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Thoughts on issues for Hahei rate payers

HAHEI RETICULATED SEWERAGE.

Firstly:- The infrastructure needs to be in place before anymore expansion or infill housing is allowed.

It seems to be a mindset, that build first and the extra rates will help fund any improvements. I have seen this in so many areas around the country and especially Auckland.

The Hahei sewerage system is maxing out especially in holiday periods and the fact that it is allowed to run into the Wigmore stream, is becoming a health hazard.

It has to go on the urgent list.

THREE WATERS

I do not support the three waters proposal.

With the way this Government has handled and not kept its promises, I cannot see any benefit in forming a new entity to combat problems. This is where a responsible Council in liason with its ratepayers must work together for the greater good of the communities.

HAHEI DRINKING WATER

This is a problem that cannot be fixed overnight as far as a treatment plant is concerned. A quick solution for those affected and also for those on tank water, is to install an inline UV filter.

We have one on our rural property, and are required to have it tested on a yearly basis, due to having food grade facilities and it always passes well under the threshold.

MARINE RESERVE....

While I do love having the marine reserve on my doorstep, we have to also be mindful of the recreational fishermen and women that come to Hahei for that very reason. So a good compromise would have to be reached to protect our coastal food basket and fish population.

CLIMATE CHANGE/ COASTAL DEGREDDATION.

Climate change? Where is the evidence? What happened to "Global warming?"

There is a lot of "scaremongering" going on but there is no evidence to back it up. The climate is cyclic, and adverse weather will always affect the coastline. People want to live as close to the beach as possible. This will always affect the coastline.

Maybe the solution is to restrict any developments that will compromise the coastline.

I have a meme on my phone.

The most powerful Governments on earth can't keep a virus from spreading.....

...But they say they can change the earth's temperature if you pay more taxes.

As a footnote. I do believe we have a role to play in keeping our environment clean and green and it starts with each individual.

We have chosen to do our part and have built an eco-friendly home from the earth on our property. We are off-grid and manage all our own water reticulation and waste.

Taxing people is not the solution.

Education is.