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This article reports that West Coast Regional Council has approved an increase in rates of 7.5%, giving total increases over the past four years of almost 90%. The article provides data relating to the council's expenditure.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

[West Coast Regional Council rates up almost 90% in four years after latest rise | The Press](#)

HOW MUCH YOU'LL BE PAYING UNDER WELLINGTON'S NEW WATER REGIME

This article reports that new water entity, Tiaki Wai, has just issued Wellington residents with new water bills which will increase on average by 13.3% this financial year. The article hears from the mayor who tries to make sense of the confusion being felt.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

<https://www.rnz.co.nz/news/regions/839342/how-much-you-ll-be-paying-under-wellington-s-new-water-regime>