

Council Meeting

PUBLIC BUSINESS AGENDA

A Council Meeting
will be held in the Council Chamber,
Torphin Crescent, Tokoroa
on Wednesday 7 June 2023
Commencing at 9.30am

OUR VISION

“Healthy people thriving in a safe, vibrant and sustainable community.”

Attendees

Members	Mayor (Chairperson)	G Petley
	Deputy Mayor (Deputy Chairperson)	B Machen
Councillors		H Daine
		M Farrell
		R Garner
		T Lee
		H Nelis
		K Purdy
		M Te Kanawa
		J Teokotai
		S Wallace
	Staff	Chief Executive
Interim Executive Manager (IEM) Corporate		M Booth
Interim Executive Manager (IEM) Transformation		D Lascelles
Interim Executive Manager (IEM) Operations		J Hassall
Project Management Officer		N Murphy
Chief Finance Officer		W Cortesi
Principal Engagement Advisor		M Tahapehi
Cultural Advisor		M Armstrong
Marketing & Communications Manager		K Fabrie
Corporate Strategy Manager		C Litchfield
Executive Officer	J Anderson	

Agenda Confirmed by:

S Law
Chief Executive

*RECOMMENDATIONS contained in reports are NOT to be construed as COUNCIL DECISIONS.
Refer to Council minutes for RESOLUTIONS.*

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- 1. Welcome / Karakia**

- 2. Apologies / Leave of Absences**

- 3. Public Forum**

- 4. Declaration of Conflicts of Interest**

- 5. Confirmation of Agenda**

6.1 Confirmation of Council Public Minutes

Document Information

Report To:	Council
Meeting Date:	Wednesday, 7 June 2023
Author:	G Petley
Author Title:	Chairperson
Report Date:	Friday, 2 June 2023

Purpose

1. To present past minutes.

Recommendation

2. That Council:
 - a) confirms the minutes of the public business of the Council meeting held on Wednesday 26 April as a true and accurate record.
 - b) confirms the minutes of the public business of the Extra Ordinary Council meeting held on Friday 5 May 2023 as a true and accurate record.
 - c) confirms the minutes of the public business of the Extra Ordinary Council meeting held on Tuesday 30 May 2023 as a true and accurate record.
 - d)

Attachments

- Unconfirmed Council public minutes – 26 April 2023
- Unconfirmed Extra Ordinary Council minutes – 5 May 2023
- Unconfirmed Extra Ordinary Council minutes – 30 May 2023

Council Meeting

PUBLIC BUSINESS MINUTES

A Council Meeting
was held in the Council Chamber,
Torphin Crescent, Tokoroa
on Wednesday 26 April 2023
commencing at 9.30am

Attendees

Members	Chairperson	H Daine
	Councillors	M Farrell R Garner K Purdy (via Teams) M Te Kanawa S Wallace
Staff	Chief Executive	S Law
	Interim Executive Manager (IEM) Corporate	M Booth
	Interim Executive Manager (IEM) Transformation	D Lascelles
	Interim Executive Manager (IEM) Operations	J Hassall
	Marketing & Communications Manager	K Fabrie
	Head of Economic and Community Development	P Bowden

The Chief Executive advised His Worship the Mayor and Deputy Mayor were apologies to the meeting. Following a call for nominations to act as the meeting Chair, Cr Daine was nominated and declared the Chair of the meeting.

Cr Daine opened the meeting.

1. Welcome / Blessing

Mr Mahu Armstrong, Kaitohutohu Matua - Matauranga Maori, opened the meeting with a Karakia.

2. Apologies / Leave of Absences

23/32 Resolved

That apologies from His Worship the Mayor and Deputy Mayor are received and sustained. Cr Teokotai was absent.

Leaves of absence were previously granted to Crs Nelis and Lee.

3. Public Forum

- **Alain Blair**

Spoke on speed management on Council's roads and the document going out for public consultation.

- **Kim Egerton**

Brought to Council's attention the toilet block at the lake being on a septic tank.

The Chair advised both speakers would be given answers by staff.

4. Conflicts of Interest

Cr Te Kanawa declared a Conflict of Interest to Agenda item 8.2 'Draft Aotearoa Reorua Bilingual New Zealand 2023'. Ms Law stated with Cr Te Kanawa declaring a Conflict of Interest to item 8.2 it would have to be deferred to the next Council meeting as the quorum would be lost.

5. Confirmation of Agenda

23/33 Resolved

Cr Te Kanawa / Cr Farrell

The agenda to be confirmed with the removal of Report 8.2 'Draft Aotearoa Reorua Bilingual New Zealand 2023'.

Carried

6.1 Confirmation of Minutes - Public

Matters of Fact

Cr Farrell would like it noted on page 12, a motion was carried for the Draft Significance and Engagement Policy. Questioned if a division was called and would like it noted she voted against the motion. Ms Law advised unless a division has been called the votes for and against are not recorded. The recording for the meeting will be checked.

ACTION: Recording for the 5 April 2023 Extra Ordinary Council meeting to be checked if there was a division called in relation to Report 5.1 'Draft Significances and Engagement Policy Report'.

23/34 Resolved

Cr Wallace / Cr Te Kanawa

1. That Council:

- a) confirms the minutes of the public business of the Council meeting held on Wednesday 15 March 2023 as a true and accurate record.
- b) confirms the minutes of the public business of the Council Extra Ordinary meeting held on Wednesday 5 April 2023 as a true and accurate record.

Carried

7. Reports for Information

7.1 Mayoral Report - 25 February to 14 April 2023

The Report was taken as read.

23/35 Resolved

Cr Farrell / Cr Wallace

2. That the Council:

- a) receives Report No 2023-621437, Mayoral Report – 25 February to 14 April 2023.

Carried

7.2 Financial Services Report

The Report was taken as read.

23/36 Resolved

Cr Farrell / Cr Te Kanawa

2. That Council:

- a) receives and notes the Report 2023-621633, Financial Services Report – March 2023.

Carried

8. Reports for Decisions

8.1 Consultation on Draft Interim Speed Management Plan

The Report was taken as read.

23/37 Resolved

Cr Wallace / Cr Te Kanawa

2. That Council:

- a) receives Report 2023-620780, Consultation on Draft Interim Speed Management Plan.
- b) receives the Draft Interim Speed Management Plan Docset 620786.
- c) receives the consultation documents supporting the Draft Speed Interim Management Plan.
- d) approves the release for public consultation of the Draft Speed Management Plan.
- e) delegates final approval of the consultation summary document for public release to the Chief Executive.

Cr Farrell moved an amendment that a second option is provided where only local roads of concern are addressed in the speed changes.

The Chief Executive paraphrased for clarification:

That Council

- a) receives Report 2023-620780, Consultation on Draft Interim Speed Management Plan.
- b) receives the Draft Interim Speed Management Plan Docset 620786.
- c) receives the consultation documents supporting the Draft Speed Interim Management Plan except for the provision of a second option where South Waikato district's local roads of concern are addressed and prioritised.

The above can also be added to d)

Cr Farrell stated it wasn't prioritised, it was only both roads were addressed remove the provision for the broad standardised approach to schools, maraes and CBDs.

The Chief Executive read out the revised amendment to c) as follows:

- c) receives the consultation documents supporting the Draft Speed Interim Management Plan with the addition of a second option where only local roads of concern are addressed and can include schools and marae.

23/38 Resolved

Cr Farrell / Cr Garner

- c) receives the consultation documents supporting the Draft Speed Interim Management Plan with the addition of a second option where only local roads of concern are addressed and can include schools and marae.

A division was called on the amendment.

For: Cr Farrell, Cr Garner, Cr Te Kanawa, Cr Wallace

Against: Nil

Amendment was passed

A substantive motion has been put forward including the amendment.

23/37 Resolved

Cr Wallace / Cr Te Kanawa

2. That Council:

- a) receives Report 2023-620780, Consultation on Draft Interim Speed Management Plan.
- b) receives the Draft Interim Speed Management Plan Docset 620786.
- c) receives the consultation documents supporting the Draft Speed Interim Management Plan with the addition of a second option where only local roads of concern are addressed and can include schools and marae.
- d) approves the release for public consultation of the Draft Speed Management Plan and consultation documents with the addition of a second option where only local roads of concern are addressed and can include schools and marae.
- e) delegates final approval of the consultation summary document for public release to the Chief Executive.

A division was called.

For: Cr Farrell, Cr Garner, Cr Te Kanawa, Cr Wallace

Against: Nil

Carried

8.2 Draft Aotearoa Reorua Bilingual New Zealand 2023

The Report was deferred to 7 June 2023 due to a declaration of a conflict of interest.

8.3 LGNZ AGM

Cr Wallace moved that the report to be deferred to 7 June 2023.

23/39 Resolved

Cr Wallace / Cr Te Kanawa

2. That Council:

- a) receives and notes the Report 2023-621447, LGNZ AGM.

That Agenda item 8.3 LGNZ AGM be deferred to the 7 June 2023 Council meeting.

Carried

8.4 LGNZ President and Vice President Nominations

Ms Law recommended to defer the matter until seeking advice from His Worship the Mayor and knowing the full list of nominees after 31 May 2023.

23/40 Resolved

Cr Te Kanawa / Cr Wallace

That Agenda item 8.4 LGNZ President and Vice President Nominations be deferred to the 7 June 2023 Council meeting.

Carried

Meeting closed at 10.43am.

Cr H Daine

Extra Ordinary Council Meeting

PUBLIC BUSINESS MINUTES

An Extra Ordinary Council Meeting
was held in the Council Chamber,
Torphin Crescent, Tokoroa
on Friday, 5 May 2023
Commencing at 9.30am

Attendees

Members	Mayor (Chairperson)	G Petley
	Deputy Mayor (Deputy Chairperson)	W Machen
Councillors		H Daine
		M Farrell
		R Garner
		M Te Kanawa
		J Teokotai
		S Wallace
Staff	Chief Executive	S Law
	Interim Executive Manager (IEM) Corporate	M Booth
	Interim Executive Manager (IEM) Transformation	D Lascelles
	Interim Executive Manager (IEM) Operations	J Hassall
	Corporate Planning Manager	C Litchfield
	Head of Communications	K Fabrie
	Chief Finance Officer	W Cortesi
	Revenue Manager	M Warren
	Cultural Advisor	M Armstrong
	Executive Support Officer (minutes)	C Cawood

1. Welcome / Blessing

Mahu Armstrong opened the meeting with a Karakia.

2. Apologies / Leave of Absences

23/47 Resolved

Cr Daine / Cr Purdy

That leave of absences be granted to Cr Nelis and Cr Lee.

That Cr Te Kanawa be excused for 20 minutes at 10.20am.

Carried

3. Conflicts of Interest

Cr Farrell declared a conflict with the potential rate increase as she has a property portfolio. Mayor Petley advised that Cr Farrell will not partake in the discussion or the vote on the report.

CE Susan Law clarified that there will not be a vote on the Draft Annual Plan 2023-24, the projects or the potential rate rise at this meeting and that Members are only voting on the document to go out for public consideration and feedback.

4. Confirmation of Agenda

5. Reports

5.1 Annual Plan 2023-24

The Report was taken as read with staff responding to questions from Members concerning the documents provided.

Copies of the final consultation document is to be provided to Members prior to the document being issued.

23/48 Resolved

Cr Machen / Cr Garner

That Council:

- a. Receives Report 2022-Docset 622223, Annual Plan 2023-24 and endorses in principle the Consultation Document and supporting financial information for 2023-24.
- b. Delegates final approval of the Consultation Summary Document for public release to the Chief Executive.
- c. Delegates final approval of the Annual Plan 2023-24 Consultation Document and Financial Statements for public release to the Chief Executive.

Carried

Mahu Armstrong closed the meeting with a Karakia

Meeting closed at 10.05am

G Petley
MAYOR

Extra Ordinary Council Meeting

PUBLIC BUSINESS MINUTES

An Extra Ordinary Council Meeting
was held in the Council Chamber,
Torphin Crescent, Tokoroa
on Tuesday, 30 May 2023
Commencing at 9.37am

Attendees

Members	Mayor (Chairperson)	G Petley
	Deputy Mayor (Deputy Chairperson)	W Machen
Councillors		H Daine
		M Farrell
		R Garner
		T Lee
		H Nelis
		M Te Kanawa (via Teams)
		J Teokotai (via Teams)
Staff		S Wallace
	Chief Executive	S Law
	Interim Executive Manager (IEM) Corporate	M Booth
	Interim Executive Manager (IEM) Transformation	D Lascelles
	Interim Executive Manager (IEM) Operations	J Hassall
	Corporate Planning Manager	C Litchfield
	Head of Communications	K Fabrie
	Chief Finance Officer	W Cortesi
	Revenue Manager	M Warren
	Executive Officer	J Anderson
Executive Support Officer (minutes)	C Cawood	

1. Welcome / Blessing

Cr Lee opened the meeting with a blessing.

2. Apologies / Leave of Absences

23/49 Resolved

Cr Machen / Cr Daine

That an apology from Cr Purdy is received and sustained.

Carried

3. Conflicts of Interest

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

4. Confirmation of Agenda

That the Agenda, as circulated, be confirmed.

5. Reports

5.1 Fees and Charges 2023-24

The report was taken as read.

Staff responded to questions from members concerning various items from the Fees and Charges 2023-24 document.

23/50 Resolved

Cr Machen / Cr Lee

That Council:

- a. Receives the Fees and Charges 2023-24 Adoption Report Docset ID 629377
- b. Adopts the Fees and Charges for 2023-24 as per the attached Fees and Charges 2023-24 schedule, pursuant to sections 83 and 150 of the Local Government Act 2002.

Against Cr Daine

Carried

Further discussion between staff and members took place, resulting in a second motion taking place.

23/51 Resolved

Cr Machen / Cr Lee

That Council:

- a. Receives the Fees and Charges 2023-24 Adoption Report Docset ID 629377
- b. Adopts the Fees and Charges for 2023-24 as per the attached Fees and Charges 2023-24 schedule, pursuant to sections 83 and 150 of the Local Government Act 2002.

Against Cr Daine

Carried

Cr Daine called for a division with the following result:

In favour: Cr Wallace, Cr Garner, Cr Lee, Cr Farrell, Cr Machen, Cr Te Kanawa,
Cr Teokotai

Against: Cr Daine

Motion carried

Meeting closed at 10.20am

G Petley
MAYOR

7. Reports for Information

7.1 Mayoral Report – 14 April 2023 to 29 May 2023

Document Information

Report To:	Council
Meeting Date:	Wednesday, 7 June 2023
Author:	G Petley
Author Title:	His Worship the Mayor
Report Date:	Tuesday, 30 May 2023

Purpose

1. To inform the Council of appointments and activities undertaken during the month.

Recommendation

2. That the Council:
 - a) Receives Report No 2023-621437, Mayoral Report – 14 April to 29 May 2023

Context

3. **Mayoral Appointments**
 - a) **Thursday, 20 April 2023**
Met with Harete Hipango MP
 - b) **Monday, 24 April 2023**
Attended ANZAC meeting before ANZAC Day ceremony
 - c) **Wednesday, 3 May 2023**
Meeting with consultant David Wright
Attended the South Waikato National Grid Connection Commissioning Event
 - d) **Thursday, 4 May 2023**
Attended the ANZAC runover of event
 - e) **Friday, 5 May 2023**
Attended the Tea for Harmony at the Zeelong Estate Hamilton
 - f) **Monday, 8 May 2023**
Attended the Raukawa Sports Day
 - g) **Tuesday, 9 May 2023**
Met with Lions Club Member Allan Kient
Attended the Annual Fonterra Litchfield Meeting
 - h) **Wednesday, 10 May 2023**
Meeting with the Civic Events group

- i) **Thursday, 11 May 2023**
Meeting with Rangiura
Zoom Meeting with LGNZ
- j) **Friday, 12 May 2023**
Attended the Raukawa and Dairy NZ Hui
- k) **Monday, 15 May 2023**
Tokoroa City Lions Meeting in the Red Room Tokoroa Club
- l) **Wednesday 17 May 2023**
Met with Mike Cherry (resident)
- m) **Monday, 22 May 2023**
Attended the Annual Plan Community Tokoroa Meeting
- n) **Tuesday, 23 May 2023**
Attended the Annual Plan Community Tirau Meeting
- o) **Wednesday, 24 May 2023**
Attended the Annual Plan Community Putāruru Meeting
- p) **Thursday, 25 May 2023**
Attended the Annual Plan Community Putāruru Meeting
- q) **Friday, 26 May 2023**
Attended the Post Budget Business Breakfast Meeting
- r) **Monday, 29 May 2023**
Attended a Rangiura Trust Board Meeting

7.2 Financial Services Report – April 2023

Document Information

Report To:	Council
Meeting Date:	Wednesday, 7 June 2023
Author:	Wiki Cortesi
Author Title:	Chief Financial Officer Interim Executive Manager
Corporate:	Michael Booth
Report Date:	Thursday, 18 May 2023

Purpose

1. To inform the Council on the financial performance of Council to 30 April 2023.

Recommendation

2. That Council:
 - a) Receives and notes the Report 2023-629016, Financial Services Report – April 2023.

Executive Summary

3. The financial performance of Council is an indication of what the level of income and expenses are being received and spent in relation to budget estimates at any point in time and how that impacts on Council equity at the same point.
4. At 30 April 2023, we have identified that there is a \$4.7m operating deficit to date. There is \$1.2m of capital funding included in the subsidies and grants revenue that makes the full deficit picture look better than what is occurring from an operational perspective.
5. At 30 April 2023, we have identified that Council has \$97.3m more in net assets. The total assets of Council are \$94m higher than expected and total liabilities are \$3.3m lower than expected.
6. At 30 April 2023, we have identified that the percentage of fixed rate debt maturities are outside policy. Our advisors, PriceWaterhouseCoopers (PwC), are currently reviewing our strategy. The strategy detail from our advisors will be presented at the next Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee meeting to review.
7. There is a higher number of accounts in arrears compared to this period last year which corresponds with a lower percentage of rates arrears collection in the same period.
8. The ratio measures indicate that we have a current ratio of 1.3 which means we \$1.30 of current assets to every \$1 of current liabilities and that our net debt to revenue ratio is currently 38%.
9. There is a \$290k increase in reserve balances since the March 2023 Financial Services Report was presented to Council. This is mainly due to there being less targeted rate funded costs than what has been rated for.

Context

10. The detail discussed in this report is aligned with the Council vision, community outcomes, Council policies and the Council strategy. We want to keep Council informed and up to date with the relevant financial information through the financial services report.
11. A separate rates arrears update report is included in the Agenda.

Discussion

12. The Performance Report to 30 April 2023 has 4 main components. These are the financial statements comprised of the statement of comprehensive revenue and expenditure and statement of financial position, treasury report, rates overview and Council reserve balances.

Reference

13. Annual Plan 2022/2023

Attachments

Performance Report to 30 April 2023

PERFORMANCE REPORT

To 30 April 2023



1. Financial Statements

For the year ended 30 April 2023		YTD	Annual	Revised	YTD
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE		Actual	Budget	Budget	Budget
REVENUE AND EXPENSE		2023	2023	2023	2023
		\$000s	\$000s	\$000s	\$000s
Revenue					
Rates, excluding targeted water supply rates	27,488	27,894	33,473	33,473	(406)
Fees, charges, and targeted rates for water supply	3,786	4,062	4,883	4,875	(276)
Development and financial contributions	687	189	227	227	498
Subsidies and grants	5,418	5,153	4,879	6,183	265
Finance income	223	309	370	370	(86)
Other revenue	1,887	1,803	2,155	2,163	84
Total revenue	39,489	39,410	45,987	47,292	79
Expenditure					
Employee benefits expense	10,872	10,397	12,476	12,476	475
Depreciation and amortisation expense	8,443	8,033	9,640	9,640	410
Finance costs	911	631	818	757	280
Other expenses	22,799	21,488	25,507	26,486	1,311
Total expenditure	43,025	40,548	48,441	49,359	2,477
Surplus/(Deficit)	(3,536)	(1,138)	(2,454)	(2,067)	(2,398)
Other comprehensive revenue and expense					
Gain/loss in Asset Revaluation Reserve	-	11,409	19,558	19,558	(11,409)
Gain/loss in Investment Revaluation Reserve	1,373	-	-	-	1,373
Total other comprehensive revenue and	1,373	11,409	19,558	19,558	(10,036)
Total comprehensive revenue and expense	(2,163)	10,271	17,104	17,491	(12,434)

Commentary

The statement above indicates that although the year-to-date total revenue is \$79k more than expected, \$1.2m of the revenue included in the subsidies and grants is capital funding. The statement shows that there has been \$2.4m more year to date total expenditure than expected. This has resulted in an actual operating deficit year-to-date of \$4.7m and a total deficit of \$3.5m.

The main contributors to the increase in revenue over budget include:

- More development and financial contributions income received from more processed consents and subdivisions than expected.
- The increase noted above is offset by lower-than-expected finance income from the Wealthnet portfolio.

The main contributors to the increase in expenditure over budget include:

- the increase in interest costs on borrowing due to the current borrowing structure.
- an increase in power costs with the most significant changes identified at our three water services sites and at the Tokoroa indoor pools.
- an increase in insurance costs mainly attributable to the revaluations on our three waters and roading infrastructure assets.

- an increase in repairs and maintenance requirements especially in wastewater reticulation, roading vegetation control and roading high shoulder (flanking) work.

The gain in the investment revaluation reserve is directly attributable to the unrealised gain received to date from the Wealthnet investment portfolio. This portfolio is managed by BNZ and is an investment fund specifically set up for asset replacement/renewal and should align with the asset replacement reserves.

As at 30 April 2023					
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION					
	Actual	YTD	Annual Plan	Revised	YTD
	2023	Budget	Budget	Budget	Difference
	\$000s	2023	2023	2023	2023
	\$000s	\$000s	\$000s	\$000s	\$000s
Equity					
Retained earnings	148,621	165,636	163,972	165,636	(17,015)
Other reserves	420,831	306,491	306,491	306,491	114,340
Total equity	569,452	472,127	470,463	472,127	97,325
Assets					
Current assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	6,933	2,803	2,803	2,803	4,130
Receivables	4,642	7,058	4,540	7,058	(2,416)
Inventories	105	171	171	171	(66)
Other financial assets	116	-	-	-	116
Non-current assets held for sale	1,758	-	-	-	1,758
Derivative Financial Instruments	534	-	-	-	534
Total current assets	14,088	10,032	7,514	10,032	4,055
Non-current assets					
Property, plant and equipment	582,683	493,303	493,303	493,303	89,380
Other financial assets	22,026	22,548	22,548	22,548	(522)
Derivative Financial Instruments	1,377	-	-	-	1,377
Intangible assets	7	328	328	328	(321)
Total non-current assets	606,093	516,179	516,179	516,179	89,914
Total assets	620,181	526,211	523,693	526,211	93,969
Liabilities					
Current liabilities					
Payables and deferred revenue	4,819	6,819	5,965	6,819	(2,000)
Employee benefit obligations	1,001	609	609	609	392
Borrowings	5,000	1,904	1,904	1,904	3,096
Provision for landfill closure	38	748	748	748	(710)
Trust accounts	-	-	-	-	-
Total current liabilities	10,856	10,080	9,226	10,080	777
Non-current liabilities					
Provision for landfill closure	649	873	873	873	(224)
Borrowings	39,000	42,883	42,883	42,883	(3,883)
Derivative Financial Instruments	-	-	-	-	-
Employee benefit obligations	223	248	248	248	(25)
Total non-current liabilities	39,872	44,004	44,004	44,004	(4,132)
Total liabilities	50,729	54,084	53,230	54,084	(3,355)
Net assets	569,452	472,127	470,463	472,127	97,324

Commentary

The statement above indicates that our net assets are \$97.3m more than expected.

The main reasons for the net asset movement includes:

- the increase in the expected non-current property, plant and equipment values. This is mainly due to the movement in the three water and roading infrastructure assets in 2021/2022 because of the revaluation undertaken in that year.
- There has only been \$9.2m of the expected \$33.6m capital expenditure undertaken to date. A full comprehensive capital expenditure report will be provided by the Project Management Officer.
- Borrowing costs in total are almost at the point of where we expected to be due to borrowing to cover operational expenses.

Ratio Measures

South Waikato District Council's current ratio (current assets divided by current liabilities) is 1.3. This ratio identifies the ability to pay short term obligations. At present, we have \$1.3 of current assets to every \$1 of current liabilities which is good.

South Waikato District Council's net debt to revenue ratio (net debt divided by revenue) is 38%. This ratio evaluates the financial leverage of an entity. Our limit is 175%.

2. Treasury Report

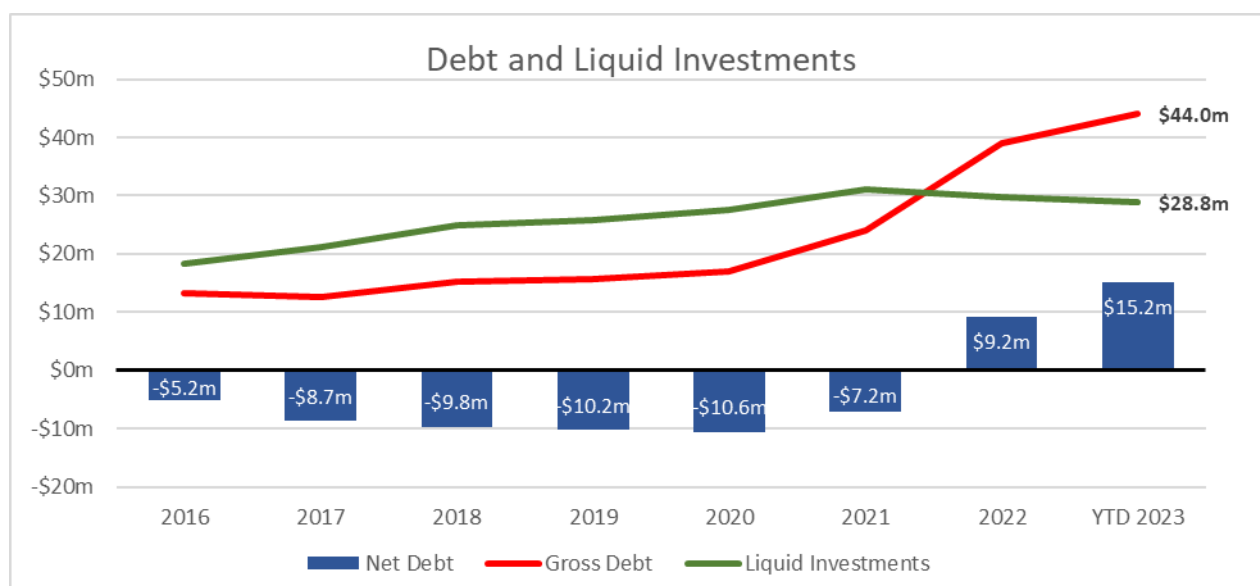
The table below shows our compliance in relation to our Treasury Policy limits and the chart below shows gross debt and liquid investments.

Compliance with Treasury Policy Limits

			Result @	Policy
Policy Compliance	Measure	Policy	30-Apr-23	Compliance
Fixed rate debt maturity	all years	within annual parameters	not achieved for some	✗
Funding maturity	0 - 3 years	15% - 60%	39%	✓
	3 - 7 years	25% - 85%	61%	✓
	7 - 10 years	0% - 60%	0%	✓
Liquidity ratio	minimum	110%	118%	✓
Counterparty credit risk	maximum	BNZ \$15m	achieved	✓

We are not within policy for the minimum percentage of fixed rate debt maturities in some years. Staff are in discussion with our advisors, PriceWaterhouseCoopers, to plan our strategy. The strategy detail from discussions with our advisors will be provided at the next Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee meeting to review. This measure relies on accurate long-term debt forecasting. Current uncertainty exists as a result of three waters, annual plan and long-term plan outcomes.

Debt



The chart above shows gross debt and liquid investments. The difference between the two is net debt (as measured by LGFA). Council is well within debt covenants, noting that from the 2022 year we have become a net borrower rather than a net investor.

The weighted average cost of funds for gross debt is 3.7%.

3. Rates

Rates are the main source of income for Council. Collection of rates is an important task to ensure that Council can operate and provide services to meet the requirements of the community in which it serves.

The detail that follows provides some information on the outstanding rates in dollar terms, rates collection as a percentage compared to the same month in the prior year and examples of percentage collection and rates accounts arrears in a graph format that shows comparatives for the last four years in relation to this current financial year.

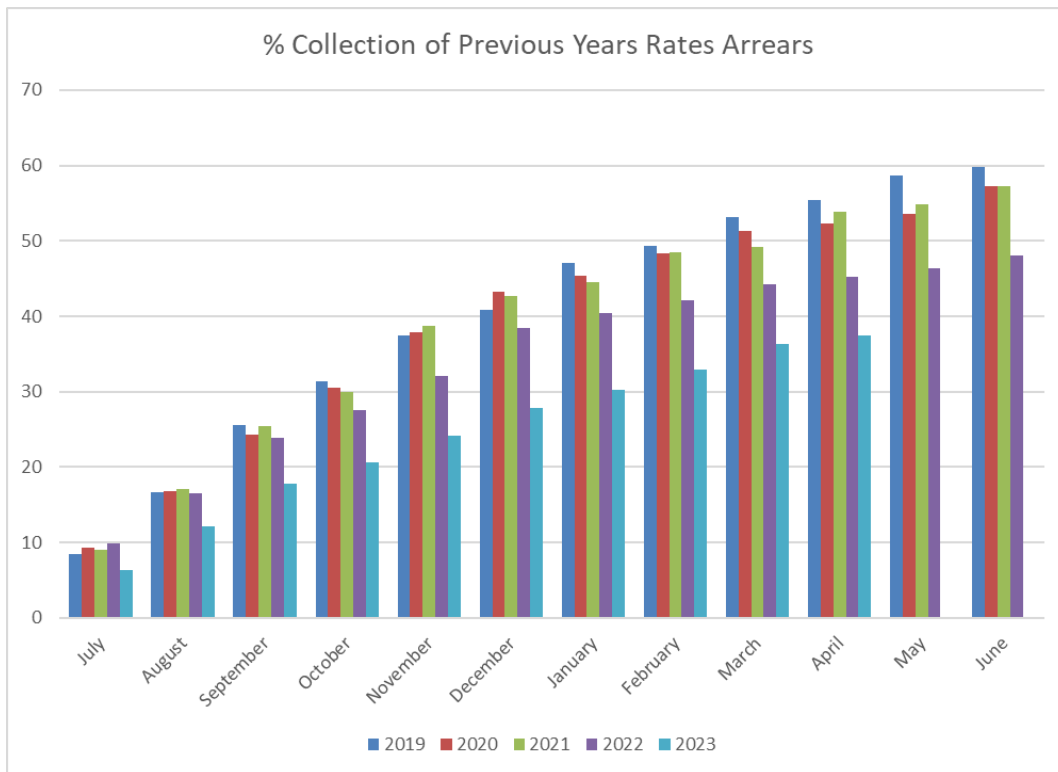
Rates outstanding as at 30 April 2023

Current instalment balance	\$ 7,254,380
Arrears relating to rates charged this year	\$ 902,588
Penalties balance	\$ 223,847
Arrears still outstanding from previous years	\$ 1,460,188
Court Costs	\$ 0
Total	\$ 9,841,003

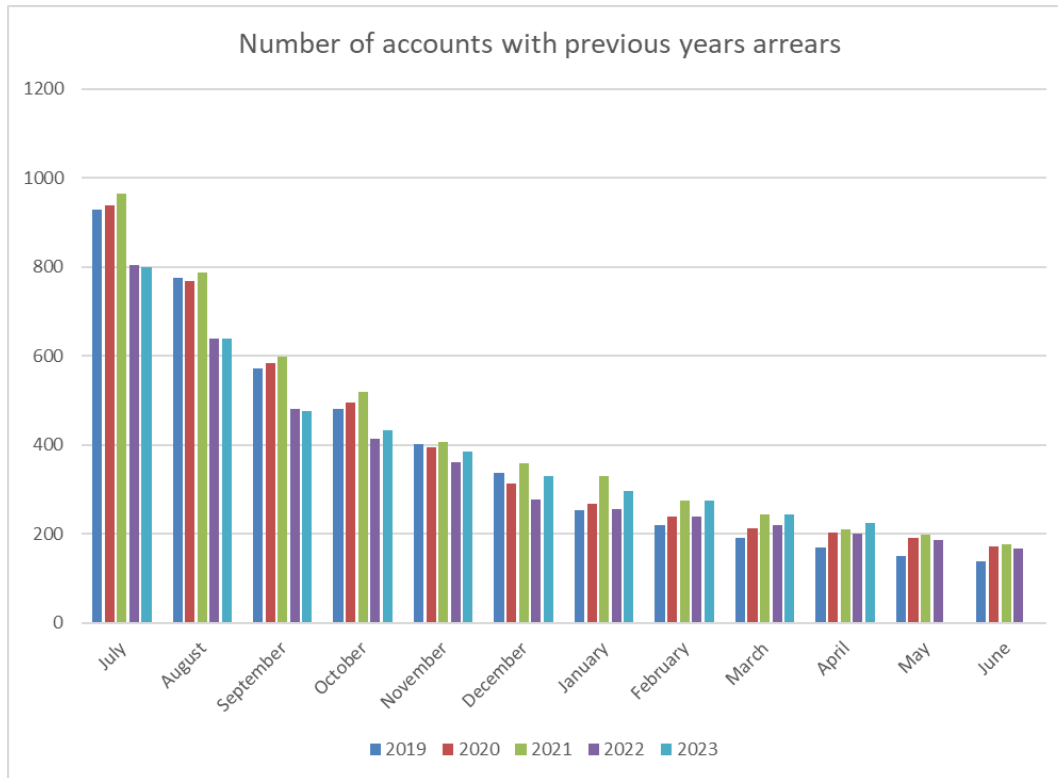
Rates Collection – shown as a percentage

		% Rates Collected YTD This Year	Comparison to same month last year
Arrears as at 1 July 2022	\$ 2,333,944	37.4%	45.3%
Current Year Levied	\$ 38,895,640	79.0%	79.1%
Penalties charged	\$ 355,673	37.1%	35.4%
Current year including penalties	\$ 39,251,313	78.7%	78.8%

Current Rates and Penalties Collection Percentage History



Rates Account Arrears History



4. Council reserves as at 30 April 2023

Asset replacement reserves

An amount of money equivalent to the current year's depreciation is transferred to these reserves during the year. These funds are then available to fund future capital expenditure and loan repayments.

Asset Replacement Reserves	Opening Balance at 1 July 2022 \$ (favourable)	Closing Balance at 30 April 2023 \$ (favourable)
TOTAL	(15,503,700)	(13,837,368)

Targeted rate reserves

Targeted rates are levied on specific properties for a specific purpose. The funds are kept in separate reserve accounts, so they are only used for that specific purpose.

Targeted Rate Reserves	Opening Balance at 1 July 2022 \$ (favourable)	Closing Balance at 30 April 2023 \$ (favourable)
TOTAL	(1,410,914)	(1,819,409)

Council created reserves

These reserves are created by Council for a specific purpose. The funds have been set aside and are able to be used at Council's discretion.

Council Created Reserves	Opening Balance at 1 July 2022 \$ (favourable)	Closing Balance at 30 April 2023 \$ (favourable)
TOTAL	959,735	1,564,177

Performance Report Explanatory Notes

1. The Financial Statement section in relation to financial performance is as follows:
 - a) The Statement of Comprehensive Revenue and Expenditure (also known as an income statement) looks at the overall income and expenses of the organisation.
 - b) The Statement of Financial Position (also known as the balance sheet) looks at the current and non-current assets and liabilities of the organisation.

2. The Treasury Report section in relation to treasury policy compliance and debt and liquid investments is as follows:
 - a) The Treasury Policy compliance

Measures are set with the intention to manage council's various risks associated with borrowing. When policy compliance is achieved, risk is at an acceptable level. If policy is breached it is an indicator that a risk is greater than a prudent level and we will work towards regaining compliance as soon as practicable.
 - b) Fixed rate debt maturity

This places an upper and lower limit on the percentage of debt that is able to be at fixed rates of interest per financial year to manage exposure to interest rate movements.
 - c) Funding Maturity

Ensures there is a spread of debt maturity dates so that council's exposure to interest rates upon refinancing the debt is not concentrated.
 - d) Liquidity Ratio

Ensures there is access to liquid investments of at least 10% of debt to enable council to meet cashflow requirements.

e) Counterparty credit risk

Limits any risk of losses arising from a counterparty defaulting on a financial instrument. Note that amounts contracted with the NZ Government and the LGFA are not limited.

3. The rates section provides information as follows:

a) Rates outstanding

Broken down into different line items to give the total value of rates outstanding at the time in which we are reporting

b) Rates collection

Provided on a rates percentage collection in comparison to the same month of the previous year.

c) Graph information

Five years of comparative information showing the rates and penalty collection history and the rates accounts arrears history.

4. The reserves section provides information as follows:

a) Asset replacement reserves

An amount of money equivalent to depreciation that can be used to fund future capital projects and loan repayments.

b) Targeted rate reserves

Levies on specific properties that are then utilised for specific purposes associated with those specific properties.

c) Council created reserves

Created by Council for a specific purpose. The funds are generally generated from a specific action or activity. Funds are then held to be used at the discretion of Council based on the specific purpose.

7.3 Capital Portfolio Monitoring Report

Document Information

Report To: Council
Meeting Date: Wednesday, 7 June 2023
Author: Nick Murphy
Author Title: PMO Manager
Interim Executive Manager
Strategy & Transformation: Debbie Lascelles
Report Date: Wednesday, 17 May 2023

Purpose

1. To inform Council on the performance of the overall capital portfolio and associated key projects and programmes for the 10 months ended 30 April 2023.

Recommendation

2. That Council:
 - a) receives the Report 2023-630075, Capital Portfolio Monitoring Report.

Executive Summary

3. This is the second year of the Long Term Plan 2021-31. The Annual Plan 2022-23 approved capital budget is \$16.36 million.
4. Since the approval of the Annual Plan 2022-23, an additional \$16.08 million has been added to the capital budget from carryovers from 2021/22, which was approved during the 4 October 2022 Extra Ordinary Council meeting.
5. On 7 September 2022, Council approved \$1.2 million to be allocated from Asset Replacement Reserves for the secondary treatment plant at Arapuni.
6. The total approved capital budget for 2022/23 is \$33.64 million.
7. The total capital expenditure for the 10 months ended 30 April 2023 is \$9.27 million, 28% of the total approved capital budget.
8. \$20.38 million has been identified as requiring rephasing (carryover) to future years due to project timing.
9. The current forecast expenditure to the financial year end is \$12.55 million.
10. There are three capital portfolio level risks identified that are being managed by staff:
 - Cost escalation
 - Capacity within the market
 - Inclement weather.
11. Five projects across the capital portfolio have been flagged as having risks that are being brought to the attention of Council. Each individual project is listed in paragraphs 31-50.

12. Staff consider the matters to be of low significance and that the recommendations comply with the Council's legal requirements.

Context

13. The following definitions are relevant:
- Portfolio: refers to the total organisational capital work budget for 2022/23.
 - Programme: refers to two or more projects that are managed in a coordinated way to deliver a set of benefits.
 - Project: refers to the individual project under a particular programme. These projects may have funding from multiple activities and occur across multiple years.
14. This is the second year of the Long Term Plan 2021-31. The Annual Plan 2022-23 approved capital budget is \$16.36 million.
15. Since the approval of the Annual Plan 2022-23, an additional \$16.08 million has been added from carryovers from 2021/22.
16. On 7 September 2022, Council approved \$1.2 million to be allocated from Asset Replacement Reserves for the secondary treatment plant at Arapuni.
17. The total approved capital budget for 2022/23 is \$33.64 million.
18. For the purposes of this Capital Portfolio Monitoring report, there are three main types of capital budget movement that will impact on the forecasted total spend for this financial year. They are:
- Deferrals and Bring Forwards: These are approved budgets where a timing change has been identified. The timing change is either, a deferral, where the budget is moved out to a future year or a brought forward where the future budget is brought forward to the current year.
 - Savings: these are permanent reductions in the budget due to projects and/or programmes being delivered under budget; and
 - Other Changes: these are new budgets that either did not previously exist or is an amendment to an existing approved budget.

Discussion

Capital Expenditure and Forecasts

19. For the 10 months ended 30 April 2023, the actual expenditure to date is \$9.27 million (\$19.7 million). The amount in brackets is the comparative from the previous financial year.
20. The current forecast expenditure to the financial year end is \$12.55 million. The following table summarises the forecast expenditure:

	Budget (\$)
Annual Plan 2022-23	16,355,026
2021/22 Carryovers	16,084,000
Arapuni WWTP Funding Request	1,200,000
2022/23 Total Approved Budget	33,639,026
Current Year Changes	
Proposed Deferrals	(20,379,026)
Proposed Bring Forwards	0
Proposed Savings	(310,000)
Proposed Other Changes	(400,000)
Forecast to Financial Year End	12,550,000

21. The proposed key deferrals relate to the following projects and programmes:

Project Name	Deferral (\$)
Putaruru Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) Wetlands	780,000
Arapuni Tirau St Wastewater Pipe Upgrade	1,669,000
Tokoroa Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) Digestor	1,459,000
Tokoroa Pools Upgrade	5,358,534
Rural Residential Subdivision	549,611
Maraetai Road Intermodal Business Park (MRIBP)	5,026,000
Tokoroa WWTP Duplicate Drum Filter	210,000
Arapuni WWTP Secondary Treatment	1,200,000
Tokoroa Library/Community Hub	184,016
Districtwide Roding Capital Programme	1,600,000

22. The attachment provides an overview of performance for the capital portfolio as at 30 April 2023, along with an update on key projects and programmes.

Portfolio Risks

23. There are currently three portfolio risks that are being monitored and managed.

Cost escalation

24. This risk relates to the ongoing dynamic economic environment, along with the national and international demand for certain materials. The risk consequences are project delays and escalating project costs.
25. Staff are continuing to monitor the economic environment and are considering this as part of the Annual Plan 2023-24 process to ensure that capital budgets remain adequate to deliver the required outcomes.

Capacity within the market

26. This risk relates to both supply of materials and labour. Significant weather events over the past six months, including Cyclone Gabrielle, and the extent of damage across the North Island is still yet to be fully quantified.
27. It is predicted that there will be a large amount of resourcing required to repair the significant damage and the national workload may affect future project and programme delivery.

Inclement weather

28. This risk relates to the consistent poor weather over the traditional summer months, and in particular January, February, and March. Continued poor weather is likely to have an impact on the progress of some projects.
29. Staff continue to monitor progress and there is the potential for some work needing to be carried over to the 2023/24 construction season.

Project Risks

30. Five projects across the capital portfolio have been flagged as having risks that are being brought to the attention of Council.
31. All five projects are classified as Amber, indicating risks to scope, budget and/or schedule that are being monitored and managed.

Putaruru Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) Wetlands

32. This project is required to meet resource consent conditions. There is a requirement to construct a post-treatment wetland adjacent to the WWTP.
33. Meetings have been held with both Raukawa and Waikato Regional Council (WRC), with both confirming their support for the proposed actions to extend the timeframes required to meet resource consent conditions.
34. Both ground water and surface water quality assessments have shown no significant sign of contamination to Oraka Stream. Assessments have been sent to Raukawa for further discussion.
35. Internal discussions on viable options for location and design of solution are underway. Once investigations have been completed, staff will prepare remedial options for consideration to confirm the project scope and required budget.
36. There is a risk that the current budget will be inadequate to deliver the preferred solution.

Arapuni Tirau St Wastewater Pipe Upgrade

37. This is a three-phase project. Phases Two and Three are in the construction phase.
38. Phase One has encountered underground conflicts around the crossing of State Highway 1 requiring redesign to that area.
39. KiwiRail have approved application for Deed of Grant to continue works under State Highway 1. Staff are preparing tender documents for Phases 1 and 3.
40. Even though progress has been made with the KiwiRail Deed of Grant, this has delayed Phases 1 and 3 physical works into 2023/24, requiring a deferral of budget.

Tokoroa Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) Digester

41. This project is required to rehabilitate the old digester tank to enable appropriate management of the wastewater sludge at the Tokoroa WWTP.
42. Biosolid quality test results have been deemed acceptable by Envirowaste to be disposed of at Hampton Downs. This has come at an additional cost to the project that was not part of the original scope and budget.
43. Initial Structural Assessment indicates the existing 1960's digester tank may not be suitable for refurbishment. Desktop structural assessment of the old digester tank has been completed. Staff are reviewing viable options. It is likely the demolition and site clearance will need to be considered as part of the upcoming Long-Term Plan.

Putāruru Skate Park Development

44. This project is refurbishment of the existing skate bowl and the creation of new facilities for multi-age users and the wider community.
45. Project is progressing slowly due to the continued adverse weather, which has had a significant impact on the programme timeline.
46. Majority of the works in the lower area are complete with the focus now being on progressing the upper section. Forecast completion is by the end of the financial year but may require budget deferral to complete the works.

Maraetai Road Intermodal Business Park (MRIBP)

47. This project is the creation of an industrial subdivision on the MRIBP site to create 18 industrial lots. This will benefit the Tokoroa township, as well as the wider South Waikato area with increasing employment opportunities and development.

48. Project has incurred significant delays in lodgements of subdivision and stormwater consents with the Waikato Regional Council (WRC). Staff are currently working with WRC so consents can be granted in scheduled timeframes and enabling works can progress during the winter period.
49. Tender documents for the full physical works programme are being prepared with a forecast start date in the 2023/24 construction season.

Risks

50. The portfolio and project risks have been identified above.

Significance & Engagement Policy

51. The matters and recommendation contained in this report do not trigger Council's Significance and Engagement Policy.

Attachments

Capital Portfolio Performance as at 30 April 2023 (2023-630077)

Capital Portfolio Performance

As at 30 April 2023

\$9.27m

2022/23 Actual Spend to Date

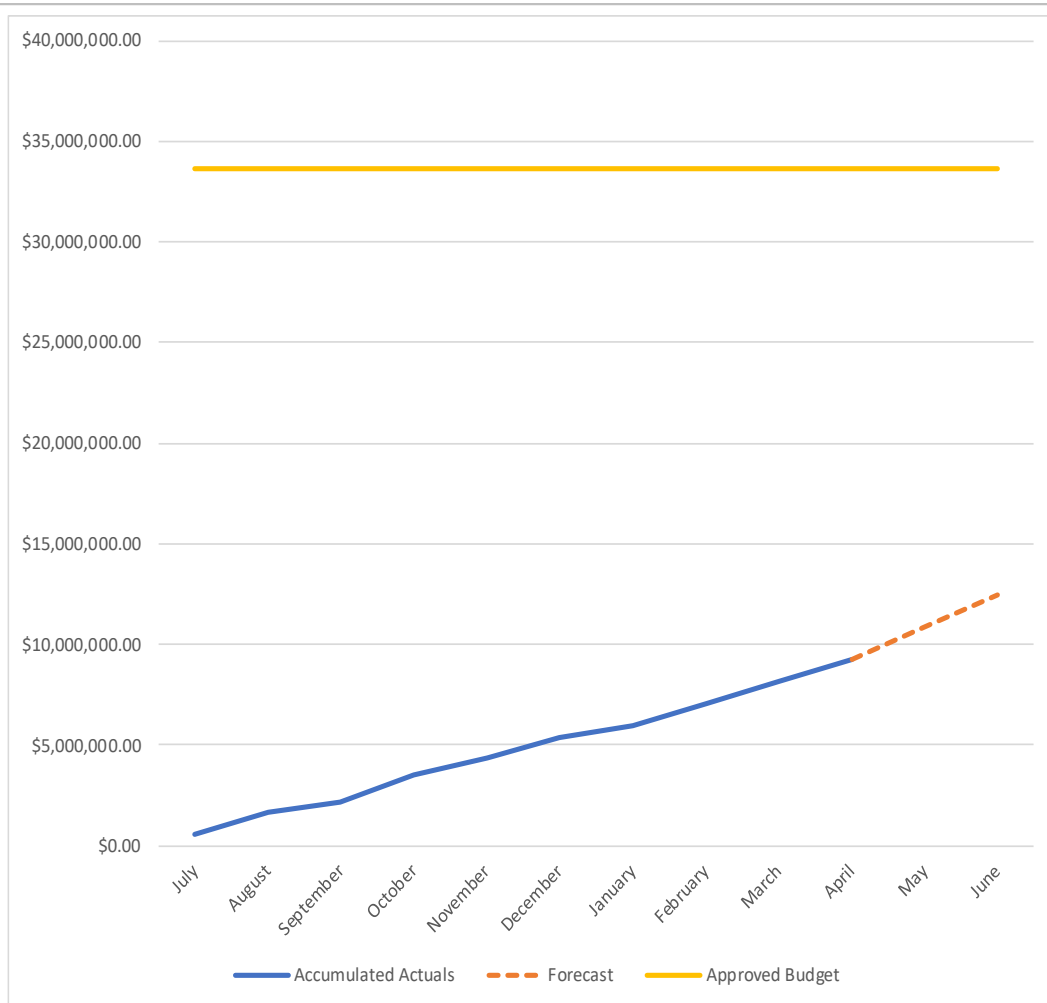
\$33.64m

2022/23 Total Approved Budget

\$12.55m

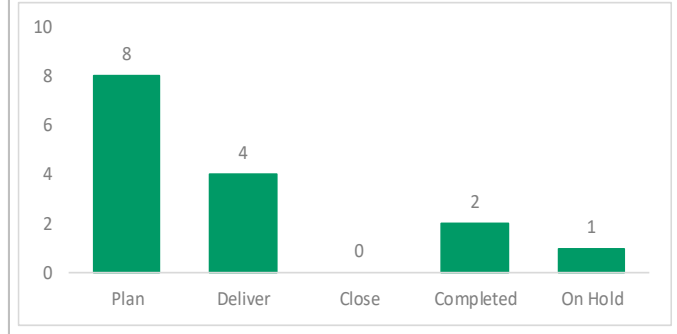
2022/23 Forecast Expenditure to Financial Year End

2022/23 Financial Performance



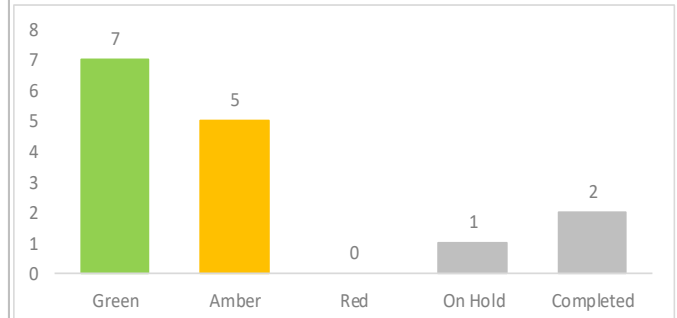
Stage / Phase

Key Projects and Programmes



Status

Key Projects and Programmes



Capital Portfolio Performance

As at 30 April 2023

Programme/Project Name	Purpose	Total Multi-Year Budget	Forecast Completion Date	Stage	Overall Status	Budget Status	Scope / Quality Status	Schedule Status	2022/23 Actual Spend	2022/23 Forecast to Financial Year End	2022/23 Total Approved Budget	2022/23 Variance	Commentary
Putāruru Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) Wetlands	To construct a wetland in Putāruru WWTP as required by the resource consent	\$ 1,040,000.00	TBC	Planning	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber	\$ 118,957	\$ 204,720	\$ 992,000	\$ 787,280	Both ground water and surface water quality assessments have shown no significant sign of contamination to Oraka Stream. Assessments have been sent to Raukawa for further discussion. Internal discussions to occur on viable options for location and design of solution.
Arapuni Tirau St Wastewater Pipe Upgrade	To upgrade wastewater pipelines in Putāruru to accommodate growth	\$ 2,017,000.00	Dec-23	Planning	Amber	Green	Green	Amber	\$ 173,245	\$ 200,000	\$ 1,869,000	\$ 1,669,000	KiwiRail have approved application for Deed of Grant to continue works under State Highway 1. Staff are preparing tender documents for Phases 1 and 3. Construction for Phase 2 (Lorraine Moller Reserve) is ongoing.
Tokoroa Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) Digester	To rehabilitate the old digester tank to enable appropriate management of the wastewater sludge	\$ 3,157,000.00	Dec-23	Delivery	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber	\$ 258,998	\$ 600,000	\$ 2,059,000	\$ 1,459,000	Biosolid quality test results have been deemed acceptable by Envirowaste to be disposed of at Hampton Downs. Desktop structural assessment of the old digester tank have been completed. Staff are reviewing viable options. Ongoing work with contractor of new digester to complete snag list and fault log.
Putāruru Skate Park Development	To refurbish the existing skate bowl and create new facilities for multi-age users / community	\$ 550,000.00	Jun-23	Delivery	Amber	Amber	Green	Red	\$ 408,266	\$ 600,000	\$ 550,000	-\$ 50,000	Project is progressing slowly due to the continued adverse weather, which has had a significant impact on the programme timeline. Majority of the works in the lower area are complete with the focus now being on progressing the upper section. Forecast completion by 30 June.
Tokoroa Pools Upgrade	Major upgrade of all aspects of the existing pools facility to "future proof" the venue for a further 25 years	\$ 12,940,000.00	TBC	Planning	Green	Green	Green	Amber	\$ 151,495	\$ 483,466	\$ 5,842,000	\$ 5,358,534	Preliminary design is complete. Slight delay to developed design due to previously received seismic report needing to be updated.
Putāruru Pools Refurbishment & Upgrade	To install BBQ, shelters, and changing rooms. Refurbishment of changing rooms, upgrade to kiosk, and new storage facility	\$ 240,000.00	Oct-23	Planning	Green	Green	Green	Amber	\$ 175,256	\$ 175,256	\$ 184,000	\$ 8,744	Physical works for this financial year are now complete. Planning underway for next stage to be completed in 2023/24 (pending Annual Plan confirmation).
Tirau Pools Refurbishment & Upgrade	New toilets and overall improvements to the appearance and maintenance condition of the facility	\$ 550,000.00	Oct-23	Planning	Green	Green	Green	Green	\$ 50,923	\$ 50,923	\$ 80,000	\$ 29,077	Physical works for this financial year are now complete. Planning underway for next stage to be completed in 2023/24 (pending Annual Plan confirmation).

Capital Portfolio Performance

As at 30 April 2023

Programme/Project Name	Purpose	Total Multi-Year Budget	Forecast Completion Date	Stage	Overall Status	Budget Status	Scope / Quality Status	Schedule Status	2022/23 Actual Spend	2022/23 Forecast to Financial Year End	2022/23 Total Approved Budget	2022/23 Variance	Commentary
Rural Residential Subdivision	Development of existing Council owned land into a 11 plot residential subdivision	\$ 1,466,000.00	Oct-23	Delivery	Green	Green	Green	Amber	\$ 213,139	\$ 855,389	\$ 1,405,000	\$ 549,611	Construction contract has been awarded. Site works starting imminently. 'Schedule' status of amber due to risk of continued bad weather that will impact on road sealing works.
Dumfries 800m New Link Road	New road to link the existing cul-de-sacs of Pelikan Place and Dumfries Road. Provides improved (safer) access to local schools and Event Centre, as well as creating additional parking for visitors to Tokoroa Cemetery	\$ 1,600,000.00	Nov-23	Planning	Green	Green	Green	Amber	\$ 242,307	\$ 439,722	\$ 416,000	-\$ 23,722	Original scope of works is complete. Contract for construction of traffic calming measures to be awarded. 'Schedule' status of amber due to risk of continued bad weather that will impact on construction programme.
Maraetai Road Intermodal Business Park (MRIBP)	Plan to build an industrial subdivision on the MRIBP site to create 18 industrial lots. This will benefit the Tokoroa township, as well as the wider South Waikato area with increasing employment opportunities and development	\$ 8,965,000.00	Oct-24	Planning	Amber	Green	Green	Amber	\$ 392,171	\$ 500,000	\$ 5,526,000	\$ 5,026,000	Project has incurred significant delays in lodgements of subdivision and stormwater consents with the Waikato Regional Council (WRC). Staff currently working with WRC so consents can be granted in scheduled timeframes and enabling works can progress during the winter period. Tender documents for full construction are being prepared with forecast start date in the next construction season (September / October 2023).
Depot St (TTrau) Pump Station	Increase pumpstation capacity and emergency storage for Depot St, TTrau	\$ 1,025,000.00	Jun-24	Planning	Green	Green	Green	Green	\$ 79,700	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ -	The design phase is progressing as expected with concept designs now reviewed and approved. Tender process for supply of the pump station has been completed and consultant has provided recommendation for preferred supplier. Detailed design and contract documentation for construction are underway with forecast delivery during the 2023/24 summer months.
Tokoroa Library/Community Hub	Design and build of a replacement library building that provides a future-proofed facility and improves the library's ability to provide a service that will serve the community	\$ 5,466,170.00	TBC	On Hold	On Hold	On Hold	On Hold	On Hold	\$ 45,783	\$ 45,783	\$ 229,799	\$ 184,016	This project is currently on hold pending the outcome of the Town Concept Plans and Growth Strategy programme of work.
Districtwide Additional Public Toilets Programme	To renew, upgrade and/or install new public toilet facilities across the district to increase utilisation of reserves, playgrounds and/or other Council spaces and places	\$ 243,000.00	Mar-23	Completed	Completed	Completed	Completed	Completed	\$ 184,594	\$ 184,594	\$ 243,000	\$ 58,406	Programme for this LTP has been completed. Due to increased costs, the Pioneer Park toilets project has been deferred and will be discussed as part of the upcoming LTP process.

Capital Portfolio Performance

As at 30 April 2023

Programme/Project Name	Purpose	Total Multi-Year Budget	Forecast Completion Date	Stage	Overall Status	Budget Status	Scope / Quality Status	Schedule Status	2022/23 Actual Spend	2022/23 Forecast to Financial Year End	2022/23 Total Approved Budget	2022/23 Variance	Commentary
Districtwide Roading Capital Programme	To provide a safe and efficient road network within the district	\$ 5,720,059.00	Jun-23	Delivery	Green	Green	Green	Amber	\$ 1,551,387	\$ 4,120,059	\$ 5,720,059	\$ 1,600,000	Due to adverse weather over the summer construction season, the work programme has been delayed. Staff have looked at alternative delivery options with contractor to progress as much as possible this financial year.
Districtwide Water Reticulation Renewals Programme	Renewal and upgrades to the water reticulation network across the district	\$ 1,021,500.00	Jun-23	Completed	Completed	Completed	Completed	Completed	\$ 1,007,162	\$ 1,007,162	\$ 1,021,500	\$ 14,338	This financial year's programme has been completed. Increased costs / cost fluctuations have required prioritisation of the work programme and deferral of some projects to the next financial year.

8.1 Aotearoa Reorua Bilingual New Zealand 2023 Report

Document Information

Report To:	Council
Meeting Date:	Wednesday, 7 June 2023
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Co-Author:	Mahu Armstrong – Kaitohutohu Matua Mātauranga Māori
Group Manager Lead:	Debbie Lascelles and James Hassall
Report Date:	Thursday, 1 June 2023

Purpose

1. To inform Council of the draft Raukawa Charitable Trust and South Waikato District Council Aotearoa Reorua Bilingual New Zealand and the Māori Language Revitalisation Strategy, named by Raukawa as, Te Rautaki Whakarauora Reo Māori a Te Poari Manaaki o Raukawa me Te Kaunihera ā-Rohe o Waikato ki te Tonga (referred to in this document as the “Aotearoa Reorua Bilingual Strategy”).
2. To seek approval from Council to proceed with the draft strategy in partnership with the Raukawa Charitable Trust.

Recommendation

3. That Council:
 - a) receives this report Docset 620976, Aotearoa Reorua Bilingual New Zealand 2023.
 - b) receives the draft The Raukawa Charitable Trust and South Waikato District Council Aotearoa Reorua Bilingual Strategy Docset 620832.
 - c) approves the development of workstreams within Council to support Aotearoa Reorua Bilingual Strategy.

Executive Summary

4. Staff recommend that Council continue to develop and implement the Aotearoa Reorua Bilingual Strategy because it supports Council’s legislative obligations under the Local Government Act and strengthens the relationship with the Raukawa Charitable Trust.
5. The development of such strategies is led by the Department of internal Affairs with the aim of supporting towns and cities across Aotearoa to become bilingual centres.
6. In this case, Raukawa Charitable Trust, and South Waikato District Council have partnered to develop a draft Aotearoa Reorua Bilingual Strategy.
7. The next step is for DIA to approve the collaborative strategy and funding for the period of July 2023-June 2024.

Context

8. All councils are governed by the Local Government Act 2022 (LGA) and, in the present context, the requirement that they “improve opportunities for Māori to contribute to local government decision

making processes” (section 4) and “promote the social, economic, environmental, and cultural well-being of communities in the present and for the future” (section 10).

9. Te reo Māori was recognised in 1987 alongside English and New Zealand Sign Language as one of the three official languages in Aotearoa New Zealand.
10. Aotearoa Reorua is an initiative led by the Department of Internal Affairs to support towns and cities across Aotearoa to become bilingual centres through the development and implementation of a codesigned, co-shared reo Māori revitalisation strategy between mana whenua and council partners and the Strategy is due to the DIA in March/April to be approved to proceed with funding.
11. The approach to developing the Aotearoa Reorua Bilingual Strategy is supported by the 2021-31 Long Term Plan where Council values the relationships it has with Raukawa, Māori and other iwi that have an interest in the activities that Council carries out. Council works with Raukawa and iwi groups, guided by Acts, Memorandums of Understanding and Joint Management Agreements.

Discussion

12. South Waikato District Council have shared previous and ongoing projects with Raukawa such as:
 - Placing macrons (long vowel sign symbols) on street signs in 2007
 - Te Kōwhatu o Hatupatu Project (Hatupatu’s Rock)
 - Tokoroa Leith Place Development
 - Te Mauri o Te Waihou Project.
13. Raukawa Kaunihera Kaumātua, Raukawa Settlement Trust and Raukawa Charitable Trust continue to support the Councils cultural, social, economic, and environmental wellbeing.
14. This shared strategy between both organisations will overlap with aims and aspirations of the Raukawa Reo Strategy, ‘Whakareia te Kakara o te Hinu Raukawa’ implemented in 2006 with the purpose of advancing te reo Māori used in priority forums by Raukawa descendants in the broader Raukawa community. Recently, in 2018 the te reo strategy was updated to focus greater attention on the marae and the home as priority language domains.
15. Aotearoa Reorua Bilingual Strategy provides a positive pathway forward for te reo Māori growth throughout the South Waikato District in collaboration with the Council supporting bilingual activities that have already taken place and will grow further into the future. This opportunity sets a platform to identify key areas of focus within a collaborative te reo revitalisation strategy which will support shared goals in both the mana whenua and council spaces.
16. In November 2022 – the CEO of SWDC and Tumu Whakarae met to discuss the development of a shared strategy for the Raukawa Charitable Trust and South Waikato District Council Māori Language Revitalisation Strategy.
17. In December 2022 confirmation of the co-collaboration of this project and presentation from Raukawa Charitable Trust to the Mayor, and Chief Executive, began the development of the strategy.
18. There are nine goals and priority areas, initial implementation plans and outcomes have been stated. Both parties have indicated what each will do in the respective spaces as well as what will be completed collaboratively as joint projects. Despite the higher-level Implementation Plan section outlined in the strategy; more detailed plans will be completed during the months of April and May including budgets, detailed work programmes and individual project implementation plans.
19. Staff recommend that Council continue to develop and implement the Aotearoa Reorua Bilingual New Zealand and the Māori Language Revitalisation Strategy in order to continue the developing the relationship with the Raukawa Charitable Trust.

Financial Considerations

20. What is proposed in the draft strategy will take place over multiple years which will enable Council to plan for and fund any higher cost initiatives. However, parts of the workstreams will be able to be undertaken within current business-as-usual budgets with the aim that any physical changes be phased in over time.
21. Small additional expenses may be incurred with design and development in the following areas:
 - Council website
 - Signage in Parks and Reserves
 - Signage at other Council facilities internally and externally
 - Signage on vehicles; and
 - Council uniform.

Risks

22. If the strategy is not adopted, iwi relationships, the integrity of mana whenua and local district council will not be supported.
23. Without the Aotearoa Reorua Bilingual Strategy, biculturalism will not be advanced in the South Waikato District and Aotearoa New Zealand.
24. There may be some push back from small numbers of our community who will not support this initiative.

Engagement

25. No engagement is required for this decision.
26. The below table references the timeline for this work.

Approval to develop communication to inform the changes with bilingualism across our district in partnership with Raukawa Charitable Trust	June 2023	Internal
Adoption of The Raukawa Charitable Trust and South Waikato District Council Māori Language Revitalisation Strategy	June 2023	Council Meeting

Attachments

Appendix A: Draft the Raukawa Charitable Trust and South Waikato District Council Māori Language Revitalisation Strategy Docset 620832

Te Rautaki Whakarauora Reo Māori a Te Poari Manaaki o Raukawa me Te Kaunihera ā- Rohe o Waikato ki te Tonga

The Raukawa Charitable Trust and South Waikato
District Council Māori Language Revitalisation Strategy

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He Kupu Whakataki | Introduction

- Comments from Maria Te Kanawa – RCT Tumu Whakarae (included in the Final Strategy)
- Comments from Susan Law – SWDC CEO, potentially Mayor Gary Petley (included in the Final Strategy)

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Te Putake o te Kaupapa | Background

Aotearoa Reorua

Aotearoa Reorua is an initiative led by the Department of Internal Affairs to support towns and cities across Aotearoa to become bilingual centres through the development and implementation of a co-designed, co-shared reo Māori revitalisation strategy between mana whenua and council partners. In this case, Te Poari Manaaki o Raukawa and The South Waikato District Council.

The vision of Aotearoa Reorua is:

- Creating more spaces, places and opportunities across the country where te reo Māori is seen, heard and celebrated alongside the English language;
- Enhancing relationships between councils and their mana whenua partners;
- Over the next five years the Department of Internal Affairs expects to enrol over 20 towns and cities into Aotearoa Reorua, and, as support for Aotearoa Reorua grows, DIA ultimately aims for every council in NZ to have at least one operative bilingual plan in their area.

The Aotearoa Reorua kaupapa stems from the Government Māori Language Strategy framework named Te Whare o Te Reo Mauriora. The framework offers two key strategies,

- Te Maihi Māori – Focus on te reo development in the community and home;
- Te Maihi Karauna – Focus on te reo development at the national level and public space.

Aotearoa Reorua supports both Maihi Māori & Maihi Karauna outcomes through jointly planned activities, initiatives and goals from mana whenua and councils.

Why is bilingualism important?

We bear witness today to the benefits of extensive te reo Māori revitalisation efforts that have been nurtured and brought to fruition over multiple generations in numerous settings and sectors like the following:

Education: Kōhanga Reo, Kura Kaupapa Māori, Whare Kura Māori, Whare Wānanga,

Broadcasting: Ngā Reo Irirangi Māori o ngā Iwi, Whakaata Māori

Community: Te Panekiretanga o te Reo, Te Ataarangi, Ngā Kura Reo o Te Motu, Te Wiki o te Reo Māori, Mahuru Māori, Ngā Tohu Reo, Ngā Tohu Matariki

Iwi: Rautaki Reo ā-Iwi, Wānanga ā-Iwi, Rauemi, Rangahau

Aotearoa Reorua supports community normalisation of te reo Māori use, visibility and intergration into daily lives which is another vital element adding to the greater context of te reo Māori revitalisation throughout Aotearoa. This kaupapa investigates the opportunities of bilingualism throughout the South Waikato District and monolingual te reo use in some settings where te reo Māori development has already started, eg. General greetings in the office, emails, phone call greetings and some signage. Bilingualism is a significant step forward for te reo Māori use in the Local Government space alongside Mana Whenua support, guidance and expertise.

This movement acknowledges a commitment to Te Tiriti o Waitangi and Mana Whenua o Raukawa, supporting efforts to uplift the status of te reo Māori as the indigenous language of the Aotearoa and the South Waikato district. The movement also supports the efforts of the indigenous people Raukawa who have been committed and unwavering to maintain, protect and ensure the vitality of te

reo Māori so that it may continue to live in the hearts, minds and mouths of the current generation and those of tomorrow.

Aotearoa Reorua also acknowledges the challenges of intergrating te reo Māori into new spaces throughout the community but is intent of finding positive, inspiring and beneficial solutions to increasing the value of te reo Māori amongst the broader community.

Kōrero Hītori | Historical Narrative

Raukawa Te Tupuna

The origins of Raukawa is a well known love story that brings together geneology lines from Te Waka o Tainui, Te Waka o Takitimu, the many peoples of Te Tairāwhiti (the East Coast) and Te Taitokerau (the North of Aotearoa). Tūrongo, the father of Raukawa, a direct descendant of Hoturoa the Captain of Tainui made his way to the East Coast in pursuit of the famed beauty Māhinaarangi, following conflict with his brother Whatihua. Māhinaarangi observed Tūrongo during the day noticing his prowess at hunting manu and building whare (houses). In the evenings she secretly hid herself on the pathway to Tūrongo’s resting place, meeting with him discretely under the cover of darkness. Tūrongo only knew her from the sweet scent of the Raukawa oil, Māhinaarangi used to adorn her skin. The frequent evening rendevous meetings led to Tūrongo searching Māhinaarangi out during day light hours. Once their mutual love was anounced openly their union was endorsed by Māhinaarangi’s parents. Not long after she became pregnant and Tūrongo left and returned to his homelands to build a home for his young whānau. Māhinaarangi, knowing the time was near made the journey to Rangiātea (in the Wharepūhunga district) led by Waitete, Tūrongo’s dog, giving birth to her son on the way and naming him Raukawa in memory of the secret moonlit meetings with Tūrongo.

Ngā Tātai Whakapapa

			Paikea	
			Pouheni	Kupe
			Tara-whakatū	Tāhaunui
			Nanaia	Popoto
			Porourangi	Uehae
			Ueroa	Kahukura-tāepa
			Tokerau-wahine	Tamangenge
			Iwipūpū	Kauwhataroa
				Rongomaiwahine
	Tamatea Arikiniui			
Hoturoa	Rongokako = Muriwhenua			
Hotuope	Tamatea-pōkai-whenua			
Hotumatapu	Kahungunu			
Mōtai Tangata Rau	Kahukuranui			
Uetapu	Rākaihikuroa			
Rakamaomao	Tūpurupuru			
Kākati	Te Rangituehu			
Tāwhao	Tūaka			
Tūrongo	Māhinaarangi			
Raukawa				

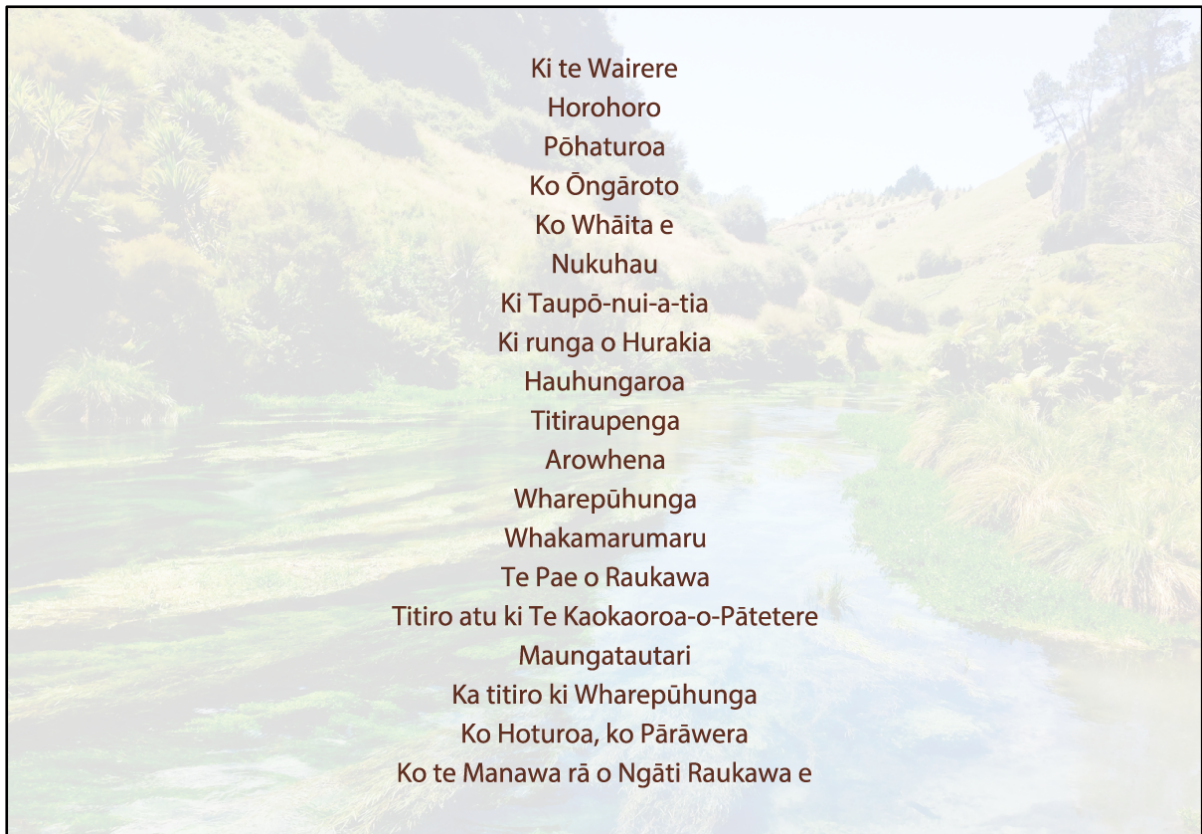
Te Wahi o te Kaupapa | Location

Te Rohe o Waikato ki te Tonga | The South Waikato District

The South Waikato District lies in the heart of Aotearoa's North Island with our country's main highway (SH1) running through three of our main towns – Tokoroa, Puta-a-Ruru and Tīrau.

Te Rohe o Raukawa | The Raukawa Tribal Area

A tauparapara (traditional chant) used by Raukawa kaumātua speaks to some key areas in which Raukawa has interests:



The Raukawa tribal area is from Te Wairere, Horohoro, and Pōhaturoa. At Ōngāroto is the house of the ancestor Whāita. From Nukuhau to Taupō-nui-a-Tia, to Hurakia on the Hauhungaroa Range. From Titiraupenga mountain to the marae at Arowhena, to the ranges of Whakamaru. The view extends to the region of Te Kaokaoroa-o-Pātetere, to Maungatautari. The view extends to Wharepūhunga to the ancestor Hoturoa, to the marae at Pārāwera.

Over time, the takiwā of Raukawa has been divided into four rohe, each with their own unique, interrelated, histories and geographic features. These are Te Kaokaoroa o Pātetere to the east, Te Pae o Raukawa to the south, Wharepūhunga to the west and Maungatautari to the north. Today marae within the Maungatautari area represent their own interests outside of the Raukawa Settlement Trust mandate. We also acknowledge Ngāti Raukawa ki te Tonga who settled the Ōtaki, Manawatū, and Waikanae area and have chosen to represent their own interests.

The Raukawa takiwā comprises some 530,000ha. This is a reflection of Ngā Uri o Raukawa interests acknowledged through contemporary governance arrangements and through various Co-management and Treaty Settlements. Similar to other Iwi our historical takiwā (tribal area) has shifted over time as our people reacted. The takiwā shares common interest with many other Iwi, whose lives, stories and whakapapa are also interwoven with the landscape.

The South Waikato District overlays a significant area within the Raukawa tribal area. 7 of the 16 mandated Raukawa Settlement Trust marae are also located within the South Waikato District.

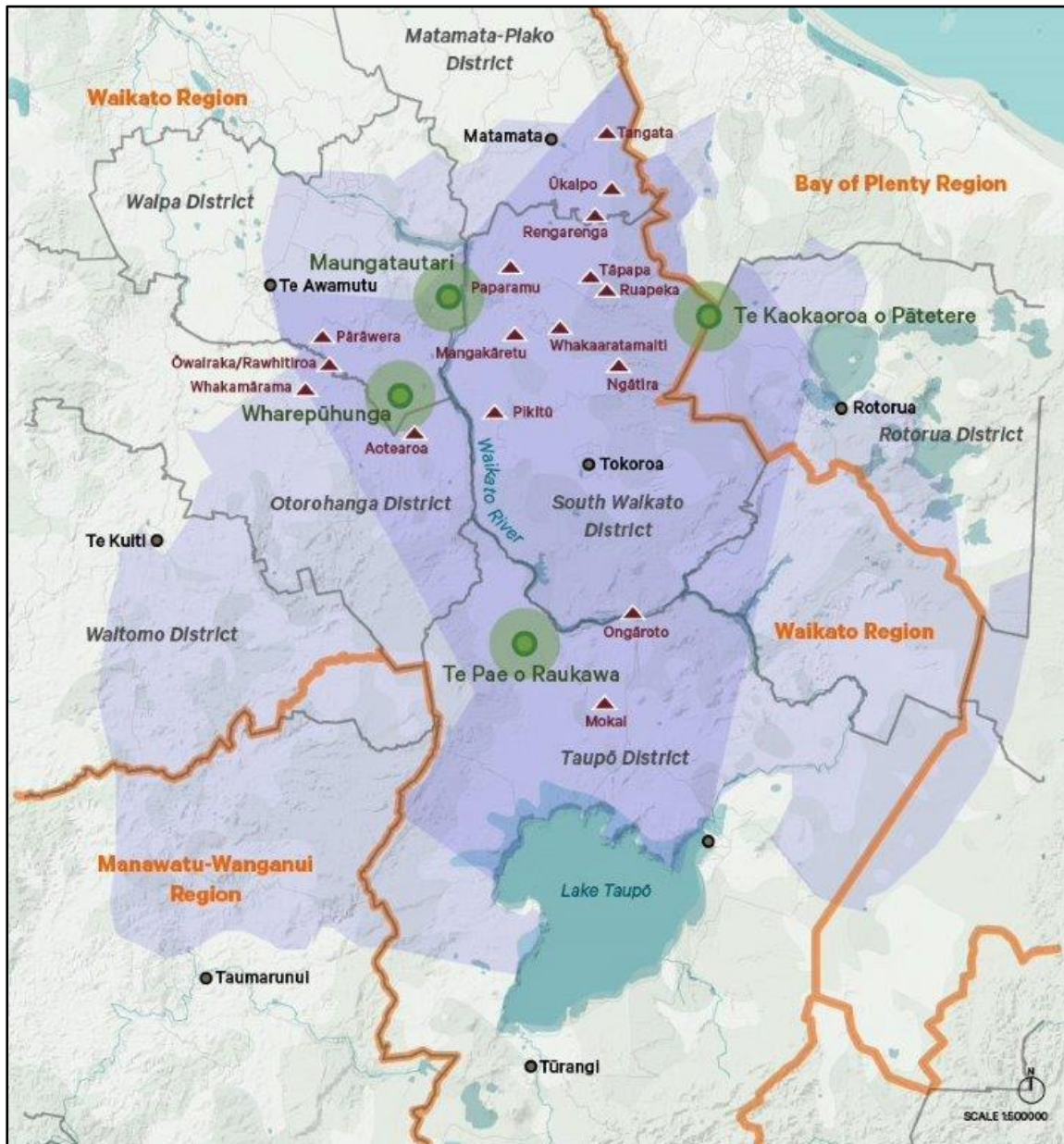
The broader Raukawa tribal boundary which includes multiple shared areas of interest with other Iwi envelops 7 districts. These are:

1. South Waikato District
2. Matamata – Piako District
3. Waipā District

4. Ōtorohanga District
5. Waitomo District
6. Taupō District
7. Rotorua District

These Districts are overlaid by 3 Regions. These are:

1. Waikato Region
2. Bay of Plenty Region
3. Manawatū-Wanganui Region



Ngā Rōpū Kōkiri | The Leading Groups

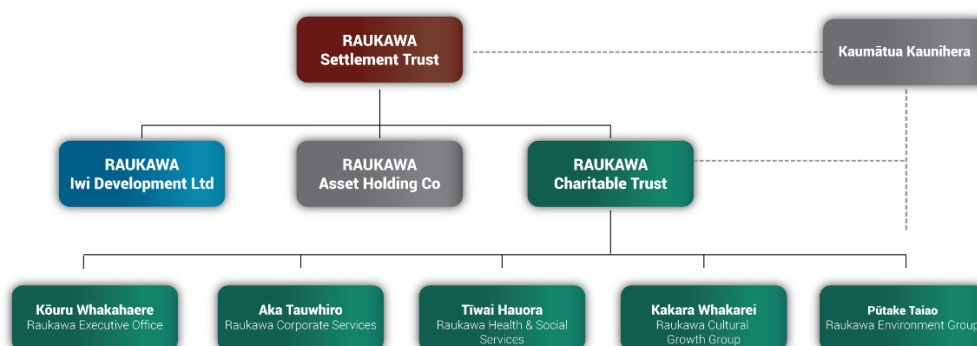
The Raukawa Charitable Trust

In 1987 the Ngāti Raukawa Trust Board was established under the Charitable Trusts Act (1957) as the result of the vision of Raukawa kaumātua. Its purpose was to manage the social, cultural, and economic affairs of the whānau, marae, and hapū of the Raukawa takiwā. The Board's name was officially amended to Raukawa Trust Board in 1994. As a result of Treaty settlement negotiations with the Crown, a further re-organisation occurred and the Raukawa Settlement Trust (RST), the Raukawa Charitable Trust (RCT), the Raukawa Asset Holding Company (RAHC) and Raukawa Iwi Development Ltd (RIDL) were formed in 2010.

Today, the Raukawa Group is headed by the RST, the mandated Iwi Authority, which forms the governance and representation arm of the organisation, representing 16 marae and numerous hapū. The RCT is the mandated by RST to represent and advocate for the social, environmental, and cultural aspirations of the iwi. The economic aspirations of the iwi are provided guardianship and direction through RIDL, which also receives its mandate from RST. The diagram below shows the organisational structure.

There are 16 marae who have mandated RST. These are Ūkaipō, Tāpapa, Rengarenga, Ruapeka, Tangata, Papaaramu, Whakaaratamaiti, Ngātira, Mangakāretu, Pikitū, Ongāroto, Mōkai, Aotearoa, Ōwairaka/Rāwhitiroa, Pārāwera, and Whakamārama.

Organisational Structure



South Waikato District Council

The South Waikato District lies at the heart of Aotearoa New Zealand's Te Ika-a-Māui.

Our main towns are Tokoroa, Putāruru, Tīrau and Arapuni, surrounded by a strong rural sector with a combined population of 25,000. Our district is home to Te Puna on Te Waihou, the Arapuni hydro power station, the Tīrau Dog (largest dog in the country), rivers, lakes, scenic bush trails and much more.

We have a rich history in both forestry and farming with more than our fair share of innovative leaders across the industrial, dairy, farming, engineering and service sectors. Our towns are surrounded by natural scenic beauty with rolling green hills, ancient forests and picturesque waterways. Our diverse vibrant cultures make the South Waikato a welcoming place to both live and do business.

Our partnership with mana whenua and iwi forms the backbone to a collective vision to enhance and grow opportunity for our all Māori in the district. The South Waikato District Council works closely in partnerships with iwi, pacific people, business and industry to enrich the lives of all who choose to make the South Waikato their home

Previous Shared Projects

- Macronisation of street signs in 2007
- Te Kōwhatu o Hatupatu Project
- Te Mauri o Te Waihou Project
- Tokoroa Leith Place Development

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Te Rautaki | The Strategy

There are four Strategic Focus Areas. These are:

1. Ko te reo kia ora – Te reo Māori is thriving
2. Ko te reo kia tika – Te reo Māori use is correct, relevant and appropriate
3. Ko te reo kia rere – Te reo Māori is seen, heard, felt and spoken
4. Ko te reo kia Raukawa – Te reo Māori is uniquely Raukawa

Strategic Focus 1 outlines who will be leading, championing and promoting Aotearoa Reorua. All of the remaining three Strategic Focus Areas are interrelated and are also inter-dependant meaning that they are reliant on the success of each. If one component is missing, it will affect the overall effectiveness and quality of the activity.

There are nine goals where priority areas, initial implementation plans and outcomes have been stated. The Raukawa Charitable Trust and The South Waikato District Council have indicated what each will do in their respective spaces as well as what will be completed collaboratively as joint projects. Despite the higher level Implementation Plan section outlined below in the strategy, more detailed plans will be completed including budgets, detailed work programmes and individual project implementation plans.

Pou 1 Strategic Focus 1	Ko te reo kia ora! Te reo Māori is thriving!				
Whāinga 1 Goal 1	Aotearoa Reorua te reo Māori development in the South Waikato is led, championed and promoted by the SWDC & the RCT encouraging community support, positive buy-in and increased involvement in te reo Māori growth.				
Rōpū Kōkiri	What are the priority areas? Priority Areas	How will we achieve the goal/s? Implementation Plan	What will we see? Outcomes	By 30 Jun 24	By 30 Jun 25
Raukawa led	Staffing and resourcing	- Staffing & resource commitments from RCT will be defined in the Annual Plan for FY24.	- RCT Leadership, Business Units and staff are progressing Aotearoa Reorua activities.		
	Monitoring and evaluation	- The RCT Business Unit Kakara Whakarei will report on Aotearoa Reorua activities monthly and in the annual report.	- RCT Leadership, Trustees and uri o Raukawa are aware of Aotearoa Reorua activities.		

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Contractual reporting to DIA on Aotearoa Reorua activities will be completed as per contractual requirements. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - DIA are kept up date in regards to Aotearoa Reorua activities. 		
SWDC led	Staffing and resourcing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A report will be produced to assess the internal reo capacity and capability of te reo Māori with the SWDC. - A phased approach to developing and promoting te reo Māori will be implemented. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - SWDC Leadership and staff are progressing Aotearoa Reorua activities. 		
	Monitoring and evaluation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - An annual plan of te reo Māori activities will be completed and evaluated at the end of each activity. - Contractual reporting to DIA on Aotearoa Reorua activities will be completed as per contractual requirements. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - SWDC Leadership, Councillors and SW community members are aware of Aotearoa Reorua activities. - DIA are kept up date in regards to Aotearoa Reorua activities. 		
Jointly led	Promotion to the South Waikato community	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A community engagement plan is included in the FY24 Annual Plan for RCT & SWDC. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Community organisations' involvement has increased progressing te reo Māori outcomes for their staff and stakeholders. 		

Pou 2 Strategic Focus 2	Ko te reo, kia tika! Te reo Māori use is correct, relevant and appropriate.				
Whāinga 2 Goal 2	Current and future te reo Māori language use is correct, relevant and appropriate throughout the South Waikato.				
Rōpū Kōkiri	What will we do? Priority Actions	Implementation Plan	What will we see? Outcomes	By 30 Jun 23	By 30 Jun 24
Raukawa led	RCT Internal Quality Assurance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Review and/or develop internal systems and protocols related to the correct use of te reo Māori ensuring appropriate quality assurance is implemented for material that will have public exposure. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Correct, relevant and appropriate te reo Māori use is common place and is valued. 		

SWDC led	SWDC Internal Quality Assurance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Review and/or develop internal systems and protocols related to the correct use of te reo Māori ensuring appropriate quality assurance is implemented for material that will have public exposure. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Correct, relevant and appropriate te reo Māori use is common place and is valued. 		
Jointly led	Joint Quality Assurance Process	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Define and implement a quality assurance process for te reo Māori use related to the differing levels of public exposure. I.e. High public exposure requires high level quality assurance from registered Raukawa approved translators. Medium level public exposure requires internal quality assurance. Low level public exposure like inter-staff emails and personal communication requires no additional quality assurance other than the composer. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Correct, relevant and appropriate te reo Māori use is common place and is valued. 		

Pou 3 Strategic Focus 3	Ko te reo, kia rere! Te reo Māori is seen, heard, felt and spoken!				
Whāinga 3 Goal 3	Te reo Māori proficiency, understanding and use amongst staff and leadership is encouraged and strengthened.				
Whāinga 4 Goal 4	Systems that integrate the use of te reo Māori into business services and day to day activities are developed and implemented.				
Whāinga 5 Goal 5	Te reo Māori visibility and use through bilingual signage, print and online material are increased and strengthened.				
Whāinga 6 Goal 6	Events and activities encouraging increased te reo Māori use are facilitated and supported. (eg. Māori Language Week, Mahuru Māori, Matariki, Waitangi Day) (not restricted to just these events).				
Rōpū Kōkiri	What will we do? Priority Actions	Implementation Plan	What will we see? Outcomes	By 30 Jun 23	By 30 Jun 24

Raukawa led	RCT internal reo Māori professional development.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A te reo teaching programme will be developed and implemented in FY24 targeted at RCT Leadership & Staff. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - RCT staff & leadership have increased their level of proficiency, understanding and confidence to use te reo Māori amongst staff and during general business. 		
	RCT internal business systems and day to day activities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Internal business systems will be assessed on how to increase positive te reo use and will be implemented in a phased approach from FY24 onward. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Te reo Māori use has increased in business services and day to day activities. 		
	RCT reo Māori visibility and use.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - RCT will assess and implement new opportunities to increase reo Māori usage in offices, print material and other areas of business. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Te reo Māori visibility has increased in RCT spaces and places. 		
	RCT events & activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - RCT will assess in implement new opportunities to increase te reo Māori use at RCT events & activities. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Te reo Māori use has increased at RCT events and activities. 		
SWDC led	SWDC internal reo Māori professional development.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A report will be produced to assess the internal reo capacity and capability of te reo Māori with the SWDC. - A phased approach to developing and promoting te reo Māori will be implemented. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - SWDC staff & leadership have increased their level of proficiency, understanding and confidence to use te reo Māori amongst staff and during general business. 		
	SWDC internal business systems and day to day activities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A report will advise how to increase the level of te reo Māori proficiency internally – implementing bilingual use into business services and day to day activities for FY24. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Te reo Māori use has increased in business services and day to day activities. 		
	SWDC reo Māori visibility and use.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Assess all public signage use and implement a phased approach to bilingualisation the maintenance plan ongoing. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Te reo Māori exposure has increased through the bilingual integration of all public signage. 		

	SWDC events & activities	- An annual plan of te reo Māori activities will be completed and evaluated at the end of each activity.	- Te reo Māori use has increased at key South Waikato events.		
Jointly led	Joint Projects	- RCT & the SWDC will plan & implement innovative, inspiring projects utilising te reo Māori to benefit the community.	- Exciting new uses for te reo Māori are seen, heard, touched and felt throughout the South Waikato area.		

Pou 4 Strategic Focus 4	Ko te reo, kia Raukawa! Te reo Māori is uniquely Raukawa.				
Whāinga 7 Goal 7	Unique Raukawa te reo Māori use through specific kupu, idiom, proverbs, phrases and nuances are used celebrating and displaying localised point of difference.				
Whāinga 8 Goal 8	Unique Raukawa narratives and historical stories about Raukawa whakapapa, tūpuna, iwi, hapū, marae, skylscapes, waterways, waterbodies and whenua are used or connected with displaying local knowledge and depth.				
Whāinga 9 Goal 9	Raukawa cultural art forms, images, symbols, sounds, colours, traditional activities, values, whakapapa, customs, beliefs and principles are used displaying local uniqueness and creativity.				
Rōpū Kōkiri	What will we do? Priority Actions	Implementation Plan	What will we see? Outcomes	By 30 Jun 23	By 30 Jun 24
Raukawa led	Raukawa specific kupu, idiom, proverbs, phrases and nuances.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Collect, store and utilise Raukawa specific kupu, idiom, proverbs, phrases and kōrero tuku iho. - Create, add to and maintain a database of reo Māori specialists from Raukawa (tohunga, mātanga, kaiako, translators). - Build the capacity of reo Māori specialists from Raukawa to support ongoing development throughout the rohe. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Raukawa have rich sources of unique kupu reo Māori, idiom, proverbs, phrases and nuances. 		
	Raukawa narratives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Collect, store and utilise Raukawa narratives and historical stories. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Raukawa have rich narratives and historical stories connecting uri members and the community to whakapapa, 		

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Create, add to and maintain a database of Kairangahau o Raukawa and knowledgeable uri members. - reo Māori specialists from Raukawa 	tūpuna, iwi, hapū, marae, skylscapes, waterways, waterbodies and whenua.		
	Raukawa cultural art forms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Create, add to and maintain a database of Raukawa specialists who excel in the fields of cultural arts forms. - Build the capacity of Kairangahau o Raukawa to support ongoing development throughout the rohe. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Raukawa have rich cultural art forms, images, symbols, sounds, colours, traditional activities, values, whakapapa, customs, beliefs and principles. 		
SWDC led	TBC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - TBC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Raukawatanga (Mātauranga ā-iwi o Raukawa and Hītorā ā-iwi o Raukawa is celebrated and acknowledged throughout the South Waikato Districts' planning. - Projects are inclusive of iwi significance and historical stories. 		
Jointly led	Significant Joint Projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Significant joint projects with high level public exposure are developed with close Raukawa involvement ensuring cultural uniqueness with te reo Māori o Raukawa ake, kōrero tuku iho and cultural art forms. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Community members, uri o Raukawa and district visitors are inspired, educated, connected to the unique indigenous language, the stories and cultural art forms of Raukawa. 		

8.2 Significance and Engagement Policy 2023 Report

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Purpose

1. The purpose of this report is to present to Council the draft Significance and Engagement Policy 2023 document to approve for adoption following the public submission period and Council hearings and deliberations.

Recommendation

2. That Council:
 - a) receives the Report Significance and Engagement Policy 2023-Docset 630191.
 - b) directs staff to review the Significance and Engagement Policy as part of the 2024-34 Long Term Plan review.

Executive Summary

3. The South Waikato District Council's Significance and Engagement Policy is a legislative requirement under the Local Government Act 2002 (LGA) which identifies how and when its communities can expect to be engaged or consulted on decisions, issues, proposals, assets and activities of the Council.
4. The current Policy was adopted in 2021 (Res 21/155) and a change to the financial criteria to determine significance was proposed to allow the Council to respond to the current challenging economic environment.
5. Public consultation on the proposed change occurred during April 2023, followed by hearings and deliberations in May.
6. Staff recommend that the policy is reviewed to make the language and process for determining significance clearer for staff, Council and the public.
7. This would require a full review and further consultation with the community.

Context

8. The current Policy was adopted in 2021 (Res 21/155).
9. The usual practice is to review the Significance and Engagement Policy as part of the Long Term Plan process every three years. However, concern about the rapidly changing economic climate prompted

staff to consider a change to the financial criteria that helps determine significance as part of the current Annual Plan review.

10. Feedback was sought and received from Council at a workshop on 30 March 2023 to assess whether the current policy is 'fit for purpose'.
11. The consultation document and draft Significance and Engagement Policy was presented to Council at the 5 April 2023 extraordinary meeting and approval was given for staff to proceed to consultation.
12. At the 5 April 2023 extra ordinary meeting Council resolved:
That Council:
 - a. receives Report 2022- Draft Significance and Engagement Policy 2023 ECM 620643.
 - b. approves the release for public consultation the Draft Significance and Engagement Policy 2023. Docset 620629.
13. The period for public consultation on the draft Significance and Engagement Policy began on Wednesday 12 April and closed on Wednesday 26 April 2023.
14. A media campaign used the normal communications tactics to promote the draft Significance and Engagement Policy consultation including website, social media, Antenno, posters, flyers and newspaper advertising. A summary document of the key changes was prepared. In addition, email distribution networks were used for some targeted messaging to user groups.
15. Hearings and Deliberations were held on 16 May 2023 with one submitter speaking to their submission.
16. A total of ten submissions were received and eight of these submissions were opposed to changes to the current policy.

Discussion

17. The submissions that opposed the policy predominantly did so because they mistakenly assumed that the policy provided a limit that controlled Council's spending. There was limited understanding that the intent of the policy is to provide a guide for staff and the Council to determine how significant any proposal or decision is for the community.
18. Staff have taken this feedback on board.
19. To make the policy clearer and provide both staff and Council with a framework that enables clear and consistent guidance on proposals, a full review is required and a further discussion with the community about what services and facilities are considered significant to them.
20. These discussions need to occur alongside the service level reviews that will occur as part of the prioritisation of the 2024-34 Long Term Plan.

Risks

21. Without the proposed amendment, there is a risk that determinations about a proposal's significance will be influenced by conservative financial thresholds.

8.3 2022-2025 Waikato Triennial Agreement Report

Document Information

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Purpose

1. To obtain Council's approval of the proposed 2022-2025 Waikato Triennial Agreement.

Recommendation

2. That Council:
 - a) receives Report 2023-630417, 2022-2025 Waikato Triennial Agreement.
 - b) notes that the Mayoral Forum has endorsed the proposed 2022-2025 Triennial Agreement.
 - c) approves the proposed 2022-2025 Triennial Agreement.
 - d) requests the Chief Executive to advise CoLab of the outcome of the recommendation.

Executive Summary

3. Under the Local Government Act 2022 local authorities must enter an agreement covering:
 - Protocols for communication and co-ordination among the local authorities; and
 - A statement of the process by which the local authorities will comply with section 16 in respect of proposals for new regional council activities; and
 - Processes and protocols through which all local authorities can participate in identifying, delivering, and funding facilities and services of significance to more than 1 district.

Context

4. The triennial agreement reflects discussion at the Mayoral Forum on 27 March 2023.
5. Each of the Waikato councils must now agree to adopt the triennial agreement and that approval is sought by this paper.
6. Over the past six months work has been undertaken by Chief Executives and other senior council staff to consider the 'waves of change' facing local authorities and the issues confronting councils. This work identified some key regional, strategic issues that could be best dealt with through regional collaboration.

7. These issues were socialised with the Mayoral Forum at its first meeting of the new triennium in early December and again at the March meeting. The Mayors agreed to come together on the 21st of April to discuss and agree a workplan to address some or all of these issues.

Attachments

Draft 2022-2025 Waikato Triennial Agreement Docset 630418

2022 - 2025 Waikato Triennial Agreement

WHAKATAUKI (New Heading)

STRATEGIC CONTEXT & PURPOSE (new Heading)

In the previous triennium we have witnessed substantial global and national waves of change that have and will affect the Waikato region. Those three years encompassed:

- a global pandemic with associated supply chain disruptions and monetary policies that are now causing asset inflation and increasing disparities,
- rising attention to the effects of climate change and the transition away from fossil fuels,
- rising geopolitical tensions and 'de-globalisation', and
- global and political unrest exacerbating all these trends.

The Waikato came through the period generally well, and COVID taught us that we can be nimble, collaborative and decisive when we need to be. We are positioned well for the future, but how can we make the most of the strengths we already have?!

On top of these issues, in New Zealand, local government is confronting a spate of reforms including in health, education, 'three waters', infrastructure, agriculture and the bioeconomy, and the Resource Management system. All of which will affect how Waikato's future prosperity and well-being is determined. The Future for Local Government (FFLG) reform process has also highlighted the need for the local government system to prioritise stronger partnerships with Māori and more equitable, effective, and efficient relations with central government ensuring clear alignment on long-term strategic objectives. Subsidiarity is a key principle in the future system FFLG envisions, with strategic activity devolving locally (and upwards regionally and nationally) for greatest impact and efficacy.

None of these spheres are separate, they are all interrelated, but deciding what gets done, at what level, and by whom to achieve the greatest positive impact will be vitally important.

New and improved capabilities and capacity in people and institutions across the Waikato region will be needed to implement significant programmes of work required at a regional level.

Therefore, in this triennial agreement, it is incumbent upon Waikato's local government leaders to develop strong collaboration across strategies, institutions, and allocation of scarce resources.

In this triennial agreement, we seek to position ourselves to be architects of the future, not victims of it, as we respond to significant external change, address major challenges, and seize the many opportunities which lie ahead for the Waikato region. A strengthened, effective, and empowered Mayoral forum will be critical to enabling the successful execution of this agreement.

PURPOSE

The Triennial Agreement represents the shared desire of local government in the Waikato region to work collaboratively, to maximise efficiency and to promote sustainable development both regionally and in their respective communities and rohe. It is intended to align our efforts to work with Central Government, iwi / Māori, and other stakeholders, to address significant issues and achieve a range of mutually beneficial outcomes for the region. It is also intended that we interact with each other and with neighbouring regions in a coherent manner, and foster projects of a strategic nature for the region.

Such collaboration will result in measurable improvements, quantitatively and qualitatively, in the way the region positively competes for resources and talent, and the manner in which it leads its communities.

CURRENT LEGISLATIVE CONTEXT

Under the Local Government Act 2002, the purpose of local government (refer Appendix 1) is to enable democratic decision-making and promote the four wellbeings.

This document is deemed to duly constitute fulfilment of section 15 of that Act (refer Appendix 1) by containing protocols for communication and co-ordination among the region's councils, including identifying and delivering facilities and services that are of significance to more than one district. The work incorporates the activities of the Waikato Mayoral Forum.

SCOPE

The role of the Mayoral Forum will become increasingly important to provide a nexus between central and local government, and in collaboration across the region, in deciding on, monitoring, and evaluating, significant programmes of work undertaken at a regional level¹. It will also play a role in where “the region” sees local government participating in key government functions alongside central government.

Strengthened institutions, governance, partnership, and collaborative arrangements will be necessary, and the Mayoral Forum can play a leading role in how those arrangements are formed and activated. The region’s councils cannot address significant challenges, such as managing the transformation to a low-emissions economy, on their own. They will need to work closely together, and they will need partners, funders, and collaborators. The forum can play a role in convening partners and collaborators, and in coalescing resources to support regionally significant programmes of work that are adjacent to or outside business as usual for Councils, but serve to ‘...promote the social, economic, environmental and cultural wellbeing of communities in the present and for the future.’

The Chief Executive Forum is an important group in orchestrating and supporting a) the implementation and progress reporting of this triennial agreement, b) regionally significant and strategic programmes of work, and c) regional representation where required for and on behalf of the Mayoral Forum and the local communities they serve.

The signatories to this Triennial Agreement will need to be agile and proactive on behalf of their communities in the next three years. They will also have to lay the ground for longer-term programmes of work that serve regional and national interests.

SIGNATORIES The parties:

- Hamilton City Council
- Hauraki District Council

¹ The Mayoral forum’s focus on regional priorities should not be seen to undermine or de-prioritise sub-regional arrangements between councils (a current example being Future Proof).

- Matamata-Piako District Council
- Ōtorohanga District Council
- Rotorua District Council
- South Waikato District Council
- Taupō District Council
- Thames-Coromandel District Council
- Waikato District Council
- Waikato Regional Council
- Waipā District Council
- Waitomo District Council.

PRINCIPLES

Signatories to this agreement recognise that:

1. The communities within the region are diverse and encompass a range of desired outcomes. Issues and concerns that are shared by some councils but may be of little relevance to others. The Triennial Agreement therefore acknowledges that it will be appropriate to have a range of sub-agreements that address more localised or sub-regional issues between and among councils.
2. Collaboration can aid in effective and efficient planning and encourage shared services and a collective approach to reduce costs, increase available resources, and help to make strategic judgements about the allocation of resources.
3. Collaboration can assist councils promote outcomes consistent with the purpose of local government.
4. There is a need for open communication, information sharing and seeking agreement on strategic issues.
5. We will speak as one voice when there is unanimous agreement and in good faith attempt to reach unanimity on issues of regional and national significance critical to the wellbeing of the region and its communities.
6. Common direction on all strategic issues brought before the forum may not be achieved given that each party to the agreement has functions, obligations, and rights to make decisions for their area which may conflict with the position of other signatories to this agreement. However, it is expected that a small number of regionally significant programmes of work will require collaboration on a common direction.
7. Where appropriate aligning with and influencing Central Government policy is important to the delivery of good quality, cost effective infrastructure, public services, and regulatory functions to promote and enhance the wellbeing of our communities. The forum will play an active role negotiating with Central Government on common, agreed, positions on national policy that affect

Local Government and their communities and, where regional functions can be better convened, governed and or implemented at a regional level, such as when they require Local Government relationships, knowledge, expertise, and support.

PROTOCOLS FOR COMMUNICATION AND COORDINATION

1. Councils will work together on issues where it is agreed that the region will benefit from a collaborative approach.
2. When a council has a significant disagreement with the position of the others, the other councils will make every effort to accommodate, acknowledge or at least fairly represent the dissenting view.
3. When a significant decision or issue affects a particular council then that council should be consulted in formulating the region's response.
4. This Triennial Agreement acknowledges that each council has accountability to different communities.
5. Councils agree to act in good faith and in a transparent manner on issues of information and disclosure.
6. Councils should provide early notification of decisions that may affect other councils in the region. Communication protocols may be developed between Councils where it is agreed better communication is desired.
7. All formal public communications from Mayoral Forum meetings will be circulated to all councils for comment prior to their release.
8. Councils will apply a 'no surprises' approach whereby early notice will be given over disagreements concerning policy or work programmes before critical public announcements are made.
9. If councils make decisions for their region that are inconsistent with the agreement, they must explicitly note that inconsistency and the reasons for it and notify the other councils that are parties to the agreement.

GENERAL APPROACH TO COLLABORATION

Signatories to this agreement should:

1. Share resources for the purpose of preparing background information on the various communities within the region. Such information may include demographics, survey data and scientific studies and the analysis of social, economic, environmental, and cultural trends.
2. Seek to attract investment and Government support in the region by aligning community interests, working collaboratively through Waikato Mayoral Forum work streams and other options, developing agreed positions on matters of importance to the region and continuing to develop and strengthen existing joint approaches to engage with Government agencies and other organisations.
3. Determine and prioritise strategic collaborative initiatives and projects.

4. Promote communication and co-operation among the region's councils with respect to shared services and other collaborative opportunities.
5. Make draft strategies, policies and plans available to all councils in the region for discussion and development.
6. Provide guidance on the implementation of strategic collaborative projects and monitor progress of collaborative initiatives, such as the Waikato Plan.
7. Utilise the Waikato Mayoral Forum work streams and other collaborative options to ensure that all councils can participate in identifying, delivering, and funding regionally significant projects and programmes, facilities, and services to more than one council.
8. Invite Government Ministers, relevant officials, corporate, community and iwi leaders to meet to discuss issues of strategic importance to the region.
9. Advocate for strategic investment in the region and promote the strategic benefits and advantages of the Waikato.
10. If necessary, establish one or more joint committees or other joint governance arrangements to give better effect to communication and coordination or to assist with identifying, delivering and funding regionally significant projects and programmes, facilities, and services to more than one district, or to consider proposals for new regional council activities.

MAYORAL FORUM MEETINGS

1. Signatories to this agreement will endeavour to hold a meeting of Mayors and the Regional Chairperson (supported by their Chief Executives) at least quarterly to discuss any pertinent issues and to review the performance of workstreams within the agreement. These meetings will be under the banner of the Waikato Mayoral Forum.
2. The Waikato Mayoral Forum is not a formal committee constituted under the Local Government Act, and therefore meetings are not public. Recommendations from the Mayoral Forum are for members to take to their respective councils for consideration and decisions.
3. The Chief Executives' Forum will also meet regularly to advance initiatives as requested by the Mayors and Regional Chairperson.
4. Special meetings may be called at the request of four members.
5. The secretariat will prepare an agenda for the Mayoral Forum meetings in consultation with the Chair and the Chief Executives' Forum.
6. Agendas for meetings will be issued and minutes will be taken and circulated.
7. The appointed Mayoral Forum Chairperson will ensure minutes are taken, approved, and circulated.
8. Any public communications from these meetings will be approved by all participants prior to their release.

- The Waikato Mayoral Forum shall have the power to invite people to attend and participate in its meetings on a permanent and/or issues basis.

SECRETARIAT SUPPORT

- The Mayoral Forum will appoint Co-Lab to carry out the secretariat function.
- As part of that role, Co-Lab's functions will include preparing agendas (in consultation with the Forum Chair, workstream leads (refer below), and the CE Forum Chair), arranging venues on the day of meetings, taking minutes and actions, keeping any books and accounts and attending to any other business required to support the forum.
- Councils will fund Co-Lab *for the secretariat role* on the following basis:

Council	
Hamilton City	20.9%
Waikato Regional Council	13.2%
Waikato District	12.4%
Thames-Coromandel District	8.1%
Waipa District	9.4%
Rotorua Lakes	11.6%
Matamata-Piako District	5.9%
Hauraki District	5.0%
South Waikato District	4.6%
Waitomo District	3.9%
Otorohanga District	3.3%
Taupo District	1.7%

NB: With some minor exceptions (relating to shareholders) this aligns with the basis for funding the company more generally.

- Co-Lab will also undertake the activities noted above in relation to any programmes of work agreed by the Mayoral Forum. The basis of funding the secretariat for these programmes will mirror the (yet to be agreed) funding allocation for other costs associated with each programme.

SIGNIFICANT NEW ACTIVITIES PROPOSED BY THE REGIONAL COUNCIL

- If the regional council or a regional council-controlled organisation proposes to undertake a significant new activity then section 16 of the Local Government Act 2002 shall be adhered to.
- The regional council agrees to discuss the issues involved at one or more of the existing fora and to provide preliminary draft proposals to the affected councils for early comment, including any amendments to the regional council's Significance and Engagement Policy.
- Where the regional council proposes to undertake a significant new activity that involves one or more territorial authorities within the region the following protocols will apply:
 - The regional council will as soon as practicable inform all councils within the region of the nature, scope, and reasons for the proposal.

- (b) Councils will be given a reasonable period but no less than 40 working days, to respond to any such proposal. The regional council will fully consider any submissions on the proposal made by councils within the region.
- (c) Should there be substantive disagreement between the councils on whether the regional council should undertake the activity, the parties will refer the matter to mediation as set out in the process in s16 (4)-(6) of the Local Government Act for resolving disagreement.

SIGNIFICANT NEW ACTIVITIES PROPOSED BY COUNCILS

New activities of regional significance proposed and or led by a Council or Councils, and agreed by the Mayoral Forum, will follow the spirit and intent of the protocols set out for the regional council and regional council-controlled organisations when new regional activities are proposed.

CONSULTATION IN RELATION TO THE REGIONAL POLICY STATEMENT

To meet the requirements of clause 3A of Schedule 1 to the Resource Management Act 1991, the consultation process to be used by affected councils in relation to any further changes to the Waikato Regional Policy Statement will be developed and agreed to by all the councils. Protocols will be developed that ensure affected councils have full and effective involvement in the scoping and drafting of any changes to the Waikato Regional Policy Statement.

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES OF REGIONAL SIGNIFICANCE

The Mayoral Forum will develop and agree a work plan for the triennium that will sit outside this Triennial Agreement. The Mayoral Forum will exercise governance oversight over this work plan.

TERM OF THE AGREEMENT

The Triennial Agreement will continue to operate until such time as it is either amended by the accord of all parties or is renewed following the 2025 local government elections.

OTHER (SUB-REGIONAL) AGREEMENTS

This Agreement does not prevent Councils from entering into other agreements among themselves or outside the Waikato region. The Mayoral Forum recognises that it may make sense to collaborate and partner at a sub-regional level. Nothing in this agreement should be construed to prevent councils addressing issues, or capitalising on opportunities, at a sub-regional level. However, any other such agreement should not be contrary to the purpose and spirit of this Agreement.

RESOLVING DISAGREEMENT

In the event of a disagreement over the terms of this agreement, the parties agree to refer the issue to mediation for a resolution. In the absence of an agreement to mediation between the local authorities, the matter will be referred to a process as specified by the Minister of Local Government.

AUTHORITY This agreement is signed by the following on behalf of their respective authorities

Hamilton City Council	Mayor	Date
Hauraki District Council	Mayor	Date
Matamata-Piako District Council	Mayor	Date

Ōtorohanga District Council	Mayor	Date
Rotorua District Council	Mayor	Date
South Waikato District Council	Mayor	Date
Taupō District Council	Mayor	Date
Thames-Coromandel District Council	Mayor	Date
Waikato District Council	Mayor	Date
Waikato Regional Council	Chairperson	Date
Waipā District Council	Mayor	Date
Waitomo District Council	Mayor	Date

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Appendix 1: Legislative provisions – Local Government Act 2002

10 Purpose of local government

- (1) The purpose of local government is –
 - (a) to enable democratic local decision-making and action by, and on behalf of, communities; and
 - (b) to promote the social, economic, environmental and cultural wellbeing of communities in the present and for the future.

15 Triennial agreements

- (1) Not later than 1 March after each triennial general election of members, all local authorities within each region must enter into an agreement under this section covering the period until the next triennial general election of members.
- (2) An agreement under this section must include—
 - (a) protocols for communication and co-ordination among the local authorities; and
 - (b) a statement of the process by which the local authorities will comply with section 16 in respect of proposals for new regional council activities; and
 - (c) processes and protocols through which all local authorities can participate in identifying, delivering, and funding facilities and services of significance to more than 1 district.
- (3) An agreement under this section may also include—
 - (a) commitments by local authorities within the region to establish or continue 1 or more joint committees or other joint governance arrangements to give better effect to 1 or more of the matters referred to in subsection (2); and
 - (b) the matters to be included in the terms of reference for any such committees or arrangements, including any delegations.
- (4) An agreement under this section may be varied by agreement between all the local authorities within the region.
- (5) An agreement under this section remains in force until it is replaced by another agreement.
- (6) If a decision of a local authority is significantly inconsistent with, or is expected to have consequences that will be significantly inconsistent with, the agreement under this section that is currently in force within the region, the local authority must, when making the decision, clearly identify—
 - (a) the inconsistency; and
 - (b) the reasons for the inconsistency; and
 - (c) any intention of the local authority to seek an amendment to the agreement under subsection (4).

(7) As soon as practicable after making any decision to which subsection (6) applies, the local authority must give to each of the other local authorities within the region notice of the decision and of the matters specified in that subsection. The agreement provides an opportunity for improved communication, collaboration, co-ordination, and shared services at all levels of local government in the Waikato region whilst recognising a significant level of formal and informal co-operation already exists between councils. The success of the Triennial Agreement will be demonstrated through expanded relationships that help councils to work co-operatively and collaboratively to advance community wellbeing.

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9. Confidential Business

Section 48, Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

Resolution to Exclude the Public

Move that the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48 (1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution	Ground(s) Under Section 48(1) for the passing of the resolution
		<i>The public conduct of this part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which there is good reason for it being withheld. Section 48(1)(a)</i>

This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by section 6 or section 7 of that Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public.

10. Meeting closed

Council Outcomes

Growth - Activities and strategies that facilitate sustainable economic growth and lift community pride.

Resilience - A resilient district with good infrastructure, services, a sound financial position, rates affordability and a healthy environment that has the ability to anticipate, resist, respond to and recover from significant change or events.

Relationships - Strong relationships with Iwi and Māori, Pacific Peoples and community and business groups that can achieve growth and a resilient community.