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INTRODUCTION

COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Tēnā koutou katoa

It is with pleasure that we present our Annual Report for the 2020/21 year.

This past year has been one of the most rewarding for Council with the development and ultimate adoption of our very ambitious Long Term Plan. While the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has meant we have had to be nimble and prepared to adapt our methods of engagement and consultation, we have remained committed to getting out into the community to have meaningful conversations with people about their hopes, dreams and aspirations for the future of the Ōtorohanga district.

Our improved engagement with lwi has been the highlight of the year as we move from consulting because the legislation demands it, to engaging in korero because it makes sense. Our LTP was adopted on the same day as we opened the refurbished Council Chambers, with lwi alongside us as we unveiled Te Tiriti o Waitangi under a beautiful carved pare. This celebration signified a new era of relationship for Council and lwi.

The government has steadily unveiled a suite of reforms over the last year: Three Waters, Resource Management and Future for Local Government, and this has consumed significant staff and elected member time and energy. We are mindful of our unique position, being one of the smallest rural councils in Aotearoa, but also at the centre of some significant growth that is affecting our district. We have ensured that we are well represented at national and regional hui, so that the voice of our district is heard.

Council's Pandemic Emergency Response Team (PERT) has continued its mahi to ensure that we are able to deliver our services as far as we can no matter what the alert levels. We have also made strong connections with health agencies, community organisations, marae, and government departments so that we are able to get information out to our communities as fast as possible.

In December 2020 we received our first ever CouncilMARK report. Council voluntarily embarked on this programme knowing that it would highlight several areas where improvement was necessary. Aside from the grade (CCC), we received a full report and recommendations, and this was converted into an implementation plan with some key focus areas: improving the resilience in our infrastructure, increasing the capacity and capability of our staff, reviewing our systems and processes with a focus on risk management and reporting, lifting our levels of engagement and communication with our community, and nurturing our relationships with iwi.

Despite the long tail of the pandemic, development in the district has continued with subdivision and residential building activity at an all-time high. We were once again reaccredited as a Building Consent Authority.

Council's financial position remains strong, and this year we celebrated being debt free, with the exception of a Housing New Zealand suspensory loan. We delivered 83% of our planned Three Waters and Community Facility capital projects and 95% of our Roading projects, as well as achieving 74% of our non-financial performance measures, which is a pleasing result given the challenging operating environment during the year.

Projects of note included upgrades to the Ōtorohanga Water Treatment Plant processes and standby generator, replacement 1km of water main on Mountain View Rd, Otewa Rd rehabilitation, Tapuwae Rd safety improvements, repainting of the Island Reserve grandstand and new seating at the Ōtorohanga Domain. The highlight of the year was the opening of the new playground in Kāwhia. Council worked in partnership with the Kāwhia Community Projects Trust Inc to develop the playground which was opened with a community celebration and blessing in December 2020.



COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE - CONTINUED

We also received \$2.5m of stimulus funding from the government as part of the Three Waters Reform package, and some of the projects we have advanced are: the Kawhia Waste Water concept design, feasibility study for a water storage Dam at Te Raumauku Rd, replacement of 2km of water main on Gradara Ave, and planning for a new 500m3 reservoir on Mountain View Rd.

We have a committed, loyal team of staff and elected members who are passionate about our district, and we continue to be dedicated to providing the best service possible to our community. We would also like to share our appreciation to the people of Ōtorohanga District for the support they have shown to Council, but mostly the support that has been shown to each other. Having experienced a year of unprecedented challenges it is wonderful the care that has been shown by so many to those less fortunate. The strength of our district and communities is dependant on the consideration of others. Take care and be kind.

Ngā mihi nui, Max and Tanya

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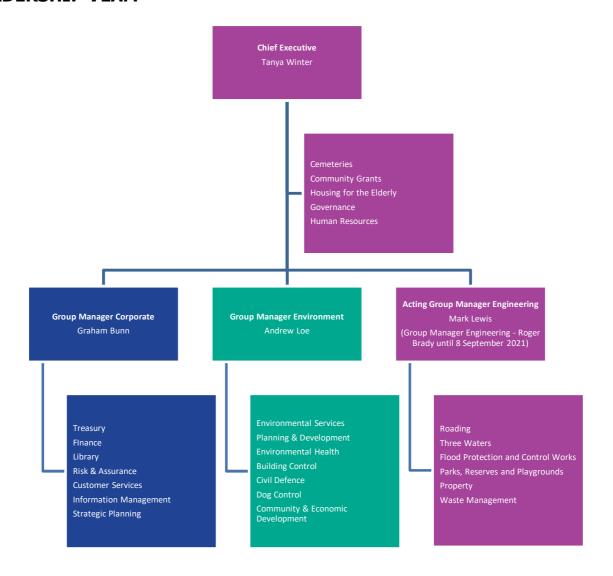
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DISTRICT BACKGROUND

Ōtorohanga District is located some 50 kilometres south of Hamilton. The area administered by the Council covers 1976 sq.km. and extends from the Kāwhia and Aotea Harbours on the west coast for a distance of 90 km to the eastern extremity near Mangakino. Included within the District are the urban communities of Ōtorohanga and Kāwhia.

Geographically, the District comprises three distinct areas of approximately equal size. The eastern and western areas have predominantly more hills than the central area which is the southern limit of the Waikato Basin. Farming is the dominant industry with sheep and cattle farming in the hill country and intensive dairy farming in the central area. Horticulture and cropping are lesser but developing activities.

The original Ōtorohanga County was formed on 1 April 1922 and arose out of the amalgamation of the former Wharepapa and Mangaorongo Roads Board and part of the Waitomo County. The northern half of the former Kāwhia County was amalgamated into the District on 1 April 1956. On 1 November 1971, the County of Ōtorohanga and the Borough of Ōtorohanga were united to form a new County of Ōtorohanga. At the time of the union there was no provision for a "District" Council status which only became available in 1978 following an amendment to the Local Government Act. The change in designation from a County Council to a District Council took place on 1 April 1979 and was made primarily to give recognition to the fact that Council is a rural-urban council with the urban area an integral part of the organisation.

A roading network, totalling 901.5 km in length, provides access. State Highways 3, 31 and 39 account for 94.5km of this and are maintained by Transfield under contract to New Zealand Transport Agency at no cost to Council. The balance of 807km comprises 514km of sealed pavements of varying widths and 293km of metalled roads. Of these, 28km of sealed roads are within the urban Communities of Ōtorohanga and Kāwhia as is 0.5km of the unsealed roads. Within the Council maintained roading network are 154 bridges totalling 1995m in length and including 28 stock access structures.

The Council Office is located in Ōtorohanga which is situated on the Main Trunk Railway and at the junction of State Highway No.3, No. 31 and No. 39. The Town has good shopping facilities, four modern primary schools and a College, good medical facilities and caters for a wide range of sporting and cultural activities.

Ōtorohanga is centrally placed, being within easy driving distance of Auckland, Hamilton, Tauranga, Rotorua, Taupo and New Plymouth. The town has a population of 3,027 and is an important focus for tourist activities in the North King Country area. Being 16 kilometres north-west of Waitomo, Ōtorohanga is the closest town to the world famous glow worm caves.

Kāwhia, a small holiday resort on the west coast, is also within the District. It is located on the shores of the Kāwhia Harbour some 57 kilometres west of Ōtorohanga via State Highway 31, and has a permanent population of 384 with this increasing to over 3000 at peak holiday periods. Kāwhia is the home of the Tainui people who settled there 600 to 700 years ago. The Kāwhia Harbour covers more than 6000 hectares, with five rivers feeding into it. It is a popular and productive fishing spot.



STATISTICS

Area	and	Popu	lation
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Area (Square kilometres) 1,976 Population (2018 Census figures) 10,104

Communities	Area	Population
Ōtorohanga	507 ha	3,027
Kāwhia	161 ha	384
Rural	196,932 ha	6,693
	197,600 ha	10,104

Valuation

Rateable Properties (No. of)

Non Rateable Properties (No. of)

Rateable Capital Value

Date of Last revision of Values

5,041

\$4,936,668,500

1 September 2019

Rates and Rating 2020/21

Total Rates (Excluding GST) \$13,229,105 System of Rating Capital Value

Public Debt Outstanding as at 30/06/21

Public Debt Outstanding \$447,613

Date of Constitution of District 1 November 1989



FINANCIAL STATEMENTS



ŌTOROHANGA DISTRICT COUNCIL STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE REVENUE AND EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

Actual		Note	Budget	Actual
30 June 2020			30 June 2021	30 June 2021
(000's)			(000's)	(8'000)
	Revenue			
11,791	Rates revenue	2	11,818	11,707
132	Contributions		60	36
1,404	Water by volume rates	2	1,561	1,522
4,514	Subsidies	2	4,706	5,959
1,529	Other income	2	1,603	2,269
(104)	Other gains/(losses) on asset disposal		-	(13)
19,266	Total revenue		19,748	21,480
	Expenses			
4,364	Employee benefit expenses	3	4,745	4,532
5,998	Depreciation and amortisation	10	5,214	5,680
9,190	Other expenses	4	8,951	9,223
190	Finance costs		197	153
19,742	Total expenses		19,107	19,588
(476)	Surplus/(deficit) for the year		641	1,892
	Other Comprehensive Revenue and Expenses			
2,139	Gain/(loss) on property revaluation		-	4,613
-	Gain/(loss) on available for sale financial assets		(1)	-
2,139	Total other comprehensive revenue and expenses		(1)	4,613
1,663	Total Comprehensive Revenue and Expenses for the year		640	6,505
	Expended for the year			
	Total comprehensive revenue and			
4.000	expense attributable to:		0.40	0.505
1,663	Ōtorohanga District Council		640	6,505
1,663			640	6,505



ŌTOROHANGA DISTRICT COUNCIL BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 JUNE 2021

Actual		Note	Budget	Actual
30 June 2020			30 June 2021	30 June 2021
(000's)			(000's)	(000's)
	Assets			
	Current assets			
7,157	Cash and cash equivalents	5	1,254	4,070
2,002	Receivables from non-exchange	6	2,844	2,735
477	transactions	•		004
177	Receivables from exchange	6	-	394
	transactions Loan Receivable	6	2 000	985
31	Inventory	Ü	2,000 30	31
9,367	Total current assets		6,128	8,215
9,307	Total current assets		0,120	0,213
	Non-current assets			
631	Investments	7	631	583
321,387	Property, plant and equipment	8	325,162	328,157
33	Intangible assets	9	131	45
322,051	Total non-current assets		325,924	328,785
331,418	Total assets		332,052	337,000
	Liabilities			
	Current Liabilities			
1,615	Payables under exchange transactions	11	3,914	2,645
1	Provisions	12	1	1
428	Employee benefit liabilities	13	340	443
453	Development and financial contributions in	15	-	478
005	advance			0.000
995	Income in Advance	14	1,150	2,009
3,015	Borrowings	16		
6,507	Total current liabilities		5,405	5,576
	Non-current liabilities			
16	Provisions	12	16	15
22	Employee benefit liabilities	13	45	31
448	Borrowings	16	2,448	448
486	Total non-current liabilities	. •	2,509	494
6,993	Total liabilities		7,914	6,070
324,425	Net Assets		324,138	330,930
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	Equity			
159,753	Accumulated Comprehensive Revenue and	17	171,129	162,823
	Expenses			, -
3,832	Council Controlled Reserves	17	(5,171)	2,595
3,297	Reserve Funds	17	2,778	3,356
157,543	Revaluation Reserves	17	155,402	162,156
324,425	Total equity		324,138	330,930



ŌTOROHANGA DISTRICT COUNCIL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

Actual 30 June 2020	Note	Budget 30 June 2021	Actual 30 June 2021
(000's)		(000's)	(000's)
322,762 1,663	Balance at 1 July Total comprehensive revenue and expense for the year	323,497 641	324,425 6,505
324,425	Balance at 30 June	324,138	330,930
1 662	Total comprehensive revenue and expense attributable to:	644	6 505
1,663	Ötorohanga District Council	641	6,505
1,663	Total comprehensive revenue and expense	641	6,505



ŌTOROHANGA DISTRICT COUNCIL STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

Actual	Notes	Budget	Actual
30 June 2020		30 June 2021	30 June 2021
(000's)		(000's)	(000's)
10.055	Cash flows from operating activities	40.070	44.570
12,855	Receipts from rates revenue	13,378	14,578
8,414	Receipts from other revenue	6,258	6,564
54 19	Interest received Dividends received	99 13	33
(13,770)		(12,556)	(12,679)
(190)	Interest paid	(12,330)	(153)
7,382	Net cash provided by Operating	6,995	8,347
1,002	Activities	3,555	5,5
	Cash flows from investing activities		
43	Proceeds from Sale of Property, Plant and	-	67
	Equipment		
(3,810)	Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(6,894)	(7,484)
400	Purchase of investments	(2,000)	(937)
(2.226)	Purchase of intangible assets	(85)	(65)
(3,326)	Net cash (used in) Investing Activities	(8,979)	(8,419)
	Cash flows from financing activities		
_	Proceeds from borrowings	2,000	_
(18)	Repayment of borrowings	(3,015)	(3,015)
(18)	Net cash provided by/(used in)	(1,015)	(3,015)
` ,	Financing Activities	,	, , ,
4,038	Net (decrease)/increase in cash, cash	(2,999)	(3,087)
	equivalents and bank overdrafts	(,===)	(-,)
3,119	Cash, cash equivalents and bank overdrafts	4,253	7,157
	at the beginning of the year		
7,157	Cash and cash equivalents at the end of 5	1,254	4,070
	the year.		



ŌTOROHANGA DISTRICT COUNCIL NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

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1. Summary of significant accounting policies.

Reporting Entity

Ōtorohanga District Council (ODC) is a territorial local authority governed by the Local Government Act 2002.

The primary objective of ODC is to provide goods and services for the community or social benefit rather than making a financial return. Accordingly, ODC has designated itself as a public benefit entity for the purposes of complying with generally accepted accounting practice (NZGAAP).

The financial statements of ODC are for the year ended 30 June 2021. The financial statements were authorised for issue by Council on 26 November 2021. These financial statements comprise solely of the ODC financial results.

Basis of Preparation

These financial statements comply with the PBE standards for tier 2 entities. The measurement base applied is historical cost adjusted for revaluations of assets.

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis, and the accounting policies have been applied consistently throughout the period.

Statement of Compliance

The financial statements of ODC have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act 2002: Part 6, Section 98(i) and Part 3 of Schedule 10, which includes the requirement to comply with New Zealand generally accepted accounting practice (NZ GAAP).

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with PBE standards Reduced Disclosure Regime (Tier 2). This classification has been determined as the council does not have public accountability and is not large as total expenses are less than \$30 million.

Presentation currency and rounding

The financial statements are presented in New Zealand dollars and all values are rounded to the nearest thousand dollars. The functional and reporting currency of ODC is New Zealand dollars.

Borrowing costs

Borrowing costs are recognised as an expense in the period in which they are incurred.

Goods and Services Tax (GST)

All items in the financial statements are stated exclusive of GST, except for receivables and payables, which are stated on a GST inclusive basis. Where GST is not recoverable as input tax then it is recognised as part of the related asset or expense.

Commitment and contingencies are disclosed exclusive of GST.

Accounting policy – judgement

Following the announcement by the Local Government Minister on 27 October 2021 regarding central government proceeding with the three waters service delivery reforms using a legislated "all in" approach, Council continues to recognise its three waters assets at 30 June 2021 in accordance the accounting policies set out on pages 29 to 36. There has been no adjustment in these financial statements to reflect the expected future transfer of assets to the new water



entity. It is expected central government will develop details around the mechanism for the transfer of the water assets and this will be completed prior to 1 July 2024. As further details are established this may require adjustments to Council's three water assets either in respect of disclosure or measurement.

Budget figures

The budget figures are those approved by the Council at the beginning of the year in the Annual Plan. The budget figures have been prepared in accordance with NZ GAAP, using accounting policies that are consistent with those adopted by ODC for the preparation of the financial statements.

Cost Allocation

The cost of service for each significant activity of ODC has been derived using the cost allocation system outlined below.

Direct costs are those costs directly attributable to a significant activity. Indirect costs are those costs, which cannot be identified in an economically feasible manner, with a specific significant activity.

Direct costs are charged directly to significant activities. Indirect costs are charged to significant activities using appropriate cost drivers such as actual usage, staff numbers and floor area.

Changes in Accounting Policies

There have been no significant changes in accounting policies during the year.

2. Revenue

Accounting Policy

Revenue is measured at fair value.

The specific accounting policies for significant revenue items are explained below:

Revenue from non-exchange transactions

Rates revenue

The following policies for rates revenue have been applied:

- General rates, targeted rates (excluding water-by-meter), and uniform annual general charges are recognised at the start of the financial year to which the rates resolution relates. They are recognised at the amounts due. The Council considers that the effect of payment of rates by instalments is not sufficient to require discounting of rates receivables and subsequent recognition of interest revenue.
- Rates revenue arising from late payment penalties are recognised as revenue when rates become overdue.
- Revenue from water-by-meter rates is recognised when the invoices are raised.
- Rates remissions are recognised as a reduction of rates revenue when the Council has received an
 application that satisfies its rates remission policy.

New Zealand Transport Agency roading subsidies

ODC receives government grants from New Zealand Transport Agency, which subsidises part of ODC's costs in maintaining the local roading infrastructure. The subsidies are recognised as revenue upon entitlement as conditions pertaining to eligible expenditure have been fulfilled.



Other grants received

Other grants are recognised as revenue when they become receivable unless there is an obligation in substance to return the funds if conditions of the grant are not met. If there is such an obligation, the grants are initially recorded as grants received in advance and recognised as revenue when conditions of the grant are satisfied.

Development and Financial Contributions

Development and financial contributions are recognised as other income when Council provides, or is able to provide, the service for which the contribution was charged. Otherwise, development and financial contributions are recognised as liabilities until such time the Council provides, or is able to provide, the service.

Vested or donated physical assets

Where a physical asset is acquired for nil or nominal consideration, the asset is recognised at its fair value when the Council obtains control of the asset. The fair value of the asset is recognised as revenue, unless there is a use or return condition attached to the asset.

The fair value of vested or donated assets is usually determined by reference to the cost of constructing the asset. For assets received from property developments, the fair value is based on construction price information provided by the property developer.

Direct charges - subsidised

(i) Rendering of services - subsidised

Rendering of services at a price that is not approximately equal to the value of the service provided by the Council is considered a non-exchange transaction. This includes rendering of services where the price does not allow the Council to fully recover the cost of providing the service (such as building consents, water connections, dog licencing, etc.) and where the shortfall is subsidised by income from other activities, such as rates. Generally there are no conditions attached to such revenue.

Revenue from such subsidised services is recognised when the Council issues the invoice or bill for the service. Revenue is recognised at the amount of the invoice or bill, which is the fair value of the cash received or receivable for the service. Revenue is recognised by reference to the stage of completion of the service to the extent that the Council has an obligation to refund the cash received for the service (or the extent that the customer has the right to withhold the payment from the Council for the service) if the service is not completed.

(ii) Sale of goods – subsidised

A sale of goods at a price that is not approximately equal to the value of the goods provided by the Council is considered a non-exchange transaction.

This includes sales of goods where the price does not allow the Council to fully recover the cost of producing the goods and where the shortfall is subsidised by income from other activities such as rates.

Revenue from the sale of such subsidised goods is recognised when the Council issues the invoice or bill for the goods. Revenue is recognised at the amount of the invoice or bill, which is the fair value of the cash received or receivable for the goods.

Revenue from exchange transactions

Direct charges - full cost recovery

(i) Rendering of services – full cost recovery

Revenue from the rendering of services (such as resource consents, etc.) is recognised by reference to the stage of completion of the service. Stage of completion is measured by reference to the labour hours incurred to date as a percentage of total estimated labour hours for each contract. When the contract outcome cannot be measured reliably, revenue is recognised only to the extent that the expenses incurred are eligible to be recovered.



(ii) Sale of goods – full cost recovery

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised when the significant risks and rewards of ownership of the goods have passed to the buyer, and when the amount of revenue can be measured reliably and it is probable that the economic benefits or service potential associated with the transaction will flow to the Council.

Interest and dividends

Interest income is recognised using the effective interest method.

Dividends are recognised as income when the rights to receive payment have been established.

Breakdown of rates and further information

	Actual 2020	Actual 2021
	(000's)	(000's)
General Rates	5,630	5,649
Targeted rates attributable to activities		
Water	237	213
Sewerage	537	493
Refuse	249	269
Land Transport	4,776	4,886
Security	97	73
Erosion Protection	22	23
CBD Development	37	38
Halls	19	22
Rates penalties	187	41
Total revenue from rates	11,791	11,707
Metered Water Charges	1,404	1,522
Total Water by Volume Rates	1,404	1,522

Rates penalties decreased due to Council reducing the penalty rate to help with Covid-19 relief.

Breakdown of Subsidies and Grants

	Actual 2020	Actual 2021
	(000's)	(000's)
Subsidies		
NZTA government grants	4,446	5,322
Other Subsidies	68	637
Total Subsidies	4,514	5,959

Other subsidies include waste minimisation subsidies, Ministry of Social Development subsidies for youth employment initiatives, Sport NZ and Creative Communities funding.



Breakdown of Other Income

	Actual 2020	Actual 2021
	(000's)	(000's)
Other Income		
User charges	641	666
Metal Royalties	-	-
Regulatory revenue	738	1,096
Petrol tax	65	92
Vested assets revenue	12	378
Interest income for financial assets not at fair value through		
profit and loss		
- cash and cash equivalents	54	33
Dividend income	19	4
Total other income	1,529	2,269

Exchange and Non-Exchange Revenue

Total revenue from non-exchange transactions includes the revenue from rates, government grants, fines and other revenue. Total non-exchange revenue for the 2020/21 financial year is \$21,006,851 (2020: \$18,823,177).

Total revenue from exchange transactions includes the revenue from interest, rental, royalties and other revenue. Total exchange revenue for the 2020/21 financial year is \$485,809 (2020: \$546,855).

	Actual 2020	Actual 2021
	(000's)	(000's)
Non-exchange revenue	18,823	21,007
Exchange revenue	547	486
Total Revenue	19,370	21,493
Total revenue per statement of comprehensive revenue and expenses	19,266	21,480
Add back: Other gains/(losses) on asset disposal	104	13
Classified revenue per statement of comprehensive revenue and expenses	19,370	21,493

Operating leases as lessor

ODC leases some property under operating leases. The majority of these leases have non-cancellable terms of 5 years, with lease terms ranging from 2 years up to 21 years in selected cases. The future aggregate minimum lease payments to be collected under non-cancellable operating leases are as follows:



	Actual 2020	Actual 2021
	(000's)	(000's)
Non-cancellable operating leases as lessor		1
Not later than one year	35	22
Later than one year and not later than five years	84	71
Later than five years	265	253
Total non-cancellable operating leases	384	346

3. Personnel Costs

Accounting policy

Defined Contribution Plans

Obligations for contributions to Kiwisaver are recognised as defined contribution plans and are recognised as an expense in the surplus or deficit when incurred.

Breakdown of personnel costs and further information

	Actual 2020	Actual 2021
	(000's)	(000's)
Salaries and wages Employer contributions to defined contribution plans Increase/(decrease) in employee benefit liabilities	4,096 114 154	4,390 118 24
Total employee benefit expenses	4,364	4,532

Severance payments as identified later in this note are included in the salaries and wages figure in the above table.

Employer contributions to defined contribution plans include contributions to Kiwisaver and other contribution plans. No additional liability exists to ODC related to the defined contribution plans.

Key management personnel compensation

Key management personnel include the Mayor, Councillors, Chief Executive and other senior management personnel.

	Actual 2020	Actual 2021
	(000's)	(000's)
Salaries and other short term employee benefits	970	929
Post-employment benefits (defined contribution plan)	30	29
	1,000	958



Chief Executive

The Chief Executive received the following remuneration:

G	Cost during the financial year	
	Actual 2020	Actual 2021
	(000's)	(000's)
Salary	223	228
Motor Vehicle	9	13
Fringe Benefit Tax	4	4
Total Chief Executive's remuneration	236	245

Elected representatives

	Total remuneration	
	Actual 2020	Actual 2021
	(000's)	(000's)
Max Baxter, Mayor	84	88
Deborah Pilkington, Deputy Mayor – until 12 October 2019	10	-
Ken Phillips – until 12 October 2019	6	-
Roy Johnson – Deputy Mayor from October 2019	37	37
Robyn Klos	30	23
Annette Williams	30	25
Paul McConnell – until 17 March 2020	30	-
Katrina Christison	35	28
Christopher Jeffries – from 12 October 2019	24	23
Bryan Ferguson – from 12 October 2019	22	22
Rodney Dow – from 1 July 2020	-	27

Council Employees

	Actual 2020	Actual 2021
Total remuneration by band for employees as at 30 June		
< \$60,000	24	26
\$60,000 - \$79,999	17	16
\$80,000 - \$99,999	7	7
\$100,000-\$119,999	3	4
\$120,000 - \$239,999	4	5
Total Employees	55	58

Total remuneration includes non-financial benefits provided to employees.



At balance date, the Council employed 42 (2020: 46) full-time employees, with the balance of 16 part time employees representing 6.3 (2020: 3.5) full-time equivalent employees. A full-time employee is determined on the basis of a 40 hour working week.

Councillors

At balance date, the Council consisted of 7 Councillors and 1 Mayor. (2020: 6 Councillors and 1 Mayor, with 1 vacancy in the middle of a by-election process). These equate to approximately 1 FTE.

Severance payments

For the year ended 30 June 2021 ODC made no severance payments to employees (2020: no severance payments).

4. Other Expenses

Accounting policy

Grant expenditure

Non-discretionary grants are those grants that are awarded if the grant application meets the specified criteria and are recognised as expenditure when an application that meets the specified criteria for the grant has been received.

Discretionary grants are those grants where ODC has no obligation to award on receipt of the grant application and are recognised as expenditure when a successful applicant has been notified of the ODC's decision. The Council's grants have no substantive conditions attached.

Operating Leases

An operating lease is a lease that does not transfer substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of an asset. Lease payments under an operating lease are recognised as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

	Actual 2020	Actual 2021
	(000's)	(000's)
Deloitte fees for financial statement audit	141	162
Deloitte fees for other assurance services	4	4
Deloitte fees for long term plan audit	-	86
Minimum lease payments under operating leases	10	8
Activity operation	1,737	1,802
Asset maintenance	758	835
Road maintenance	4,257	3,852
Other expenses	2,283	2,474
Total other expenses	9,190	9,223

Ōtorohanga District Council is exempt from tax under the Income Tax Act 2007.



The impairment of receivables relates to the writing off of rates debtors after the statutory deadline of 7 years, as well as writing off rates debtors that were deemed to be uncollectible.

Operating leases as lessee

ODC leases property, plant and equipment in the normal course of its business. The majority of these leases have a non-cancellable term of 60 months. These leases are for photocopying equipment used within the day-to-day running of the council. ODC does not have the option to purchase the leased asset at the expiry of the lease period. The future aggregate minimum lease payments to be made under non-cancellable operating leases are as follows:

	Actual 2020	Actual 2021
	(000's)	(000's)
Non-cancellable operating leases as lessee		
Not later than one year	10	10
Later than one year and not later than five years	11	1
Later than five years	-	-
Total non-cancellable operating leases	21	11

5. Cash and cash equivalents

Accounting policy

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents includes cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks and other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts.

Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowing in current liabilities in the balance sheet.

For the purpose of the cash flow statement, cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand and in banks and investments in money market instruments and net of outstanding bank overdrafts. Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial year as shown in the cashflow statement are reconciled to the related items in the balance sheet as follows:

	Actual 2020	Actual 2021
	(000's)	(000's)
Cash and cash equivalents	7,157	4,070
Total cash and cash equivalents	7,157	4,070



Cash at the bank and in hand includes an amount which has a restriction on what the money can be used for. This is:

Subdivision reserve fund

\$267,219 (2020: \$237,777)

The money held in the subdivision reserve fund can only be used to fund capital expenditure related to district parks and reserves.

6. Receivables

Accounting policy

Receivables

Receivables are recorded at their face value, less any provision for impairment.

Loans and receivables

These are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. They are included in current assets, except for maturities greater than 12 months after the balance date, which are included in non-current assets.

After initial recognition they are measured at amortised cost, using the effective interest method, less impairment. Gains and losses when the asset is impaired or derecognised are recognised in the surplus or deficit. 'Trade and other receivables' are classified as loans and receivables.

	Actual 2020	Actual 2021
	(000's)	(000's)
Rates receivables Other receivables Loan receivable	1,194 538	957 821 985
Sundry debtors	1,112	1,839
Less provision for impairment of receivables	2,844 (665) 2,179	4,602 (488) 4,114
Represented by: Receivables from non-exchange transactions Receivables from exchange transactions	2,002 177	3,720 394
	2,179	4,114

Rates are struck on the 1st of July each year, and are charged in two instalments. In the year ended 30 June 2021 these instalments were due on 28th August 2020 and 29th January 2021. A charge of 5% is added to all rates levied and due for the 2020/21 year that remains unpaid after 25th September 2020 and 26th February 2021. A further 5% charge is added to all rates that have been levied in any financial year previous to 1st July 2020 which remained unpaid as at that 1st August 2020.

All other receivables have standard terms of 30 days from the date of the invoice. No interest is charged for other receivables that remain unpaid after the completion of the term. There are no impairment issues with other receivables.



Impairment

Movements in the provision for impairment of receivables are as follows:

	Actual 2020	Actual 2021
	(000's)	(000's)
Balance at beginning of the year	(89)	(665)
Amounts remitted	56	-
(Increase)/decrease in provision	(632)	177
Balance at end of the year	(665)	(488)

The impairment relates entirely to rates receivables.

The impairment provision has been calculated based on a review of specific overdue receivables and a collective assessment. The collective impairment is based on an analysis of past collection history and debt write-offs.

7. Investments

Accounting Policy

Other Financial Assets

Financial assets are initially recognised at fair value plus transaction costs except for those financial assets classified as fair value through surplus and deficit in which case the transaction costs are recognised in the surplus or deficit. Financial liabilities are recognised initially at fair value net of transaction costs.

Purchases and sales of investments are recognised on trade-date, the date on which ODC commits to purchase or sell the asset. Financial assets are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows from the financial assets have expired or have been transferred and ODC has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership.

ODC classifies its financial assets into the following four categories:

- fair value through surplus or deficit;
- held-to-maturity investments;
- · loans and receivables; and
- available for sale financial assets.

ODC currently only has loans and receivables and available for sale financial assets. The classification depends on the purpose for which the investments were acquired. Management determines the classification of its investments at initial recognition.

Available for sale financial assets

Available for sale financial assets are those that are designated into the category at initial recognition or are not classified in any of the other categories above. They are included in non-current assets unless management intended to dispose of, or realise, the investment within 12 months of balance date. The Council includes in this category:

- Investments that it intended to hold long-term but which may be realised before maturity; and
- Shareholdings that it holds for strategic purposes.



After initial recognition the shareholdings in listed and unlisted companies are measured at their fair value. Where no fair value is available then the assets are valued at cost.

Gains and losses arising from changes in fair value are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated as a separate component of equity in the available-for-sale revaluation reserve with the exception of impairment losses, interest calculated using the effective interest rate and foreign exchange gains and losses on monetary assets, which are recognised directly in profit or loss.

Where the investment is disposed of or is determined to be impaired, the cumulative gain or loss previously recognised in the available-for-sale revaluation is reclassified from equity to the surplus or deficit.

Impairment of financial assets

At each balance sheet date ODC assesses whether there is any objective evidence that a financial asset or group of financial assets is impaired. Any impairment losses are recognised in the surplus or deficit.

Critical judgements in applying ODC's accounting policies

Management has exercised the following critical judgements in applying the ODC's accounting policies for the period ended 30 June 2021:

1. Classification of investments

ODC owns a number of investments in other companies. The dividends received from these investments are incidental to holding the investments. These investments are held for strategic purposes, and are intended to be held for the long term. As such these investments have been classified as available for sale financial assets.



	Actual 2020	Actual 2021
	(000's)	(000's)
Available for sale Financial Assets		
Unlisted shares – Waikato Regional Airport Ltd	464	464
Unlisted shares – Ballance Agrinutrients	11	11
Unlisted shares – Local Government Funding Agency	100	100
Borrower Notes – Local Government Funding Agency	48	-
Unlisted shares – Civic Financial Services	8	8
Total equity investments	631	583

Unlisted shares

The fair value of unlisted shares of Ballance Agrinutrients, Waikato Regional Airport Limited, the Civic Financial Services Ltd and the Local Government Funding Agency are not able to be determined reliably and as such have been measured at cost. A range of estimates within which the fair values would be likely to lie are unable to be determined.

Council has considered if the investment in the available for sale financial assets is in any way impaired. Based on the information available to the Council, no impairment of the investments is believed to exist at this time.



8. Property, Plant and Equipment

Accounting Policy

Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment consist of:

Operational assets – These include land, buildings, landfill post closure, library books, plant and equipment, and motor vehicles.

Restricted assets – Restricted assets are mainly parks and reserves and related buildings owned by ODC which provide a benefit or service to the community and cannot be disposed of because of legal or other restrictions.

Infrastructure assets – Infrastructure assets are the fixed utility systems owned by ODC. Each asset class includes all items that are required for the network to function, for example, sewer reticulation includes reticulation piping and sewer pump stations.

Land (operational and restricted) is measured at fair value, and buildings (operational and restricted), and infrastructural assets (except land under roads) are measured at fair value less accumulated depreciation. All other asset classes are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Revaluation

Land and buildings (operational and restricted), and infrastructural assets are revalued with sufficient regularity to ensure that their carrying amount does not differ materially from fair value and at least every three years.

The carrying values of revalued assets are assessed annually to ensure that they do not differ materially from the assets' fair values. If there is a material difference, then the off-cycle asset classes are revalued.

Revaluations of property, plant, and equipment are accounted for on a class-of-asset basis.

The net revaluation results are credited or debited to other comprehensive revenue and expense and are accumulated to an asset revaluation reserve in equity for that class-of-asset. Where this would result in a debit balance in the asset revaluation reserve, this balance is not recognised in other comprehensive revenue and expense but is recognised in the surplus or deficit. Any subsequent increase on revaluation that reverses a previous decrease in value recognised in the surplus or deficit will be recognised first in the surplus or deficit up to the amount previously expensed, and then recognised in other comprehensive revenue and expenses.

Additions

The cost of an item of property, plant and equipment is recognised as an asset if, and only if, it is probable that future economic benefits or service potential associated with the item will flow to the Council and the cost of the item can be measured reliably.

Work in progress is recognised at cost less impairment and is not depreciated.

In most instances, an item of property, plant and equipment is recognised at cost. Where an asset is acquired at no cost, or for a nominal cost, it is recognised at fair value as at the date of acquisition.



Disposals

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing the disposal proceeds with the carrying amount of the asset. Gains and losses on disposals are reported in the surplus or deficit. When revalued assets are sold, the amounts included in asset revaluation reserves in respect of those assets are transferred to accumulated comprehensive revenue and expenses.

Subsequent costs

Costs incurred subsequent to initial acquisition are capitalised only when it is probable that future economic benefits or service potential associated with the item will flow to ODC and the cost of the item can be measured reliably.

Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on a straight-line basis or diminishing value basis on all property, plant and equipment other than land, at rates that will write off the cost (or valuation) of the assets to their estimated residual values over their useful lives. The useful lives and associated depreciation rates of major classes of assets have been estimated as follows:

	Llooful Life (Veen)	Depresiation Rate
Puildings	Useful Life (Years) 40-100	Depreciation Rate 1-2.5%
Buildings	20	1-2.5% 5%
Improvements Vehicles	6.6	15%
	3-4	25-33.33%
Computers	3-4 4-10	25-33.33% 10-25% DV
Office Equipment	10	
Furniture/ Fixture	6.6	10% DV 15% DV
Library Books	2.5-3	33.33-40%
Plant and Machinery	2.5-3	33.33-40%
Water Treatment		
Piping	50-80	1.25-2%
Equipment	20-50	2-5%
Other	20-30	5%
Water Reticulation	20	370
Piping	15-80	1.25-6.66%
Equipment	5-30	3.33-20%
Other	25	4%
Other	20	770
Wastewater		
Piping	50-80	1.25-2%
Equipment	10-60	1.66-10%
Other	20-80	1.25-5%
<u>Stormwater</u>		
Piping	20-80	1.25-5%
Equipment	10-60	1.66-10%
Other	25	4%
Roading		
Pavement (Basecourse)		
- Sealed	30-60	1.66-3.33%
- Unsealed	5-10	10-20%
Seal	5-15	6.7-20%
Culverts	10-80	1.25-10%
Bridges	12-94	1-8.5%
Kerb & Channel/ Catchpits	45	2.2%
Footpaths	20-55	1.8-5%



Streetlights	5-46	2-20%
Signposting	5-20	5-20%
Delineators/ RPMs	3-7	14.3-33.3%

The residual value and useful life of an asset is reviewed, and adjusted if applicable, at each financial year-end. Items that are fully depreciated are recorded as having a useful life of 1 year.

Impairment of property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment subsequently measured at cost that have an indefinite useful life, are not subject to amortisation and are tested annually for impairment.

Property, plant and equipment subsequently measured at cost that have a finite useful life are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable.

An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's fair value less cost to sell and value in use.

Critical accounting estimates and assumptions

In preparing these financial statements ODC has made estimates and assumptions concerning the future. These estimates and assumptions may differ from the subsequent actual results. Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations or future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below:

Infrastructural assets

There are a number of assumptions and estimates used when performing depreciated replacement cost (DRC) valuations over infrastructural assets. These include:

- The physical deterioration and condition of an asset, for example the Council could be carrying an asset at an amount that does not reflect its actual condition. This is particularly so for those assets, which are not visible, for example stormwater, wastewater and water supply pipes that are underground. This risk is minimised by Council performing a combination of physical inspections and condition modelling assessments of underground assets;
- Estimating an obsolescence or surplus capacity of an asset; and
- Estimates are made when determining the remaining useful lives over which the asset will be depreciated. These estimates can be impacted by the local conditions, for example weather patterns and traffic growth. If useful lives do not reflect the actual consumption of the benefits of the asset, then ODC could be over or under estimating the annual depreciation charge recognised as an expense in the profit or loss. To minimise this risk ODC's infrastructural asset useful lives have been determined with reference to the NZ Infrastructural Asset Valuation and Depreciation Guidelines published by the National Asset Management Steering Group, and have been adjusted for local conditions based on past experience. Asset inspections, deterioration and condition modelling are also carried out regularly as part of the ODC's asset management planning activities, which gives ODC further assurance over its useful life estimates.



Useful lives of Property, Plant and Equipment

The useful lives of property, plant and equipment have been determined based on the asset management plans used during the creation of the LTP. For infrastructural assets this has been based on the information provided by the National Asset Management Steering Group (NAMS) regarding the useful life of infrastructural assets. For all other property, plant and equipment, the depreciation schedules included in the Income Tax Act have been used as a basis for setting the useful lives.

Critical judgements in applying ODC's accounting policies

Management has exercised the following critical judgements in applying the ODC's accounting policies for the period ended 30 June 2021:

1. Classification of property

ODC owns a number of properties, which are maintained primarily to provide housing to pensioners. The receipt of rental from these properties is incidental to holding these properties. These properties are held for service delivery objectives as part of the ODC's social housing policy. These properties are accounted for as property, plant and equipment.

2. Classification of non-financial assets as cash generating assets or non-cash-generating assets

For the purpose of assessing impairment indicators and impairment testing, ODC classifies non-financial assets as either cash-generating or non-cash-generating assets. The Council classifies non-financial assets as cash-generating assets if the primary objective of the asset is to generate commercial return. All other assets are classified as non-cash-generating assets.

All property, plant and equipment and intangible assets held by ODC are classified as non-cash-generating assets. This includes assets that generate fee revenue or other cash flows for the Council, as the cash flows generated are generally not sufficient to represent commercial return on the assets.

3. Fair value versus carrying value assessment

During an assessment of the carrying value versus fair value of assets during the year, none of the assets apart from those being revalued were found to be materially different from fair value. A full revaluation of Land and Building assets was undertaken by Quotable Value.



2021

	Cost /revaluation 1 July 2020	Accumulated depreciation	Carrying amount	Additions	Disposals (cost)	Disposals (accumulated depreciation)	Transfers out of Fixed Assets	Revaluation Movement	Depreciation	Cost /revaluation 30 June 2021	Accumulated depreciation	Carrying amount
	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)
Council Operational assets	, ,	, ,	, ,	,	,	,	, ,	, ,	, ,	, ,	,	, ,
Land	8,755	-	8,755	-	-	-	-	1,960	-	10,716	-	10.716
Buildings	6,201	_	6,201	151	-	-	-	273	369	6,256	-	6,256
Plant & Machinery/ Motor Vehicles	1,422	594	828	347	105	56	-	-	165	1,664	703	96^
Furniture & Equipment/ Library Books	1,895	1,373	522	286	64	61	-	-	136	2,117	1,448	669
Heritage Assets	250	-	250	6	-	-	-	-	-	256	-	256
Total operational assets	18,523	1,967	16,556	790	169	117	-	2,232	670	21,009	2,151	18,858
Council infrastructural												
assets												
Sewerage system	7,845	-	7,845	180	17	15	-	-	280	8,008	265	7,743
Water system	8,579	-	8,579	688	8	8	-	-	331	9,259	323	8,930
Rural water supply	9,360	-	9,360	98	5	5	-	-	270	9,453	265	9,18
Drainage network	8,415	-	8,415	152	4	4	-	-	158	8,563	154	8,409
Stopbanks	3,617	-	3,617	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,617	-	3,61
Roading, Bridges & Culverts	251,650	-	251,650	5,842	40	-	-	-	3,717	257,452	3,717	253,73
Work In Progress	798	_	798	719	798	_	_	_	_	719	_	719
Total infrastructural assets	290,264	-	290,264	7,679	872	32	-	-	4.756	297,071	4,724	292,34
Council restricted assets												
Land	8,199	-	8,199	39	-	-	-	1,940	-	10,178	-	10,178
Buildings	6,317	_	6,317	191	_	-	_	440	228	6,720	-	6,720
Work In Progress	51	-	51	54	51	-	-	-	-	54	-	54
Total restricted assets	14,567	-	14,567	284	51	-	-	2,380	228	16,952	-	16,95
Total ODC property, plant and equipment	323,354	1,967	321,387	8,753	1,092	92	-	4,613	5,654	335,032	6,875	328,157

Land under roads included in Roading network totals \$45,044,378.



2020

	Cost	Accumulated	Carrying	Cost	Accumulated	Carrying
	/revaluation	depreciation	amount	/revaluation	depreciation	amount
	1 July 2019			30 June 2020		
	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)
Council Operational ass	ets					
Land	8,189	-	8,189	8,755	-	8,755
Buildings	5,576	427	5,149	6,201	-	6,20
Plant & Machinery/	1,305	461	844	1,422	594	828
Motor Vehicles						
Furniture & Equipment/	1,819	1,302	517	1,895	1,373	522
Library Books	·			·	·	
Heritage Assets	250	-	250	250	-	250
Total operational assets	17,139	2,190	14,949	18,523	1,967	16,556
Council infrastructural a	 ssets					
Sewerage system	8,221	492	7,729	7,845	-	7,84
Water system	7,890	435	7,455	8,579	-	8,57
Rural water supply	7,609	378	7,231	9,360	-	9,360
Drainage network	7,074	214	6,860	8,415	-	8,41
Stopbanks	3,617	-	3,617	3,617	-	3,61
Roading, Bridges and	267,502	7,950	259,552	251,650	-	251,65
Culverts						
Work In Progress	597	-	597	798	-	79
Total infrastructural	302,510	9,469	293,041	290,264	-	290,26
assets						·
Council restricted asset	I S					
Land	7,500	-	7,500	8,199	-	8,199
Buildings	6,272	312	5,960	6,317	-	6,31
Work In Progress	62	-	62	51	-	5
Total restricted assets	13,834	312	13,522	14,567	-	14,56
Total ODC property,	333,483	11,971	321,512	323,354	1,967	321,38
plant and equipment					•	· ·

Land under roads included in Roading network totals \$45,044,378.



An independent valuation of the entity's buildings was performed in the current financial year by Quotable Value, independent registered valuers not related to the entity, to determine the fair value of the buildings. Where possible market values were obtained, and where these couldn't be obtained, depreciated replacement cost was used. The valuation was effective as at 30 June 2021 in which the total fair value of buildings valued by Quotable Value was \$14,951,900.

An independent valuation of the entity's land was performed in the current financial year by Quotable Value, independent registered valuers not related to the entity, to determine the fair value of the land. Where possible market values were obtained and then discounted or adjusted using knowledge of the specific properties being valued. The valuation was effect as at 30 June 2021 in which the total fair value of land valued by Quotable Value was \$20,864,200.

For the financial year ending 30 June 2020, the infrastructural assets were valued by sufficiently experienced in-house engineering staff. The valuations were independently reviewed and confirmed to have met the appropriate valuation and financial reporting standards, and deemed suitable for inclusion in the financial statements. The assets were valued by determining their depreciated replacement cost as no market value is available for these types of assets.

The water, wastewater and stormwater asset valuations were independently peer reviewed by Beca Projects NZ Limited. The total fair value of the 3 waters infrastructural assets at 30 June 2021 was \$34,262,182.

The roading valuation was independently peer review by Beca Projects NZ Limited. The total fair value of the roading infrastructural assets at 30 June 2021 was \$253,775,219.

As at balance date no items of property, plant and equipment were temporarily idle. No items of property, plant and equipment were retired from active use and not classified as held for sale.

Rental property held by the Council is held to provide housing for the elderly, and the carrying amount as at 30 June 2021 is \$3,186,900 (2020: \$3,038,000).



		Addit	ions		
	Closing book value	Constructed by Council	Assets transferred to Council	Estimated replacement cost	Date of Estimate
	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)	
Infrastructural Assets					
Water treatment plants & facilities	3,024	283	-	7,309	30 June 2020
Other water assets	15,087	504	-	23,306	30 June 2020
Wastewater treatment plants & facilities	2,116	160	-	4,088	30 June 2020
Other wastewater assets	5,629	20	-	12,073	30 June 2020
Stormwater drainage	7,928	144	-	11,277	30 June 2020
Flood protection and control works	4,095	8	-	5,494	30 June 2020
Roads & footpaths	253,775	5,842	-	329,878	30 June 2020
Total infrastructural assets	288,037	6,961	-	393,425	

Capital commitments

	Actual 2020	Actual 2021
	(000's)	(000's)
Capital commitments Capital expenditure contracted for at balance date but not yet incurred for property, plant and equipment	2,201	3,503
Other Expenditure Commitments Maintenance Contracts	2,799	7,555

9. Intangible assets - Computer Software

Accounting Policy

Intangible assets

Software acquisition

Acquired computer software licences are capitalised on the basis of the costs incurred to acquire and bring to use the specific software. Costs associated with maintaining computer software are recognised as an expense when incurred.

Amortisation

The carrying value of an intangible asset with a finite life is amortised on a straight-line basis over its useful life. Amortisation begins when the asset is available for use and ceases at the date that the asset is derecognised. The amortisation charge for each period is recognised in the profit or loss.



Ōtorohanga District CouncilNotes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2021 - continued

The useful lives and associated amortisation rates of major classes of intangible assets have been estimated as follows:

Computer software (finite life) 3 years 33.3%

Impairment of intangible assets

Intangible assets subsequently measured at cost that have an indefinite useful life, are not subject to amortisation and are tested annually for impairment.

Intangible assets subsequently measured at cost that have a finite useful life are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable.

An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's fair value less cost to sell and value in use.

	Actual 2020	Actual 2021
	(000's)	(000's)
Balance as at 1 July		
Cost	722	419
Accumulated amortisation	(632)	(386)
Opening carrying amount	90	33
Year ended 30 June		
Additions	16	53
Disposals – cost	(319)	-
Disposals – accumulated amortisation	271	- (44)
Amortisation charge	(25)	(41)
Movement	(57)	12
D 1 100 I		
Balance at 30 June	410	470
Cost Accumulated amortisation	419	472
	(386)	(427)
Closing carrying amount	33	45

Amortisation of intangibles is included in the depreciation and amortisation line within the Statement of Comprehensive Revenue & Expenses. Refer to note 10 for a breakdown of this item.

Some items of software have been fully amortised but are still in use by the council. These items include operating systems and other key software used in the day-to-day running of council.

Other intangibles

ODC has a number of easements over properties, giving Council access to inspect and maintain items of infrastructural importance. These easements hold no commercial value, and therefore no amount has been recorded for these easements.



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10. Depreciation and Amortisation

	Actual 2020	Actual 2021
	(000's)	(000's)
Depreciation	5,970	5,639
Amortisation	28	41
Total depreciation and amortisation	5,998	5,680

Depreciation by group of activity

	Actual 2020	Actual 2021
	(000's)	(000's)
Roads and Footpaths	4,543	3,717
Water Supply	409	611
Sewerage Treatment & Disposal	245	268
Flood Protection & Control Works	26	37
Stormwater Drainage	95	122
Community Services	365	607
Regulatory Services	1	7
Governance & Leadership	314	311
	5,998	5,680

11. Payables under exchange transactions

Accounting Policy

Payables under exchange transactions

Payables under exchange transactions are recognised when ODC becomes obliged to make future payments resulting from the purchase of goods and services. Subsequent to initial recognition, payables under exchange transactions are recorded at amortised cost.

	Actual 2020	Actual 2021
	(000's)	(000's)
Trade payables	1,082	1,753
Deposits and bonds	378	730
Accrued expenses	155	162
Total payables under exchange transactions	1,615	2,645

Payables under exchange transactions are non-interest bearing and are normally settled on 30 day terms, therefore the carrying value of trade and other payables approximates their fair value. The entity has financial risk management policies in place to ensure that all payables are paid within the credit timeframe.



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12. Provisions

Accounting Policy

Provisions

A provision is recognised for future expenditure of uncertain amount or timing when there is a present obligation (either legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of future economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation, and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

Provisions are measured at the present value of the expenditures expected to be required to settle the obligation using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the obligation. The increase in the provision due to the passage of time is recognised as an interest expense and is included in "finance costs".

Landfill post-closure costs

ODC, as operator of the Ōtorohanga and Kāwhia closed landfills, has a legal obligation under the resource consents to provide ongoing maintenance and monitoring services at the landfill. An allowance for post-closure costs is recognised as a provision within the balance sheet.

The provision is measured based on the present value of future cash flows expected to be incurred, taking into account future events including new legal requirements and known improvements in technology.

The discount rate used is a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the liability.

Financial quarantee contract liabilities

A financial guarantee contract is a contract that requires the Council to make specified payments to reimburse the holder of the contract for a loss it incurs because a specified debtor fails to make payment when due.

Financial guarantee contract liabilities are measured initially at their fair value. If a financial guarantee was issued in a stand-alone arm's length transaction to an unrelated party, its fair value at inception is equal to the consideration received. When no consideration is received, the fair value of the liability is initially measured using a valuation technique, such as considering the credit enhancement arising from the guarantee or the probability that the Council will be required to reimburse a holder for a loss incurred discounted to present value. If the fair value of a guarantee cannot be reliably determined, a liability is only recognised when it is practicable there will be an outflow under the guarantee.

Financial guarantees are subsequently measured at the higher of:

- The present value of the estimated amount to settle the guarantee obligation if it is probable there will be an outflow to settle the guarantee; and
- The amount initially recognised less, when appropriate, cumulative amortisation as revenue.



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Provisions

	Actual 2020	Actual 2021
	(000's)	(000's)
Opening Balance Maintenance and Monitoring Costs	18 (1)	17
Closing balance	17	17
Represented by:		
Current portion	1	1
Non-current provisions	16	16
	17	17

Landfill aftercare provision

ODC gained resource consents to operate its Ōtorohanga and Kāwhia landfills. ODC has responsibility under the resource consent to provide ongoing maintenance and monitoring of the landfill after the sites are closed.

Both landfills are closed. There are closure and post-closure responsibilities such as the following:

Closure responsibilities

- Final cover application and vegetation
- Incremental drainage control features
- Completing facilities for leachate collection and monitoring
- Completing facilities for water quality monitoring
- Completing facilities for monitoring and recovery of gas.

Post-closure responsibilities

- Treatment and monitoring of leachate
- Ground water and surface monitoring
- Gas monitoring and recovery
- Implementation of remedial measures such as needed for cover, and control of systems.
- Ongoing site maintenance for drainage systems, final cover and vegetation.

Capacity of the Site

The Ōtorohanga and Kāwhia landfills have been capped.

The cash outflows for landfill post-closure responsibilities are expected to occur between 2011 and 2033. The long term nature of the liability means that there are inherent uncertainties in estimating costs that will be incurred. The provision has been estimated taking into account existing technology and is discounted using a discount rate of 7.00% (2020: 7.00%).



Otorohanga District Council Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2021 - continued

13. Employee benefit liabilities

Accounting Policy

Employee entitlements

Short-term employee entitlements

Employee benefits expected to be settle within 12 months after the end of the period in which the employee renders the related service are measured based on accrued entitlements at current rates of pay. These include salaries and wages accrued up to balance date, annual leave earned to, but not yet taken at balance date, and sick leave.

A liability for sick leave is recognised to the extent that absences in the coming year are expected to be greater than the sick leave entitlements earned in the coming year. The amount is calculated based on the unused sick leave entitlement that can be carried forward at balance date, to the extent it will be used by staff to cover those future absences.

Long-term employee entitlements

Employee benefits that are due to be settled beyond 12 months after the end of the period in which the employee renders the related service, such as long service leave, have been calculated on an actuarial basis. The calculations are based on:

- Likely future entitlements accruing to staff, based on years of service, years to entitlement, the likelihood that staff will reach the point of entitlement and contractual entitlements information; and
- The present value of the estimated future cash flows.

Presentation of employee entitlements

Sick leave, annual leave, and vested long service leave are classified as a current liability. Non-vested long service leave expected to be settled within 12 months of balance date are classified as a current liability. All other employee entitlements are classified as a non-current liability.

	Actual 2020	Actual 2021
	(000's)	(000's)
Accrued pay	121	142
Annual leave	307	301
Long service leave	20	25
Sick leave	2	6
Total employee benefit liabilities	450	474
Comprising:		
Current	428	443
Non-current	22	31
Total employee benefit liabilities	450	474



Ōtorohanga District Council Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2021 - continued

14. Income in advance

	Actual 2020	Actual 2021
	(000's)	(000's)
Rates	534	525
Metered Water Charges	15	32
Debtors	362	172
Government Subsidies	-	1,199
Dog Registrations	72	67
Trade Waste	5	7
Health Licences	7	7
Total income in advance	995	2,009

15. Development and financial contributions in advance

Accounting Policy

Development and financial contributions are recognised as a current liability until such time as the project they are collected for is undertaken, at which time they are recognised as non-exchange revenue.

	Actual 2020	Actual 2021
	(000's)	(000's)
Roading Safety Improvements	439	463
Thomson/Harper Water Main	1	1
Ōtorohanga Stormwater Capacity Upgrade	7	7
Ōtorohanga Community Water Treatment	6	7
Total development and financial contributions in advance	453	478

16. Borrowings

Accounting Policy

Borrowings

Borrowings are initially recognised at their fair value. After initial recognition, all borrowings are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method net of transaction costs.

Borrowings are classified as current liabilities unless the Council has an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least 12 months after balance date.



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	Actual 2020	Actual 2021
	(000's)	(000's)
Current	, ,	, ,
Secured loans	3,015	-
Total current borrowings	3,015	-
Non-current		
Concessionary loan	448	448
Total non-current borrowings	448	448

Fixed-rate debt

The majority of ODC's secured debt of \$447,613 (2020: \$3,463,110) is issued at a fixed rate of 0% (2020: 5.00% - 6.00%). The effective net interest rates charged after discount is 0% (2020: 4.23% - 4.73%).

Total borrowing from the Local Government Funding Agency (LGFA) as at 30 June 2021 is nil (2020: \$3,015,497).

Security

The overdraft is unsecured. The maximum amount that can be drawn down against the overdraft facility is \$200,000 (2020: \$200,000). There are no restrictions on the use of this facility.

ODC's loans are secured over either separate or general rates of the district.

Refinancing

ODC manages its borrowings in accordance with its funding and financial policies, which includes a Liability Management policy.

Concessionary Ioan

This concessionary loan was advanced to the Council by the Government in order to fund repairs on Council social housing in Ōtorohanga. This loan was advanced in two amounts, \$165,000 on 29th June 2007, and \$283,000 on 14th March 2008. The interest rate on this loan is 0% (2020: 0%). This loan is a suspensory loan with a 20 year term. Should ODC meet the conditions of the loan, including retaining ownership of the pensioner housing units, the loan will not be required to be repaid at the end of the term.

17. Equity

Accounting Policy

Equity

Equity is the community's interest in the Council and is measured as the difference between total assets and total liabilities. Equity is disaggregated and classified into a number of reserves.

The components of equity are:

- Accumulated comprehensive revenue and expenses
- Restricted reserves
- Asset revaluation reserves
- Available for sale revaluation reserve



Otorohanga District Council Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2021 continued

Restricted reserves

Restricted reserves are a component of equity generally representing a particular use to which various parts of equity have been assigned. Reserves may be legally restricted or created by the Council.

Restricted reserves include those subject to specific conditions accepted as binding by ODC and which may not be revised by ODC without reference to the Courts or a third party. Transfers from these reserves may be made only for certain specified purposes or when certain specified conditions are met.

Also included in restricted reserves are reserves restricted by Council decision. The Council may alter them without references to any third party or the Courts. Transfers to and from these reserves are at the discretion of the Council.

Asset revaluation reserve

The asset revaluation reserve arises on the revaluation of land, buildings and infrastructural assets to fair value.

Available for sale revaluation reserve

Available for sale revaluation reserve arises on the revaluation of investments held. Where a revalued investment is disposed of or is determined to be impaired, the cumulative gain or loss previously recognised in the available-for-sale revaluation reserve is reclassified from equity to surplus or deficit.



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	Actual	Actual
	2020 (000's)	2021 (000's)
Accumulated Funds	(000 S)	(000 5)
Balance at 1 July	164,178	163,585
Transfers to restricted reserves	(170)	(141)
Transfers from property revaluation reserves on disposal	-	-
Transfers from restricted reserves	53	82
Surplus/(deficit) for the year	(476)	1,892
Total Accumulated Funds at 30 June	163,585	165,418
Represented by:		
Accumulated Comprehensive Revenue and Expenses	159,753	162,823
Council Controlled Reserves	3,832	2,595
	163,585	165,418
Restricted Reserves		
Balance at 1 July	3,180	3,297
Transfers to accumulated funds Transfers from accumulated funds	(53)	(82)
Total Restricted Reserves at 30 June	170 3,297	3,356
Total Restricted Reserves at 30 Julie	3,291	3,336
Asset Revaluation Reserves		
Balance at 1 July	155,404	157,543
Net revaluation gains	2,139	4,613
Transfer to accumulated funds on disposal of property	457.540	400.450
Balance 30 June	157,543	162,156
Asset revaluation reserves consist of:		
Operational assets Land	6,546	8,506
Buildings	3,199	3,471
Infrastructural assets	0,100	0,-17 1
Sewerage system	4,395	4,395
Water system	5,615	5,615
Drainage network	6,104	6,105
Rural Water Supply	6,007	6,007
Roading network	113,369	113,369
Floodbank	2,443	2,443
Restricted assets	4 0 4 0	0.500
Land	4,642	6,582
Buildings	5,222	5,662
Total Asset Revaluation Reserves	157,542	162,155
Available for sale Revaluation Reserve		
Balance at 1 July	1	1
Net change in fair value	-	-
Transfer to surplus or deficit on disposal	-	-
Balance at 30 June	1	1
Total Asset Revaluation Reserves at 30 June	157,543	162,156



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Restricted reserves relate to:

- Subdivision reserves, which are used to record financial contributions on subdivisions.
 These financial contributions are accepted in lieu of the developer creating a reserve, and the money is used by Council for work on reserves within the area.
- General funds reserve, which is used for specific purposes that Council elects to use it for.
 Any use of money from this reserve has to be designated within the LTP or Annual Plan.
 This reserve is typically used for one-off non-operational items.

Information about Council controlled reserves is provided below

	Balance 1 July	Transfer into fund	Transfers out of fund	Balance 30 June
2021	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)
Roads and Footpaths	1,147	13,746	(14,188)	, 705
Water Supply	(1,117)	2,793	(3,035)	(1,359)
Sewerage	(104)	911	(1,178)	(371)
Flood Protection	179	174	(220)	133
Regulatory Services	(20)	204	(173)	11
Community Services	196	844	(825)	215
Governance and Leadership	721	1,443	(1,624)	540
Community Development	-	-	-	-
General Funds	2,830	5,789	(5,899)	2,720
Total Council Controlled Reserves - 2021	3,832	25,904	(27,142)	2,594
2020				
Roads and Footpaths	2,109	12,425	(13,387)	1,147
Water Supply	(871)	2,428	(2,674)	(1,117)
Sewerage	(12)	979	(1,071)	(104)
Flood Protection	314	109	(244)	179
Regulatory Services	(42)	201	(179)	(20)
Community Services	189	701	(694)	196
Governance and Leadership	787	1,384	(1,450)	721
Community Development	-	-	-	-
General Funds	2,488	5,882	(5,540)	2,830
Total Council Controlled Reserves - 2020	4,962	24,109	(25,239)	3,832

Purpose of each Council Controlled Reserve fund

All Council Controlled Reserves arise from situations where the income generated from an activity is larger than the expenditure, or expenditure has been higher than income, and these savings or deficits are ring-fenced to the related activity. The reserves are grouped by Group of Activities and can only be spent for those purposes they were collected for.



Ōtorohanga District Council Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2021 continued

18. Contingencies

Contingent Liabilities

	Actual 2020	Actual 2021
	(000's)	(000's)
Guarantees Uncalled Capital – Local Government Funding Agency	1,120 100	1,120 100
Uncalled Capital – Waikato Local Authority Shared Services	6	6
	1,226	1,226

Guarantees

The value of guarantees disclosed as contingent liabilities reflects ODC's assessment of the undiscounted portion of financial guarantees that are not recognised in the Balance Sheet. At the year-end it was not probable that the counterparty to the financial guarantees contract will claim under the contract.

New Zealand Local Government Funding Agency

Ōtorohanga District Council is a shareholder of the New Zealand Local Government Funding Agency Limited (LGFA). The LGFA was incorporated in December 2011 with the purpose of providing debt funding to local authorities in New Zealand and it has a current credit rating from Standard and Poor's of AA+.

ODC is one of 30 shareholders of the LGFA. In that regard it has uncalled capital of \$100,000. When aggregated with the uncalled capital of other shareholders, \$20m is available in the event that an imminent default is identified. Also, together with the other shareholders, the Council is a guarantor of all of LGFA's borrowings. At 30 June 2021, LGFA had borrowings totalling \$12,066m (2020: \$10,900m).

The Council considers the risk of LGFA defaulting on repayment of interest or capital to be very low on the basis that:

- a. We are not aware of any local authority debt default events in New Zealand; and
- b. local government legislation would enable local authorities to levy a rate to recover sufficient funds to meet any debt obligations if further funds were required.

Uncalled Capital

The uncalled share capital for Waikato Local Authority Shared Services amounts to \$5,717 as at 30 June 2021 (2020: \$5,717). At present ODC is not aware of any plan to call the capital in the near future.

Carter Holt Harvey

In 2013, the Ministry of Education (MoE) initiated High Court proceedings against Carter Holt Harvey (CHH) and other alleging inherent defects in the shadowclad plywood cladding sheets manufactured and distributed by CHH. The MoE's original claim was for 833 school buildings, of which 3 are located within the Ōtorohanga District.

In 2016, CHH commenced proceedings against 48 Councils, including Ōtorohanga District Council, alleging a breach of duty in the processing of building consents, undertaking building inspections and issuing Code Compliance Certificates.



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During 2018 the Councils sought to strike out CHH's claims against them. The High Court declined the strike out of the claim, but struck out proceedings in relation to 28 school buildings built outside the 10 year long stop contained within the Building Act 2004. None of these 28 buildings were in the Ōtorohanga District. The court has directed that the trial be staged. The first stage was to be a 6 month hearing commencing in April 2020, to determine whether shadow clad is inherently defective.

In August 2020, the case was settled, and there is no liabilities incurred by Council, other than legal costs that have already been incurred.

19. Related party transactions

The following transactions were carried out with related parties:

Key management personnel

Key management personnel include the Mayor, Councillors, Chief Executive and other senior management personnel.

Related party disclosures have not been made for transactions with related parties that are within a normal supplier or client/recipient relationship on terms and condition no more or less favourable than those that it is reasonable to expect the Council would have adopted in dealing with the party at arm's length in the same circumstances.

No provision has been required, nor any expense recognised for impairment of receivables to related parties (2020: \$nil).

20. Events after balance sheet date

COVID-19

On 18 August 2021, all of New Zealand entered COVID-19 Alert Level 4 and the associated lock down. The areas of South Auckland reduced to Alert Level 3 on September 2021, with all of New Zealand except for Auckland reducing to Alert Level 2 on 8 September 2021. The Auckland region reduced to Alert Level 3 on 21 September 2021, with parts of Waikato moving to alert level 3 on 3 October 2021 and subsequently to Level 2 17 November 2021. Certain levels of service provided by the Council ceased across alert level 4 but subsequently re-commenced upon moving to alert level 3.

Three Waters Reform

On 27 October 2021, the Local Government Minister announced that central government will proceed with the three waters service delivery reforms using a legislated "all in" approach. The three waters reform involves the creation of four statutory water services entities to be responsible for the service delivery and infrastructure from local authorities from 1 July 2024. There is still a number of uncertainties associated with the new three waters delivery model including the mechanism for how assets will be transferred to the newly established entities and the control and governance of these entities. Notwithstanding the current uncertainty the announcement once legislated will mean Council is no longer responsible for the delivery and infrastructure of three water services from 1 July 2024.

There were no other significant events subsequent to balance date.



Ōtorohanga District Council Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2021 continued

21. Financial instrument risks

Financial instruments categories

Actual 2020	Actual 2021
(000's)	(000's)
, ,	, ,
7,157	4,070
2,002	3,720
177	394
9,336	8,184
-	-
	583
583	583
1 615	2,645
1,013	2,043
3.463	448
	3,093
,,,,,	3,000
	2020 (000's) 7,157 2,002 177

Ōtorohanga District Council has a series of policies to manage the risks associated with financial instruments. ODC is risk averse and seeks to minimise exposure from its treasury activities. ODC has established Council approved Liability Management and Investment policies. These policies do not allow any transactions that are speculative in nature to be entered into.



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22. Explanation of major variances against budget

Explanations for major variations from the Council estimate figures in the 2020/21 Annual Plan are as follows:

Statement of Comprehensive Revenue and Expenses

Subsidies were \$1,253,000 over budget. This is due to \$500,000 of funding received from the Mayor's Taskforce for Jobs Community Recovery programme, as well as increased subsidy from NZTA due to carried over work from the 2019/20 year.

Other income was \$666,000 above budget. This is due to vested assets of \$378,000 that were not budgeted, as well as increased regulatory revenue of \$388,000 due to the Waikeria Prison development.

Depreciation and amortisation was \$466,000 above budget. This reflects both additional depreciation for new assets acquired in the 2019/20 financial year after the budgets were finalised and 2020/21 financial year additions. There was also additional depreciation due to the revaluation of the land and buildings, which was not reflected in the budgets.

Balance Sheet

Cash and cash equivalents is up on budget by \$2,816,000. This is due in large part to the savings made in the prior year as a result of the Covid lockdown, as well as the surplus in the current year.

Payables under exchange transactions was below budget by \$1,335,000. This is due to a change in payment processes in response to the Covid lockdown in 2019/20 that all invoices received are paid as soon as possible, as opposed to waiting until the 20th of the month. This has resulted in a decrease in accrued expenses.

Revaluation reserves were above budget by \$8,726,000 and Property Plant and Equipment was above budget by \$4,968,000 due to the revaluation of all land and building assets.

Statement of Cash Flows

Cash flows from operating activities was above budget by \$1,352,000, mostly as a result of increased receipts from rates revenue of \$1,200,000.

Cash flows from financing activities is \$2,000,000 under budget. This is due to a budgeted loan of \$2,000,000 not being required.



PERFORMANCE/ STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY



PERFORMANCE DURING 2020/21

Statement of Service Performance

The Local Government Act 2002 contains a requirement for Council to report on non-financial information in the Annual Report. In developing its Long Term Plan for the 2018/19 year, Council set a number of performance measures which are reported on by activity.

These performance measures contain elements of quality, quantity, timeliness and location (where applicable).

Quality Management

The Council is committed to the principles of quality service and continuous improvement and, to this end, has controls in place for monitoring and improving the quality of the service it provides.

Capital Works

Capital works are constructed to design specifications. Inspections of works are undertaken by suitably qualified and experienced engineers and progress is reported on a regular basis to the Council.

Project Management

The Engineering Management Department undertakes the functions of planning, programming, supervision and technical audit of professional services and physical contracts let for the council, either through the in-house Business Unit or through independent consulting engineers. Substantial works are undertaken by consultants and contractors under separate contracts. For all professional services or physical contracts, monies are retained until after a satisfactory maintenance period, when the contract is deemed complete.



STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY

Statement of Compliance

The Council and Management of Ōtorohanga District Council confirm that all the statutory requirements of the Local Government Act 2002, regarding financial management and borrowing, have been complied with.

Statement of Responsibility

The Council and Management of Ōtorohanga District Council accept responsibility for the preparation of the annual Financial Statements and Statement of Service Performance and the judgements used in them.

The Council and Management of Ōtorohanga District Council accept responsibility for establishing and maintaining a system of internal control designed to provide reasonable assurance as to the integrity and reliability of financial reporting.

In the opinion of the Council and Management of Ōtorohanga District Council, the annual Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2021 fairly reflect the financial position and operations of Ōtorohanga District Council.

Max Baxter

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26 November 2021



REPORT ON LONG TERM PLAN AND POLICIES

Introduction

Each local authority is required to prepare and adopt a long term plan, funding policy, investment policy, and borrowing and investment policy.

Section 98(2) of the Local Government Act 2002 specifies that every local authority must provide, in its Annual Report, sufficient information about each of the documents listed above to enable an informed assessment of the extent to which the objectives and provisions of the strategy and policies have been met during that year.

Overview

During 2020/21 the Council made significant progress toward the achievement of objectives and policies for the year as set out in the Long Term Plan, Funding Policy and Borrowing and Investment Policy. Details of achievement against the objectives and policy are set out below.

Long Term Plan

Background

The Long Term Plan (LTP) identifies significant activities of the Council and provides for the associated estimated future expenses, revenues, cashflows and other movements in the Balance Sheet. The general aim of the LTP is to ensure that the Council has adequately considered and accounted for its future operations in accordance with the following six principles.

- Prudent management of Council activities in the interest of the District and its inhabitants.
- Adequate provision for expenditure needs of the council.
- Adequate consideration and assessment of benefits and costs of different options.
- Lawful funding mechanisms that on reasonable grounds can be considered as appropriate.
- Maintaining prudent levels of debt in accordance with borrowing management policy.
- Operating revenue to cover all operating expenses.

The 2020/21 year was the third year of the 2018/28 LTP.



BORROWING AND INVESTMENT POLICY

Background

The Borrowing and Investment Policy incorporates the Investment and Borrowing Policies. The investment policy sets the parameters within which investment activity can occur, approved organisations for investment, and the type of approved investment vehicles. The mix of investments between current and non-current is determined according to Council's working capital needs. The purpose of the borrowing policy is to ensure that Council's debt and associated risks are maintained at prudent levels. It sets the parameters within which debt may be raised and the types of debt instruments available. Refer to the Annual Plan for an outline of the policy.

Overall Performance

There are no significant variations or material departures from the Councils' Borrowing and Investment Policy as reported in the 2018/28 Long Term Plan.



OPPORTUNITIES FOR MĀORI TO CONTRIBUTE TO COUNCILS' DECISION-MAKING PROCESSES

Council is committed to engaging with Māori but the reality is we know that local government can be bureaucratic and unfriendly, and our systems and processes don't always mean we reach Māori communities in the way we would like to. Our CouncilMARK report that was received in December 2020 made a recommendation that Council should focus on improving our relationship with lwi/Māori. This confirmed what we already knew, so 2021 has seen this as a key focus area, particularly for the Mayor and Chief Executive.

This year we feel like our relationship with Nehenehenui and Ngā Tai O Kāwhia Regional Management Committees, Maniapoto Māori Trust Board, and Raukawa Settlement Trust, have strengthened as a result of several influences:

- The creation of Māori Wards for the Ōtorohanga district
- The development of Council's Long Term Plan
- The discussion around Council employing an Iwi Relations Advisor
- The response to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic
- The Three Waters Reforms

As relationships have strengthened and trust has improved, there has been more contact, and far more occasions where informal contact is made to discuss an issue. Other staff and Councillors have also attended meetings, so the net is cast wider.

Staff have worked on streamlining the resource management processes to give lwi more time to respond, and various meetings (COVID lockdowns permitting) with lwi have been held to ensure any issues can be addressed immediately. Staff have also worked with lwi in the Te Ara a Waiwaia Working Group to create a plan for the future use of the land near the stopbanks in Ōtorohanga.

The Council Chamber was refurbished this year and Nehenehenui RMC were involved in commissioning an artwork in the form of a pare that was placed above a floor to ceiling copy of Te Tiriti o Waitangi. The Council Chamber was blessed by lwi and opened on 29 June 2021, the day Council adopted our Long Term Plan.





SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITIES



COMBINED COST OF SERVICE STATEMENT For the Year ended 30 June 2021

2020 Actual \$		2021 AP Estimate	2021 Actual \$
(000's)		(000's)	(000's)
(0000)	OPERATING REVENUE	(000 0)	(000 0)
6,031	Activity Revenue	6,309	7,849
7,378	Targeted Rates	7,579	7,539
132	Development Contributions	10	36
5,817	General Rates	5,800	5,690
6,481	Other General Sources	6,776	6,670
25,839	TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	26,474	27,784
	Reconciling Items:		
(6,481)	Internal Recoveries	(6,776)	(6,670)
(104)	Gains/(losses) on asset disposal	50	(12)
12	Assets vested in Council	40.740	378
19,266	TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE PER STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME	19,748	21,480
	OPERATING EXPENDITURE		
10,488	Roading	9,210	9,251
2,341	Water Supply	2,363	3,119
735	Sewerage	717	865
210	Stormwater	156	211
172	Flood Protection	216	199
1,937	Regulatory Services	2,983	2,079
2,693	Community Services	2,193	2,936
355	Community Development	392	801
6,659	Governance and Leadership	7,653	7,168
25,590	TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURE	25,883	26,629
	Reconciling Items:		
(6,481)	Internal Recoveries	(6,776)	(6,864)
-	Interest difference	-	-
-	Landfill Aftercare Provision	-	-
633	Doubtful Debt Provision adjustment	10.40	(177)
19,742	TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURE PER STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME	19,107	19,588
(476)	NET PROFIT/(LOSS)	641	1,892



Whole of Council Funding Impact Statement

	2019/20 Annual Plan \$	2019/20 Actual \$	2020/21 Annual Plan \$	2020/21 Actual \$
	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)
Sources of Operating Funding				
General rates, uniform annual general charges, rates penalties	5,737	5,817	5,800	5,690
Targeted Rates (other than a targeted rate for water supply)	7,373	7,378	7,579	7,539
Subsidies and grants for operating purposes	2,224	2,820	2,232	2,686
Fees and charges	985	909	878	1,247
Interest and dividends from investments	111	73	111	37
Local authorities fuel tax, fines, infringement fees and other receipts	596	530	609	607
Total Operating Funding	17,026	17,527	17,209	17,806
Applications of operating funding				
Payments to staff and suppliers	12,073	12,347	12,398	12,799
Finance Costs	195	190	197	153
Other operating funding applications	819	800	1,350	1,368
Total application of operating funding	13,087	13,337	13,945	14,320
Surplus (deficit) of operating funding	3,939	4,190	3,264	3,486
Sources of Capital Funding				
Subsidies and grants for capital expenditure	2,585	1,694	2,474	3,274
Development and financial contributions	10	60	10	21
Increase (decrease) in debt	2,880	(784)	1,080	(445)
Gross proceeds from sale of assets	1,352	43	107	67
Lump sum contributions	-	-	-	-
Total sources of capital funding	6,827	1,013	3,671	2,917
Application of capital funding				
Capital expenditure				
- To meet additional demand	150	33	50	48
- To improve the level of service	4,326	107	858	222
- To replace existing assets	6,331	3,475	6,723	7,407
Increase (decrease) in reserves	(41)	1,588	(696)	(1,274)
Increase (decrease) of investments	_	-		<u> </u>
Total application of capital funding	10,766	5,203	6,935	6,403
Surplus (deficit) of capital funding	(3,939)	(4,190)	(3,64)	(3,486)
Funding balance	-	-	-	-



ROADS AND FOOTPATHS

The road network forms the backbone of Ōtorohanga's infrastructure and impacts on the potential for development in the District. The purpose of this activity is to provide for the safe and efficient passage of traffic throughout the District and Council acknowledges its interdependency on the State Highway network, as well as partnerships with key stakeholders in the transport arena.

This is the single largest activity of Council, and provides for road improvement and maintenance works such as pavement rehabilitation, reseals, bridge repairs, storm damage restoration, general maintenance, vegetation control, landscaping, sign posting and pavement marking (traffic services), street lighting, street cleaning, minor safety projects, and footpath repairs.

The rationale for Council's involvement stems in part, from statutory requirements. The Local Government Acts 1974 and 2002 empower Council to construct, upgrade and repair all roads, which is done with the

help of Government funding. It also ensures common law rights of public access.

Internal Borrowing

The Roads and Footpaths group of activities has internal borrowing as at 30 June 2021 of \$2,905,714. During the year no additional borrowing was taken, but repayments totalling \$417,096 were made. Interest on internal borrowings was paid of \$116,298.

Capital Expenditure

	2021 AP Estimate \$	2021 Actual \$
Capital Expenditure - Renewals (Maintaining Service Capacity) - Growth (Improving Service Capacity)	(000's) 3,786	(000's) 5,619
- Level of Service (Improvements to Service)	215	-

Key Roads and Footpaths Level of Service Targets and Performance

Lev	el of Service		How we measure our performance				
		our community outcomes		Baseline	2020/21	Achieved/ Not	2020/21
				2016/17	Target	Achieved	Actual
mair Distr	design and ntenance of rict roads ures that they safe and	Reliable roading around the District will ensure that the transportation needs of communities are met. Providing safe vehicular access helps	The numerical change from the previous financial year (for which all data is available) in the total number of fatalities and serious injuries resulting from road crashes on local roads	Current performance (2014/15 to 2015/16) 7-1=6	0	Achieved	-5 (5-10)



Level of Service	How it contributes to our community outcomes	How we measure our performance	Baseline 2016/17	2020/21	Achieved/ Not Achieved	2020/21
a confortable to	1	The second secon		Target		Actual
comfortable to travel on	keep our communities safe and also helps provide quality transport networks	The average quality of ride of sealed roads measured by smooth travel exposure (as a percent of travel distance above a NAASRA smoothness value of 150)	97.6%	97%	Achieved	97%
		The percentage of the sealed local road network that is resurfaced	100%	6%	Achieved	16.9%
		The extent of unsealed road metalling programme that is completed annually	100%	100%	Achieved	100%
		Percentage of the footpath network which meets or is above the condition rating standard 3 or better (minor cracking)	87%	90%	Not achieved	59.92%
		Percentage of service requests relating to roads and footpaths responded to within 10 working days	49%	90%	Not achieved	88.6%

Road Safety

Of the reported road accidents there have been no fatalities on a local road. However, there have been 5 crashes that resulted in serious injury. This figure is 5 less than the previous year.

Sealed Road Ride Quality

The smoothness of the travel experience remains at 97% as in the previous annual report. This is because no no condition rating was completed on the network during the financial year.

Sealed Road Resurfacing

The total lane kilometres resurfaced was 173.934 km out of a total of 1,026.5 km resulting in 16.9% of the network being resealed. The large increase is due to the roads that could not be sealed during the Covid-19 lockdown and that

were caught up during the year by including the unfinished roads into the reseal programme. There are still 10 km not completed that will be programmed into the 2021/22 financial year reseal programme.

Unsealed Road Metalling

The entire 277.8 km unsealed road network in the district gets resurfaced every 5 years. This is an average of 55.6 km every year. The contract programme, however, takes into account all roads over the 5 years, although each year does not equate to 55.6 km with some years the programme makes provision for more km and in some years less. However, each year's programme, although not 55.6 km in length, does get completed. During last financial year an additional road, Mangati Road, was included in that programme, with a resulting reduction of this year's programme, where 100% of the reduced programme was completed.



Footpath Condition

A new condition rating has not been done since the 2019/2020 condition rating by footpath condition rating contractor, Onsite. Due to budget constraints now significant footpath repairs were completed during 2020/2021. However, a contract was entered into with a budget of \$165,000 per annum to repair Condition5 (very poor) and the majority of Condition 4 (poor) during the next 3 years.

Service Request Response

We have improved this activity considerably by reaching 88.6%. This is a huge improvement from 54.2 % from the previous year. We have put in place processes that will improve this result for the current financial year.

Unsealed Road Metalling

Road	Start RP	End RP	Length(km)	Quantity(m3)
Aotearoa Road	10.917	13.917	3	656
Aotearoa Road	13.917	19.855	5.938	626
Grice Road	0.015	1.828	1.813	290
Hoddle Road	0.03	4.86	4.83	814
Hoddle Road	4.86	7.61	2.75	290
Huirimu Road	2.376	4.561	2.185	361
Huirimu Road	4.561	8.261	3.7	753
Landing Road	0.005	2.55	2.545	300
Pamotumotu Road	0.02	1.522	1.502	310
Ranginui Road	10.143	11.545	1.402	378
Ranginui Road	13.028	14.744	1.716	463
Ranginui Road	14.744	19.274	4.53	1,299
Tahae Road	0.005	3.155	3.15	633
Tauraroa Valley Road	3.788	5.873	2.085	493
Tauraroa Valley Road	5.873	8.794	2.921	587
Wall Road	0.02	1.127	1.107	144
Pirongia Road	5.826	9.826	4	481
Totals			49.174	8,878



Roads and Footpaths – Cost of Service Statement

2020 Actual \$		2021 AP Estimate \$	2021 Actual \$
(000's)		(000's)	(000's)
	OPERATING INCOME		
4,518	Activity Revenue	4,732	5,417
4,776	Targeted Rates	4,890	4,886
33	Development Contributions	-	-
-	General Rates	-	-
1,157	Other General Sources	1,145	1,092
10,484	TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	10,767	11,395
0.405	OPERATING EXPENDITURE	0.405	0.450
9,405	Roading	8,105	8,159
1,083	Engineering Business Unit	1,105	1,092
10,488	TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURE	9,210	9,251
(4)	NET COST OF SERVICE	1,557	2,144

Roads and Footpaths Funding Impact Statement

	2019/20 Long Term Plan	2020/21 Long Term Plan	2020/21 Actual
	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)
Sources of operating funding	(000 S)	(000 S)	(000 S)
General rates, uniform annual general charges, rates penalties	_	_	_
Targeted Rates (other than a targeted rate for water supply)	4,959	4,794	4,886
Subsidies and grants for operating purposes	2,167	2,166	2,108
Fees and charges	_,	_,	_,
Internal charges and overheads recovered	1,016	1,028	1,092
Local authorities fuel tax, fines, infringement fees and other receipts	93	95	94
Total Operating Funding	8,235	8,083	8,180
Applications of operating funding			
Payments to staff and suppliers	3,606	3,701	3,709
Finance costs	123	108	116
Internal charges and overheads applied	1,485	1,611	1,612
Other operating funding applications	2	3	8
Total application of operating funding	5,216	5,423	5,445
Surplus (deficit) of operating funding	3,019	2,660	2,735
Sources of capital funding			
Subsidies and grants for capital expenditure	2,861	2,750	3,214
Development and financial contributions	-	-	-
Increase (decrease) in debt	(417)	(417)	(417)
Gross proceeds from sale of assets	-	-	-
Lump sum contributions	-	-	
Total sources of capital funding	2,444	2,333	2,797
Application of capital funding			
Capital expenditure	4-0		
- To meet additional demand	153	- 10	48
- To improve the level of service	4.500	16	- - C40
- To replace existing assets	4,583	4,450	5,619
Increase (decrease) in reserves Increase (decrease) of investments	727	527	(135)
Total application of capital funding	5,463	4,993	5,532
Total application of capital fullulity	5,463	4,993	5,532
Surplus (deficit) of capital funding	(3,019)	(2,660)	(2,735)
Funding balance	-		



WATER SUPPLY

Council has historically provided potable water to the urban communities of Ōtorohanga and Kāwhia and to some rural areas to assist in facilitating economic development, and in recognition that such delivery of water is preferable to reliance on individual supply arrangements, particularly in the urban areas.

Having established such services Council is now limited in its ability to discontinue this activity, due to the provisions of the Local Government Act 2002.

Internal Borrowing

The Water Supply group of activities has internal borrowing as at 30 June 2021 of \$1,121,632. During the year \$324,000 of additional borrowing was taken, and repayments totalling \$95,184 were made. Interest on internal borrowings was paid of \$31,248.

Key Water Supply Level of Service Targets and Performance

Level of Service	How it contributes to our community outcomes	How we measure our performance	Baseline 2016/17	2020/21 Target	Achieved/ Not achieved	2020/21 Actual
The water provided is safe to drink	Providing continuous, efficient, quality water supply to communities ensures the health of consumers	Drinking water supplies comply with Part 4 of the drinking-water standards (bacteria compliance criteria) As measured by bacterial water sample results				
	oonidaord	Ōtorohanga	Complies	Complies	Achieved	Complies
		Kāwhia	Complies	Complies	Achieved	Complies
		Drinking water supplies comply with Part 5 of the drinking-water standards (protozoal compliance criteria)				

Capital Expenditure

	2021 AP Estimate \$	2021 Actual \$
Comital Formanditure	(000's)	(000's)
Capital Expenditure - Renewals (Maintaining Service Capacity)	1,074	738
- Growth (Improving Service Capacity) - Level of Service (Improvements to Service)	398	49



Level of Service	How it contributes	How we measure our performance				
	to our community outcomes		Baseline	2020/21	Achieved/ Not	2020/21
			2016/17	Target	achieved	Actual
		Ōtorohanga	Doesn't Comply	Complies	Achieved	Complies
		Kāwhia	Doesn't Comply	Complies	Not achieved	Doesn't comply
		Percentage of real water loss from the networked reticulation system				
		Ōtorohanga	Not measured	30%	Achieved	25%
		Kāwhia	Not measured	30%	Not achieved	40%
		Median response time to:				
		Urgent call-outs	1hr 45mins	<3hr 35mins	Achieved	1 hr 24 mins
		Non-urgent call-outs	47hrs 44mins	<25hrs	Achieved	6 hrs 24 mins
		Median resolution times for				
		Urgent call-outs	Not measured	<18hrs	Achieved	1 hr 36 mins
		Non-urgent call-outs	Not measured	<31hrs	Achieved	19 hrs 6 mins
The Council provides reliable drinking water supplies	Providing continuous, efficient, quality water supply to communities ensures the health of	Number of complaints, per 1000 connections, relating to water clarity, water taste, water odour, water pressure or flow, continuity of supply and Council's responses to those issues	1 complaint	<5 complaints	Not achieved	23 complaints
	consumers	Average consumption of drinking water per day per resident within the Ōtorohanga District.	422.85L per person per day	300L per person per day	Not achieved	405.57L per person per day



Bacterial and Protozoa Compliance

Drinking Water Standards NZ are broken into two areas – Treatment Plants and Reticulation Zones. The Ōtorohanga Water Treatment Plant has met both the Bacterial and Protozoa compliance for this year while Kāwhia complied Bacterial but not Protozoa.

Although Kāwhia received non-compliance for the drinking standards it was due to technical non-compliance issues and not due to producing unsafe water.

Compliance with the "Duties of drinking water suppliers" under the Health Act 1956 was achieved for both Ōtorohanga and Kāwhia.

Percentage of real water loss

Kāwhia – There are limited individual read water meters in Kāwhia which makes it difficult to measure water loss. A minimum night flow calculation is used instead. This is done by taking an average of the water pumped into the reservoirs between 1 am and 3 am over 90 days (A small volume of water is subtracted for moderate night time use 2.5 litres/connection). This figure is then calculated against the total water treated for the year to arrive at a percentage of water loss from the network. As the majority of properties in Kawhia are not individually metered it cannot be determined whether the loss is in the network or within private property. The installation of individual water meters will assist in more accurate data in the future.

Ōtorohanga – is comparatively more simple as the measure is simply based off the production coming through the bulk meter at the Ōtorohanga Water Treatment Plant, compared to usage data from the reading of the individual water meters on each domestic property within the town.

It is important to note that both the calculations do not factor in water lost during water leaks, water main flushing and water used by water carriers and Emergency Services.

Water consumption per person

Ōtorohanga is calculated by dividing the total of the water produced through the Ōtorohanga Treatment Plant by the number of domestic water meters (Does not include Waipa Rural Water Scheme or Commercial and business water meters)

Kāwhia – This is calculated by dividing the total of water produced through the Kāwhia water treatment plant by the number of residents. (No allowance has been made for seasonal changes in population)

Response times to call-outs

Overall urgent call-outs were responded to with a median time 1 hour 36 minutes. This was within the target of 3 hours 35 minutes. For non-urgent call-outs, the median response time was 6 hours 24 minutes, which is less than the target of 25 hours.

Resolution times for call-outs

In total 104 water related incidents within Ōtorohanga and Kāwhia were recorded in the service request system. All of these incidents were attended to within the targeted times.



Water Supply Cost of Service Statement

2020 Actual \$	Cost of Service Statement	2021 AP Estimate \$	2021 Actual \$
(000's)		(000's)	(000's)
	OPERATING INCOME		
29	Activity Revenue	4	85
1,640	Targeted Rates	1,774	1,735
15	Development Contributions	-	6
44	General Rates	38	54
465	Other General Sources	466	957
2,193	TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	2,282	2,837
	OPERATING EXPENDITURE		
283	Arohena RWS	288	314
79	Ranginui RWS	69	81
205	TIhiroa RWS	243	240
104	Waipa RWS	96	242
475	Ōtorohanga Water Supply	458	936
461	Ōtorohanga Water Treatment Station	468	441
24	Ōtorohanga Water Supply Loan	26	22
209	Kāwhia Water Supply	207	320
501	Water Services	507	523
2,341	TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURE	2,362	3,119
(148)	NET COST OF SERVICE	(80)	(282)



Water Supply Funding Impact Statement

	2019/20 Long Term Plan \$	2020/21 Long Term Plan \$	2020/21 Actual \$
	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)
Sources of operating funding	24	24	5 4
General rates, uniform annual general charges, rates penalties Targeted rates (other than a targeted rate for water supply)	31 1,743	34 1,882	54 1,735
Subsidies and grants for operating purposes	1,743	1,002	1,733
Fees and charges	16	17	17
Internal charges and overheads recovered	945	997	957
Local authorities fuel tax, fines, infringement fees and other receipts	5	4	9
Total operating funding	2,740	2,934	2,772
Applications of operating funding			
Payments to staff and suppliers	850	885	1,100
Finance costs	44	53	31
Internal charges and overheads applied	1,349	1,417	1,364
Other operating funding applications	35	35	52
Total application of operating funding	2,278	2,390	2,547
Surplus (deficit) of operating funding	462	544	225
Sources of capital funding			
Subsidies and grants for capital expenditure	-	-	60
Development and financial contributions	-	-	-
Increase (decrease) in debt	43	506	229
Gross proceeds from sale of assets	-	-	-
Lump sum contributions Total sources of capital funding	43	- 506	289
Total sources of capital fullding	43	506	209
Application of capital funding			
Capital expenditure			
- To meet additional demand	-	<u>-</u>	-
- To improve the level of service	10	213	49
- To replace existing assets	459 36	798 39	738
Increase (decrease) in reserves Increase (decrease) of investments	36	39	(273)
Total application of capital funding	505	1,050	514
Total application of capital failuring		1,550	314
Surplus (deficit) of capital funding	(462)	(544)	(225)
Funding balance	-	-	-



SEWERAGE TREATMENT AND DISPOSAL

This activity (encompassing collection, reticulation and treatment of sewerage) is undertaken in the Ōtorohanga Community to prevent nuisance and health risks, and to meet the expectations of residents of larger communities.

Whilst there is no legal obligation on Council to maintain this activity it is strongly believed that such a service makes a significant contribution to community wellbeing, and that it should therefore be continued.

Internal Borrowing

The Sewerage Treatment and Disposal group of activities has internal borrowing as at 30 June 2021 of \$1,282,093. During the year \$30,000 of additional borrowing was taken, and repayments totalling \$132,665 were made. Interest on internal borrowings was paid of \$48,467.

Capital Expenditure

	2021 AP Estimate \$	2021 Actual \$
Capital Expenditure - Renewals (Maintaining Service Capacity) - Growth (Improving Service Capacity)	(000's) 697	(000 's)
- Level of Service (Improvements to Service)	-	-

Key Sewerage Treatment and Disposal Levels of Service Targets and Performance

Level of Service	How it contributes to our community outcomes	How we measure our performance	Baseline 2016/17	2020/21 Target	Achieved/ Not achieved	2020/21 Actual
The Council provides wastewater services that effectively collect and dispose of wastewater	Ensure that the needs of local and visitor communities are met. Contributes to the public	Number of dry weather sewerage overflows from the territorial authority's sewerage system, expressed per 1000 sewerage connections	0 overflows	0 overflows	Achieved	0 overflows
Wastewater disposal as provided by the Council does not create any smells, spills or health issues and	health of the community Ensures that the natural and physical environment is	Compliance with the resource consents for discharge from the sewerage system measured by the number of:	0 compliance issues	0 compliance issues	Achieved	0



Level of Service	How it contributes to our community outcomes	How we measure our performance	Baseline 2016/17	2020/21 Target	Achieved/ Not achieved	2020/21 Actual	
causes minimal impact on the natural environment	not seriously affected by wastewater services.	Abatement notices Infringements notices;					
		Enforcement orders; and Convictions, received by the territorial authority in relation to those resource consents					
		Median response times for attending to sewerage overflows resulting from a blockage or other fault in the sewerage system; measured					
		Attendance time: from the time of notification to the time service personnel reach the site	14hrs 30 mins	<0hrs 50 mins	Not achieved	1 hr 30 mins	
		Resolution time: from the time of notification to the time service personnel confirm resolution of the blockage or fault	15hrs 30mins	<32hrs 0mins	Achieved	1 hr 54 mins	
		Total number of complaints received by the territorial authority about any of the following:					
		Sewage odour;	1 incident	<12	Achieved	2	
			Sewerage system faults;	4 incidents	<5	Not achieved	6
		Sewerage system blockages; and	6 incidents	<12	Achieved	9	
		Response to issues with the sewerage system, expressed per 1000 connections to the sewerage system	5.2 incidents	<10	Not achieved	14.2	



Sewerage Overflows

A number of sewer related incidents this year were as a result of damage to the network by directional drilling contractor, there were no dry weather overflow events as result of the infrastructure failure.

Sewerage Complaints

A relatively small amount of complaints relating to the sewage network, mostly centred around blockages.

Resource Consents

Otorohanga waste water treatment plant received full compliance on four of the five discharge consents and a partial compliance on the fifth consent for the 2020-21 consent period. The partial compliance was as a result of elevated levels of Total phosphorus, Suspended Solids and E. coli.

Sewerage Treatment and Disposal Cost of Service Statement

2020 Actual \$		2021 AP Estimate	2021 Actual \$
(000's)		(000's)	(000's)
(OPERATING INCOME	((
76	Activity Revenue	62	70
537	Targeted Rates	492	493
24	Development Contributions	-	9
30	General Rates	23	30
-	Other General Sources	4	-
667	TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	581	602
	OPERATING EXPENDITURE		
680	Ōtorohanga Sewerage	638	815
55	Ōtorohanga Sewerage Loan	79	51
735	TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURE	717	866
(68)	NET COST OF SERVICE	(136)	(264)



Sewerage Treatment and Disposal Funding Impact Statement

	2019/20 Long Term Plan \$	2020/21 Long Term Plan \$	2020/21 Actual \$
	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)
Sources of operating funding	25	06	20
General rates, uniform annual general charges, rates penalties Targeted rates (other than a targeted rate for water supply)	25 531	26 557	30 493
Subsidies and grants for operating purposes	551	337	493
Fees and charges	62	64	70
Internal charges and overheads recovered	-	-	-
Local authorities fuel tax, fines, infringement fees and other receipts	1	1	-
Total operating funding	619	648	593
Applications of operating funding			
Payments to staff and suppliers	142	145	348
Finance costs	54	52	48
Internal charges and overheads applied	161	164	181
Other operating funding applications	22	23	23
Total application of operating funding	379	384	600
Surplus (deficit) of operating funding	240	264	(7)
Sources of capital funding			
Subsidies and grants for capital expenditure	-	-	-
Development and financial contributions	-	-	-
Increase (decrease) in debt	28	(131)	(103)
Gross proceeds from sale of assets	-	-	-
Lump sum contributions	-	- (404)	- (400)
Total sources of capital funding	28	(131)	(103)
Application of capital funding			
Capital expenditure			
- To meet additional demand	-	-	-
- To improve the level of service	-	-	-
- To replace existing assets	267	208	180
Increase (decrease) in reserves Increase (decrease) of investments	1	(75)	(290)
Total application of capital funding	268	133	(110)
Total application of capital full till	200	133	(110)
Surplus (deficit) of capital funding	(240)	(264)	7
Funding balance	-	-	



FLOOD PROTECTION AND CONTROL WORKS

A system of flood control works to protect the Ōtorohanga community was constructed after a devastating flood in 1958, and Council is committed to working with the Waikato Regional Council to continue to operate and maintain these works.

Internal Borrowing

The Flood Protection and Control Works group of activities has internal borrowing as at 30 June 2021 of \$143,298. During the year no additional borrowing was taken, and repayments totalling \$13,897 were made. Interest on internal borrowings was paid of \$5,502.

Capital Expenditure

	2021 AP Estimate \$	2021 Actual \$
Capital Expenditure - Renewals (Maintaining Service Capacity) - Growth (Improving Service Capacity) - Level of Service (Improvements to Service)	(000 ° s) 241 - -	(000 's) 8 - -

Key Flood Protection and Control Works Levels of Service Targets and Performance

Level of Service	How it contributes to our community outcomes	How we measure our performance	Baseline 2016/17	2020/21 Target	Achieved/ Not achieved	2020/21 Actual
Retention of assets in substantially the same form as when they were initially constructed	Effective maintenance of flood protection systems will ensure that communities are safe and healthy and ensure that efficient and effective water services are provided, to meet both current and future demands.	Quantitative assessment of condition and serviceability of flood protection assets based on an annual inspection conducted by Council staff and elected members, as well as monthly maintenance checks by water services staff	67% against quantifiable criteria	>80% against quantifiable standardised assessment criteria as set by Regional Council	Achieved	82%



Flood Protection and Control Works Cost of Service Statement

2020 Actual \$		2021 AP Estimate \$	2021 Actual \$
(000's)		(000's)	(000's)
, ,	OPERATING INCOME	, ,	, ,
108	Activity Revenue	138	126
22	Targeted Rates	23	23
-	Development Contributions	-	-
6	General Rates	2	4
11	Other General Sources	6	-
147	TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	169	153
_	OPERATING EXPENDITURE		
5	Drainage Legalisation	-	
151	Ōtorohanga Flood Protection	138	154
14	Aotea Erosion Maintenance	16	43
2	Aotea Erosion Loan	2	2
172	TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURE	156	199
(25)	NET COST OF SERVICE	13	(46)



Flood Protection and Control Works Funding Impact Statement

	2019/20 Long Term Plan	2020/21 Long Term Plan	2020/21 Actual
	(000's)	\$ (000's)	\$ (000's)
Sources of operating funding	(000 5)	(000 5)	(000 5)
General rates, uniform annual general charges, rates penalties	5	11	4
Targeted rates (other than a targeted rate for water supply)	24	24	23
Subsidies and grants for operating purposes	-	-	-
Fees and charges	-	-	-
Internal charges and overheads recovered	-	<u>-</u>	-
Local authorities fuel tax, fines, infringement fees and other receipts	139	154	126
Total operating funding	168	189	153
Applications of operating funding			
Payments to staff and suppliers	74	91	97
Finance costs	6	5	6
Internal charges and overheads applied	39	40	50
Other operating funding applications	-	-	-
Total application of operating funding	119	136	153
Surplus (deficit) of operating funding	49	53	-
Sources of capital funding			
Subsidies and grants for capital expenditure	_	_	_
Development and financial contributions	_	_	_
Increase (decrease) in debt	(14)	(14)	(14)
Gross proceeds from sale of assets	` -	` -	` -
Lump sum contributions	-	-	-
Total sources of capital funding	(14)	(14)	(14)
Application of capital funding			
Capital expenditure			
- To meet additional demand	_	-	-
- To improve the level of service	-	-	-
- To replace existing assets	74	22	8
Increase (decrease) in reserves	(39)	17	(22)
Increase (decrease) of investments	-	-	-
Total application of capital funding	35	39	(14)
Surplus (deficit) of capital funding	(49)	(53)	-
Funding balance		-	



STORMWATER DRAINAGE

Council is required to administer urban drainage maintenance under the Land Drainage Act 1908, and considers that this activity also makes a positive contribution towards the potential for beneficial development in the urban areas. The provision of urban drainage protects private property (including land and assets) from flooding and subsequent erosion, and enables Council to fulfil its statutory responsibilities under the Building Act 1991.

Environment Waikato has largely relieved Council of their responsibility for managing rural land drainage schemes.

Internal Borrowing

The Stormwater Drainage group of activities has internal borrowing as at 30 June 2021 of \$525,321. During the year no additional borrowing was taken, and repayments totalling \$56,127 were made. Interest on internal borrowings was paid of \$20,350.

Capital Expenditure

	2021 AP Estimate \$	2021 Actual \$
Capital Expenditure - Renewals (Maintaining Service Capacity) - Growth (Improving Service Capacity) - Level of Service (Improvements to Service)	(000°s) 71 -	(000 ° s) 72 - -

Key Stormwater Drainage Levels of Service Targets and Performance

Level of Service	How it contributes to our community outcomes	How we measure our performance	Baseline 2016/17	2020/21 Target	Achieved/ Not achieved	2020/21 Actual
Council stormwater	Sound planning of appropriate stormwater systems will ensure that	Number of flooding events that occur in the district	0 flooding events	0 flooding events	Achieved	0
systems are well operated and maintained	communities are healthy and ensure that efficient and effective water services are provided, to meet both current and future demands.	For each flooding event, the number of habitable floors affected (expressed per 1000 properties connected to the Stormwater systems)	0 habitable floors	0 habitable floors	Achieved	0



Level of Service	How it contributes to our community outcomes	How we measure our performance	Baseline 2016/17	2020/21 Target	Achieved/ Not achieved	2020/21 Actual
		Compliance with resource consents for discharge from the Stormwater systems, measured by the number of:			Achieved	
		Abatement notices; and Infringement notices; and Enforcement notices; and Successful prosecutions, received in relation to the resource consents	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0		0 0 0 0
		The median response time to attend a flooding event, measured from the time we receive notification to the time service personnel reach the site	No flooding events	<4hr 30 mins	Achieved	0
		Number of complaints received about the performance of the Stormwater system, expressed per 1000 properties connected to the Stormwater system	4.3 complaints	2 complaints	Achieved	1

Number of Flooding events

This measure is a record of flooding events that affect habitable floors of properties of which there were 0 this year. Council did however record a power failure of a stormwater pump that resulted in surface flooding of a house section in Kawhia. The power failure was caused by a network power outage, not asset failure.

Stormwater Resource Consents

Otorohanga Urban Discharge consent obtained Full Compliance with the consent conditions for 2020 -2021 compliance period.

Kawhia Urban Discharge consent obtain Low Risk Non-compliance for the 2020-2021 compliance period



Stormwater Drainage Cost of Service Statement

2020 Actual \$		2021 AP Estimate \$	2021 Actual \$
(000's)		(000's)	(000's)
	OPERATING INCOME		
(4)	Activity Revenue	10	1
-	Targeted Rates	-	-
-	Development Contributions	-	-
214	General Rates	207	211
-	Other General Sources	-	-
210	TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	217	212
407	OPERATING EXPENDITURE	475	470
167	Otorohanga Stormwater	175	170
43	Kāwhia Stormwater	41	42
210	TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURE	216	212
-	NET COST OF SERVICE	1	-

Stormwater Drainage Funding Impact Statement

	2019/20 Long Term Plan	2020/21 Long Term Plan	2020/21 Actual \$
	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)
Sources of operating funding	, ,	, ,	
General rates, uniform annual general charges, rates penalties	181	187	211
Targeted rates (other than a targeted rate for water supply) Subsidies and grants for operating purposes	-	-	-
Fees charges and targeted rates for water supply		-	-
Internal charges and overheads recovered	-	-	1
Local authorities fuel tax, fines, infringement fees and other receipts	10	10	-
Total operating funding	191	197	212
Applications of operating funding			
Payments to staff and suppliers	17	17	13
Finance costs	21	19	20
Internal charges and overheads applied	37	38	38
Other operating funding applications	18 93	18 92	19
Total application of operating funding Surplus (deficit) of operating funding	93	105	90 122
Surplus (deficit) of operating funding	30	105	122
Sources of capital funding			
Subsidies and grants for capital expenditure	-	-	-
Development and financial contributions	- (55)	- (55)	(50)
Increase (decrease) in debt Gross proceeds from sale of assets	(55)	(55)	(56)
Lump sum contributions		-	-
Total sources of capital funding	(55)	(55)	(56)
Application of capital funding			
Capital expenditure			
- To meet additional demand	-	-	_
- To improve the level of service	-	-	-
- To replace existing assets	6	22	72
Increase (decrease) in reserves	37	28	(6)
Increase (decrease) of investments Total application of capital funding	43	- 50	66
Total application of capital funding	43	50	00
Surplus (deficit) of capital funding	(98)	(105)	(122)
Funding balance	-	-	-



COMMUNITY SERVICES

Internal Borrowing

The Community Services group of activities has internal borrowing as at 30 June 2021 of \$613,012. During the year no additional borrowing was taken, and repayments totalling \$83,656 were made. Interest on internal borrowings was paid of \$24,383.

Capital Expenditure

	2021 AP Estimate \$	2021 Actual \$
Conital Evanaditura	(000's)	(000's)
Capital Expenditure - Renewals (Maintaining Service Capacity)	312	146
- Growth (Improving Service Capacity)	50	-
- Level of Service (Improvements to Service)	126	282

Parks and Reserves (including Public Conveniences)

Council's involvement in parks, reserves and associated activities is, in part, based upon provisions of the Reserves Act 1977 and the Resource

Management Act 1991 and is also intended to improve the general quality of life for the residents in the District. In particular, the parks and reserves provide facilities for passive or active enjoyment by residents and visitors alike.

Key Parks, and Reserves (including Public Conveniences) Level of Service Targets and Performance

Level of Service	How it contributes to our community outcomes	How we measure our performance	Baseline 2016/2017	2020/21 Target	Achieved/ Not achieved	2020/21 Actual
Providing Council parks and reserves that enhance our	Parks and reserves provide for a number of things – a sense of place, active recreation spaces	Paths and tracks comply with relevant standards*	50%	50% compliance	Achieved	85%
communities quality of life	and opportunities for communities to interact – all contributing to our community outcomes	Playground equipment comply with relevant standards**	25%	45% compliance	Achieved	93%
		Park furniture meets safety and maintenance criteria	70%	80% meet safety criteria	Achieved	90%
Public toilets as provided by Council are maintained in good condition	Having safe toilets helps achieve safe and healthy communities	Number of complaints received about public conveniences recorded in the service request system	2 complaints	<12 complaints	Not achieved	14 complaints

^{*} New Zealand Standard NZS 8630 sets out legislation and best practice for outdoor tracks and structures

^{**} New Zealand Standards NZS 5828 sets out legislation and best practice for playground equipment and surfacing



Library

In providing open and inclusive public spaces, public libraries play a key role in levelling social, economic, cultural and educational inequities.

Public libraries are welcoming community spaces with books, audio-visual and digital resources for information, recreation and self-education.

Our qualified and experienced librarians deliver extensive services and a range of public programmes.

Our core roles are:

(a) Valuing a Reading Culture

Literacy is the core skill required to participate in modern life. It empowers people, is crucial for personal educational success and economic well-being, and it builds more capable and productive communities.

A public library's unique role is to cultivate a love of reading and learning as widely as possible throughout the community.

(b) Fostering Community Connectedness

Connectedness is the feeling of being welcome, included, respected and able to easily contribute. Connected communities are more cohesive, stable and high-functioning, more resilient and better able to develop and participate in enterprise and growth opportunities.

Public libraries are perfectly placed to provide this role for the community. They are a welcoming public space open to all, and in general safe and trusted. They provide a place for people to connect with each other and with a world of information and ideas.

(c) Safeguarding Cultural Memory

The public library has a unique role to collect, preserve and provide access to the cultural memories of the local community.

The public library enables people now, and into the future, to connect or reconnect to their families' and community's stories.

Key Library Level of Service Targets and Performance

Level of Service	How it contributes to our community outcomes	How we measure our performance	Baseline 2016/2017	2020/21 Target	Achieved/ Not achieved	2020/21 Actual
Relevance of library services to the community is measured by:	Healthy, cohesive, and informed communities have access to a wide range of current library materials, in a variety of formats.	Statistical data is maintained to record material issued	38,201 physical items 705 e-books	2% increase in materials issued per year (print and e- issues)	Achieved	11% increase (36,174 Physical items 1,841 e-resources)
 Material issued Physical items E-books Digital materials Physical visits Website visits 	People in the community have access to public spaces offering programmes and activities which contribute to local identity, lifelong learning and recreation	Library visits per capita per year	4.18 visits	2% increase in visitor numbers per year	Not achieved	7% decrease (24,262 visits)



Level of Service	How it contributes to our community outcomes	How we measure our performance	Baseline 2016/2017	2020/21 Target	Achieved/ Not achieved	2020/21 Actual
Computer sessions						
Library Programmes and Activities		Numbers participating in library programmes and activities for the year	New measure	2% increase in numbers participating in library programmes and activities for the year	Achieved	21% increase (693 participants)
Currency of physical book stock is maintained		Book stock has an average publication date of 10 years or less	89%	>75% have publication date less than 10 years	Achieved	81%

Number of Books Issued

A total of 38,015 physical and e-materials were issued at Ōtorohanga and Kāwhia libraries between 1 July 2020 and 30 June 2021. This is a 11% increase on the 2019/20 year when 33,750 items were issued.

Physical items have increased to 36,174, which is still 7% down on issues pre-COVID-19 (2018/19), but has increased on last year's use. This figure correlates with the decrease in visits to the library during the year.

eResources continue to grow in use (1841 issues), with an increase of 15% against last year's usage. The uptake of eResources during the lockdown last year has kick started the growth within these collections.

Library Programmes and activities

Between 1 July 2020 and 30 June 2021, a total 693 participants (adults and children) attended library programmes and activities. This is a 21% increase on last year. COVID-19 has affected both years, as Level 4 (library closed) and Level 3 (no children's programmes run) have occurred in both years.

Visits per Capita per Year

During the 2020/21 year, there were 24,262 visits to the Ōtorohanga Library. Visits to the Kāwhia Library are not recorded. The Ōtorohanga Library's visitor figure equates to 2.4 visits per capita per year, over the entire District's population.



Visits are down 7% on the previous year. The lack of tourists has impacted the numbers of visits. Prior to COVID-19, the library saw a lot of tourist visitors over the summer months. These were predominantly utilising the APNK network. During Level 3 restrictions, visits were down at the library.

Current Book Stock

As at 30 June 2021, 81% of the Ōtorohanga Library book stock had been published since 2010. This is slightly lower than the 2019/20 year (82%) and is due to weeding being deferred due to staff shortages.

Note: This measure has not been applied to the Kāwhia Library book stock – the Kāwhia Library holdings has consisted primarily of donated materials, most of which are not of recent publication. In the six months from January 2021 to June 2021 work has started to refresh the collections at Kāwhia. However, there is still a lot to do in the branch to improve the age of the collections.



Housing for the Elderly

Housing for the elderly is owned and managed to meet community expectations, fulfil social obligations and ensure that there is a good standard of affordable rental accommodation available to elderly residents.

Key Housing for the Elderly Level of Service Targets and Performance

Level of Service	How it contributes to our community outcomes	How we measure our performance	Baseline 2016/2017	2020/21 Target	Achieved/ Not achieved	2020/21 Actual
Provide Housing for the Elderly that is fully utilised	This service ensures Ōtorohanga District has housing that satisfies the needs of the community and is seen to be an ideal	Percentage of the year units are occupied	Ōtorohanga 98.95% Kāwhia 96.47%	>95% occupied	Achieved	Ōtorohanga 96.15% Kāwhia 98.3%
Good standards of maintenance and accommodation are maintained by Council	place for retirement	Maintenance items identified during quarterly inspections remedied to residents satisfaction, as measured by annual survey	100% satisfaction	>95% satisfaction	Achieved	100% satisfaction

Occupancy Rates

During the year, units in Ōtorohanga were unoccupied for an approximate total of 12 weeks, while units in Kāwhia were unoccupied for a total of 19.5 weeks.

Maintenance

With quarterly inspections being carried out, Council staff are keeping on top of any maintenance items required. Any issues raised by tenants are dealt with in a timely manner.



Other Property

Council owns various types of property, which are managed in the best interests of the residents and ratepayers of the District. These properties are classified as commercial or community investments.

Key Other Property Level of Service Targets and Performance

Level of Service	How it contributes to our	How we measure our				
	community outcomes	performance	Baseline	2020/21 Target	Achieved/	2020/21
			2016/2017		Not achieved	Actual
Ensure that all buildings and structures are maintained in a sound, sanitary and safe condition	Having buildings that are maintained in a sound, sanitary and safe condition – ensures our communities are safe	Building maintenance is regularly assessed and carried out	Urgent maintenance carried out within 5 working days	Urgent maintenance carried out within 5 working days	Achieved	Within 3 days
Ensure that all buildings with a Compliance Schedule meet the requirements of the Building Act		All applicable buildings have a current Building Warrant of Fitness (BWOF)	4 of 4 applicable buildings have current BWOF*	Current BWOF in place	Achieved	4 out of 4 current BWOF

^{*} Buildings are Ōtorohanga Council Building, Swimming Pools, Kāwhia Community Hall and Ōtorohanga Public Library.

Of the council buildings which require a compliance schedule under the Building Act 2004 and Fire Safety and Evacuation of Buildings Regulations 2006 all 4 are up-to-date with their building warrants of fitness.



Swimming Pool

Council carries out this activity to meet the expectations of the Community. There is no legal obligation to do so. Council contracts the operation of the swimming pool out to CLM, an experienced leisure facility operator.

Key Swimming Pool Level of Service Targets and Performance

Level of Service	How it contributes to our	How we measure our				
community outcomes performance	Baseline 2016/2017	2020/21 Target	Achieved/ Not achieved	2020/21 Actual		
Provision of a clean, safe, public swimming pool that can be accessed by the District	Ensuring that the public's access to a safe public swimming facility helps create safe communities and a range of recreational facilities	The water quality of the pools meets acceptable standards* for the safety and health of users	100% of acceptable standards each month for indoor pool. 93% of acceptable standards each month for outdoor pool.	Daily testing meets acceptable standards* 85% of each month	Achieved	89.5%

^{*} Acceptable standards as defined in the contract including NZS 5826

The pool facility is considered to provide a sound level of service for a community of this size. The contractor is required to meet standards of supervision recommended in NZRA Aquatic Facility Guidelines 2007, and to test pool water quality in accordance with NZS 5826: 2000. Pool Management is also to comply with Water Safety NZ / ACC Poolsafe Quality Management Scheme.

Water Quality Tests

From the testing completed by the pool contractor, the indoor and outdoor pools fully complied with the requirements of NZS 5826. It has also met all requirements of the Aquatic Facilities Quality Management Scheme (AFQMS) each month.



Cemeteries

The Activity is undertaken to comply with legislation under Section 4 of the Burial and Cremations Act 1964, and to meet the expectations of the Community.

Key Cemeteries Level of Service Targets and Performance

Level of Service	How it contributes to our community outcomes	How we measure our performance	Baseline	2020/21	Achieved/ Not	2020/21
			2016/2017	Target	achieved	Actual
The Cemeteries are well maintained and developed for future use	Well maintained and conveniently located cemeteries will be provided and planned for ahead of growth and development, ensuring these needs are met in the future	Number of complaints received regarding maintenance of the cemeteries	4 complaints received	Less than 10 complaints	Achieved	0 complaints
Information about cemeteries and internments are readily available	Providing information about internments at the cemeteries provides a link to the history of the District	Number of page views of cemetery information on Council website	2,420 page views to 16 March 2017	>4,000 page views	Not achieved	2,833 page views

Number of Complaints

No complaints for the Ōtorohanga cemetery were received during the year.

Website Page Views

A total of 2,833 page views were received for cemetery information pages on www.otodc.govt.nz, up until 30 June 2021.



Solid Waste

There is a community expectation that household waste is removed from properties and managed in an environmentally sound manner.

Council has no legal requirement to carry out this activity but believes that it will better protect the environment by providing cost effective and efficient methods of refuse disposal and recycling. It is also generally expected by the community that the Council will provide this service.

Following a public consultation process, Council adopted the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan 2018-2024 on 24 July 2018, which sets out Council's proposals for achieving effective and efficient waste diversion throughout the District. Council receives Waste Minimisation funding by way of a Waste Disposal Levy from the Ministry for the Environment. Council is required to report on this spending to them and to spend this levy as it has proposed in the plan.

Key Solid Waste Level of Service Targets and Performance

Level of Service	How it contributes to our community outcomes	How we measure our performance	Baseline 2016/17	2020/21 Target	Achieved/ Not achieved	2020/21 Actual
Refuse and recycling collection services are provided and recycling actively	Councils planning for the future of the District will	Increase in recycling volumes over previous year	13.35% decrease	1% increase	Achieved	2.63% increase
promoted	consider growth and development in its waste management strategies, and will involve recycling as a key aspect for	Complaints received from people whose rubbish was not collected during kerbside collection as recorded in the service request system	3 complaints	<10 complaints	Achieved	9 complaints
The closed landfills the Council is responsible for meet environmental compliance	the importance of the character and natural values of our District	Extent of compliance with associated Resource Consent conditions for the closed landfills in Ōtorohanga and Kāwhia	Full Compliance	Full Compliance	Not achieved	Partial compliance
Provide a roadside litter collection service throughout the rural area	This service ensures that Ōtorohanga's clean green image is maintained and the rural environment is not a dumping ground	Number of complaints received regarding roadside litter	5 complaints	<12 complaints	Achieved	2 complaints



Recycling Volumes

Overall there was an increase in recycling volumes over the previous year of 2.63%. This can be attributed to increased public interest, good education and global trends focused at looking after our environment.

Number of Complaints

A total of 9 complaints have been recorded as being received related to kerbside collection. These related to missed pickups. The contractor returned to pick up the refuse/recycling after being informed.

Landfill Resource Consents

The sampling contractor, Food and Health Environmental, has completed the sampling and testing at both closed landfills for 2020/21 and all reports have been forwarded to Waikato Regional Council with Council's report.

The partial compliance relates to issues with the monitoring and reporting processes in place. Council has now engaged new sampling contractors along with a new reporting contractor to make sure we fully comply with consents.



District Sports Co-ordinator

Council's role in this scheme satisfies part of its Mission Statement by recognising the social need to promote physical activity. Through the

District Sports Co-ordinator scheme, Council delivers a range of leisure programmes and events which increase participation in leisure activities.

Key District Sports Co-ordinator Scheme Level of Service Targets and Performance

Level of Service	How it contributes to our community outcomes	How we measure our performance	Baseline 2016/2017	2020/21 Target	Achieved/ Not achieved	2020/21 Actual
Delivery of sport and leisure activities as per agreement between Sport Waikato and Ōtorohanga District Council	The Council supports the development of communities by providing funding to agencies where it sees that such funding will positively support and make our communities more healthy and active	100% compliance with agreement monitored through quarterly reports to Council	Not applicable	100% Compliance	Achieved	100% compliance

Council no longer funds a Sports Co-ordinator, but instead has an agreement with Sport Waikato to deliver a range of sport and active recreation outcomes for our district. Sport Waikato met their obligations under this agreement through the 2020/21 financial year.



Community Services Cost of Service Statement

2020 Actual \$		2021 AP Estimate \$	2021 Actual \$
(000's)		(000's)	(000's)
	OPERATING REVENUE		
418	Activity Revenue	477	430
380	Targeted Rates	379	381
60	Development Contributions	10	21
1,901	General Rates	2,211	2,012
10	Other General Sources	6	1
2,769	TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	3,083	2,845
	OPERATING EXPENDITURE		
691	Parks and Reserves	814	805
147	Public Conveniences	169	129
376	Library	368	342
375	Swimming Pools	408	392
163	Pensioner Housing	176	292
68	Halls	68	82
52	Harbour Services	57	57
99	Cemeteries	113	98
161	Other Council Property	187	158
406	Solid Waste Management	453	427
98	Security Patrol	114	98
57	Sport Waikato	57	56
2,693	TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURE	2,984	2,936
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76	NET COST OF SERVICE	(99)	(91)



Community Services Funding Impact Statement

	2019/20 Long Term Plan	2020/21 Long Term Plan	2020/21 Actual
	\$	\$	\$
	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)
Sources of operating funding			
General rates, uniform annual general charges, rates penalties	2,011	2,104	2,012
Targeted rates (other than a targeted rate for water supply)	372	374	381
Subsidies and grants for operating purposes	33	34	42
Fees and charges Internal charges and overheads recovered	104	106	67
Local authorities fuel tax, fines, infringement fees and other receipts	355	364	322
Total operating funding	2,875	2,982	2,825
Total operating fulluling	2,075	2,902	2,025
Applications of operating funding			
Payments to staff and suppliers	1.660	1,696	1,543
Finance costs	26	23	24
Internal charges and overheads applied	595	605	584
Other operating funding applications	140	143	171
Total application of operating funding	2,421	2,467	2,322
Surplus (deficit) of operating funding	454	515	503
Sources of capital funding			
Subsidies and grants for capital expenditure	-	-	-
Development and financial contributions	10	10	21
Increase (decrease) in debt	(83)	(83)	(84)
Gross proceeds from sale of assets	-	-	-
Lump sum contributions	- (=0)	- (=0)	- (20)
Total sources of capital funding	(73)	(73)	(63)
Application of capital funding			
Capital expenditure			
- To meet additional demand	_	36	_
- To improve the level of service	37	43	146
- To replace existing assets	210	190	282
Increase (decrease) in reserves	134	173	12
Increase (decrease) of investments	-		
Total application of capital funding	381	442	440
Surplus (deficit) of capital funding	(454)	(515)	(503)
Funding balance	-	-	-



REGULATORY SERVICES

Internal Borrowing

The Regulatory Services group of activities has no internal borrowing as at 30 June 2021. Subsequently, no interest was paid during the year.

Capital Expenditure

	2021 AP Estimate \$	2021 Actual \$
Capital Expenditure - Renewals (Maintaining Service Capacity) - Growth (Improving Service Capacity)	(000's) - -	(000's) - -
- Level of Service (Improvements to Service)	4	2

Building Control

The rationale for this activity is to safeguard people and property by monitoring, inspecting and controlling all building construction and modifications in accordance with the Building Act 2004.

Key Building Control Level of Service Targets and Performance

Level of Service	How it contributes to our community outcomes	How we measure our performance	Baseline 2016/2017	2020/21 Target	Achieved/ Not achieved	2020/21 Actual
The Council processes, inspects and certifies work in Ōtorohanga District	The Council remains a Building Consent Authority to help ensure buildings are safe	Ōtorohanga District Council maintains its processes so that it meets BCA accreditation every two years	Accreditation rating valid until September 2017	Not measured	Achieved	Accreditation 2020/22
	The Fencing of Swimming Pools Act is enforced	Annual recorded pool inspections of the properties listed on the Swimming Pool Register	2% of registered pools inspected	>33% of pools on register	Achieved	100% pools on register
Building consent applications are processed within 20 working days as required by Sec 48 of the Building Act 2004	Council certifies all consented building work complies with the Building Code – ensuring our communities are safe	Percentage of consents processed within 20 working days	100%	100%	Not achieved	85%



Accreditation

An audit and review of Councils building consent authority processes was undertaken by International Accreditation New Zealand August 2021. Council's Building Consent Authority status was considered and deemed low risk and formal re-accreditation is pending and will be advised before the end of September 2021. International Accreditation New Zealand signed off the audit in October 2020. The latest assessment of the BCA functions covers all aspects of plan review and building inspections. The next audit will occur in August 2023.

Swimming Pool Inspections

Over 200 pools are currently listed on the swimming pool register. There have been over 100 inspections of pool fences completed this year. Our 3 year target of inspecting all pools on the register has been achieved and we are now into our following 3 year cycle.. The Building Act 2004, states that "residential pools ... are inspected at least once every 3 years". The program of inspections including follow up visits will continue into the next year.

Building Consent Applications

During the year Council issued 262 building consents. This total is a increase of 34 consents compared to the previous year where 228 consents were issued.



Planning and Development

This activity exists as a result of the statutory requirements of the Resource Management Act 1991. Under this Act Council is required to promote the

sustainable management of natural and physical resources and to enable people and communities to provide for their social, economic, and cultural well-being.

Key Planning and Development Level of Service Targets and Performance

Level of Service	How it contributes to our community outcomes	How we measure our performance	Baseline 2016/2017	2020/21 Target	Achieved/ Not achieved	2020/21 Actual
All resource consent decisions will be notified within the time limits of Sec 115 of the Resource Management Act 1991	Efficiently processing resource consent applications enables the Council to regulate land-use activities consistently with its District Plan (Land use regulations), demonstrating that the Council values the natural environment	The time to process non- notified land use and subdivision consents will be no more than 20 working days	93% processed within 20 working days	100%	Not achieved	76% processed within 20 working days
Good advice will be delivered to help people understand the District Plan rules	Good advice from the Council, in accordance with the District Plan, will contribute to ensuring that growth and development is managed appropriately and that the natural environment of the District is treated respectively	Current and consistent information available to the public	All information is up to date	Updated information available on Council website	Achieved	Updated information available on Council website

Non-notified Consents

A total of 76 non-notified consents were issued during the year. The processing time for eighteen consents exceeded 20 working days. Detailed information on resource consents and planning policy is provided annually to the Ministry for the Environment.

Information Available

The District Plan and planning maps can be viewed and downloaded from Council's website. Application forms and other planning information are also available online. Viewers are directed to the Quality Planning Website for more detailed and technical advice on the Resource Management Act 1991. Application packs for land use and subdivision application are

available over the counter or can be mailed out upon request. The information and forms in these packs are reviewed on a regular basis or when there is a change of legislation or policy.

Information on notified applications was regularly updated on the Council website. This includes technical reports and final decisions at the conclusion of the hearing process.



Civil Defence

The rationale for this activity is to fulfil Council's legal obligation under the Civil Defence Emergency Management Act 2002 and to fulfil the Community's expectation that this service will be provided.

Key Civil Defence Level of Service Targets and Performance

Level of Service	How it contributes to our community outcomes	How we measure our performance	Baseline 2016/2017	2020/21 Target	Achieved/ Not achieved	2020/21 Actual
People are prepared for a civil defence	This service means the Council has a direct role in ensuring communities are	Formal training exercises are conducted each year	1 exercise conducted	2 formal training exercises	Not achieved	1 exercise conducted
emergency	prepared for emergencies	The Civil Defence action team comprising key staff will meet at least once between formal exercises to ensure preparedness and training schedules are maintained.	One meeting undertaken	Once between exercises	Achieved	Meetings of WWEOA Committee held on 19/08/2020, 12/11/2020, 26/02/2021 & 2705/2021

Waipa, Waitomo and Ōtorohanga are members of a shared service arrangement called the Western Waikato Emergency Operating Area (WWEOA). The member councils have signed a service level agreement and jointly fund two Emergency Management Officers that are based at Waipa District Council in Te Awamutu, but have office space in both Te Kuiti and Ōtorohanga. Senior managers and key CDEM staff from all three councils meet regularly to coordinate emergency management issues and the implementation of the Waikato Civil Defence Plan.

A combined training exercise with staff from Waipa District Council focusing on water shortages was held in Te Awamutu on 3 December 2020.

A foundation training workshop was held on 17 September 2020 for new staff. This was attended by staff from all three Councils. A foundation training workshop for District Councillors and Community Board members was held on 14 April 2021.



Dog Control

The rationale for this activity is to service the Community's expectation for health, order and safety and to meet the Council's statutory obligations under the Dog Control Act 1996.

Key Dog Control Level of Service Targets and Performance

Level of Service	How it contributes to our community outcomes	How we measure our performance	Baseline 2016/2017	2020/21 Target	Achieved/ Not achieved	2020/21 Actual
Dogs roaming outside property boundaries and on public reserves will be impounded. The dog control officer responds to public complaints about roaming dogs and uplifts and	Through this service, the public feel safe from roaming dogs	Percentage of registered dogs impounded	4.4%	<5%	Achieved	4.18%
impounds dogs found wandering the streets. Regular patrols are carried out in urban areas		Complaints about roaming dogs that are responded to	100%	100%	Achieved	100%

Dog registrations and Impounding

At 30 June 2021 there were 2,174 dogs registered in the Ōtorohanga District. This was a decrease of 101 from the number of registration in the previous year. During the year 91 dogs, many of which were not registered, were impounded.

The current contract for provision of animal and dog control services has now been running for four years. The contractor, Ōtorohanga District

Animal Control Services has developed a strong understanding of the District and has been very effective in this role and the discharge of his duties. There have been continued improvements to the Pound in Otewa Road and further initiatives are being employed to promote education, compliance among dog owners and maintain a high level of public safety for the residents of our District.



Stock Ranging and Impounding

The law relating to the establishment and management of public pounds, trespassing and wandering stock, and the impounding of stock provided under the provisions of the Impounding Act 1955.

Key Stock Ranging and Impounding Level of Service Targets and Performance

Level of Service	How it contributes to our community outcomes	How we measure our performance	Baseline 2016/2017	2020/21 Target	Achieved/ Not achieved	2020/21 Actual
Wandering animals are removed from roadways, public places and private property.	Public safety is enhanced because wandering animals are removed from roads and public places.	Calls about stock wandering on roads are actioned immediately. Response time depends on location of stock and travelling times	100%	100%	Achieved	100%

Stock on Roads and Highways

The Animal Control Officer is contracted to respond to callouts and complaints about stock on Council controlled roads and State Highways

within the Ōtorohanga District during working/daylight hours. After hours response to stock on roads is provided by Councils Roading contractor. Inframax.



Environmental Health

The rationale for this group of activities is to fulfil Council's duty to provide Environmental Health services to meet the requirements of the Health Act

1956, the Local Government Act 2002 and the Resource Management Act 1991.

Key Environmental Health Level of Service Targets and Performance

Level of Service	How it contributes to our community outcomes	How we measure our performance	Baseline	2020/21 Target	Achieved/	2020/21
			2016/2017		Not achieved	Actual
Any cases of communicable disease identified are investigated	The cause of communicable disease is identified and further transmission of the infection is avoided	All communicable disease reports received from the District Health Board are investigated within 10 working days. The result of the investigation is reported back to the Medical Officer of Health no later than 14 working days from receiving the report.	N/A	100%	Not applicable	Not applicable
Premises are inspected to ensure they are	Having healthy food services, helps achieve safe communities	All premises in which food is sold or processed meet the licencing requirements of the Food Act 2012	New measure	100%	Achieved	100%
producing safe food		All licenced premises receive at least one annual inspection. All inspections recorded in the Magiq database.	100%	1 annual inspection per licensed premise	Achieved	100%
The sale and supply of liquor is controlled to prevent bad behaviour	The Council will help to achieve safe and healthy communities through preventing bad behaviour as a result of liquor supply	A liquor licence is held in respect of all premises at which liquor is sold or supplied, and every premise licensed for the sale or supply of liquor is managed by an appropriately qualified person	100%	100%	Achieved	100%



Communicable Diseases

Due to the changes in workloads and responsibilities brought about by the commencement of the Food Act 2012 there has been a reallocation of duties between Territorial Authorities, District Health Board and Ministry for Primary industries, As a result the task of investigating and reporting on communicable diseases now rests entirely with the District Health Board

Food Premise Inspections

The transition of food premises from the Food Hygiene Regulations to Food Act 2012 regulations was completed in 2018. All food premises in Ōtorohanga District are now operating under food control plans.

There are 40 current food registrations in District. Eight of these businesses are registered on National Programmes which means the premises are audited by independent verifiers instead of Council officers.

Sale of Alcohol Licenses

All premises involved in the selling of alcohol are required to have a licence, which has to be renewed every three years. These licences are recorded in the Councils database, and reminders are generated when a licence renewal is required. Any premise found to be operating without a licence is committing an offence under the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2013 and would be liable for prosecution. There are currently 22 venues in the District that hold a licence to sell and/or supply alcohol.



Regulatory Services Cost of Service Statement

2020 Actual \$		2021 AP Estimate \$	2021 Actual \$
(000's)		(000's)	(000's)
	OPERATING REVENUE		
742	Activity Revenue	711	1,111
-	Targeted Rates	-	-
-	Development Contributions	<u>-</u>	-
1,080	General Rates	1,226	927
144	Other General Sources	257	72
1,966	TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	2,194	2,110
0.45	OPERATING EXPENDITURE	705	0.40
815	Building Control	765	816
256	Planning & Development	299	220
165	Civil Defence	147	140
179	Dog Control	196	174
13	Stock Ranging & Impounding	24	18
114	Environmental Health	175	108
394	Environmental Services Manager	587	603
1,936	TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURE	2,193	2,079
1,930	TOTAL OF LIVATING EXPENDITURE	2,193	2,079
20	NET COST OF SERVICE	4	24
30	NET COST OF SERVICE	1	31



Regulatory Services Funding Impact Statement

	2019/20	2020/21	2020/21
	Long Term Plan \$	Long Term Plan \$	Actual \$
	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)
Sources of operating funding	852	0.47	927
General rates, uniform annual general charges, rates penalties Targeted rates (other than a targeted rate for water supply)	852	847	927
Subsidies and grants for operating purposes	-	-	-
Fees and charges	793	810	1,058
Internal charges and overheads recovered	263	269	300
Local authorities fuel tax, fines, infringement fees and other receipts	14	14	53
Total operating funding	1,922	1,940	2,338
Applications of operating funding			
Payments to staff and suppliers	1,177	1,179	1,612
Finance costs	1	1	-
Internal charges and overheads applied	714	730	677
Other operating funding applications	11	12	13
Total application of operating funding	1,903	1,922	2,302
Surplus (deficit) of operating funding	19	18	36
Sources of capital funding			
Subsidies and grants for capital expenditure	-	-	-
Development and financial contributions	-	-	-
Increase (decrease) in debt	(2)	(2)	-
Gross proceeds from sale of assets	-	-	-
Lump sum contributions	-	-	-
Total sources of capital funding	(2)	(2)	-
Application of capital funding			
Capital expenditure			
- To meet additional demand	- 0	-	-
- To improve the level of service	2	2	2
- To replace existing assets Increase (decrease) in reserves	15	14	34
Increase (decrease) in reserves Increase (decrease) of investments	13	14	34
Total application of capital funding	17	16	36
Total application of capital fanding		10	36
Surplus (deficit) of capital funding	(19)	(18)	(36)
Funding balance	-	-	



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Depreciation Expense

There was no depreciation for Community Development group of activities.

Internal Borrowing

The Community Development group of activities has no internal borrowings as at 30 June 2021 and, subsequently, no interest paid.

Property Development

Council has undertaken this activity to stimulate community growth through provision of sites suitable for residential, commercial or industrial

Capital Expenditure

	2021 AP Estimate \$	2021 Actual \$
Capital Expenditure - Renewals (Maintaining Service Capacity) - Growth (Improving Service Capacity) - Level of Service (Improvements to Service)	(000°s) - - -	(000's) - - - -

There was no capital expenditure in the current year as the previously carried over property development project has not been undertaken.

purposes where it has been felt that an adequate resource of such sites has not existed in the market. This undertaking is dependent on favourable market conditions for these types of developments.

Key Property Development Level of Service Targets and Performance

Level of Service	How it contributes to our community outcomes	How we measure our performance	Baseline 2016/2017	2020/21 Target	Achieved/ Not achieved	2020/21 Actual
That identified opportunities to address significant perceived shortages in the availability of particular types of property in the District are pursued.	Contributes towards a vibrant community with available property	Undertaking of development	Amendment made to LTP to reflect development opportunities	8 lots sold	Not achieved	0 lots sold



District Promotion

This group of activities is undertaken to:

- a) Assist coordinated multi-agency contributions to the economic vitality of the District that will support local businesses and the general wellbeing and sustainability of communities.
- b) Actively market the District as a good place to visit, and in which to live, work and do business.

Such promotion should be undertaken in a manner that builds upon the historical, cultural and environmental character of the District.

The District Promotion group of activities is complementary to Council's Property Development activity, in that whilst this helps provide places for new residents and businesses to come to, District Promotion helps provide the incentives for such parties to move to and remain in those places.

Key District Promotion Level of Service Targets and Performance

Level of Service	How it contributes to our	How we measure our performance	Baseline	2020/21	Achieved/	2020/21
	community outcomes		2016/2017	Target	Not	Actual
					achieved	
District is effectively promoted	Promoting Tourism and higher	Ōtorohanga District Development Board	1 report	6 monthly	Achieved	6 monthly
as a place to visit or live in	tourist spending will contribute	provides quarterly reports to Council		reports		reports
	to a stronger district economy			received		received
Tourism activity in District is		Tourism Waikato provides 6 monthly	One 6	6 monthly	Achieved	6 monthly
supported		reports to Council	monthly	reports		reports
			report	received		received
			received			



Community Development Cost of Service Statement

2020 Actual \$		2021 AP Estimate \$	2021 Actual \$
(000's)		(000's)	(000's)
	OPERATING REVENUE		
-	Activity Revenue	-	500
-	Targeted Rates	-	-
-	Development Contributions	-	- 004
355	General Rates	392	301
-	Other General Sources	-	-
355	TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	392	801
355	OPERATING EXPENDITURE Property Development District Promotion	392	801
355	TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURE	392	801
-	NET COST OF SERVICE	-	-

Community Development Funding Impact Statement

	2019/20 Long Term Plan	2020/21 Long Term Plan	2020/21 Actual
	\$	\$	\$
Sources of operating funding	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)
General rates, uniform annual general charges, rates penalties Targeted rates (other than a targeted rate for water supply)	353	355	301
Subsidies and grants for operating purposes	-	-	500
Fees charges and targeted rates for water supply Internal charges and overheads recovered		-	-
Local authorities fuel tax, fines, infringement fees and other receipts	-	-	-
Total operating funding	353	355	801
Applications of operating funding			
Payments to staff and suppliers Finance costs	86 123	56 66	-
Internal charges and overheads applied	25	16	9
Other operating funding applications	347	349	792
Total application of operating funding Surplus (deficit) of operating funding	581 (228)	487 (132)	801
	(223)	(102)	
Sources of capital funding Subsidies and grants for capital expenditure			
Development and financial contributions	-	-	-
Increase (decrease) in debt	(1,634)	(872)	-
Gross proceeds from sale of assets Lump sum contributions	1,944	1,037	-
Total sources of capital funding	310	165	-
Application of capital funding			
Capital expenditure - To meet additional demand			
- To improve the level of service	-	-	-
- To replace existing assets	-	-	-
Increase (decrease) in reserves Increase (decrease) of investments	82	33	-
Total application of capital funding	82	33	-
Surplus (deficit) of capital funding	228	132	-
Funding balance	_	_	_
104		-	-



GOVERNANCE AND LEADERSHIP

Depreciation Expense

Total depreciation for Governance and Leadership group of activities was \$310.949.

Internal Borrowing

The Governance and Leadership group of activities has no internal borrowings as at 30 June 2021 and, subsequently, no interest paid.

Democracy

One of the main purposes of territorial authorities is to enable democratic decision making and action.

At a basic level, this involves people being involved in the decisions that affect them. However, effective democracy is about more than Council's decision making; democracy in New Zealand is synonymous with human rights, fairness, justice and equity. This means that everyone should have the same opportunities to achieve their potential, everyone should be able to participate and be part of our communities, and should have access to recreational, educational and employment opportunities.

Council now has a broader mandate from central government to consider how they meet the needs of the community. A consequence of this is Council's increased responsibility to ensure that the community is well informed and involved in Council decision making.

Democratic activities represent Council's commitment to ensuring equity and positive growth throughout our district. In many cases Council is not alone in seeking to maximise community participation and equity. This

Capital Expenditure

	2021 AP Estimate \$	2021 Actual \$
Capital Expenditure	(000's)	(000's)
- Renewals (Maintaining Service Capacity)	542	509
- Growth (Improving Service Capacity) - Level of Service (Improvements to Service)	- 40	- 25
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requires Council to identify and collaborate with other district, regional and national agencies with similar or complementary goals.

Governance

What is Governance?

Governance encompasses providing community leadership, balancing community views, resources and needs to make decisions that are best for the community. Governance focuses on establishing a vision and objectives for the community, and making high-level decisions on policies and actions that will support these objectives.

In the Ōtorohanga District Council governance functions are undertaken by the elected Mayor, Councillors and Community Board members.

Governance is not about the detailed practical 'hands on' implementation of policies or actions; that is the responsibility of Council's management and staff, who are delegated powers by Council to undertake those duties in accordance with the objectives and policies set by the elected members.



Governance Structures of Ōtorohanga District Council

Governance of the Ōtorohanga District is currently undertaken by the persons elected to the following positions:

- A Mayor, elected at large by the residents and ratepayers of the District
- Seven Councillors (two representing the Ōtorohanga Community Ward and one each for the five rural Wards) elected by the residents and ratepayers of the particular wards.
- Four members of the Ōtorohanga Community Board, elected by the residents and ratepayers of that community
- Four members of the Kāwhia Community Board, of which three are elected by the residents and ratepayers of the Kāwhia Community, and the other elected by residents and ratepayers of the Aotea subdivision of that community.

Governance Roles of Elected Members

The Mayor and Councillors of Ōtorohanga District Council collectively have the following roles:

- Setting the policy direction of Council.
- Monitoring the performance of Council.
- Representing the interests of the people of the District
- · Representing the District and Council at a wide variety of forums
- Employing the Chief Executive of Council, who in turn employs all other staff on its behalf.
- Making decisions in relation to:
 - > Notified Resource Consent applications, with submissions;
 - ➤ Matters which involve a financial implication for Council

- ➤ Matters which involve non-urgent enforcement;
- ➤ Notified Resource Consent applications recommended to be declined.
- ➤ A wide variety of other issues relating to the social, environmental, economic and cultural wellbeing of the District.

In addition to performing these duties, the Mayor is responsible for:

- Ensuring the orderly conduct of business during meetings, as determined in Council's Standing Orders.
- Advocating on behalf of the community.
- · Acting as the ceremonial head of Council.
- Providing leadership and feedback to other elected members

Community Boards

Community Boards represent the interests of particular local communities which are, in the opinion of Council, sufficiently distinct to warrant additional representation.

Within the Ōtorohanga District the Communities of Ōtorohanga and Kāwhia have been judged to meet this criterion.

It is the expectation of Council that Community Board members will establish strong relationships with the communities they serve, so that the needs and expectations of the community are well understood.

Community Boards may make recommendations to Council on any matter, and may seek approval for any initiative for which delegated authority has not already been given.

The relationship that Community Boards have with their communities is typically more intimate than that between Councillors and their Wards, but it is expected that all elected members will be aware of the prevailing views amongst their constituents.



Decision Making Processes

Decision making by elected members and Council staff is in accordance with the previous descriptions of governance roles.

Public consultation on specific issues, outside of the routine Council planning processes (such as the LTP) is undertaken in circumstances where it is believed that there is a relatively high level of community interest in the issue and potential for significantly differing views amongst community members.

Such consultation is generally conducted in accordance with the Special Consultative Procedure of the Local Government Act 2002.

The financial implications associated with the particular issue is generally not a major factor in determining whether such public consultation is undertaken, since previous experience has shown that there may be substantial public interest in matters that are of little economic value. Very substantial proposed expenditure on any project (greater than 10% of total annual operating expenditure) will, however, trigger Council's Policy on Significance and an associated requirement for public consultation.

Key Democracy Level of Service Targets and Performance

Level of Service	How it contributes to our community outcomes	How we measure our performance	Baseline 2016/2017	2020/21 Target	Achieved/ Not achieved	2020/21 Actual
Communicate and consult with the community on key issues	An active supportive community is achieved through the Council providing opportunities for residents and ratepayers to contribute to decision-making processes by providing their community views	Minimum % of Council business conducted in open meeting	96.0% conducted in open meetings	>90%	Achieved	97.47%
		Number of complaints upheld against the election process	No complaints upheld against the election process	N/A	Achieved	No complaints against by- election processes
		Agenda's for meeting (other than extraordinary meetings) of council and its committees are publically available (either via the internet or in Council service centres)	All agendas available at least two days prior to meetings	All agendas are publically available two clear working days before each meeting	Achieved	Agendas available two working days before meeting

Council Business in Open Meeting

Overall 97.47% of council business was conducted in open meetings. This includes all items except for adoption of previous minutes, the public forum and councillor updates. The Council had a total of 82 items, of which 4 were

conducted in closed meetings. Ōtorohanga Community Board had 44 items, with none conducted in closed meetings, and Kāwhia Community Board had 32 items and no items conducted in a closed meeting.



Council Support

Council is required by legislation to disperse grants. It facilitates the distribution of funds from Sport New Zealand and Creative New Zealand. Local Residents and staff are represented on the distribution committees along with Councillors.

The provision of grants is an integral component of Council's strategy to empower local communities and assist them in achieving their vision and strategic outcomes, by encouraging and rewarding community spirit.

Key Council Support Level of Service Targets and Performance

Level of Service	,	How we measure our performance	Baseline 2016/2017	2020/21 Target	Achieved/	2020/21 Actual
Management and provision of Creative Communities and Sport NZ funding schemes	The Council supports the development of communities by providing funding to agencies where it sees that such funding will positively support and make our communities more healthy, active and creative	Distribution of funds to Creative Communities and Sport NZ funding schemes on application from qualifying organisations	98.4% allocated from both schemes	> 85% allocated	Achieved Achieved	100% allocated for both schemes
Management and provision of Ōtorohanga District Council community funding	The Council supports the development of communities by providing funding to agencies where it sees that such funding will positively support and make our communities more healthy, active and creative and also support the vulnerable and those at risk	Provision of Ōtorohanga District Council General Grants and ongoing Grants within budget allocation	Within budget allocation	Within annual budget allocation	Achieved	Within annual budget allocation



Corporate Planning

The Local Government Act 2002 requires every local authority to carry out a process to identify community outcomes – statements of community aspirations for the immediate to long-term future.

The process provides opportunities for people to discuss their desired community outcomes in terms of present and future social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being. The intention is that these outcomes become the basis for increased transparency and accountability by

councils and other stakeholders, as a base for improving community well-being and sustainable development.

In addition to developing the community outcomes, Council must identify what it will contribute towards these, along with other agencies within its Long Term Plan and Annual Plans. Council must monitor its performance and achievement towards these outcomes as well as monitoring the achievement of the community outcomes.

Key Corporate Planning Level of Service Targets and Performance

Level of Service	How it contributes to our community outcomes	How we measure our performance	Baseline 2016/2017	2020/21 Target	Achieved/ Not achieved	2020/21 Actual
Meet Local Government Act 2002 statutory planning and reporting requirements	By achieving statutory planning and reporting requirements a high standard of accountability is demonstrated to the community	The Long Term Plan is completed within the statutory timeframe	Not application	Adopted before 30 June	Achieved	Long Term Plan adopted 29 th June 2021
		The Annual Plan will be adopted before 30 June annually	2017/18 Annual Plan adopted 20 th June 2017	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
		The Annual Report will include an unqualified audit opinion	2016/17 Annual Report audit opinion did not identify any issues	Achieved	Achieved	No issues identified
Existing levels of service as identified in Councils triennial survey meets the needs of the community	Having plans in place to ensure growth and change is managed will help ensure our community's vision will happen	A triennial Levels of Service Survey to all affected ratepayers	Not applicable	2020 survey, target 50% response	Not achieved	Council undertook extensive consultation through the Long Term Plan process and had a sufficient knowledge of level of service perceptions that the survey was not conducted.



Policy Development

The purpose of this activity is to formulate strategic direction in all policies, by-law and planning matters. Predominant drivers for policy development

stem from legislative requirements. Council is involved in this activity because of public demand and statutory responsibility.

Key Policy Development Level of Service Targets and Performance

Level of Service	How it contributes to our	How we measure our performance				
	community outcomes		Baseline 2016/2017	2020/21 Target	Achieved/ Not achieved	2020/21 Actual
Ensure major decisions are made in a democratically accountable way	Ensures Council's decision making processes involves and engages the community	100% of all significant decisions are made subject to respective consultative procedures that meet the requirements of the Local Government Act 2002 and/or RMA 1991	100%	100%	Achieved	100%
Policy development is visible and accountable	Ensures transparency in policy development to provide better information supporting community involvement and awareness	Key draft policy documents subject to consultation are available on Council's website	Local Alcohol Policy adopted 22 September 2016 Local Easter Shop Trading Policy adopted 13 December 2016	100% are available by the date of public notification of the policy/planning document	Achieved	100%
		Meetings and statutory hearing are conducted in accordance with all relevant legislation	100% compliance	100% compliance	Achieved	100%
Provide location legislation	Put in place management controls that address issues and are consistent with Council policies, Central Government legislation, and which reflect the Community Outcomes	Assess need to review, and where necessary review bylaws	Gambling Venue Policies reviewed	Assessment undertaken of bylaws and policy that are due review	Achieved	100% Review of Gambling Venue Policies completed



Level of Service	How it contributes to our community outcomes	How we measure our performance	Baseline 2016/2017	2020/21 Target	Achieved/ Not achieved	2020/21 Actual
Council meets statutory planning requirements	Ensures processes and policies are developed in a consistent manner and reflective of community input	All relevant statutory plans and reports are produced and made available to the public in accordance with statutory requirements and timeframes under relevant legislation	No plan changes proposed during the year	100% compliance	Achieved	100% No plan changes proposed

District Plan

The Ōtorohanga District Plan was declared operative on 30 October 2014. The RMA states that a review of the District Plan must commence on or before 2024.

The Government released a first draft of the Natural and Built Environments Bill (NBA), the primary legislation to replace the RMA, in late June 2021. This is the first of three Acts that will transform the management of New Zealand's resource management system. The other legislation is the Strategic Planning Act (SPA) and the Climate Adaptation Act (CAA), both of which are under development.

Both the full NBA and the SPA will be introduced into Parliament in 2022. The Ministry for the Environment is working on a plan to establish and transition to the new resource management system.

This new legislation will significantly change how resource management law is framed and delivered. Until Council has a better understanding of the timing and manner of transition to this new regime there will be no significant review or changes to the Ōtorohanga District Plan.

Bylaws

A draft of a revised Water Services Bylaw is being prepared to present to Council as the first step of a review process.

A number of bylaws are now due for review; Trade Waste Bylaw; Stock Movement Bylaw; Traffic Bylaw; Structures and Works in Public Places Bylaw. No new bylaws have been proposed or adopted.

Policy Development

An initial review of the gambling venues policies was presented to Council on 20 October 2020. Council resolved that consultation should be undertaken on a new policy that would allow an increase in the number of Class 4 Venues in the District. A draft Class 4 Venue Policy was approved for consultation on 15 December 2020.

The Board Venue Policy 2010 was confirmed without change on 15 December 2020.

Following a public hearing held on 8 June Council resolved to retain a 'sinking lid policy' for Class 4 Venues. The Class 4 Venue Policy 2021 was adopted by Council on 15 June 2021.



Governance and Leadership Cost of Service Statement

2020 Actual \$		2021 AP Estimate \$	2021 Actual \$
(000's)		(000's)	(000's)
	OPERATING REVENUE		
142	Activity Revenue	175	109
22	Targeted Rates	21	21
-	Development Contributions	-	-
2,186	General Rates	1,701	2,151
4,695		4,892	4,547
7,045	TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	6,789	6,828
948 130 61 82 744 12 4,680	OPERATING EXPENDITURE Ōtorohanga District Council Ōtorohanga Community Board Kāwhia Community Board Council Support Corporate Planning Resource Management Policy Development Support Services	909 148 78 608 955 74 4,880	870 132 62 137 1,188 11 4,768
6,657	TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURE	7,652	7,168
		,,,,,,	,,,,,,
388	NET COST OF SERVICE	(863)	(340)



Governance and Leadership Funding Impact Statement

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SUPPORTING INFORMATION



STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL INVOLVEMENT IN COUNCIL CONTROLLED ORGANISATIONS (CCO'S)

Waikato Regional Airport Limited (WRAL)

This Company, established in 1989, operates the Airport situated at Rukuhia within Waipa District. The local authority part owners negotiated the purchase of the Crown's former shareholding to secure the retention of the airport as a major infrastructural facility important to the economy of the Waikato.

The objective of the airport company is to operate a successful commercial business, providing safe, appropriate and efficient services for the transportation of people and freight in and out of the airport of Hamilton.

Council holds 3.125% of the airport company's shares. The remaining shares are owned by Hamilton City Council, Matamata-Piako, Waipa and Waikato District Councils.

Waikato Regional Airport Ltd Group reported total comprehensive revenue and expenses of \$41,930,000 for the year ended 30 June 2021 (2020: \$10,209,000 surplus).

No dividend was paid in 2021 (2020: \$300,000).

Council intends to maintain its current shareholding for the foreseeable future. There are no formal policies or objectives relating to ownership and control of Waikato Regional Airport.

A comparison of the company's unaudited financial and performance measures for the year ended 30 June 2021 is summarised below:

Waikato Regional Airport Limited (WRAL) Targets and Achievements

	Actual to 30 June 2021	Statement of Corporate Intent
Earnings before tax, interest, depreciation & amortisation (EBITDA) excluding land sales of at least	\$6.9M	(\$0.5M)
Earnings before tax, interest, depreciation & amortisation (EBITDA) including land sales of at least	\$10.0M	\$0.3M
Net surplus/(deficit) before tax no less than	\$40.0M	(\$3.7M)
Net surplus/(deficit) after tax of no less than	n/a	` n/a ´
Net operating cash flow (excluding land sales) of at least	\$10.4M	(\$1.5M)
Net debt a maximum of	\$12.0M	\$30.0M
Shareholders funds to total assets of at least	100%	65%
Net profit after tax, interest and revaluations to total shareholders funds of at least	n/a	n/a
Net profit after tax, interest and revaluations to total assets of at least	n/a	n/a
Percentage of Non-Landing Charges to Total Revenue of at least	77%	60%
Land sales of at least	\$8.6M	\$4.0M
Interest Rate Cover of at least	12.4x	(4.0x)



Waikato Local Authorities Shared Services (WLASS)

	Ownership Interest		
	Actual 2020	Actual 2021	
Waikato Local Authority Shared Services	0.26%	0.26%	

The contingent liability arising from ODC's interest is disclosed in note 18. There are no capital commitments arising from ODC's interest in the WLASS.

The Waikato Local Authority Shared Service Ltd (WLASS) CCO was incorporated in December 2005.

LASS objective

The objective of the company is to provide Waikato region local authorities with a vehicle to develop shared services that demonstrate a benefit to the ratepayers and provide those services to local authorities.

Introduction

Waikato Local Authority Shared Service Ltd (WLASS) was developed as a joint initiative between the 13 councils of the Waikato region. Its evolution can be traced from a range of projects that were implemented between local councils. These projects highlighted the benefits of a jointly owned governance structure to provide an opportunity for collaborative management and development. Central government devolution, closer working relationships between councils and a desire to benefit from cost saving opportunities offered by jointly progressing shared initiatives have fostered more efficient services.

WLASS provides an effective structure that can promote such developments to the benefit of those councils that choose to be actively involved in a particular joint service. Each council owns an equal number of shares in WLASS and as such has an equal say in its development.

The WLASS governance structure enables the directors appointed by the shareholders to decide on the future direction of those services that will be promoted under its auspices. Any such services will be operated as a stand-alone business unit with an advisory group appointed by the shareholders participating in that service to provide direction but answerable to the directors.

At the time of the adoption of this Annual Report, the Annual Report of the WLASS had not been audited. For results for this year check the WLASS website.

New Zealand Local Government Funding Agency Ltd (LGFA)

New Zealand Local Government Funding Agency Ltd was incorporated in December 2011 with the purpose of providing debt funding to local authorities in New Zealand and it has a current rating from Standard and Poor's of AA+.

Council became a shareholder in the LGFA along with 29 other local authorities and the New Zealand Government. Council contributed \$100,000 for its shareholding in LGFA.

Four performance targets are specified for LGFA in the Statement of Intent. Progress against each of these targets for 30 June 2021 is discussed below.



Current Performance Targets	Target	Result	Achieved
Net interest income for the period to 30 June 2021	Greater than \$18.8 million	\$19.537 million	Achieved
Annual issuance and operating expenses (excluding AIL) for the period to 30 June 2021		\$6.659 million	Achieved
Total nominal lending (short and long term) to Participating Local Authorities at 30 June 2021	At least \$11.66 billion	\$12.039 billion	Achieved
Conduct an annual survey of council who borrow from LGFA	Achieve at least an 85% satisfaction score for the value added by LGFA	August 2020 survey outcome of 98.8%	Achieved
Meet all lending requests from Authorities, where those reque operational and covenant requ	sts meet LGFA	100%	Achieved
Achieve 85% market share of a New Zealand	all council borrowing in	79%	Not achieved
Review each Participating Local Authority's financial position, its headroom under LGFA policies and arrange to meet each Participating Local Authority at least annually		All councils visited	Achieved
No breaches of Treasury Policy, any regulatory or legislative requirements including the Health & Safety at Work Act 2015		No breaches	Achieved
Successfully refinance of existing loans to councils and LGFA bond maturities as they fall due		100%	Achieved
Maintain a credit rating equal to Government rating where both same credit rating agency.	AA+/AAA	Achieved	



ANNUAL REPORT DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Annual report disclosure statement for year ending 30 June 2021.

What is the purpose of this statement?

The purpose of this statement is to disclose the council's financial performance in relation to various benchmarks to enable the assessment of whether the council is prudently managing its revenues, expenses, assets, liabilities, and general financial dealings.

The council is required to include this statement in its annual report in accordance with Local Government (Financial Reporting and Prudence) Regulations 2014 (the **regulations**). Refer to the regulations for more information, including definitions of some of the terms used in this statement.

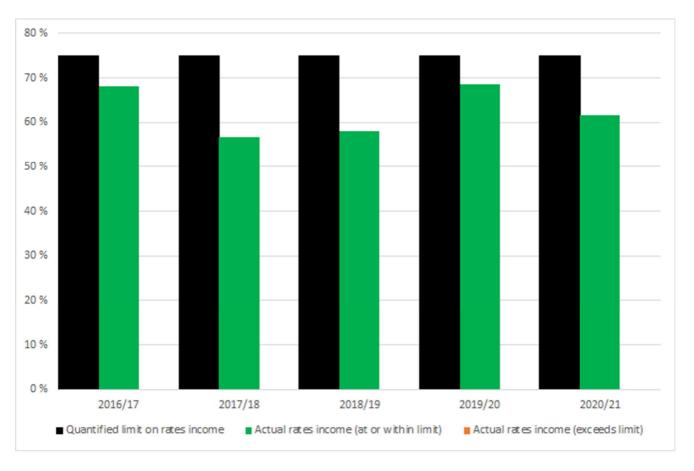
Rates affordability benchmark

The council meets the rates affordability benchmark if-

- Its actual rates income equals or is less than each quantified limit on rates; and
- Its actual rates increases equal or are less than each quantified limit on rates increases.

Rates (income) affordability

The following graph compares the council's actual rates income with a quantified limit on rates contained in the financial strategy included in the council's long-term plan. The quantified limit is 75% of total council revenue.



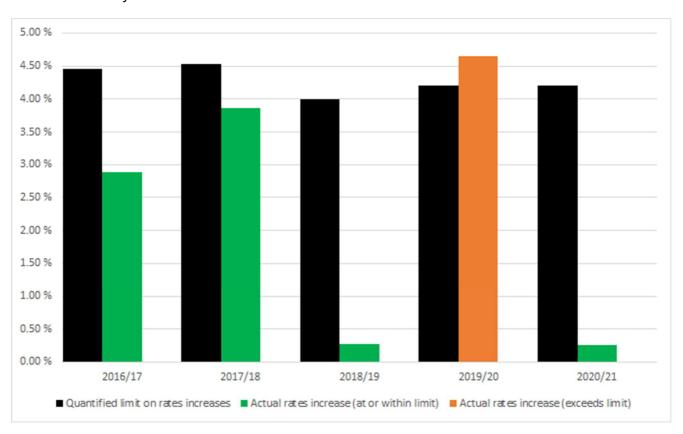


Rates (increases) affordability

The following graph compares the council's actual rates increases with a quantified limit on rates increases included in the financial strategy in the council's long-term plan. The quantified limit is LGCI plus 2%. For the actual figures used refer to the council's long-term plan.

The breach in the 2019/20 financial year is due to increased rates penalties from the 2018/19, which is up about \$60k. There was also increased rates received due to changes in capital value of properties between when the rates were budgeted and when the actual rates were struck.

Also in 2019/20, Council moved from a fixed charge for Water rates in Ōtorohanga township to metered water. As such, the level of income from water rates can fluctuate more than it had previously, and this increased income has also pushed the actual rates increase above the quantified limit on rates increases in that year.

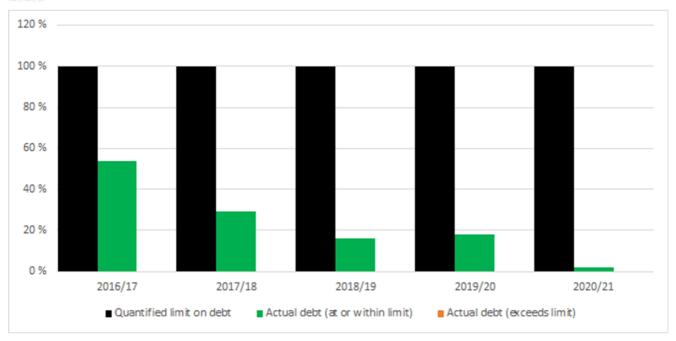


Debt affordability benchmark

The council meets the debt affordability benchmark if its actual borrowing is within each quantified limit on borrowing.

The following graph compares the council's actual borrowing with a quantified limit on borrowing stated in the financial strategy included in the council's long-term plan. The quantified limit is borrowing cannot exceed 100% of total revenue.



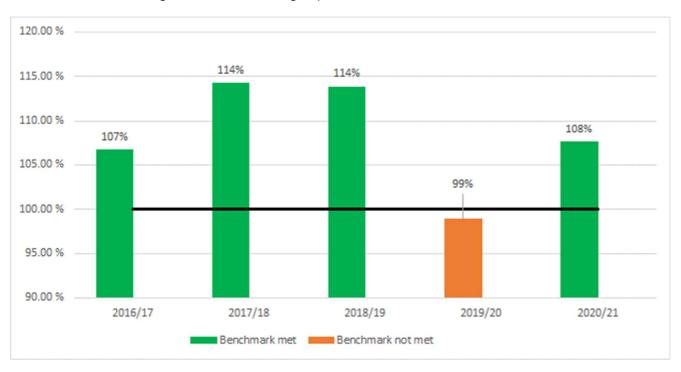


Balanced budget benchmark

The following graph displays the council's revenue (excluding development contributions, financial contributions, vested assets, gains on derivative financial instruments, and revaluations of property, plant and equipment) as a proportion of operating expenses (excluding losses on derivative financial instruments and revaluations of property, plant and equipment)

The council meets this benchmark if its revenue equals or is greater than its operating expenses.

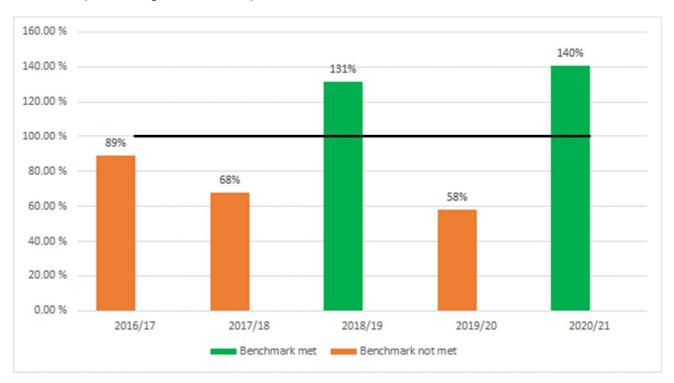
The significant decrease from previous years in 2019/20 relates to the decreased capital subsidy received from NZTA for roading works. This relates to the lockdown for Covid-19 happening during the normal time when a large amount of roading capital work is undertaken.





Essential services benchmark

The following graph displays the council's capital expenditure on network services as a proportion of depreciation on network services. The council meets this benchmark if its capital expenditure on network services equals or is greater than depreciation on network services.

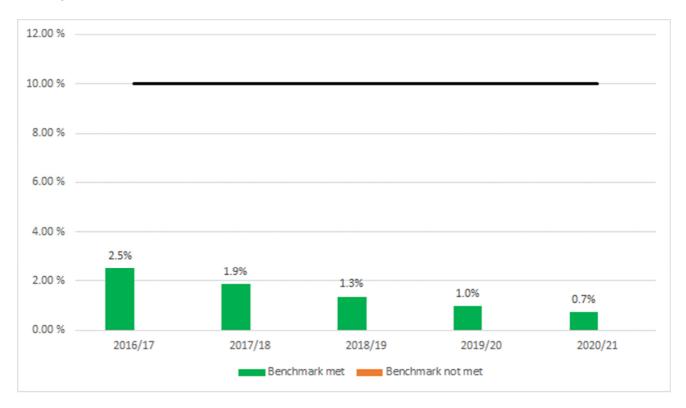




Debt servicing benchmark

The following graph displays the council's borrowing costs as a proportion of revenue (excluding development contributions, financial contributions, vested assets, gains on derivative financial instruments, and revaluations of property, plant or equipment).

Because Statistics New Zealand projects the council's population will grow more slowly than the national population growth rate, it meets the debt servicing benchmark if its borrowing costs equal or are less than 10% of its revenue.

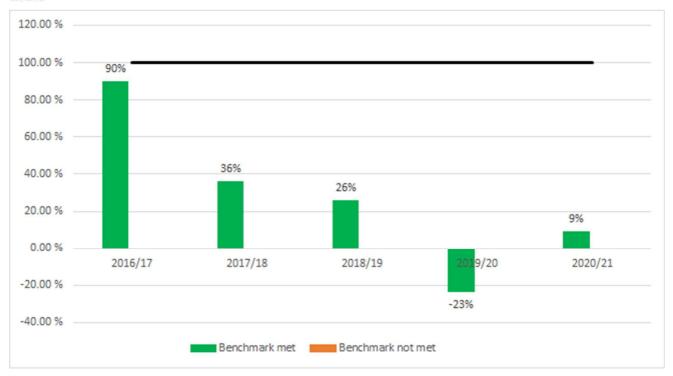


Debt control benchmark

The following graph displays the council's actual net debt as a proportion of planned net debt. In this statement, **net debt** means financial liabilities less financial assets (excluding trade and other receivables).

The council meets the debt control benchmark if its actual net debt equals or is less than its planned net debt.

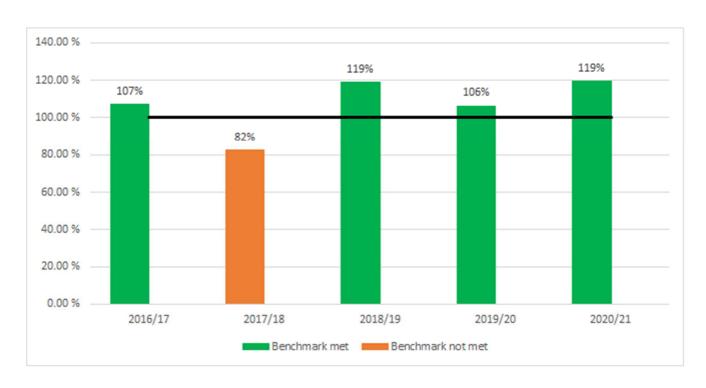




Operations control benchmark

This graph displays the council's actual net cash flow from operations as a proportion of its planned net cash flow from operations.

The council meets the operations control benchmark if its actual net cash flow from operations equals or is greater than its planned net cash flow from operations.





LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT DISCLOSURES

Rating base information

Under the Local Government Act 2002, the Council is required to disclose the following information:

	2021
Number of rating units	5,347
Total Capital value of rating units	\$5,026,455,000
Total Land value of rating units	\$3,519,460,400

Insurance

	Carrying value 30 June 2021	Covered by Insurance Contracts	Covered by Financial Risk Sharing Arrangement	Covered by Self Insurance
	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)
Total Assets covered	52,714	95,725	-	_

Please note for motor vehicles the cover is up to \$200,000 for any one vehicle, and \$10,000,000 for Third Party Liability in any one accident. The covered by insurance contracts figure above includes \$200,000, not the \$10,000,000.



AUDIT REPORT



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

TO THE READERS OF ÖTOROHANGA DISTRICT COUNCIL'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021.

The Auditor-General is the auditor of Ōtorohanga District Council (the District Council). The Auditor-General has appointed me, Melissa Youngson, using the staff and resources of Deloitte Limited, to report on the information in the District Council's annual report that we are required to audit under the Local Government Act 2002 (the Act). We refer to this information as "the audited information" in our report.

We are also required to report on:

- whether the District Council has complied with the requirements of Schedule 10 of the Act that apply to the annual report; and
- the completeness and accuracy of the District Council's disclosures about its performance against benchmarks that are required by the Local Government (Financial Reporting and Prudence) Regulations 2014

We refer to this information as "the disclosure requirements" in our report.

We completed our work on 26 November 2021. This is the date on which we give our report.

Opinion on the audited information

In our opinion:

- the financial statements on pages 11 to 50:
 - present fairly, in all material respects:
 - the District Council's financial position as at 30 June 2021;
 - the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended on that date; and
 - comply with generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand in accordance with Public Benefit Entity Reporting Standards;
- the funding impact statement on page 59, presents fairly, in all material respects, the amount of funds produced from each source of funding and how the funds were applied as compared to the information included in the District Council's annual plan;
- the statement of service provision (referred to as Significant Activities) on pages 58 to 113:
 - presents fairly, in all material respects, the District Council's levels of service for each group of activities for the year ended 30 June 2021, including:
 - the levels of service achieved compared with the intended levels of service and whether any intended changes to levels of service were achieved;
 - the reasons for any significant variation between the levels of service achieved and the intended levels of service; and
 - complies with generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand; and
- the statement about capital expenditure for each group of activities on pages 58 to 113, presents fairly, in all material respects, actual capital expenditure as compared to the budgeted capital expenditure included in the District Council's annual plan; and



the funding impact statement for each group of activities on pages 58 to 113, presents fairly, in all material
respects, the amount of funds produced from each source of funding and how the funds were applied as
compared to the information included in the District Council's Long-term plan.

Report on the disclosure requirements

We report that the District Council has:

- complied with the requirements of Schedule 10 of the Act that apply to the annual report; and
- made the disclosures about performance against benchmarks as required by the Local Government (Financial Reporting and Prudence Regulations 2014) on pages 118 to 123, which represent a complete list of required disclosures and accurately reflects the information drawn from the District Council's audited information and, where applicable, the District Council's long-term plan and annual plans.

Emphasis of Matter -Three Waters Reform

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to note 20 on page 48, which outlines that subsequent to yearend, the Government announced it will introduce legislation to establish four publicly owned water services entities to take over responsibilities for service delivery and infrastructure from local authorities from 1 July 2024. The impact of these reforms, once legislated, will mean that the District Council will no longer deliver three waters services.

Basis for our opinion on the audited information

We carried out our audit in accordance with the Auditor-General's Auditing Standards, which incorporate the Professional and Ethical Standards and the International Standards on Auditing (New Zealand) issued by the New Zealand Auditing and Assurance Standards Board. We describe our responsibilities under those standards further in the "Responsibilities of the auditor for the audited information" section of this report.

We have fulfilled our responsibilities in accordance with the Auditor-General's Auditing Standards.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on the audited information.

Responsibilities of the Council for the audited information

The Council is responsible for meeting all legal requirements that apply to its annual report.

The Council's responsibilities arise under the Local Government Act 2002 and the Local Government (Financial Reporting and Prudence) Regulations 2014.

The Council is responsible for such internal control as it determines is necessary to enable it to prepare the information we audit that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the information we audit the Council is responsible for assessing its ability to continue as a going concern. The Council is also responsible for disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting, unless there is an intention to amalgamate or cease all of the functions of the District Council or there is no realistic alternative but to do so.

Responsibilities of the auditor for the audited information

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the audited information, as a whole, is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an audit report that includes our opinion.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit carried out in accordance with the Auditor General's Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements are differences or omissions of amounts or disclosures, and can arise from fraud or error. Misstatements are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the decisions of readers taken on the basis of this audited information.



For the budget information reported in the audited information, our procedures were limited to checking that the budget information agreed to the District Council's annual plan.

We did not evaluate the security and controls over the electronic publication of the audited information.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Auditor-General's Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. Also:

- We identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the audited information, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- We obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures
 that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the
 effectiveness of the District Council's internal control.
- We evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Council.
- We determine the appropriateness of the reported intended levels of service in the statement of service provision, as a reasonable basis for assessing the levels of service achieved and reported by the District Council.
- We conclude on the appropriateness of the use of the going concern basis of accounting by the Council and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast a significant doubt on the District Council's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our audit report to the related disclosures in the audited information or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our audit report. However, future events or conditions may cause the District Council to cease to continue as a going concern.
- We evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the audited information, including the disclosures, and whether the audited information represents, where applicable, the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- We obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the entities or business activities within the Council to express an opinion on the consolidated audited information.

We communicate with the Council regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Other Information

The Council is responsible for the other information included in the annual report. The other information comprises the information included on pages 4 to 9, 52 to 56, 115 to 117 and 124, but does not include the audited information and the disclosure requirements, and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the audited information and our report on the disclosure requirements do not cover the other information.

Our responsibility is to read the other information. In doing so, we consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the audited information and the disclosure requirements, or our knowledge obtained during our work, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on our work, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.



Independence

We are independent of the District Council in accordance with the independence requirements of the Auditor-General's Auditing Standards, which incorporate the independence requirements of Professional and Ethical Standard 1: International Code of Ethics for Assurance Practitioners issued by the New Zealand Auditing and Assurance Standards Board.

In addition to our audit and our report on the disclosure requirements, we have carried out assurance engagements in the areas of the Long Term Plan 2021-2031 and Debenture Trust Deed Reporting, which are compatible with those independence requirements. Other than these engagements, we have no relationship with or interests in the District Council.

Melissa Youngson, Partner

for Deloitte Limited

On behalf of the Auditor-General

Hamilton, New Zealand