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Agenda

Wednesday, 23
June 2021
at 12:30PM

Council Chambers,
59-63 Huia Street,
Taumarunui



RUAPEHU DISTRICT COUNCIL

NOTICE OF MEETING

A MEETING OF RUAPEHU DISTRICT COUNCIL WILL BE HELD IN THE
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 59-63 HUIA STREET, TAUMARUNUI
ON WEDNESDAY, 23 JUNE 2021, AT 12:30PM

Members

Mayor	Don Cameron	
Deputy Mayor	Karen Ngatai	Taumarunui Ward
Councillors	Graeme Cosford	Taumarunui Ward
	Adie Doyle	Taumarunui Ward
	Robyn Gram	Taumarunui Ward
	Vivienne Hoeta	Waimarino-Waiouru Ward
	Lyn Neeson	Ohura Ward
	Elijah Pue	Waimarino-Waiouru Ward
	Murray Wilson	National Park Ward
	Kim Wheeler	Taumarunui Ward
	Rabbit Nottage	Waimarino-Waiouru Ward
	Janelle Hinch	Waimarino-Waiouru Ward

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Clive Manley
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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RUAPEHU DISTRICT COUNCIL

ORDER PAPER

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Report to: Council

Meeting Date: 23 June 2021

Subject: **Public Forum: Temporary Suspension and Reinstatement of Standing Orders**



Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to enable Council to temporarily suspend Standing Orders in their entirety to allow Members and the public to address Council.

Significance and Engagement

- 2.1 This Report does not trigger the Significance and Engagement Policy.

Public Forum Guidelines

- 3.1 Council has adopted the following Public Forum Guidelines:
- (a) Five minutes speaking time will apply to each speaker or group.
 - (b) Members of the public wishing to speak must advise Council of the reasons and subject he/she wishes to address the Council a minimum of two clear working days prior to the meeting.
 - (c) The Chairperson may refuse applications which are repetitious or offensive and may terminate a speaker in progress where the subject matter is disrespectful or offensive.
 - (d) There are not to be criticisms of individual Council members or individual staff members.
 - (e) The Public Forums are designed for people to speak about matters of interest to them to Council. It is not intended that people should be questioning Council members on these occasions. However, Council members may ask questions of speakers to clarify their statements.

Suggested Resolutions

- 1 That the report on Public Forum: Temporary Suspension and Reinstatement of Standing Orders be received.
- 2 That, pursuant to Section 27(4) Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002, Council temporarily suspends Standing Orders in their entirety to allow Members and the public to address Council.

Council received addresses as follows:

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RESOLVED

That, pursuant to Section 27(4) Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002, Council reinstates Standing Orders in their entirety for consideration of the agenda.


Tasha Paladin
GOVERNANCE OFFICER

RUAPEHU DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES

MEETING HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, 37 AYR STREET, OHAKUNE,
ON WEDNESDAY 9 JUNE 2021, AT 12:37PM

PUBLIC BUSINESS

Present			
Mayor	Don Cameron		
Deputy Mayor	Karen Ngatai	Taumarunui Ward	
Councillors	Graeme Cosford	Taumarunui Ward	
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	Rabbit Nottage	Waimarino-Waiouru Ward	
	Janelle Hinch	Waimarino-Waiouru Ward	
	Staff	Clive Manley	Chief Executive
		Pauline Welch	Executive Manager, Community & Economic Development
Paul Wheatcroft		Executive Manager, Communications	
Stuart Watson		Environmental Manager	
Warren Furner		Executive Manager, Infrastructure (part)	
Dean Hosking		Manager, Solid Waste (part)	
Emily Jasmine		Sustainability Facilitator (part)	
Aaron Pendergrast		Executive Manager Risk & Project Controls (via Zoom)	
Andrea Nicol		Manager, Land Transport (part, via Zoom)	
Peggy Veen		Community Organisations & Business Development (part, via Zoom)	
Shona Spadotto		Manager, Customer Services (via Zoom)	
Candice McNaught		Manager, Policy and Strategy (via Zoom)	
Tasha Paladin	Governance Officer		
In attendance	Margaret Hawthorne		
	Craig Madsen	Craig Madsen Photography	
	Jaimie Taylor		
	Keri Aves		
	Linda Trillo-McLaren		
	Michael Quintern	Quintern Innovation Ltd (Noke)	
	Rodney Gutsell	WPI International	
	Bill Nagle		
	Corinne Ebisu		
Robert Milne	Ruapehu Bulletin		

The Mayor opened the meeting with an acknowledgement of Margaret Hawthorne's service to Council, and wished her well in her retirement.

1	Apologies
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No apologies were received.

2	Declarations of Interest
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No conflicts of interest were declared.

3	Public Forum: Temporary Suspension and Reinstatement of Standing Orders
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Council temporarily suspended Standing Orders in their entirety to allow Members and the public to address Council.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr Pue

Seconded: Cr Wheeler

- 1 *That the Report on Public Forum: Temporary Suspension and Reinstatement of Standing Orders be received.*

- 2 *That pursuant to section 21(4) Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002, Council temporarily suspends Standing Orders in their entirety to allow Members and the public to address Council.*

Council received addresses as follows:

- Craig Madsen introduced Jaimie Taylor, who gave a karakia (welcoming light, farewelling dark), before Craig presented his current photography project, Ata pūao - First Light. The project, currently half-way through, will be a series of 365 images of Mt. Ruapehu, taken from the same place and time each day. The National Army Museum has expressed an interest in exhibiting the project.
- Keri Aves and Linda Trillo-McLaren spoke on behalf of the Rangataua Working Group, and presented their vision for a staged revitalisation of Rangataua township (Minute Attachment). The group is seeking funding, guidance and support from Council to maintain momentum of the project.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr Hinch

Seconded: Cr Ngatai

That, pursuant to Section 27 (4) Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002, Council reinstates Standing Orders in their entirety for consideration of the Agenda.

4 Confirmation of Minutes: 26 May 2021

In reference to Item 8 – Deliberations: Long Term Plan 2021-31 Resolution 7 (page 9), Cr. Doyle gave clarification to his interest within the Forestry Industry. This was not considered significant. The resolution stands.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr Ngatai

Seconded: Cr Pue

That the minutes of the Ruapehu District Council meeting dated 26 May 2021 be confirmed as a true and correct record subject to the following amendment:

Item 8 – Deliberations: Long Term Plan 2021-31

- *Amend project name in Resolution 27 (page 13) from Dark Sky Project to Dark Sky Initiative.*

5 Deputation: Vermicomposting

Rodney Gutsell of Winstone Pulp International (WPI) and Michael Quintern of Quintern Innovation Ltd (Noke) addressed Members to seek support in principle from Council for the concept of vermicomposting in the Ruapehu District.

Mr. Quintern clarified the MyNoke Vermicomposting project was seeking support from Council for future resource consent applications; it was not seeking financial support.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr Ngatai

Seconded: Cr Wilson

- 1 *That the report on Deputation: Vermicomposting be received.*
- 2 *That Council approve in principle, the concept of vermicomposting in the Ruapehu District.*

6 Adoption of the Treasury (Investment and Liability Management) Policy 2021

Members received a report recommending the adoption of the Treasury (Investment and Liability Management) Policy. A copy of the Policy was presented as an attachment to the report.

The report was tabled at the 24 May 2021 meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee where it was resolved that the Policy be recommended to Council for adoption. Council's Executive Manager Community & Economic Development spoke to the report and answered Members' questions.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr Wilson

Seconded: Cr Wheeler

- 1 *That the Adoption of the Treasury (Investment and Liability Management) Policy 2021 report be received.*
- 2 *That Council adopts the Treasury (Investment and Liability Management) Policy 2021.*

7 Adoption of the Rates Postponement Policy 2021 for Engagement

Members received a report recommending the adoption of the Rates Postponement Policy 2021 for engagement. A copy of the Policy was presented as an attachment to the report. Previously, this policy has been reviewed triennially. Section 110 (2A) of the Local Government Act (the Act) requires Council to review the policy six yearly, as such the next review date for this policy is recommended to be scheduled in 2027. The policy can be reviewed sooner if deemed necessary.

Council's Executive Manager Community & Economic Development spoke to the report and answered Members' questions.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr Pue

Seconded: Cr Hoeta

- 1 *That the Adoption of the Rates Postponement Policy 2021 report be received.*
- 2 *That the Rates Postponement Policy 2021 is adopted for engagement via the principles laid out in section 82 of the Local Government Act 2002.*

8 Development Contributions Fees and Charges 2021-24

Note: Cr Cosford left the meeting at 1:58PM and re-entered at 2:03PM

Members were presented with the proposed Development Contributions Fees and Charges for 2021-2024. Development Contributions are calculated from the growth component for capital projects in the three waters and roading activities of Council, and the expected growth (development) in the district. In previous years, the Development Contributions have been balanced between part paying for the growth component of development, and as an incentive for development.

Council's Executive Manager Community & Economic Development, and Executive Manager Risk & Project Controls spoke to the report and answered Members' questions.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr Neeson

Seconded: Cr Hinch

- 1 *That the Development Contributions Fees and Charges 2021-24 report be received.*

- 2 *That the Development Contributions for District Wide Roding be increased to \$2,040, and all other Development Contributions be kept at the 2020 level plus Local Government Index (LGI) Inflation.*

9 Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Chief Executive and Elected Members' Reports (Verbal)

Members each gave verbal updates on recent and upcoming meetings, events and issues.

10 Resolution to Exclude the Public for Consideration of Council Business

Section 48 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 gives the Council the right by resolution to exclude the public from the whole or any part of the proceedings of any meeting only on one or more of the grounds contained within that Section.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr Pue

Seconded: Cr Gram

- 1 *That the report on Resolution to Exclude the Public for Consideration of Council Business be received.*
- 2 *That the public is excluded from the following part of the proceedings of the meeting.*
- 3 *That the general subject of each matter to be discussed while the public is excluded, the reason for passing the resolution in relation to each matter and the specific grounds under Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:*

General Subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under S48(1) for passing this resolution
C1: Confirmation of Public-Excluded Minutes: 26 May 2021	The reason(s) for excluding the public is/are recorded in the Public Business Minutes of the meeting	48(1)(a)
C2: 34 Ngarimu Street, Ohura	Enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations). To maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expressions of opinions by, or between, or to members of or officers or employees of any local authority, or any persons to whom Section 2(5) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 applies, in the course of their duty. To protect the privacy of natural persons	
C3: Confidential Briefing		
C4: Council-only time (Officers Excluded)		

- 1 *This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by Section 6 or Section 7 of that Act or Section 6 or Section 7 or Section 9 of the Official Information Act 1982 as the case may require are listed above.*

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 2:56PM.

Dated at Taumarunui this 23rd day of June, 2021.

Don Cameron, JP
MAYOR

Report to: Council

Meeting Date: 23 June 2021

Subject: Adoption Report: Revenue and Financing Policy 2021



Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to present the Revenue and Financing Policy 2021 (the policy) to Council for adoption.

Significance and Engagement, Social Impact

2.1 Significance and Engagement

The Revenue and Financing Policy was consulted on as part of the supporting documents alongside the Consultation Document for the Long Term Plan 2021-31 (LTP) in March and April 2021.

Background

- 3.1 The consultation period for the LTP ran from 26 March until 26 April 2021. Consultation on the policy was held alongside the LTP. All proposed draft amendments to the policy were outlined in the LTP Consultation Document (part 5 – Rating Changes). A full copy of the policy was also made available as part of the supporting documents.
- 3.2 During Council deliberations all draft changes to the Policy were discussed, deliberated on and agreed for adoption.

Discussion

- 4.1 There were four draft changes consulted on:
- (a) Increase to the Non-Commercial Visitor Accommodation targeted rate
 - (b) A Warm your Whare targeted rate
 - (c) A Verandah Replacement targeted rate
 - (d) An Environmental Resilience targeted rate
 - (e) An increase to the forestry targeted rate from 200% to 400% of the roading rate
- 4.2 At the Deliberations meeting on 26 May 2021, Council agreed to adopt the following:
- (a) Increase the Non-Commercial Visitor Accommodation rate from \$200 to \$300pa
 - (b) A Warm you Whare targeted rate
 - (c) A Verandah replacement targeted rate
 - (d) An Environmental Resilience targeted rate
 - (e) An increase to the forestry rate from 200% to 300% of the roading rate

4.3 OTHER CHANGES

4.3.1 Lawyer Changes

The term “Uniform Targeted Rates” has been removed from section 4.3.4 of the policy as it is not a defined term in the LG(R)A 2002. This has been slightly reworded to now read, “other targeted rates set on a uniform basis as an amount per rating unit or per SUIP of a rating unit”.

4.3.2 Section 6.1.1 – 6.1.4 “Intergenerational Equity and Decline in Service Potential (DISP)” has been moved to sit under section 6.3 “Period in or Over Which the Benefits are Expected to Occur (s101(3)(a)(iii))”. This change has been made, as logically it is a better place for the section to sit. No changes have been made to the wording of these sections.

4.4 The updated Revenue and Financing Policy is attached (attachment 1) for adoption.

<h3>Suggested Resolution(s)</h3>

1 That the Adoption Report: Revenue and Financing Policy 2021 be received.

2 That the Revenue and Financing Policy 2021 is / is not adopted.



Candice McNaught

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Attachments:

1 Revenue and Financing Policy 2021

Report to: Council

Meeting Date: 23 June 2021

Subject: Adoption of Rate Remission Policy 2021



Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise that Council adopt that Rate Remission Policy 2021 (the policy).

Significance and Engagement, Social Impact

2.1 SIGNIFICANCE

This report does not trigger the Significance and Engagement Policy.

2.2 ENGAGEMENT

In accordance with Section 109 of the Local Government Act (the Act), Council must consult in accordance with Section 82 of the Act in fulfilment of the Act's 'principals of consultation' which was done so during 2021-31 Long Term Plan (LTP) consultation period.

2.3 SOCIAL IMPACT

While this report does not trigger the Social Policy, the proposed Remission is intended to have a beneficial social and economic impact to ratepayers who may need to apply for rate remission.

Background

- 3.1 The 'Remissions for Extreme Financial Hardship' section was added to the Rates Remission Policy in June 2020 in response to COVID-19 related economic effects on the District. The Policy as a whole was not reviewed when this addition was made.
- 3.2 In October 2020, a desktop review of this policy was completed and presented to Council at the Financial Policies Workshop. In addition to this review, an additional remission titled, '*Remission of UAGC to Certain Separately Used or Inhabited Parts of Ratings Units (SUIPS)*' was introduced.
- 3.2.1 This additional remission was consulted on as part of the 2021-31 LTP consultation process that ran from 26 March 2021 – 26 April 2021. Council received 146 submissions on the policy.

Discussion

- 4.1 As part of the 2021-31 LTP process, Council considered the policy at formal deliberations held 26 May 2021 and resolved that, "*Council does adopt the Remission of UAGC to Certain Separately Used or Inhabited Parts of Rating Units (SUIPS) Policy for inclusion in Council's Rates Remission Policy*".
- 4.2 It is therefore advisable that Council adopt the reviewed and amended policy attached.

Suggested Resolution(s)

- 1 That the Adoption of Rates Remission Policy 2021 report is received.
- 2 That Council adopts the Rates Remission Policy 2021.



Samantha Arthur-Curtis
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Attachments:

- 1 Rates Remission Policy 2021
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Report to: Council

Meeting Date: 23 June 2021

Subject: Adoption Report: Financial Strategy 2021-31



Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to present to Council the Financial Strategy 2021-31 (the strategy) for adoption.

Significance and Engagement, Social Impact

2.1 Significance and Engagement

The strategy was consulted on as part of the supporting documents alongside the Consultation Document for the Long Term Plan 2021-31 (LTP) in March and April 2021.

2.2 Social Impact

Ruapehu District Councils Financial Strategy (attachment 1) sets out Councils strategic direction for how they plan to pay for the activities of Council. As such, Council should be satisfied that they have considered the social impact on its community when adopting the strategy.

Background

- 3.1 Section 101A requires a local authority must, as part of its long term plan, prepare and adopt a financial strategy for all the consecutive years covered by the long term plan.
- 3.2 Morrison Low were engaged as contractors to review, prepare and produce Ruapehu District Councils Financial Strategy based on the requirements of section 101A of the LGA.

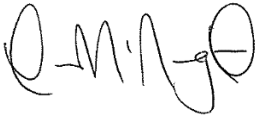
Discussion

4.1 CHANGES TO THE FINANCIAL STRATEGY 2021-31

- 4.1.1 Changes made to Councils Financial Strategy 2021-31 since consultation and deliberation were an update to graphs and financials where required, such as the 10 year Capex spend information.

Suggested Resolution(s)

- 1 That the Adoption Report: Financial Strategy 2021-31 be received.
- 2 That the Financial Strategy 2021-31 is / is not adopted.



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Attachment:

1. Financial Strategy 2021-31

Report to: Council

Meeting Date: 23 June 2021

Subject: Adoption Report: Infrastructure Strategy 2021-2051



Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to present to Council the Infrastructure Strategy 2021-51 (the strategy) for adoption.

Significance and Engagement, Social Impact

2.1 Significance and Engagement

The strategy was consulted on as part of the supporting documents alongside the Consultation Document for the Long Term Plan 2021-31 (LTP) in March and April 2021.

Background

- 3.1 Section 101B of the Local Government Act 2002 (LGA) requires a local authority must, as part of its long term plan, prepare and adopt an Infrastructure Strategy for the period of at least 30 years.
- 3.2 Morrison Low were engaged as contractors to review, prepare and produce Ruapehu District Councils Infrastructure Strategy based on the requirements of section 101B of the LGA.

Discussion

4.1 CHANGES TO THE INFRASTRUCTURE STRATEGY 2021-51

- 4.1.1 No significant changes have been made to the Strategy since consultation and deliberations. All graphs and financials have been updated where necessary.

Suggested Resolution(s)

- 1 That the Adoption Report: Infrastructure Strategy 2021-2051 be received.
- 2 That the Infrastructure Strategy 2021-51 is / is not adopted.

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Attachment: **Infrastructure Strategy 2021-51**

Report to: Council

Meeting Date: 23 June 2021

Subject: Adoption Report: Asset Management Plans 2021-2031



Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to present the Asset Management Plans (AMPs) 2021 - 31 to Council for adoption.

Significance and Engagement, Social Impact

- 2.1 **Significance**
This report does not trigger the Significance and Engagement Policy.
- 2.2 **Social Impact**
This report does not trigger the Social Policy.

Background

- 3.1 Asset management is an essential part of effective business planning for organisations whose services rely on assets to support their service delivery. AMPs include levels of service agreed with the community, and these levels of service provide the platform for all decisions relating to the management of the activity. They also provide detailed information on asset condition, performance, expected life and plans for asset upgrades and renewal. The information in AMPs underpins the long term planning process.
- 3.2 Activity information and financials are based on Asset Management Plans (AMPs) which have been prepared for the following asset groups:
- (a) Land Transport
 - (b) Water Supply
 - (c) Wastewater
 - (d) Stormwater
 - (e) Community Property, Recreation and Facilities
- 3.3 Workshops on these AMPs were held with Elected Members throughout 2020:
- (a) 17 June – Land Transport
 - (b) 2 September – Recreation and Community Facilities and Community Property
 - (c) 2 September - The Three Waters
- 3.4 The Asset Management Plans, Revenue and Financing Policy, and Infrastructure and Finance Strategies were also released as supporting information to the consultation document on the 26 March 2021.
- 3.5 After Council deliberations on 26 May 2021, the AMPs were updated and finalised for adoption.

Discussion

4.1 ASSET MANAGEMENT PLANS

4.1.1 Adoption of the updated AMPs is not a statutory requirement, however recognition of their importance is confirmed to the community and Audit NZ through formal adoption of the updated plans by Council.

4.2 The AMPs are in two volumes, Part 1 and 2 are generic to all AMPs and are contained in a separate volume.

4.3 CHANGES TO ASSET MANAGEMENT PLANS

4.3.1 *Land Transport Asset Management Plan*

Between the consultation and final versions, Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency advised Council of their indicative allocations for local and special purpose (SPR) road maintenance and renewal for the period 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2024. SPR's allocation matched the budget requested, while the local road allocation was reduced \$3.4M from that requested.

4.3.2 Council's bid had increased 27% from the previous three year block. This was targeted at bridge renewals, reseals, sealed pavement maintenance, response to minor events and heavy metalling on forestry haul routes, as well as including a new provision for bridge painting. The reduced total is still \$7.1M higher than the previous three year period. This will allow slight increases in the targeted work programmes.

4.3.3 *Community Property, Recreation and Facilities Asset Management Plan*

Part 3 and 4, changes were made to the capital budgets to include required works totalling \$96.5k over the first 4 years of the LTP

Suggested Resolutions

- 1 That the Adoption Report: Asset Management Plans 2021-2031 be received.
- 2 That the following Asset Management Plans are / are not adopted:
 - (a) The Land Transport Asset Management Plan
 - (b) The Water Supply Asset Management Plan
 - (c) The Wastewater Asset Management Plan
 - (d) The Stormwater Asset Management Plan
 - (e) Community Property, Recreation and Facilities Asset Management Plan



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Attachments:

- 1 Land Transport Asset Management Plan
- 2 Water Supply Asset Management Plan
- 3 Wastewater Asset Management Plan
- 4 Stormwater Asset Management Plan
- 5 Community Property, Recreation and Facilities Asset Management Plan

Report to: Council

Meeting Date: 23 June 2021

Subject: Adoption Report: Long Term Plan 2021-2031



Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to present the Long Term Plan (LTP) 2021-31 for adoption.

Significance and Engagement, Social Impact

- 2.1 Significance**
This report does not trigger the Significance and Engagement Policy.
- 2.2 Social Impact**
This report does not trigger the Social Policy.

Background

- 3.1 Since 2019, Council has been developing the LTP for the District as required by section 93 of the Local Government Act 2002 (LGA).
- 3.2 The purpose of the LTP, set out in section 93(6) of the LGA, is to:
- describe the activities of the local authority,
 - describe the community outcomes of the local authority's district or region,
 - provide integrated decision-making and co-ordination of the resources of the local authority,
 - provide a long-term focus for the decisions and activities of the local authority,
 - provide a basis for accountability of the local authority to the community.
- 3.3 The LTP includes information about Council's activities and services, asset management planning and financial management.
- 3.4 The financial information is included in the Financial Strategy, Revenue and Financing Policy, Funding Impact Statement (which provides detailed information on the incidence and amount of rates charged for different activities) and financial accounts.
- 3.5 On 26 March 2021, a consultation document, which discussed the main LTP issues, was released for public consultation. The Asset Management Plans, Revenue and Financing Policy, and Infrastructure and Finance Strategies were also released as supporting information.
- 3.6 A total of 148 submissions were received, out of which 106 were completed via the feedback form (handwritten or electronic) and 42 were written submissions. Elected members listened to submitters views on the LTP at public hearings on 11 May and 12 May 2021.

3.7 Council deliberated on submissions at a public meeting on 26 May 2021.

Discussion

4.1 LONG TERM PLAN 2021 – 31

The final LTP has been prepared taking into account:

- (a) Council's deliberations on submissions and
- (b) Comments from Auditors.

4.2 The Long Term Plan 2021 – 31 must be adopted before and comes into effect on 1 July 2021.

4.3 AUDITOR GENERAL'S REPORT

The LTP must contain a report from the Auditor-General on:

- (a) whether the plan gives effect to the purpose set out in section 93(6) (see paragraph 2.2); and
- (b) the quality of the information and assumptions underlying the forecast information provided in the plan.

Suggested Resolutions

- 1 That the Adoption Report: Long Term Plan 2021-31 be received.
- 2 That the Long Term Plan 2021-31 is / is not adopted.



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Attachments:

1. Long Term Plan 2021-31

Report to: Council

Meeting Date: 23 June 2021

Subject: Adoption Report: Fees and Charges 2021/22



Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to adopt Ruapehu District Council's Fees and Charges for the 2021/22 financial year.

Significance and Engagement, Social Impact

- 2.1 Significance**
This report does not trigger the Significance and Engagement Policy.
- 2.2 Engagement**
Council undertook public consultation via section 83 of the Local Government Act the Special Consultative Procedure as part of the Long Term Plan 2021-31.
- 2.3 Social Impact**
This report does not trigger the Social Policy.

Background

- 3.1 On 10 March 2021 Ruapehu District Council resolved that the Draft Fees and Charges be adopted as supporting information to the Long Term Plan Consultation Document.
- 3.2 On 9 June 2021, a report was delivered to Council to discuss the fees and charges of development contributions. It was resolved that:
"2 the Development Contributions for District Wide Roading be increased to \$2,040, and all other development contributions be kept at the 2020 level plus Local Government Index (LGI) inflation."
- 3.2.1 The above change has been made as per 4.1.2 of this report.

Discussion

4.1 CHANGES SINCE CONSULTATION

- 4.1.1 During consultation there has been two changes from Council staff to the following Fees and Charges:

4.1.2 *Development Contributions*

Land Transport development contributions to be increased to new development contribution calculations. All other development contributions to remain the same plus Local Government Cost Index inflation. These fees and charges have also been rounded to the nearest dollar as shown below:

2020/21 Fees	Land Transport \$	Water Supply \$	Wastewater \$	Stormwater and Flood Protection \$	DC 2021/22 \$
All areas of the District (other than those stated below)	2,040	0	0	0	2,040
National Park (Urban)	2,040	587	1,859	0	4,486
Ohakune (Urban)	2,040	1,205	2,601	726	6,572
Raetihi (Urban)	2,040	575	4,059	0	6,674

4.1.3 **Waste Management (Refuse)**

Purchase of Replacement Blue Kerbside Recycling Bin increased from \$13 to \$16.00 due to an increase from the supplier.

Suggested Resolution(s)

- 1 That the Adoption Report: Fees and Charges 2021/22 be received.
- 2 That the Ruapehu District Council Fees and Charges 2021/22 are / are not adopted.



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1. Ruapehu District Councils Fees and Charges 2021/22

Report to: Council

Meeting Date: 23 June 2021

Subject: Adoption Report: Rates Resolution 2021/22



Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is for Council to set the rates, due dates for the payment of rates and penalties regime for the 2021/22 financial year.

Significance and Engagement, Social Impact

- 2.1 Significance**
This report does not trigger the Significance and Engagement Policy.
- 2.2 Social Impact**
This report does not trigger the Social Policy.

Discussion

- 3.1 The rate requirement for 2021/22 is \$29.4m (GST inclusive). This is an increase of 4.92% on 2020/21.

Suggested Resolution(s)

- 1 That the Adoption Report: Rates Resolution Report 2021/22 be received.
- 2 That pursuant to section 23 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, Council sets the rates as set out below, for the year commencing 1 July 2021 and ending 30 June 2022. The amount of the rate is set out in the fourth column of the Schedule of Rates for 2021/22 below:

General Rates

General Rate

A General Rate set on the basis of Capital Value (CV) to fund general activities. This rate is set on a differential basis as described below and assessed on all rateable land.

The General Rate differentials are based on the CV and land use as defined by Council's Valuation Service Provider and included in the Rating Information Database. The differentials are as set out in the following table.

(Refer Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, S13(2)(b) & S14, and Schedules 2(1&8) & 3(2))

General Rate Differentials	
Basis	Differential
All rating units other than hydro-electric properties with a CV in excess of \$50 million	100%
Hydro-electric properties with a CV in excess of \$50 million	61%

General Rate – Defence Land

Defence Land is rated on Capital Value but, in accordance with Section 22 LGRA, the assessed rate will not exceed the amount that would have been charged if the District's rate was calculated on the Land Value only.

(Refer Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, S22)

Uniform Annual General Charge (UAGC)

A UAGC set on the basis of one charge assessed on every separately used or inhabited part (SUIP) of a rating unit. This rate has been set at a level designed to ensure that the total of the UAGC and uniform targeted rates, exclusive of those set for water supply or sewerage disposal do not exceed the allowable maximum of 30%.

(Refer Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, S15 & 21 and Schedule 3(7))

Targeted Rates

Land Transport

Land Transport Differential Rate

A targeted rate set on the basis of Capital Value (CV) on all rating units in the District to fund land transport activity. This rate is set on a differential basis as described below.

The Land Transport Rate differentials are based on the CV and use as defined by Council's Valuation Service Provider and included in the Rating Information Database. The differentials are set out in the following table.

(Refer Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, S16(3)(a) and (4)(b) and Schedules 2(1&8) and Schedule 3(2))

Land Transport Rate Differentials		
Differential	Basis	Basis
General	All rating units other than the following:	100%
Hydro-electric	Rating Units used for Hydro-electric purposes with a Capital Value in excess of \$50 million	61%
Forestry	Rating Units used for exotic forestry with a Quotable Value Property Use Code of FE	300%

Urban Periphery Roads

Kaha and Tau Street Resealing

A targeted rate set on the basis of a fixed amount assessed on every rating unit within the defined rating area to fund the resealing of Kaha and Tau Streets.

The defined Rating Area is as follows - All rating units with frontage on Kaha or Tau Streets, Rangataua (excluding the three rating units with frontage on a short section of Tau Street already sealed: valuation numbers 12765 198 00; 12765 222 00; 12765 223 00.

(Refer Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, S16(3)(b) and (4)(a))

Economic Development Rates

Economic Development Targeted Rate

A targeted rate set on the basis of a fixed amount assessed on every SUIP in the District to fund Economic Development.

(Refer Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, S16(3)(a) and (4)(a) and Schedule 3(7))

Economic Development Commercial Targeted Rate

A targeted rate set on the basis of Capital Value (CV) assessed on every rating unit with Council's Valuation Service Provider's Category Codes C (Commercial) and I (Industrial) to fund Economic Development.

(Refer Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, S16(3)(b) and (4)(a), and Schedule 3(2))

Non Commercial Visitor Accommodation Targeted Rate

A Non Commercial Visitor Accommodation Rate set on the basis of a fixed amount per rating unit to fund services provided to the tourism sector. This rate will be assessed on any property that is advertised in any form as providing short term accommodation to the tourism sector. For clarity, this rate will be payable by any property (rating unit) that is advertised and used for short-term accommodation purposes, for example Bed & Breakfast (B&B), Book-a-Bach, Air B&Bs etc. This rate will not, however, be payable by any rating unit that is currently assessed as Economic Development – Commercial Targeted Rate.

(Refer Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, Sections 16(3)(b) and (4)(a) and schedule 3(7))

Solid Waste Rates

Solid Waste – Waste Minimisation Management and Facilities

A targeted rate set on the basis of a fixed amount assessed on every SUIP in the District to fund the cost of landfills, transfer stations and general recycling costs, plus all other refuse costs not included in the service charge for kerbside collection charged to individual households.

(Refer Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, Sections 16(3)(a) and (4)(a) & Schedule 3(7))

Solid Waste - Kerbside Collection

A targeted rate set on the basis of a fixed amount assessed differentially on every SUIP to which Council provides the service, to fund the cost of kerbside (refuse and recycling) collection services. Note: Vacant land and land with minor improvements are deemed not to receive the service therefore are not subject to this rate.

Note: Refuse is collected for all SUIPS, whereas recycling is only collected from residential units.

Solid Waste - Kerbside Collection Rate Differentials

Basis		Differential
General Differential	All rating units within the rateable areas defined and used for "Residential" ^[1] purposes. Note: vacant land and land with minor improvements will not be liable for this rate	100%
Commercial Differential	All rating units within the rateable areas defined and used for any purpose other than residential. Note: vacant land and land with minor improvements will not be liable for this rate	50%

(Refer Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, Sections 16(3)(b) and (4)(b), Schedules 2 (1&5) & 3(7))

Stormwater & Flood Protection Rates

A targeted rate set on the basis of a fixed amount assessed on every SUIP within the following urban communities to which stormwater and flood protection services are provided to fund these services. In this context, "are provided" means that the rating unit is within a water or sewerage supply area and is liable for any of those rates.

(Refer Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, Sections 16(3)(b) and (4)(a) & Schedule 3 Cl 7)

Stormwater Rating Areas

Taumarunui, Piriaka, Ohakune, Raetihi, Owango, National Park, Rangataua, Waiouru, Kakahi

Sewerage

Sewerage Service Rate

Council has set a targeted rate assessed on a differential basis for any land which is connected or capable of connection¹, either directly or indirectly, to any of the District's public sewerage systems as follows.

Sewerage Differential Rate		
Differential	Description	Basis
General Use	Land other than land used for Primary and Secondary Schools	100%
School Use	Land used for Primary and Secondary Schools	30%

(Refer Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, Section 16(3)(b) and (4)(b) and Schedules 2(1), 2(5), 3(7) & 3(12))

The rate is assessed per SUIP of a rating unit for general use land and per pan for schools.

Pan Rate (Water Closet or Urinal)

Council has set a targeted rate assessed on any rating unit in the general use category as defined above that has more than two pans per SUIP and which is connected, either directly or indirectly, to any of the District's public sewerage systems.² The rate is assessed per pan.

(Refer Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, Section 16(3)(b) and 16(4)(a) and Schedule 2(1), 2(5) & Schedule 3(12))

Water

Water Rate

A targeted rate on the basis of an amount assessed on every SUIP that is connected or capable of connection³, either directly or indirectly, to any of the District's Public Water Supply Systems, set on a differential basis.

(Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, Section 16(3)(b) and (4)(b) and Schedule 3(7))

Water Rates		
Differential	Description	Basis
General Use	All Rating Units other than those defined as Extraordinary Use	100%
Extraordinary Use	Rating Units are deemed extraordinary by land use, Councils Water Bylaw, or agreement with Council.	120%

(Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, Section 16(3)(b) and (4)(b) and Schedules 2(1) & (5) & 3(7))

Water by Meter Charges (N.B. water by meter charges are not rates pursuant to the LGRA)

Users connected to any Council water supply where the supply is recorded through a water meter will be assessed the Water Differential Rate, as outlined above. In addition, they will be charged for any water consumed according to the prevailing Schedule of Fees and Charges.

Lump Sum Contributions

Council is not seeking any lump sum contributions in respect of any targeted rates.

(Local Government Act 2002, Schedule 10 Clause 15(4)(e)).

¹ Capable of connection - The rating unit is within 30m of sewer main and practicably serviceable in the opinion of Council.

² In terms of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 Schedule 3(4) a rating unit used primarily as a residence for one household will be treated as having only one water closet or urinal.

³ Capable of connection - The rating unit is within 100m of water main and practicably serviceable in the opinion of Council.

Due Dates for Payment of Rates

Council resolved that the rates for 2021/22 are payable in four equal instalments, on the dates set out below.

Discount

A discount of 3% on all current year's rates will be granted for prompt payment if the rates for the year ending 30 June 2022 are paid in full by 20 August 2021, on condition that no rates remain unpaid from previous years.

Penalties

A penalty of 10% will be added to any amount of an instalment of rates remaining unpaid after the relevant due date and will be added on the dates set out in the table below:

Instalment	Due Date	Penalty Date
1	20 August 2021	25 August 2021
2	22 November 2021	25 November 2021
3	21 February 2022	24 February 2022
4	20 May 2022	25 May 2022

A further penalty of 10% will be added to any rates from previous years that remain unpaid on 1 July 2021. The penalty will be applied on 12 July 2021.

A further penalty of 10% will be added to any amount of rates to which a penalty has been added under the above paragraph that remain unpaid on 13 January 2022. The penalty will be added on 14 January 2022.

Council delegates authority to the Executive Manager Finance and Strategy, to apply penalties on unpaid rates. Remission of penalties will be considered according to Council's Remission of Penalties Policy, which can be found on Council's website: www.ruapehudc.govt.nz.

Other Rating Policy Statements

Projected number of rating units

Local Government Act 2002 Schedule 10 Clause 15A requires Council to state for each year covered by the Plan, the projected number of rating units within the district or region of the local authority at the end of the preceding financial year.

For the purposes of the 2021 – 2031 Long Term Plan Council has assumed that there will be some growth in the number of rating units

The following table shows the growth assumptions for each of the years covered by the plan.

Year	Rating Units
2021/22	8984
2022/23	8995
2023/24	9005
2024/25	9016
2025/26	9027
2026/27	9038
2027/28	9049
2028/29	9060
2029/30	9070
2030/31	9081

Schedule of Rates for 2021/22

Please note all rates include GST.

Rate	Basis of Assessment	Differential (as per LG(R)A schedule 2	Rate GST incl.	Rates 2021/22 Total Rate GST incl.
GENERAL RATES				
Uniform Annual General Charge	Per SUIP4	-	\$658.45	\$5,796,360
General Rate – General Differential	Capital Value	1 & 8	\$0.00175804	\$8,858,849
General Rate – Hydro Electrical Differential	Capital Value	1 & 8	\$0.00106799	\$341,745
General Rate – Defence Land	Land Value	1	\$0.00075807	\$155,450
TARGETED RATES				
Land Transport				
General	Capital Value	1	\$0.00075872	\$3,725,320
Hydro Electrical	Capital Value	1 & 8	\$0.00046100	\$147,516
Forestry	Capital Value	1	\$0.00226722	\$295,960
Kaha and Tau Street Resealing	Per rating unit		\$124.00	\$3,968
Solid Waste				
Solid Waste - Kerbside Collection				
Residential	Per SUIP	1&5	\$65.16	\$274,333
Commercial	Per SUIP	1& 5	\$33.00	\$17,920
Solid Waste Charge	Per SUIP	-	\$72.99	\$642,601
Stormwater - Flood Protection				
Stormwater/Flood Protection Urban	Per SUIP		\$96.29	\$559,383
Wastewater				
District Wide Sewerage Rate				
General use (Inclusive of 2 pans)	Per SUIP	1 & 5	\$532.30	\$2,516,166
School Use	Per Pan	1 & 5	\$159.69	\$38,166
District Wide Additional Pan Rate				
General Use Per pan in excess of 2 pans per SUIP	Per Pan	-	\$266.15	\$383,520
Water				
District Wide Water Rate				
Connected or capable of connection	Per SUIP	1 & 5	\$780.34	\$4,536,139
Extra-Ordinary	Per SUIP	1 & 5	\$936.41	\$34,647
Economic Development Rates				
Economic Development Rate	Per SUIP	-	\$52.18	\$459,366
Economic Development Commercial Rate	Capital Value	-	\$0.00124967	\$410,644
Non-Commercial Visitor Accommodation Targeted Rate	Per rating unit	-	\$300.00	\$156,600



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⁴ Separately Used or Inhabited Part of a rating unit

Report to: Council

Meeting Date: 23 June 2021

Subject: **Retrospective Adoption of Submission to Horizons' Long Term Plan**



Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek retrospective adoption of the submission to Horizons' Long Term Plan (LTP) 2021-31 from Council.

Significance and Engagement, Social Impact

- 2.1 SIGNIFICANCE**
This report does not trigger the Significance and Engagement Policy.
- 2.2 ENGAGEMENT**
This report requires no external engagement.
- 2.3 SOCIAL IMPACT**
This report does not trigger the Social Policy.

Background

- 3.1 Ruapehu District Council submitted to Horizons' LTP on 23 April 2021.

Discussion

- 4.1 Significant matters that were raised in the submission that will be spoken to at hearings on Tuesday 11 May 2021 were;
- (a) Affordability of proposed rate rise,
 - (b) Climate change initiatives,
 - (c) Fresh water rate,
 - (d) Central government reform,
 - (e) SLUI, Flood Protection, Pest Control, Catchment Restoration initiatives,
 - (f) Public transport,
 - (g) Revision of community outcomes,
 - (h) Accelerate 25,
 - (i) Works program assistance,
 - (j) Manawatū-Whanganui Local Authority Shared Services.

Suggested Resolution(s)

- 1 That the Retrospective Adoption of Submission to Horizons' Long Term Plan report be received.
- 2 That the Submission to Horizons' LTP 2021-2031 be retrospectively adopted.

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1. Submission to Horizons' LTP 2021- 2031

Report to: Council

Meeting Date: 23 June 2021

Subject: Local Government (Rating of Whenua Māori)
Amendment Act



Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide Council with an overview on the Local Government (Rating of Whenua Māori) Amendment Act 2021 (the Act), and the obligations this legislation imposes upon Council, as a local authority.

Significance and Engagement, Social Impact

2.1 Significance

While the impacts of the Act may seem significant on Council's rating revenue, in reality rates are not being collected on a number of Māori land parcels, as they are already receiving a remission of rates under Council's Māori Freehold Rates Remission Policy.

2.2 Engagement

Council's submission supported the principles of the Bill.

2.3 Social Impact

This report does not trigger the Social Policy.

Background

- 3.1 In February 2021, Hon Nanaia Mahuta introduced the Local Government (Rating of Whenua Māori) Amendment Act as a government Bill to Parliament. A key purpose of the Bill was to support the development and provision of housing on Māori land and to modernise rating legislation affecting Māori land.
- 3.2 Much of the rating legislation for Māori land largely remained unchanged from the Māori Land Rating Act 1924, as a result the government believed this was no longer consistent with present-day expectations of Māori-Crown relationships.
- 3.3 The bill was granted royal assent on 12 April 2021, as a result some provisions of the Act came into effect immediately, and others will come into effect on 1 July 2021. The details of these provisions are discussed further below in the Report.

Discussion

- 4.1 Across Aotearoa New Zealand there is 1.4 million hectares of Māori freehold land, which in total land mass, equates to around 5%. For Māori, connection to, use and development of their land can sustain whānau and strengthen identity and belonging.
- 4.2 The Te Ture Whenua Māori Act 1993 is the primary legislation that is aimed to balance the protection of Māori land for future generations, and provides for the use and development of land in order to benefit its owners, their whānau and hapū.

- 4.3 Māori land is a “taonga tuku iho” a treasure handed down to Māori land owners through generations, as such, much of the land is held under multiple ownership.
- 4.4 The Local Government (Rating of Whenua Māori) legislation is part of the Government’s wider commitment to supporting whānau and regional development by:
- (a) reducing the barriers for Māori land owners wanting to occupy, build or develop Māori freehold land, and in particular for those who have rate arrears,
 - (b) stimulating regional development in order to add value by fully utilising and developing Māori freehold land,
 - (c) providing greater consistency, equity and clarity around the rating of Māori land in order to benefit both, Māori land owners and local authorities.
- 4.5 The provisions of the Act also require local authorities’ revenue and financing policies to support the principles of the Preamble to Te Ture Whenua Māori Act 1993 to signal the intent of the Act.
- 4.6 Across the Ruapehu District, Council has 745 rating units categorised as Māori freehold land, making up an area of around 118,000ha, this includes all Māori freehold land that is both rateable and non-rateable.
- 4.7 Of the 745 rating units, 281 are currently non-rateable under an Order in Council, or under Schedule 1 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, and 48 properties were receiving rates remissions under Section 5.5 of Council’s Māori Freehold Land Rates Remission Policy.
- 4.8 Non-rateable properties under an Order of Council was a project implemented in the 1990s that were applied to demonstrate Council’s proactive approach to the rating of Māori freehold land. This is an area that may need to be reviewed going forward.
- 4.9 In addition to the provisions of the Act, a further 20 properties have been identified as being unused Māori freehold land, and will now become non-rateable under the legislation. The estimated annual rating impact from this is 28k, based on the 2020/21 rating year.
- 4.10 The amount of rating arrears to write off under the legislation is \$457k. Of this amount, \$313k is accumulated from penalties, leaving a total amount of \$144k being actual rates.
- 4.11 In the 2020/21 rating year Māori freehold land contributed \$1.3m to the overall rating revenue. From this amount, the total rating revenue unable to be collected was approximately \$50k.
- 4.12 It is important to note that non-rateable land still has to pay service rating charges where these charges are applicable to the land.
- 4.13 The table below identifies the key provisions of to the Act, and highlights the timeline required for Council to implement these provisions, and where Council is currently at in terms of meeting its legislative obligations.

Provisions of the Act	Timeline to Implement	Where Council is at
Power to write off rates arrears	Day after Royal assent	Council currently writes off uncollectable rate arrears on unused Māori freehold land on a case by case basis under its Policy. The delegation to do this sits with Council’s Chief Executive. This process

		will continue to be actioned on a case by case basis, as required by legislation.
Statutory rates remission for Māori freehold land	Day after Royal assent	A number of land parcels were already captured under Council's Māori Freehold Land Rates Remission Policy.
Unused Māori land and land subject to Ngā Whenua Rāhui kawenata to be non-rateable	1 July 2021	Council is confirming that all Ngā Whenua Rāhui kawenata land across the Ruapehu district is identified as being non-rateable in its rating database. Unused Māori land has been identified and now has a non-rateable status.
Ability to treat multiple land blocks as one rating unit	1 July 2021	Under Policy, Council currently treats multiple land blocks used as one rating unit as a single unit for purpose of setting the rates.
Allows for individual houses on Māori land to be rated separately from other houses and land uses on same blocks	1 July 2021	This will be applied upon application by the land owner/ratepayer.
Requires some revenue and financing policies to support the principles of the Preamble to Te Ture Whenua Māori Act 1993	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remission and Postponement Policy - 1 July 2022 • Revenue and Financing Policy - 1 July 2024 • Any general Rates Remission and Postponement Policy – The next review conducted after 1 July 2021 or 1 July 2024 	

4.14 Rates arrears write offs will be captured in Council's Annual Report for 2021/22, and reported back to the Department of Internal Affairs.

Suggested Resolution(s)

That the Report on Local Government (Rating of Whenua Māori) Amendment Act 2021 be received.



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Attachments

1. Changes to the rating of Māori land document - Te Puni Kōkiri

Report to: Council

Meeting Date: 23 June 2021

Subject: Adoption of Submission to Land Transport Rule:
Setting of Speed Limits 2021



Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek adoption of the submission to Land Transport Rule: Setting of Speed Limits 2021 from Council.

Significance and Engagement, Social Impact

- 2.1 Significance**
This report does not trigger the Significance and Engagement Policy.
- 2.2 Engagement**
This report requires no external engagement
- 2.3 Social Impact**
This report does not trigger the Social Policy.

Background

- 3.1 Waka Kotahi released the Land Transport Rule: Setting of Speed Limits 2021 on 23 April 2021 for public consultation.
- 3.2 It proposes a number of changes to the current way of setting speed limits.
- 3.3 Councillors were taken through the key changes at a workshop held on 26 May 2021, where feedback was sought to inform a submission to the proposed rule.
- 3.4 The key proposals covered were:
- 10 year regulatory framework to replace Bylaw for setting speed limits
 - 10 year plan to be collated and consulted on by Regional Transport Committee
 - 10 year plan to include policies, objectives and measures
 - Road Controlling Authority role in 10 year plan
 - RCA's encouraged to take district wide approach
 - Consistency is a key reason for change
 - Speed Management Guide 2016 will be updated after Rule adopted
 - Proposed Speed management committee to oversee State Highway speed management and provide guidance to RCA's
 - School speed limits to be 30/40km/hr outside urban schools and maximum of 60km/hr outside rural schools.
- 3.5 Consultation closes at 5.00 pm on Friday 25 June 2021.

Discussion

- 4.1 A draft submission was developed based on feedback from the workshop and distributed to members on Thursday 3 June 2021.
- 4.2 A copy of the submission is attached to and forms part of this report.
- 4.3 The submission outlines Council's concerns about autonomy to make the final decisions with regard to speed limits within our District.
- 4.4 It highlights the differences in drivers for change in our varied range of urban and rural districts within Horizons region.
- 4.5 It gives our support for changing speed limits outside schools.
- 4.6 The Regional Transport Committee is developing a submission as well to reflect the views of the Regional Council on what their role entails, the resources and funding that might be required for it and a reflection of issues raised around the Region. This is still in draft. An officers' advisory meeting was held on Wednesday 9 June and generalised feedback from Councils within the Region showed a range of responses, from support, to concern about autonomy, timeframes to needing more advice on what is meant by consistency and whether evidence based reasons to opt out of any proposed speed limit changes would be acceptable. Some Councils are already in process of changing limits. Broadly speaking, there seemed to be more support for changes in urban areas than rural. Rural based Councils feel that there is still much work to be done to get buy in from the public on the need for change.

Suggested Resolution(s)

- 1 That the report on Adoption of Submission to Land Transport Rule: Setting of Speed Limits 2021 be received.
- 2 That the Submission to Land Transport Rule: Setting of Speed Limits 2021 be/not be adopted and submitted to Waka Kotahi by 5.00pm on Friday 25 June 2021.



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1. Submission to Land Transport Rule: Setting of Speed Limits 2021

Report to: Council

Meeting Date: 23 June 2021

Subject: Heavy Vehicle Restriction on Ruapehu Road between Dreadnought Road and Railway Row, Ohakune



Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to obtain a resolution of Council to restrict heavy vehicles from using Ruapehu Road between Dreadnought Road and Railway Row, Ohakune under Land Transport Bylaw, Section 19, Schedule 20: Restriction on Use of Road.

Significance and Engagement, Social Impact

- 2.1 Significance**
This report does not trigger the Significance and Engagement Policy.
- 2.2 Social Impact**
This report does not trigger the Social Policy.

Background

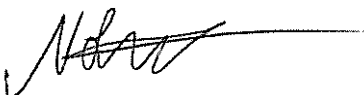
- 3.1 There have been many concerns regarding heavy vehicles crossing bridge number 404, the Ruapehu Rail Over Bridge on Ruapehu Road between Railway Row and Dreadnought Road.
- 3.2 The bridge had restrictions of a gross weight of 5,000kg and a max of 2,500kg on any one axle.
- 3.3 Despite the restrictions being advertised and reminders given to trucking companies, heavy vehicles continued to use the bridge.
- 3.4 Police, Council staff and Council contractors have been monitoring the use and condition of the bridge, and a recent bridge inspection has prompted a further weight restriction to be placed on the bridge.
- 3.5 The bridge is now limited to a gross weight of 3,500kg and a max of 1,750kg on any one axle.
- 3.6 Heavy Vehicle Bridge Limit signs have been placed at either end of the bridge and warning signs have been placed on Ruapehu Road at Shannon Street, and on Railway Row. A camera has been placed on the bridge to monitor safety. Chicanes limiting the bridge approaches have also been installed.
- 3.7 The new weight restrictions were advertised in the Ruapehu Bulletin and on the Council Facebook page on Wednesday 14 April 201 and in the Taumarunui Bulletin on Friday 16 April.
- 3.8 There are still heavy vehicles trying to cross this bridge.

Discussion

- 4.1 This proposal is to add the below addition to Schedule 20 of the Land Transport Bylaw: Restriction on Use of Road.
- (a) Ruapehu Road – No Heavy Motor Vehicles (1750kg per axle, 3500kg gross) from Dreadnought Road to Railway Row
- 4.2 This is to provide an additional means of support to the existing weight restriction.
- 4.3 Penalties for breaching the Bylaw are as stated in Section 19.8 of the bylaw:
‘Any person who commits an offence against this part of this Bylaw is liable to:
- (a) *If the offence is an infringement offence under either the Land Transport Act 1998, or the Local Government Act 2002 (and any subsequent Regulations), the maximum infringement fee fixed by, or under such Acts or in and under the Schedules to either of such Acts, or*
- (b) *Where the offence is not an infringement offence under the above prescribed Acts, on summary conviction a fine not exceeding \$20,000.*
- 4.4 The Land Transport Bylaw also states that *“Every schedule to this Bylaw shall be deemed to form part of this Bylaw provided that any such schedule may be altered from time to time by Council resolution. Council may from time to time by resolution publicly notified, add, delete or amend any schedule of this Bylaw, or any of the provisions of any schedule to this Bylaw.”*
- 4.5 The proposed change must be approved by Council resolution.
- 4.6 This was discussed at the Waimarino Waiouru Community Board meeting on 6 May 2021 and it was resolved that *“Waimarino-Waiouru Community Board recommends to Council to that heavy vehicles are restricted from using Ruapehu Road between Dreadnought Road and Railway Row, Ohakune under Land Transport Bylaw Section 19: Use of the road, Schedule 20 Restriction on Use of Road.”*

Suggested Resolution(s)

- 1 That the report on Proposal to restrict heavy vehicles from using Ruapehu Road between Dreadnought Road and Railway Row, Ohakune under Land Transport Bylaw, Section 19, Schedule 20: Restriction on Use of Road Document/Subject be received.
- 2 That Council approves/does not approve the below addition to Schedule 20 of the Land Transport Bylaw: Restriction on Use of Road.
- (a) Ruapehu Road – No Heavy Motor Vehicles (1750kg per axle, 3500kg gross) from Dreadnought Road to Railway Row



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Report to: Council

Meeting Date: 23 June 2021

Subject: Annual Plan 2020/21 Financial Monitoring Report for the Month Ending 31 May 2021



Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to monitor Council's financial performance against the Annual Plan 2020/21.

Significance and Engagement, Social Impact

- 2.1 This report does not trigger the Significance and Engagement or Social Policies.

Background

- 3.1 The Annual Plan is the benchmark for financial performance. Since its adoption Council has made decisions that further impact the financial expectations and outcomes for the year. These have been taken into account in this report.
- 3.2 This report presents the financial performance of Council focussing on the key metrics and significant changes since the previous months report to Council. It is prepared monthly and considers the change each month.
- 3.3 This report does not consider the impact of decisions in 2020/21 and beyond.

Discussion

4 OVERALL FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

- 4.1 Overall financial results forecast a surplus of \$6.7m, (\$0.8m) unfavourable against budget. This is due to expenditure incurred on Ohakune Water Treatment Plant upgrade, and Social and Affordable Housing that may not be offset by Central Government funding by the end of the financial year.

5 DETAILED COMMENTARY

5.1 OPERATING FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

- 5.1.1 Key metrics are disclosed in the Operating Performance Dashboard. YTD financial performance is based on management phasing of the budgets.
- 5.1.2 The Statement of Comprehensive Revenue and Expenses (attached) shows the operating performance of all of Council, with significant variances to budget identified and shown as a note. This statement does not include capital expenditure but includes capital revenue (including funded depreciation for asset renewal). Elected Members should always expect this statement to be in a surplus position.

- 5.1.3 The Whole of Council Funding Impact Statement (attached) shows another view of financial performance, separating operating financial performance and capital financial performance. This statement shows more clearly how capital expenditure is funded. Funding Impact Statements balance to zero and increases and decreases in reserves are the balancing line. The Annual Report version of this will show a breakdown of the capital spend by renewal, level of service and growth expenditure.

5.2 FORECAST OPERATING PERFORMANCE

- 5.2.1 The dashboard line graphs for Whole of Council Revenue and Expenditure show a grey forecast line.
- 5.2.2 The forecast is prepared based on an extrapolation of the YTD variances recognising one off items and ongoing items.

6 GROUPS OF ACTIVITIES FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

- 6.1 The Groups of Activities Performance Dashboard shows the financial performance compared to the phased Group of Activity Funding Impact Statements in the Annual Plan.
- 6.2 The Dashboard shows YTD actuals compared with the phased Annual Plan budget for:
- (a) Operating revenue (including rates but not capital revenue);
 - (b) Operating expenditure (including overheads);
 - (c) Capital expenditure (against the Annual Plan excluding subsequent resolutions of Council);
 - (d) Commentary on variances greater than \$100,000.

7 SUNDRY AND RATES DEBTORS

- 7.1 Aged Sundry Debtors are \$3.2m; of this \$1.7m is greater than 90 days. The largest outstanding amount is two invoices for MBIE for \$690k and \$920k for the Ohakune Water Treatment Plant Upgrade.
- 7.2 Rates Arrears are \$1.9m, of which 51% is current. \$302k is with debt collection. Overall rates debtors are slightly lower than this time last year.

8 TREASURY MANAGEMENT

- 8.1 Debt \$33.3m, currently in line with Annual Plan.

8.2 TREASURY PERFORMANCE MEASURES ARE MET:

Policy Compliance for the month	Yes /No
Are all treasury transaction in compliance with policy?	Yes
Are the fixed rate hedging percentages within policy control limits?	Yes
Is liquidity maintained within policy control limits?	Yes
Are all counterparty exposures with policy control limits?	Yes
Are all borrowing covenants / limits being complied with?	Yes

9 CAPITAL FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

9.1 YTD Capital Expenditure, \$4.5m unfavourable against the Annual Plan budget, the majority being the Ohakune Water Treatment Plant upgrade and Hakiha Street, Taumarunui Water Main.

9.2 CAPITAL COMPLETION AGAINST BUDGETS:

Year to date - May 2021		
Activity	Actual spend	Annual Budget
Community Facilities	754,755	2,502,682
Community Support	81,936	126,080
Land Transport (Roading)	9,588,555	10,074,608
Stormwater	61,159	719,926
Support	749,192	1,337,396
Waste Management and Minimisation	585,241	465,240
Wastewater (Sewerage)	828,128	1,468,006
Water Supply	2,475,562	8,898,233
Grand Total	15,124,528	25,592,171

9.3 THE CAPITAL PERFORMANCE DASHBOARD SHOWS FINANCIAL PROGRESS ON 8 KEY PROJECTS:

Project		Commentary
1	Spade ready COVID-19 employment support	\$1.33m received from MBIE to be spent by 30 June 2021, to date 99% complete.
2	Digital Workspace, and supporting Systems	DWS phase one of the implementation has been completed. Phase two will include some improvements to the system and phase three will cover back scanning of documents which will be completed over the next two to three years.
3	Financial Reporting Upgrade	Phase one of the IBIS Breeze Foundation and Management Reporting project has been completed with some enhancements to come. Phase two, which is the planning module will be installed over the June/July 2021.
4	Hikumutu WWTP Sludge removal	Sludge removal is 42% completed
5	Hakiha Street Watermains	This project is currently in the planning stage.
6	Urgent Ohakune WTP upgrade	This project is being funded by TIF funding 56%, DIA funding 20% and 24% funded by Council. The project has been divided into three stages: Stage 1: Upgrade to the WTP. Stage 2: Install another reservoir. Stage 3: Replace the raw water line. Physical work on the project will commence once a contract has been signed.

7	Te Ara Mangawhero & Missing Links Trails	Funding of \$6.765m from MBIE to extend current Mountains to Sea Cycle Trail.
8	Social & Affordable Housing – Moore Street	This project is being funded by CIP \$2.175m for the construction of six Council owned social houses. Costs are reimbursed once milestones achieved: <i>Milestone 1:</i> Site investigations and civil design complete <i>Milestone 2:</i> Building consent obtained <i>Milestone 3:</i> Civil construction complete <i>Milestone 3:</i> Practical completion

10 EMERGING ISSUES

10.1 NEW EMERGING ISSUES IDENTIFIED ARE:

There are currently no new emerging issues.

11 REPORTING DEVELOPMENT

11.1 The financial statements attached are presented in the same format and terms as required by Generally Accepted Accounting Practice and Local Government Legislation / Regulation.

12 READING THE DASHBOARD AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

12.1 THE DASHBOARDS HAVE BEEN DEVELOPED USING THE FOLLOWING COLOUR CODING:

- Actual BLACK
- Budget ORANGE
- Forecast GREY

12.2 FAVOURABLE AND UNFAVOURABLE ARE APPLIED ON THE FOLLOWING BASIS:

- Revenue under budget Unfavourable
- Expenditure under budget Favourable
- Capital Expenditure under budget Unfavourable

12.3 Note that this is a bit simplistic and each item will need to be considered on the merits of what is actually happening. For example, traditionally Council struggles to complete its capital programme and therefore under budget is Unfavourable, however a cost overrun on a project would appear in the reports as Favourable. This should be reflected in the attached commentary.

12.4 Numbers in brackets e.g. (222) are always Unfavourable. This means the math is different for revenue and expenditure.

Suggested Resolution

That the Annual Plan 2020/21 Financial Monitoring Report for the month ending 31 May 2021 be received.



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Attachment: Financial Monitoring Report for the month ending 31 May 2021.

Report to:**Meeting Date:** 23 June 2021**Subject:** Housing Project– An Overview of Our Journey**Purpose of Report**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide an overview of Council's work on housing initiatives within the Ruapehu district.

Executive Summary

- 2.1 The report covers:
- a) Housing background and issues
 - b) What actions has Council taken to address these issues?
 - c) Clear strategic direction
 - d) Partnerships
 - e) Housing developments in Ohakune
 - f) Options to establish a Community Housing Provider
 - g) Summary

Significance and Engagement

- 3.1 **SIGNIFICANCE**
This report does not trigger the Significance and Engagement Policy.

Background

- 4.1 Morrison Low has provided a succinct report providing the information referred to in 2.1 which is attached (Attachment 1).

Suggested Resolution(s)

1. That the report – Housing – an overview of our journey be received.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Clive Manley'.

Clive Manley
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Attachments: 1 – Housing – an overview of our journey – report from Morrison Low

Report to: Council

Meeting Date: 23 June 2021

Subject: Mayor's Report: May 2021



Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to inform Councillors of appointments and meetings undertaken by the Mayor during the month of May 2021. The report also outlines fee waiving applications approved (if any) by the Mayor during the same period.

Significance and Engagement

- 2.1 This report does not contain anything that triggers the Significance and Engagement Policy.

Discussion

3.1 APPOINTMENTS UNDERTAKEN BY THE MAYOR

May 2021	
1 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attended National Rural Health Conference at Wairakei Resort • Deputised Deputy Mayor to attend and present to Ruapehu Mountain Clubs Association (RMCA) Forum In Tongariro
3 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attended NZ Walking Access Commission Board meeting in Wellington
4 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Radio interviews • Regional Chiefs regional transport matters teleconference with the Chief Executive
5 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zoom meeting with LGNZ – Future of Local Government
6 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Webinar on Spatial Planning
7 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zoom meeting with consultant on North Island Regional Passenger Connector • Official opening of scooter track and swimming pool changing shed at Owhango School
10 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Radio interviews • Meeting with Visit Ruapehu with the Chief Executive in Ohakune
11 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Radio interviews • Speak to RDC submission to Horizons Regional Council LTP with the Chief Executive
13 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zoom meeting with LGNZ Conference 2021 speakers and organisers • Attended Three Waters Zoom meeting with LGNZ for Mayors, Chairs and Chief Executives
14 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attended Ministerial luncheon with NZ Walking Access Commission in Matakana
15 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attended Ngati Rangi careers/housing expo in Ohakune Radio interview
17 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Radio interviews

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting with Visit Ruapehu, Chief Executive and senior staff on Economic Development in Horopito
18 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regional Chiefs regional transport matters teleconference with the Chief Executive Attended luncheon and update from Maru Energy Trust in Taumarunui
20 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attended official opening of Pipiriki Playground with elected members and staff Attended LGNZ National Council dinner in Wellington
21 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attended LGNZ National council meeting in Wellington
24 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Radio interviews Zoom meeting with Audit NZ around Audit 2021 planning with the Chief Executive and staff
25 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Radio interviews
27 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> LGNZ National Council Zoom meeting – presentation from TRA – ‘Developing a Value Proposition for LGNZ’ Meeting with Ian McKelvie, MP Meeting with Consul General of Japan, Mr Hamada Telephone call to Roger Blakely of Greater Wellington Council around on North Island Regional Passenger Connector Attended Three Waters Zoom meeting with LGNZ for Mayors, Chairs and Chief Executives
28 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Road Controlling Authority Forum (RCAF) Executive Committee meeting by Zoom Attended RAL AGM meeting by Zoom
31 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Radio interviews Attended Zoom meeting with LGNZ Policy Advisory Group and Governance & Strategy Advisory Group

3.2 No fees were waived during May 2021.

Suggested Resolution

That the Mayor’s Report: May 2021 be received.



Don Cameron JP
MAYOR

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Report to: Council

Meeting Date: 23 June 2021

Subject: Chief Executive's Report: May 2021



Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to present a Management Summary of activities for discussion. More detailed information on the activities is available in Attachment 1.

Significance and Engagement

- 1.2 Nothing in this report triggers the Significance and Engagement Policy.

Executive Group Management Summary

Clive MANLEY

1.3 GENERAL OVERVIEW AND CURRENT PRIORITIES

- 1.3.1 The 2021-2031 Long Term Plan will be adopted at Council's 23 June meeting.
- 1.3.2 Staff have worked extremely hard to deliver on this and appreciate the input from Elected Members throughout the process as we sought to find the best possible outcome for our ratepayers.

1.4 PEOPLE, SAFETY AND WELLNESS

- 1.4.1 COVID-19 vaccinations continue to be rolled out to council staff with the first wave of vaccinations completed by early June. The second wave will be completed by end June and I am pleased that many staff have engaged with the process and are now vaccinated.
- 1.4.2 Influenza vaccinations are now available for all age groups. The Ministry of Health's guidelines state that the COVID-19 vaccinations should be given prior to the 'flu vaccinations.

1.5 HOUSING INITIATIVES IN RUAPEHU

- 1.5.1 Minister Woods wrote to Mayor Cameron in late May to outline the Housing Acceleration Fund, its purpose and requirements.
- 1.5.2 Discussions are continuing with both Kāinga Ora and the Ministry of Housing and Development.
- 1.5.3 A Taumarunui Future Housing and Community Plan public consultation meeting, facilitated by Ree Anderson, Council's housing initiative consultant will be held on 8 June.

1.6 RECRUITMENT

- 1.6.1 Sarah Davies, Executive Manager Finance & Strategy joins Council on 5 July.
- 1.6.2 Staff continue to transition to new direct reports with job descriptions updated or refreshed where applicable.
- 1.6.3 The Delegations Manual will be updated accordingly.
- 1.6.4 GL codes and budgets will also be updated accordingly to run from 1 July.

1.7 RELEVANT MEETINGS FOR THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE DURING MAY 2021

May 2021	
3 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hosted Regional Chief Executives' Collaboration meeting in Tongariro
4 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attended Regional Chiefs regional transport conference call with the Mayor • Attended Coordinating Executive Group (CEG) meeting in Palmerston North • Telephone call to Ree Anderson, Housing Initiative consultant
5 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Met with Steven Finlay around Iwi engagement in Wellington • Met with GNS Science around fault mapping in the Ruapehu district
6 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Telephone conference on routine insurance matters with MW LASS • Attended PWC Chief Executives' Forum and dinner in Wellington
10 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zoom meeting with Veolia Conference organiser around presentation for 27 May • Attended Ngati Ngati Hāua / RDC Operations meeting with Maxine Ketu and relevant staff • Attended MW LASS directors' teleconference • Attended meeting with Visit Ruapehu with the Mayor
11 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zoom meeting with Ree Anderson, Housing Initiative consultant • Spoke to RDC's submission to Horizons Regional Council's LTP with the Mayor • Telephone call to Alastair Wells, consultant on Taumarunui projects
13 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Telephone call to Ree Anderson, consultant • Participated in Strategic Pay webinar • Attended LGNZ zoom meeting around Three Waters with Mayor Cameron and local government Chief Executives, Mayors and Chairs
14 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attended Regional Economic Development meeting in Palmerston North with the Mayor
17 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attended Economic Development meeting in Horopito with the Mayor, Visit Ruapehu and senior staff
18 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attended Regional Chiefs regional transport conference call with the Mayor • Telephone call with Sandra Collins around delegations • Telephone call to MBIE following meeting • Zoom call to Steven Finlay around Iwi engagement • Zoom call to Alastair Wells around Taumarunui projects
20 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attended Aon Local Government Risk Forum 2021 in Wellington
21 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Met with SiteSafe assessor around Health & Safety review • Attended Ruapehu District Māori Council workshop • Telephone call to Aiden Gilbert of Uenuku • Telephone call to Ree Anderson, consultant around Taumarunui Revitalisation

24 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zoom meeting with Audit NZ around 2021 audit planning with the Mayor and relevant Finance staff
25 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Telephone call to Andrew Crisp, Chief Executive of Ministry of Housing & Urban Development (MHUD) • Telephone call to Andrew McKenzie, Chief Executive of Kāinga Ora • Met with Harcourts Taumarunui around development in Kururau Road with staff • Met with Chief Executive of Ngāti Rangī in Ohakune
27 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attended and presented at Veolia NZ 2021 Management Conference in Rotorua on Three Waters Reform
31 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zoom call with Catchi Digital and relevant staff around RDC website • Review material available for Rural & Provincial Sector meeting presentation on 11 June • Telephone call from Waka Kotahi around indicative investment levels for continuous programmes for 2021-24 NLTP

2 REGULATORY & CUSTOMER SERVICES – EXECUTIVE MANAGER’S UPDATE (Warrick Zander)

- 2.1 The general and detailed update of the business activities within my group is contained within Attachment 1.
- 2.2 Resource consent applications demonstrate that May numbers are marginally down against this time last year. However, the consultants are busy which indicates that new applications will be coming in over the next few months.
- 2.3 During May, 47 building consent applications were received with 100% of target timeframes reached.
- 2.4 With approximately 2,000 dog registration renewals sent out a little earlier this year the team has already registered 507 dogs. This is a huge difference to the 47 that were registered in May last year.
- 2.5 Environmental Health & Liquor provided guidance and advice to the new owners of an accommodation business which is also registered to serve food.

3 COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – EXECUTIVE MANAGER’S REPORT (Pauline Welch)

- 3.1 The general and detailed update of the business activities within my group is contained within Attachment 1.
- 3.2 Domestic tourism spend for April 2021 was 617% up on 2020, and 43% up on a more comparable 2019. Understandably, international was over 80% down for 2021 compared to the pre-COVID 2019 world.
- 3.2.1 Website visitors to Visit Ruapehu com for May 2021 were 138% up compared to May 2020 reaching 26,000 users.

3.2.3 The focus for May has been LTP engagement follow up, reporting, thanking communities and following up on issues raised outside of the scope of LTP.

3.2.4 Assisting consultant on Future Taumarunui Housing and Community Plan.

4. INFRASTRUCTURE – EXECUTIVE MANAGER’S UPDATE (Warren Furner)

4.1 The general and detailed update of the business activities within my group is contained within Attachment 1.

4.2 The joint Road Safety Action Plan between Ruapehu District Council, New Zealand Transport Agency, Horizons Regional Council, NZ Police and road safety partners has been agreed and delivered across the Ruapehu for many years using the Safer Systems approach. Essentially, efforts have ensured alignment with National Road Safety campaigns and advertising calendars.

4.3 Activities for the period focus on broadcast media reinforcing awareness and advocacy for road safety actions.

4.4 Solid Waste sustainability education has been undertaken. Two worm farming workshops, one Boomerang Bag workshop. Enviro-schools handover process began, met new Para kore Kaiarahi for Taumarunui area and took Taumarunui Reuse Shop Volunteers to Waimarino Transfer Station to educate in preparation for Taumarunui Resource Recovery Centre Opening.

5 FINANCE & STRATEGY – ACTING FINANCIAL CONTROLLER UPDATE (Chris Fearon)

5.1 The cash collection rate in May 2021 was 94% as against 93% at the same time last year.

5.2 Overall financial results forecast a surplus of \$6.7m, (\$0.8m) unfavourable against budget. This is due to expenditure incurred on Ohakune WTP upgrade and Social and Affordable Housing that may not be offset by Central Government funding by the end of the financial year.

5.3 The Policy Team attended a regional climate change hui held in the Ohakune Council Chamber. This hui was facilitated by Tonkin and Taylor who are helping progress the regional risk assessment and was focused on confirming the community values. Council staff were able to have comprehensive discussions around the district’s unique landscape as we were the only participants alongside Horizons Regional Council staff.

Suggested Resolution

That the Chief Executive’s Report: May 2021 be received.



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Attachment 1: Activity Reports

ATTACHMENT 1

ACTIVITY REPORTS

6 PEOPLE, CAPABILITY & SAFETY, EXECUTIVE MANAGER'S UPDATE (Natasha Poloai)




6.1 SAFETY LEAD INDICATORS COMPLETED/TO COMPLETE:













- (a) Planning is underway to source a suitable provider to deliver a Staff Wellbeing workshop.
- (b) COVID vaccinations have been administered to RDC staff with first and second vaccinations completed.
- (c) Audit of Lone Worker and role specific PPE (personal protective equipment) has commenced.
- (d) Planning is underway for Health & Safety Representative training.

6.2 PEOPLE AND SAFETY STRATEGIC ACTIVITIES:

- (a) Framework for employee health monitoring has commenced.

6.3 PEOPLE AND SAFETY CRITICAL RISKS AND CONTROLS

Indicators	
 Red	There are significant compliance / operational concerns that require Governance visibility.
 Amber	Visibility of issues that require action and or escalation.
 Green	Risks and issues are under control and are being managed to resolution.

Key Indicators	Status		Comments
	This period	Last period	
Health & Safety Legislative Compliance			Looking at ways to increase near miss reporting.
Employment Compliance			Nil
Worker Participation			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PPE audit underway • Planning commenced for H&S Representative Training • Health & Safety Committee meeting scheduled for end of June.
4. Health Monitoring			Actively monitoring staff wellbeing and workloads.
5. Risks			Nil
6. Notifiable			Nil

6.4 HEALTH AND SAFETY STATISTICS TO MAY 2021:

Indicator	Goal	Current
Inductions for new staff	100%	100%
Significant incidents	0%	0%
Health and Safety Committee meeting	100%	100%

6.5 COUNCIL STAFF INCIDENTS REPORTING DURING THE QUARTER TO MAY 2021:

There were no reported incidents during this quarter.

6.6 CONTRACTOR INCIDENTS REPORTED DURING THE QUARTER TO MAY 2021:

Contract by Activity	Number of Incidents Reported	Level of Harm		Follow up Action in Place
Land Transport	2	Near Miss	2	Ensuring residents understand access requirements into worksites. Re-evaluated in-place Traffic Management Plan.
		Minor	0	
		Moderate	0	
		Serious	0	
Water Services	13	Near Miss	13	Hazards and procedures reviewed.
		Minor	0	
		Moderate	0	
		Serious	0	

7 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (Stuart Campbell)

7.1.1 The cyber attack on the Waikato DHB's IT system has been a timely reminder to ensure vigilance in our use of our systems and services.

7.1.2 Staff have received further testing and training on 'phishing' which is an unfortunate but effective way for hackers to access an organisation's system.

8 INFORMATION MANAGEMENT (Maggie Flonk)**8.1 LIM REQUESTS**

8.1.1 20 requests were received in May with one urgent request. 18 LIMs completed and sent out within timeframe.

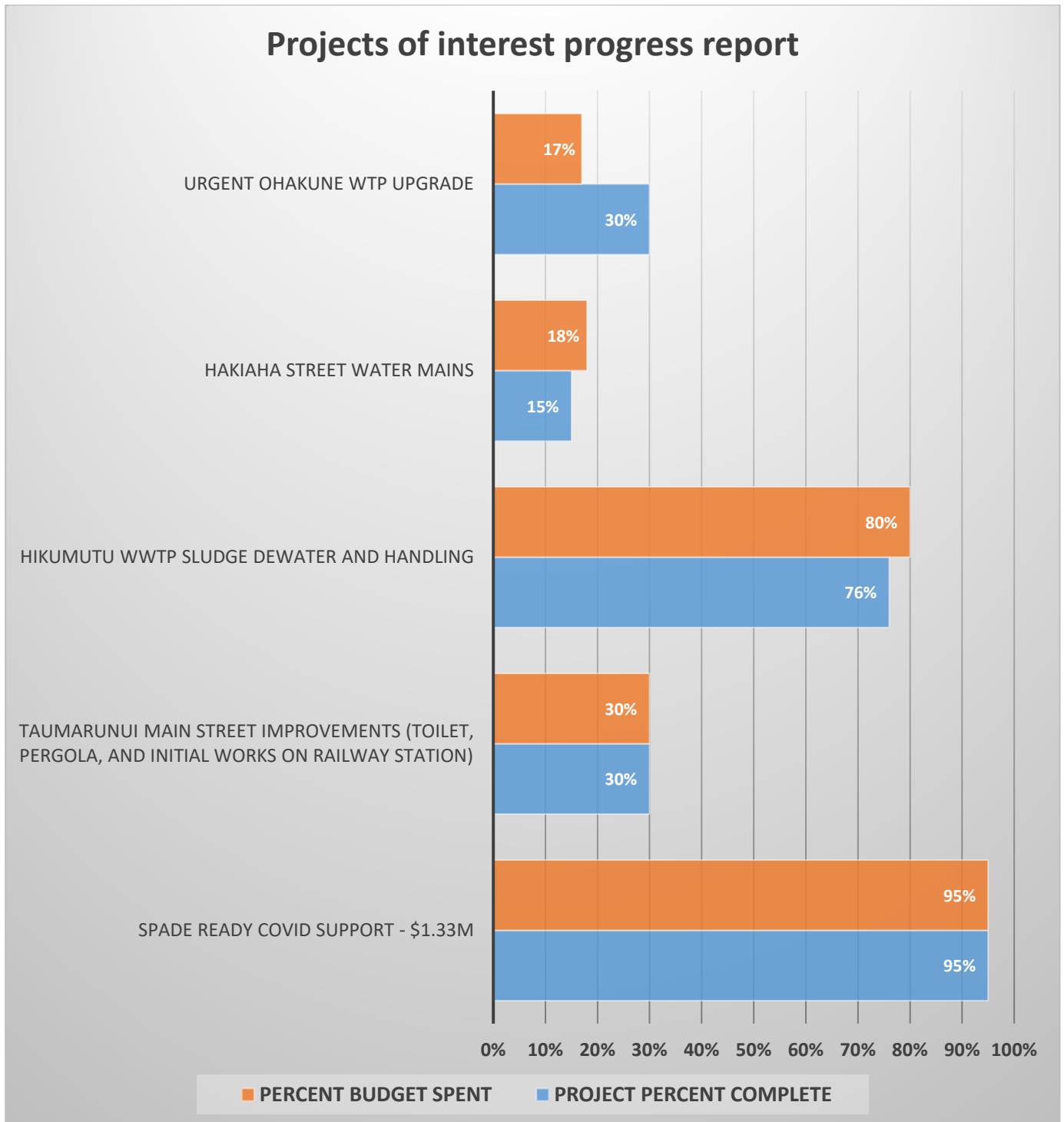
8.2 OFFICIAL INFORMATION REQUESTS (LGOIMA)

8.2.1 As at 31 May there were nine active LGOIMAs.

8.3 MAIL OUTS

8.3.1 No mail outs were processed during May.

9. RISK & PROJECT CONTROLS – EXECUTIVE MANAGER’S UPDATE (Aaron Pendergrast)



Projects Of Interest	Project Status Planned	Project Status Current	Project Forecast Status next month	Management comments
Spade ready COVID support - \$1.33M	Delivery	Delivery	Complete	Project is into its final month of delivery, and work expected to be complete by 30 June. Costs are within budget, and all work streams continue to report good outcomes. Officers are carefully monitoring all remaining scopes to avoid ratepayer impact from cost overruns, and an outcomes report will come to Council in due course.
Taumarunui Main street improvements (Toilet, Pergola, and initial works on Railway station)	Delivery	Delivery	Delivery	Work is progressing on the toilet block fit out, and slowly on archive scope elements. RDC have been recently advised of further procurement and supply-chain delays of + 6-8 weeks for both toilet and pergola materials. Management is working with contractors to resolve issues, but the project is unlikely to be complete before financial year-end.
Hikumutu WWTP Sludge dewater and handling	Delivery	Delivery	Delivery	Project progressing well and sludge is drying for further processing in the future. Most of the cost will be realized before 30 June financial yearend.
Hakiaha Street Water mains	Delivery	Procurement	Procurement	Tenders Group have recently approved (17/5/2021) Veolia proposals for the relining of both Waste Water and Storm Water assets in Hakiaha St. Management will be providing communication to the community with details and timeframes, and project details to Council in June. Due to long lead times for materials, management are also pre-purchasing pipe for the Golf Rd renewal extension of this project.
Urgent Ohakune WTP upgrade	Delivery	Procurement	Delivery	Project remains behind time, and anticipated costs are higher than approved budgets. A final project contract is expected to be available for Tenders Group approval by the end of mid-June and project roles and responsibilities are now well in place.

10 Regulatory & Customer Services – Executive Manager (Warrick Zander)

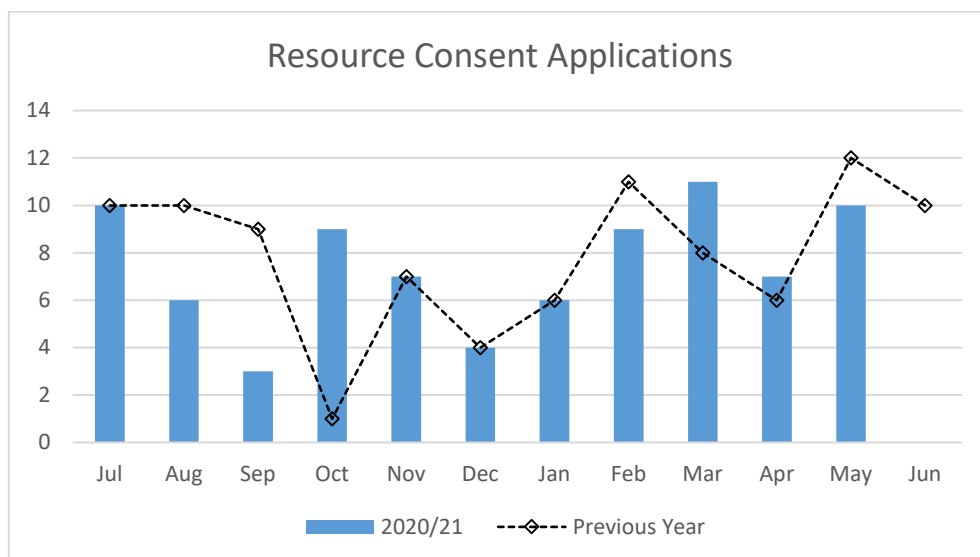
10.1 RESOURCE MANAGEMENT (Sandra Holman)

10.2 TERRITORIAL AUTHORITY RESOURCE CONSENT ACTIVITY

Consents Issued for May 2021								
ID	Consent Details	Target Days	Days Taken	Consent Type	Status	Date	Zone	Address
1403	To subdivide an existing parcel of land into 2 allotments	20	19	Subdivision	Granted	19/5/2021	Residential	11 Tumoana Street
1406	To relocate Kombi Coffee, resulting in a non-compliance with Rule CM3.3.2 - Verandahs	20	13	Land use	Granted	26/5/2021	Commercial	17 Goldfinch Street
1408	S348 Right of Way Application	20	16	Certificate	Issued	27/5/2021	Residential	10-20 Thames Street
1410	S348 Right of Way Application	20	16	Certificate	Issued	27/5/2021	Rural	1810 State Highway 4

10.2.1 APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

The graph demonstrates the May numbers are marginally down with this time last year. However, the consultants are busy which indicates new applications will be coming in over the next few months.



10.2.2 APPLICATIONS EXEMPT FROM RESOURCE CONSENT

Deemed Permitted Boundary Activity for May 2021								
ID	Consent Details	Target Days	Days Taken	Consent Type	Status	Date	Zone	Address
1404	Erecting a shed 8m from the boundary	10	8	Land Use	Issued	5/5/2021	Rural	170 Kopurutuku Road
1405	New build causing two separate height encroachments to boundaries	10	5	Land use	Issued	7/5/2021	Residential	148 Mangawhero Terrace

10.2.3 APPLICATIONS AND PRE-LODGEMENT MEETINGS

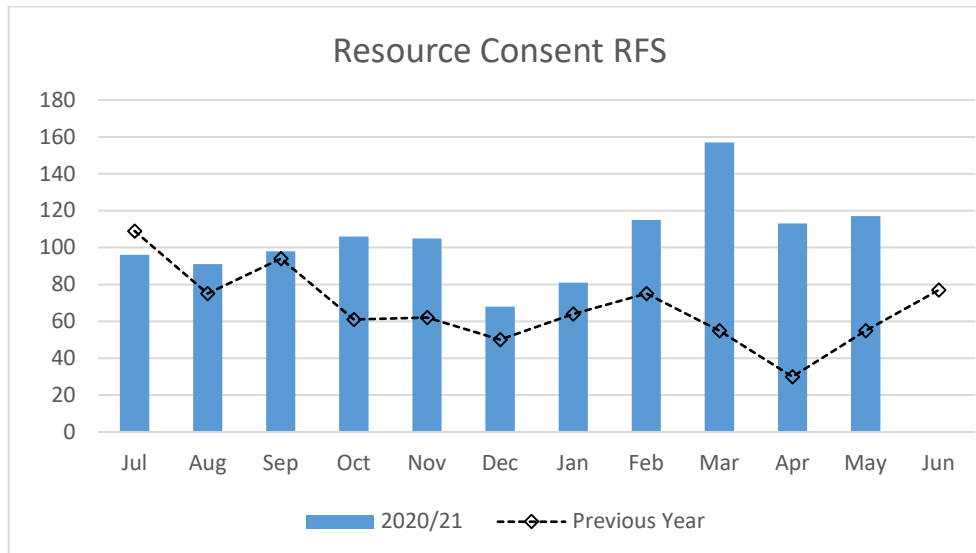
A small number of pre-lodgement meetings have taken place, which should result in applications in the future. Under section 87BB of the RMA no Deemed Permitted Marginal or Temporary Activity have been issued.

10.2.4 APPLICATIONS ON HOLD

There are three applications on hold awaiting further information from applicants before they can proceed through to a decision.

10.2.5 REQUEST FOR SERVICE (RFS)

The graph continues to show a steady number of inquiries and that people are busy looking at purchasing in the area, looking for ways to make the most out of their piece of land. This volume continues to give us a sense that it could lead to new applications being received over the coming months.

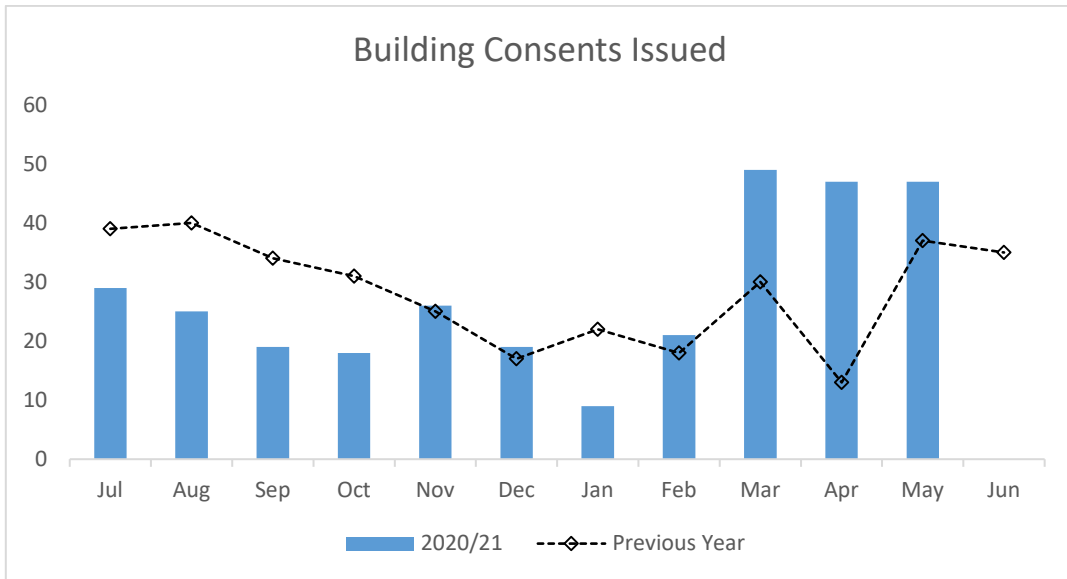


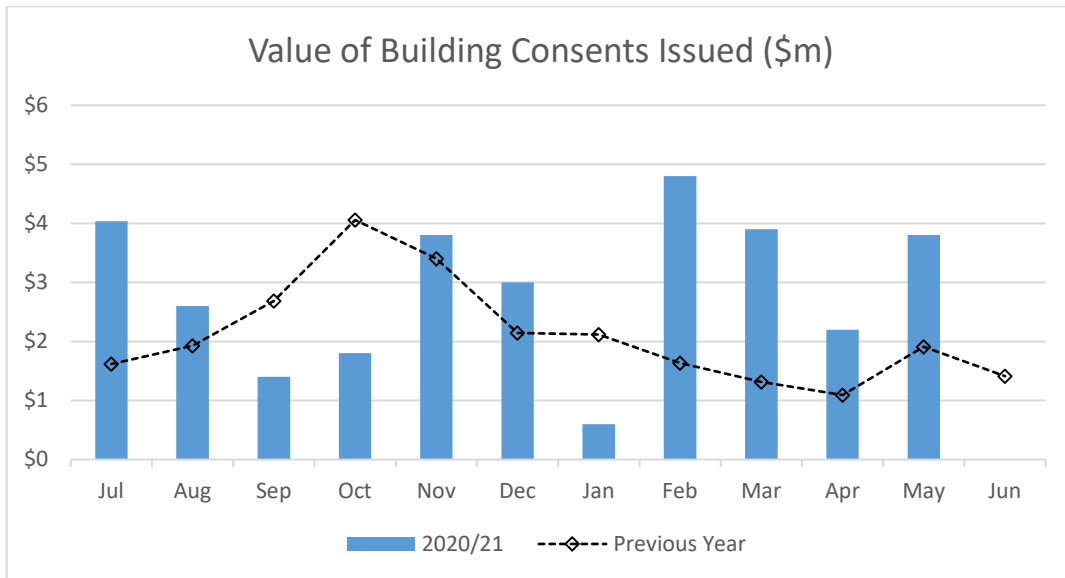
11 BUILDING CONSENTS

11.1 BUILDING CONSENTS ISSUED

Month	Target (days)	No of Applications	% of Applications Meeting Target	Average Processing Time (days)
MAY	20	47	100%	5.11

	2019/2020	Value	2020/2021	Value
July	39	\$1,620,288	29	\$4,037,564
August	40	\$1,926,008	25	\$2,666,053
September	34	\$2,685,164	19	\$1,419,200
October	31	\$4,056,141	18	\$1,835,500
November	25	\$3,400,270	26	\$3,869,372
December	17	\$2,143,867	19	\$3,038,150
January	22	\$2,118,750	9	\$627,200
February	18	\$1,636,290	21	\$4,738,896
March	30	\$1,314,755	49	\$3,972,053
April	13	\$1,092,700	47	\$2,252,275
May	33	\$1,908,566	47	\$3,873,756
June	35	\$1,414,050		



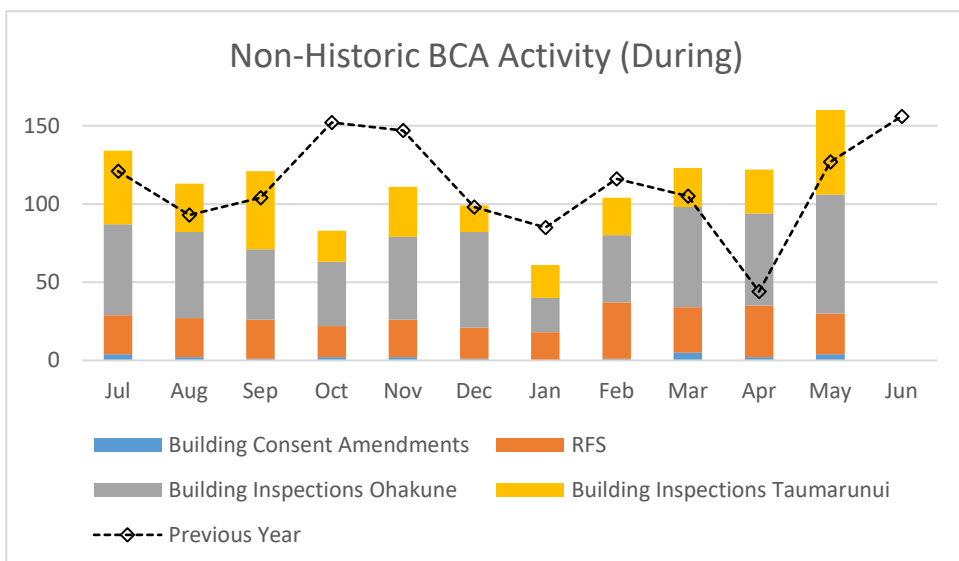
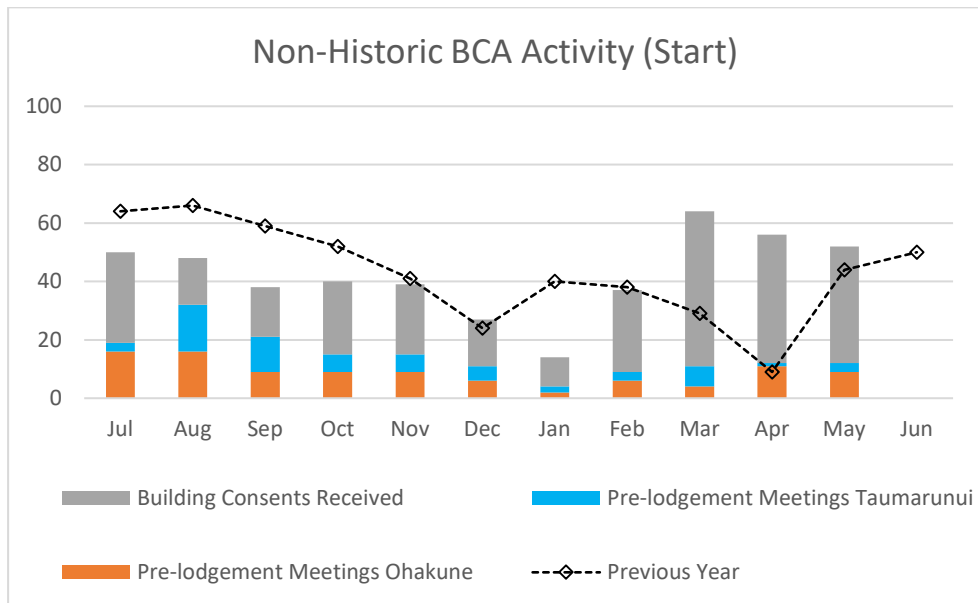


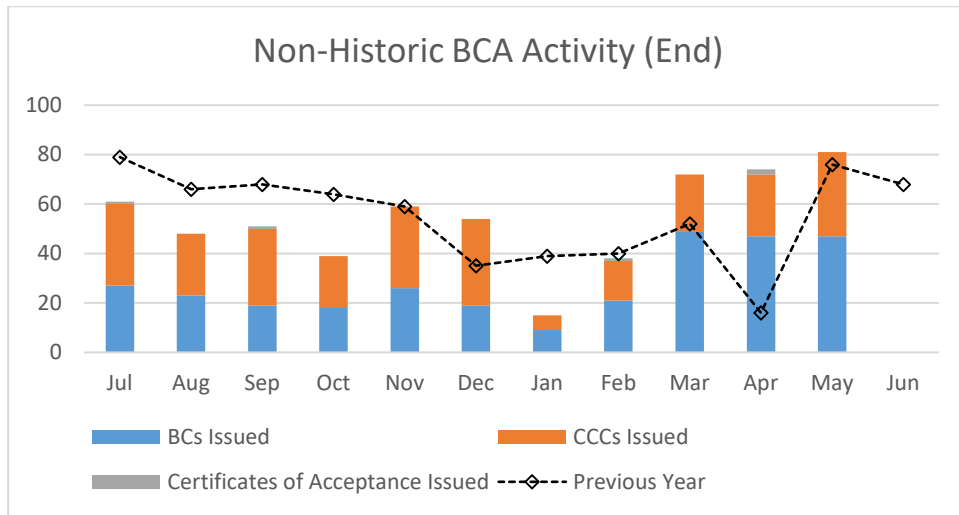
Building Inspections	Ohakune	76
Building Inspections	Taumarunui	57
Pre-Lodgement Meetings	Ohakune	9
Pre-Lodgement Meetings	Taumarunui	3
New Building Consents Received for Month		40
Number of Reminder Letters		14
CCCs Issued		34
Consents Cancelled		0
Amendments Made to Building Consents		4
RFS Complaints and Inquiries		26
COA Issued		0
Exempt building work approved		3
CPU Issued		1

11.3 BUILDING WARRANTS OF FITNESS

Type	Month
Due to Expire in Month	24
Final Notice Sent in Month	0
Waiting for Information in Month	0
Notice to Fix (BWOFF)	0
Notice to Fix (second)	0
Updated Compliance Schedules	0
Notice to Fix (building)	0

11.4 SUMMARY FOR THE MONTH OF MAY

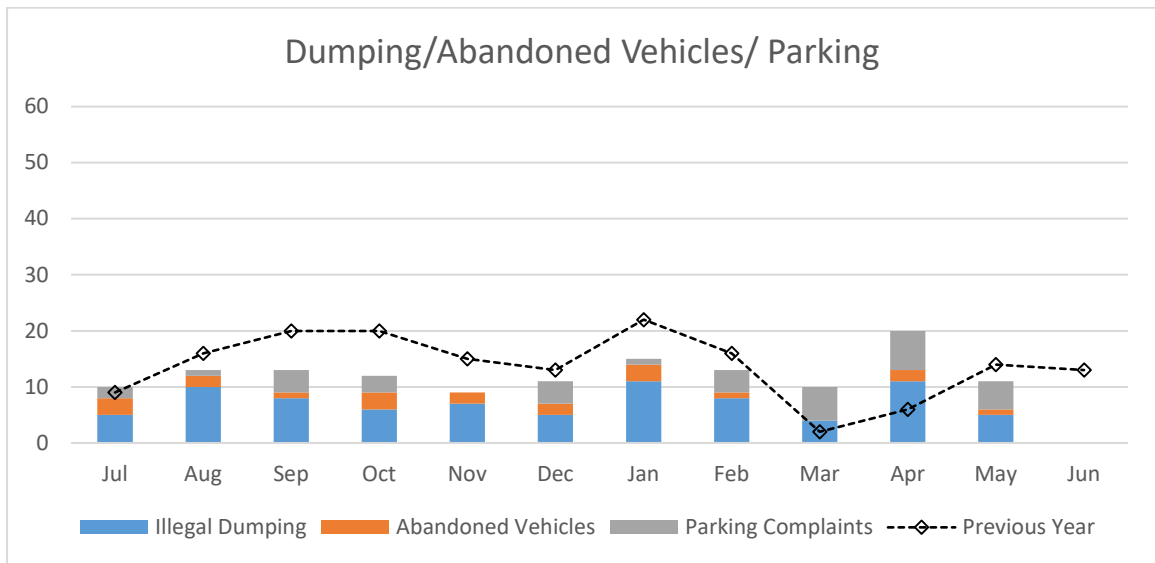


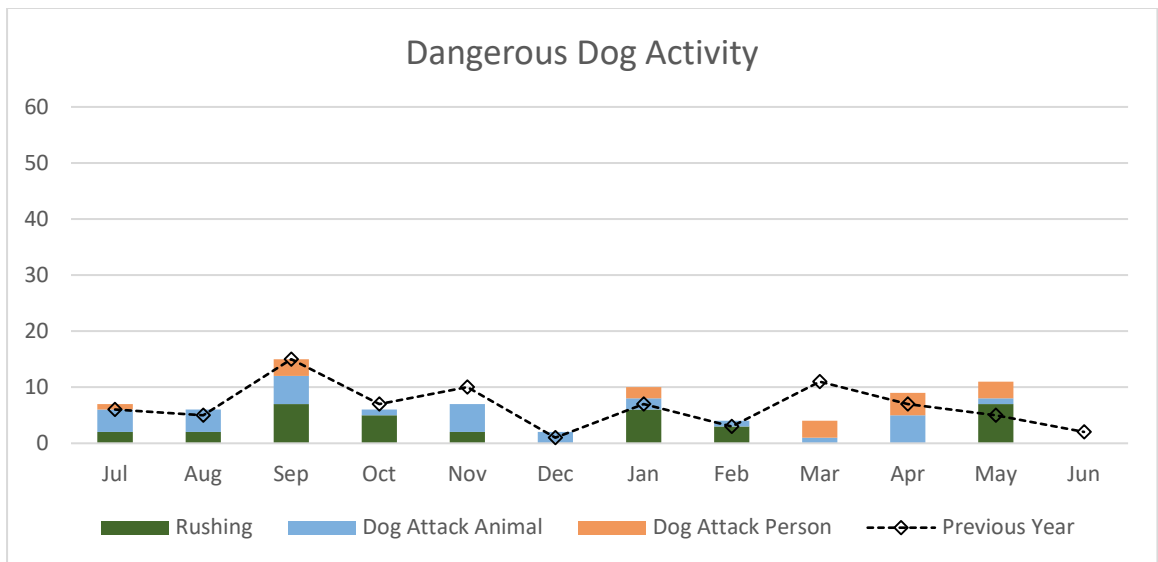
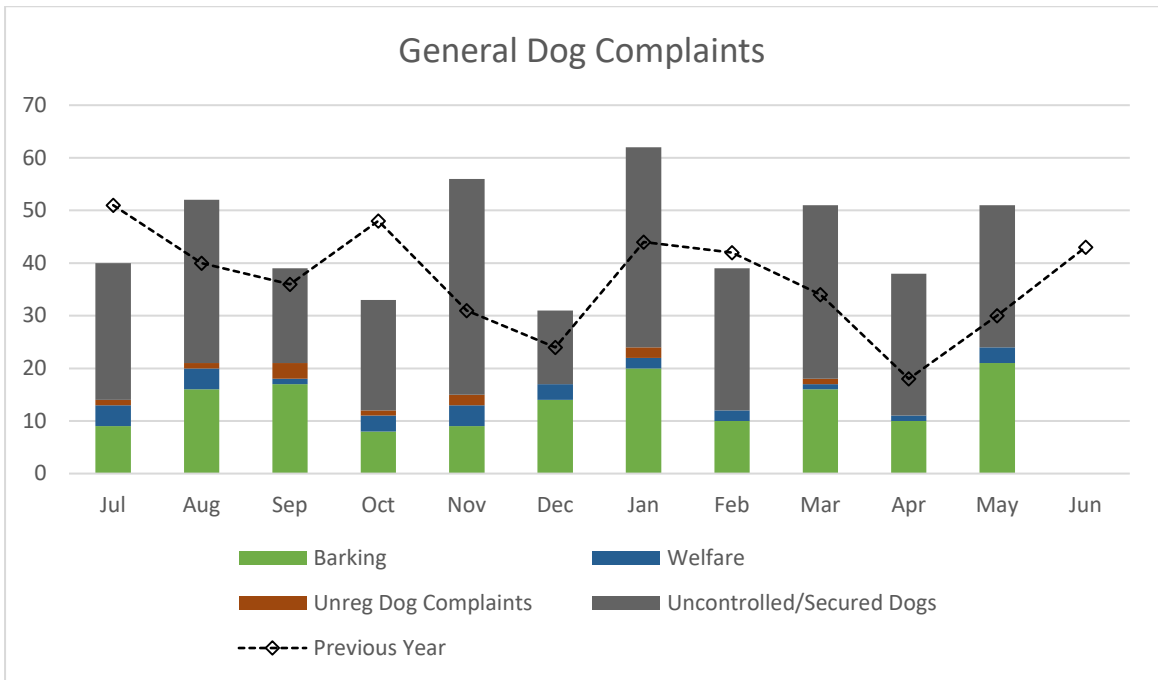


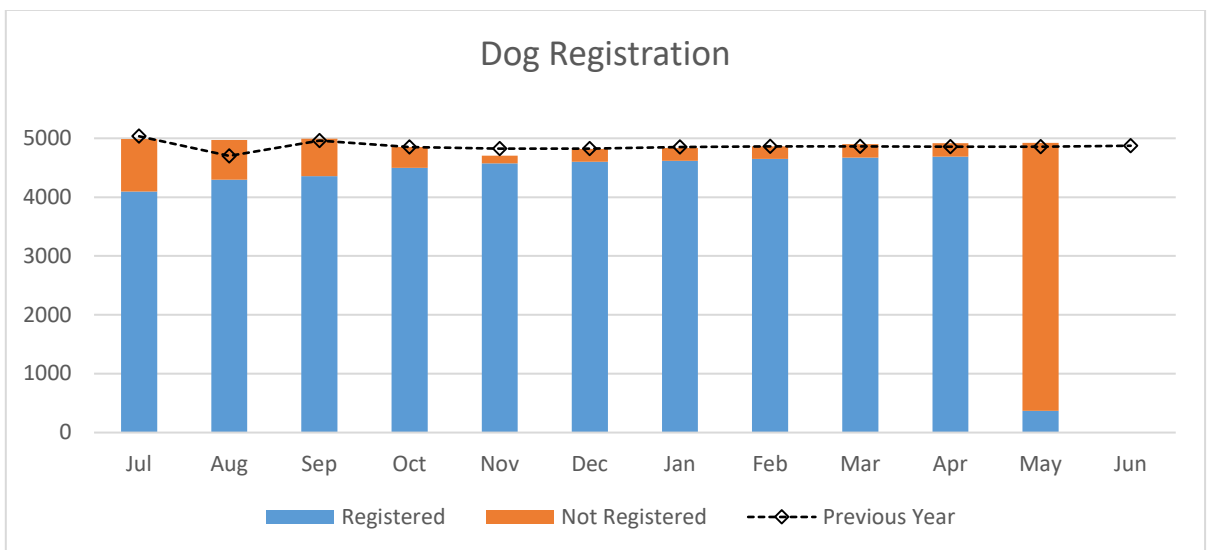
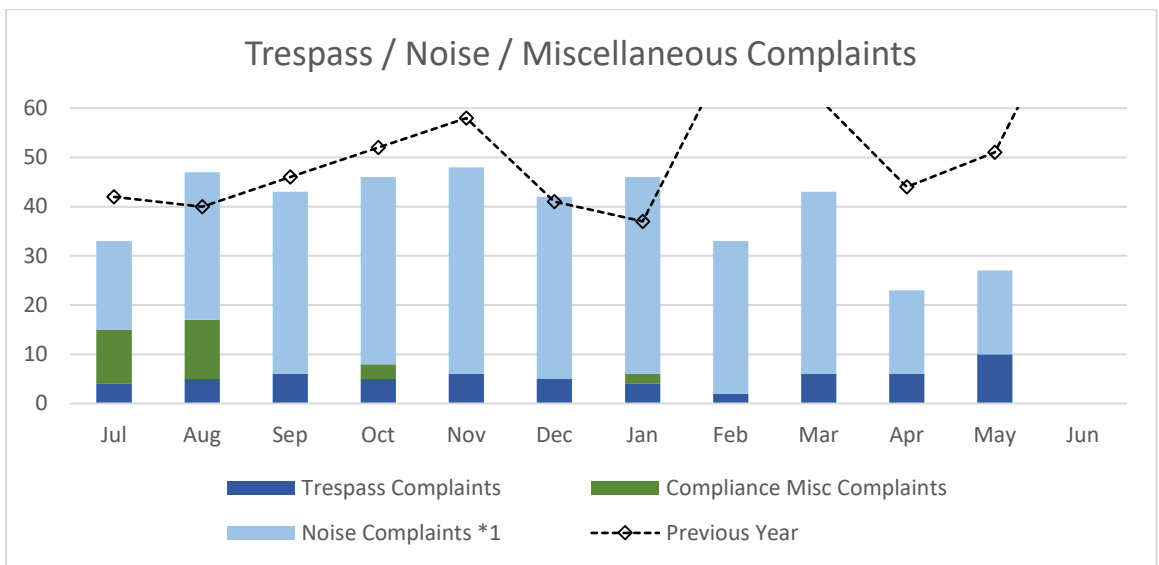
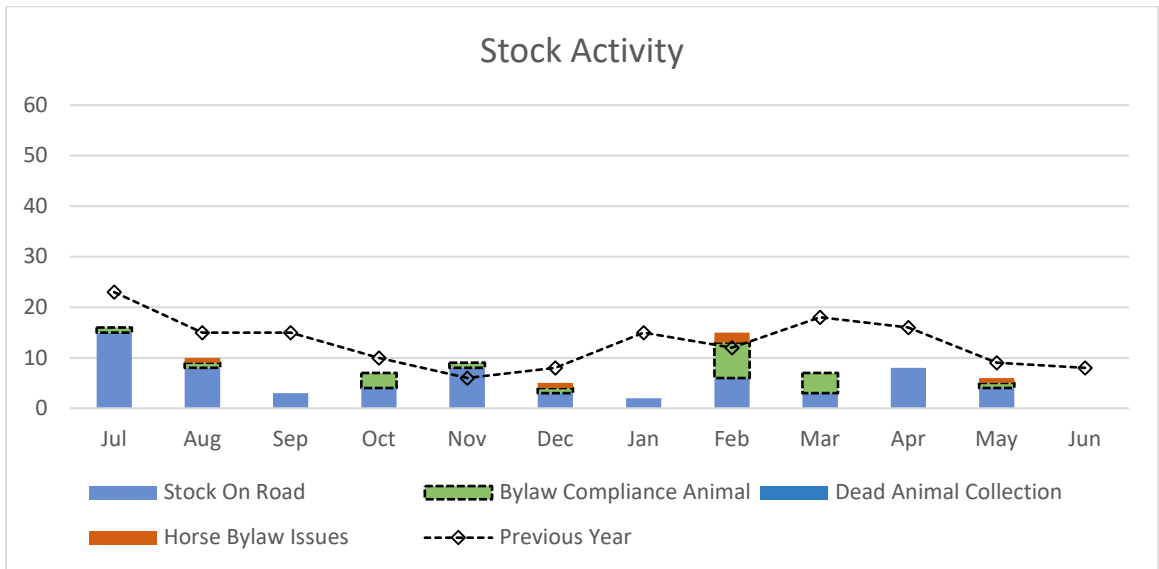
12 ANIMAL CONTROL/COMPLIANCE Brenda Ralph)

12.1 COMPLIANCE ISSUES

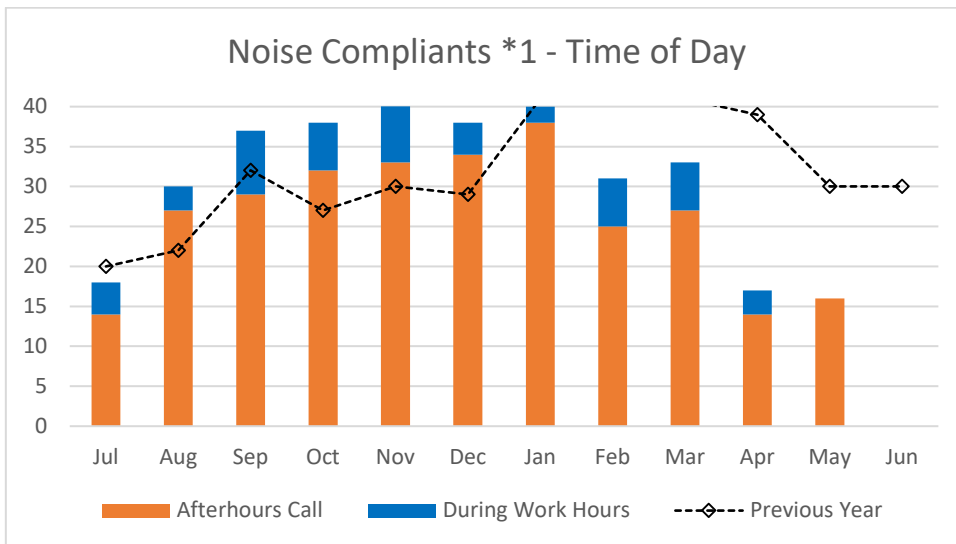
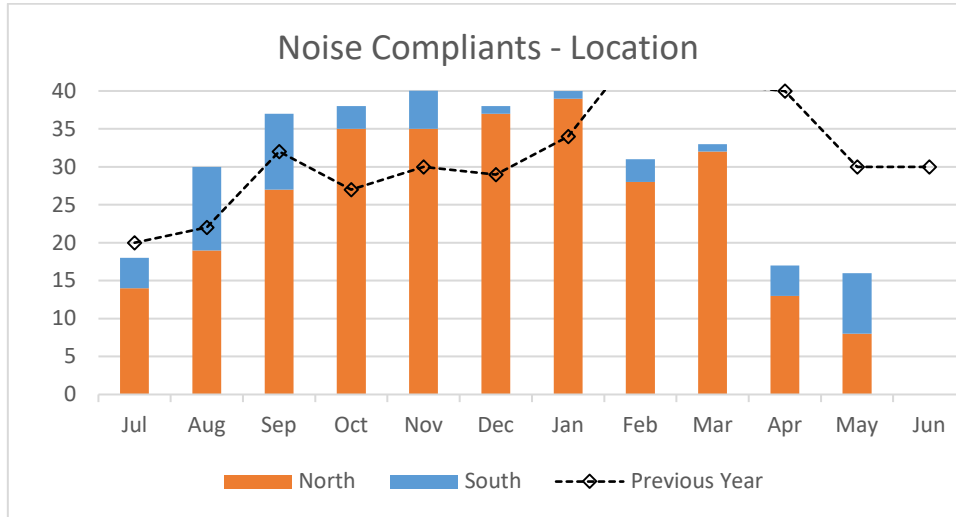
12.2 Registration notice were prepared and sent out to the Districts dog owners for payment expected 30 June. Over 2,000 dog owners should have received their notices in the mail. This will lead into a busy couple of months for Compliance and Customer Services fielding calls, updating their details, and registering dogs.







13 NOISE COMPLAINTS



14 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND LIQUOR

- 14.1 May was another busy month in Liquor licensing operating on reduced staff levels with reporting and issuing of Special licences, Managers' certificates, Renewals of On-Licences and a new Off-Licence.
- 14.2 Guidance given to the new owners of an accommodation business which is also registered to serve food.
- 14.3 Pre-opening inspection conducted onsite for a new food business which was found to require registration with Ministry of Primary Industries due to the type of food products they were providing.

15 INFRASTRUCTURE - EXECUTIVE MANAGER'S UPDATE (Warren Furner)

15.1 DISTRICT LAND TRANSPORT

15.2 HEALTH AND SAFETY – SITE SAFETY

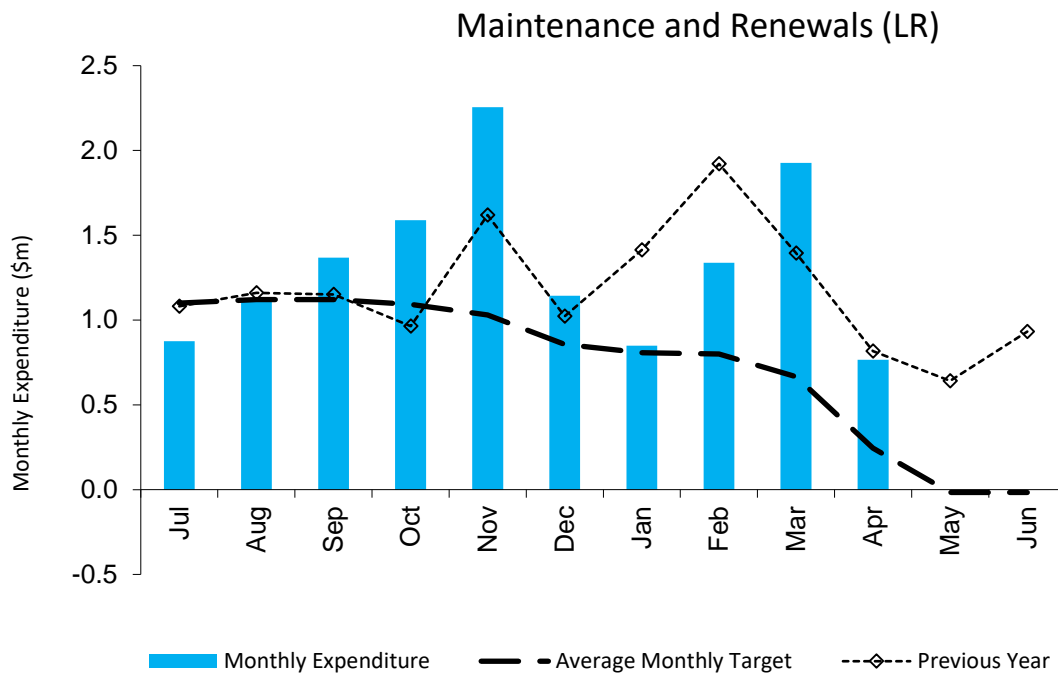
ADSL, Downer, Jilesen, Mulch & Mow and Walters have reported one incident for the month of May where a driver ignored stop-go signs. Investigations are continuing.

15.3 EVENT REINSTATEMENT WORKS

There are a number of Minor Event sites throughout the District. The majority of the 211 identified sites have cones or safety fencing installed and are bunded where required. These sites are being evaluated with investigation, prioritisation, pricing and repair to be undertaken. Based on the average cost to repair similar sites in 2019/20 it is estimated that the repairs will cost around \$1.85M. Works to 30 June will be reported in August 2021.

15.4 FINANCIAL YTD

15.4.1 At the time of writing this report engineers were processing claims for May 2021. The total value of subsidised work claimed and approved is expected to be at 96% expenditure year to date. Cash flow has been ahead due to completion of 21.3km of Reseal, 6.8km of pavement rehabilitation, Mangaparo Rail Overbridge and the one-off NZTA grant. The main activities undertaken this month were unsealed road metalling, environmental maintenance, grading and water table maintenance.



15.5 CAPITAL PROGRAMME

15.5.1 Rimu Street seal extension in Ohakune has progressed well through May and the site sealed by JJ Walters. Streetlight installation and footpaths are progressing. Tawhero street seal was also completed and the site disestablished.

15.5.2 Ohakune Rail under pass was lowered and sealed in preparation for the ski season. The works significantly increased clearance to accommodate vehicles with higher loads. Line marking and footpath reinstatement will complete this work by 30 June 2021.

15.6 NETWORK AUDIT AND CONTRACT PERFORMANCE

15.6.1 At the time of writing this report analysis of audit had not been completed. This will be reported at the next meeting.

15.7 RUAPEHU PUBLIC TRANSPORT PILOT PROJECT

15.7.1 The new Ruapehu Transport APP was developed by Council in 2019 and planned to be launched in 2020, however this was postponed by the Covid-19 pandemic. A community meeting was held in June with transport operators to discuss implementation of the Ruapehu Transport APP. The APP enables consumers to communicate and transact directly with transport operators, provides visitors with access to Tongariro National Park snowfields, and walks with potential to offer airport transfers and other long distance services to and from Ruapehu.

15.7.2 These combined will address the access requirements within the destination and improve levels of service, begin to address social issues and carbon reductions from the light vehicle fleet and help to sustain local business operations. The transportation system is designed to provide transportation across the range of customer experience and price.

15.8 PGF COVID-19 RESPONSE – REDEPLOYMENT AND ACCELERATION – TRANSPORT

15.8.1 Council had been awarded \$1,3M to undertake additional projects within the district with the focus being social procurement and getting additional work going at pace to increase job opportunities. These projects are now complete on time and within budget and the final reports are being prepared for submission to MBIE. This has been a very successful project delivered from within our existing suppliers in Ruapehu. The employment outcomes created by this project amount to five full time employees continuing to work for our contractors and suppliers who supported this project.

16 ROAD SAFETY ACTION PLAN

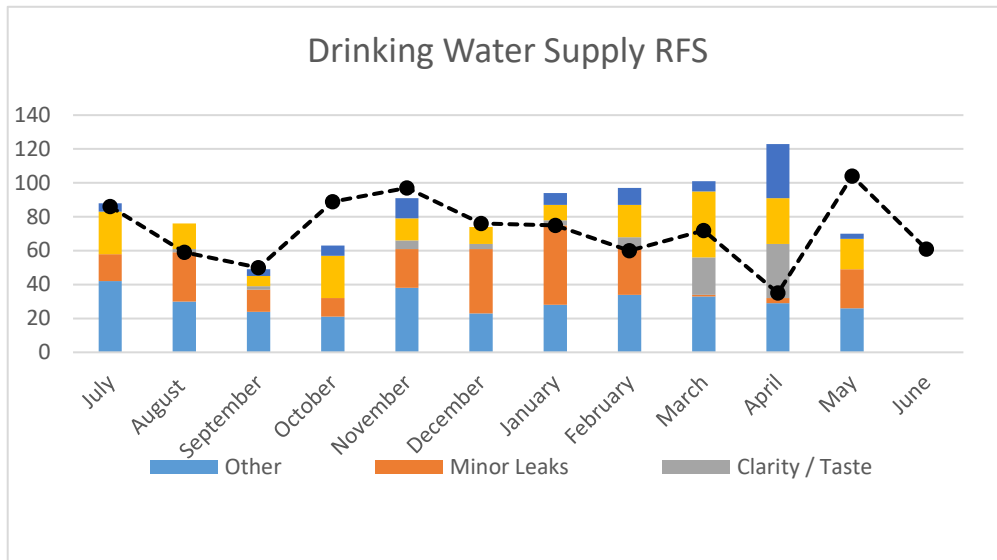
16.1 The joint Road Safety Action Plan between Ruapehu District Council, New Zealand Transport Agency, Horizons Regional Council, NZ Police and road safety partners has been agreed and delivered across the Ruapehu for many years using the Safer Systems approach. Essentially, efforts have ensured alignment with National Road Safety campaigns and advertising calendars.

16.2 Activities for the period focus on broadcast media reinforcing awareness and advocacy for road safety actions.

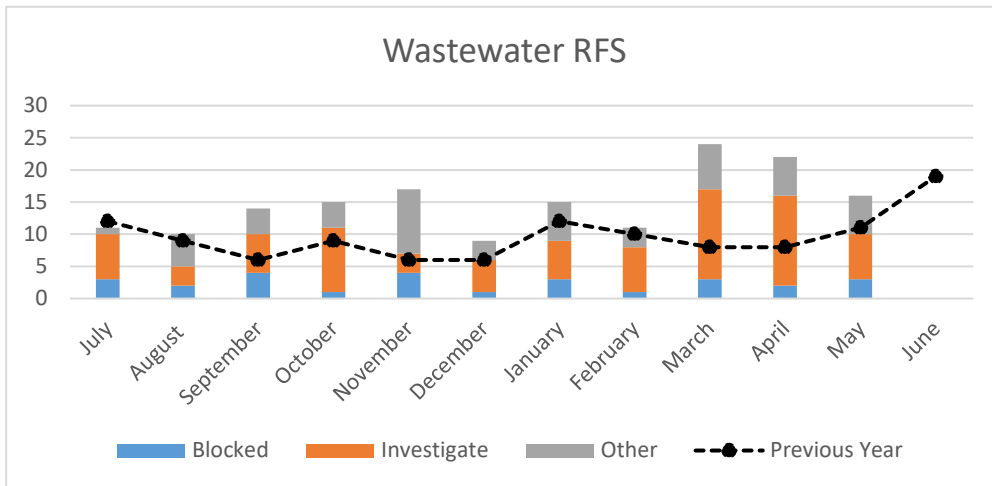
17 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES (Stuart Watson)

17.1.1 The graphs of service trends have been updated based on monthly data collected for May 2021.

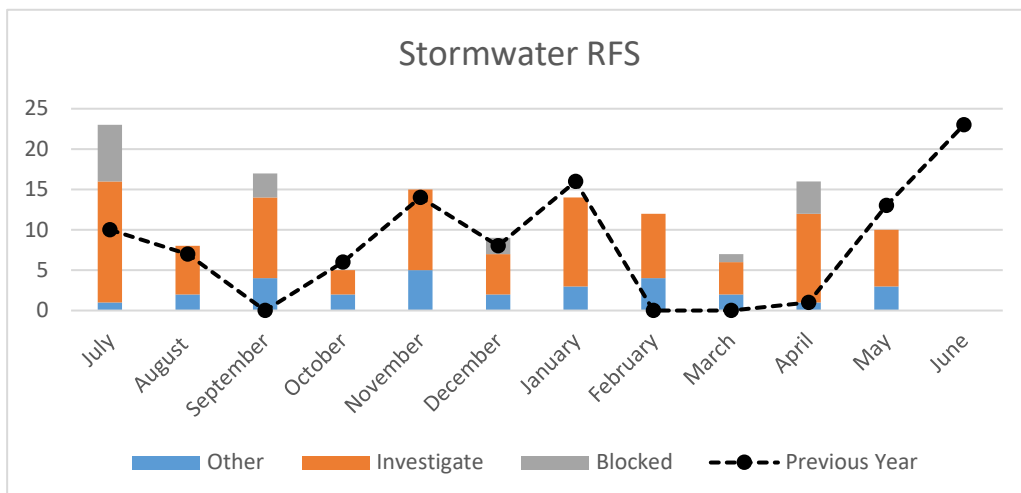
17.1.2 Overall total for drinking water requests for services are lower when compared to the same period as last year.



17.1.3 Requests for service calls for wastewater are slightly higher than wastewater calls this time last year.



17.1.4 The number of calls related to stormwater for May are slightly lower when compared to the same period last year.



18 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES (Stuart Watson)**18.1 TAUMARUNUI**

- 18.1.2 A burst water main occurred at Golf Road at the end of May. The Veolia team worked through the night to repair the broken section and to establish the service. This pipeline is going to be replaced in the next few months and a proposal for the procurement of pipes has been submitted to RDC for approval. The installation works will be proposed early in June.
- 18.1.3 Ongoing issues with screen blockages at the Matapuna intake have been observed during the month. This is an unusual pattern for this time of the year. An investigation will be carried out to understand the cause.

19 NATIONAL PARK

- 19.1 Minor chlorine dosing issues presented a challenge to the treatment plant. The chlorine dosing equipment failed to perform automatically. The controller in the rotometer failed to consistently dose the chemical. Residual chlorine gradually declined. Operators ran the system on manual for 24 hours.

20 OWHANGO

- 20.1 The Owhango water quality was not affected to the extent it was in previous months. The plan to assess the integrity of the intake structure cannot involve flying a drone due to regulations constraints. Walking in will be the only option and this will be completed as the weather allows. A detailed method statement will be developed.

21 OHURA

- 21.1 A temporary water meter will be installed at the reservoir outlet to monitor the reservoir outflow during a period of time (no longer than 24 hours). This will enable Veolia to understand the demand for treated water from the Ohura community.
- 21.2 Ongoing issues with the raw water pump and pipework have been experienced. The raw water pipeline and the pump have been assessed during the month. It has been identified that the pump faults are related to air entering the line. A proposal for an upgrade of the raw water pump and pipeline will be submitted for approval.
- 21.3 Currently, Veolia is developing a design for a new WTP to be built as part of the future upgrades.

22 OHAKUNE

- 22.1 Night time outflows have been steady throughout May and are sitting at the lowest they have for some time, around 28-30m³/hr. The majority of leaks called in have been due to the fibre drillers striking laterals which are repaired quickly. Having this steady night time outflow means we should be able to monitor any reduction in private leaks when RDC commences their water loss program with the public.
- 22.2 The strategic water meters around Ohakune have been read twice daily for two months before finishing at the end of May. We have enough data to show average use on the lines being metered and those we suspected could have had usage did not. This data has been emailed to the RDC waters team and Warren Furner.
- 22.3 The WTP struggled through some heavy rain on the 18th & 19th, inflow was reduced to maintain UV dose and chlorine increased as a secondary measure.

22.4 The pressure modelling program started with the installation of flow data loggers and pressure sensors around the network. The loggers will be removed early June to be analysed.

23 WHAKAPAPA – (than Raetihi, & waiouru)

23.1 The weather event on 09/05/2021 created operational challenges at the WTP. One Veolia operator stayed on site to ensure the water production was kept at sufficient flows. The media filter was bypassed in order to increase the flow through the plant. The cartridge filters remained online and the water quality was acceptable.

23.2 No Requests for Service were received in the month.

24 RAETIHI

24.1 With increased and steady river flows, carbon dosing was turned off at the WTP for the winter. The increased river flow means the taste and odour issues are no longer present which is the reason for dosing carbon.

24.2 The pressure modelling program started with the installation of flow data loggers and pressure sensors around the network. The loggers will be removed early June to be analysed.

25 WAIOURU

25.1 No issues to report.

26 WASTEWATER TREATMENT AND NETWORKS

26.1 TAUMARUNUI

26.1.2 Desludging of Pond 2 is underway. It is estimated that the project will be delivered by the end of June 21. During the month of May, the works have progressed well, with a layer of approximately 400mm left to be removed.

26.2.2 A fault was detected at the inlet screen. High influent is thought to have caused the screen to jam up, possibly caused by a tanker unloading sewerage into the screen chamber at high flows. This highlights the need for a septic receiver system, this is being scoped and priced by Veolia.

27 PIPIRIKI

27.1 No issues to report for the month.

28 OHAKUNE

28.1 The project to modify the inlet pipework has been completed; it now discharges at the pond edge and to the north to encourage better pond mixing. Curtains are going to be installed as part of the ammonia compliance upgrade for the Ohakune WWTP.

29 NATIONAL PARK

29.1 No issues to report

30 WHAKAPAPA

30.1 The Whakapapa WWTP worked well during the month. A trial was conducted which involved running only one clarifier. This has improved the quality of the effluent during lower flows through the plant.

30.2 The EOP return pump station has been automated as per approved proposal. The pumps are now displayed on SCADA and have been operating without problems. SCADA feedback has been incorporated to ensure the pumps stop operating while additional load into the plant via networks is detected.

31 RANGATAUA

31.1 No issues to report for the month.

32 RAETIHI

32.1 Work on installing mains power is underway and will be commissioned in early June. This will future proof the site and ensure reliability of telemetry which is currently solar powered. This is especially critical for the outflow meter which often loses communication during the shorter winter days as the battery struggles to charge.

33 WAIOURU

33.1 No issues to report this month.

34 STORMWATER

34.1 RDC continues to receive Requests for Services involving blocked stormwater pipes during rain events. The majority of cases are related to debris and vegetation from the roadside grates which sits outside 3 waters contract scope.

35 CAPITAL WORKS**35.1 Projects Underway**

Hikumutu rider main upgrade
 Raetihi WWTP power supply upgrade
 Hikumutu Pond 2 desludging
 Ohakune WWTP ammonia removal project (started)
 District-wide water modeling (started)
 Rangaroa Reservoir switchboard replacement (started)

35.2 Forward Works

Matapuna WTP chemical dosing pumps upgrade
 Rangaroa Reservoir outlet valve replacement

35.3 Proposals submitted

Golf Road water main upgrade (parts procurement)
 SCADA PC at the RDC office
 Matapuna turbidity meters upgrade
 Simmons Road water main installation
 Matapuna WTP security fence installation
 National Park WTP security fence installation
 Tarata Place water main upgrade
 Ohakune Wastewater modelling
 Matapuna UV Modbus upgrade

36 HEALTH AND SAFETY

36.1 A total of 13 Hazard / Near misses were reported during the month. A high risk procedure was reviewed under a real scenario – this was around excavation and trenching.

37 EARLY WARNINGS

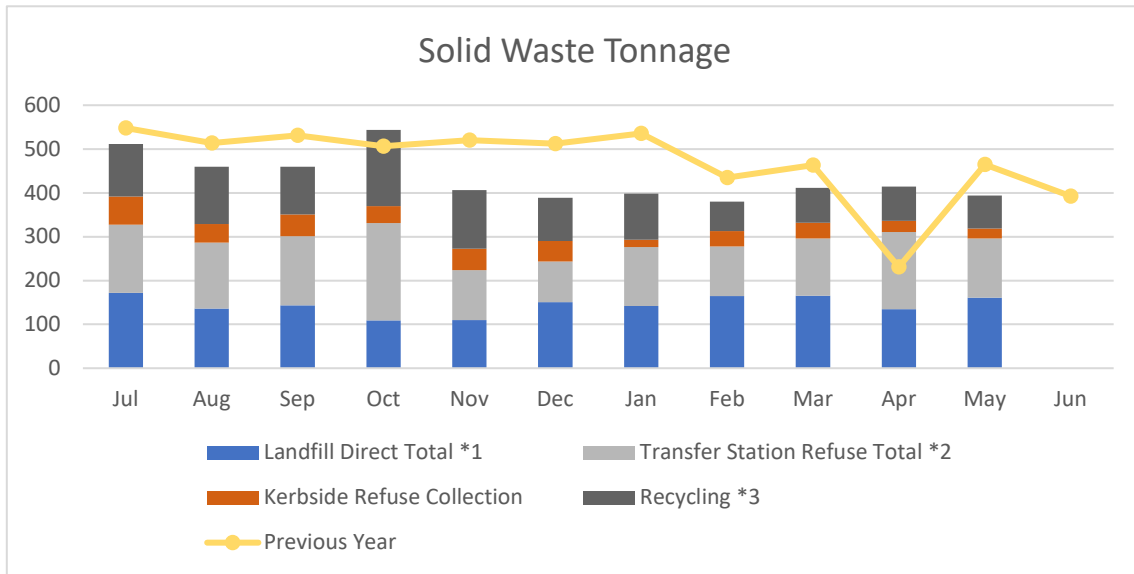
37.1 This section aims at highlighting issues what can potentially affect the delivery of service.

Site/Asset	Early Warning	Date Added	Added by	Checked by Contract Manager	Impact If Not Done	Severity [1 low, 5 high]	Action
Owhango WTP	The Owhango WTP does not have the ability to remove turbidity. During weather events, this simply doses chlorine directly into the raw water. At times, the high turbidity reaches the network	05/05/21	Vini Dutra	TRUE		4	Substantial upgrades are required at this facility. The inclusion of filtration is needed so the quality of the water can be improved
Ohakune WWTP	Ohakune WWTP lack of UPS to close the outlet valve (post UV) in event of power failure. This results in untreated discharge	30/05/21	Alex Gilbert	TRUE		5	In the event of a power failure, the UV disinfection system stops dosing and the automatic modulation valve stays open. By gravity, the effluent keeps flowing through.

38 SOLID WASTE (Dean Hosking)

38.1 WASTE TRENDS

- 38.1.1 Refuse tonnage slightly down on previous year with recycling volumes remaining steady at both kerbside collection and Transfer Stations. Food waste collection tonnage was down this month; these trends are documented for comparison.
- 38.1.2 Hot composting unit roof construction 95% complete and is operational. Side skirts are the final remaining item to be installed. This will be completed in the next few weeks.
- 38.1.3 28 RFS received during May, consisting of minor issues and enquiries which were resolved.
- 38.1.4 Sustainability education undertaken. Two worm farming workshops, one Boomerang Bag workshop. EnviroSchools handover process began, met new Para kore Kaiarahi for Taumarunui area and took Taumarunui Reuse Shop Volunteers to Waimarino Transfer Station to educate in preparation for Taumarunui Resource Recovery Centre Opening.



39 COMMUNITY FACILITIES (Julia Fincham)

39.1 MOWING

Mowing has slowed in the south with much of the reserves getting the final mow in May before winter sets in and brings grass growth to a standstill. In the Northern areas the grass has continue to grow over May and all areas have been cut once, with some of the high profile areas requiring a couple of mows to keep on top of growth.

39.2 CEMETERIES

39.2.1 There were five burials in May.

Cemetery	Ashes	Single depth	Re open	Double depth
Manunui	1			
Matiere				
Ohakune	1			
Ohura				
Raurimu				
Owhango				
Raetihi				1
Rangataua				
Taumarunui	1	1		

39.3 HALLS

39.3/1 Taumarunui Memorial Hall – An asbestos Management Survey has been completed prior to a softwash of the exterior of the hall. Painting of the exterior of the hall will be scheduled for Spring when weather is more settled.

39.4 RESERVES

39.4.1 Kururau Reserve – The concrete pad remaining at the ex-Pony Club grounds on Kururau Road, Taumarunui have been tidied and the old septic tank filled in to make safe in readiness for Ngāti Hāua to take over the lease for the area.

39.4.2 Mangawhero Walkway, Ohakune – The walkway has been realigned and the fence alongside shifted to improve sightlines and make safer for pedestrians exiting onto Old Station Road.

39.5 PLAYGROUNDS

39.5.1 Pipiriki Playground – On 20 May the Pipiriki Community including Pipiriki Incorporation, celebrated the opening of the Pipiriki Community Playground alongside Council and the Waimarino-Waiouru Community Board. The playground project included installation of swings, multi-play equipment and a flying fox along with fencing, picnic tables and planting undertaken by the community and funded by Council’s Pride of Place fund. See photographs below.



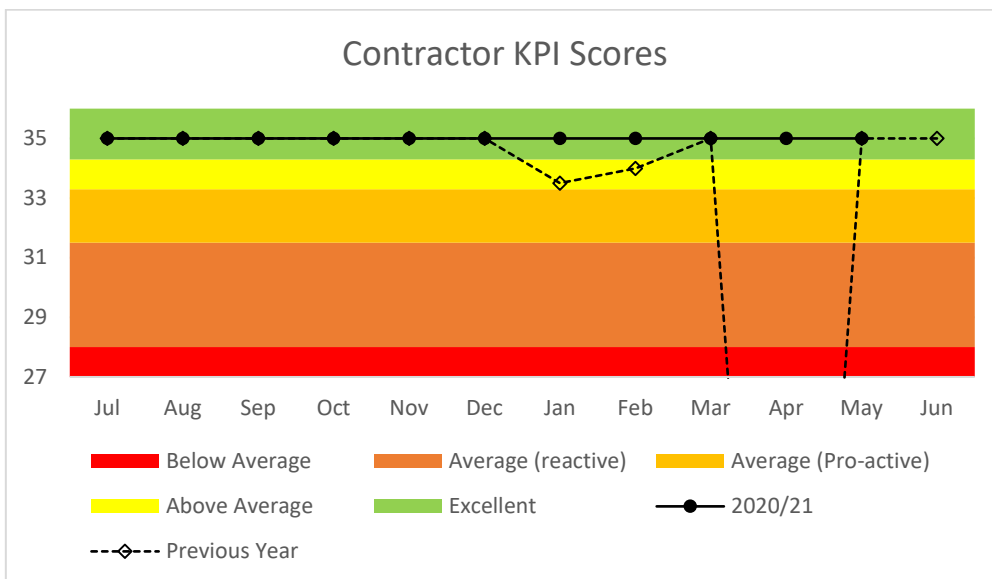
39.6 FOOTPATHS/WALKWAYS

39.6.1 Inspections and vegetation control of walkways were undertaken this month.

39.7 FORWARD WORK BY P&R CONTRACTOR

39.7.1 Kerb and channel sweep was delayed due to mechanical issues, this is now underway. The sweeper truck is expected to complete the districts kerb and channel in early June. Pavers are due to be mechanically swept in the CBD area.

39.8 DOWNER KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS



The above graph shows that Downer continues to meet KPI level expectations month after month.

39 COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – EXECUTIVE MANAGER’S REPORT (Pauline Welch)

39.1 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

39.2 DESTINATION MANAGEMENT PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

39.1.1 Destination Management brings together different stakeholders to achieve the common goal of developing a well-managed, sustainable visitor destination. It is an ongoing process that requires destinations to plan for the future and consider the social, economic, cultural and environmental risks and opportunities. Destination Management involves collaboration across the multiple stakeholders that make up the ecosystem of a destination.

39.1.2 Progress during May has focussed primarily on detailed arrangements for delivery of the Te ara Mangawhero and Missing Link cycle trail.

39.2 VISIT RUAPEHU ACTIVITY (Jo Kennedy)

39.2.1 Table of Tourism Electronic Card Transactions:

Month	TECT Spend	% Change yoy	Year end spend	% Change yoy
April 2021	\$7.46m	+584%	\$89.84m	-6%

Month	TECT Spend	% Change vs 2019
April 2021	\$7.46m	+17%

39.2.2 Domestic tourism spend for April 2021 was 617% up on 2020, and 43% up on a more comparable 2019. International understandably was over 80% down for 2021 compared to the pre-COVID 2019 world.

39.2.3 Website visitors to visitruapehu.com for May 2021 were 138% up compared to May 2020 reaching 26,000 users.

39.3 ACTIVITY COMPLETE IN MAY FOR VISIT RUAPEHU INCLUDES:

- (a) Regional Events Fund successful applicants for year one have been finalised and will be announced in June.
- (b) Travel agent liaison and consumer marketing in Australia has started again with multiple campaigns being launched in the Australian market with RAL, Destination Great Lake Taupō and Tourism NZ.
- (c) Insight magazine, specific to the Chinese market, has visited the region this month and published 31 spreads on the region and specific operators. This is one of several pieces of work Visit Ruapehu is involved with in targeting the “New New Zealander” visitor predominantly based in Auckland.
- (d) Worked with Tourism NZ to update Ruapehu content on www.newzealand.com.
- (e) Ongoing media pitches again this month to include Ruapehu in Tourism NZ instigated stories in mainstream media. Good success throughout May with almost weekly features in NZ Herald and Stuff placements.

39.4 ONGOING WORK PLAN FOR VISIT RUAPEHU INCLUDES:

- (a) Attending Hamilton Fielddays in June along with our Explore Central North Island partners under the banner of Get Out More NZ.
- (b) Booked workshops for our operators in June for Te Reo working with members of the local Iwi as Kaiako to deliver the programmes.
- (c) Our involvement in the Tourism NZ virtual travel expo including our trade ready operators on 16th June. Key purpose of the event is to re-connect the Australian and New Zealand travel industries.
- (d) Brook Sabin, leading Stuff travel journalist, will visit our rohe to learn to ski and write about his experiences here in Ruapehu in mid-June.
- (e) Attending the Ohakune Carrot Carnival with giveaways to assist locals with becoming Ruapehu Proud and acting as ambassadors for the region.
- (f) Dates in June being confirmed to bring map designers to region to travel the Adventure Highway to add to the discussion on the Forgotten World Highway which is underway.
- (g) Deadline for RTO proposal for additional government funding - the Support, Recovery and Reset plan - proposal is 20 June. The application will differ from the 2020 STAPP funding with more of a Destination Management focus to ensure continuity of the excellent achievements made by Warren Furner in his MBIE funded Destination Management role through Council which reaches completion 30 June.

39.5 COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT (Peggy Veen)

- (a) Start-up business meetings are continuing with varied ideas and plans: predominantly from people relocating to the area looking at opportunities. There are also increasing conversations with Not for Profit start ups with Community Waikato being approached to assist with helping to set up charitable trusts. This is seen as an emerging issue with funders and agencies being approached to assist and creating more complexity in this space with limited identified need or capacity. A more pressing issue is the Trustees Act and Societies updates with old deeds and old constitutions needing review. There is also an issue with capacity and the aging groups in north Ruapehu in governance and older committees/board members. Volunteering Waikato are seeking to increase engagement and can be of direct benefit to groups and council in working in that sector.
- (b) Workforce development: Continued focus in this area with a number of activities: Mayors' Taskforce for Jobs continues in a limited capacity until we find out if the new round of funding will be approved. We are being approached for work experience from a range of providers including ACC. Council staff and departments are hosting interns from the Taumarunui High School. Meetings with King Country Pet Food, MSD, REAP and ourselves to drive local employment outcomes. Meetings with MPI and REAP to look at rolling out workforce development activities in the primary sector.
- (c) Community connections: Matariki continues to be a project for Taumarunui and Enterprising Taumarunui, an annual event that can be viewed now as a regular and established event that is well liked. Christmas activities are also being discussed with other groups.
- (d) Ruapehu Business Council has renamed to Ruapehu Business 2 Business.

40 CIVIL DEFENCE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (Andrew Chambers)

- 40.1 Earlier in the month of May, RDC had a comprehensive zoom meeting with GNS to discuss the findings of the fault mapping report for the Ruapehu region; this report has now gone live and will be factored into RDC council planning in the region.
- 40.2 The multi-agency group involving St John, Fire and Emergency New Zealand, NZ Police, Waikato and Whanganui DHBs, Ruapehu Alpine Lifts (RAL) and Civil Defence met again in Whakapapa, to discuss patient pathways off the mountain in preparation for the up and coming winter season.
- (a) The main concern was in the event that neither St John nor a Rescue Helicopter is able to reach either ski field area (Whakapapa or Turoa). The current SOP is for the Civil Defence van to pick up paramedics from the lowest point and take them up the mountain. A possible solution has been sorted where NZDF have recently retired a number of 4x4 Unimog Ambulances. I have been in contact with NZDF to see if it would be possible to secure two of these vehicles.
- (b) There are a few other agencies nationwide interested in these vehicles so I would suggest to move fast on this, Infrastructure on both sides of Mt Ruapehu have been identified to house these vehicles as well as talks with FENZ on providing qualified drivers to assist when needed.
- 40.3 Finally, I attended the NEMA conference for 2021, which had a big emphasis on working with Iwi when dealing with emergencies. I will be working on implementing lessons learned from RDC and NEMA nationally in this area.

41 CUSTOMER SERVICES REPORT (Shona Spadotto)

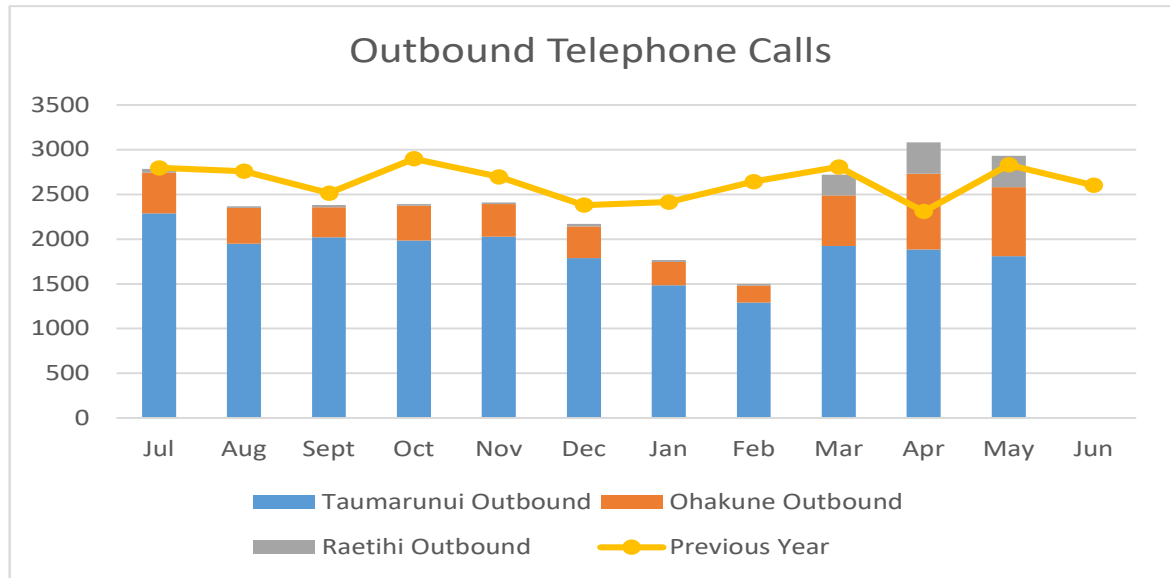
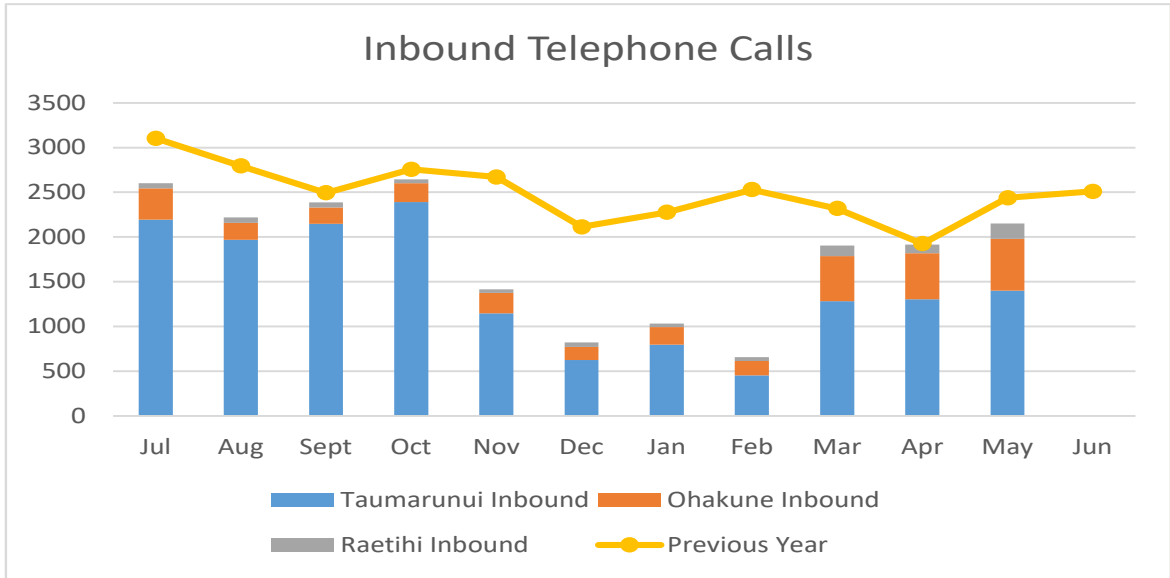
41.1 General

- 41.1.1 Between our three offices, the Customer Services Team processed 1309 receipts, entered a total of 872 Requests for Service, and received 2052 calls during May 2021.
- 41.1.2 With dog registrations going out a little earlier this year the team have already registered 507 dogs. This is a huge difference to the 47 that were registered in May last year. RFS's are also up due to most teams being rather busy and requesting all calls to be logged rather than transferred through. We had four CSO's working hard to help the website project team get the new website up and running.

41.2 After hours- Palmerston North City Council (PNCC)

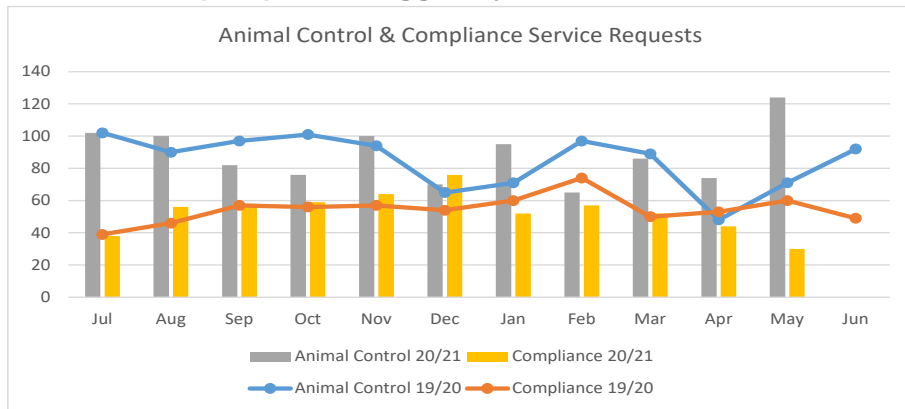
Note: report will be available in mid-June.

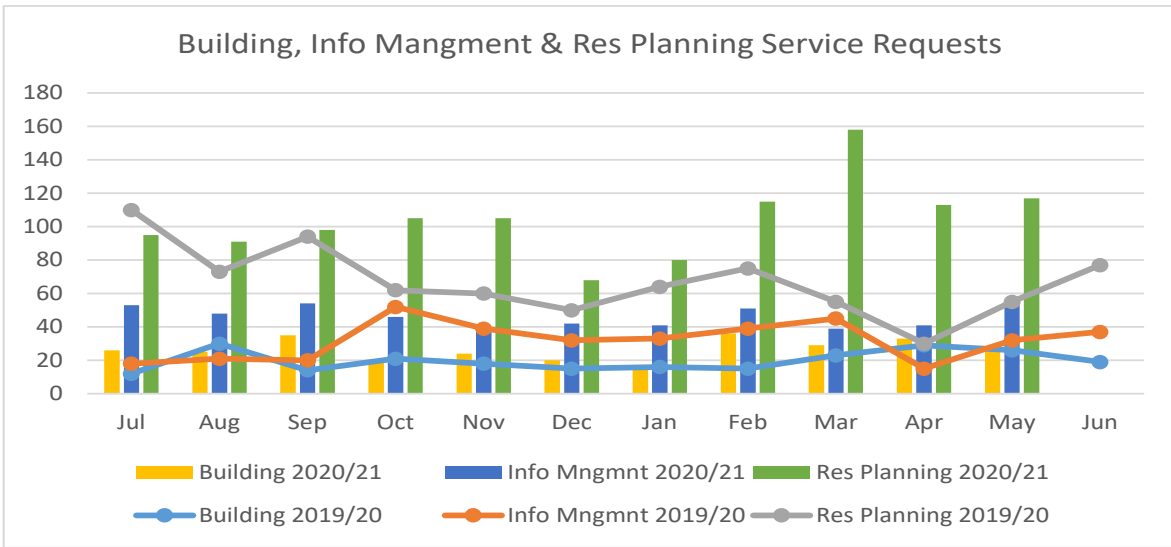
41.3 Inbound/Outbound Calls at Taumarunui, Ohakune & Raetihi Offices



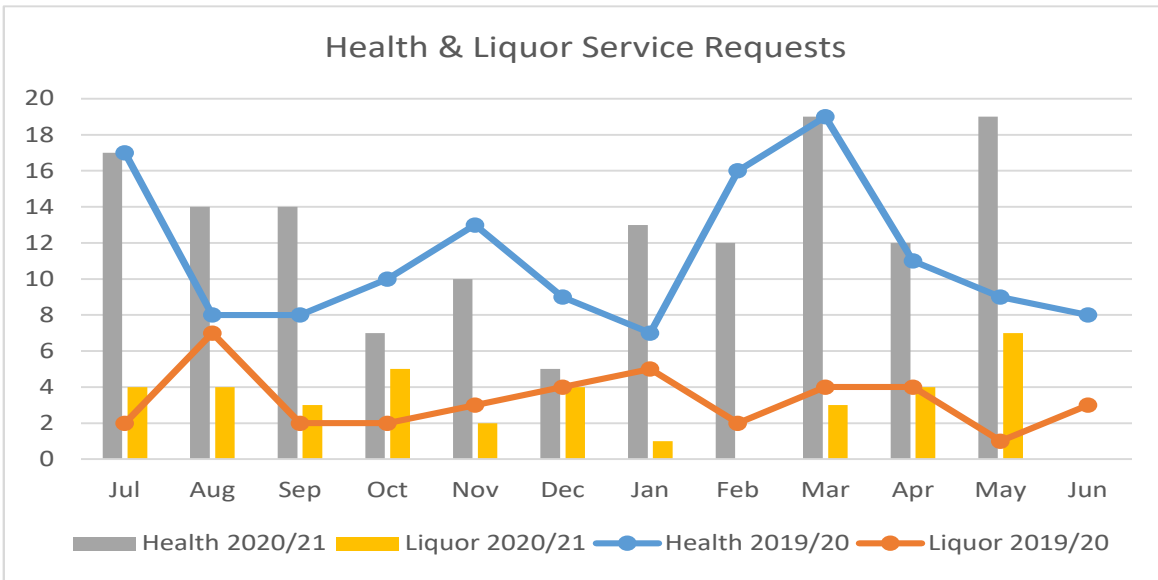
43.4 Key Customer Service Roles Reports

43.4.1 Request for Service (RFS) Calls Logged by Council

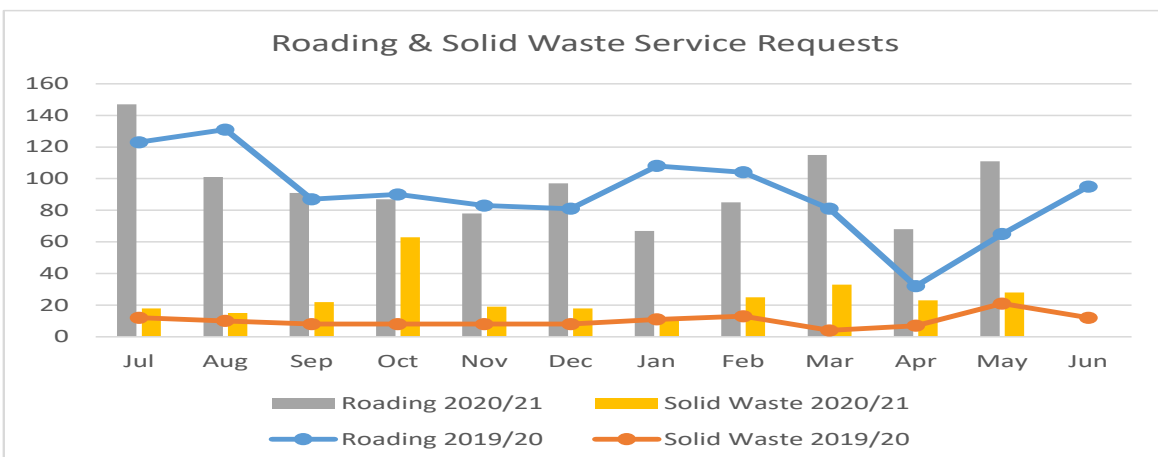


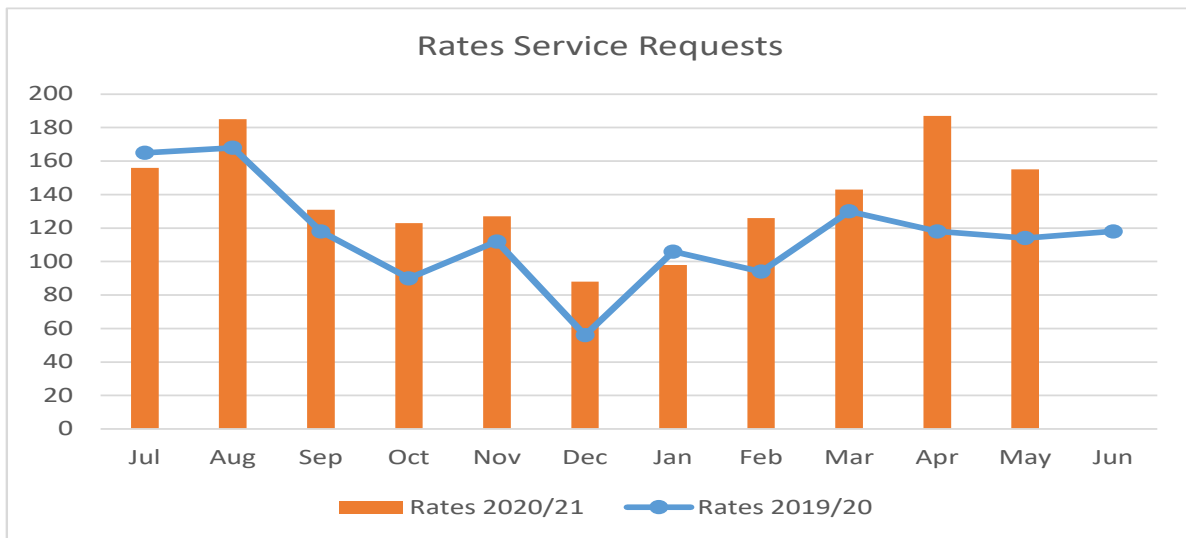
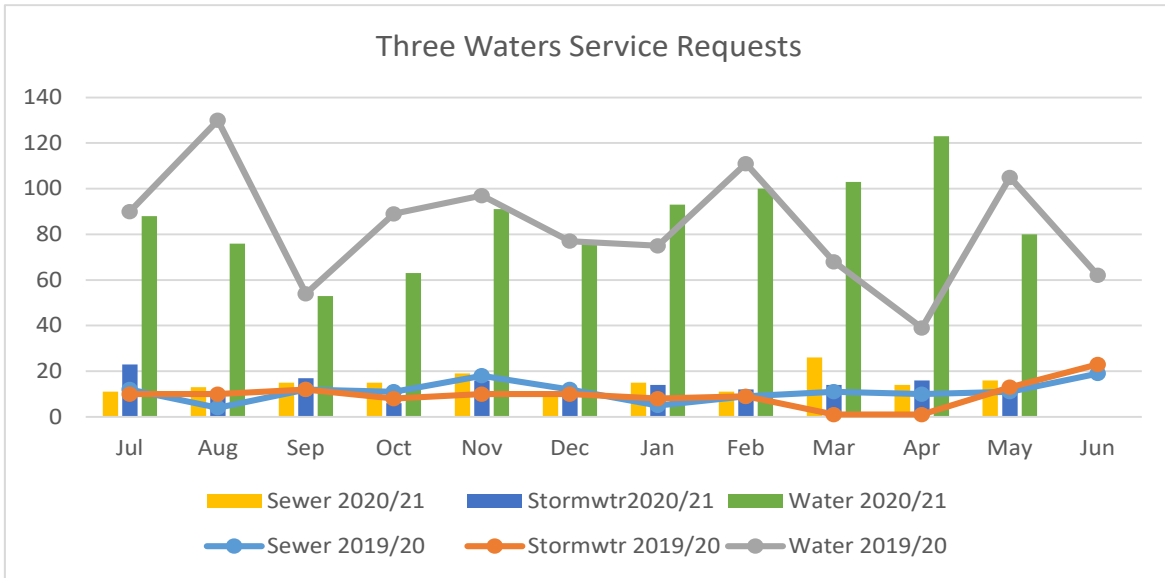
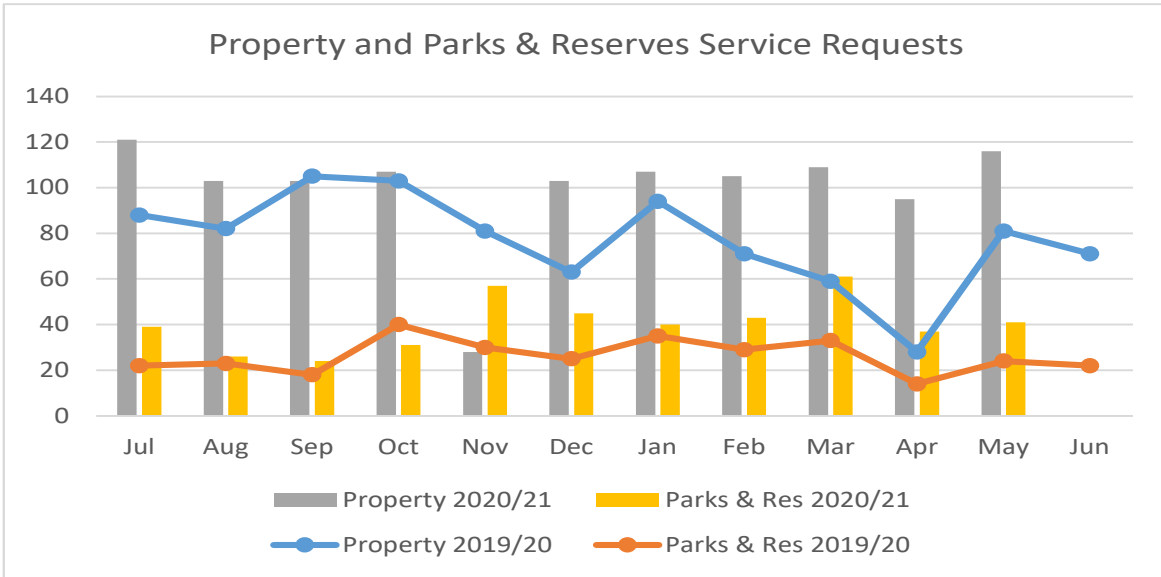


Note: RFSs are up due to all calls being logged rather than transferred through to the team.



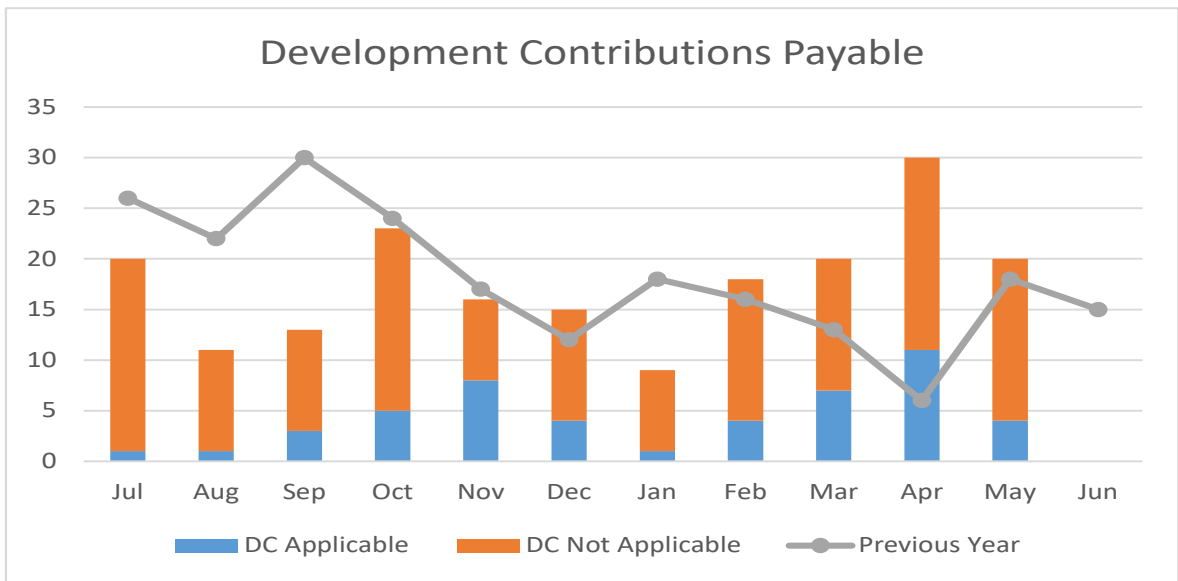
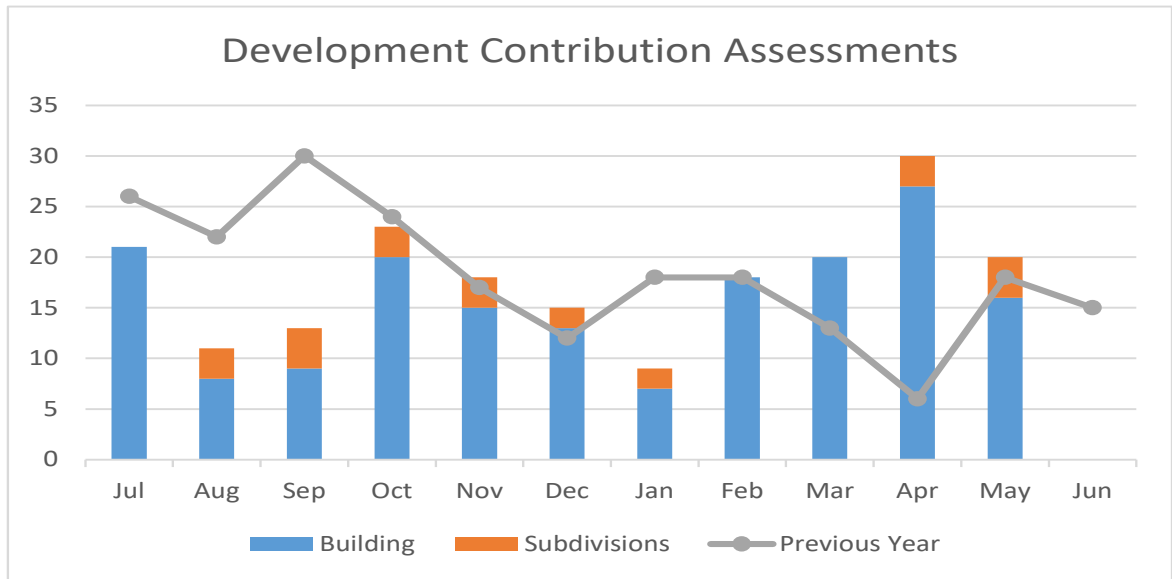
Note: RFSs are up as all customer enquiries are now logged rather than transferring to the team.





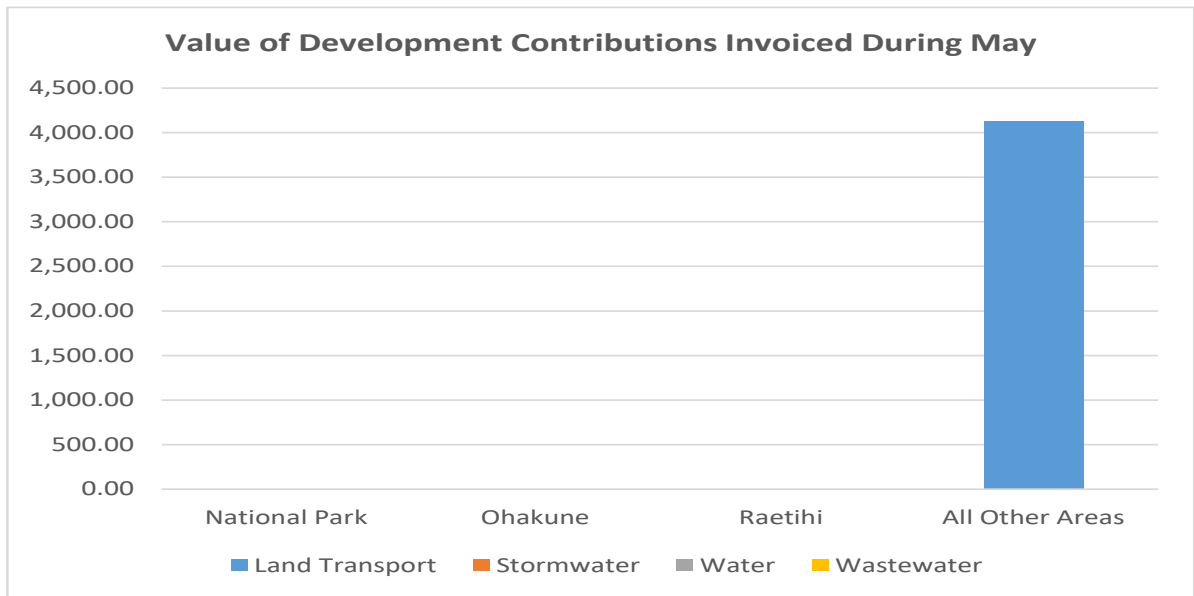
43.4.2 Development Contribution Assessments

A total of 20 applications were assessed during May, 16 for Building Consents and four for subdivisions. Of these, four applications were deemed to have Development Contributions payable.



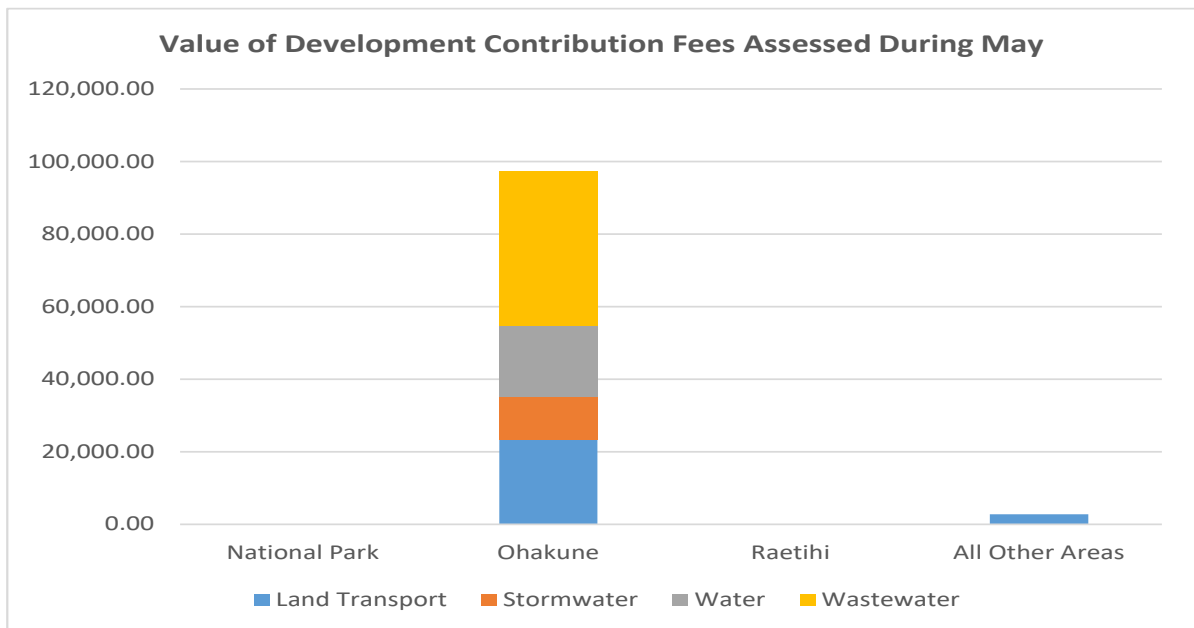
43.4.3 Value of Development Contributions Invoiced During May

Type of Development Contribution Fee	National Park (Urban) \$	Ohakune (Urban) \$	Raetihi (Urban) \$	All Other Areas \$
Land Transport				4,122.00
Stormwater				
Water				
Wastewater				
Totals	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,122.00

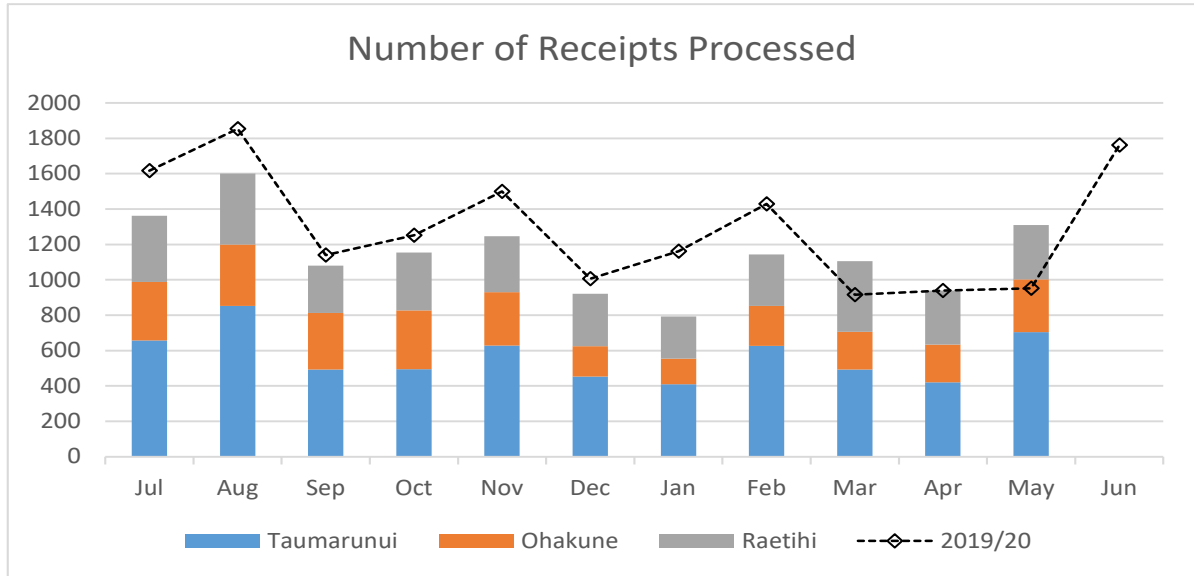


43.4.4 Value of Development Contribution Fees Assessed During May

Type of Development Contribution Fee	National Park (Urban) \$	Ohakune (Urban) \$	Raetihi (Urban) \$	All Other Areas \$
Land Transport		23,358.00		2,748.00
Stormwater		11,847.00		
Water		19,686.00		
Wastewater		42,483.00		
Totals		\$97,374.00		\$2,748.00



43.4.5 Cash Receipting



43.4.6 Cemetery Totals

Item	Taumarunui	Manunui	Owhango Matiere Ohura Raurimu	Ohakune/ Rangataua	Raetihi
Burials	2				2
Ashes Burial				1	
Burial Plots Reserved	6				
Ashes Plots Reserved	1	2			
Plot/Genealogy Enquiries	19	7	3	4	4

43.4.7 Infringements: Parking, Dogs, Litter and RMA

Type of Infringement	
Parking Reminders sent	3
Dog Reminders sent	9
Litter Reminders sent	
RMA Reminders sent	
Parking Infringements lodged with the Court	
Dog Infringements lodged with the Court	8
Litter Infringements lodged with the Court	2
RMA Infringements lodged with the Court	

43.4.8 Infringements: Parking, Dogs, Litter and RMA

Type of Infringement	
Parking Reminders sent	2
Dog Reminders sent	12
Litter Reminders sent	1
RMA Reminders sent	
Parking Infringements lodged with the Court	3
Dog Infringements lodged with the Court	7
Litter Infringements lodged with the Court	
RMA Infringements lodged with the Court	

44 i-SITE VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRES (Kim Treen)

44.1 GENERAL

44.1.1 The overall revenue was boosted in May this year due mainly to online and phone bookings; mostly for the Glenbrook Vintage Railway (GVR) packages across the district. This has significantly helped both Ohakune and Taumarunui i-SITE this month.

44.1.2 The first GVR weekend trip is due on 11 June and then each month after that until the end of the year. To date we have booked around 20 packages with around 50 passengers. GVR have indicated they will start more marketing initiatives to build more momentum for the trips. We also helped Spiral Tours with their bookings and their first trip this month.

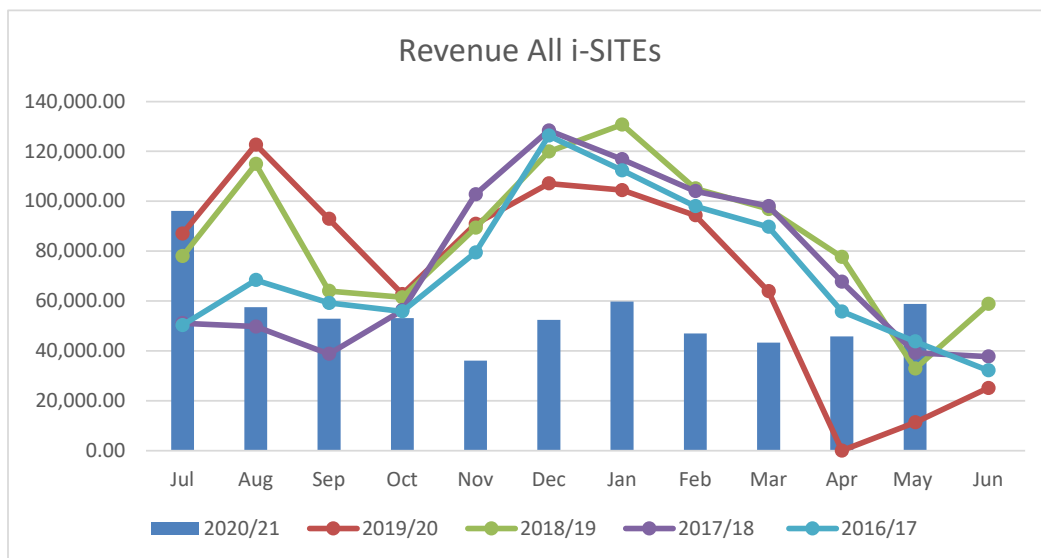
44.1.3 The mobile i-SITE delivery has been delayed due to the shipment being delayed into the country but only until 4 July so only a week later than anticipated. It will then need a week for the signwriting and set up before being moved to National Park. It should be operational by mid July.

44.1.4 The door counter at the Department of Conservation is not operational therefore we have no figures on the door count for May at that location.

44.2 REVENUE

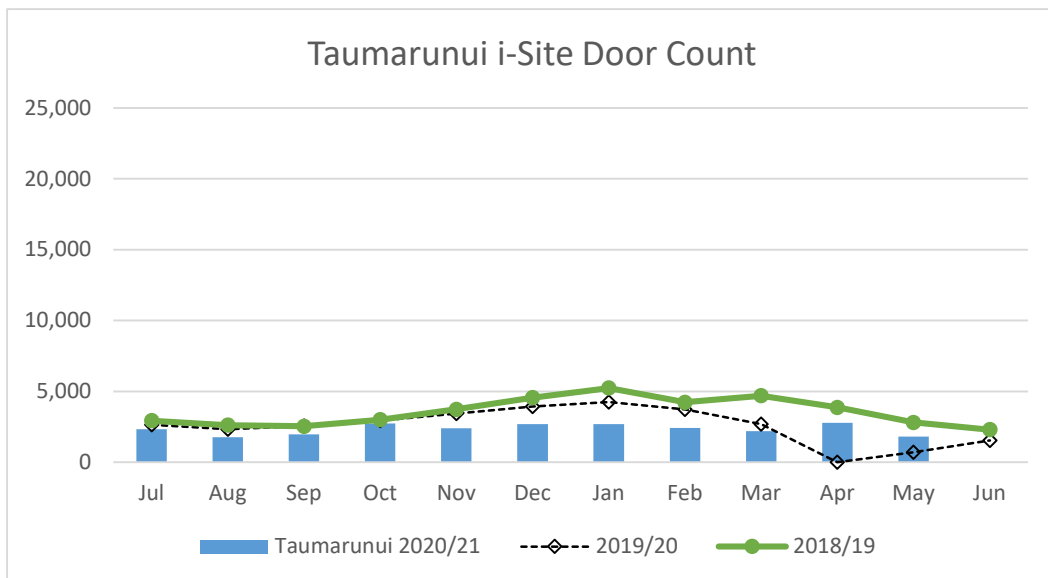
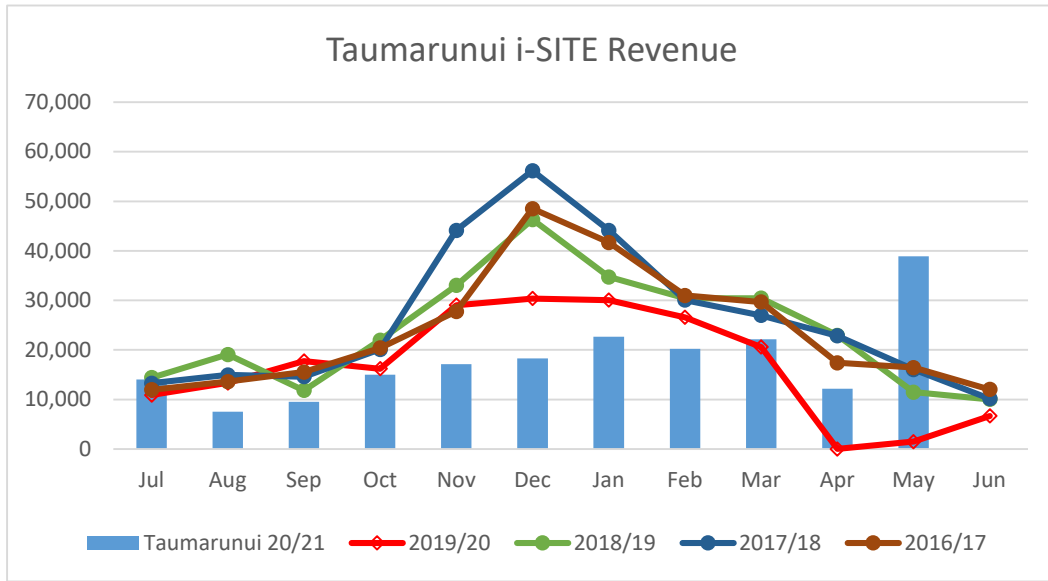
44.2.1 All i-SITES

The revenue for May for all i-SITES is 421.05% up on the revenue for May last year. The year to date revenue is 27.4% down on the same time last year.



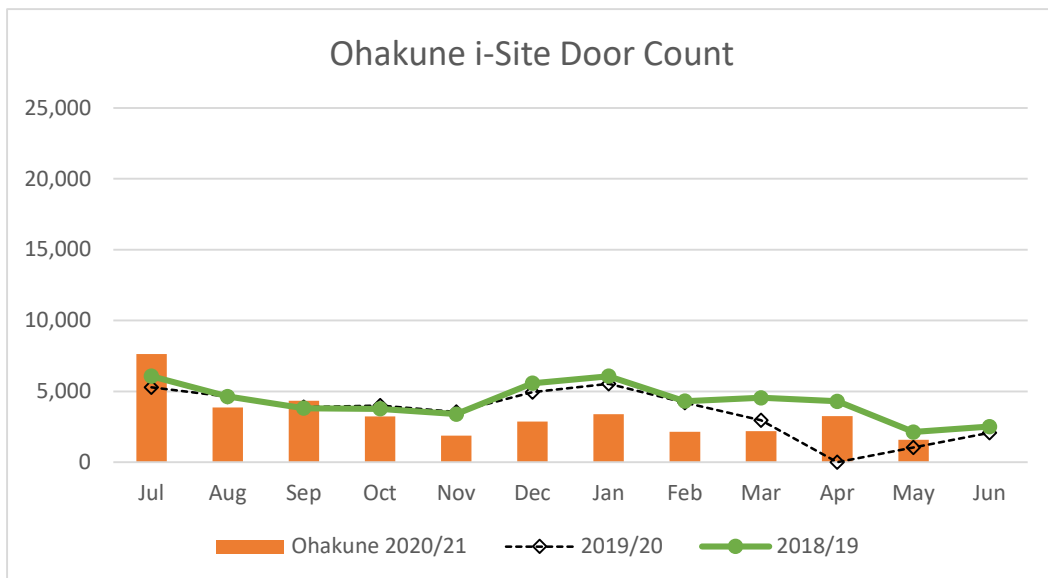
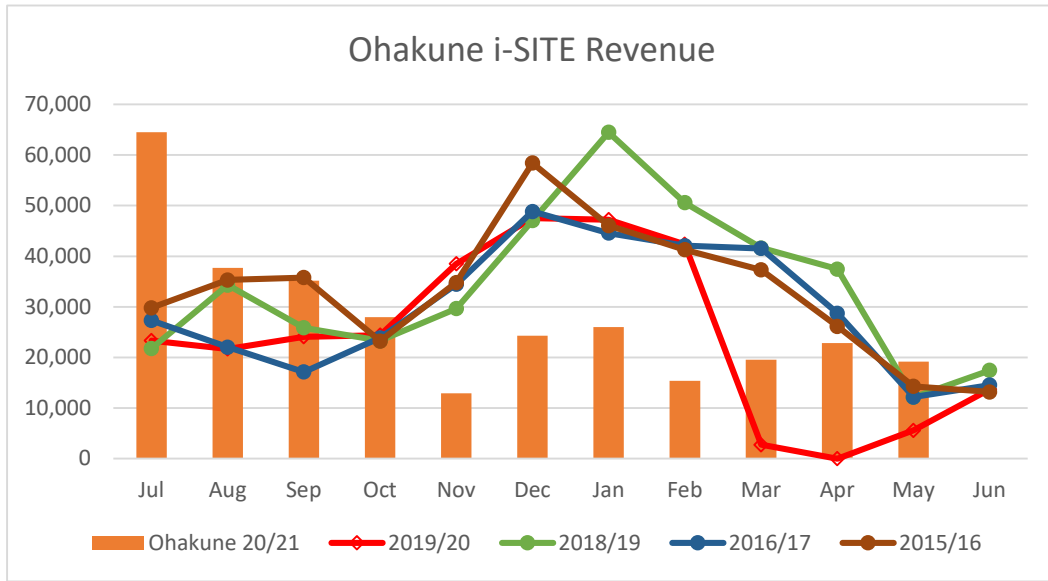
44.2.2 Taumarunui i-SITE

The income received during May is 2493.25% up on the income received during May last year. The year to date revenue is 0.69% up on the same time last year.



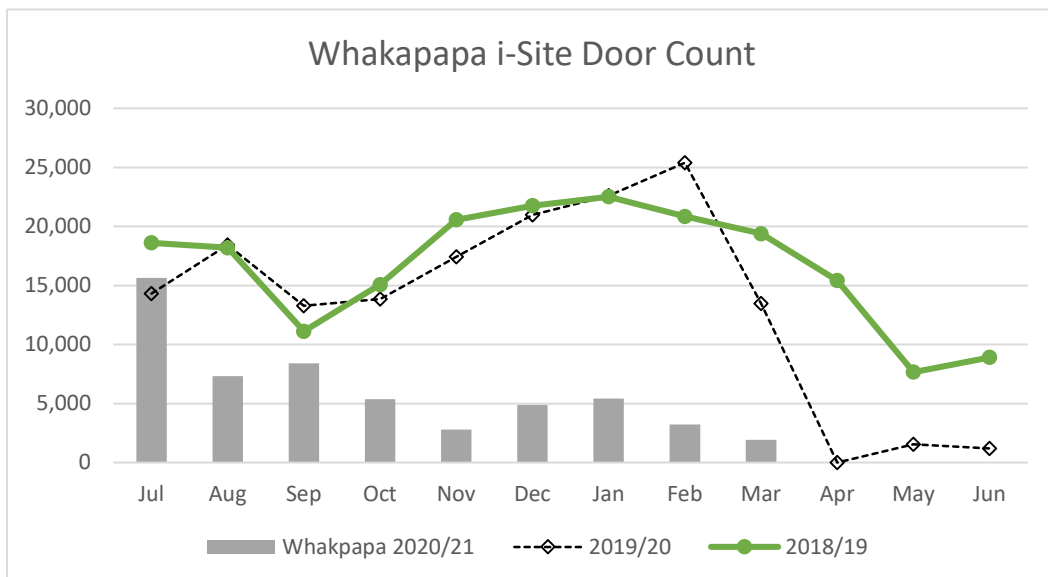
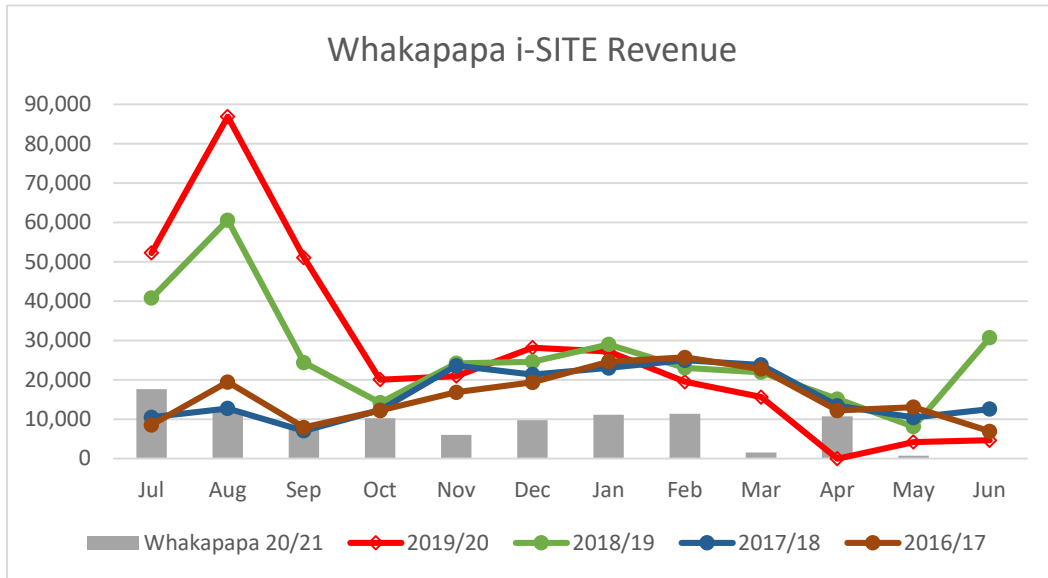
44.2.3 Ohakune i-SITE

The income received during May is 242.69% up on the income received during May last year. The year to date revenue is 1.03% up on the same time last year.



44.2.4 Whakapapa i-SITE

The income received during May is 82.8% down on the income received during May last year. The year to date income is 70% down on the same time last year.



45 LIBRARIES (Fiona Thomas)

45.1 ALL LIBRARIES

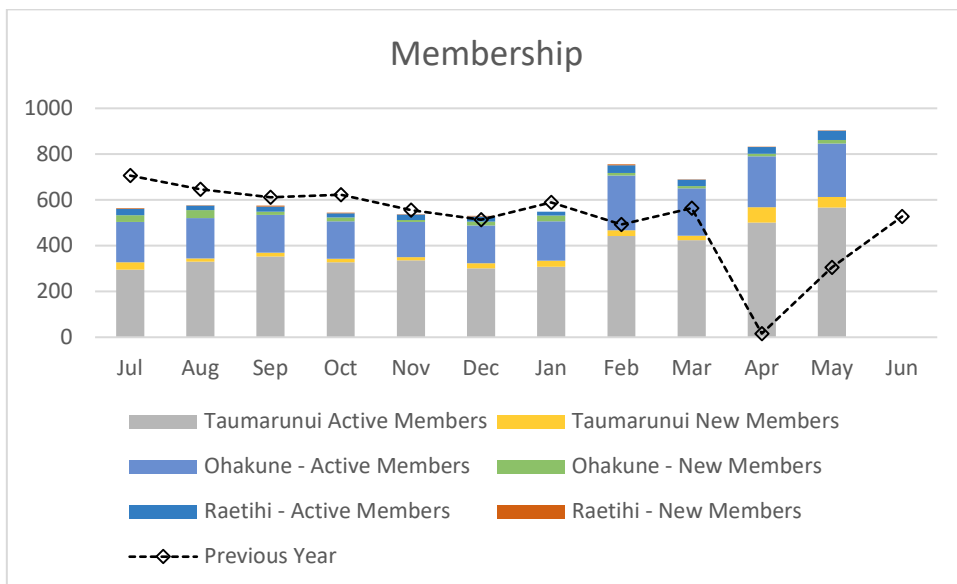
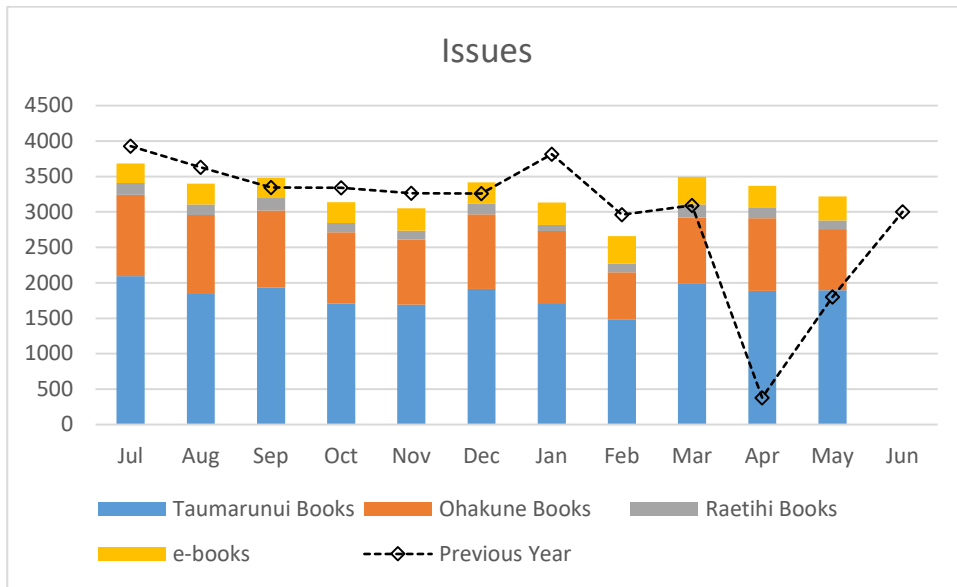
45.1.1 Visits to National Park school have resumed, after an 18 month hiatus, and are conducted on the same day as those to Owhango and National Park. Orautoha School students received their first visit from the library, and most of the 40 students, who are now library members, borrowed up to two books to take home. Books were set up and issued from the school hall.

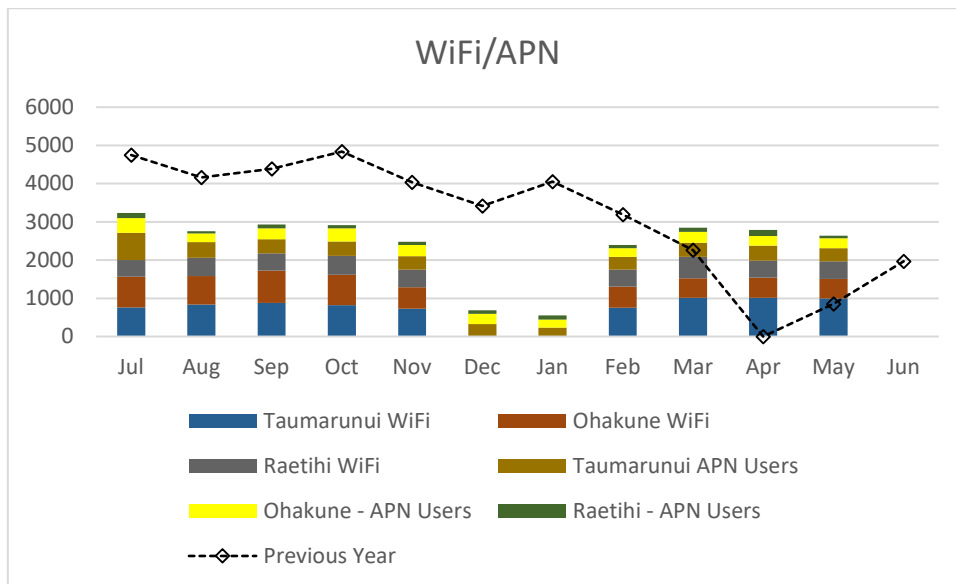
45.2 Staff have received training from the APNK/Kotui support team, for use of the support desk portal. Staff have also worked closely with Kotui to set up notification and invoicing processes for long overdue books. Invoices have consequently been generated for lost/assumed missing books from over the last 6 months..

45.3 There has been a big focus on withdrawing very old books from Raetihi shelves, to assist in display and presentation.

45.4 STATISTICS

	Taumarunui	Ohakune	Raetihi
Books Issued	1897	862	123
New Members	47	15	2
Active members	566	234	40
APN Computer Users	339	264	65
WiFi Users	994	509	465
E-book issues	337		





46 FINANCE & STRATEGY, Acting Financial Controller's update (Chris Fearon)

- 46.1.1 The total outstanding rates arrears at 31 May 2021 totalled \$1,752,086 which is \$105,737 lower than at the same period last year. The main increases were in possibly abandoned land/rating sales, \$74,080 and ratepayers making regular payments, \$76,754 and there was a reduction of \$196,990 in the Maori land investigation arrears classification.
- 46.1.2 The total current year's rates and penalties at \$28,553,509 is more than last year, as the totals last year \$27,584,272.
- 46.1.3 The cash collection rate in May 2021 was 94% as against 93% at the same time last year and the number of outstanding ratepayers dropped from 230 to 187 at 31 May 2021.

	30 May 2021 Arrears Status			31 May 2020 Status		
Arrears	Properties	Arrears	% of \$ Total	Properties	Arrears	% of \$ Total
Making Regular Payments	72	\$223,192	24%	77	\$160,832	13%
Debt Collection	35	\$302,441	32%	57	\$495,646	41%
Has Mortgage Holder	7	\$22,708	2%	6	\$10,668	1%
Abandoned Land Sealed Orders	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maori Land Investigation	1	\$22,669	2%	8	\$219,660	18%
Possibly Abandoned Land/Rating Sale	18	\$236,905	25%	16	\$160,151	13%
Further Action	53	\$133,668	14%	66	\$167,660	14%
Outstanding Totals - Arrears	186	\$941,583	100%	230	\$1,214,617	100%
	Levied to Date	Outstanding	% Collected	Levied to Date	Outstanding	% Collected
Current Years Rates & Penalty	28,553,509	1,752,087	94%	27,584,272	1,857,823	93%
	Total Outstanding	\$2,693,670		Total Outstanding	\$3,072,440	

47 SPADE READY PROJECTS

	Budget	Total Spend	Budget Remaining	% Budget Spent
Complete power line ID Project.	90,000	84,251	5,749	94%
Cycle trail construction/maintenance on Depot Road.	100,000	56,893	43,107	57%
Maintain/fell exotic trees on road margins.	500,000	512,286	(12,286)	102%
Provide additional crews or second person for road men team to accelerate routine minor.	300,000	273,731	26,269	91%
Te Ara Mangawhero Cycle trail construction and surfacing missing link section of cycle trail.	250,000	327,870	(77,870)	131%
Warmer Homes – supply extracted wood for tree removal project for further processing.	90,000	64,455	25,545	72%
Total Spade Ready (excl. OWTP)	1,330,000	1,319,486	10,514	99%

48 POLICY AND STRATEGIC PLANNING (Candice McNaught)**48.1 Policies and Bylaws**

48.1.1 The policy team has been receiving and analysing submissions to the Long Term Plan 2021-31.

48.1.2 The policy team attended a regional climate change hui held in the Ohakune Council Chamber. This hui was facilitated by Tonkin and Taylor who are helping progress the regional risk assessment and was focused on confirming the community values. Council staff were able to have comprehensive discussions around the districts unique landscape as we were the only participants alongside Horizons Regional Council staff.

48.1.3 Alongside Council's Rates team, the policy team also attended two webinars based on the Rating of (Whenua Māori) Amendment Bill. These webinar were hosted by the Department of Internal Affairs alongside Taituarā, and outlined the progression of the bill and what Councils need to be doing to implement the bill. A report is due with Council on 23 June 2021 with more information.

48.1.4 The Policy team is also working on the below, or has this scheduled for the 2020/21 year:

- (a) Long Term Plan
 - (i) Finalisation of LTP proper and associated documentation
- (b) Regional Climate Change Risk Assessment

- (c) Representation Review
- (d) Class 4 (Gambling) Venues policy review – risk assessment due to be presented to Elected Members
- (e) CCTV policy – new policy

48.1.5 Completed policies / bylaws / submissions / workshops and reports are:

- (a) Horizons Regional Council Long Term Plan submission
- (b) Investment Policy
- (c) Rates Postponement policy – ready for engagement
- (d) Deliberations workshop

48.2 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

48.2.1 The focus for May has been LTP engagement follow up, reporting, thanking communities and following up on issues raised outside of the scope of LTP.

48.2.2 Assisting consultant on Future Taumarunui Housing and Community Plan.

48.3 RUAPEHU YOUTH COUNCIL

48.3.1 Taumarunui-Ohura Youth Ambassadors (TOYA) second meeting was held on 10 May 2021. It consisted of an overview of Council which was an in-depth PowerPoint of each department and function and role of Council, presented by a member of the policy team. TOYA also had elections where they adopted their Chairperson, Deputy Chairperson and Secretary.

48.3.2 Waimarino-Waiouru Youth Ambassadors (WWYA) first meeting was held on 12 May which consisted of their swearing in ceremony. A consultant for RDC facilitated a workshop with the youth collating ideas for a possible youth space in the proposed Raetihi hub.

48.4 IWI DEVELOPMENT

48.4.1 Attended the formal opening of the Pipirki playground on 20 May 2021. The opening was well supported, and provided an opportunity to acknowledge and celebrate the collective efforts of everyone who contributed to the success of the project.

48.4.2 The Ruapehu District Māori Council held a workshop on 21 May 2021. This workshop was the first meeting for the year for Members and invited guests. A key topic discussed at length was the representation of Māori Wards. This also led on to a discussion about what the Ruapehu District Māori Council may look like going forward.

48.4.3 Work continues alongside the following:

- (a) Waters team - resource consent project work
- (b) Rating team – various rating matters
- (c) GHD contractors – resource consent project work
- (d) Asset/Infrastructure team - regular operations hui with Ngāti Hāua Iwi Trust Operations Manager

48.5 LIVEABILITY STUDY

48.5.1 Attended Taituarā Partners in Community Wellbeing Forum in Wellington.

48.5.2 Final statistical data analysis is 90 percent completed for the study. Changes in how data is collected in the tourism space and limited data available on climate change only areas now needing to be addressed but a solution is in progress

Report to: Council

Meeting Date: 23 June 2021

Subject: Resolution to Exclude the Public for Consideration of Council Business



Purpose of Report

- 1.1 Section 48 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 gives Council the right by resolution to exclude the public from the whole or any part of the proceedings of any meeting on one or more of the grounds contained within that Section.

Suggested Resolutions

- 1 That the report on Resolution to Exclude the Public for Consideration of Council Business be received.
- 2 That the public is excluded from the following part of the proceedings of the meeting.
- 3 That the general subject of each matter to be discussed while the public is excluded, the reason for passing the resolution in relation to each matter and the specific grounds under Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

General Subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under S48(1) for passing this resolution
C1: Confirmation of Public-Excluded Minutes: 9 June 2021	The reason(s) for excluding the public is/are recorded in the Public Business Minutes of the meeting.	48(1)(a)
C2: Adoption of Land Transport S17A review C3: Parks Reserves and Garden Maintenance Procurement C4: Upgrade and Amendment to Veolia Contract C5: Confidential Briefing C6: Council-only time (Officers Excluded)	Enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations). To maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expressions of opinions by, or between, or to members of or officers or employees of any local authority, or any persons to whom Section 2(5) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 applies, in the course of their duty. To protect the privacy of natural persons.	

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by Section 6 or Section 7 of that Act or Section 6 or Section 7 or Section 9 of the Official Information Act 1982 as the case may require are listed above.



Tasha Paladin
GOVERNANCE OFFICER