

Mackenzie District Council – Submission on LTP 2018

Q4 KEY ISSUE: Roothing

OPTION 2: Include budgets in each year of the plan for all roading improvement projects that attract NZTA co-funding, and borrow to fund Council's 49% share.

With the significant increase in tourism and related traffic the MDC is encouraged to utilize NZTA co-funding while it is available to maximum advantage for the district. In the current political climate there is a concern that NZTA funding may be reduced while a preference for public transport is pursued.

Q5 OTHER ISSUES: Do you have feedback on any of the other issues or projects outlined in the Consultation Document or any of the supporting documents?

Worker Accommodation - Re zoning is supported to enable this critical area of infrastructure to be developed.

Co-funded infrastructure projects - the MDC has effectively applied for and received funding in this area. The MDC is encouraged to commit to a schedule of infrastructure developments with a big picture plan prioritising individual projects with estimated time frames and budgets again to maximise co funding.

Strategic Study - the South Canterbury Chamber supports and encourages MDC to commit to a strategic study. The funding required for this will exceed the amount budgeted and MDC is encouraged to seek external funding to help support this critical piece of work e.g Provincial Growth Fund. The South Canterbury Chamber could assist in this work. It is recognized that that the Mackenzie District must also retain a focus on agriculture and associated production and transport the comments above are not limited solely to tourism