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## Development Contributions Policy feedback

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Aotea Great Barrier Local Board provides the following feedback to the Development Contributions Policy:

- We acknowledge and support the overall principle of the policy to pay for urban Auckland's growing infrastructure needs in an equitable manner.
- Thank you for acknowledging our previous submission and we fully support the position of the policy that Aotea Great Barrier Island be assessed on a case by case basis and not as part of the Rural Islands funding area.
- We are a unique place with a unique situation and few of the charges within the Development Contributions Policy relate to Great Barrier, such as:
  - Aotea Great Barrier Island has no reticulated power, nor water. We have **no stormwater** system and **no public transport**. Our community lives entirely off the grid.
  - The island also has **no council owned community halls, community centres or aquatic centres**. All community meeting and sports facilities/parks are privately owned with the exception of the golf course which is council owned and leased by a local group.
- We have a number of properties in multiple ownership eg: Windy Hill; Wairahi; Arohanui; Little Goat; Waterfall Bay which seem unfairly affected with development contributions especially due to the fact most multi-dwelling properties on Great Barrier put in all their own roads, driveways and infrastructure (WWS and power).
- Building on island has extra demands not associated with urban developments such as extra barge freight costs for building materials; Geotech reports for waste; off the grid power systems; lizard reports; travel costs for planners (flights, parking, and time). It is a high cost for building with little infrastructure provided.
- There is no social nor pensioner housing on the island. Affordable housing is difficult to find on the island and rental accommodation is near impossible. The expensive consenting process, build and development contributions are making new builds prohibitive.
- Our island relies on a robust resident population as well as tourism – the proposed Development Contributions are prohibitive, out of scale for the island, and will inhibit our growth.
- We support Development Contributions being used to incentivize social and affordable social housings initiatives, such as Auckland Community Housing Provider's Network's submission initiative to establish a Community Housing Provider HUE.