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## 1 Convention Centre

**Do you support the revised rating model for the proposed convention centre?**

I choose not to answer

### Convention Centre Comments

The convention centre will benefit the whole commercial community and therefore whilst we agree the CBD will get a higher % of benefit there will be a flow on effect to every body. The residents will also benefit but that will be to a smaller degree and is not so much one of financial gain more of an improved life style with better facilities and more sustainability. We need to mix our visitor count and ensure for the future we are seeking increased dollar spending guests, our infrastructure cannot cope with an ever increasing numbers game, we need to specialise and seek out less for more. We need every commercial operation to benefit in some way from our visitors not just the "big boys". Our town thrives on small business's that are innovative with activities and events we need them to prosper too. The benefits of conventions and conferences in our town will help make up the versatility, vibrancy and general atmosphere of success which attracts people to us. The location will help support an area for apartment living behind for "our workers" and we suggest that any future major business coming to town is required to supply / build worker accommodation. So we believe a fair and equitable rating model is necessary to support the initial start up process and a safety blanket until the project is running successfully or taken over by a private developer/hotel management company or convention company. We also believe a visitor levy could in some way contribute to this process if done fairly throughout the community in the foreseeable future.

## 5 Water and Wastewater – a Standardised Rate

**Do you agree that Council should further investigate the principle of a standardised rate for water and wastewater?**

Yes