthened and communities enriched. Without funding from TECT we may lose this critical community facility which greatly contributes to creating a thriving, caring and connected community in the Western Bay and is part of the fabric of the community and currently connects over 70 families on a daily basis.
- As long as the whole community is benefited and not just selected parts and those with personal interests.
- Vision - the use of words like caring is quite ambiguous. Would like to see a purpose, vision, mission cemented on real actionable goals that the Trust can be held accountable to; rather than broad, sweeping statements.
- I disagree with the granting of large funds to city council-initiated projects i.e. downtown refurbishment which are promoted by the commissioners and council staff.

- Most are good, but NOT the civic centre - this should not be financed in any way from TECT - it is for more philanthropic purposes only. Our council needs to start looking at less grandiose ideas. Thankyou.
- Could consider additional emphasis on community funding to community groups as opposed to business organisations.
- Why is there not an option to tick I DO NOT AGREE WITH THIS PROPOSAL OR SHOULD I SAY FAIT ACCOMPLI? Fancy words just gloss over the fact that Trustpower customers are missing out on money that could go to helping hard up New Zealanders struggling on money ends meet. And please no funding for the Civic Precinct Development: Te Manawataki o Te Papa - in English a Maori Museum that we will no doubt have to financially prop up as few will ever visit!
- Aspirations coming from a very narrow viewpoint (Holland).
- How many times do we have to say we don't need a museum!?
- Only as long as does not include grants to the CBD and stadium plans. The trust was not set up for such things. Look after our clubs, groups, etc who do so much for the community.
- Purpose is a bit wordy.
- Their justification by commissioners and councils are based on very dodgy consultation processes.
- TECT should focus on the wellbeing of the community as a whole.
- I like the focus on inter-generational investment for the broader benefit of the community.
- Need to continually consult with the community on your short and long term funding plans.
- I am very supportive of TECT helping to fund the Civic Precinct currently being built, especially the Museum and Marae. Since moving here from Wellington I have become aware of the lack of knowledge of many citizens of Tauranga about the history of this area including about tangata whenua. The thousands of historic articles still in storage need to be able to be accessed and learned from and appreciated. This complex will mean this city will finally have all facilities it should have as a vibrant, modern growing city.
- Without going into a detailed explanation, I have to say that this statement looks like George Orwell's newspeak.
- Asking a small percentage to make a bigger donation to what the local council has decided that everyone should be paying. No, I disagree with this decision, The local council is not a charity.
- Thriving is great, critical that things are done for the common good and fairly impacts EVERY member of the community - particularly those that are marginalised or have little or no voice.
- More input required.
- TECT's Mission statements need to remove all references to racial and ethnic divisions. Community assistance grants should only be specified and given shared distribution based on relative need, wherever it is most determined.

What do you think of our proposed way of working?

Total 115 Responses



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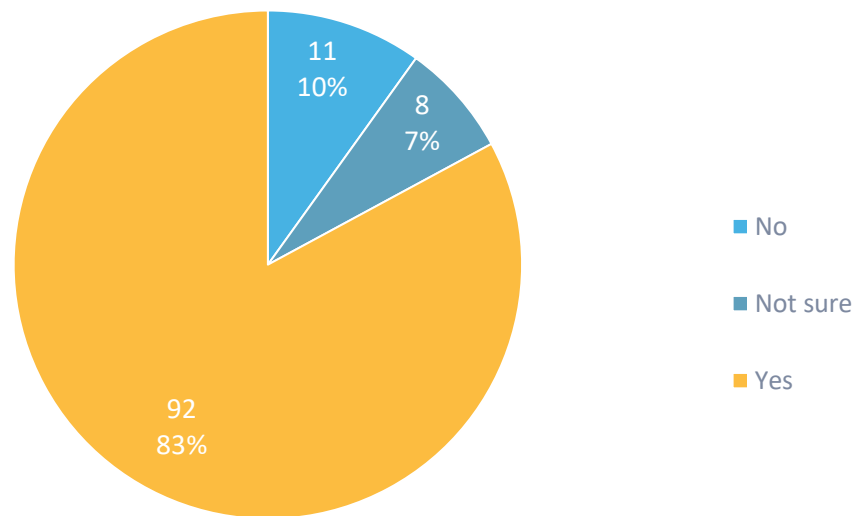
- Proposed way of working makes sense. What doesn't make sense is that Mount Maunganui Playcentre's application to the 2022 Community Facilities Fund was declined when we are so aligned to TECT's new strategy. Playcentre is a local organisation that creates long-term social change, we are part of the fabric that enables the western bay community to thrive. Without funding from TECT, Mount Playcentre may be forced to close its doors. This is a huge loss of a long-standing local organisation that significantly contributes to our community. Our vision is for families to grow together; and Te Ao Māori interwoven throughout Playcentre. Playcentre is a family organisation where:
 - We empower whānau and tamariki to play, work, learn and grow together
 - We honour Te Tiriti o Waitangi and celebrate people's uniqueness
 - We value and affirm parents as the first and best educators of their tamariki so that whānau are strengthened and communities enriched. Our mission is to support, value and embrace whānau Māori within Playcentre
 - To celebrate, empower and educate tamariki and whānau
 - To recognise and identify Māori potentialSupporting Playcentre aligns to TECT's proposed way of working. It seems nonsensical not to fund such a critical community organisation. We are not a daycare, we are a local community organisation. We provide a free opportunity to whānau to come together, connect and strengthen our community and the education of our tamariki.
- Seems a method of funding unpopular projects in some areas.
- It's lacking the how. The reference to improving our understanding of Te Tiriti of Waitangi, does not allude confidence that you will be committed to upholding Te Tiriti of Waitangi.
- Why does one race have precedence over the majority of the people of the Bay of Plenty.
- Difficult to find the way through the survey - made more difficult by the pidgin Maori
- Agree with some of the above, but not all.
- The Tangata Whenua component is undemocratic favouring only a small percentage of the total power-using population. Therefore this section should not include this provision as a main

aim. Sure include it within the charities but not as a condition of one of the provisions. If we are have an input, I suggest a section that states we have choice to recommend the our preferred charities from a list. Each applicant to write a brief description of their charity to be emailed to the voters. Results of this survey to taken into account when final results are published. That way decisions would have a greater democratic base.

- Again by the options listed its a fait accompli
- A lot of words
- Policies should be for whole Community not Race Based
- We aren't listened to any way so plans will do ahead regardless of what the average opinion is. This has been going on for the 20+ years that I have been a ratepayer here.
- This is a great summary of the most important aspects of how TECT aims to work with the community to achieve sustainable growth as well as transformational change.
- A lot of buzz words, unlikely to have any effect on actual outcomes.
- Love that is 'inclusive of all communities' and to 'enable transformational projects'.
- Collaboration is key and Enabling is a great word to use too.
- Collaboration with specifically who? What does enabling communities to lead change mean? What social change? Who are your partners? Who decides what is strategic?
- No need to be nimble - poor decisions are made by this approach. You are spending community money, so consultation and community buy in is imperative.
- The Treaty has nothing to do with what you are doing. What you are saying in this regard is ideological bullshit.
- It sounds like favouritism, I don't like it
- Only comment is that the wording allows for some parts of the community to miss out, particularly those without sufficient representation.
- Too many words without significant detail
- Racial bias is not welcome in New Zealand. Community care and assistance should be determined and shared based solely on need, irrespective of any social, racial or ethnic categories.

Do you agree with the focus areas we've identified?

Total 111 Responses



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- Five great priority areas. I consider Playcentre is aligned with the following priority areas: 2. Priority Communities. TECT identifies Māori, diverse ethnic communities, children and young people as their priority communities. Playcentre provides a free opportunity for people to access early childhood education that may not have otherwise accessed. Participation in early childhood within our community and by certain groups in our community is low. Continued operation of Mount Maunganui Playcentre will provide an opportunity for those who are not participating to participate. Research tells us the first 1000 days are so critical in determining children's outcomes. Playcentre is open to everyone. Playcentre provides free opportunities for parents and whanau to undertake further education courses. Playcentre provides a community space for new migrant families to connect with their new community. Te Ao Māori is interwoven throughout Playcentre so we incorporate cultural knowledge and tikanga and practices relevant to TECTs priority communities. 4. Built Environment The strategy commits to investing in local facilities that support community connectedness, increase access to opportunities to participate in community activities and enhance the wellbeing and vibrancy of our communities. This is exactly what Playcentre does. 5. Community Wellbeing and vibrancy Playcentre creates community wellbeing and vibrancy, this is what its all about. Playcentre builds skills and provide opportunities for learning for both tamariki and their parents/caregivers. It provides parents to be the first educators of their children and education opportunities for parents/caregivers. On reading TECTs focus areas, Mount Playcentre is so aligned to these three focus areas. It doesnt make sense that TECT would choose not to fund Playcentre to ensure its continued operation within our community.
- Specifically in reference to Community Wellbeing and Vibrancy, I encourage support for 'Playcentre' funding. Further to many research Playcentre has a special role to play for families in the community. Ample research shows that Playcentre is at the heart of optimal outcomes for children and is the best model of what a quality ECE experience looks like. Neuroscience educator and child development expert Nathan Wallis often points to the value of Playcentre. According to Wallis, Playcentre exemplifies the optimal conditions for supporting creativity, initiative and resourcefulness in children. Playcentre offers a unique early learning experience.

As a parent cooperative, members work together to manage their centre and to run sessions. Children initiate and direct their own play, and parents stay and play with their child and other children. The Playcentre model offers something that teacher-led ECE options can't. Fundamentally, Playcentre seeks to strengthen the bond between each child and their primary carer, and beyond that to grow connections between parents and whānau in a community. Additionally, Playcentre is all about child-led free play. In a society increasingly preoccupied with teaching preschoolers cognitive skills like reciting the alphabet and counting to 20 so that they will be "ready for school", Playcentres embrace free play as the means by which children learn. Children are in charge of their play, and responsive grown-ups support them, without interrupting or taking over. Playcentre was founded nearly 80 years ago based on these understandings about what is best for our children. Today, we have a compelling body of research around brain development that bears out these core principles. The research shows the profound influence of a child's relationship with their most responsive parent/carer in the early years. Again, as Nathan Wallis says, "Playcentre is one of the few early childhood movements in the world that seeks to keep the parent and child together for the benefit of the child – and the parent – rather than separate them for the benefit of the economy." As a parent of a child who I frequent at Playcentre, it is a truly special experience where I can be part of my child's exploration and play day in an environment that provides stimulus ie. climbing, playing, painting, puzzles, drawing etc and all manner of other things, whilst playing with other children. There is nothing like this which a parent can be a part of the growth of their children in. It would be a very sad day to see this not being available for future generations.

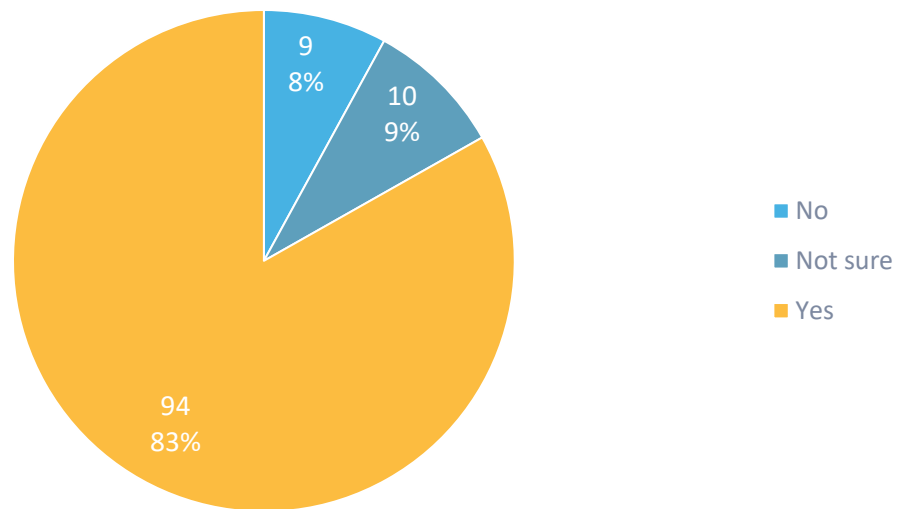
- In regards to community well being and vibrancy, where families thrive, I was very disappointed to learn support for Mount Playcentre has been withdrawn. This is a crucial part of the family fabric of our community. There is so much support for working mums but now even less towards families that choose to have time with their young families during weekdays. This is an affordable community based fun learning environment for me to take my boys to. Without the financial support of TECT it will likely halt the development of a site in Omanu which is crucial in the wellbeing of the children. The current facilities are run down and council requires it for Blake Park development. Please please please reconsider your support for Mount Playcentre and support family values in our community by keeping it vibrant and giving parents options.
- Not sure TECT needs to be in the building industry?
- Housing is not a TECT responsibility.
- Pie in the sky.
- does this include encouraging use of public transport, cycling and walking
- I agree with funding local facilities except the new CBD plan because no one has ever put a limit on how much this unwanted project will cost and the powers that be do NOT seem to realise that all the suburbs have great shopping centres and that the CBD is a dead project. The funding is better spent on helping community projects such as the tect village and park also the arts and sports clubs
- Would like to see a clearer support of arts, culture and heritage reflected in "community wellbeing and vibrancy"
- But you NEED to focus on distributing more funds to trust power clients. WE ARE STRUGGLING TOO and power just keeps increasing. You have all these funds to give away, we how about giving it to US the shareholders

- Unsure of your role in housing. TECT should not be funding in the areas for which Government is clearly responsible.
- I think housing should be responsibility of central government. Support community facilities where parents, grandparents & caregivers can take children for free (playgrounds, skateparks, walkways & cycleways etc) Support natural environment enhancement & restoration.
- Some but not all
- Platitudes
- housing and priority communities should NOT be the domain and purpose of funding by TECT. The government and Council should.
- What about purchasing land for regional parks for the public to enjoy as land becomes less available due to population increase
- We support the strategic focus areas, which balance absolute necessities with the importance of also supporting those aspects that enhance well-being and vibrancy, promote social connectedness and support community resilience.
- Community wellbeing and vibrancy has suffered in the past years, Which Anne Tolley and her Commissioner's are working to restore with vision, resolve and energy and their exemplary Civic Centre plans to complete. TECT has the opportunity to facilitate their completion with directed funds , -specifically to encourage foot traffic with necessary boost to hospo economy, patronising city centre shops and enjoying the recreation opportunities on the Strand and revitalised estuary reclamation facilities - planned to be the best in the country.
- i don't think housing should be a focus for TECT
- I am pleased to see that well being and vibrancy of communities is on your priorities list with art, culture and creativity often the biggest component of making communities vibrant and connected.
- The catch phrase around NZ is always "affordable homes", but that term is subjective and often equates, in actuality, to homes that are still out of reach for most first home buyers.
- My impression is that TECT's greatest impact to date has been in 4 because 1, 2 and 3 are (or at least should be) addressed by social service and environmental organisations - so TECT has been able to fill that gap that other funders have not ie amenities that make a city, a great place to live, but will always come second to basic human needs.
- It will be great to see more family orientated amenities in our city
- more should go on public spaces that have a long term use and that are currently not available in the city like a museum
- Housing is important, everyone should have somewhere to call a home, however just adding housing to a community without the right amenity and community facilities just creates ghettos and disconnected citizens with shallow lives. Where is the legacy that each generation leaves behind for future Tauranga residents. TECT can be that group who think about the long term and big picture, not just adding more houses. Think community assets.

- Race and ethnicity should not be a factor in prioritising who needs support in our community. Anyone experiencing disadvantage should be targeted through funding initiatives.
- Not convinced about providing Housing - I'd prefer to see a stronger focus on community facilities.
- Housing and welfare are central governments job. TECT should be concentrating on electricity rebates and supporting some community projects. TECT should not be funding teh boutique stadium.
- You are promising too much, why try to cover all bases.
- It sounds like a sales pitch for a religious organisation.
- Again it sounds like the squeaky wheel favouritism to me
- The Tauranga City Council was dismissed and replaced by four Commissioners appointed by one person, a Labour Government Minister. Since that time, the ratepayers in Tauranga have also been deprived of their rights to elect a truly local democratic Council, in 2022. The Commissioners should have been an interim administration only until the next NZLG elections, however, once again, the Labour Government Minister deprived the Tauranga ratepayers of their democratic voting rights. As a result, the Commissioners have now imposed a huge \$300 million debt on the ratepayers, for an administration and function building and an open park area. There are many Tauranga ratepayers - the people who will actually be contributing funds, not the people who just think it might be a nice idea, in polls - who do not believe this is an appropriate or necessary expenditure, especially as the decision has not been scrutinised as an election policy. As such, Tect should not be participating in any contribution to this project that is being promoted by the Commissioners, with the obvious support of commercial operators in the city who will benefit, financially. The whole project should be under review and without an electorate mandate from the city's ratepayers, should certainly not be included on the Tect funding support programme.
- While 1 and 2 are important, they overlap with the wellbeing responsibilities of central government. It is important that TECT should retain its focus on the community as a whole and avoid becoming a means of allowing the government to avoid its important welfare objectives.
- Solar power fits well with the Housing plans

Do you think having a balance of both Strategic and Responsive Grant Funding is important?

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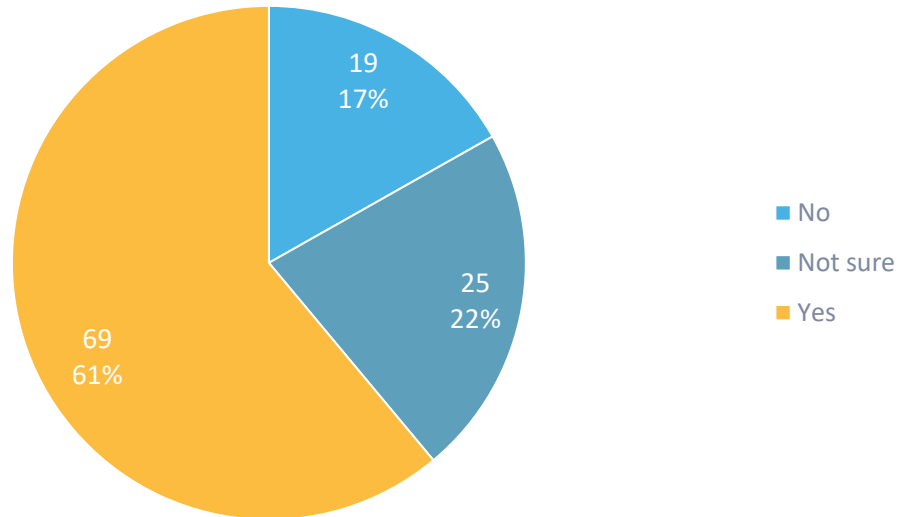
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- Would be happier if we had a democratic council in place!
- I believe the wording is ambiguous and designed to give the answer the writer of this questionnaire desires.
- Please do not use this money for commercial organisations. There are many not for profit organisations that could do with ALL of this money.
- I agree that it is important to have a balanced funding proposal but I think it should be 40% strategic and 60% responsive
- Give it to each individual as we are struggling financially
- In community it is important not to weight and potentially disadvantage real community groups. But everything is objective, but weighting implies this.
- In other words to I trust you to spend the money on projects I would agree with HELL NO.
- Unsure about the built environment. Maybe strategic funding 75%
- Hopefully over time more will go into strategic and less responsive as we learn to plan long term.
- I'm starting to find this confusing. Am I discussing TECT OR TCC.
- depends on the need not the ratio

- sounds like TECT is now controlled by priority one
- We applaud the balance TECT has struck between strategic approaches that will bring about transformational change, alongside a responsiveness to the communities needs in terms of facilities, well-being and vibrancy. From an arts & culture perspective, we would like to see a larger investment in infrastructure to support this sector. A contribution to the development of a museum would inspire other investment, with infrastructure such as a black box theatre and studios to support the film and music industry are some things that are top of mind.
- i think it should be less so on housing, and also able to be agile enough on our current facilities, many of which are old. It's ok to help fund the new, but many of the pools, sports centers and community halls are old and need help to make them fit for 2023 and beyond
- To my understanding there is urgent need for responsive funding now. It makes sense to get funding out to our communities now that need it.
- I think that the strategic investments will have the greater impact to quality of life noting that people also like to see the here and now investments that have a more immediate impact.
- Funding framework page does not read well. 3 focus boxes 60%, 40% and 10% = 110%. Size of boxes for Catalyst for Change 20% and Facilities of Regional Significance 20% are disproportionate. Yes the balance is important but also having annual flexibility as projects require, should be more a guidance.
- TECT should not be funding the construction of strategic assets such as the Tauranga civic precinct, especially when it has been promoted and authorised by a dictatorship. TECT should be ashamed with itself for doing this.
- Strategic Funding should be distributed to the community organisations and not to fund council or pseudo council developments. Perception is all wrong.
- Community facilities only. And then in consultation with the communities themselves.
- Providing it is reviewed from time to time.
- The money will not go to where it is needed with your wide ranging ideas, I don't believe this is going towards what the original intentions were.
- This tends to give more to project type grants and leaves the operational costs area a little on the back foot. For some charities this is becoming a much tougher challenge.
- Are you still including individual 6 monthly payments to Trust Power account holders

Do you think 60% and 40% is a good balance for Strategic versus Responsive Grant Funding?

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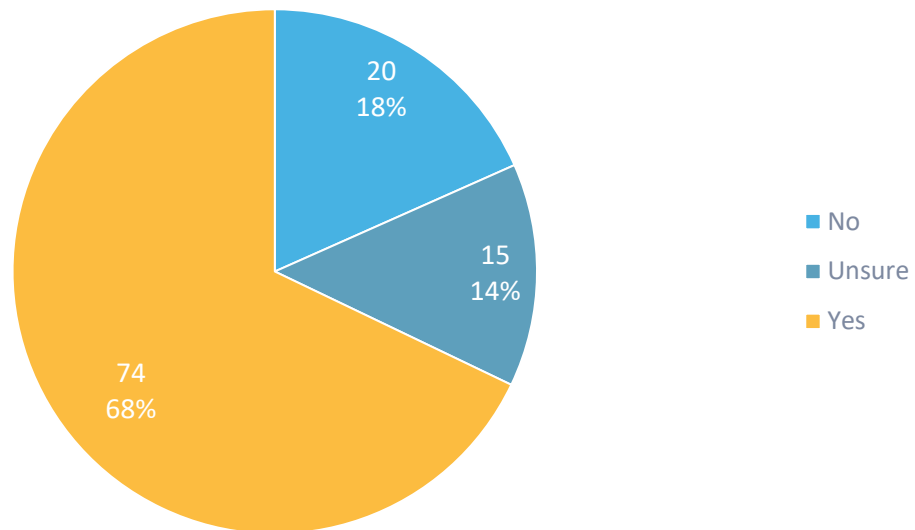
- It is disappointing that you have turned down providing funding for the development of Mount Maunganui playcentre as it is an integral part of our community and many families would be lost without this to support the learning and development of our tamariki, building strong community connections for families. With an optional donation per term it is the only education based centre with the financial barrier eliminated allowing children from all demographics to learn and explore in a safe environment. Everything else in the community to support young children has a cost associated. It would be great if you could review your decision to support mount playcentre
- Does the proposed formula remove the household payments from the community?
- As above see my comments in the last question
- 50%/50%
- Not if it impacts TECTs ability to fund its core
- More specific individual project details required.
- 75% for strategic
- I think perhaps too much is set aside for the facilities of regional significance at this time.
- I think it should be 50% each, our community currently needs equal responsive grant funding as their are families in need.
- Once again it shows TECT is now under the control Priority One. Disgracful

- We think this is a great balance, including the breakdown within each of the strategic and responsive grant funding categories.
- 50/50
- Maybe 70/30
- no - I think it should be the other way around - 40% for strategic and 60% responsive - or make it 50/50
- I am unsure as I like the strategic focus on regional significant projects and change programmes however, the social needs in the community are high and often serviced by community organisations that rely on TECT funding to keep their services open and current. As economies change and inflation rises I am concerned that the current funding budget will constrain the social sector but also the art, culture and creativity organisations increasingly needing support to create the vibrancy and connectedness we need in our communities.
- It should be at least 60% to strategic.
- I'm leaning towards more 40% for strategic and 60% responsive.
- Need more dedicated to the Strategic / long-term so that impacts of climate change are considered and money allocated towards it.
- 60/40 split is considered appropriate - Tauranga has lacked a strategic focus to investment for far too long.
- I wonder whether 40% for responsive projects is too much and may end up meaning that there is not sufficient money for the long term, planned work. I understand that money is needed for unforeseen work, however. Perhaps 35% might be better?
- I think you could move to 70% Strategic Response
- If I was to change it would be more strategic investment however I can see what you are trying to achieve with this mix and i think it will work well.
- I think more should go to Strategic
- Yes as a guidance only and should have some flexibility dependent on project needs.
- Would prefer to see more go on Strategic funding.
- See comments above.
- I would like to see more go towards the longterm built environment because the Tauranga area is often lacking in good community and recreational infrastructure to cope with its steady growth. We need to build ahead of the growth. We have usually built infrastructure decades too late. Good infrastructure would give better ROI over the longterm and adhere closely to your mission. More needs to go to strategic.
- 100% Responsive Grant Funding

- All of it should be responsive.
- See previous comment.
- Again it's deciding how much is being carved up to suit a small minority of politically correct.
- See above comment (4)
- There is a huge amount of info to assimilate, understand and comment on
- It should be 40/60.
- It depends partly on need and priorities.
- Strategic should be higher but allow a broad base of consultation.

Do you agree with this proposed distribution plan?

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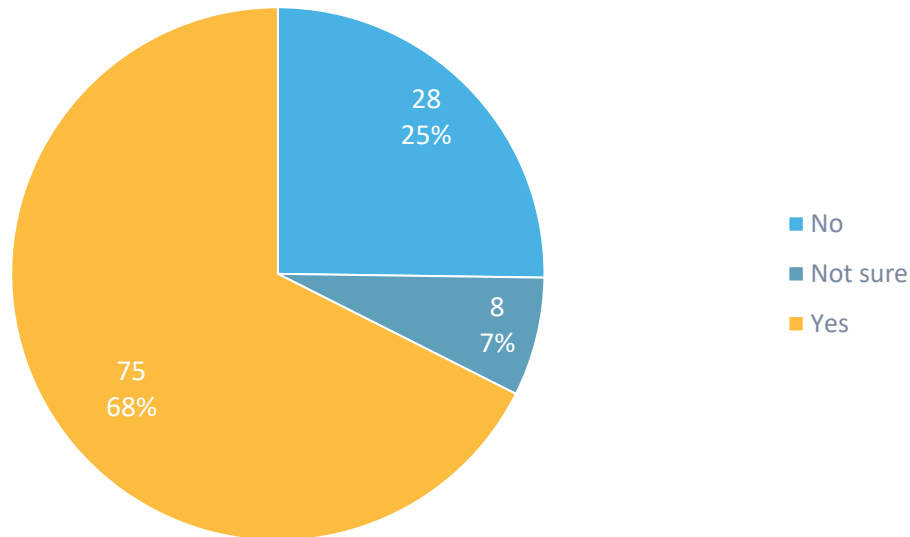
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- More to community facilities
- Don't agree with the civic centre plan!
- Will the funds be able to be moved to different funds as applications increase in certain areas or will they be capped? Will the funds distribution plan be revised each year?
- Need too see ALOT more detail on the stratgic funding It seems a bit high for my liking especially if some of it is going to help rebuild the CBD
- Responsive Funds should be at least half of the total. Strategic Funds is the responsibility of the Council, not power-supply users.
- There needs to be a balance in community funding than currently there is.
- Rebate?
- financially unsustainable
- I would like to see more funding go towards community events. These sorts of things boost moral in people thus a more positive community. The people of Tauranga seem to be quite highly strung and stressed out in the past few years - possibly due to the terrible road infrastructure but it is very noticeable
- All About Growth, not about creating a pleasant lifestyle
- in general, though would need to see the detail of what was in each area

- Think there should be more put into community facilities - taken out of the facilities of regional significance.
- See previous comments. Might want to consider a 5% increase in community development fund so a 55/45 split.
- More in responsive funding
- invest more in safe roads and footpaths
- Te Manawataki is a critical long overdue project that will benefit the region and the Tauranga CBD is the right central location for this. The scope could always increase but as a minimum, TECT should be supporting the current proposal.
- Would prefer to see more funding allocated in future years to Strategic initiatives for the region.
- TECT should not be putting funds into the Tauranga civic precinct or the boutique stadium because both these projects are being promoted and authorised by a dictatorship. In addition to this the civic precinct is contrary to free market principles, which have already given their verdict on Tauranga's inner city.
- More should go to regional and community infrastructure and facilities
- Money should not be allocated to the council civic centre. This is community money and the civic centre is not welcomed by the community.
- All responsive.
- for previous reasons
- Quite weighted towards facilities, concerned with any monies that have Tauranga City Council involvement as there is no democratic leadership in place and current performance of the City Council leadership overall is abysmal.
- The allocation should be 40/60, to deliver to those in need, now. And without knowing more information on where the grants will be delivered, it is impossible to provide a clear answer to this question.
- The proportion allocated to community facilities, particularly maintaining existing infrastructure, could be increased.
- Facilities could be higher to reach a "greater good".

Do you think TECT should provide funding for the Tauranga civic precinct development programme?

Total 111 Responses



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- People are not living or working in the city and adding fancy buildings won't attract more economy. There needs to be affordable housing so people can eat, work, live and play.
- Not in support of a few people creating monuments to themselves without democratic ratepayer approval!
- I think while the investment is a good plan, it should be towards civic assets that offer the Trust a way to generate income in return.
- I reiterate that the Trust should not be funding city council initiated projects which are loss making ventures which will require future ratepayers funding.
- I will be already paying for this project by way of rates. I do not agree to paying further by way of TECT funds. I would rather the funds be used for other purposes. I suspect that a major say in the use and access to the facilities of the Civic precinct will be dictated by the local part Maori people.
- The city had adequate headquarters, library, etc. which were not maintained and should have been remedied. Now they want palaces at ratepayers expense. Do not support them in any way.
- it's probably now or never; we have been endeavouring to have a museum for just so/too long
- Definitely not.
- NO funding should be provided for the CBD except to maintain the TECT theatre. The public voted AGAINST this development more than once and yet the staff and the government commissioners go ahead WHY?? I am deeply concerned about this whole project when the

commissioners added 48 million from the sale of OUR water scheme to the government that was NOT a definite go ahead and they didn't have the money to the budget as funding for their CBD development. WHERE and WHO is going to pick up this GROSS error of management.

- This is a once in a generation opportunity to invest in a transformational civic and cultural precinct for our city, to explore the narratives of the city, and to bring people together for celebration, learning, entertainment and discovery. I want my 3 year old daughter to grow up in a city with a cultural heart, to live in a place that values arts culture and heritage- and most importantly, has a museum!
- But with a reduced allocation. Local community is more important.
- Not to the level proposed. Downtown Tauranga is competing against 4 sizeable suburban shopping malls with their undercover parking, shopping and generally free of people with too much time on their hands including people whose lifestyle appears to mean they are happy living rough. Without community and police help downtown will struggle to bring the right image for wanting families to visit and get involved in.
- Doubtful of the non elected city council ability to prioritise city needs, my right to vote ignored
- It is not the function of TECT to be involved in CBD rejuvenation. This is the responsibility of current property owners in the CBD. Tauranga now has a number of devolved business areas and no other receives, nor should receive TECT funding.
- Emphatically no.
- City council have been proactive in killing the CBD, inappropriate location of bus centre in first place, non stop roadworks killed off businesses, looks like we live in orange cone county, poor parking policy - about time disabled were given free parking, our main street is an embarrassment
- improvements to CBD should be funded by Property Owners
- Absolutely not. I feel the current vision of the TCC is short sighted and out of touch with what the community want in the CBD. Until TCC hold an election and have councilors in place that were put there by the community this project should not be supported. Tauranga has already said they don't want a museum but they persist. So please don't provide funding to a civic precinct development project at this time.
- It is a community facility that will give life to a city centre.
- If it has to go ahead then yes you could support it
- definitely NOT. it isn't the requirement of TECT to do this. it is up to the Council and Government. If they finally think they can't afford to go ahead with their grand plans for the civic project then they will have to deal with that and come to some other solution not TECT nor the Ratepayers.
- I am concerned that the development programme may fail due to issues with other aspects of the city centre - parking, shopping etc. The civic precinct on its own will not be enough to draw in people on a regular basis.
- This is a council initiative and should be funded through rate payers or strategic commercial partnership.

- Absolutely NOT. Disgraceful of TECT to even consider the idea.
- We wholly endorse TECT providing funding for the Tauranga civic precinct development programme and believe that this investment will provide a significant step change for the city in terms of arts, culture, heritage and economic development.
- Font Public Art Trust supports the intention of TECT to provide funding to Te Manawataki o Te Papa as the completion of this city centre project aligns with Font's vision of contributing to the imminent once-in-a-generation transformation of Tauranga city centre. In Font's case by gifting the city a world-class collection of exceptional contemporary public artworks that will ignite and nourish the creative pulse of Tauranga city centre. Font values whanaungatanga in recognising the importance of forming and nurturing relationships that bind us as a city and community. We are ready to do our bit and hope TECT will decide to fund this project as together we can make the centre of Tauranga an exciting place for current and future generations to gather and enjoy.
- Hugely important, this once in a lifetime opportunity to be a critical part of the Civic development, and without TECT's generous financial support the Commissioner's vision, energy and planning may fall short. A once in a lifetime opportunity.
- regionally significant infrastructure which has a positive ongoing effect to surrounding area and revitalising downtown
- Yes because the town centre is dead and needs to be brought to life. The memorial park project will also need significant funding as do other facilities that will serve the community.
- This is a once in a generation strategic opportunity for the people of Tauranga and I believe it is most important for this project to go ahead as planned in its totality (not in bits and pieces). This project creates a clear future for the city centre with spaces where we can all come together. It will be for all of us, now and for future generations. I'd say money well spend!
- This is a significant investment for all Tauranga people and the benefits are massive for the entire community. The investment is catchup due to poor central city planning in the past several years and this will be the catalyst for a more vibrant city center for all to enjoy. We are one of the countries largest cities, however significantly behind others in our maturity and development. This is a great opportunity to create a "sole" for our city and Council appreciates the support of TECT and others (Craigs IP, TCC, etc) who are also providing significant investment in our city.
- Definitely. The civic precinct will provide a central hub for residents and visitors to congregate and enjoy community spaces, events, and services.
- Strategically important for the city.
- Our city needs this. Its time for our community to enjoy the CBD and have positive thoughts about it.
- Absolutely, this is a critical piece of community infrastructure that will help position Tauranga for the future, whilst delivering community benefits now and over time.
- as much as it is able to as its a asset that will be used for a very long time and tauranga needs to have something that make it a nicer city

- Everyone complains that the city centre is dead - this would help to attract visitors and locals to the CBD, increase spend with businesses, encourage redevelopment, and improve services on offer.
- This is an extremely important project, as compared to other large cities, Tauranga is 'culturally bald'. It is unusually to find such a large urban centre with no museum, no visitor experience sites, no large library. It is quite baffling.
- This is fundamental to the economic sustainability and success of a vibrant future city for Tauranga's city and surrounding region - for generations to come.
- This is a "nice to have" but not affordable project at the moment. Many other areas should be more forthcoming in planning where necessity arises.
- Tauranga will shrink and decline without a beating heart. This once in a lifetime opportunity to leave a legacy of a growing and thriving city for our children and grandchildren to call home is something TECT must be a lead supporter. This is where you can make the greatest long term benefits to our community wellbeing, cultural, economic and environmental.
- As someone born In Tauranga in the 1970's I remember the Tauranga CBD thriving and being the heartbeat of the city. Given TECT and its assets originated from the residents of the central city suburbs these funds should be applied as a priority to the civic development. The civic development programme is critical to a properly functioning CBD and the direct and indirect benefits it has for the rest of the city.
- Personally I think Tauranga city centre really needs the upgrade in order to become more accessible and community focused. At the moment it is very tired and in desperate need of some TLC. Personally our young family would definitely utilise the city centre more if it was more accessible and welcoming.
- TECT should also consider ways to also invest to see a return
- they have spent the time to develop the best ideas
- This is an amazing opportunity for the city and region and should be supported. TECT should partner closely with TCC to help enable projects like this.
- TECT should not be putting funds into the Tauranga civic precinct or the boutique stadium because both these projects are being promoted and authorised by a dictatorship. In addition to this the civic precinct is contrary to free market principles, which have already given their verdict on Tauranga's inner city.
- 100%
- Limit and balance it...not at expense of other facilities.
- The development is flawed and not the best result for Tauranga. It is a project being pushed through under urgency and without community support or involvement. Working at this speed will lead to large cost overruns and a mediocre result.
- No, No ,No, No!

- Please support this project, our wonderful city needs more places of significance. More places to interact, share experiences, learn our history.
- yes indeed, it has been along time coming, with many obstacles
- it has been such a long time coming, please ensure that it does actually happen. i so support the civic precinct development even though i may not be around to appreciate/enjoy/use it.
- This Council has demonstrated that it cannot spend funds wisely and concentrates on feel good projects rather than practical ones. Any funding by TECT is likely to be spent on consultants or wasted in some other way.
- WE need the project proposals to succeed so that our city once again has a heart.
- Until there is a democratically elected and accountable council with fair and equitable representation in place, not a dime should be committed to anything they are involved with. Your comments above say "community engagement", my interaction with the council processes indicate they engage but do not listen or adjust, simply go through a process to look like they consult and continue on there merry way.
- Council has already spent millions of dollars doing up the downtown precinct. Hardly anybody goes there so don't support it.
- Definitely a good idea.
- My understanding is council have capped their contribution at 50% of budgeted cost. If the project runs over budget (highly likely given historical construction projects) will council come back to the table, or will the community/other funding sources be required to absorb all increases/over runs? If so, is this feasible?
- Comments are already made herein. Of note, Tauranga City Council's Commissioners made this decision on the Civic Centre and it was never the subject of a formal LG election process, where the topic could be endorsed, or not, through candidate support, by the city's ratepayers - the people paying a large part of the cost. LGNZ has lost sight of the fact that City Councils are the local people's representatives. They exist to administer civic services and to steer local and regional growth and facilities. But they are always funded by the ratepayers and that requires them to adhere to ratepayer's wishes, if clearly mandated via election outcomes. Tauranga City has been deprived of this process, by one Labour Government Minister. That is undemocratic and places any major strategic decisions in question, until free and unfettered elections are regained, for the city's ratepayers. Accordingly, Tect should remain well clear of the City Precinct Project and direct funds to Community needs, instead.
- Definitely.
- The impact long term gives both the pride in our community with much needed facilities that have been well overlooked in the past.

Is there any other feedback or input you would like to share with us?

- Mount Playcentre is a critical community facility, without funding from TECT we may be forced to close. Closure would be a significant loss to the Western Bay Community. We support the Draft Strategy and consider Playcentre is aligned to the vision, purpose and strategic focus areas. We urge TECT reconsider Mount Playcentre's application for funding to enable continued operation of our centre and to enable the community to thrive.
- I am a member of the Mount Maunganui Playcentre and we have been told we need to relocate for over 10 years, maybe more like 15. We have poured a lot of time and energy into raising funds and applying for grants to make sure we can do this when we get kicked out of our current building behind Blakepark. I am really disappointed to hear that we failed to get the support of TECT as playcentre is so vital to the community and for our young people to play, learn and thrive in the safety of their parents presence. This is the only facility that provides this option for preschoolers. We don't know what we will do now without TECTs support. We are all devastated as will our young tamariki.
- Urge you to reconsider funding Mount Maunganui playcentre relocation
- I agree with and support TECT's strategic plan, however, wish to express my personal disappointment with a funding application that was recently turned down for Mount Maunganui Playcentre's relocation project. As a member of this Playcentre, I can categorically say how beneficial Playcentre has been for my family since joining in 2020 with my two young children. It has allowed me to connect with other families in the community, allowed me a safe, comfortable and welcoming space and my children have absolutely thrived at Playcentre. Part of Playcentre Aotearoa's philosophy is to empower adults and children to work, play, learn and grow together and this has proven true for my family at Mount Playcentre. It is a thriving, bustling, wonderful place with full roll and I am certain I have made lifelong friends and connections within my community thanks to Playcentre. It is surprising that this has not been recognised by TECT given its focus on Community Wellbeing and Vibrancy (Te Mauri me te Orangatanga).
- Playcentre Mount Maunganui falls under this category: Community Facilities: Funding in this category is targeted towards the build of new facilities or the purchase/upgrade of an existing facility that has significant community benefit. And as a playcentre member who attends weekly, with 130 other family's. Some Of which who have been part of playcentre for generations. As mothers, now trained educators. This type of facility is essential to building blocks of community which is being pushed out by tourists, investors and holiday homes. It's changed my life in the pandemic with restrictions and birthing alone - playcentre offers new mothers and parents a safe place to learn to take on their new role in life. Nowhere is like Playcentre. Please look at our funding application as a multigenerational commitment to Tauranga.
- I agree with TECT proposals in general but am not happy with the Tga Commissioners & council methods and rough shod attitudes!
- The recent decisions around not funding Mount Maunganui Playcentre for its relocation project was incredible disappointing. The Trust has explicitly communicated its desire to strengthen the sustainability of community organisations that make a significant impact on shaping the quality of life and wellbeing for all. If anything Playcentre is the poster-child for this exact kaupapa. Family and children centred organisations like Playcentre are a much-needed community group that significantly impact and shape our community, yet you have failed to support them in a way that will determine its future within our city. If anything comes of this consultation, I hope it is

the desperate need to access your decision making process and when organisations clearly meet your funding criteria, then there shall be no reason not to accept the application. It is vital that the Trust clearly understands, without prejudice, the true purpose, mission and impact on our city of each organisation you are assessing for funding BEFORE making decisions. Because if the TECT Trust truly did this, then I believe, it would have had no trouble funding the Mount Maunganui Playcentre relocation project.

- There is a great deal of anger in the community about the handling of assets and involvement of minority groups in public funded facilities. By contributing to the Civic Precinct, TECT will further the growing divide in this country.
- With so much annual profit accruing you need to consider cheaper power to consumers. These could be by way of higher rebates. Each annual rebate on a sliding scale and relative to your costs incurred over the year.
- Do not grant monies to 'white elephants' like the proposed Boutique Stadium especially when this is being pushed through when the public are not in favour from a majority point of view. And the stadium will be too small for national events, has no parking and will only end up keeping the community out of the last, green space that the general public could enjoy with freedom in the central city area
- Insignificant consultation, eg Downtown Museum building when Historical Village should be expanded to include fitting Museum, not a fancy building "downtown"
- Give a lot more funding to each Trust Power paying individual instead of \$500 a year. WE ARE STRUGGLING TOO WITH THE INCREASE OF POWER AND LIVING COST
- Stop playing politics and just allocate more money to the people so they can decide if they want to contribute to your projects. All these community projects will be used by a small minority but the majority will have to pay for it as usual.
- The people involved in CBD planning need to include city centre stakeholders NOT just council and TECT
- Why do elected and unelected Trustees receive remuneration for their involvement while they purport to be Philanthropists
- I think I've said enough. See prior comments. Local and national government seems now totally centred on minorities. Working people now sit discussing the world in private as we aren't allowed to talk out loud!
- I think Te Puna quarry could perhaps do with some more help, ie more security cameras etc although I am not a member. It is a wonderful place and a credit to all the volunteers who work there.
- I would like to see more focus on supporting the most vulnerable people in our community - housing, social support, health and welfare support, how to ensure our children go to school every day and keep out of trouble....
- The funding from TECT is critical for community support in helping families come through poverty, homelessness, family violence, mental health challenges, addiction and many other factors. Please don't waste your reserves on supporting Tauranga City Council on 'nice to have'

projects. The children in our community need your support more than ever. A fancy space in Tauranga will not give them a warm safe home.

- It now seems that TECT is now a puppet of Priority and its cousins to direct TECT monies away from the community to help fund their self centered dreams of what they believe is great for everyone else.
- Congratulations on developing a draft strategic plan that is clear and concise about what TECT is aiming to achieve over the next 10 years and your areas of focus. This is a very exciting time for our city and sub-region and TECT is extremely well engaged at both a governance and operational level to understand the needs of a diverse range of sectors and community groups and to deliver transformational change.
- Here's the situation for which TECT's specific financial assistance is urgently needed. Many, many citizens have purchased e-bikes. \$50mill two yrs back .they will not bike into town without safe, secure, sheltered parking readily available. ebikes are hot property for thieves. i have viewed 3 types of suitable bike storage in NZ. This facility may be the most important in the CBD for bringing in foot traffic , people with money to spend, people to bring vibrancy and life to the City with so many environmental and traffic benefits. Might TECT proudly display its social responsibility on plentiful safe sheltered bike parking facilities in the civic centre? Money well spent fulfilling its well stated Aims. Whakatane has started putting there's in!
- Art, culture and vibrancy are sorely missing and need invested to the max
- More funding for current facilities and their level of service Help with some new facilities that help the city be known regionally Help fund community facilities - not housing, not council buildings (for staff or council). how can the current facilities grow more/ more courts, better play in them / around them, more water play, etc
- TECT is a great organisation and contributes such a lot to the community! Thank you for the work you do!
- Well done for getting community input again on your decision making!
- Investing in the city centre is an important step so that future generations can enjoy a safe, vibrant and fun city centre where people want to go to and spend time.
- more funds should be allocated to the new library - musem - civic center it a once in a lifetime to get something right and wort visiting Tauranga for - and as TECT is about the community i think that this will reach more members of the community that you currently do
- TECT do a fantastic job ensuring that the community continue to benefit from the original sale of the energy assets well into the future. Thank you for thinking about the best way to leave a legacy for our now and future community.
- The civic redevelopment benefits each and every Tauranga city resident as well as those in the surrounding Western Bay which is the entire reason TECT was established. As someone who is Tauranga born and bred and remembers the CBD as the the thriving center of Tauranga I cannot stress enough the importance of the Civic development to our city's future. If we do not take this opportunity we may not get another
- All in all I think funding to community led projects should definitely be the main focus as this creates more oppourtunities to facilitate participatory democracy. Under ordinary

circumstances funding for things like developing city centre should really come from government level, but as the reality we live in at the moment does not allow for the complete transformation of the Tauranga centre to the level it really needs, I think private funding to help the project get across is very important. I would like to see some emphasis to creating opportunities to local artists and artisans to contribute to the reconstruction of the city, and mana whenua of course.

- Keep the money flowing into the local community, it is a great asset!!
- TECT should not be putting funds into the Tauranga civic precinct or the boutique stadium because both these projects are being promoted and authorised by a dictatorship. In addition to this the civic precinct is contrary to free market principles, which have already given their verdict on Tauranga's inner city.
- TECT is a wonderful asset for Tauranga, especially when you can see the tangible and enduring infrastructure built by TECT years later. Facility investment gives TECT the best bang for its buck.
- Suggest you use the "Facilities of Regional Significance" fund to build the express cycleway/tsunami escape routes in Papamoa. This will be used daily by the community. See www.eastercorridoralliance.com
- Since I've been here I can see the valuable work TECT has done in supporting many worthwhile community projects and organizations including some I am a member of. Local government cannot do it all so support like your organization is vital for us to continue to develop as a community.
- What form will your consultation take? This is only feedback, not consultation. How will communities have any influence?
- the work of the Commission has been so appreciated, . the civic development is well overdue, and has my absolute support. thank you kia kaha marlene
- Not at all happy with your distribution
- The large investments you can now make in transformational initiatives make TECT a primary force for change across the whole of the Western Bay of Plenty. No other cities other than Auckland have that advantage. The move to community focus rather than customer focus provides us all with a significant advantage on a continuing basis. We are proud of your progress and support your future direction. Thank you and well done.
- The Tauranga CBD is a disaster area. I see grandiose plans to spend lots of money, build intensive housing to attract people into the area, to do what? play where? work where? So we have massive development to build cycle lanes and pedestrian ways, remove hundreds of car parks and somehow magically everyone will adjust and use public transport, cycles or walk. The only places where this kind of development has historically been forced onto a populace would be in the likes of Socialist East Germany - and we all know how that ended....
- TECT's funding distribution from a holistic perspective is well balanced and equitable. Thank you for your kaupapa.
- As a resident in Tauranga since 1999, I have seen Tect change from appearing to be a local Community welfare assistance trust, to clubs and groups, to wanting to participate as a much

larger, social development organisation, especially with its (now) 60% funding on Strategic Plans. This should not be the Trust's objective, at all. The ratepayers, through democratic Council elections and candidate selection, should be determining where strategic markers are placed and supported - not Tect. Return to the original scale and focus, in the years before the Trust is wound up. That is where any funds should be distributed. And especially not on a dubious project like the Civic Centre and park, a project that has never faced an election mandate, by the ratepayers.

- I am keen on low impact building science. This means low energy over the life of development. On harvesting both solar power and rain water. On low impact on the infrastructure. Also I do not see any extraordinary architecture yet.
- Past allocations to organisations supporting cultural heritage have been relatively very small, limited largely it seems to the BOP Classic Aircraft Trust, Tauranga Art Gallery Trust and Western Bay Heritage Trust. Like churches, schools and recreational groups (which have received significant funding in the past), cultural heritage sites and facilities also play an important role in creating a sense of belonging in the community. They are a significant educational resource, entailing awareness of our shared history, and, in the case of, for example, Brain Watkins House and The Elms in Tauranga, providing rare inner-city green spaces for quiet contemplation. They contribute to the mental health of individuals and to community cohesion through promoting a sense of our shared past.
- It will never be cheaper than now to get the Civic amenities off the ground. The Museum has a perfect opportunity to align itself with thousands of Tourists off the Cruise ships. For example over 100 cruise ships sending say 5 busloads would amount to 20,000 people paying say \$20. A tidy sum to offset running costs.