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Submission to Nelson City Council LTP Consultation - 28 April 2015  
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Subject : Minimising Water Use

The LTP considers many aspects of infrastructure provision for water supply, which is excellent, but pays very little attention to steps that can be taken to encourage minimisation of water use. We believe that the LTP needs to have a section focused specifically on this, or we will be spending a lot of time and energy building and maintaining infrastructure that was not necessary.

Because relatively little work has been done in this area until now, this could easily produce many benefits, as well as continuing to improve the awareness of this issue in the minds of the public. Some quick examples include :

- Options in the water supply rating system. Instead of simply charging a flat rate per cubic metre, have other rates that customers could select (e.g. a low use rate, "WaterMiser?", that rewards frugal

consumers with a lower-than-average rate per cubic metre). Leave the current flat rate system in place as the default, for those who don't want to change.

- Subsidise small water saving barrels.
- Develop simple information for people to take their own water readings and work out what their next water bill is likely to be, to encourage regular awareness of water use, rather than waiting for a reading every six months and then making short-lived resolutions to improve.
- Selling or publishing information about portable meters for gardeners.
- Encourage grey water reuse systems.

This focus on infrastructure optimisation would possibly reduce the income from water rates, but would mean that the Council would have less to find to pay for an ever increasing demand. It would also make it easier to match the water supply, which is changing.

It would be great if the Council was willing to do something interesting & different in this area, and lead the way for others.

Alison Horn and David Ayre

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