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Subject: RE: Wastewater rates for the Mapua Hall
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Hi Reinhard

Thanks for this email. I will include it as correspondence for the next Assn meeting and no doubt it will also come up for discussion.

Cheers

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Subject: Wastewater rates for the Mapua Hall

Good afternoon,

As promised at the May meeting I would like to keep you informed about any progress with regard to the waste water rates charged to the hall.

There are actually two major points to mention.

At the end of the meeting Cr Tim King advised that the Local Government Rating Act 2002 a charge for waste water rates based on volume is not allowed anymore. I stated that this is wrong and that is still possible. After I found the relevant articles in the act and read them, I have to admit that Tim was right and it is not allowed anymore. I have apologised to him.

We asked Russel Holden, the Corporate Services Finance Manager about the total income from waste water rates and which percentage comes from non-profit organisations like the Mapua Hall. He replied with the following email:

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Dear Mr Gebhard.

In reply to your query, I advise that unfortunately we do not hold specific data in the rating information database about whether land owners are non-profit organisations, so are unable to supply the information you have requested.

However, we do have properties that are listed as non-rateable, (for most rates), under schedule 1, part 1 of the Local Government Rating Act. This includes the likes of national parks, schools, religious land, etc.

Of those properties we can advise that TDC had 196 rates assessment in this classification in 2017-2018, of which 60 are Tasman District Council owned properties. The total Wastewater Rates charged in 2017-18 from this group was around \$655K.

Total planned Wastewater Rate revenue was almost \$12 million, so we're looking at about 5% using these figures.

You may be aware that the Wastewater Rate has a differential, where there is a reduction in the Rate charged to Ratepayers that have more than one "Pan". This provides a level of discount for those ratepayers with multiple Pans. The charging structure is; 100% for the first Pan, 75% for Pans 2-9, and 50% for more than 10 pans.

Regards

Russell

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This has to go back to the new hall committee, elected at our AGM next month for further discussion. Any support from MDCA would certainly be welcomed. We have left our rental rates for the hall at the same level for the third year now and have the goal to keep them as low as possible in the future.

Kind regards

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