



Te Kaunihera-ā-Rohe o Ngāmotu

**New Plymouth  
District Council**

**COUNCIL  
MEETING AGENDA**

**Tuesday 25 May 2021  
at 1pm**

**COUNCIL CHAMBER  
LIARDET STREET, NEW PLYMOUTH**

**Chairperson:**

**Members:**

Mayor	Neil	Holdom
Cr	Tony	Bedford
Cr	Sam	Bennett
Cr	Gordon	Brown
Cr	David	Bublitz
Cr	Anneka	Carlson
Cr	Murray	Chong
Cr	Amanda	Clinton-Gohdes
Cr	Harry	Duynhoven
Cr	Richard	Handley
Cr	Stacey	Hitchcock
Cr	Colin	Johnston
Cr	Richard	Jordan
Cr	Dinnie	Moeahu
Cr	Marie	Pearce

**Purpose of Local Government**

The reports contained in this agenda address the requirements of the Local Government Act 2002 in relation to decision making. Unless otherwise stated, the recommended option outlined in each report meets the purpose of local government and:

- Promote the social, economic, environmental, and cultural well-being of communities in the present and for the future.
- Would not alter significantly the intended level of service provision for any significant activity undertaken by or on behalf of the Council, or transfer the ownership or control of a strategic asset to or from the Council.

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**APOLOGIES**

None advised

**Elected Members Declaration of Interests** (ECM8481389)

**as at 8 April 2021**

(please advise the Governance Team of any amendments)

**Mayor and Councillors**

<b>Name of Member</b>	<b>Interest Being Declared</b>	<b>Nature of Interest/Transaction (includes positional or transactional interests eg funding agreements, proposals and other relationships)</b>
Tony Bedford	Taranaki Electricity Trust Waitara Services and Citizens Club Hurricanes Alumni Hurricanes Schools Council Residential Property Owner Family Trust Taranaki Electricity Trust Hurricanes Alumni Taranaki Elite Athletes Foundation	Trustee Member Member Life Member  Trustee Council appointee
Sam Bennett	Speaking Made Easy Full Circle Bespoke Life Events Heart of Brooklands New Plymouth Operatic Society Celebrants Association of New Zealand Residential Property Owner APJ and DM Bennett and PJ Bennett Star Gym	Ownership of company and contract with NPDC  Sponsorship Manager  Family Trust Council representative

Name of Member	Interest Being Declared	Nature of Interest/Transaction (includes positional or transactional interests eg funding agreements, proposals and other relationships)
Gordon Brown	Taranaki Chamber of Commerce New Plymouth Bowls Club Writing Services Ltd Sport Taranaki (Chair) Friends of Pukekura Park	Contracting work Member Director Council appointee Council appointee
David Bublitz	New Plymouth Boys' High School New Plymouth Golf Club Residential Property owner Bublitz Family Trust YMCA Taranaki Taranaki Elite Athletes Foundation Yarrow Stadium Joint Committee	Employee Member  Board member Council appointee Council appointee
Anneka Carlson	Pride Taranaki Residential property owner Taranaki Elite Athletes Foundation	Chairperson  Council appointee
Murray Chong	Not advised	
Amanda Clinton-Gohdes	Institute of Directors Residential Property Owner Family trust beneficiary Dress for Success New Plymouth Trust District Licensing Committee	Member  Board member (resigning April 2021) Deputy Chairperson
Harry Duynhoven	Not advised	

<b>Name of Member</b>	<b>Interest Being Declared</b>	<b>Nature of Interest/Transaction (includes positional or transactional interests eg funding agreements, proposals and other relationships)</b>
Richard Handley	Cogwheel Investment Club Residential Property Owner Tainui Rest Home Hadley Tarawera Ltd Taranaki Retreat YMCA Taranaki Taranaki RSA Vestry of St Mary's Cathedral TRC Solid Waste Working Party	Member  Director Sole shareholder and director  Board member  Member Council appointee
Stacey Hitchcock	Casual employment New Plymouth Mountain Bike Club Taranaki Alpine Club Residential Property Owner Creative Taranaki Taranaki Trails Trust Jobhop Limited TRC Policy and Planning Committee	Department of Conservation (self-employed contractor) Member Member  (no financial benefit) Trustee Shareholder Council appointee
Neil Holdom	New Plymouth Mountain Bike Club Lifestyle Block Owner (Smallholding) TRC Civil Defence Emergency Management Committee	Member  Council appointee

Name of Member	Interest Being Declared	Nature of Interest/Transaction (includes positional or transactional interests eg funding agreements, proposals and other relationships)
Colin Johnston	The Vintage Car Club of NZ Taranaki Branch Waitara Town and Country Club Waitara Town and Country Club Residential Property Owner Puke Ariki Trust Johnston Collections Friends of PUkekura Park Heritage Taranaki	Current Chairman / 50 year badge holder  Life Member / Past President Debenture holder  Member Private Museum owner Council appointee Council appointee
Richard Jordan	Fun Ho! Toys Inglewood Development Trust Inglewood Club TRI Residential Property Owner Commercial Property Owner	Director Manager / Trustee Member Member
Dinnie Moeahu	Institute of Directors Little Fighters Trust Change is Coming Coaching Ngā Manu Reo Toastmasters Tātai Te Kotahitanga o Te Atiawa Te Korowai o Ngaruahine Te Kahui o Taranaki Puketapu Ngāti te Whiti Ngati Moeahu Ngati Manuhiakai	Member Ambassador Managing Director Member Business Advisor Affiliate Affiliate Affiliate Affiliate Affiliate Affiliate Affiliate



<b>Name of Member</b>	<b>Interest Being Declared</b>	<b>Nature of Interest/Transaction (includes positional or transactional interests eg funding agreements, proposals and other relationships)</b>
Marie Pearce	Rural Property Owner Wakefield Family Trust Inglewood First Trust Inglewood Mini Golf Trust Inglewood District Health Trust Taranaki Arts Festival Trust	Council appointee

**Community Boards****as at 31 March 2021**

(please advise the Governance Team of any amendments)

<b>Name of Member</b>	<b>Interest Being Declared</b>	<b>Nature of Interest/Transaction (includes positional or transactional interests eg funding agreements, proposals and other relationships)</b>
Jono Burrows	Nil	
Graham Chard	Not advised	
Mel Cook	Nil	
Paul Coxhead	Nil	
Trevor Dodunski		
Christine Fabish	Summit Agriculture Dudley District Hall Committee Hudson Essex Terraplane Club	Contractor Member Member
Neville Hagenson	Not advised	
Doug Hislop	Ōākura Boardriders Club Residential Land Owner Taranaki Biodiversity Trust	Member
Andrew Larsen	Not advised	
Jonathan Marshall	Not advised	
Tyla Nickson	Not advised	
Warren Petersen	Not advised	
Joe Rauner	Not advised	
Graeme Sykes	St Andrews Anglican Church, Inglewood Paraninihi Anglican Archdeconry QM Services Ltd Inglewood Golf Club Egmont Village Community House	Vestry Secretary, Synod Rep Treasurer Director Member Committee member

Name of Member	Interest Being Declared	Nature of Interest/Transaction (includes positional or transactional interests eg funding agreements, proposals and other relationships)
Murray Seamark	Nil	
Paul Verić	Taranaki District Health Board Independent Management Consultant Ōākura School Board of Trustees Residential Property Owner BTE Consulting LTd PASS Ltd Veric Family Trust	Member    Director Director

## **ADDRESSING THE MEETING**

*Requests for public forum and deputations need to be made at least one day prior to the meeting. The Chairperson has authority to approve or decline public comments and deputations in line with the standing order requirements.*

## **PUBLIC FORUM**

*Public Forums enable members of the public to bring matters to the attention of the committee which are not contained on the meeting agenda. The matters must relate to the meeting's terms of reference. Speakers can speak for up to 5 minutes, with no more than two speakers on behalf of one organisation.*

- None advised

## **DEPUTATIONS**

*Deputations enable a person, group or organisation to speak to the meeting on matters contained on the agenda. An individual speaker can speak for up to 10 minutes. Where there are multiple speakers for one organisation, a total time limit of 15 minutes, for the entire deputation, applies.*

- Bruce Neale

## **PREVIOUS COUNCIL MINUTES**

### **Recommendation:**

**That the minutes of the following meeting of the Council, and the proceedings of the said meeting, as circulated, be taken as read and confirmed as a true and correct record:**

<b>Council</b>	<b>2 March 2021</b>
<b>Extraordinary Council</b>	<b>28 April 2021</b>
<b>Council (LTP Hearings)</b>	<b>4-7 May 2021</b>

## **COMMITTEE MINUTES**

### **Recommendation**

**That the minutes of the following meetings, as circulated be received and:**

- a) Decisions made under delegated authority by the committees be incorporated in the minutes of this meeting of the Council.**

**Strategy and Operations Committee (20 April 2021)  
Te Huinga Taumatua (11 May 2021)**

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## **REPORTS**

- 1 NPDC Performance Report for 1 July 2020 to 31 March 2021
- 2 Approval to Dispose of Small Parcel of Land in Waitara
- 3 Underwrite for WOMAD NZ against Pandemic Cancellation
- 4 Exclusion of the Public from the Remainder of the Meeting

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## **NPDC PERFORMANCE REPORT FOR PERIOD 1 JULY 2020 TO 31 MARCH 2021**

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### **PURPOSE**

1. The purpose of this report is to advise of the Council's performance for the period 1 July 2020 to 31 March 2021 of the 2020/21 financial year.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

**That, having considered all matters raised in the report, the report be noted.**

### **SIGNIFICANCE AND ENGAGEMENT**

2. This report is provided for information purposes only, and has been assessed as being of some importance.

### **DISCUSSION**

3. The Council's performance and progress towards meeting its objectives and key performance measures, as set out in its Long-Term Plan 2018-2028, are reported on a quarterly basis. The quarterly report also covers information on financial performance.
  4. The Council has 82 Key Performance Indicators (KPI) of which 45 have been achieved or are on track. Twenty-five KPIs do not have data available yet and will be reported in the annual report. Three KPIs are behind target, one relating to Puke Ariki and Community Libraries reflective of a coding error that calculates new library memberships and two relating to venues and events reflective of the effects of Covid on the events industry. The target has not been met for nine KPI as follows:
    - Three KPI are essentially out of date and are proposed to be updated within Long-Term Plan 2021-2031;
    - Two KPIs relate to high numbers of building and resource consent applications;
    - Two KPIs relate to abatement notices;
    - One KPI reflects an increase in household waste; and
    - One KPI relates to complaints about water supply following shut downs.
  5. This performance report covers the financials and performance against objectives for the period 1 July 2020 to 31 March 2021 of the 2020/21 financial year. The highlights and issues are set out in the performance report.
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6. Council adopted the 2020/21 Annual Plan with an unbalanced budget and a projected deficit of \$5.4 million. To meet budgeted expenditure, a general rates surplus of \$5.4m is required and the year to date figures (to 31 March 2021) show a current overall rating surplus of \$10.5m. The primary reasons driving this favourable position are from a combination of factors. This includes:
- Building and resource consent revenue continue to exceed budget due to a high demand in building work for new homes and other consentable activities (\$2.7m).
  - Additional sundry revenue through user fees and charges, including retail, cinema and admission sales, parking revenue and insurance recoveries (\$2.9m).
  - Personnel costs continue to trend with a favourable variance, as vacancies are managed across the council. The favourable position of \$1.9m is anticipated to continue through the financial year to manage costs through the organisation.
  - Other expenses have an unfavourable variance of \$1.4m. This is principally as a result of additional maintenance expenditure (\$0.8m) and regulatory consent expenditure (\$0.5m), both recovered through additional revenue.
  - Finance costs remain favourable with interest expense below budget (\$0.4m).
  - Year to date, \$1.7m has been transferred from the Covid Reserve to fund the GUBOOF stimulus across Council activities including fee waivers (\$0.9m), community funding (\$0.5m) and one hour free parking (\$0.3m).

It is anticipated that the current rating surplus of \$10.5m will reduce by year end with sufficient surplus to cover the \$5.4m unbalanced budget as work programmes are completed and year end reserve transfers are finalised.

7. The operating surplus to period 9 is \$43.9m against a budgeted deficit of \$15.1m. The favourable variance of \$59m is largely explained through the following variances to budget;
- Investment revenue is greater than budget as the PIF has increased in value by \$43.6m. \$2.5m has been released from the PIF in the first nine months of the financial year. Payment of \$4.5m for the second and third quarter releases will be received by the end of April. This favourable movement is also reflected in the Statement of Financial Position.
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- Finance revenue is below budget as a result of the Papa Rererangi i Puketapu Limited (PRIP) debt to equity swap transacted on 30 June 2020. PRIP borrowing is now \$22m less than budgeted and therefore this variance will continue to grow through to year end.
  - Other revenue exceeds budget by \$7m. Some revenue budgets were reduced in anticipation of the impacts from Covid. However, activities such as Building Consents and Govett-Brewster Art Gallery continue to exceed revenue expectations.
  - Depreciation expense has a favourable variance of \$3.2m as the prior year's capex programme was behind schedule and projects within the current year await capitalisation.
  - Interest costs are less than budgeted reporting a favourable variance of \$0.4m. This is a combination of interest rates being less than budgeted in the Annual Plan, as well as lower than anticipated borrowing to fund 2020 capex and the timing of the current years capex programme. To date, 52 per cent of the revised capex budget has been spent. Indicative carry forwards for the 2022 financial year are currently estimated at approximately \$11.5m and are being continually reviewed in relation to deliverability. In anticipation of the funding required and the uncertainty of financial markets, Council has pre-funded debt earlier in the financial year at favourable interest rates. This is reflected in the favourable cash position in the Statement of Financial Position.

### **FINANCIAL AND RESOURCING IMPLICATIONS**

8. There are no financial and resourcing implications associated with performance reporting. The performance report includes financial and resourcing implications against key performance indicators where relevant.

### **IMPLICATIONS ASSESSMENT**

9. This report confirms that the matter concerned has no particular implications and has been dealt with in accordance with the Local Government Act 2002. Specifically:
    - Council staff have delegated authority for any decisions made;
    - Council staff have identified and assessed all reasonably practicable options for addressing the matter and considered the views and preferences of any interested or affected persons (including Māori), in proportion to the significance of the matter;
    - Council staff have considered how the matter will promote the social, economic, environmental, and cultural well-being of communities in the present and the future.
    - Unless stated above, any decisions made can be addressed through current funding under the Long-Term Plan and Annual Plan;
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- Any decisions made are consistent with the Council's plans and policies; and
  - No decisions have been made that would alter significantly the intended level of service provision for any significant activity undertaken by or on behalf of the Council, or would transfer the ownership or control of a strategic asset to or from the Council.

## **APPENDIX**

Appendix: NPDC Quarter 3 Performance Report for the period 1 July 2020 to 31 March 2021 (ECM8524497)

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### **Report Details**

Prepared By:	Mitchell Dyer (Corporate Planning and Policy Lead)
Team:	Corporate Planning and Policy
Approved By:	Joy Buckingham (Corporate Services Manager)
Ward/Community:	District-wide
Date:	12 April 2021
File Reference:	ECM8524493

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**PERFORMANCE  
REPORT**  
for period 1 July 2020  
to 31 March 2021

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# Year In Review

## 1 July 2020 to 31 March 2021

The **third quarter** saw summer activities prevailing over Covid scares, including a hugely successful Summer at the Bowl, plus the lead into and launch of NPDC's Your Home, Your Say campaign to encourage public feedback on the draft 10-Year Plan, while some high-profile incidents highlighted the state of the district's three waters network.

### January 2021

- The three-month Wai Warrior water restrictions start on 1 January.
- Let's Go Ride Summertime Rolls begins its three-month run of 10 community cycling events, drawing a total of 600 participants.
- An all-Kiwi Summer at the Bowl kicks off with 12,000 people attending L.A.B on 9 January.
- NPDC's Sort Ya Kit Out marketing campaign picks up a major national Emergency Communications Award for public education around disaster readiness.
- A trial makeover starts on Te Rewa Rewa Bridge with a new type of paint that is expected to withstand salt spray and wind-blown sand and has better UV resistance.
- The NZ Symphony Orchestra and others perform Synthyto to 7,300 people at the Bowl of Brooklands.
- Two decks open for a trial driven by local businesses on Devon Street East so people can get together and eat outside.
- Six60 sells out the Bowl for the second time with 15,000 people at the 30 January gig.

### February

- Consultation opens on Safer Speeds Review for rural roads.
- NPDC facilities go into Covid alert level 2 for three days after two Auckland cases visit the city and Puke Ariki undergoes a deep clean.
- New data shows NPDC has halved its carbon footprint over the last 15 years while our population grew, thanks to energy-saving measures.
- A kerbside bin audit shows contamination of recycling bins is up slightly, but messages around non-recyclable soft plastics and coffee cups are getting through.
- International ratings agency S&P Global boosts NPDC's long-term rating from AA to AA+, reflecting its sound financial management and confidence in the future.
- NPDC facilities return to Covid alert level 2 for a week after more community cases in Auckland.

### March

- The Perpetual Investment Fund reveals a \$28.2m boost in the previous quarter to sit more than \$320 million and \$2.5m is released for the first instalment of money to offset rates.
- The Your Home, Your Say campaign to get feedback on the draft 10-Year Plan launches, with public events, social and traditional media.
- More than a 100 wasp-killing bait stations are set up in parks and reserves around the district.
- Engineers find a collapsing stormwater culvert underneath the railway line near East End as stormwater pipe inspections are stepped up.
- Work starts to remove decades-old sludge from a lagoon at the New Plymouth Wastewater Treatment Plant, with \$3.5m of Government funding, using the same amphibious Truxor machines that cleared silt from the Pukekura Park waterways.
- A car crash on State Highway 3 causes a power cut at a Bell Block sewage pump station resulting in a discharge of sewage into the Mangati Stream for about 40 to 50 minutes before a back-up generator was used to get the station back up and running.
- Kiwi legends Crowded House round out the Summer at the Bowl season with 12,000 fans.
- NPDC and Venture Taranaki host a successful Oxfam Trailwalker with a record \$1.1m raised for charity.
- The Wind Wand is removed for scheduled maintenance.
- Heavy rain overwhelms a sewage pump station at Rifle Range Road leading to a discharge of sewage into the Mangaone Stream for about 45 minutes.

**Performance Report** for the period ended 31 March 2021

The **second quarter** saw the Top 10 Kōrero campaign come to a close after 11 weeks, with analysis of the 9,400 public responses shaping the next phase of NPDC's 10-year plan discussion. Severe weather kept our hotline ringing and clean-up crews busy with flooded roads and water networks. Promotion for the TSB Festival of Lights began and the effects of the \$20m Back on Our Feet Covid recovery package kicked in.

## October 2020

- NPDC honors 11 local legends in the annual Citizens' Awards.
- The Top 10 Kōrero campaign to get residents' feedback on proposals for NPDC's Long-Term Plan closes after 11 weeks with more than 9,400 responses.
- The Wind Wand pier on the Coastal Walkway gets its first major repairs in 20 years.
- NPDC building consents go online with a process that lets applicants apply, pay for and track their application from start to finish.
- Sixteen new light displays are announced for the TSB Festival of Lights.

## November

- Management of the Waitara Perpetual Community Fund, which invests cash from Waitara lands sales, is awarded to Mercer, which manages NPDC's Perpetual Investment Fund.
- Figures show NPDC helped the district's economy with almost \$2m in extra investment over the first three months of Back on Our Feet economic stimulus.
- NPDC announces a record 600 building consents in the previous quarter and the highest ever total value of proposed building works at almost \$77m, helped by the Back on Our Feet measures for the building sector.
- NPDC sends a water truck and replace a drinking water pipe after a contractor knocks out the water supply to dozens of homes in Urenui.
- NPDC deactivates 440 of our 1,600 parking sensors as a public safety precaution after two sensors malfunction.
- The Ministry of Health confirms New Plymouth District water supplies are 100% safe to drink under the National Drinking Water standards.
- Severe rainfall flooded roads and overwhelmed New Plymouth's water network, triggering more than 700 phone calls about weather-related issues to NPDC.

## December

- The speed limit on Waireka Road East in Omata is lowered from 80 to 40km/h after a campaign by 11-year-old Millie Stonier.
- Applications open for NPDC's Community Fund, which had a \$450,000 boost as part of the Back on Our Feet Covid relief package.
- The independently audited draft Annual Report confirms NPDC's sound financial management in a year that included the \$20m Back on Our Feet Covid relief package.
- NPDC closes its Downtown Car Park after an independent seismic assessment classifies it as "high risk" in the event of an earthquake.
- Clean up crews were back at work as more heavy rains closed roads and overwhelmed waste and storm water systems.
- NPDC supports local cafes in joining the Again Again reusable coffee cup scheme as it continues to push towards its Zero Waste 2040 goal.

The **first quarter** saw NPDC's Back on Our Feet \$20 million package of Covid recovery measures rolled out to the public, adapting to a return to Covid Alert Level 2 and the two-month Top 10 Kōrero campaign to encourage public feedback on proposals for the Long-term Plan 10-year work programme.

## July 2020

- The Government announces a \$37m investment in a new thermal dryer from NPDC's wastewater treatment plant.
- Work starts on the road safety improvements on Huatoki Street, near Vogeltown School.
- NPDC launches its \$50,000 Main Street Buildings Fund as part of the Back on Our Feet measures.
- The second stage of the three-year project to improve Inglewood's drinking water begins.
- Cuts to NPDC fees and charges to help tradies and small businesses are announced as part of the Back on Our Feet measures.
- Puke Ariki opens Redecorating Taranaki, its first new exhibition since re-opening after lockdown.
- More than 2,850 people gave feedback in a public survey on the future of the 38-hectare Pukekura Raceway site.
- NPDC starts its first electric vehicle trial, the first move in the Climate Action Framework.
- An expanded Home Energy Efficiency Scheme for warmer, greener homes and to help local tradies is launched as one of NPDC's Back on Our Feet measures.
- Preparations and planning start for the opening up of the Tangaroa Stream in Waitara as part of a wider flood management project.

## August

- The two-month Top 10 Kōrero to get public feedback on the Ten-Year Plan proposals opens with a survey on the Three Waters network.
- The National Research Bureau annual survey finds 90% of residents rate the quality of life in the district as good or very good.
- The Govett-Brewster/Len Lye Centre debuts the Pigs and Poison exhibition of works by Los Angeles-based artist Candice Lin.
- NPDC facilities move back up to Covid Alert Level 2, with contact-tracing, social distancing and other measures.
- About 14 new displays are announced for the annual TSB Festival of Lights, promising a boost in visitors when it opens 19 December.
- NPDC's Proposed District Plan to guide growth and development opens to a second public consultation.
- A Harvard University expert praises NPDC's Covid-19 lockdown services map as best practice in using GIS data.
- The curb-side rubbish collection switches to taking only plastic types 1, 2 and 5 after an education and public information campaign on the change.
- A new round of Creative Communities grants opens to applications after a marketing campaign.
- Funding granted for two FTE seconded roles over a two-year period to assist in the Taranaki Covid recovery from NZ Libraries Partnership Funding Package (DIA).

## September

- The newly-created Manaaki Urupā Grant to help cover urupā upkeep costs opens to applications.
- Precautionary measures are put in place and repairs are carried out after tree roots block a Waitara sewage pipe and cause an overflow.
- Events to mark Te wiki o Te Reo Māori/Māori Language Week are held at the Govett-Brewster Art Gallery/Len Lye Centre, Puke Ariki, Brooklands Zoo and the TSB Showplace.
- Puke Ariki Museum opens its third Home Work exhibition to showcase the work of Taranaki artists.
- Covid alert levels put an end to Car-Free Day events, but Let's Go encourages people to take the pledge online and go car-free on the day.
- Work begins on realigning the Coastal Walkway boardwalk, just along from The Links near Bell Block.
- Successful funding application from the Tourism Branch of the Ministry for Business, Innovation and Employment for Responsible Camping 2020/21 season for a range of initiatives.
- The one-hour free parking proved popular with a higher percentage of one-hour stays through July, August and September compared to previous years (approximately 3% higher).

## ‘Getting Us Back On Our Feet’ stimulus update

For the nine months to 31 March 2021 \$1.7m has been transferred from the Covid Reserve to fund the GUBOOF stimulus across Council activities including fee waivers (\$0.9m), community funding (\$0.5m) and one hour free parking (\$0.3m).

### Business Fee Reductions

For the nine months to 31 March 2021, a total of 2,160 business fee reductions have been applied totalling \$934,063.

Fee reduction category	2019/20 Q3 Applns	2020/21 Q3 Applns	Value of fee reduction \$
Building consents	1,528	1,161	743,323
Resource consents	443	1,249	116,611
Environmental health and hospitality	804	511	64,540
Temporary use licence fees	45	45	9,589
Development contribution payment deferrals	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,626</b>	<b>2,160</b>	<b>934,063</b>

### Additional Community Funding

For the additional funding round on 11 August a total of 56 applications were made for \$1.1m of which, \$300,000 have been approved. In addition the strategic partnership funding of \$153,000 has been extended for 2020/21.

For the nine months to 31 March 2021, all funding to the 33 community groups of \$453,000 has been distributed.

### Rent Relief Package

On 5 May 2020, the Council approved a rent relief package for the Council's commercial and community group tenants. As at 30 June, \$55.8k credits had been issued to tenants. No further relief has been uplifted for the nine months to 31 March 2021.

### Rates Remissions

For the nine months to 31 March 2021 all deferrals have now been paid. In Q1, 29 applications were received for rates remissions, six deferral applications were approved and 23 applications were either on a payment plan or rates have since been paid. No applications received in Q2 and Q3.

### The Ngā Whare Ora Taiao o Ngāmotu Scheme

For the nine months to 31 March 2021 a total of 323 Voluntary Targeted Rates (VTR's) have been approved totalling \$2,022,369. In total, there are now 63 businesses signed up to the VTR Scheme.

1 Jul to 31 Mar 2021	Prior YTD Quantity Approved	Quantity Applns	Quantity Approved	Total Approved \$
Expansion of the VTR Scheme	286	240	1,741,998	286
Existing VTR Scheme	78	96	83	280,371
<b>Total</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>382</b>	<b>323</b>	<b>2,022,369</b>

**Performance Report** for the period ended 31 March 2021



### The Procurement Recovery Plan (Covid-19)

The local procurement initiatives adopted in the GUBOOF recovery plan continue to have a positive impact on local supplies. At the end of March 2021, NPDC recorded an increase in spend of over \$3m with local vendors when compared to the previous year's figures. March 2019/20 recorded a significant jump in supplier spend which was a direct impact of New Zealand Covid-19 lockdown and suppliers processing invoices.

### The Earthquake-prone Buildings and Main Streets Package

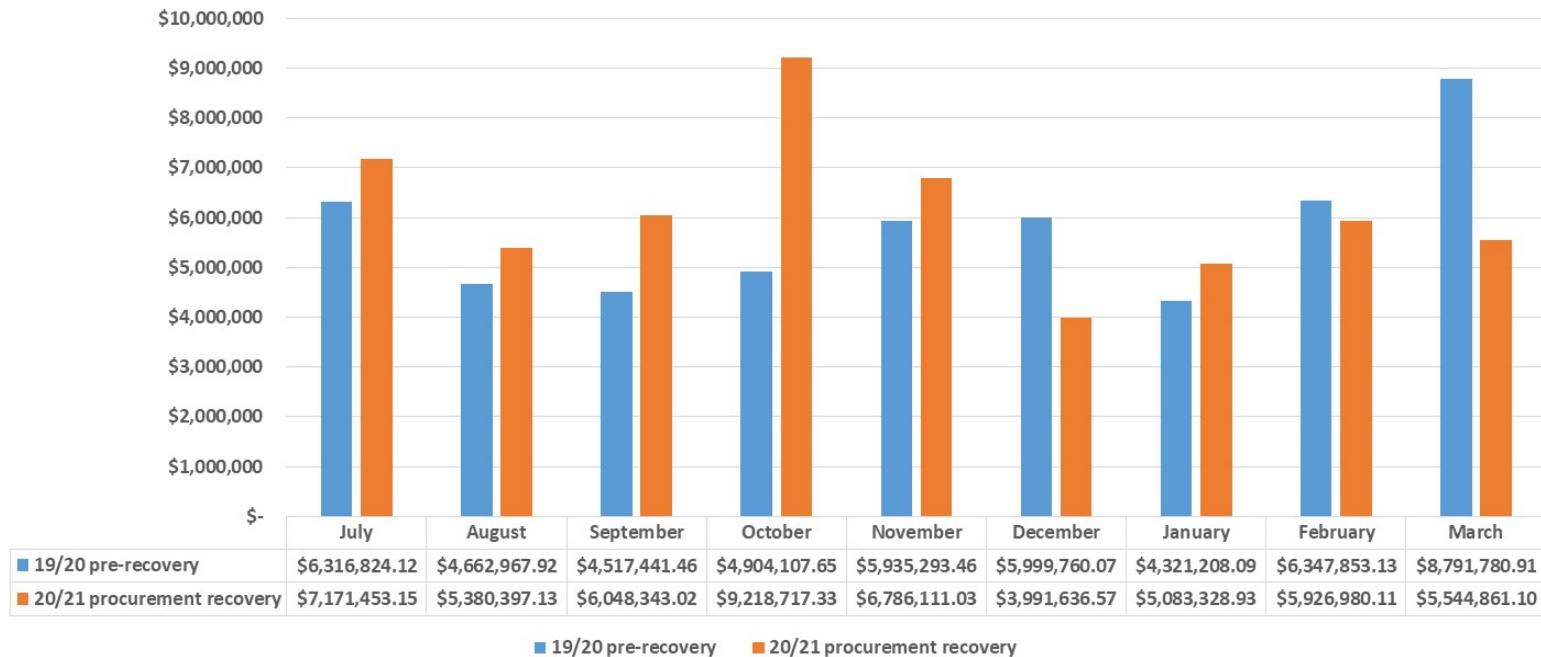
For the nine months to 31 March 2021 no applications have been received for Earthquake Prone Buildings.

Twenty eight buildings have been approved for funding through the Main Streets package in New Plymouth, Inglewood and Waitara.

### One-hour Free Parking

For the three months to 30 September there was one-hour free parking Monday to Saturday in all metered parking areas. Median occupancy during that time was 59.1 per cent (compared to 53.5 per cent for the same period last year). In Q2 median occupancy was 65.7 per cent (compared to 54.4 for the same period last year) and in Q3 median occupancy rose to 69.6 per cent (compared to 54.7 per cent for the same period last year).

Procurement Recovery Local Spend



Performance Report for the period ended 31 March 2021

# Long-Term Plan 2018-2028 Performance Measures

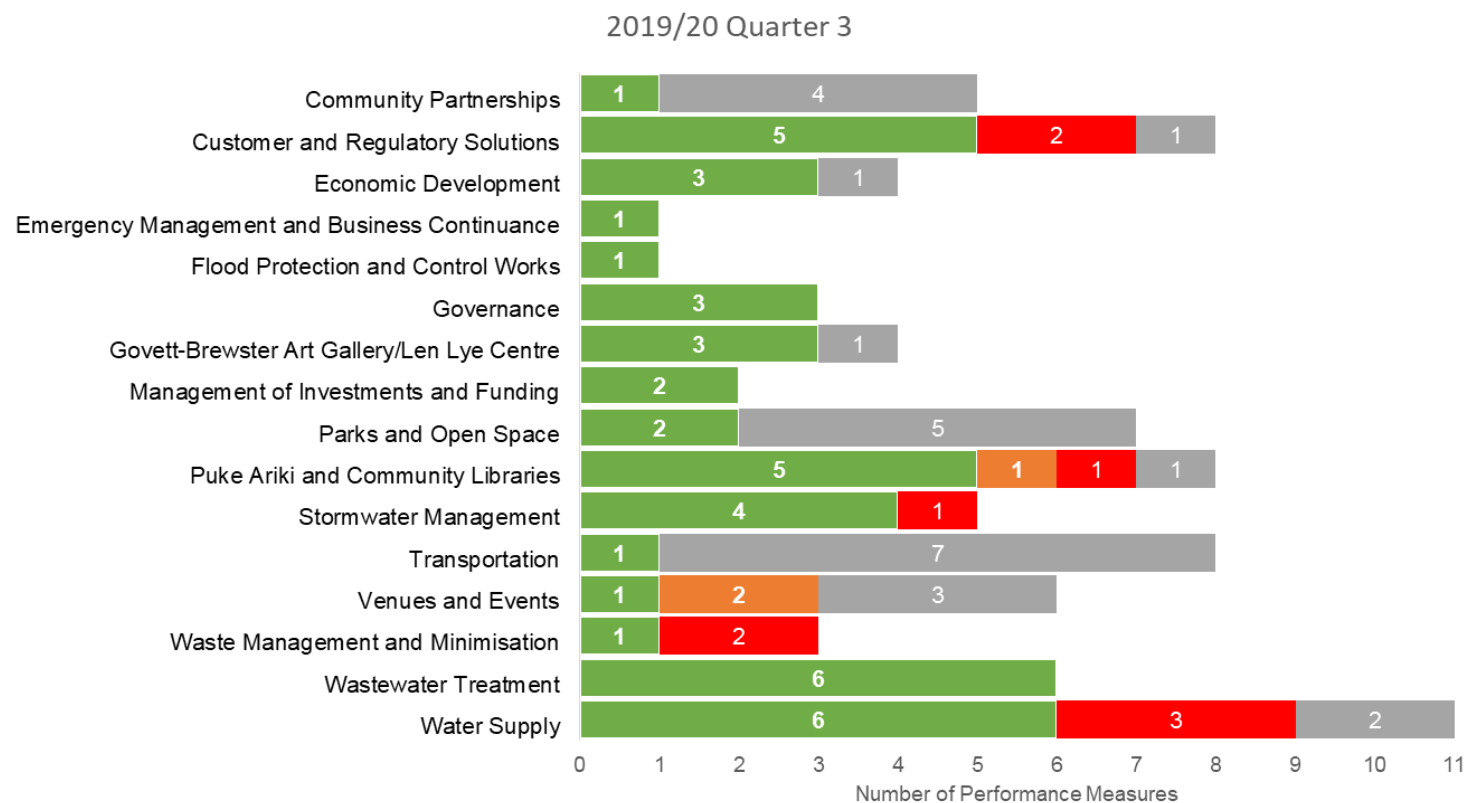


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# Overview

Performance measures help us report back on our service performance. Targets are set for the full financial year. The graph below gives an overview of how we're tracking on performance measures across NPDC for 2020/21 Quarter 3 with a summary comparison for the same period last year.

<b>2020/21 Q3*</b>	<b>45</b> Achieved or on track	<b>3</b> Behind target	<b>9</b> Target not met	<b>25</b> Data not yet available
<b>2019/20 Q3</b>	<b>47</b> Achieved or on target	<b>2</b> Behind target	<b>7</b> Target not met	<b>26</b> Data not yet available



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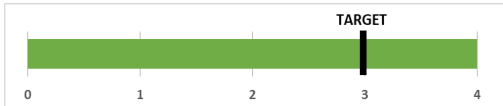
The following sections of our quarterly report will highlight how we are tracking on measuring our level of service of each of the 16 activities identified in the Long-Term Plan 2018-2028. The table below explains how to interpret the information in the tables.

**Activity example**

**Key**

<b>Level of Service</b>	<b>We provide an accessible mix of lending and reference resources that meet the changing</b>								
<p><b>Result</b></p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td style="background-color: #4CAF50; width: 20px;"></td> <td>Achieved or on target</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="background-color: #FFC107; width: 20px;"></td> <td>Behind target</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="background-color: #F44336; width: 20px;"></td> <td>Target not met</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="background-color: #9E9E9E; width: 20px;"></td> <td>Data not yet available</td> </tr> </table>		Achieved or on target		Behind target		Target not met		Data not yet available	<p><b>On target – 94%</b></p>
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	Behind target								
	Target not met								
	Data not yet available								
<b>Measure</b>	The percentage of known dogs registered.								
<b>Target for 2020/21</b>	<b>Target: 95%</b>								
<b>Trend graph</b>									
<b>Comment from activity manager</b>	<p>A decrease from same period last year (97%). The number of dogs registered within the district is higher than the same period last year at 11,770 (2019: 11,726). There has been an ongoing follow-up of unregistered dogs by the team and infringements issued to non-compliant owners. It is anticipated target will be met.</p> <p>Q2: 93% Q1: 88%</p>								

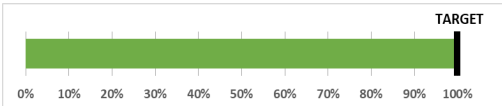
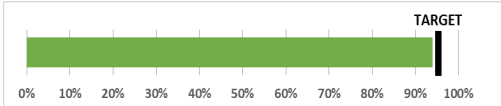
# Community Partnerships

<p><b>We build strategic relationships that support collaboration, capability and capacity in the community sector.</b></p>		<p><b>We provide a 'start-up' fund to support creativity and collaboration in new community initiatives.</b></p>
<p><b>Not yet available</b></p> <p>The percentage of partners satisfied with the Council's advice and involvement in community initiatives.</p> <p><b>Target: 95%</b></p> <p>Annual measure provided at the completion of Q4.</p>	<p><b>Not yet available</b></p> <p>The percentage of residents satisfied with the Council's assistance and support to community groups (NRB survey).</p> <p><b>Target: Exceeds peer group average</b></p> <p>Annual measure provided at the completion of Q4.</p>	<p><b>Achieved - 4</b></p> <p>The number of initiatives receiving 'start up' financial support.</p> <p><b>Target: 3</b></p>  <p>Four initiatives have been funded: Chamber of Commerce initiative to get community groups funding ready, support for the creation of a regional arts organisation, support for Experience Purangi's Native Bird Rehabilitation and Interpretive Centre business plan and funding of revitalising murals in the city centre.</p> <p>Q2: Three Q1: Two</p>

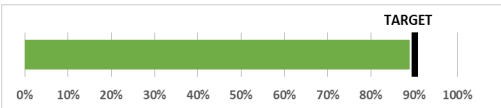
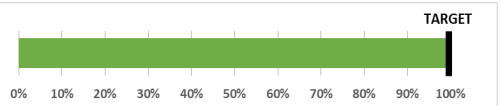
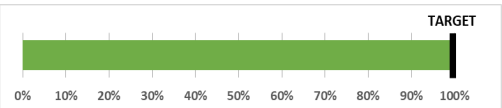
## Community Partnerships

We provide effective funding support for community organisations and initiatives.	We effectively coordinate and administer the housing for the elderly service.
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Not yet available</b></p> <p>The percentage of key performance indicators achieved by recipients of the Council's grants (as set out in funding contracts).</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Target: 95%</b></p> <p>Annual measure provided at the completion of Q4.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Not yet available</b></p> <p>The percentage of tenants satisfied with the service.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Target: 90%</b></p> <p>Annual measure provided at the completion of Q4.</p>

# Customer and Regulatory Solutions

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>On target – 100%</b></p> <p>The percentage of animal control emergency situations* responded to within two hours.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Target: 100%</b></p>  <p>Consistent with same period last year. Focus continues on emergency response.</p> <p>Q1 &amp; 2: 100%</p> <p>* Animal control emergency situations: assisting emergency services, attacks by dogs, stock on the roads and injured animals.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>On target – 94%</b></p> <p>The percentage of known dogs registered.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Target: 95%</b></p>  <p>A decrease from same period last year (97%). The number of dogs registered within the district is higher than the same period last year at 11,770 (2019: 11,726). There has been an ongoing follow-up of unregistered dogs by the team and infringements issued to non-compliant owners. It is anticipated target will be met.</p> <p>Q2: 93% Q1: 88%</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Not yet available</b></p> <p>The percentage of residents satisfied with animal control activities (NRB survey).</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Target: Exceeds peer group average</b></p> <p>Annual measure provided at the completion of Q4.</p>
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# Customer and Regulatory Solutions

<p><b>We respond to formal complaints in a timely manner.</b></p>	<p><b>We process requests for official information within timeframes set under Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act (1987).</b></p>	<p><b>We conduct licensing inspections in accordance with statutory requirements.</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>On target – 89%</b></p> <p>The percentage of formal complaints that receive an interim reply or are resolved within five working days.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Target: 90%</b></p>  <p>An improvement from same period last year (87%).</p> <p>Q2: 91% Q1: 95%</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>On target – 100%</b></p> <p>The percentage of requests for official information completed within statutory timeframe.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Target: 100%</b></p>  <p>An improvement from same period last year (98%). There were an additional 17 official information requests received in the third quarter of 2020/21 compared to the same period last year.</p> <p>Q1 &amp; Q2: 100%</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>On target – 100%</b></p> <p>All businesses required to be licensed are inspected in accordance with statutory requirements.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Target: 100%</b></p>  <p>Consistent with same period last year. We have a total of 214 licensed premises in the district. All premises are inspected when new or renewal applications are received, or on a report of non-compliance. All licensing requirements have been met.</p> <p>Q1 &amp; Q2: 100%</p>



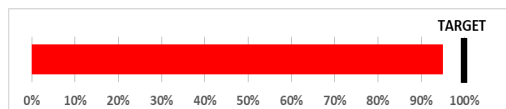
# Customer and Regulatory Solutions

We process consent applications within statutory timeframes.

## Target not met – 95%

The percentage of building applications processed within statutory timeframes (consents and code compliance certificates).

**Target: 100%**



An increase from same period last year (91%). Contractors were put in place from December 2020 to assist with the increased building consent workload and all building consents were processed within statutory timeframes for this quarter.

Recruitment for additional staff is underway to assist with building application processing for greater efficiency and to increase our compliance with statutory timeframes.

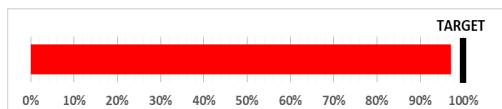
GUBOOF stimulus \$1,000 fee waiver: Building consent numbers are up 28% on Q3 2020. The fee relief has been very well received and has provided district-wide stimulus as intended.

Q3: 95% (751 building applications were processed this quarter, 38 exceeded timeframes).  
 Q2: 91% (830 building applications were processed this quarter, 76 exceeded timeframes).  
 Q1: 96% (915 building applications were processed this quarter, 37 exceeded timeframes).

## Target not met – 97%

The percentage of non-notified resource management consents processed within statutory timeframes.

**Target: 100%**



An increase from same period last year (95%). The overall number of resource consents received was 29% more than for the same quarter last year.

Q3: 97% (81 non-notified resource consents processed this quarter, three resource consents exceeded timeframes (one land use and two subdivision)).

Q2: 98% (111 non-notified resource consents processed this quarter, two resource consents exceeded timeframes (one land use and one subdivision)).

Q1: 96% (93 non-notified resource consents processed this quarter, two resource consents exceeded timeframes (one land use and one subdivision)).

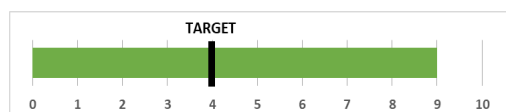
## Economic Development

**We promote New Plymouth District and the Taranaki region as a vibrant and desirable place to live, work and visit.**

### Achieved - 9

The number of major events attracted or retained.

**Target: 4**



Same period last year five events were contracted. The event contracted in Q3 was Taste & Tales to be held on 15-16 May.

Q2: Eight (cumulative total)

Q1: Five


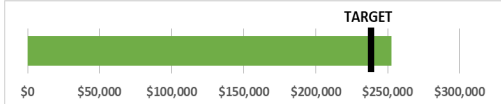
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# Economic Development

We facilitate, promote and support sustainable business growth, investment and employment opportunities in Taranaki.		
<p><b>Achieved - \$5,218,214</b></p> <p>The level of annual investment in regional businesses (subject to central government policy).</p> <p><b>Target: \$1,000,000</b></p>  <p>\$5.1m issued in New Plymouth District plus \$157,783 issued in wider Taranaki region. These figures include Covid-19 specific funding.</p> <p>An increase from same period last year (\$1,872,856).</p> <p>The R&amp;D Loan that accounted for \$2.7m of Callaghan funding allocated last quarter was a one-off Covid-19 relief fund, and has now closed. R&amp;D Project grants made up the majority of Callaghan funding allocation in Q3 (\$685k). This funding was awarded to three Taranaki companies, all based in New Plymouth</p> <p>Q2: \$4,424,261 (cumulative total) Q1: \$2,697,998</p>	<p><b>Not yet available</b></p> <p>The annual percentage of clients satisfied with Venture Taranaki business support services.</p> <p><b>Target: &gt;85%</b></p> <p>Annual measure provided at the completion of Q4.</p>	<p><b>On target - \$252,779</b></p> <p>The level of annual investment in the management capability of Taranaki's small and medium sized businesses.</p> <p><b>Target: \$240,000</b></p>  <p>\$184,947 in New Plymouth District, \$67,832 in wider Taranaki region. These figures do not include Covid-19 specific funding.</p> <p>Decrease from the same period last year (\$290,271).</p> <p>Demand for capability support remains high. Covid-19 specific funding through regional business partners has now finished, however management capability funding (50/50 funding) is still available, although it is high demand and is being carefully managed.</p> <p>Q2: \$175,072 (cumulative total) Q1: \$87,845*</p> <p><i>*Reported as \$88,195.00 in Q1 and reduced due to a change in client requirements.</i></p>

## Emergency Management and Business Continuance

**We plan for emergency events.**

**On target**

Emergency processes and plans are up to date.

**Target: Emergency plans are reviewed**

The Water Treatment Plant Emergency Response Plan was reviewed and approved (2020) with other essential services Business Continuity Plans still being reviewed.

Post COVID-19, there has been significant staff changes within emergency management with a new seconded Resilience/Business Continuity Advisor to start in May 2021. They will embed the emergency management framework and begin work on the business continuity project.

In March, the Civil Defence Centre (CDC) set up exercises in collaboration with Red Cross Disaster Welfare Support Team, further exercises will be held in June.

The CDC have training courses scheduled in May.

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## Flood Protection and Control Works

**We effectively maintain the Council's flood protection and control works.**

**On target**

Major flood protection and control works are maintained, repaired and renewed in accordance with the Asset Management Plan and annual works programme.

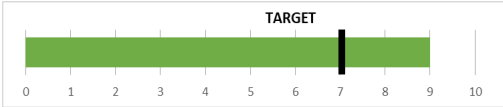
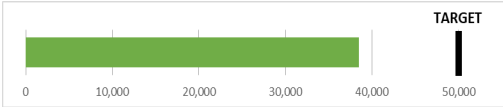
**Target: Achieved**

## Governance

We effectively manage local elections in accordance with statutory requirements.	Council processes comply with statutory requirements.	
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Not applicable</b></p> <p>Elections and polls comply with the provisions of the Local Electoral Act 2001 and are without successful petitions for inquiry into the conduct of elections.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>No triennial elections in this year</b></p> <p>No current vacancies.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>On target</b></p> <p>The Long-Term Plan, Annual Plan and Annual Report are each adopted within statutory timeframes.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Target: Full compliance</b></p> <p>Draft Long-Term Plan 2021-2031 (LTP) supporting information and consultation document adopted. Submissions on LTP opened in the end of the quarter. Annual Report 2019/20 adopted December 2020.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>On target</b></p> <p>Meeting agendas are available as specified by legislation.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Target: Full compliance</b></p> <p>Meeting agendas provided online within statutory timeframes. Hard copies available to members of the public on request.</p>

# Govett-Brewster Art Gallery/Len Lye Centre

We provide access to an engaging range of contemporary art from NZ and around the world.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Achieved - 9</b></p> <p>The annual number of exhibitions on offer.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Target: 7</b></p>  <p>A decrease from same period last year (11). One new exhibition opened during the quarter – the result of 2020 artist in residence Yona Lee, whose digital <i>Propositions</i> is shown on a custom-built website. The exhibitions <i>Tai Moana Tai Tangata</i> by Brett Graham, Len Lye’s <i>Tangibles 1959-1961</i> and <i>Sky Snakes</i> were extended in response to critical and visitor acclaim.</p> <p>Q2: Eight (cumulative total) Q1: Four</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>On target – 38,491</b></p> <p>The annual number of visitor entries.*</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Target: 50,000</b></p>  <p>Visitor entries remain on track to meet the revised annual target. Education visits have rebounded, while out of region visitors remain well above recent averages.</p> <p>Q2: 25,429 (cumulative total) Q1: 13,482</p> <p>* Operational target for 2020/21, following reduction in likely tourist numbers as a result of Covid-19. The target set in the LTP 2018-2028 was for 116,000 visitor entries.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Not yet available</b></p> <p>The percentage of residents satisfied with the service (NRB survey).</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Target: Meets or exceeds peer group average</b></p> <p>Annual measure provided at the completion of Q4.</p>
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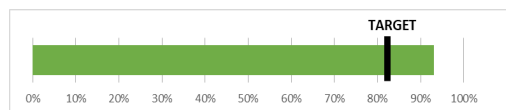
## Govett-Brewster Art Gallery/Len Lye Centre

We provide access to an engaging range of contemporary art from NZ and around the world.

**On target – 94%**

The percentage of customers satisfied with their overall experience at the Govett-Brewster Art Gallery and Len Lye Centre (in-house surveys).

**Target: 82%**



An increase from same period last year (92%).

Q2: 93%

Q1: 100%

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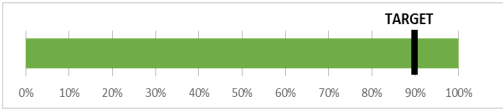


## Management of Investments and Funding

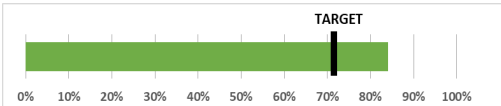
We manage the Perpetual Investment Fund (PIF) to provide sustainable Council revenue.	We manage the Council's borrowing programme in accordance with the Liability Management Policy.
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>On target</b></p> <p>The annual return from the PIF received by the Council.</p> <p><b>Target: 3.3% + CPI + management fees and costs</b></p> <p>The fund has an unrealised gain of \$43.6m for the nine months to 31 March 2021. NPDC has received one quarterly release payment of \$2.5m. The second and third quarter instalments will be paid in April 2021. Dividend revenue is recognised in the March quarter and align to budget.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>On target</b></p> <p>Debt levels comply with limits set by policy.</p> <p><b>Target: All measures met</b></p> <p>Net debt as at 31 March 2021 was -\$187.1m.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Net debt over total revenue is -62.4% - TMP maximum limit is 135%.</li> <li>• Net interest expense on external debt is 3.0% of total revenue – TMP maximum limit is 10%.</li> <li>• Net interest expense on external debt of total annual rates income is 4.7% - TMP maximum limit is 20%.</li> <li>• Liquidity is 170.3% over existing debt – TMP target is to be greater than 110%.</li> </ul>

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# Parks and Open Spaces

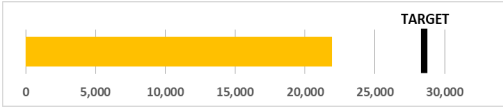
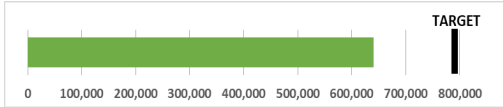
We maintain quality district parks, reserves and open spaces.		
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Not yet available</b></p> <p>The percentage of residents satisfied with the quality of the district's parks and reserves, including the Coastal Walkway and Pukekura Park (NRB survey).</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Target: 95%</b></p> <p>Annual measure provided at the completion of Q4.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Not yet available</b></p> <p>The percentage of residents satisfied with the quality of the district's urban landscapes and streets (NRB survey).</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Target: 95%</b></p> <p>Annual measure provided at the completion of Q4.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Not yet available</b></p> <p>The percentage of residents satisfied with the quality of the district's sports parks (NRB survey).</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Target: 95%</b></p> <p>Annual measure provided at the completion of Q4.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Not yet available</b></p> <p>The percentage of residents satisfied with the quality of the district's playgrounds (NRB survey).</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Target: 95%</b></p> <p>Annual measure provided at the completion of Q4.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Achieved – 100%</b></p> <p>The percentage of Brooklands Zoo visitors satisfied with the zoo (in-house survey).</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Target: 90%</b></p> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>0% 10% 20% 30% 40% 50% 60% 70% 80% 90% 100%</p> </div> <p>From user satisfaction survey (includes extremely, very and moderately satisfied). This result is the same as last year's result of 100%.</p>	

## Parks and Open Spaces

We maintain access to the district's parks, reserves and open spaces.	We provide quality public toilets across the district.
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>On target – 84%</b></p> <p>The percentage of households in the district that are within 500 metres of a park, reserve or neighbourhood open space.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Target: 71%</b></p>  <p>An increase from same period last year (71%). There has been some additional esplanade reserves and park land acquired over the last year, particularly in growth areas. Updated GIS mapping of the 500m (5min – 7min) walkable catchment (PedShed) around open spaces across the city indicate that the previous target of 71% has improved. Further refinement of the mapping will provide a finer grained assessment of walkability when developed for the 2021 year.</p> <p>Q1 &amp; Q2: 84%</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Not yet available</b></p> <p>The percentage of the community satisfied with the quality of the district's public toilets (NRB survey).</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Target: 80%</b></p> <p>Annual measure provided at the completion of Q4.</p>

# Puke Ariki and Community Libraries

We provide an accessible mix of lending and reference resources that meet the changing needs of the community.

<p><b>Not yet available</b></p> <p>The percentage of customers who are satisfied with the library collections (in-house surveys).</p> <p><b>Target: 95%</b></p> <p>Annual measure provided at the completion of Q4.</p>	<p><b>Behind target – 21,806</b></p> <p>The number of library members.</p> <p><b>Target: 29,000</b></p>  <p>A decrease from same period last year (24,745). A recent membership campaign highlighted a coding error that calculates new library memberships, hence the total number reduction. Once recoding is complete we will present the actual number which is on or above the target.</p> <p>Q2: 21,941 (cumulative total) Q1: 21,549</p>	<p><b>On target – 641,045</b></p> <p>The annual number of library items loaned.</p> <p><b>Target: 795,000</b></p>  <p>An increase from same period last year (606,057). The number of items (physical and e-resources) loaned has increased from the same period last year and illustrates the increasing role of public libraries in supporting literacy and lifelong learning.</p> <p>Q2: 435,908 (cumulative total) Q1: 231,906</p>
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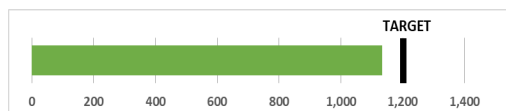
# Puke Ariki and Community Libraries

We offer widely accessible and engaging education programmes.

## On target – 1,134

The annual number of programmed learning opportunities on offer.

**Target: 1,200**



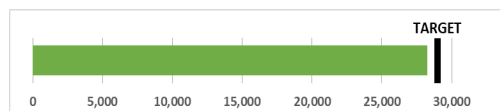
An increase from same period last year (1,076). There were reduced opportunities for events to be offered due to ongoing impacts of Covid-19. Public programmes continued across the district.

Q2: 828 (cumulative total)  
Q1: 472

## On target – 28,269

The number of participants attending.

**Target: 29,000**



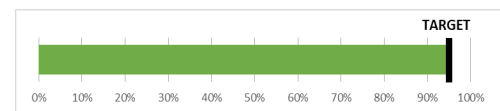
A decrease from same period last year (32,372). Whilst still on track to meet the target participation numbers were lower than previous year due to less events being offered.

Q2: 19,730 (cumulative total)  
Q1: 11,128

## On target – 95%

The percentage of participants satisfied with programmes (in-house).

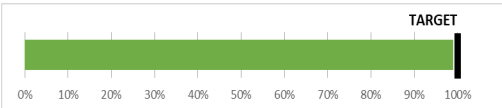
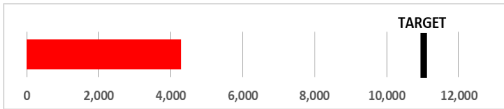
**Target: 95%**



At the end of Q3, 95% of customers satisfied (292 in-house surveys taken).

Annual measure provided at the completion of Q4.

## Puke Ariki and Community Libraries

We provide an accessible and informative point of contact and booking service for visitors to New Plymouth District.	We provide 24/7 online access to the heritage collection.
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>On target – 99%</b></p> <p>The percentage of customers satisfied with the i-SITE Visitor Information Centre (in-house survey).</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Target: 95%</b></p>  <p>At the end of Q3, 99% of customers satisfied (248 in-house surveys taken).</p> <p>Annual measure to be provided at the completion of Q4.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Target not met – 4,293</b></p> <p>The number of digital heritage records created or improved annually.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Target: 11,000</b></p>  <p>An increase from same period last year (3,807).</p> <p>These figures represent the engagement with digitised material and projects outside of standard website visitation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Inside the Artist's Studio, Virtual Reality Video Series for Home Work Exhibition</i>: 8 video series, 29,938 views (total series, YouTube)</li> <li>• <i>Taranaki Stories for Te Rangi Aoao Nunui The Taranaki Knowledge Gateway</i>: 51 new pages created, 18,016 views (whole site over the period, less the visits to passenger list).</li> <li>• <i>Redecorating Taranaki Continued, Digital Exhibition</i>: 550 views (quiz and content).</li> <li>• <i>Eko digital quiz series for Te Reo Māori Language Week</i>: 328 views, 964 engagements.</li> <li>• <i>Whare Kahurangi Virtual Tour</i>: 381 views, 3:19 avg visit.</li> <li>• <i>Digital Lesson Plans for Whare Kahurangi Virtual Tour</i>: 83 views/downloads</li> </ul> <p>The target was set to capture the number of records that were updated or captured digitally. Technology has driven an increased focus on public access to the whole collection and that work has been prioritised including putting whole collections online. A revised target is needed to better reflect the new focus for digitisation work at the museum. This revised target will be set during the next Long-Term Plan.</p> <p>Q2: 1,993 (cumulative total) Q1: 965</p>

Performance Report for the period ended 31 March 2021

## Stormwater Management

We provide a stormwater management system that protects people and property.		We comply with all resource consents for discharges from our stormwater system.
<p><b>On target - 0</b></p> <p>The number of flooding events in the district per financial year.</p> <p><b>Target: 0</b></p> <p>Consistent with same period last year. No flooding events which have flooded habitable floors.</p>	<p><b>On target - 0</b></p> <p>The number of habitable floors affected in each flooding event (per 1,000 properties connected to the Council's stormwater system).</p> <p><b>Target: 1 or less</b></p> <p>Consistent with same period last year. No flooding events which have flooded habitable floors.</p>	<p><b>Target not met - 6</b></p> <p>The number of abatement notices, infringement notices, enforcement orders and convictions received.</p> <p><b>Target: 0</b></p> <p>While zero abatement notices were received in Q2 and Q3, overall there is an increase from same period last year (zero abatement notices).</p> <p>Q2: No abatement notices received. Q1: Six abatement notices were received related to obstruction of fish passage in culverts.</p>

## Stormwater Management

We respond to service requests in a timely manner.	Customers are satisfied with the performance of our stormwater system.
<p data-bbox="254 415 745 464"><b>On target – 0.44 hours</b></p> <p data-bbox="239 493 766 571">The median response time to a flooding event (from the time that the Council receives notification to the time service personnel reach the site).</p> <p data-bbox="388 602 617 631"><b>Target: One hour</b></p> <p data-bbox="239 662 695 711">An improvement from same period last year (0.57).</p> <p data-bbox="239 742 646 768">Q2: 0.44 hours (median for six months)</p> <p data-bbox="239 782 669 808">Q1: 0.36 hours (median for three months)</p>	<p data-bbox="877 415 1222 464"><b>On target – 2.94</b></p> <p data-bbox="789 493 1289 571">The number of complaints received about the performance of the Council's stormwater system (per 1,000 properties connected).</p> <p data-bbox="940 602 1155 631"><b>Target: 7 or less</b></p> <p data-bbox="789 662 1297 792">An increase from same period last year (1.52). The measure allows for 56 or less complaints for each quarter. We have had 92 complaints to date (22 in Q1, 56 in Q2 and 14 in Q3) from 31,321 connections to the stormwater system.</p> <p data-bbox="789 823 1062 849">Q2: 2.49 (cumulative total)</p> <p data-bbox="789 863 869 889">Q1: 0.7</p>

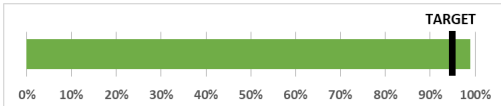


## Transportation

We provide a local roading network that is safe for all road users.	We provide good quality district roads.	
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Not yet available</b></p> <p>The change from the previous financial year<sup>1</sup> in the number of fatalities and serious injury crashes on the district's local roading network, expressed as a number.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Target: Reducing</b></p> <p>Annual measure provided at the completion of Q4. However, data to date is showing our crashes are already higher than last year.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Not yet available</b></p> <p>The average quality of ride on the district's sealed local road network, as measured by smooth travel exposure.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Target: 88%</b></p> <p>Annual measure provided at the completion of Q4.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Not yet available</b></p> <p>The percentage of residents satisfied with the overall quality of the district's roads (NRB survey).</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Target: 85%</b></p> <p>Annual measure provided at the completion of Q4.</p>

<sup>1</sup> Measured 1 July to 30 June to reflect the delay in data processing.

# Transportation

We appropriately maintain the district’s sealed roads.	We provide a high quality and safe footpath network.	We respond to service requests in a timely manner.
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Not yet available</b></p> <p>The percentage of the sealed local road network that is resurfaced (target based on reseal cycle of 16.5 years).</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Target: 5.7%</b></p> <p>Annual measure provided at the completion of Q4.</p>	<p>The percentage of footpaths that meet the levels of service and service standards in current condition surveys, as set out in the Transportation Asset Management Plan.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Not yet available</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Target: &gt;90%</b></p> <p>Footpath length surveyed in good or excellent condition.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Not yet available</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Target: &lt;1%</b></p> <p>Footpath length recorded as failed.</p> <p>Annual measure provided at the completion of Q4.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>On target – 99%</b></p> <p>The percentage of roading and footpath related customer service requests responded to within target timeframes<sup>1</sup>.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Target: 95%</b></p>  <p>An increase from same period last year (98%). For the nine months, there were 3,422 service requests, of which 49 were responded to late.</p> <p>Q2: 99% Q1: 98%</p>

<sup>1</sup> Service request timeframes:

- one day for an electrical fault with traffic signals, flooding, diesel spills, chemical spills or a slip to be cleared;
- three days for street lighting faults and potholes;
- five days for traffic counts, bus shelter repairs, road marking enquiries, culvert maintenance, rubbish bins, reinstatement of footpaths and debris in the roadside channel;
- ten days for road surface faults, kerb and channel repairs, new kerb and channel, missing road signs and vegetation clearing.

## Transportation

**We provide a quality and safe cycle network.**

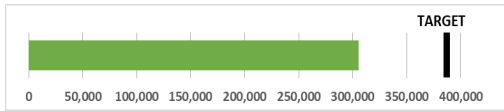
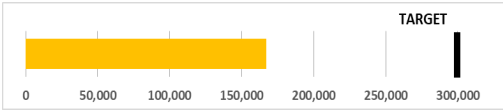
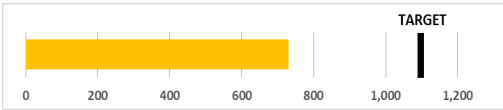
**Not yet available**

The percentage of residents satisfied with the quality and safety of the district's cycle network (NRB survey).

**Target: 85%**

Annual measure provided at the completion of Q4.

# Venues and Events

<p><b>We provide high quality community pools that encourage community participation in aquatic activities.</b></p>	<p><b>We provide a network of high quality venues that create opportunities for the community to attend arts, cultural, sporting and recreation activities.</b></p>
<p><b>Not yet available</b></p> <p>The percentage of residents satisfied with the Council's swimming facilities (NRB survey).</p> <p><b>Target: 94%</b></p> <p>Annual measure provided at the completion of Q4.</p>	<p><b>On target – 305,579</b></p> <p>The number of pool patrons per year.</p> <p><b>Target: 390,000</b></p>  <p>A slight decrease from same period last year (311,652). Strong numbers for this quarter (124,356) similar to the same period last year (129,194). One week at Level 2 Covid-19 restrictions with limited entry had a slight impact on attendance. Two strong recent quarters mean we are in a solid position to reach target.</p> <p>Q2: 181,223 Q1: 75,242</p>
	<p>The number of attendees and events/bookings across all venues.<sup>1</sup></p> <p><b>Behind target – 166,917 attendees</b></p> <p><b>Target: 300,000 attendees<sup>2</sup></b></p>  <p><b>Behind target – 731 events</b></p> <p><b>Target: 1,100 events/bookings<sup>2</sup></b></p>  <p>A decrease from same period last year for attendees (235,451) and events/bookings (864). Figures have increased with the summer concert season, however the impact of Covid-19 Levels 2 and 3 during this quarter again led to TSB Showplace venue postponements and cancellations. Cancellation of WOMAD had a big impact on TSB Bowl of Brooklands venue numbers this past quarter. The closure of Yarrow Stadium continues to impact targets. It is not anticipated that year end targets will be met due to these impacts.</p> <p>Q2: 103,923 attendees, 535 events/bookings (cumulative total) Q1: 35,927 attendees, 291 events/bookings</p>

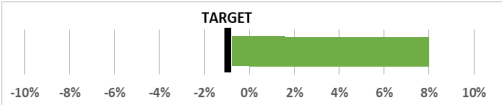
<sup>1</sup> The Council has reduced the expected number of attendees and events/bookings as a result of the closure of Yarrow Stadium's east and west stands.

<sup>2</sup> 2019/20 target 280,000 attendees and 1,000 events/bookings.

## Venues and Events

We provide a range of appealing events at high quality venues.	
<p><b>Not yet available</b></p> <p>The percentage of residents satisfied with Council's events (NRB survey).</p> <p><b>Target: 95%</b></p> <p>Annual measure provided at the completion of Q4.</p>	<p><b>Not yet available</b></p> <p>The percentage of residents satisfied with the Council's events venues (NRB survey).</p> <p><b>Target: 95%</b></p> <p>Annual measure provided at the completion of Q4.</p>

## Waste Management and Minimisation

We encourage district-wide waste minimisation.	We comply with all resource consents related to solid waste collection and management.	Customers are satisfied with our solid waste collection and management service.
<p><b>Target not met – ↑ 8%</b></p> <p>The reduction in landfill waste generated per household (measured as a year on year percentage).</p> <p><b>Target: 1% reduction<sup>1</sup></b></p>  <p>Waste increased by 8% (183kg/household) compared to the same period last year (169kg/household). The implementation of the food waste collection in October 2019 resulted in very good community engagement in the new service during Q2 and Q3 of the previous year. Following the Covid lockdown period, landfill waste per household increased and community engagement in the service reduced. While waste volumes are dropping, it is unlikely to achieve the target in the final quarter of the year.</p> <p>Q2: 9% increase Q1: 8% reduction</p>	<p><b>Target not met - 2</b></p> <p>The number of abatement notices, infringement notices, enforcement orders, and convictions received.</p> <p><b>Target: 0</b></p> <p>No non-compliant events for same period last year. Two abatement notices issued in September in relation to potential ground water contamination and maintenance of monitoring bores at Colson Road landfill. Works are planned to address notices by April 2021.</p>	<p><b>On target – 1.47</b></p> <p>The number of complaints about the Council's solid waste service received (per 1,000 customers).</p> <p><b>Target: 3 or less</b></p> <p>A decrease from same period last year (1.61). The measure allows for 23 or less complaints for each quarter. We have had 48 complaints to date (12 in Q1, 20 in Q2 and 16 in Q3) from 32,572 customers.</p> <p>Q2: 0.98 (cumulative total) Q1: 0.37</p>

<sup>1</sup> 2019/20 target 10% reduction.

## Wastewater Treatment

We provide an effective wastewater treatment and disposal system.	We comply with all resource consents for wastewater discharge from our system.	Customers are satisfied with the wastewater treatment and disposal service.
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>On target – 0.73</b></p> <p>The number of dry weather sewerage overflows per 1,000 connections to the wastewater system.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Target: 1 or less</b></p> <p>An increase from same period last year (0.51). The measure allows for 7.5 overflows each quarter. There have been a total of 22 dry weather overflows to date (10 in Q1, 6 in Q2 and 6 in Q3) over 30,259 connections.<sup>1</sup></p> <p>Q2: 0.53 (cumulative total) Q1: 0.33</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>On target - 0</b></p> <p>The number of abatement notices, infringement notices, enforcement orders, and convictions received.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Target: 0</b></p> <p>Consistent with the same period last year. However, one abatement notice issued in Q3 re Area Q SPS, sewage detected in groundwater. NPDC investigations have shown no link to PS. TRC have put this notice in 'on hold' while they undertake further investigations.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>On target – 4.23</b></p> <p>The total number of complaints received about sewage odour, system faults or blockages, or the Council's response to issues with the sewerage system (per 1,000 connected properties).</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Target: 13 or less</b></p> <p>A decrease from same period last year (4.58). The measure allows for 105 or less complaints in each quarter. There have been a total of 128 complaints to date (39 in Q1, 53 in Q2 and 36 in Q3) from 30,259 connected properties.</p> <p>Q2: 3.04 (cumulative total) Q1: 1.29</p>

<sup>1</sup> Based upon the sum of the following: Sewer Drainage Charges Commercial/Industrial + Half Charge + Residential, Farm, Small Holdings as per Audit NZ instruction.

## Wastewater Treatment

**We respond to customer and maintenance requests in a timely manner.**

### On target – 0.66 hours

The median response time to sewerage overflow callouts (from the time the Council receives notification to the time that service personnel reach the site).

**Target: 1 hour or less**

An increase from same period last year (0.60).

Q2: 0.69 hours (median for six months)

Q1: 0.70 hours (median for three months)

The median resolution time for sewerage overflow callouts (from the time the Council receives notification to the time that service personnel confirm resolution of the fault or interruption).

### On target – 2.17 hours

**Target: 4 hours or less for  
sewers <250 dia**

### On target – no callouts

**Target: 8 hours or less for  
sewers ≥ 250 dia**

A decrease from same period last year (2.33 hours for <250 dia, with no callouts for ≥ 250 dia).

Q2: 2.28 hours for <250 dia , with no callouts for ≥ 250 dia (median for six months)

Q1: 2.09 hours for <250 dia, with no callouts for ≥ 250 dia (median for three months)

dia = diameter



# Water Supply

We provide water that is safe to drink.		We maintain the reticulated water network in good condition.
<p><b>On target</b></p> <p>Our level of compliance with Part 4 of the Drinking-water Standards (bacteria compliance criteria).</p> <p><b>Target: Full compliance</b></p>	<p><b>On target</b></p> <p>Our level of compliance with Part 5 of the Drinking-water Standards (protozoal compliance criteria).</p> <p><b>Target: Full compliance</b></p>	<p><b>Not yet available</b></p> <p>The percentage of real water loss from the Council's networked reticulation system<sup>1</sup>.</p> <p><b>Target: 25% or less</b></p> <p>Annual measure provided at the end of Q4.</p>

<sup>1</sup> We calculate water loss following the method contained within Water New Zealand's Benchmarking of Water Losses in New Zealand Manual.

## Water Supply

Customers are satisfied with our water supply service.	We manage demand to minimise the impact of water supply activities on the environment.	
<p><b>Target not met – 11.81</b></p> <p>The total number of complaints (per 1,000 connections) received about any of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• drinking water clarity, taste, or odour;</li> <li>• drinking water pressure or flow;</li> <li>• continuity of supply; and</li> <li>• the Council's response to any of these issues.</li> </ul> <p><b>Target: 10 or less</b></p> <p>An increase from same period last year (8.89). The measure allows for 71 or less complaints in each quarter. There have been a total of 336 complaints (87 in Q1, 118 in Q2 and 131 in Q3) from 28,445 connected properties. Of the 131 complaints in Q3, 45 arose from four shut downs.</p> <p>Q2: 7.21 (22 complaints arose from two shutdowns - cumulative total)</p> <p>Q1: 3.06</p>	<p><b>Not yet available</b></p> <p>The average consumption of drinking water per day per resident within New Plymouth District.</p> <p><b>Target: 315 litres per day</b></p> <p>Annual measure provided at the end of Q4.</p>	<p><b>On target – 0</b></p> <p>The number of abatement notices, infringement notices enforcement orders, and convictions received.</p> <p><b>Target: 0</b></p> <p>Consistent with same period last year.</p>

## Water Supply

**We respond to faults and unplanned interruptions to the water supply network in a timely manner.**

### On target – 0.66 hours

The median response time to urgent callouts (from the time that the Council receives notification to the time that service personnel reach the site).

**Target: 1 hour or less**

An increase from same period last year (0.52 hours).

Q2: 0.63 hours (median for six months)

Q1: 0.60 hours (median for three months)

The median resolution time for urgent callouts (from the time the Council receives notification, to the time that service personnel confirm resolution of the fault or interruption)

### On target – 1.95 hours

**Target: 4 hours or less for mains <250 dia**

### On target – 1.72 hours\*

**Target: 8 hours or less for mains ≥ 250 dia**

An increase from same period last year (1.78 hours for <250 dia with no callouts for ≥ 250 dia).

\* There was one >250 dia main repair in Q2. Water was restored to all affected properties using alternative supplies within 1.72 hours. The repair to the trunk main itself was completed the following week.

Q2: 1.78 hours for <250 dia, with no callouts for ≥ 250 dia (median for six months)

Q1: 1.75 hours for <250 dia, with no callouts for ≥ 250 dia (median for three months)

dia = diameter

## Water Supply

**We respond to faults and unplanned interruptions to the water supply network in a timely manner.**

**Target not met – 45.10 hours**

The median response time to non-urgent callouts (from the time the Council receives notification to the time that service personnel reach the site).

**Target: 24 hours or less**

45.10 hours for P2, P3 and P4 as required by Audit NZ for Annual Report 2018/19 (same period last year 49.86 hours). 21.11 hours for P2 only (same period last year 6.91 hours). As target was set for meeting P2 responses only this target is likely to be exceeded during 2020/21.

Q2: 47.53 hours for P2, P3 and P4 and 22.75 hours for P2 only (median for six months)

Q1: 48.55 hours for P2, P3 and P4 and 21.13 hours for P2 only (median for three months)

**Target not met – 87.42 hours**

The median resolution time for non-urgent callouts (from the time that the Council receives notification to the time that service personnel confirm resolution of the fault or interruption).

**Target: 48 hours or less**

87.42 hours for P2, P3 and P4 as required by Audit NZ for Annual Report 2018/19 (same period last year 89.96 hours). 44.53 hours for P2 only (same period last year 25.49 hours). As target was set for meeting P2 responses only this target is likely to be exceeded during 2020/21.

Q1: 92.90 hours for P2, P3 and P4 and 46.87 hours for P2 only (median for six months)

Q1: 94.15 hours for P2, P3 and P4 and 47.71 hours for P2 only (median for three months)

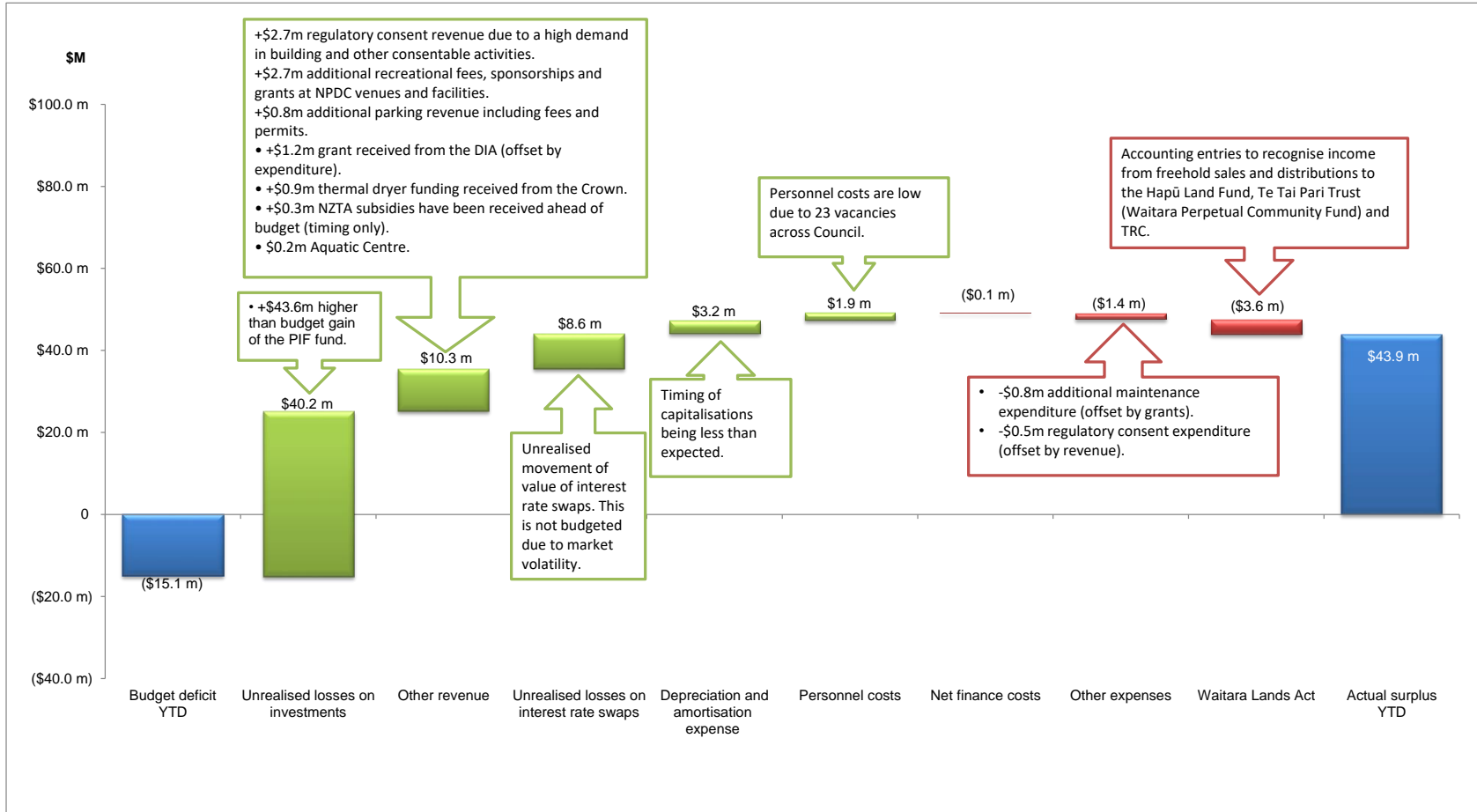


# Financial Performance

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**Summary**

For the nine months ended 31 March 2021, the Council recorded a surplus of \$43.9m compared to a budgeted deficit of \$15.1m. Key variances against budget are as follows:



Excluding unrealised losses on investments, the deficit is \$7.5m compared to a budgeted deficit of \$26.3m. Excluding the Waitara Lands Act transactions, the surplus is \$54.1m compared to a budgeted deficit of \$8.6m.

## Council agenda (25 May 2021) - NPDC Quarterly Report

**Statement of Comprehensive Revenue and Expense**  
 For the period ended 31 March 2021

	Ref	Actual (\$'000)	Budget (\$'000)	Variance (\$'000)	(%)
<b>Operating revenue</b>					
Rates		73,658	73,333	325	0%
Subsidies and grants	(a)	13,405	10,762	2,643	25%
Fines and levies	(b)	1,124	701	423	60%
Development and financial contributions	(c)	1,650	1,771	(121)	-7%
Other revenue	(d)	20,762	13,736	7,026	51%
Finance revenue	(e)	1,127	1,692	(565)	-33%
Investment revenue	(f)	51,429	11,201	40,228	359%
Waitara Lands Act revenue		5,330	6,525	(1,195)	-18%
<b>Total operating revenue</b>		<b>168,485</b>	<b>119,721</b>	<b>48,764</b>	<b>41%</b>
<b>Operating expenditure</b>					
Personnel costs	(g)	34,197	36,087	1,890	5%
Other expenses	(h)	51,146	49,709	(1,437)	-3%
Depreciation and amortisation expense	(i)	27,743	30,958	3,215	10%
Finance costs	(j)	4,581	5,004	423	8%
Unrealised loss on interest rate swaps		(8,584)	-	8,584	n/a
Waitara Lands Act distributions		15,471	13,049	(2,422)	n/a
<b>Total operating expenditure</b>		<b>124,554</b>	<b>134,807</b>	<b>10,253</b>	<b>8%</b>
<b>Surplus before tax</b>		<b>43,931</b>	<b>(15,086)</b>	<b>59,017</b>	<b>n/a</b>
Tax refund/(expense)		-	-	-	
<b>SURPLUS AFTER TAX</b>		<b>43,931</b>	<b>(15,086)</b>	<b>59,017</b>	<b>n/a</b>

The Council's deficit (excluding unrealised gains on investments) of \$7.5m for the nine months ended 31 March 2021 was \$18.8m more than the budgeted deficit of \$26.3m. Key variances to budget include:

**(a) Subsidies and grants:** Higher than budget due to the following:

- \$1.2m grant received from the DIA for additional expenditure of the three waters.
- \$850k thermal dryer funding received from the Crown.
- \$230k venues sponsorship and grants higher than expected.
- \$259k NZTA subsidies have been received ahead of budget. This is a timing issue only.
- \$200k Aquatic centre naming rights.

**(b) Fines and levies:** Lower than budget due to parking fines and permits revenue impacted by the one hour free parking scheme.

**(c) Development and financial contributions:** Behind budget due to the number of developments to date being less than predicted, particularly the Area Q development.

**(d) Other revenue:** Higher than budget due to the following:

- \$2.7m regulatory consent revenue due to high demand in building work for new homes and other consentable activities.
- \$2.5m additional recreational fees at NPDC venues and facilities.
- \$0.4m additional parking revenue.
- \$0.2m landfill adjustment from prior year landfill rebate.

**(e) Finance revenue:** Interest on loan to PRIP lower, as loan is \$22m less than budgeted as a result of debt/equity swap on 30 June 2020.

**(f) Investment revenue:** Higher than budget due to the value of the PIF increasing by \$43.6m in the year-to-date.

**(g) Personnel costs:** Behind budget due to there being 23 FTE vacancies across council.

**(h) Other expenses:** Behind budget due to the following:

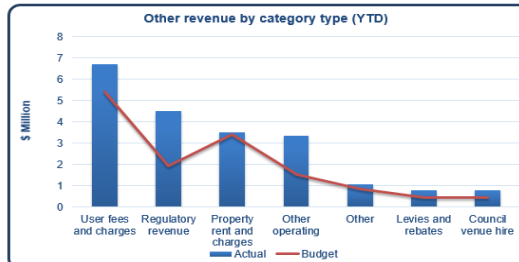
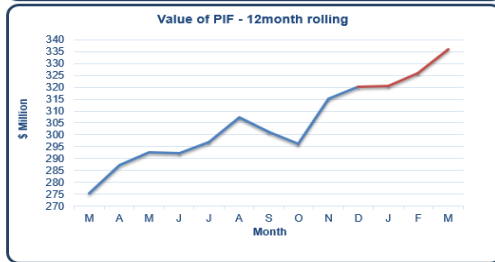
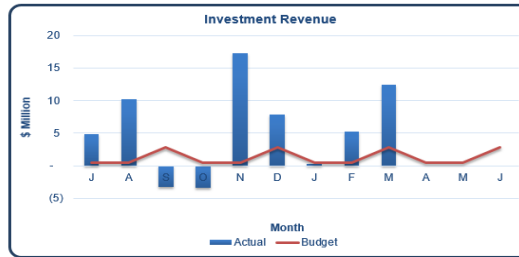
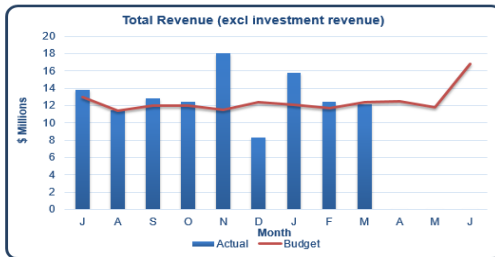
- \$0.8m additional maintenance expenditure (offset by grants).
- \$0.5m regulatory consent expenditure (offset by revenue).

**(i) Depreciation and amortisation:** A result of timing of capitalisations being less than expected.

**(j) Finance Costs:** Finance costs are below budget due to interest rates being lower than anticipated.

**Revenue and Expenditure Analysis**  
For the period ended 31 March 2021

**REVENUE**

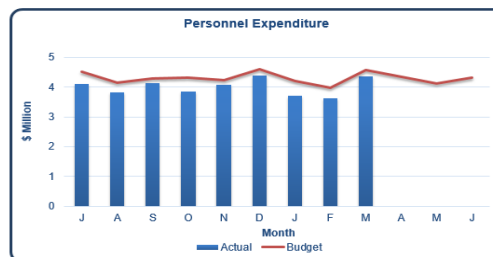
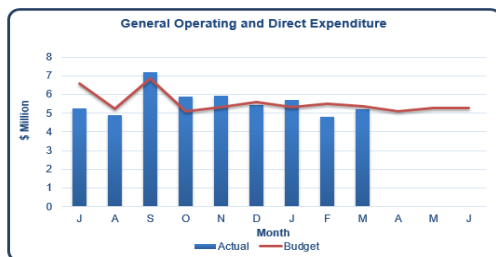


Revenue (excluding investment revenue) is \$4.6m (6.0%) ahead of budget due to the following:

- +\$2.7m regulatory consent revenue due to a high demand in building and other consentable activities.
- +\$2.7m additional recreational fees, sponsorships and grants at NPDC venues and facilities.
- +\$0.8m additional parking revenue including fees and permits.
- +\$1.2m grant received from the DIA (offset by expenditure).
- +\$0.9m thermal dryer funding received from the Crown.
- +\$0.3m NZTA subsidies have been received ahead of budget (timing only).
- \$0.2m Aquatic Centre naming rights.
- Waitara land sales are beyond what has been budgeted.

Year-to-date, the value of the **Perpetual Investment Fund** has increased from \$292.3m at 30 June 2020 to \$320.5m at period-end. This increase has been driven by an upturn in the markets after the shock of Covid-19 in the last quarter of FY20 and a result of the presidential election in the USA. The quarterly release payments received to date total \$2.5m. Quarter two and quarter three payments have been paid in April.

**EXPENDITURE**



Total expenditure (excluding Waitara Lands Distributions) is \$6.0m (7.2%) less than budget, driven by lower personnel costs (see below) and depreciation. Finance costs are lower than expected due to interest rates being low.

Personnel costs are \$1.9m behind budget. There are currently 23 full-time equivalent vacancies across council.

Depreciation and amortisation is lower than expected due to timing of capitalisations. This has no cash impact.

General operating and direct expenditure is \$1.4m below budget due to;

- +\$0.8m additional maintenance expenditure (offset by grants).
- +\$0.5m regulatory consent expenditure (offset by revenue).



## Council agenda (25 May 2021) - NPDC Quarterly Report

**Statement of Financial Position**  
 As at 31 March 2021

		Council				2020/21
		2020/21	2019/20	Variance		2020/21
		Actual	Actual		%	Budget
		31-Mar-21	30-Jun-20	(\$'000)		30-Jun-21
		(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)		(\$'000)
<b>Non-current assets</b>						
Other financial assets	(a)	66,966	63,126	3,840	6%	34,550
Perpetual Investment Fund	(b)	335,854	292,253	43,601	15%	
Intangible assets		-	-	-	0%	5,130
Forestry assets		4,097	4,097	0	0%	3,700
Derivative financial assets	(d)	526	800	(274)	-34%	640
Property, plant and equipment	(c)	2,883,571	2,879,240	4,331	0%	2,391,910
<b>Total non-current assets</b>		<b>3,291,014</b>	<b>3,239,516</b>	<b>51,498</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>2,435,930</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>						
Cash and cash equivalents		47,314	34,706	12,608	36%	3,210
Trade and other receivables		16,810	15,847	963	6%	16,430
Inventory		151	151	-	0%	140
Intangible assets		9	9	-	0%	620
Other financial assets	(a)	57,725	31,559	26,166	83%	321,510
Non-current assets held for sale		-	-	-	0%	1,290
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>122,009</b>	<b>82,272</b>	<b>39,737</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>343,200</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>3,413,024</b>	<b>3,321,788</b>	<b>91,236</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>2,779,130</b>
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>						
Employee entitlements		459	462	3	1%	630
Derivative financial liabilities	(d)	12,795	21,631	8,836	69%	5,910
Provisions		3,139	3,139	-	0%	1,750
Public debt and other loans	(e)	174,500	129,500	(45,000)	-26%	184,940
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>		<b>190,893</b>	<b>154,732</b>	<b>(36,161)</b>	<b>-19%</b>	<b>193,230</b>
<b>Current liabilities</b>						
Trade and other payables		20,263	19,693	(570)	-3%	17,125
Waitara Lands Act	(f)	30,448	20,041	(10,407)	-34%	-
Public debt and other loans	(e)	44,000	44,000	-	0%	12,994
Employee entitlements		4,863	4,209	(654)	-13%	3,614
Provisions		372	837	465	125%	794
Derivative financial liabilities	(d)	316	338	22	7%	202
<b>Total current liabilities</b>		<b>100,262</b>	<b>89,118</b>	<b>(11,144)</b>	<b>-11%</b>	<b>34,729</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<b>291,155</b>	<b>243,850</b>	<b>(47,305)</b>	<b>-16%</b>	<b>227,959</b>
<b>Public equity</b>						
Accumulated funds		1,582,780	1,556,947	(25,833)	-2%	1,570,560
Other reserves		1,539,089	1,520,991	(18,098)	-1%	980,610
<b>Total public equity</b>		<b>3,121,869</b>	<b>3,077,938</b>	<b>(43,931)</b>	<b>-1%</b>	<b>2,551,171</b>
<b>TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES</b>		<b>3,413,024</b>	<b>3,321,788</b>	<b>(91,236)</b>	<b>-3%</b>	<b>2,779,130</b>

(a) **Other financial assets:** additional \$4.3m advanced to the Airport year-to-date for capital work being undertaken. Funds of \$25m from borrowings undertaken during the year were invested on term deposit in the first quarter until required.

(b) **PIF:** \$43.6m increase in the value of the PIF for the year to date (unrealised gains). \$2.5m cash released year-to-date.

(c) **PPE:** year-to-date additions offset by \$9.7m Waitara leasehold land sales processed under the Waitara Lands Act.

(d) **Derivative financial liabilities and assets** are interest rate swaps and reflect their market value as at 31 March 2021.

(e) **Public debt and other loans:** \$45m additional loans from the Local Government Funding agency to cover future upcoming capital projects.

(f) **Waitara Lands Act:** The increase in the Waitara Lands Act liability is as a result of completed freehold land sales.

The Council's **current ratio** (the ratio of current assets to current liabilities (a measure of liquidity) stands at 1.22 to 1 as at period end (2020: 0.92:1). This reflects a strong current position for the council.

A significant amount of the current liabilities balance relates to accruals. These are not immediately payable, and the council has significant "stand by" facilities, there are no liquidity concerns.

### Capital Work Summary for the period ended 31 March 2021

#### Capital Works by Significant Activity

Significant Activity	Annual Plan (\$000)	Annual Forecast (\$000)	Revised Annual Plan (\$000)	Actual YTD March (\$000)	Variance Actual YTD v Revised Annual (\$000) (%)		Key Issues
Community Partnership	107	86	107	54	52	51%	
Customer and Regulatory Solutions	-	52	-	52	(52)		All Downtown Car Park works on hold. No further expenditure planned this financial year for this significant activity. This will be an underspend (no carryforward).
Emergency Management and Business Continuanace	-	3	11	0	10	3%	
Flood Protection and Control Works	29	57	55	16	39	29%	Expenditure planned to be undertaken in the fourth quarter.
Govett-Brewster Art Gallery	213	101	281	45	237	16%	Likely underspend, resulting in saving.
Management of investments	-	10	-	10	10		
Parks	2,335	3,527	5,451	2,732	2,719	50%	Risk of carry forward on delivery of Coastal Walkway Rail Safety Improvements (being delivered by Kiwirail - still anticipated delivery by 30 June 2021).
Puke Ariki	938	1,339	1,175	857	318	73%	
Recreation & Events	622	805	2,040	533	1,507	26%	
Shared services	3,231	6,479	11,410	4,064	7,345	36%	Majority of shared services capital relate to Business Technology Group projects not yet undertaken.
Stormwater Drainage	1,968	2,175	2,025	1,569	456	77%	Report to obtain budget issued to Council on Waiwaka Terrace works (September 2020).
TEMO	46	900	603	250	353	42%	Works commenced on Taranaki Emergency Management Office building (1 February 2021) with planned completion June 2021.
Transport	22,393	13,394	23,245	11,270	11,975	48%	Programme ahead of schedule, works have been slowed down to ensure budget not overspent.
Waste Management and Minimisation	180	2,218	3,376	762	2,614	23%	Delay to resource recovery facility (likely start Autumn 2021, will not complete 30 June 2021). Carry forward of \$700k.
Wastewater Treatment	7,268	8,113	8,726	5,037	3,689	58%	Design and procurement work progressing on capital improvement projects, including the thermal dryer. Expenditure will continue to increase.
Water Supply	10,365	15,918	18,790	13,216	5,574	70%	Works on site for two Reservoirs and Oakura Waste Treatment Plant, procurement ongoing for Water Critical Spares.
<b>Total</b>	<b>49,695</b>	<b>55,156</b>	<b>77,294</b>	<b>40,446</b>	<b>36,847</b>	<b>52%</b>	

## Treasury Report as at 31 March 2021

### Interest rate risk



**\$145,500,000**  
Total fixed rate instruments

**6.33**  
WA term fixed rate instruments (years)

**\$218,500,000**  
Total drawn debt

### Funding



**\$134,143,865**  
Net debt

**\$24,000,000**  
Undrawn bank facilities

**\$5,000,000**  
Undrawn and unlinked bank facilities

### Liquidity



**119%**  
Liquidity ratio (liquid deposits)

**110%**  
Liquidity ratio policy

**141%**  
Liquidity ratio (total deposits)

**Liquidity ratios:** The liquidity ratios in this report excludes the value of the PIF in the calculation and only include bank balances and term investments..

### Investments

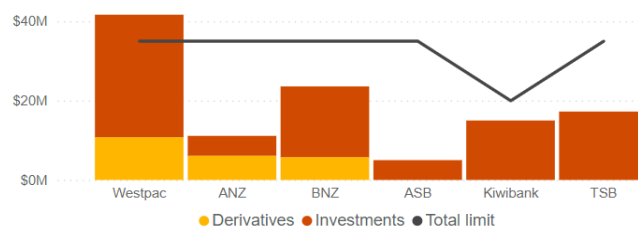


**\$36,730,386**  
Liquid assets

**\$0**  
Linked deposits

**\$84,356,135**  
Total deposits

### Counterparty credit usage, by bank



### Overall position

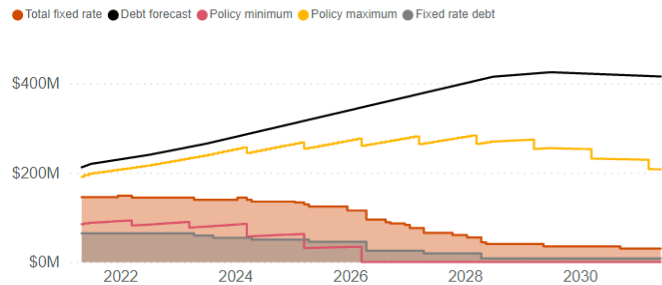
Current external debt is \$218.5m. \$10m is addition to core debt and \$7m is the first tranche of prefunding \$15m of debt due for repayment in May. The weighted average borrowing rate is 3.15 per cent. The Council is within all Treasury Policy limits, as seen in the compliance scorecard to the left.

#### Current year borrowings - movement

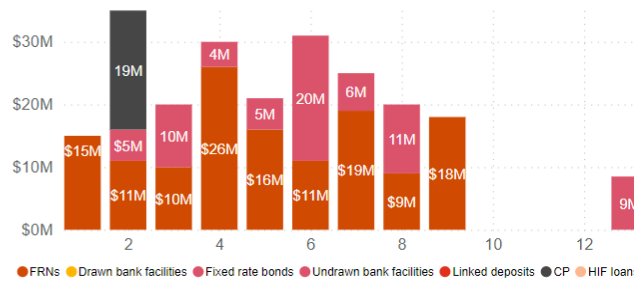
	Long-term \$m	Short-term \$m	Total debt \$m
Opening balance at 1 July 2020	157.5	44.0	201.5
Core debt - prefunding of \$15m due for repayment May 2021	7.0	7.0	7.0
Core debt	10.0	10.0	10.0
	<b>174.5</b>	<b>44.0</b>	<b>218.5</b>

### Treasury Report as at 31 March 2021

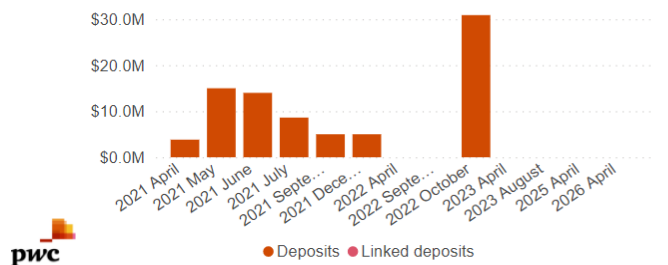
#### Interest rate risk timeline



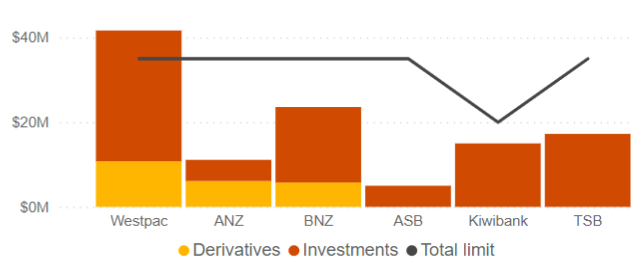
#### Funding risk profile



#### Investment risk timeline



#### Counterparty credit usage, by bank



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**On target**  
variance between 0-5% and less than \$100k

**Minor variance to budget**  
variance between 5-10% and/or less than \$100k

**Significant unfavourable variance to budget**  
variance greater than 10% and \$100k

**Significant favourable variance to budget**  
variance greater than 10% and \$100k

## NET OPERATING RATES SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)

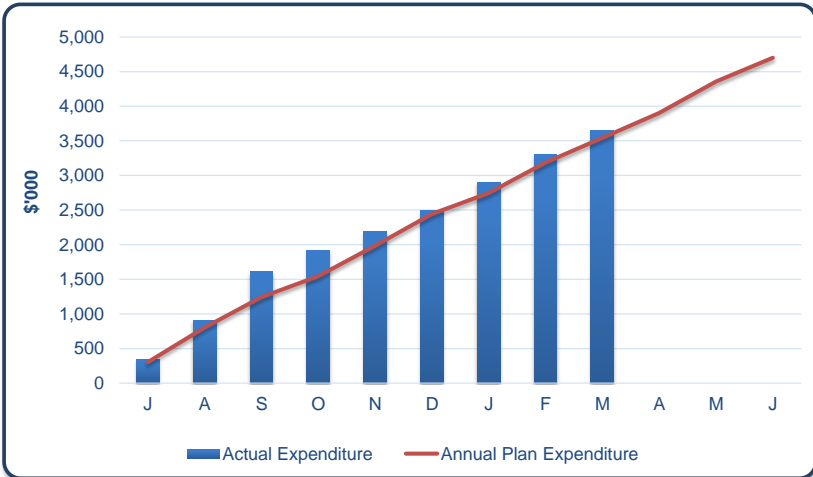
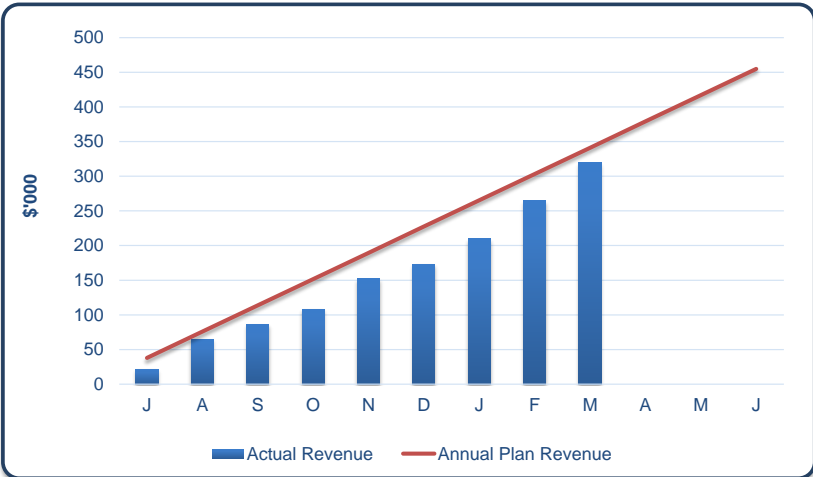
Page	Activity	Year-to-date December 2020			
		Actual	Budget	Variance	
		(\$000)	(\$000)	(\$000)	%
48	Community Partnership	(3,503)	(2,938)	(564)	-19%
49	Customer and Regulatory Solutions	(4,068)	(8,056)	3,988	50%
50	Economic Development	(3,351)	(3,180)	(172)	-5%
51	Emergency Mgmt & Business Continuance	(716)	(841)	126	15%
52	Flood Protection and Control Works	(152)	(222)	70	32%
53	Governance	(3,272)	(3,318)	46	1%
54	Govett-Brewster Art Gallery/Len Lye Centre	(2,609)	(3,478)	869	25%
55	Management of Investments and Funding	8,207	8,058	150	-2%
56	Parks and Open spaces	(11,957)	(12,669)	713	6%
57	Puke Ariki and Community Libraries	(8,457)	(9,160)	703	8%
58	Stormwater Management	(1,285)	(1,260)	(25)	-2%
59	Transportation	(9,479)	(10,457)	979	9%
63	Venues and Events	(5,745)	(8,167)	2,422	30%
60	Waste Management and Minimisation	(6,518)	(5,893)	(625)	-11%
61	Wastewater Treatment	(8,352)	(8,781)	429	5%
62	Water Supply	(8,507)	(8,329)	(178)	-2%
	Other Operating <sup>1</sup> and Rates	75,005	74,366	639	0%
	Shared Services Respread Allocation	820	(5,025)	5,845	n/a
<b>TOTAL NET OPERATING RATES (DEFICIT)/SURPLUS</b>		<b>6,063</b>	<b>(9,349)</b>	<b>15,412</b>	<b>n/a</b>
	Less: Appropriations	(818)	(828)	10	1%
	Less: Capital grants and subsidies	(6,806)	(6,535)	(271)	-4%
	Less: Unfunded depreciation	13,358	16,573	(3,216)	19%
	Add: Unrealised gain on investments	43,601	3,473	40,128	n/a
<b>(DEFICIT) AFTER TAX</b>		<b>43,931</b>	<b>(15,086)</b>	<b>59,016</b>	<b>n/a</b>

<sup>1</sup>predominantly gains/losses on asset sales/disposals and unrealised gains/losses on revaluation of derivatives.

**COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP**

Revenue is \$22k (6%) less than budget year-to-date.

Expenditure is \$112k (3%) more than budget year-to-date.



**Revenue is less than budget year-to-date due to:**

- +\$35k creative communities grants (timing only).
- -\$38k rental income from Housing for the Elderly.

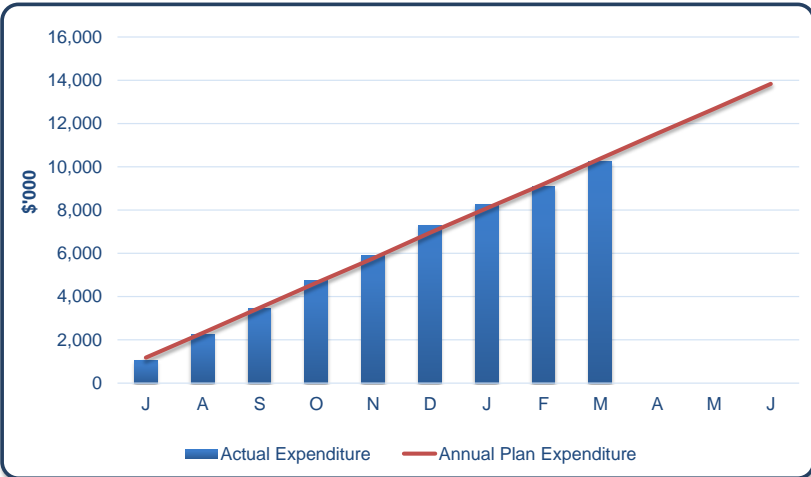
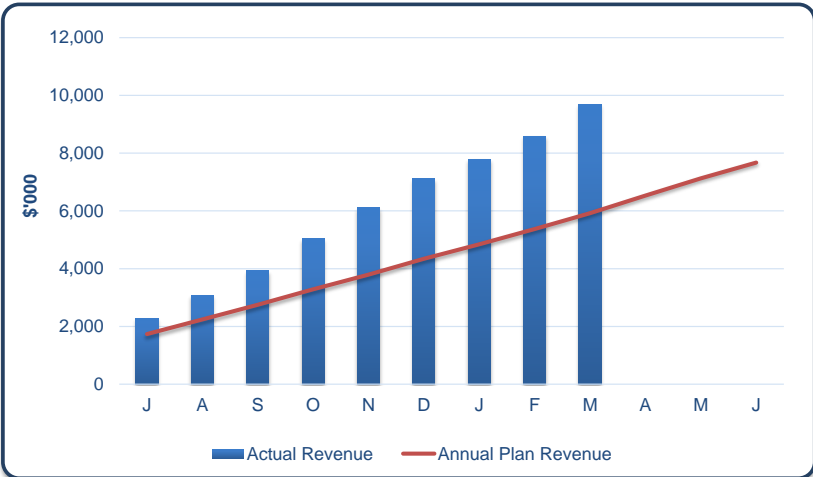
**Expenditure is more than budget year-to-date due to:**

- -\$50k Community Services grants paid timing offset with additional GUBOOF spend (no reserve transfer completed yet).
- -\$193k Facade painting scheme (partially reserve funded).
- +\$140k NP Partners expenditure timing (no rates impact).

**CUSTOMER AND REGULATORY SOLUTIONS**

Revenue is \$3.8m (64%) more than budget year-to-date.

Expenditure is \$132k (1%) less than budget year-to-date.



**Revenue is more than budget year-to-date due to:**

- +\$2.43m building and resource consent activity (includes stimulus first \$1,000 discount).
- +\$812k parking fees and permits (includes stimulus Q1 one hour free).
- +\$248k NPDC building accreditation levy.
- +\$76k dog registrations and fees (full year impact expected).
- +\$259k contractor completing food verifications (offset with additional expenditure).
- -\$121k Area Q development contributions behind (no rates impact but less repayment of debt).

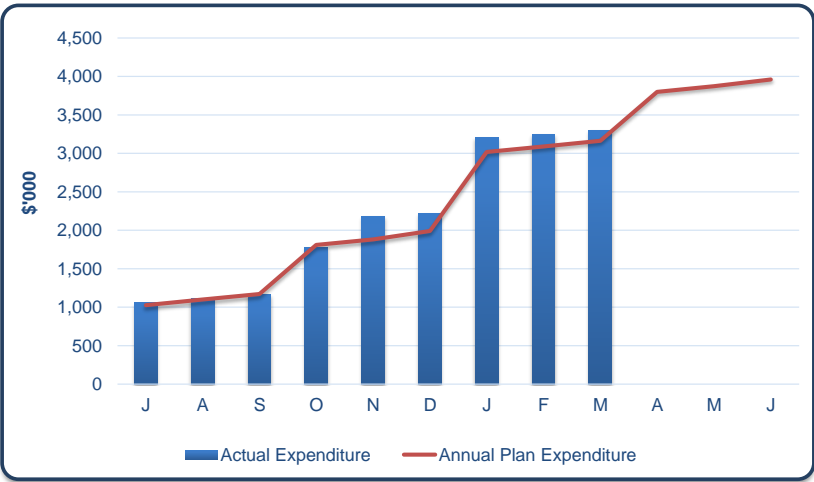
**Expenditure is less than budget year-to-date due to:**

- +\$549k personnel costs with offsets in other expenditure lines.
- +\$187k depreciation expense (no rates impact).
- +\$107k reduced hardware & software costs due to sensor upgrade.
- -\$667k resource consents relating to professional services (offset with additional revenue).
- -\$133k contractor resources to get through food verifications (offset with additional revenue).

### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

No budgeted or actual revenue.

Expenditure is \$134k (4%) more than budget year-to-date.



**Expenditure is more than budget year-to-date due to:**

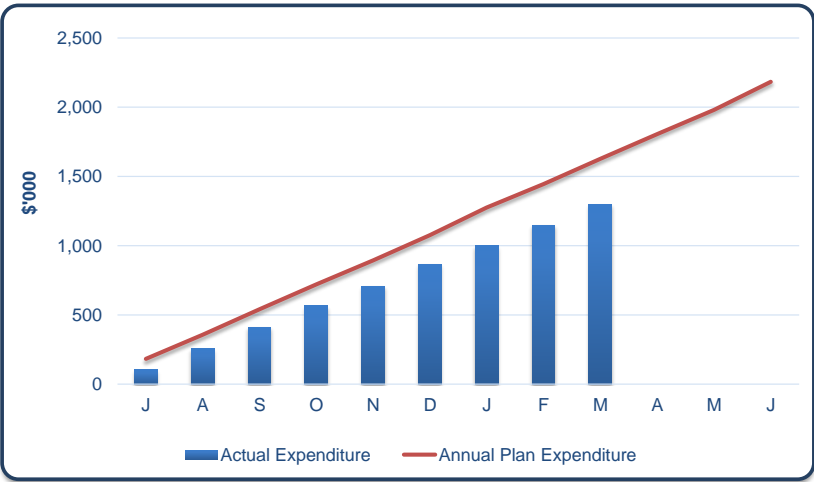
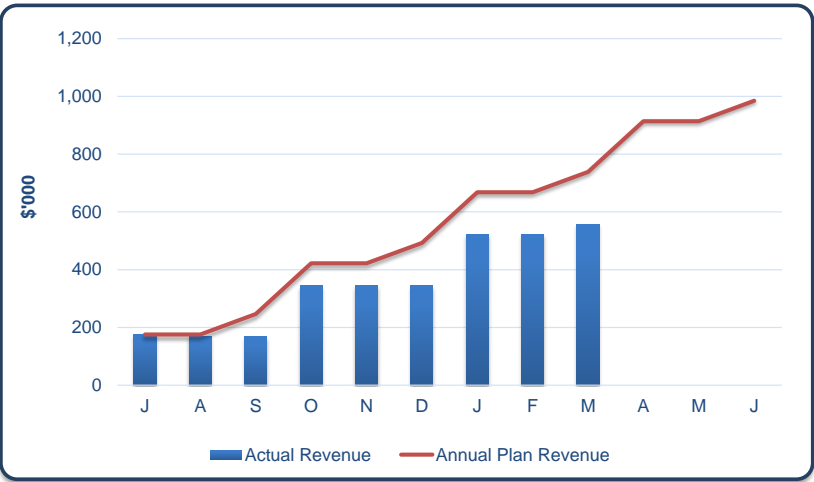
- -\$123k GUBOOF approved stimulus (no full year impact as funded from reserve).
- -\$38k transfer from forestry reserve for Marina study not completed (expected full year impact).



**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND BUSINESS CONTINUANCE**

**Revenue is \$182k (25%) less than revised budget year-to-date.**

**Expenditure is \$330k (20%) less than budget year-to-date.**



**Revenue is less than budget year-to-date due to:**

- -\$185k grant from NEMA to cover projects work not invoiced yet (offsets reduced expenditure).

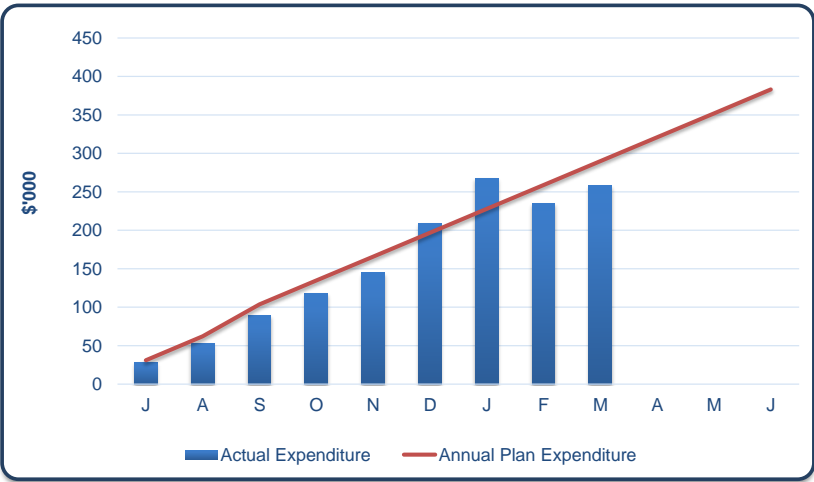
**Expenditure is less than budget year-to-date due to:**

- +\$50k prior year purchase order accrual cancelled after being receipted (full year impact).
- +\$134k personnel savings due to secondments and projects (full year impact).
- +\$90k TEMO projects work. (The Turnip - Volcano project). Full year impact \$123k.

### FLOOD PROTECTION AND CONTROL WORKS

No budgeted or actual revenue.

Expenditure is \$32k (11%) less than budget year-to-date.



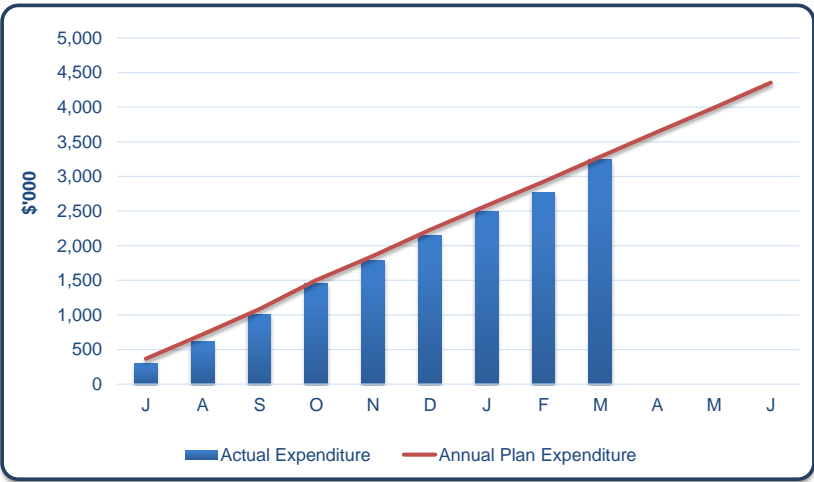
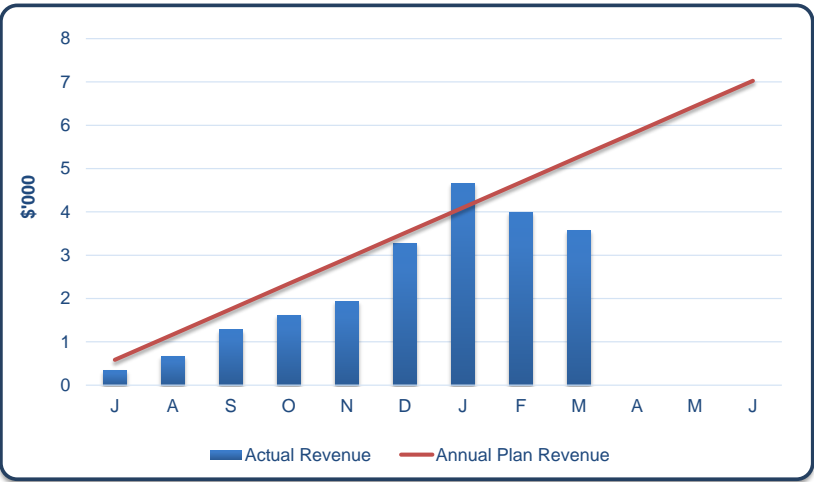
**Expenditure is less than budget year-to-date due to:**

- +\$58k timing of inspections.

**GOVERNANCE**

**Budget and variance are immaterial**

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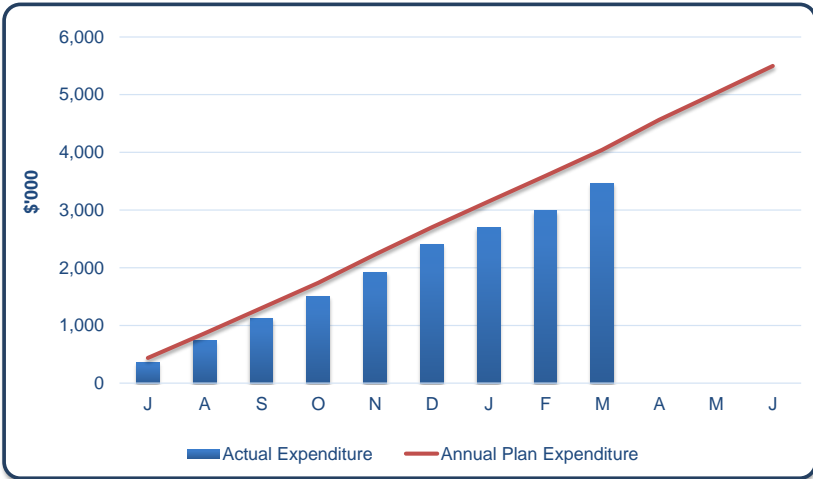
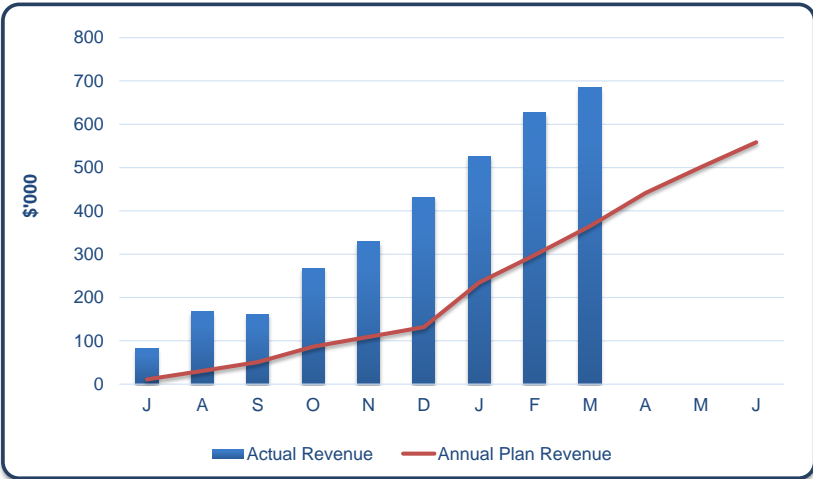
**Budget and variance are immaterial no comment given.**

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**GOVETT-BREWSTER ART GALLERY/LEN LYE CENTER**

**Revenue is \$319k (87%) more than budget year-to-date.**

**Expenditure is \$585k (14%) less with budget year-to-date.**



**Revenue is more than budget year-to-date due to:**

- +\$168k admission charges. Less impact from Covid-19 than expected - return to normal operations combined with higher domestic activity.
- +\$137k cinema and retail revenue. Less impact from Covid-19 than expected - return to normal operations combined with higher domestic activity.
- NOTE: Covid-19 impact assumed Gallery closure until December 2020.

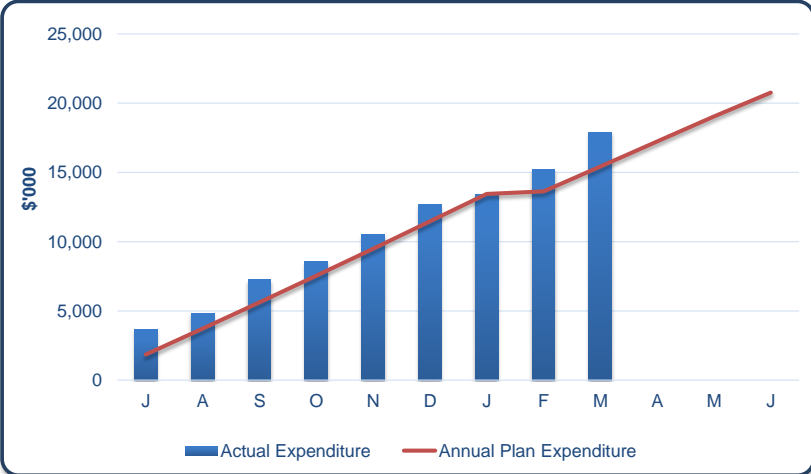
**Expenditure is less than budget year-to-date due to:**

- +\$292k personnel costs due to vacancies and exhibition changeovers.
- +\$100k strategic spend and exhibition changeovers - timing only.
- +\$100k anniversary gala cancelled due to Covid-19.
- +\$46k property charges.
- +\$21k reduction in international marketing.
- +\$20k depreciation lower than budgeted.

**MANAGEMENT OF INVESTMENTS AND FUNDING** (excl unrealised gains/losses on investments)

Revenue is \$40m more than budget year-to-date.

Expenditure is \$2.5m more than budget year-to-date.



**Revenue is more than budget year-to-date due to:**

- +\$43.6m increase in PIF which is \$25.9m more than expected.
- -\$678k interest less than budget due to PRIP's debt to equity conversion.

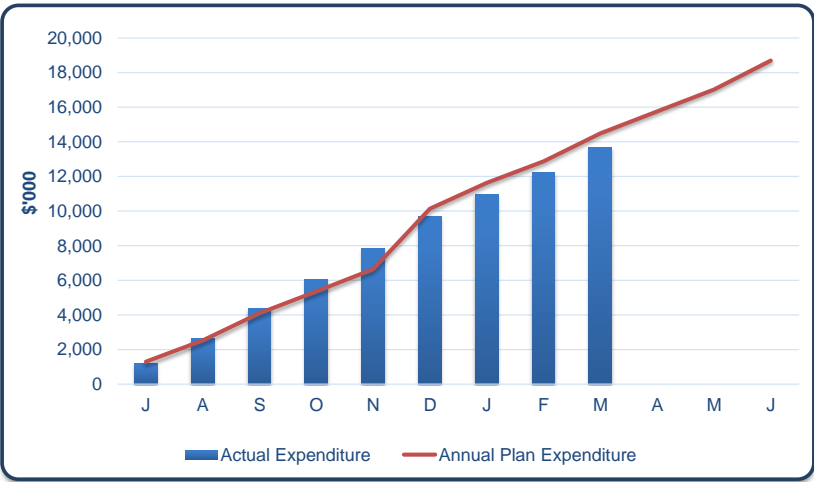
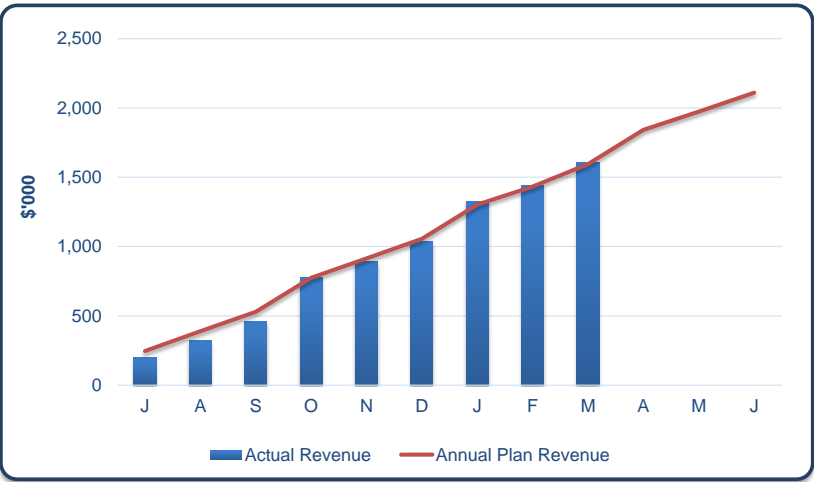
**Expenditure is more than budget year-to-date due to:**

- -\$2.4m Waitara freehold distributions which is \$15.5m distributed year to date.

**PARKS AND OPEN SPACES**

Revenue is \$10k (1%) more than budget year-to-date.

Expenditure is \$804k (6%) less than budget year-to-date.



**Budget and variance are immaterial no comment given.**

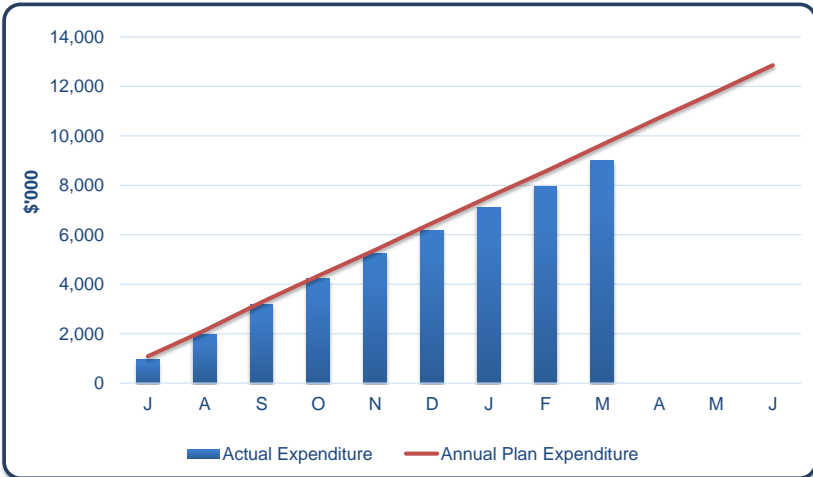
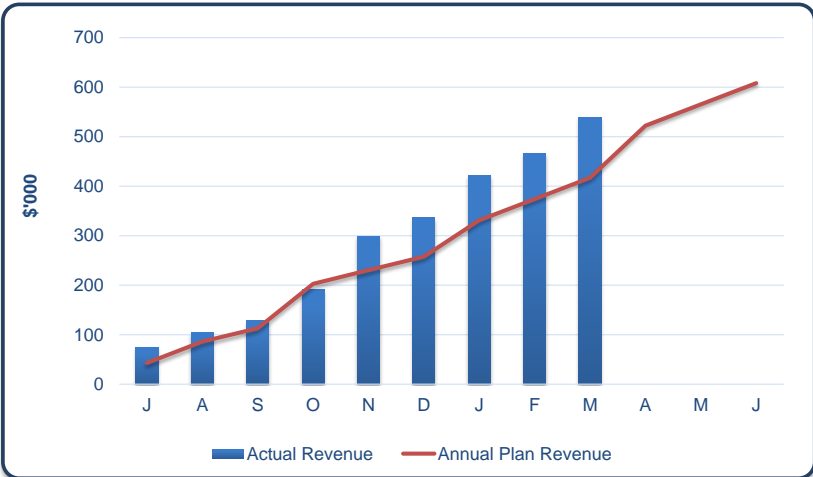
**Expenditure is less than budget year-to-date due to:**

- +\$147k rolling staff vacancies.
- +\$247k cleaning savings.
- +\$194k other utility savings.
- +\$51 scheduled tree maintenance behind, no FY impact.

**PUKE ARIKI AND COMMUNITY LIBRARIES**

Revenue is \$122k (29%) more than budget year-to-date.

Expenditure is \$636k (7%) less than budget year-to-date.



**Revenue is more than budget year-to-date due to:**

- +\$124k retail sales in the i-Site retail store being higher than expected.
- +\$42k NZ Library Partnering Programme funding - offset in expenditure.
- -\$25k library fees and charges.

• NOTE: Covid-19 impact assumed closure and restricted domestic travel.

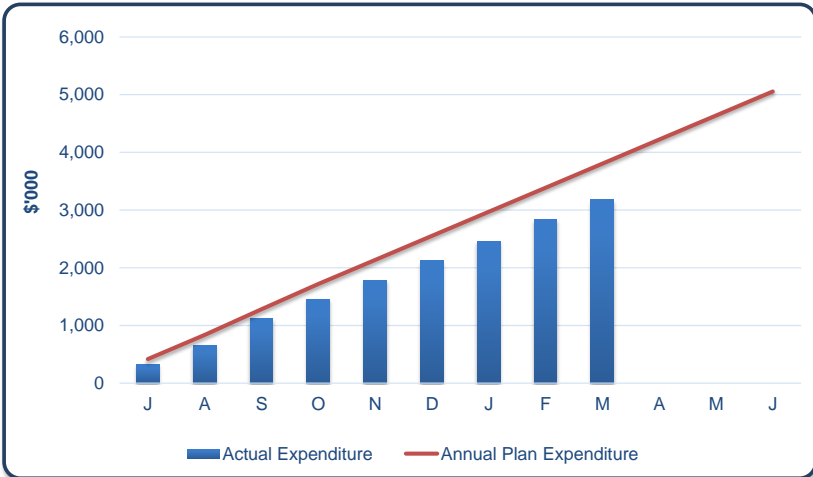
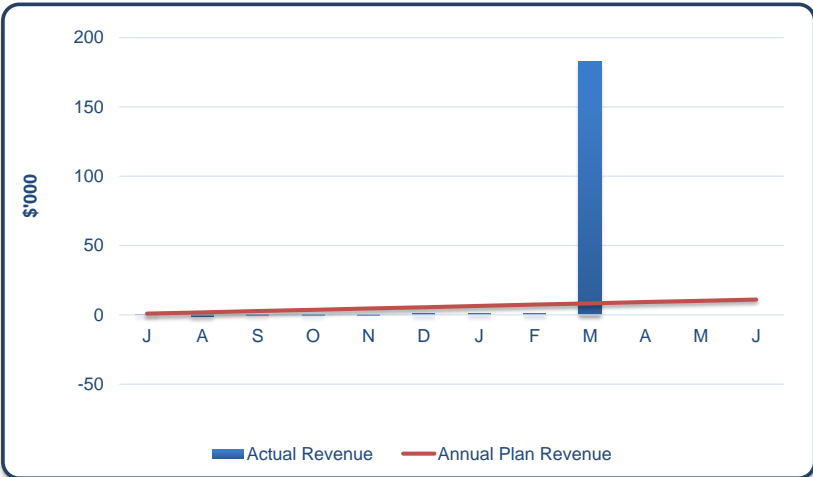
**Expenditure is less than budget year-to-date due to:**

- +\$271k timing of temporary exhibition spend.
- +\$107k museum exhibition personnel savings.
- +\$25k property oncharges (timing).
- +\$48k fine arts insurance cover (full year impact).
- +\$31k static security.
- +\$47k licencing costs processed through BTG.
- +\$54k depreciation lower than budgeted.

**STORMWATER MANAGEMENT**

Revenue is \$174k (2104%) more than budget year-to-date.

Expenditure is \$624k (16%) less than budget year-to-date.



**Revenue is more than budget year-to-date due to:**

- +178k DIA grant funding\* to offset additional expenditure.
- NOTE: DIA grant & Crown funding has been moved to revenue in advance and will be released as costs are incurred.

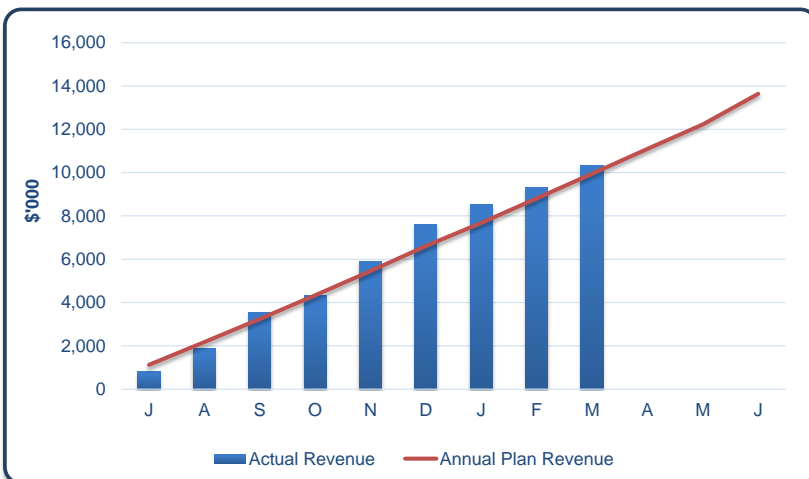
**Expenditure is less than budget year-to-date due to:**

- +\$645k depreciation lower than budgeted.
- -\$65k LAPP insurance charges (full year impact).

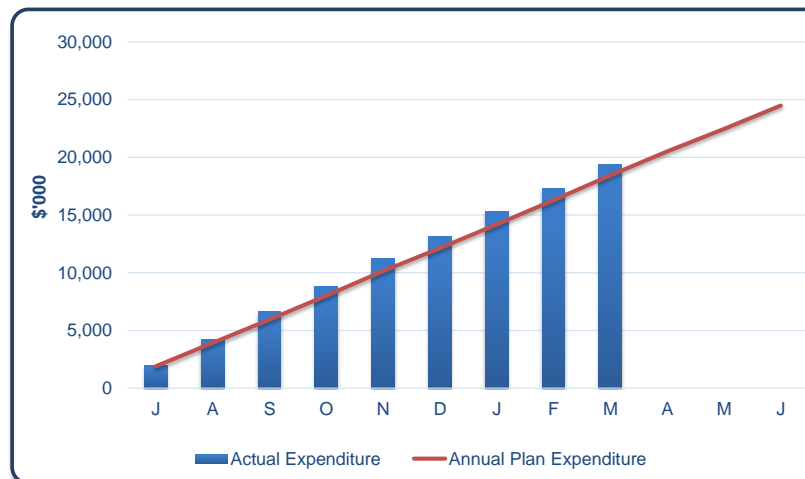


## TRANSPORTATION

Revenue is \$385k (4%) more than budget year-to-date.



Expenditure is \$939k (5%) more than budget year-to-date.



**Revenue is more than budget year-to-date due to:**

- +\$920k NZTA operating subsidy Local Roads (timing).
- +\$60k NZTA operating subsidy State Highways (timing).
- +\$150k Innovating streets 'Lets go' capital subsidy, no rates impact.
- -\$728k NZTA capital subsidy for local roads (Waitara walkway proposed in LTP21-31) no rates impact.

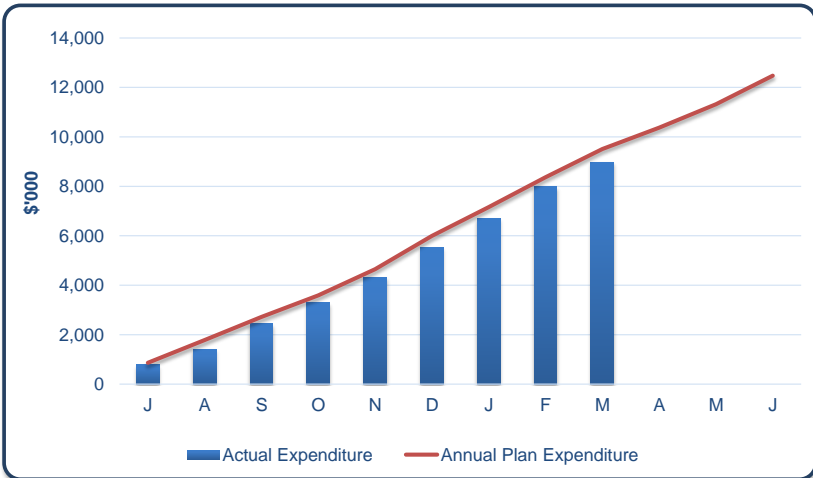
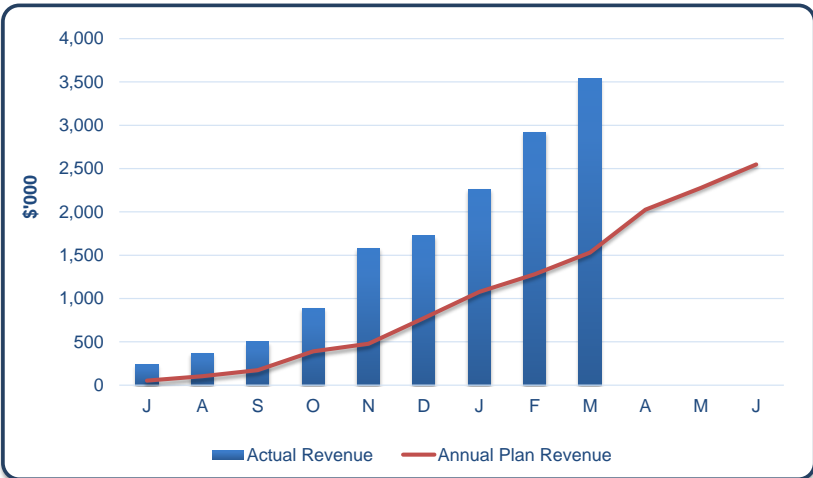
**Expenditure is more than budget year-to-date due to:**

- +\$230k unsubsidised street cleaning expenses lower than budget.
- +\$137k additional labour recoveries to CAPEX.
- -\$423k depreciation higher than budgeted.
- -\$940k maintenance & operating expenses for NZTA subsidised local roads (timing).

## VENUES AND EVENTS

**Revenue is \$2.0m (131%) more than budget year-to-date.**

**Expenditure is \$546k (6%) less than budget year-to-date.**



**Revenue is more than budget year-to-date due to:**

- +\$1.1m venue hire, recoveries, ticket commission and profit share from four successful Bowl concerts.
- +\$490k TEAC user fees - in line with normal year
- +\$197k TEAC naming rights - includes catch up from prior year (full year impact).
- +\$191k TSB Showplace and TSB Stadium events. Less impact from Covid-19 than expected - return to normal operations.
- +\$55k OXFAM funding and new years event sponsorship.

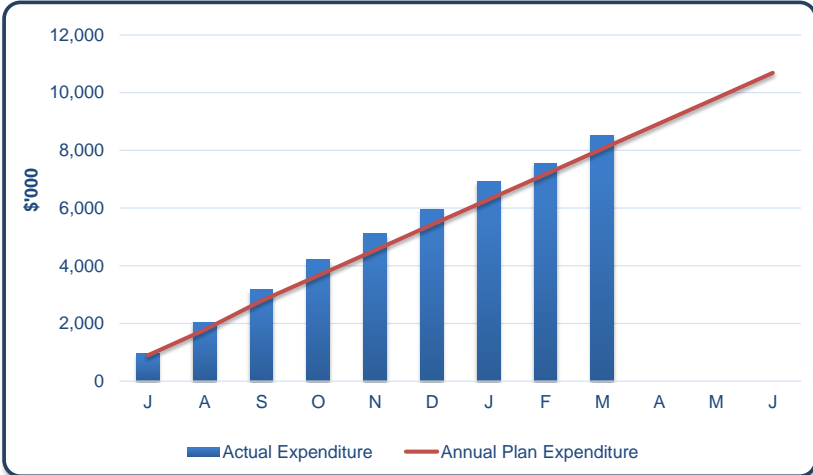
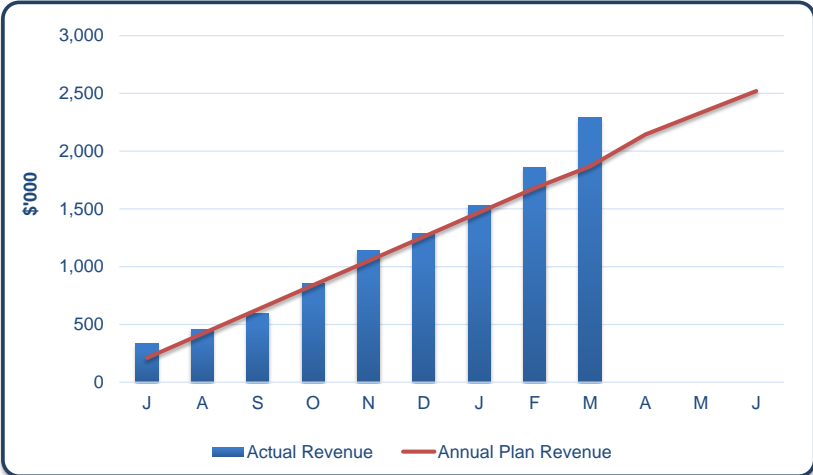
**Expenditure is less than budget year-to-date due to:**

- -\$549k recoverable costs from Bowl events - offsets revenue.
- +\$172k personnel vacancies across Aquatics.
- +\$173k deferred aquatic maintenance (timing only).
- +\$80k property and cleaning charges (partly timing).
- +\$204k Yarrow Stadium reduced operations due to reinstatement works.
- +\$131k depreciation lower than budgeted.

**WASTE MANAGEMENT AND MINIMISATION**

Revenue is \$422k (23%) more than budget year-to-date.

Expenditure is \$476k (6%) more than budget year-to-date.



**Revenue is more than budget year-to-date due to:**

- +\$240k balance sheet adjustment for landfill rebate for 18.19 & 19.20 (offset by appropriation to SWDF reserve).
- +\$102k relating to transfer station gate charges (offset by additional expenses below).
- +\$76k Envirowaste disposal fees, (offset by additional expenses below).
- +\$38k waste levy rebates - timing only.

**Expenditure is more than budget year-to-date due to:**

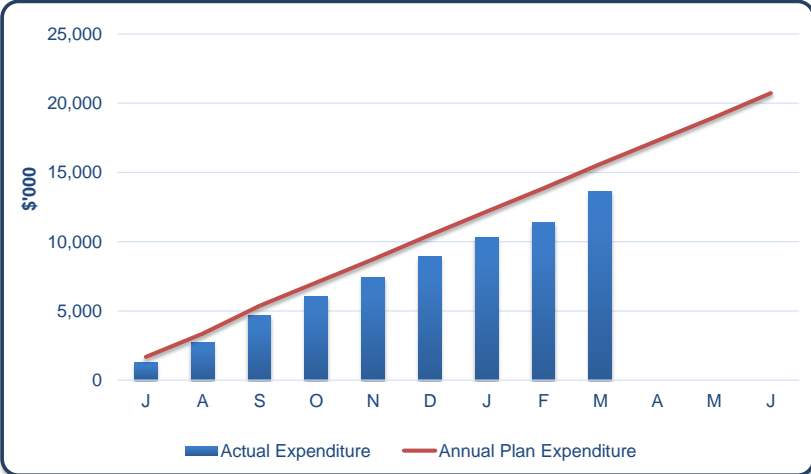
- -\$168k solid waste disposal contract (offset revenue).
- -\$155k Colson Road operations & maintenance and groundwater investigation.
- -\$137k redundant landfills risk assessment & erosion prevention.
- -\$134k depreciation.
- -\$65k Inglewood transfer station repairs (full year impact).
- +\$200k - organic collection (\$70k), grants (\$62k), other savings (\$68k).

## WASTEWATER TREATMENT

**Revenue is \$2.0m (126%) more than budget year-to-date.**



**Expenditure is \$2.0m (13%) less than budget year-to-date.**



**Revenue is more than budget year-to-date due to:**

- +\$850k Crown funding\* to offset thermal dryer facility expenditure.
- +909k DIA grant funding\* to offset additional expenditure.
- +\$194k insurance recovery for damage to hydraulic screens (full year impact).

\*NOTE: DIA grant & Crown funding has been moved to revenue in advance and will be released as costs are incurred.

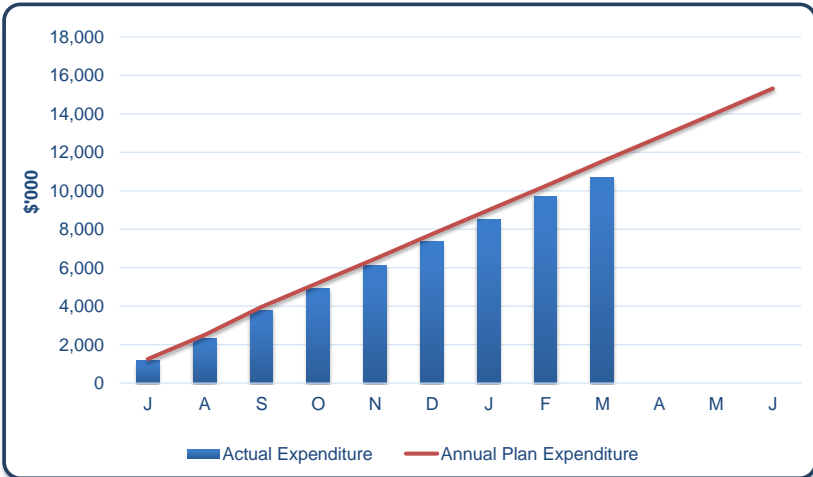
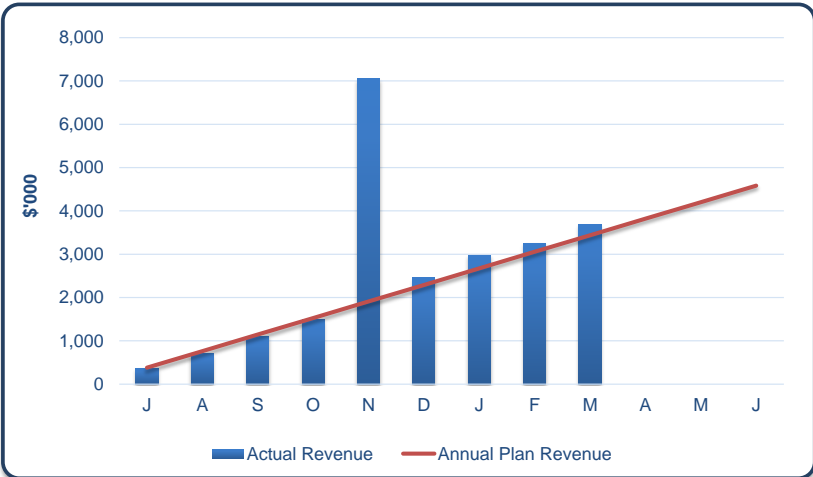
**Expenditure is less than budget year-to-date due to:**

- -\$2,258k depreciation lower than budgeted.
- -\$700k DIA grant funding additional expenditure (OPEX).
- -\$80k LAPP insurance charges (full year impact).
- -\$55k for the removal of the damaged screens.
- +\$194k accrued expense savings adjustment for Internal water.
- +\$550k asset maintenance works - timing only.

## WATER SUPPLY

Revenue is in \$253k (7%) more than budget year-to-date.

Expenditure is \$862k (7%) less than budget year-to-date.



**Revenue is more than budget year-to-date due to:**

- +\$99k additional volumetric revenue.
- +\$94k DIA grant funding\* to offset additional expenditure.
- +\$33k additional recovery from third parties.
- +\$15k for the sale of electric forklift from Wastewater plant.

\*NOTE: DIA grant funding has been moved to revenue in advance and will be released as costs are incurred.

**Expenditure is less than budget year-to-date due to:**

- +\$1,019k depreciation lower than budgeted.
- +\$280k sludge disposal saving - timing only.
- -\$373k water master planning expenses - timing only.
- -\$44k DIA grant funding additional expenditure.
- -\$42k property maintenance charges .
- -\$23k LAPP insurance charges (full year impact).

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## **APPROVAL TO DISPOSE OF A SMALL SEVERANCE PARCEL OF LAND AT 61 BROWNE STREET, WAITARA**

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### **MATTER**

1. The matter for consideration by the Council is the disposal of a 3m<sup>2</sup> severance parcel of municipal endowment land at 61 Browne Street, Waitara.

### **RECOMMENDATION FOR CONSIDERATION**

**That having considered all matters raised in the report Council:**

- a) **Approves the sale (or lease addition) of Lot 1 (endowment parcel) with Lot 2 DP 553099 (not subject to endowment status) in accord with Section 140 and 141 of the Local Government Act 2002 (LGA) at the market valuation price for freeholding of \$140,000, on the grounds that:**
  - **Ministerial acknowledgement and approval has been given in terms of Section 140 and 141 of the LGA.**
  - **Te Kōwhatu Tū Moana Trust and Te Tai Pari Trust (Waitara Community Perpetual Fund) and the Taranaki Regional Council agree to the proposal.**
  - **Waiving the Public Notice requirement under Council Policy PO5-019 to undertake advertising of the sale for public submission purposes.**
- b) **Notes that the provisions of the LGA are being used for expediency in lieu of seeking an Order in Council under the provisions of Section 63 of the New Plymouth District Council (Waitara Lands) Act 2018.**

### **COMMITTEE AND COMMUNITY BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS**

2. The Strategy and Operations Committee, Te Huinga Taumatua Committee and the Waitara Community Board endorsed the recommendation.

<b>COMPLIANCE</b>	
Significance	This matter is assessed as being of some importance
Options	<p>This report identifies and assesses the following reasonably practicable options for addressing the matter:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Approve disposal of the 3m<sup>2</sup> of endowment land under the provisions of Section 140 and 141 of the Local Government Act 2002, noting all notifications, consents and agreement of affected parties have been obtained.</li> <li>2. Seek an Order in Council to amend the land schedule to the NPDC (Waitara Land) Act.</li> </ol>
Affected persons	The persons who are affected by or interested in this matter are the lessee of the property at 61 Browne Street, Taranaki Regional Council, Te Kōwhatu Tū Moana Trust, Te Tai Pari Trust and Minister for Land Information New Zealand and Minister in Charge of Treaty of Waitangi Negotiations.
Recommendation	This report recommends Option 1 for addressing the matter.
Long-Term Plan / Annual Plan Implications	No
Significant Policy and Plan Inconsistencies	No

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

3. This report recommends the disposal of a 3m<sup>2</sup> residual sliver of land left over from a subdivision in 1964 (now Lot 1 DP 553099). The land is of a size, location and shape that it cannot be dealt with as a separate section. The land is also fenced within 61 Browne Street and has a garage built over part.
4. Council officers recommend the land be added to the principal property (61 Browne Street (Lot 2 DP 553099)) under Sections 140 and 141 of the LGA. The alternative option is for Council to seek an Order in Council to amend the land schedule to the New Plymouth District Council (Waitara Lands) Act (2018) (the Act).
5. If an application to freehold from the lessee proceeds, the land will be disposed of via the Act's freeholding process.
6. If the lessee declines to freehold and renews their lease, then the severance area (Lot 1) will be added to the existing lease area.

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7. Council officers have undertaken a range of actions to pre-obtain approvals to facilitate the next steps to correct an historical anomaly.

## **BACKGROUND**

### *The History of 61 Browne Street (formerly Section 4 Block LXII Town of Waitara West)*

8. In 1964, the Waitara Borough Council approved a subdivision (under Deposited Plan 9402) of two sections that fronted Broadway in Waitara. At the time the survey followed fenced boundaries, and the severance area was included and developed as part of a property at 61 Browne Street, whereas under its prior survey it was part of the two adjoining sections.
9. This severance of land and the property at 61 Browne Street are also both "limited as to parcels". This classification meant that the area and dimensions of the properties were not guaranteed (or necessarily accurate). An explanation of the "limited as to parcels" definition is contained in the appendix to this report. Council officers have completed the process to have the limitation removed as part of the preparation of the site for potential freeholding purposes.
10. However the severance area also has a notation of Waitara Endowment Land on the title. The notation was not removed as part of the Act as parties were not aware of severance areas existence. To either dispose of the severance area as part of a freeholding process, or to include it in any new lease of 61 Browne Street requires the removal of the endowment notation.
11. Regardless of the underlying land status, the severance area of land has been incorporated into the property at 61 Browne Street since the 1964 subdivision. Part of the lessee's garage (lessee improvement) is situated on the severance area.
12. This report recommends disposal of the severance parcel on the basis that Lots 1 and 2 are amalgamated into a single title and the severance is included in the price conveyed. Should the lessee wish to proceed with freeholding, there are time constraints to complete purchase and for the Council to dispose of the severance area as part of the sale.

### *Severance area not referenced in the Act*

13. As the severance area was not known to exist until recently, it is not listed in Schedule 3 of the Act (land to which the Act applies).
  14. The severance area is not currently included in the freehold or leasehold title to the principal leasehold property at 61 Browne Street. As a result, it still holds endowment status. Removal of that status is undertaken through Order in Council or the Local Government Act 2002. The endowment status for the principal property has been removed through the Act.
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*Removal of Endowment Status*

15. The Title for the severance area (Lot 1 DP 553099) was only recently issued and is still subject to municipal endowment purposes subject to Section 9 of the Waitara Harbours Act 1940.
16. The Act<sup>1</sup> provides a mechanism for the Chief Executive to seek removal of an endowment notation from the title of any land specified in the Act. Because the title for the severance area is not included in the Act, a separate process is required to remove the endowment notation. Removal of the endowment status of the land will enable Council to manage the severance area in the same way as other Waitara Lands.
17. Endowment status can be removed from the severance area through:
  - a) Order in Council to add the property to Schedule 3 of the Act.  
  
This would involve the Central Government process set out in the appendix and could take in excess of six months to complete.
  - b) Section 140 and 141 Local Government Act 2002  
  
This would enable the Council to dispose of the estate in fee simple (freehold) of the endowment property and the conditions applying to disposal and use of proceeds; or include the severance area in the lease.
18. To ensure Council can resolve the issue in an efficient manner, and mindful of the time constraints regarding the lessee's ability to freehold the property based on current valuation, Council officers have notified the Minister and sought approval to a change to the use of proceeds for the purposes of the Act. The Minister has granted approval. This facilitates timely use of the Local Government Act option should Council endorse the officer's recommendation.
19. Endowment status has been removed from Lot 2 (principal Browne Street property) under section 60 of the Waitara legislation as the land is listed in the schedule to that Act.
20. Following application by the Council, LINZ issued the Record of Title to both Lot 1 and Lot 2 DP 553099 on 3 February 2021. Both titles are no longer subject to parcel limitation.
21. The severance area is now defined as Lot 1 DP 553099 (formerly Part Section 3 Block LXII Town of Waitara West). The principal leasehold 61 Browne Street is now defined as Lot 2 DP 553099 (formerly Section 4 Block LXII Town of Waitara West).

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<sup>1</sup> s60 New Plymouth District Council (Waitara Lands) Act 2018

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Fig 1 – above - 61 Browne Street currently described as formerly Section 4 Block LXII Town of Waitara West – New Title issued as Lot 2 DP 553099



Figure 2 – The 3m² Severance Parcel is highlighted in green to the rear of the property.

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**Consultation undertaken with Affected Parties**

22. The Act provides that the proceeds (income) from sale of former Waitara Harbour Endowment for Lots 1 and 2 DP 553099 will be allocated as follows (less costs):
- Taranaki Regional Council (TRC) 50%
  - Waitara Perpetual Community Fund 25%
  - Te Kōwhatu Tū Moana Trust 25%
23. Council officers have consulted with representatives from the TRC, Te Kōwhatu Tū Moana and Te Tai Pari Trust (as a recipient of funds from the Waitara Perpetual Community Fund). Council has received support from all three parties to remove the endowment notation on the title of the severance area.

**Disposal of 3m<sup>2</sup> Severance Area as part of 61 Browne Leasehold Property**

24. Once the endowment has been removed from the title of the severance parcel, the parcel will be disposed of by either:
- Sale and amalgamation with the title to the 61 Browne Street property (if freeholded by way of purchase by lessee); or
  - By addition to title and lease if the purchase of 61 Browne Street does not proceed.

**Proceeds from Sale of Lot 1 DP 553099 (Severance Area)**

25. The severance parcel has not been valued, on the basis it has nominal, if any, value. This is due to the size, shape and location of the land on the rear boundary. The severance parcel can only be disposed of in conjunction with the adjoining principal Browne Street property. Further, adding 3m<sup>2</sup> to the existing section at 61 Browne Street is not likely to change its total value.
26. Should the lessee exercise their right to freehold, sale proceeds will be applied in terms of the Act. To ensure compliance with the provisions of the LGA in respect of the 3m<sup>2</sup> endowment parcel Lot 1, DP 553099 (and for audit purposes), Council officers have notified the Minister and sought pre-approval as to change to the use of proceeds for the purposes of the Act. The Minister has granted approval.

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**Council Policy P05-019 Approval of Properties for Sale and Method of Sale – Lot 1 DP 553099 – 3m<sup>2</sup>**

27. As the Lot 1 severance area is not included in the land title of the principal leasehold for 61 Browne Street, disposal needs to be approved as an “off market sale” in terms of [Council Policy P05-019](#). Council officers recommend sale on that basis. This would include waiving the requirement to publicly notify the sale.

**NEXT STEPS**

28. Subject to Council approval the severance parcel will be disposed of in terms of the LGA and Sales Policy or alternatively renewal of existing leasing arrangements.

**SIGNIFICANCE AND ENGAGEMENT**

29. In accordance with the Council's Significance and Engagement Policy, this matter has been assessed as being of some importance because the decision essentially involves a minor boundary rationalisation and disposal (or lease addition) affecting Waitara Endowment lands, for the benefit of Council and lessee.
30. The matter therefore has no impact upon the interests of the wider community, district or Waitara and therefore no public consultation has been undertaken.

**OPTIONS**

31. There are two reasonably practicable options:

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| Option 1 | Approve disposal of the endowment land under the provisions of Section 140 and 141 of the Local Government Act 2002(Recommended) |
| Option 2 | Seek approve to dispose of the endowment land through Order in Council (not recommended)   |

Both options have been assessed together below and in the report above.

*Financial and Resourcing Implications*

32. Survey and plan costs have been involved to define the land and to facilitate the removal of limitation as to parcels. This cost (approximately \$10,000) has been met through the Waitara Endowment Income under Section 30(4) (b) of the Act.
33. Seeking an order in Council would incur additional legal costs and is likely to take an extended period of time to complete.
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*Risk Analysis*

34. Council officers have not identified any risks in disposal of the endowment land under the LGA process. Council has obtained all ministerial notification and pre-approvals to facilitate a decision. Affected parties are in agreement with the proposal.
35. Using the Order in Council mechanism would result in time delays to complete the process and add additional costs.

*Promotion or Achievement of Community Outcomes*

36. Provides a rationalised outcome to correct an existing land anomaly relating to Waitara leasehold land for the benefit of the Council and lessee. It contributes to the goal of Prosperity by growing an economy where people want to live and invest.

*Statutory Responsibilities*

37. Council officers consider the use of the statutory provisions under the LGA as the most expedient way to deal with the disposal/proceeds of the 3m<sup>2</sup> Lot 1 DP 553099 severance parcel of endowment land. Council has received all statutory pre-approvals and affirmative agreement received from affected parties.
38. Council officers note that the sale of the 3m<sup>2</sup> of endowment land (Lot 1 DP 553099) is not subject to the offer back provisions of Section 40 of the Public Works.

*Consistency with Policies and Plans*

39. Disposal of the land would be undertaken in accordance with [Council Policy P05-019](#) Approval of Properties for Sale and Method of Sale.

*Participation by Māori*

40. Extensive consultation (both public and direct with iwi and hapū representatives) was undertaken at the time of the preparation and passing of the Act. The small severance area involved in this report was missed from the schedule of the Act as its existence was unknown at the time. Correcting action is viewed as an administrative task. Council officers have consulted Te Kōwhatu Tū Moana representatives who have confirmed their agreement with the removal of the endowment notation on the severance parcel.

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*Community Views and Preferences*

41. Council officers have consulted with parties affected by the land rationalisation. Those parties have provided support for the proposal. The matter has little (if any) impact upon the interests of the wider community and therefore no public consultation has been undertaken.
42. The lessee of 61 Browne Street has not made a decision in relation to the freeholding of the property.

*Advantages*

43. Use of the LGA, provides a mechanism to undertake sale of the severance land or lease addition as the case maybe (all statutory obligations and consultation completed) within the shortest time frame and least cost for all parties.

*Disadvantages*

44. No disadvantages have been identified in relation to use of the LGA mechanism to undertake the sale of the severance land or lease addition.

**APPENDICES**

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| Appendix 1 | Explanation of "Limited as to Parcels" (ECM8509208)                        |
| Appendix 2 | Statutory process for Order in Council (ECM8509214)                        |
| Appendix 3 | Statutory process for ss140 and 141 Local Government Act 2002 (ECM8509223) |

**Recommended Option**

This report recommends Option 1 to approve disposal of the severance residual parcel comprising Lot 1 DP 553099, for addressing the matter, noting all statutory notifications, approvals and affected parties consulted support the proposal.

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## Is your land title limited as to parcels? Where is your boundary?

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March 30, 2011

**In New Zealand we have an expectation that the boundaries of land we own are precisely defined. Generally that is the case. We are fortunate to have one of the most advanced land survey systems in the world. However, there are quite a number of titles that are “limited as to parcels”.**

Our land titles system is known as the Torrens system. The name derives from Sir Robert Torrens who was the Premier of South Australia in the 1850’s. Torrens devised the system where each title to land recorded in the land titles office was guaranteed by the state. This avoided the old uncertainties and costs associated with a deeds title system where title had depended on registration of deeds showing an unbroken chain of ownership back to an original authentic basis of title. The basic principle of the Torrens system is the concept of indefeasibility of title. An interest in land which is registered in the land titles office cannot be defeated by any other claimant. In the unlikely event that the registered owner loses an interest as a result of fraud, then the state will pay compensation for the loss. In New Zealand the land title system is also based on a cadastral survey system so the guarantee of title extends to the guarantee of the accuracy of the land area and boundaries as shown in the underlying survey.

It is in relation to the survey of land that the concept of a “limitation as to parcels” has arisen. As land was brought under the land transfer system and titles issued from the land titles office, some titles were not surveyed with sufficient certainty to meet the required survey standard. The titles in such cases were issued as titles “limited as to parcels”. So the ownership of land that has a title limited as to parcels still has the benefit of indefeasibility of title but the State guarantee of the title does not extend to the actual land area or accuracy of boundaries.

The limitations as to parcels can be removed by the completion of a survey of the land. This will involve the surveyor working off the plans that are available and looking at evidence as to where the boundaries between titles have been located. The actual occupation of the land can be relevant in resolving any uncertainties. Old fence lines or posts or other evidence of occupation may be relevant. Generally on completing such a survey, any variation in the title boundaries and land area is minimal but there can certainly be quite a change particularly if the blocks of land are large. Before a new unlimited title is issued on the basis of a new survey, the survey office generally requires the adjoining owners to consent to the new definition of the boundaries or the adjoining owners are given the right to object to the survey.

Many people have owned titles limited as to parcels for many years and the limitation has not given rise to any practical issues. However, there are some situations where a new survey to remove the limitations would be advisable or necessary. If for example a

substantial structure was to be built near a limited boundary, it would be advisable to have the survey updated to ensure the building is not too close to the boundary or will not encroach over the boundary. If the property is to be further subdivided or used for the construction of units for which Unit Titles or cross lease titles are to be issued, the prior removal of the underlying title limitations will be required. So if you are intending to purchase land with a limited title you will be wise to consider the possible cost of having the property resurveyed.

Not only can titles be limited as to parcels, there are a few titles that are limited as to title, but that is another story.....



**APPENDIX: BROWNE STREET PARCEL OF LAND****Statutory Process – Order In Council****Removal of Endowment status for severance parcel from Record of Title by Order in Council – Lot 1**

1. The Act enables the addition of land to Schedule 3 of the Act through Order in Council (central government process). This would enable removal of the endowment status of the land under s60(1) of the Act.
2. The Order in Council process involves:
  - a) The Council making a recommendation to the appropriate Minister (in this case the Minister of Local government)
  - b) A recommendation by the Minister for an authorisation by Cabinet
  - c) Subsequent consideration by the Executive
  - d) Authorisation (by the Executive) for the Governor General to sign an Order in Council; and then
  - e) Gazetting.
  - f) Council officers expect the process for obtaining an Order in Council to be between three and upward of six months.
3. In this case it is considered that it would be more expedient to deal with the disposal of severance endowment parcel under the provisions of Section 140 and 141 of the LGA (including addressing the technical issue of sale proceeds). Council officers have obtained all ministerial notification and approvals to proceed with sale under the LGA. Taranaki Regional Council, Te Kōwhatu Tū Moana Trust and Te Tai Pari Trust representatives have agreed to the proposal. Those entities have a pecuniary interest in the proceeds from net income arising from the sale.
4. The proposed process will allow the Council to apply for removal of the endowment notation on the Record of Title for Lot 1 DP 553099. That application would be made at the time the property is sold (freeholded) or the lease is renewed.

### **APPENDIX 3: BROWNE STREET PARCEL OF LAND**

#### **STATUTORY PROCESS –ss140 AND 141 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2002**

1. Section 140 and 141 of the LGA grants power to the Council to dispose of the estate in fee simple (freehold) of endowment property and conditions applying to disposal and use of proceeds.
2. The only statutory requirement for disposal of endowment is that the Minister for Land Information and Minister in Charge of Treaty of Waitangi Negotiations are notified of the proposed disposal in accord with Section 141 of the LGA. The Minister's role is then only to acknowledge the Council notification. Council officers have and received, that acknowledgement from the Minister.
3. However, Section 140(4) (b) imposes the requirement that any disposal (subject to Section 141) is subject to the use of proceeds from any sale being, consistent with the purpose of the endowment or, if approved, a different purpose. That statutory approval has since been given.

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## **UNDERWRITE FOR WOMAD NZ AGAINST PANDEMIC CANCELLATION**

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### **MATTER**

1. The matter for consideration by the Council is whether or not to approve an underwrite of up to \$1.9 million to the Taranaki Arts Festival Trust (TAFT) to protect the organisation from a pandemic related cancellation of WOMAD in New Plymouth from 2022 – 2026 inclusive.

### **RECOMMENDATION FOR CONSIDERATION**

**That having considered all matters raised in the report:**

- a) **Council approve the Chief Executive to enter into an agreement to underwrite the Taranaki Arts Festival Trust for up to \$1.9 million from a reserve to be set up from the 2020/21 surplus in case of a pandemic-related cancellation of WOMAD NZ.**
  - b) **This agreement be on the basis of:**
    - i) **The underwrite is between the Taranaki Arts Festival Trust (TAFT) and New Plymouth District Council for a period of five years.**
    - ii) **It is a one-off \$1.9 million and if called upon the decision to continue to underwrite TAFT to produce WOMAD NZ will be reconsidered at that time.**
    - iii) **The New Plymouth District Council funds will be only called upon after the following other sources have first been used:**
      - **Partners/sponsors;**
      - **The WOMAD UK and WOMAD New Zealand Charitable Trust (WNZCT) sinking fund;**
      - **WOMAD UK forego 50 per cent of the event fees;**
      - **Refunded host city fee;**
      - **TAFT cash reserves (less an appropriate balance to continue to operate).**
    - iv) **All reasonable efforts are made by TAFT to reduce the risk of the underwrite being required, such as through agreement with partners and contracts with suppliers.**
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- v) If the underwrite is called upon, TAFT and WNZCT fully disclose all applicable information to officers to ensure these conditions are met.**

<b>COMPLIANCE</b>	
Significance	This matter is assessed as being of some importance
Options	<p>This report identifies and assesses the following reasonably practicable options for addressing the matter:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Approve a \$1.9m underwrite for TAFT in case of a pandemic related cancellation of WOMAD NZ</li> <li>2. Do not approve a \$1.9m underwrite for TAFT in case of a pandemic related cancellation of WOMAD NZ</li> </ol>
Affected persons	The persons who are affected by or interested in this matter are TAFT, WNZCT, WOMAD UK and the wider community.
Recommendation	This report recommends option one for addressing the matter.
Long-Term Plan / Annual Plan Implications	No
Significant Policy and Plan Inconsistencies	No

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

2. It is recommended that Council approve an underwrite of \$1.9 million for TAFT to produce WOMAD NZ in New Plymouth. The funding would be only be able to be called upon due to a pandemic-related cancellation – such as from changes to government alert levels.
3. The underwrite is in recognition of the significant contribution to the economy and community wellbeing gained from WOMAD being held in the district and the experience of TAFT in producing the event.
4. This would be available for a period of five years and if called upon would require a new decision from Council to continue with it during that time.
5. Council's funds would be a last resort after specific other sources were first exhausted. Payments would only be made after full disclosure of expenses, as per a detailed agreement to be developed.

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## BACKGROUND

### *History of WOMAD*

6. WOMAD – World of Music, Arts and Dance is an internationally established festival, which brings together artists from all over the world. The first WOMAD festival was held in the UK in 1982 and has now been held in twenty-seven countries.
7. WOMAD has been held in the TSB Bowl of Brooklands and Brooklands Park since 2003. It was held biannually in 2003, 2005 and 2007, before becoming an annual event in 2008.
8. In 2020 the festival contributed \$6.1 million to the gross domestic product (GDP) of Taranaki and over 16,000 people attended - almost 11,000 of which were from outside Taranaki.
9. NPDC has provided financial support to WOMAD, through the Major Events Fund, each year as well as services in kind.
10. WOMAD UK have had contractual agreements in place with the WNZCT to manage the event in New Zealand and WNZCT have in turn contracted Taranaki Arts Festival Trust (TAFT) to organise it in New Plymouth. Previous to WNZCT being established, this agreement was between WOMAD UK and TAFT directly.
11. The 2020-2030 Taranaki Regional Events Strategy, finalised in June 2020, highlights the importance of WOMAD and how it is unique as an externally organised event in its significance:

*"Taranaki's regional events programme continues to deliver meaningful economic returns to the region, with major concerts and signature events such as WOMAD in particular performing strongly. In 2019, WOMAD returned a \$6.5 million net increase in regional GDP, underlining the importance of attracting, retaining and developing event content that can materially assist Taranaki in achieving its broader regional ambitions."*

*"WOMAD and the Festival of Lights are currently the region's only 'signature events' by virtue of the significant economic, profile and social outcomes they achieve on a regular basis."*

### *WOMAD 2021 and beyond*

12. WOMAD NZ 2021 was cancelled due to risks associated with COVID-19 such as border restrictions for artists and in particular, the inability for TAFT to shoulder the financial burden of a possible cancellation due to government alert levels.

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13. Central government were asked to underwrite the 2021 event, but attempts were unsuccessful.
  14. WOMAD UK has considered options such as a three-year contract to run WOMAD NZ to be offered to an international events company. This would have greatly risked these festivals occurring in New Plymouth.
  15. A host city agreement has been signed between NPDC and WOMAD UK to secure the event for New Plymouth from 2022 – 2026 inclusive. Further agreements are being put in place between WOMAD UK and WNZCT to manage the event; WNZCT and TAFT to produce the event and between TAFT and NPDC to utilise venues etc.
  16. As with the 2021 event, TAFT are unable to take on the financial risk of a pandemic-related cancellation. As such, it is asked that NPDC confirm an underwrite for TAFT of up to \$1.9 million for five years. If called upon, the Council would consider whether to continue to underwrite the event at that time.
  17. Insurance coverage is not available for any cancellations due to a pandemic.
  18. The full amount of the underwrite would only be required due to a pandemic-related cancellation (such as government alert levels), very close to the event date. At that point the artists would already be in New Plymouth, the site set up and food ordered.
  19. The risk of the underwrite being required is considered low as it will be dependent on a late cancellation, but as seen recently, government is taking a very cautious approach to move alert levels at any sign of community outbreak of Covid-19. WOMAD NZ would be cancelled at any level above one.
  20. The risk associated with Covid-19 is greatly reducing as vaccination programmes are rolled out around the world and within New Zealand to the point that it is hoped that the chance of a cancellation is very low. It is expected that from July 2021 the final group of vaccinations will begin in New Zealand (Group 4 – the wider population) with the Ministry of Health planning on eight million doses being administered by the end of November 2021.
  21. The risk to Council also reduces each year as the WOMAD UK/WNZCT sinking fund is expected to increase over time.

*Underwrite details*

22. The cost to TAFT of any cancellation due to pandemic alert levels increases significantly the closer it is to the event date.
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23. Any underwrite from NPDC would only be able to be called upon as a last resort after other sources of funding are first used. This would be confirmed in a formal underwrite agreement and involves payments in the following order:
- a) Partners/sponsors – agreement would be reached between TAFT and sponsors what would be paid out if the event was cancelled close to the date;
  - b) The WOMAD UK and WNZCT sinking fund;
  - c) WOMAD UK forego half of their event fees;
  - d) Refunded host city fees;
  - e) TAFT cash reserves, leaving an appropriate balance to continue to operate and secure other future events;
  - f) NPDC underwrite called upon for balance, up to \$1.9m.

#### **NEXT STEPS**

24. If Council was to approve an underwrite, a detailed agreement will be prepared based on the Council resolution. The agreement would likely include considerations such as:
- a) What is a 'pandemic related cancellation' (tied into government official alert levels)?
  - b) What would be reimbursed depending on the timing of any pandemic related cancellation?
  - c) The maximum to be reimbursed.
  - d) Obligations of TAFT and any third party contractors in case of cancellation (such as catering or staging contractors, artists and sponsors).
25. A reserve would be set up from the 2020/21 surplus for the five year period in case of the underwrite being required in part or in full.
26. Any underwrite agreement is subject to the following additional agreements:
- a) WOMAD UK and WNZCT to present the festival in New Zealand;
  - b) WNZCT and TAFT to produce the festival in New Plymouth.
27. A venue hire agreement will also be developed between NPDC and TAFT to outline the services provided by NPDC as venue owner and obligations of TAFT.
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## **SIGNIFICANCE AND ENGAGEMENT**

28. In accordance with the Council's Significance and Engagement Policy, this matter has been assessed as being of some importance because the risk of the funding being required is low and the benefits of WOMAD NZ being held in New Plymouth to the current and future social, economic and cultural wellbeing are high.
29. There will likely be public interest in this matter – both for and against the decision.

## **OPTIONS**

### **Option 1**

#### **Provide an underwrite of \$1.9m to TAFT to produce WOMAD NZ in New Plymouth for five years**

##### *Financial and Resourcing Implications*

30. Under this option, a \$1.9m reserve would be set up from the 2020/21 surplus assigned to the WOMAD NZ underwrite with TAFT. This would impact on other opportunities that could arise from these funds, but would guarantee WOMAD is produced by TAFT in New Plymouth.
31. The estimated contribution to regional GDP from WOMAD over the next five years is over \$30m. If the pandemic underwrite is not required (in full or part) after five years, Council would then consider how to use those funds.

##### *Risk Analysis*

32. As with any underwrite, there is a risk that it will be called upon. That risk is expected to drop rapidly after the first year as vaccine programmes are completed around the world and a hopeful eradication of COVID-19. This underwrite is for any pandemic-related cancellation and there is a small risk of another pandemic over the next five years.
33. There is also a risk that some people in the community would be unhappy with this option due to the possible cost associated, the loss of opportunities to use the funds for other activities or any negative impacts they feel they incur due to WOMAD.

##### *Promotion or Achievement of Community Outcomes*

34. This option strongly contributes to the vision "Sustainable Lifestyle Capital" and the community outcomes partnerships, community and prosperity. It brings people together in a celebration of other cultures through music, arts and dance and contributes to the regional GDP.
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*Statutory Responsibilities*

35. The purpose of local government under the Local Government Act 2002 is “to promote the social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being of communities in the present and for the future”. This option meets this purpose by contributing the social, economic and cultural well-being of our community.

*Consistency with Policies and Plans*

36. This option is consistent with the Major Events Strategy, the Long-Term Plan 2018 – 2021 and the Taranaki Regional Events Strategy.

*Participation by Māori*

37. This option would enable WOMAD NZ and TAFT to continue their long-term relationship with Taranaki iwi and hapu. Māori have held workshops and shared insights and understanding with other cultures in a way not otherwise possible without WOMAD NZ. All entertainers have previously been invited to attend a powhiri at Owae Marae prior to WOMAD, where they are welcomed by tangata whenua.

*Community Views and Preferences*

38. Approximately 5,500 people from Taranaki attended WOMAD in 2020, many businesses benefit from visitors or from being involved in the event, and having significant events such as WOMAD further promotes the region to those who visit for other reasons.
39. In the 2020 NRB Community Satisfaction Survey, 36% of respondents said to spend more on economic development – second highest only to roads (39%).

*Advantages and Disadvantages*

40. The advantage of this option is that the event continues to be produced by TAFT in New Plymouth at likely no additional cost to Council. The disadvantage is that there is a small risk of the funds being required.

**Option 2**

**Do not provide an underwrite to TAFT to produce WOMAD NZ in New Plymouth**

*Financial and Resourcing Implications*

41. This option would allow the \$1.9 million from the 2020/21 surplus to be used for other opportunities rather than in five years if it was not called upon.
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*Risk Analysis*

42. There is a risk that this option means that TAFT would no longer be able to produce WOMAD in 2022. If WNZCT or WOMAD UK were unable to contract a suitable alternative event production organisation in time, the 2022 event would be cancelled. If an alternative organisation did take on the event, there is a risk that the quality would not be as high without the experience of TAFT.

*Promotion or Achievement of Community Outcomes*

43. If this option resulted in the cancellation of WOMAD, it would be detrimental to the achievement of community outcomes unless the \$1.9 million was used for activities that resulted in a greater contribution to the community and economy, recognising that if not required the funding would still be available in five years.

*Statutory Responsibilities*

44. This option does not diminish any statutory responsibilities.

*Consistency with Policies and Plans*

45. This option is consistent with the Long-Term Plan 2018-2028 but inconsistent with the Regional Events Strategy if it leads to the cancellation of WOMAD.

*Participation by Māori*

46. If this option resulted in the cancellation of WOMAD or TAFT no longer being able to produce it, it would likely diminish the opportunities for Taranaki Māori to build relationships with other cultures and share their unique culture with others.

*Community Views and Preferences*

47. There are likely to be many varied views of the community with this option – some businesses have much to gain from WOMAD and some feel it negatively affects their business during the event. If it resulted in the cancellation of WOMAD, many people who regularly attend will be very disappointed.

*Advantages and Disadvantages*

48. The advantage of this option is that the funds are available to be used for other activities. The disadvantage is that it puts WOMAD at risk of being delivered or as being as successful and of such a high-quality as previous events - negatively affecting the regional economy and community well-being.

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**Recommended Option**

This report recommends Option 1 provide an underwrite of \$1.9m to TAFT to produce WOMAD NZ in New Plymouth for five years for addressing the matter.

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## EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE MEETING

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### MATTER

1. This report details items that are recommended should be considered with the public excluded, and the reason for excluding the public.

### RECOMMENDATION FOR CONSIDERATION

**That having considered all matters raised in the report, the Council hereby resolves that, pursuant to the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting:**

- a) **Contract decision**  
The withholding of the information is necessary to protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information, this particular interest being protected by section 7(2)(b)(ii) of the Act.
- b) **CE Performance Review**  
The withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including the deceased persons, this particular interest being protected by section 7(2)(a) of the Act.

**This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.**

<b>COMPLIANCE</b>	
Significance	This matter has been assessed as being of some importance.
Options	This report identifies and assesses the following reasonably practicable options for addressing the matter: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Exclude the public.</li> <li>2. Not exclude the public.</li> </ol>
Recommendation	This report recommends option one (1) for addressing the matter.
Long-Term Plan / Annual Plan Implications	There are no budget considerations.
Significant Policy and Plan Inconsistencies	This report is consistent with Council's Policy and Plans.

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## BACKGROUND

2. This report details items that are recommended should be considered with the public excluded, and the reason for excluding the public.

## SIGNIFICANCE AND ENGAGEMENT

3. In accordance with the Council's Significance and Engagement Policy, this matter has been assessed as being of some importance because the exclusion of the public is a statutory procedure that will have a little or no impact on the Council's strategic issues.

## OPTIONS

**Option 1** Pursuant to the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, good reason exists to exclude the public for consideration of the items listed.

**Option 2** The Council can choose to consider these matters in an open meeting.

### *Risk Analysis*

4. Release of information which meets the statutory tests for withholding (under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987) may expose the Council to legal, financial or reputational repercussions.

### **Recommended Option**

This report recommends Option 1 exclusion of the public for addressing the matter.

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