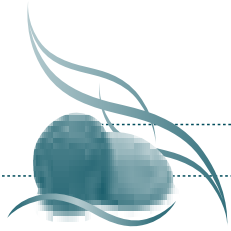


GROUP UTILITY SERVICES

COMMUNITY OUTCOME

Hutt City residents identified the following outcomes as being important to Hutt City:

- Effective and efficient public transport that results in increased use of public transport
- Enhanced roading systems particularly State Highway 2, Cross Valley Link, State Highway 1 and Hutt CBD
- Continual upgrade and provision for growth to make Hutt City interesting and attractive to people
- More investment in sustainable transportation solutions – public transport, car pools, bicycle lanes
- Affordable access to community facilities that include arts, cultural and recreational options
- A diverse natural environment that is accessible, enjoyable and safe
- Everyone has a quality standard of affordable housing
- Roding, water and waste (including recycling) work and are accessible to all
- Maintenance and continual upgrade of services to allow for security and growth.



WHAT ROLE WILL HUTT CITY COUNCIL AND OTHER ORGANISATIONS PLAY IN ACHIEVING THIS COMMUNITY OUTCOME?

Organisation	Advocate	Funder	Service provider	Regulator	Facilitator	Monitor
Hutt City Council	√	√	√			√
Greater Wellington – The Regional Council		√				√
Upper Hutt City Council	√	√				
Ministry of Health				√		√
Private Sector Contractors			√			
Land Transport New Zealand		√				

SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITIES

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ACTIVITY FUNDING

The rationale for funding decisions in relation to each significant activity is provided in Council’s Revenue and Financing Policy, which is contained in Volume 2 of this Community Plan.

SIGNIFICANT NEGATIVE EFFECTS

A range of actions or events may cause negative effects on the social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being of the community. Examples are provided below:

Stormwater and Wastewater

Extreme weather events may exceed the capacity of existing stormwater and wastewater drainage systems resulting in flooding, damage to property, and wastewater overflows.

This Community Plan includes operating programmes and capital projects designed to improve drainage capacity across the city and target identified problems areas.

Water Supply

Any extensive abstraction of water may have adverse effects on natural environments and ecosystems, whilst water shortages or poor quality drinking water may affect community health.

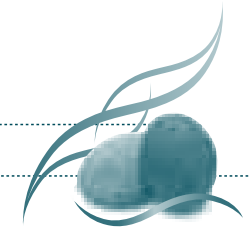
Council works closely with Greater Wellington Regional Council to ensure abstractions remain within resource consent limits, and has programmes and projects in place to ensure water quality meets New Zealand Drinking Water standards. Water conservation is promoted and planning is underway to ensure that available water supplies keep pace with projected regional growth and demand.

Solid Waste

Uncontained refuse and litter can have detrimental health and environmental effects. Council has in place educational programmes to promote waste reduction, reuse and recycling. For the disposal of residual waste, Council owns and operates landfills which fully comply with resource Consent conditions and are managed and operated to “best practice” standards.

Roading

Construction of new, and maintenance of existing, roads can potentially give rise to noise, dust, and traffic congestion, whilst road accidents can and will occur even on the most efficient road network.



Council roading contracts are governed by strict health safety and quality requirements to mitigate the effects of road works. This Community Plan outlines operating programmes and capital projects designed to promote traffic safety and reduce accident numbers and severity.

GROUP OF ASSETS REQUIRED BY THE GROUP OF ACTIVITIES

Council manages the community's infrastructural assets in the form of water and wastewater collection and distribution, as well as roading networks.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Under activities listed on the following pages are performance measures and targets for each activity undertaken in the group. These measures give you an understanding of how levels of service are meaningfully assessed. Council is involved in a number of public perception feedback programmes ie, Communitrak and Quality of Life Survey which is used in reporting these measures.

In addition, officers report monthly on progress towards Council's Key Performance Indicators (refer page 57 to 60) and other targets and measures as identified in Council's monthly management reporting and subsequent Quarterly reporting. Quarterly reports are available on Hutt City's website: www.huttcity.info

FUTURE INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS

Council has provisionally earmarked \$25 million to cover a number of future roading and drainage development projects which are seen as desirable, but for which at this stage we cannot predict likely construction timing or budget. While provisions have been included in 2014/15 for stormwater and 2015/16 for roading there can be no commitment on any specific project, but in outline, projects could include:

Roading

An eastern ring road to reduce congestion within the CBD, investigation and other works for a link road from Gracefield to Granada including investigation/design/consent and construction of a Valley Floor Connector, and subsequent upgrade of The Esplanade, designed to limit heavy traffic and promote the amenity value of the foreshore.

Drainage

Major flood protection works will be required for the Awamutu Stream, and for the Waiwhetu Stream in conjunction with the Wellington Regional Council. Once existing work on Black Creek Wainuiomata is complete, an assessment will be undertaken to determine the efficacy of further upgrades on that project.