

# Proposed 2008/09 Annual Plan

Quality for Life





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This document contains the Greater Wellington Regional Council's Proposed 2008/09 Annual Plan.

The Annual Plan is a requirement of the Local Government Act 2002 and contains information about Greater Wellington's key projects for the 2008/09 financial year. The work programmes in this Proposed 2008/09 Annual Plan will contribute to the agreed community outcomes on p4.

To give us your views and make a submission:

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## Key dates

3 April – 5 May 2008	Period for receiving submissions on the Proposed 2008/09 Annual Plan
	<ul> <li>Public meetings will be held – details to be advertised</li> </ul>
21 May – 22 May 2008	Submissions scheduled to be heard by Greater Wellington

To obtain more information:

- Contact your regional councillors
- Attend a public meeting

See inside back cover for details

Details to be advertised



## Message from the Chair

This proposed Annual Plan outlines what we intend to deliver in our region over the next year. I encourage you to read it and give us your views on the proposals.

In the next financial year we will again have a major focus on public transport. Our region's residents use public transport to a much greater extent than people in other parts of the country and, in response to public demand, the Council has set some challenging targets to support even higher usage of buses and trains. The region is well serviced by the Metlink network but we do have an infrastructure deficit that has built up over a number of years, which means that significant investment is required.

We are fortunate that central government has also recognised the benefits of public transport, providing hundreds of millions of dollars of investment for our region. This funding is on the basis that the region itself puts in an additional \$95 million over a 10-year period. Regrettably, we also need to deal with higher oil prices, which have pushed up the cost of diesel.

This money needs to come from both ratepayers and users of the public transport network. In fact, more than half of the proposed rate increase is transport related. Fare payers will be contributing through a 10% increase in overall fare revenue.

So what do you get for this money?

- 110,000 public transport trips each month on 103 bus routes, six railway lines and one ferry route.
- $\bullet$  Bus stops, shelters, train stations, Park & Ride carparks, timetables and a 24/7 call centre.

In addition, the supporting infrastructure is being upgraded:

- In the past year we've added three new trains to the Wairarapa Line, with eight station upgrades and better local bus services.
- The first of 61 new trolley buses are on the road in Wellington, with the remainder due to arrive over the next 12 months.
- We've signed a contract for new electric commuter trains for the Hutt Valley and Waikanae lines, with work started on the double tracking and electrification of the Waikanae Line.



## Message from the Chair



Work is also continuing on the region's big roading project – the new State Highway 1 into the region through Transmission Gully, which will give a robust, reliable route into the capital for freight, public transport and cars from the rest of the North Island. At this point we still do not have a final cost of this project, but information and subsequent decisions are expected this calendar year.

The other significant contributor to our proposed budget increase is flood protection. This makes up about 10% of the proposed rate increase. Recent drought and sudden flood events have focused attention on the necessity for appropriate land and river management. At Greater Wellington we take seriously our responsibilities to protect life and property.

Upon reading the *Proposed 2008/09 Annual Plan*, it's tempting to say "more of the same". But although the subject areas are the same, we are working differently with other agencies in the region.

A new Regional Sustainability Committee is looking at "big picture" issues and, among other initiatives, a regional water strategy is planned. We are working closely with district and city councils, as well as central government agencies and community groups, because collaboration leads to better strategic understanding and cost-effective service delivery. This is essential when residents are facing increasing costs in almost every area of life.

Our proposed total rates increase for the next year is 6.8%, but I want to emphasise that this will impact differently on properties across the region's local authorities, depending on what specific rates and charges are applied for local needs (eg, flood protection) and also changes in individual capital values.

I urge you to read this Proposed Annual Plan carefully and give us your feedback. Options for communicating with us are on page 1. I look forward to hearing from you over the next few weeks.

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Fran Wilde Chair





## 2006–16 Ten-Year Plan (LTCCP) community outcomes

The work programmes in our Proposed 2008/09 Annual Plan will contribute to these agreed community outcomes:

### **Healthy environment**

We have clean water, fresh air and healthy soils. Well-functioning and diverse ecosystems make up an environment that can support our needs. Resources are used efficiently. There is minimal waste and pollution.

### Quality lifestyle

Living in the Wellington region is enjoyable and people feel safe. A variety of lifestyles can be pursued. Our art, sport, recreation and entertainment scenes are enjoyed by all community members – and attract visitors.

### Sense of place

We have a deep sense of pride in the Wellington region. We value its unique characteristics – its rural, urban and harbour landscapes, its climate, its central location, and its capital city.

### **Prosperous community**

All members of our community prosper from a strong and growing economy. A thriving business sector attracts and retains a skilled and productive workforce.

## Prepared community

We can cope with emergency events. Individuals and businesses are able to take responsibility for their own wellbeing. Effective emergency management systems are in place.

### **Connected community**

Access is quick and easy – locally, nationally and internationally. Our communication networks, air and sea ports, roads and public transport systems enable us to link well with others, both within and outside the region.

## Entrepreneurial and innovative region

Innovation and new endeavours are welcomed and encouraged. Ideas are exchanged across all sectors, resulting in a creative business culture. We have excellent education and research institutions, and benefit from being the seat of government.

## **Essential services**

High-quality and secure infrastructure and services meet our everyday needs. These are developed and maintained to support the sustainable growth of the region, now and in the future.

### Healthy community

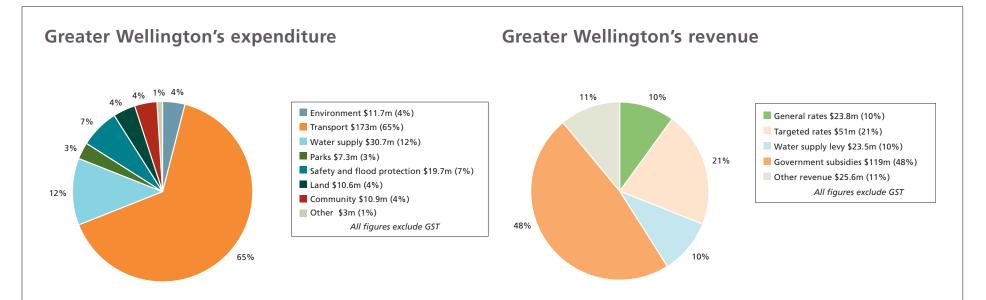
Our physical and mental health is protected. Living and working environments are safe, and everyone has access to health care. Every opportunity is taken to recognise and provide for good health.

#### Strong and tolerant community

People are important. All members of our community are empowered to participate in decision making and to contribute to society. We celebrate diversity and welcome newcomers, while recognising the special role of tangata whenua.

## 2008/09 expenditure and revenue





Greater Wellington is planning \$20 million capital expenditure, \$86 million on transport improvements and \$160 million operating expenditure. The above pie chart shows the total cost of delivering Greater Wellington's services, broken down by our groups of activities. The most significant area of our expenditure is transport, accountable for 65% of the total work programme for 2008/09. Greater Wellington's work programmes will be funded by a mix of rates, levies, government subsidies and other revenue. Regional rates, comprising general rates and targeted rates, make up 31% of Greater Wellington's total revenue. Government subsidies (primarily for funding public transport) make up a further 48% and the water supply levy (charged to Wellington, Porirua, Hutt and Upper Hutt city councils) makes up 10%. The remaining 11% of revenue is from other external sources.

This information should be read in conjunction with the Funding Impact Statement on pages 69-79 of this document, and the Revenue and Financing Policy in the *Amended Ten-Year Plan* (*LTCCP*) 2006-16 Policies document on p22.



## Summary of rates and levies

By rate and levy type:	2007/08 Budget \$000s	2008/09 Plan \$000s	Change \$000s	Change %
General rates				
Flood protection <sup>(1)</sup>	7,538	7,992	454	6.02%
Environment, Parks and Council costs	21,986	22,833	847	3.85%
Biosecurity and Land Management	4,840	5,060	220	4.55%
Investment management <sup>(2)</sup>	(9,835)	(9,166)	669	6.80%
Total general rates	24,529	26,719	2,190	8.93%
Targeted rates				
River management rates	3,801	4,082	281	7.39%
Regional transport rates	41,356	44,190	2,834	6.85%
Stadium rates	3,010	3,010	-	0.00%
Economic Development Agency rates	4,500	4,500	-	0.00%
Bovine Tb rates	160	160	-	0.00%
South Wairarapa District – river rates	159	139	(20)	-12.58%
Wairarapa scheme and stopbank rates	1,223	1,270	47	3.84%
Total targeted rates	54,209	57,351	3,142	5.80%
Total regional rates	78,738	84,070	5,332	6.77%
Water supply levy	26,392	26,392	-	0.00%
Total rates and levies	105,130	110,462	5,332	5.07%

#### Notes:

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<sup>(1)</sup> The portion of flood protection charged as a general rate

<sup>(2)</sup> Contribution from Greater Wellington's investments. The reduction in the contribution is due to higher interest rates and a one-off gain budgeted in 2007/08

This table shows the proposed rates and levies for Greater Wellington in 2008/09, together with the changes from 2007/08. Rates comprise the general rate and various targeted rates. Greater Wellington also charges a water supply levy directly to the four metropolitan city councils in the region. The city councils then rate accordingly for this levy.

Increases in the transport rate are partly driven by the rise in world oil prices, which impacts the amount paid under our bus contracts. The impact of higher oil prices contributes 2.70% of the total rate increase.

The increases in the flood protection component of general rates and river management rates are mainly due to the debt-servicing costs of the capital expenditure programme.

The total proposed rate increase in regional rates for 2008/09 is 6.77%. The proposed water supply levy will remain the same as 2007/08. When the water supply levy is included, the proposed increase is 5.07%.

## Summary of rates and levies



By area:	2007/08 Budget \$000s	2008/09 Plan \$000s	Change \$000s	Change %
Wellington City	40,757	42,910	2,153	5.28%
Lower Hutt City	15,111	16,691	1,580	10.46%
Upper Hutt City	5,083	5,550	467	9.19%
Porirua City	6,282	6,722	440	7.00%
Kapiti Coast District	6,248	6,626	378	6.05%
Masterton District	1,785	1,898	113	6.33%
Carterton District	727	786	59	8.12%
South Wairarapa District	1,200	1,315	115	9.58%
Tararua District <sup>(1)</sup>	3	3	-	0.00%
District-wide rates	77,196	82,501	5,305	6.87%
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<sup>(1)</sup> 11 rural properties in the Tararua district are within the boundaries of the Greater Wellington region



**Rates and levies** What is the impact on your area?

Rates for Greater Wellington are allocated to ratepayers on the basis of their capital values. The territorial local authorities undertake valuations in different years. To ensure properties are valued on the same basis in each territorial area, Greater Wellington undertakes an equalised capital value (ECV) calculation. The movements in ECV reflect the extent to which capital values in each area have moved relative to each other.

#### Changes in district-wide rates due to ECV movements and apportionment from 2007/08 to 2008/09

	ECV mov	vements	Genera	al rate	Riv managen		Regi transpo			purposes te	EDA	rate		tal vide rates
	Change \$000s	Change %	Change \$000s	Change %	Change \$000s	Change %								
Wellington City	44	0.11%	1,034	2.54%	18	0.04%	1,044	2.57%	-	0.0%	13	0.03%	2,153	5.28%
Lower Hutt City	30	0.20%	395	2.61%	295	1.95%	854	5.66%	-	0.0%	6	0.04%	1,580	10.46%
Upper Hutt City	(14)	-0.28%	139	2.73%	-	0.00%	352	6.94%	-	0.0%	(10)	-0.20%	467	9.19%
Porirua City	(5)	-0.08%	168	2.67%	2	0.03%	278	4.43%	-	0.0%	(3)	-0.05%	440	7.00%
Kapiti Coast District	(74)	-1.18%	224	3.59%	(35)	-0.56%	258	4.12%	-	0.0%	5	0.08%	378	6.05%
Masterton District	(1)	-0.06%	112	6.27%	-	0.00%	12	0.68%	-	0.0%	(10)	-0.56%	113	6.33%
Carterton District	8	1.10%	44	6.05%	1	0.14%	10	1.38%	-	0.0%	(4)	-0.55%	59	8.12%
South Wairarapa District	12	1.00%	74	6.17%	-	0.00%	26	2.16%	-	0.0%	3	0.25%	115	9.58%
Tararua District	-	0.00%	-	0.00%	-	0.00%	-	0.00%	-	0.0%	-	0.00%	-	0.00%
District-wide rates		0.00%	2,190	2.84%	281	0.36%	2,834	3.67%	-	0.00%	-	0.00%	5,305	6.87%

Water supply levy (GST inclusive)	2007/08 Budget \$000s	2008/09 Plan \$000s	Change \$000s	Change %
Wellington City Council	14,508	14,212	(296)	-2.04%
Hutt City Council	6,523	6,740	217	3.33%
Upper Hutt City Council	2,418	2,418	-	0.00%
Porirua City Council	2,943	3,022	79	2.68%
Water supply levy	26,392	26,392	-	0.00%

This table shows that the proposed water supply levy will not increase from the 2007/08 level. The amounts charged to each of the four cities may change when the full year's water consumption results are known.

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#### Percentage changes in each rate type from 2007/08 to 2008/09

	General rate		River management rate		Regional transport rate			Stadium purposes rate			EDA rate				
	2007/08 Budget \$000s	2008/09 Plan \$000s	Change %	2007/08 Budget \$000s	2008/09 Plan \$000s	Change %	2007/08 Budget \$000s	2008/09 Plan \$000s	Change %	2007/08 Budget \$000s	2008/09 Plan \$000s	Change %	2007/08 Budget \$000s	2008/09 Plan \$000s	Change %
Wellington City	11,549	12,627	9.33%	143	161	12.59%	25,248	26,292	4.13%	1,788	1,788	0.00%	2,029	2,042	0.64%
Lower Hutt City	4,394	4,819	9.67%	1,598	1,893	18.46%	7,637	8,491	11.18%	588	588	0.00%	894	900	0.67%
Upper Hutt City	1,577	1,702	7.93%	546	546	0.00%	2,468	2,820	14.26%	158	158	0.00%	334	324	-2.99%
Porirua City	1,892	2,055	8.62%	88	90	2.27%	3,734	4,012	7.45%	216	216	0.00%	352	349	-0.85%
Kapiti Coast District	2,566	2,716	5.85%	1,405	1,370	-2.49%	1,688	1,946	15.28%	146	146	0.00%	443	448	1.13%
Masterton District	1,248	1,359	8.89%	-	-	0.00%	229	241	5.24%	60	60	0.00%	248	238	-4.03%
Carterton District	484	536	10.74%	21	22	4.76%	119	129	8.40%	21	21	0.00%	82	78	-4.88%
South Wairarapa District	816	902	10.54%	-	-	0.00%	233	259	11.16%	33	33	0.00%	118	121	2.54%
Tararua District	3	3	0.00%	-	-	0.00%	-	-	0.00%	-	-	0.00%	-	-	0.00%
District-wide rates	24,529	26,719	8.93%	3,801	4,082	7.39%	41,356	44,190	6.85%	3,010	3,010	0.00%	4,500	4,500	0.00%

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## **Rates and levies** What is the impact on your area?

### 2008/09 residential rates by rate type and average residential property

	General rate per \$100,000 of capital value		per \$100,000 of per \$100,000 of		per \$10	ansport rate 0,000 of Il value	per \$10	irposes rate 0,000 of I value	Total residential rates per \$100,000 of capital value excl EDA rate	
	2007/08	2008/09	2007/08	2008/09	2007/08	2008/09	2007/08	2008/09	2007/08	2008/09
Wellington City	\$29.18	\$28.00	\$0.36	\$0.36	\$31.51	\$29.05	\$3.89	\$3.42	\$64.94	\$60.83
Lower Hutt City	\$39.11	\$27.20	\$14.22	\$10.68	\$68.78	\$48.45	\$4.83	\$3.15	\$126.94	\$89.48
Upper Hutt City	\$39.17	\$27.22	\$13.56	\$8.73	\$65.96	\$48.48	\$4.28	\$2.75	\$122.97	\$87.18
Porirua City	\$37.16	\$27.03	\$1.73	\$1.19	\$77.74	\$55.85	\$4.37	\$2.97	\$121.00	\$87.04
Kapiti Coast District	\$33.09	\$34.74	\$18.12	\$17.53	\$24.28	\$28.10	\$2.01	\$2.03	\$77.50	\$82.40
Masterton District	\$31.73	\$34.54	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$9.48	\$9.90	\$2.60	\$2.60	\$43.81	\$47.04
Carterton District	\$27.84	\$30.57	\$1.21	\$1.28	\$14.04	\$14.99	\$2.43	\$2.37	\$45.52	\$49.21
South Wairarapa District <sup>(1)</sup>	\$28.17	\$30.82	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$17.04	\$18.57	\$2.76	\$2.69	\$47.97	\$52.08

	per average	ential rates e residential ‹cl EDA rate		ate <sup>(2)</sup> tial property	Total residential rates per average residential property including EDA rate		
	2007/08	2008/09	2007/08	2008/09	2007/08	2008/09	
Wellington City	\$299.62	\$318.41	\$14.06	\$14.06	\$313.68	\$332.47	
Lower Hutt City	\$320.45	\$345.49	\$14.06	\$14.06	\$334.51	\$359.55	
Upper Hutt City	\$270.58	\$290.73	\$14.06	\$14.06	\$284.64	\$304.79	
Porirua City	\$312.36	\$331.02	\$14.06	\$14.06	\$326.42	\$345.08	
Kapiti Coast District	\$224.32	\$237.80	\$14.06	\$14.06	\$238.38	\$251.86	
Masterton District	\$82.58	\$88.69	\$14.06	\$14.06	\$96.64	\$102.75	
Carterton District	\$100.10	\$108.53	\$14.06	\$14.06	\$114.16	\$122.59	
South Wairarapa District <sup>(1)</sup>	\$123.81	\$131.40	\$14.06	\$14.06	\$137.87	\$145.46	

#### Notes:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(1)</sup> Excludes river rates charged on Greytown and Featherston urban properties

<sup>(2)</sup> GrowWellington is the region's economic development agency (EDA). The EDA rate is a targeted rate allocated on a fixed-amount basis for residential and rural ratepayers. It is allocated on capital value for businesses. For residential properties, the fixed amount is \$14.06 and rural properties \$28.13. This rate will fund GrowWellington.

## **Rates and levies** Rates calculator for residential properties



The table below shows how to calculate your own indicative residential regional rates for 2008/09. For example, if you live in Porirua City and have a residential property with a capital value of \$300,000, your indicative regional rates are \$275.18.

	2008/09 proposed rates per \$100,000 of capital value excl EDA rate		Enter the capital value of your property			•	economic ment rate	Proposed rates on your property for 2008/09
Wellington City	\$60.83	Х		÷	100,000	+	\$14.06	
Lower Hutt City	\$89.48	х		÷	100,000	+	\$14.06	
Upper Hutt City	\$87.18	х		÷	100,000	+	\$14.06	
Porirua City	\$87.04	х		÷	100,000	+	\$14.06	
Kapiti Coast Distric	t \$82.40	х		÷	100,000	+	\$14.06	
Masterton District	\$47.04	х		÷	100,000	+	\$14.06	
Carterton District	\$49.21	х		÷	100,000	+	\$14.06	
South Wairarapa D	istrict <sup>(1)</sup> \$52.08	х		÷	100,000	+	\$14.06	

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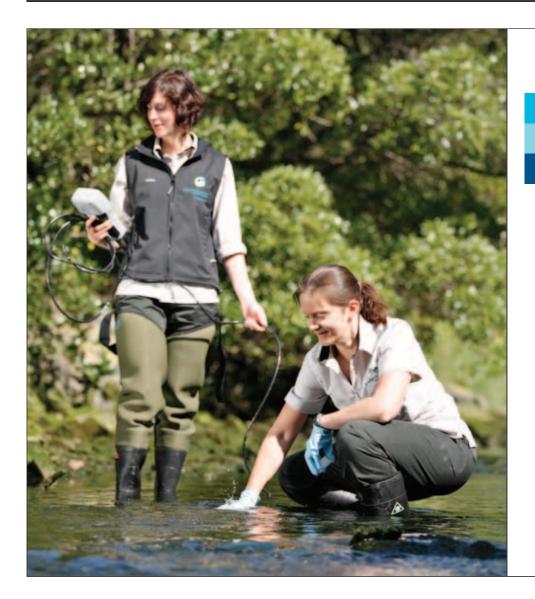
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Porirua City example	\$87.04	х	\$300,000	÷	100,000	+	\$14.06	\$275.18

Please note: The above calculation does not include rates set by your local city or district council.

Greater Wellington rates are set and assessed by Greater Wellington but are invoiced and collected by the relevant territorial authority in the Wellington region. Such combined collection arrangements are cost effective and more convenient for ratepayers.







## Contribution to community outcomes

**Healthy environment** 

Sense of place

Healthy community

Develop and implement the Regional Policy Statement (RPS) and regional plans.

Process and monitor resource consents.

Investigate and clean-up pollution incidents.

Research key environmental issues and threats.

Measure the quality and quantity of our natural resources, eg, river flows, air quality and soil health.

Report to the public on the state of the environment.

Help children, businesses and the community to look after and restore the environment.



## Key projects for 2008/09

### Activity: Manage resources

- Progress the Regional Policy Statement (RPS) through the statutory approval process. The RPS is the principal document for managing the region's natural and physical resources
- Continue to carry out our core functions, such as consent processing, compliance monitoring and enforcement, and provide a 24-hour pollution-response service for the community
- Enhance our Take Charge business pollution-prevention programme. Using a combination of education and enforcement tools, and focusing on commercial and industrial areas, this programme manages non-compliance with regional rules and promotes best practice
- Continue to promote our Muddy Waters and urban streams programme a set of initiatives targeted at local authorities, contractors and consultants to improve environmental performance on earthworks sites to lessen the impact of land development on urban streams

### Activity: Monitor the state of the environment

- Continue to monitor the quality of the region's air, water and soil to enable us to report on the state of the region's environment
- Manage our air-monitoring programme, in compliance with the National Environmental Standard for Air Quality, which requires that we monitor and analyse air quality in the eight air sheds in our region. This year we will also be setting up a new air quality monitoring station

- Continue to expand the flood-warning systems in the Wairarapa's eastern hills as a result of reviewing our hydrological monitoring network
- Continue to investigate groundwater in the Wairarapa to ensure groundwater is used efficiently
- Assess flows of rivers and streams to support the sustainable management of the region's surface water
- Carry out surveillance monitoring for didymo, a role recently transferred to Greater Wellington from Biosecurity New Zealand
- Investigate water quality in Wellington Harbour. This will involve analysing sediment samples to gain a detailed understanding of the state of the harbour and assessing the effects of discharges into the harbour

### Activity: Environmental education

- Continue with our Take Care and Take Action programmes. Take Care supports community groups, businesses and landowners to restore wetlands, streams, dunes and estuaries. Take Action is our school environment-education programme
- Help businesses implement sound environmental policies and practices



## Key changes from the 2006–16 Ten-Year Plan (LTCCP)

- \$50,000 has been provided to begin work with territorial authorities to develop landscape character descriptions across the region, and to identify sites of historic heritage in the coastal marine area
- \$100,000 has been transferred from our communications budget to expand the Take Charge business pollution-prevention programme. This will improve coverage for industrial and commercial businesses across the region
- We have projected additional revenue of \$300,000 from resource consent fees by proposing an increase in our hourly charge-out rate from \$85 to \$100
- A total of \$30,000 has been included to fund the Greater Wellington Environmental Awards, and for formalising support for the Get Sustainable Challenge (business sustainability awards)
- Provision has been made for monitoring didymo at a cost of \$6,000
- The National Environmental Standard for Air Quality requires emissions inventories and projections to be developed for 'at risk' air sheds. This will be completed for the Wairarapa air shed at a cost of \$34,000
- The in-stream flow assessment work needed for the Regional Freshwater Plan review requires extra funding to meet the review timeframe of 2009. \$50,000 has been included this year to progress this work
- The Wairarapa groundwater model has highlighted the need for further understanding of the interaction between groundwater and surface water, and the need for additional surface water chemistry information, at a cost of \$35,000
- \$15,000 has been provided to review our Erosion and Sediment Control Guidelines for the region to ensure that these guidelines continue to accurately reflect the type of soil and topography in the region

Under section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991, Greater Wellington is able to set administrative charges for processing and monitoring resource consents. As highlighted in our Resource Management Charging Policy 2007, we are taking the opportunity to review these charges through the Annual Plan consultation process.

This year we propose an increase in our hourly charge-out rate for processing and monitoring resource consents from the current \$85 to \$100 (excluding GST). This charge-out rate would take effect from 1 July 2008. The Resource Management Charging Policy, showing the proposed changes, is available online – www.gw.govt.nz. The proposed charge-out rate is in keeping with Greater Wellington's Revenue and Finance Policy (also available online – www.gw.govt.nz).

Please see our contact details on p1 if you would like to comment.



## Short-term targets – by 30 June 2009

### Activity: Manage resources

**1** Develop and implement the Regional Policy Statement (RPS) and regional plans

Target	Performance measures
The RPS will be progressed through the statutory approval process. An implementation plan for the RPS will be prepared and approved by Council, within a budget of \$454,000	An approved RPS will be in place. An implementation plan for the RPS will be approved by Council
The following programmes and plans will be implemented and a progress report	Implementation of the following plans and programmes will be reported to
will be approved by Council, within a budget of \$841,000:	Council:
Wetland Action Plan	Wetland Action Plan
<ul> <li>Queen Elizabeth II Trust private land-protection programme</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Queen Elizabeth II Trust private land-protection programme</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Freshwater ecosystems programme</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Freshwater ecosystems programme</li> </ul>
• Kaiwharawhara Stream Plan	• Kaiwharawhara Stream Plan
Waiwhetu Stream Action Plan	Waiwhetu Stream Action Plan
<ul> <li>Pauatahanui Inlet Action Plan</li> </ul>	• Pauatahanui Inlet Action Plan
Coastal and marine ecosystem programme	Coastal and marine ecosystem programme Action Plan
The Stormwater Action Plan will be implemented in association with city and district councils, within a budget of \$69,000	The Stormwater Action Plan contains milestone, progress with which will be reported to Council

#### **2** Process and monitor resource consents

Target	Performance measures
100% of resource consents will be processed within statutory timeframes (20 working days for non-notified consents), within a budget of \$675,000	Consents processing times will be recorded in the consents database and regularly reported to Council
100% of resource consents will be monitored for compliance with resource consent conditions, within a budget of \$508,000	All resource consents will be monitored for compliance with resource consent conditions
At least two workshops will be conducted for customers on how they can obtain best value from the resource consent process, within a budget of \$61,000	Two workshops will be held



## Short-term targets – by 30 June 2009

## Activity: Manage resources (continued)

**B** Research key environmental issues and threats

Target	Performance measures
Environmental problems will be investigated and identified to enable appropriate remedial action to be undertaken, within a budget of \$387,000	Regular progress reports will be provided to Council
Maintain a Selected Land Use Register with public enquiries responded to within one week, within a budget of \$66,000	Enquiries will be logged and response timeframes noted

## **4** Investigate and clean-up pollution incidents

Target	Performance measures
An annual report card providing a summary of pollution-control activities will be prepared and made publicly available within a budget of \$179,000	An annual report card will be produced within budget, reported to Council and widely distributed
All reported pollution-response incidents will be categorised and responded to in accordance with the following timeframes, and within a budget of \$167,000:	All timeframes for responses will be recorded and reported regularly to Council
• Log only – no action required	
<ul> <li>Red (serious adverse environmental effect requiring immediate attention)</li> <li>– 60 minutes</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Yellow (serious environmental effect where no benefit will be gained by an immediate response) – 24 hours</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Blue (minor environmental effect not requiring immediate response)</li> <li>– 7 days</li> </ul>	



## Short-term targets – by 30 June 2009

## Activity: Monitor the state of the environment

**1** Measure the quality and quantity of our natural resources, eg, river flows, air quality, soil health

Target	Performance measures
Greater Wellington's flood managers will be notified within 30 minutes when any river or rainfall trigger levels are reached, within a budget of \$81,000	Flood warnings will be issued within 30 minutes of river rainfall trigger levels being reached
Greater Wellington's water and consents managers will be notified within one working day of low groundwater levels in the Waiwhetu aquifer, within a budget of \$169,000	Low groundwater levels in the Waiwhetu aquifer will be advised within one working day
Water samples will be taken weekly throughout the bathing season (1 November to 31 March) and tested for the presence of bacteria. The following traffic light warning framework will be implemented, within a budget of \$92,000:	Water samples are taken weekly throughout the bathing season and tested for the presence of bacteria. The results will be posted on Greater Wellington's website
• Green – low or no public health risk	
<ul> <li>Amber – alert mode requiring follow-up monitoring</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Red – action required and beach closed</li> </ul>	
The community has access to real-time environmental data	Real-time environmental data will be available on Greater Wellington's website
An air quality monitoring station will be set up, within a budget of \$120,000	An air quality monitoring station will be set up, within budget



## Short-term targets – by 30 June 2009

### Activity: Monitor the state of the environment (continued)

**2** Report to the public on the state of the environment

Target	Performance measures
An annual report card containing summary information for the following resources will be approved by Council within a budget of \$1,455,000:	Annual report cards for the 2007/08 year will be reported to Council and publicly distributed in both print and electronic form
• Hydrology	
• Groundwater	
• Freshwater quality	
• Coastal water quality	
<ul> <li>Recreational water quality</li> </ul>	
• Air quality	
• Soil quality	

### Activity: Environmental education

**1** Help children, businesses and the community to look after and restore the environment

Target	Performance measures
Through the Take Care community environmental education programme, five new care groups will be established and assisted to care for degraded local ecosystems and existing care groups will be maintained, within a budget of \$281,000	Five new care groups will be established
20 schools will establish systems for promoting change in their students' environmental behaviour or undertake revegetation projects to improve the local environment, through the Take Action Programme, within a budget of \$262,000	20 schools will participate in the Take Action environment education programme, within budget
20 small-to-medium-sized businesses will be given advice on how to take practical action to avoid, remedy or mitigate any adverse effects on the environment, within a budget of \$245,000	20 small-to-medium-sized businesses will be provided with environmental advice, within budget



Prospective funding impact statement

	2008/09 Plan \$000s	2008/09 LTCCP \$000s
FUNDING STATEMENT		
General rate	9,282	9,830
Targeted rate	-	-
Government subsidies	10	11
Interest and dividends	20	19
Other operating revenue	1,786	1,358
Operating revenue	11,098	11,218
Direct operating expenditure	10,811	10,827
Finance costs	47	37
Depreciation	239	195
Operating expenditure	11,097	11,059
Operating surplus/(deficit)	1	159
Less:		
Capital expenditure	590	627
Proceeds from asset sales	(90)	(110)
Loan funding	(270)	(287)
Rates-funded capital expenditure	230	230
Debt repayment	90	105
Investment additions	-	-
Operational reserve movements	(80)	19
Working capital movements	-	-
Non-cash items <sup>(1)</sup>	(239)	(195)
Net funding required	-	-

	2008/09 Plan \$000s	2008/09 LTCCP \$000s
OPERATING REVENUE		
Manage resources	5,888	5,689
Monitor the state of the environment	3,964	4,476
Environment education	1,246	1,053
Total operating revenue	11,098	11,218
OPERATING EXPENDITURE		
Manage resources	5,872	5,612
Monitor the state of the environment	4,013	4,432
Environment education	1,212	1,015
Total operating expenditure	11,097	11,059
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE		
Environment monitoring equipment	270	287
Capital project expenditure	270	287
Land and buildings	-	-
Plant and equipment	70	74
Vehicles	250	266
Total capital expenditure	590	627

<sup>(1)</sup> Non-cash items includes depreciation

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metlink 🗿 Greater Wellington's public transport network

stations, bus-rail interchanges, bus lanes



## Key projects for 2008/09

## Activity: Plan and monitor the transport network

- Continue to monitor the Regional Land Transport Strategy, reviewing the implementation plans associated with the strategy and enhancing the regional transport model
- Prepare the new regional land transport programme
- Continue to develop and deliver Greater Wellington's Travel Plan Programme. This regionally focused and managed programme aims to promote and provide sustainable travel options

### Activity: Provide the infrastructure for public transport

#### **Rail rolling stock**

- Continue the procurement process to bring 35 two-car passenger trains into service from 2010 by completing the detailed design phase
- Complete the refurbishment of six SE class carriages and bring these into service as a peak-time express train from December 2008
- Complete the recommissioning of two out-of-service English Electric units and bring these into service

### Other infrastructure

- Continue work on upgrading signalling and traction systems on the rail network
- Commence the upgrade of rail station platforms to provide level boarding for the new passenger trains
- Continue the double tracking from MacKays Crossing to Waikanae and the electrification of the railway track from Paraparaumu to Waikanae
- Progress implementing improvements to rail and associated infrastructure on the Western Corridor in line with the outcomes from the Kapiti Railway Stations Concept Design and available budgets
- Progress implementing the Regional Rail Plan in line with available budgets
- Improve security at rail stations and Park & Ride carparks by installing new CCTV systems, or upgrading current systems in line with available budgets
- Retrofit bus shelters by replacing glass with perforated sheet metal to deter vandalism
- Extend Park & Ride carparks where land is available, in line with available budgets



## Key projects for 2008/09

### Activity: Fund and promote public transport services

- Continue to fund rail, bus and local harbour ferry services
- Promote Metlink's public transport services through promotional campaigns
- Continue to provide information on Metlink's public transport services through a service centre, timetable production and website
- Conduct the annual public transport customer satisfaction monitoring survey
- Launch a new service called txtTRAIN and enhance the existing txtBUS service
- Undertake reviews of passenger transport services in the region in accordance with the schedule set out in the Passenger Transport Plan, and in accordance with the tendering schedule. It is likely that a major review of Wellington's diesel bus services will be undertaken in 2008/09
- Investigate electronic ticketing options for public transport

- Progress the introduction of "real-time" information at bus and train stops to inform users when the next service will actually arrive (rather than when it is scheduled to arrive)
- Investigate the introduction of ID cards for those eligible for concession fares so bus drivers are readily able to identify eligibility. Consideration will be given to standardising concession fares throughout the region
- Investigate updating Greater Wellington's administration of the Total Mobility service to improve recording, monitoring and overall administrative efficiency, as well as to meet any requirements arising from the Ministry of Transport review of Total Mobility

## Activity: Fund total mobility

• Continue to fund and administer the Total Mobility scheme, which allows for people with disabilities to travel by taxi for half the normal fare



## Key changes from the 2006–16 Ten-Year Plan (LTCCP)

A number of changes to public transport operating expenditure are outlined below. The impact on the Transport rate will depend on Land Transport New Zealand's funding rate for that activity (usually 25% for planning and monitoring the transport network, 50% subsidy for bus operations, 60% for rail operations and 90% for rail infrastructure projects).

### Activity: Plan and monitor the transport network

• Provision has been made for developing and consulting on a Regional Land Transport Programme and Regional Fuel Tax Scheme (\$150,000)

### Activity: Provide the infrastructure for public transport

- Planned work of \$6.5 million to continue upgrading the traction and signalling equipment for the new passenger trains has been brought forward to 2008/09
- An additional budget of \$6 million has been included in 2008/09 to provide stabling for the new passenger trains
- Additional expenditure of \$30.8 million has been brought forward to 2008/09 to continue the upgrade of the railway track between MacKays Crossing and Waikanae (double-tracking from MacKays Crossing to Waikanae and electrification from Paraparaumu to Waikanae)
- Delays to the timing of capital expenditure on new passenger trains and other infrastructure has reduced financial costs by \$1.3 million
- Changes to the proposed method of transferring ownership of the new passenger trains to Greater Wellington Rail Limited, combined with changes to timing of expenditure, have reduced depreciation/asset impairments by \$6.1 million

- The budget of \$214 million (including \$40 million for additional capacity on the Western Corridor) for purchasing new passenger trains has been adjusted to reflect changes to the timing of payments. The impact for 2008/09 is a \$13.5 million reduction in expenditure. The new trains are still expected to be in service from 2010
- An additional \$2.7 million has been included for infrastructure upgrades to rail stations and platforms in 2008/09. Some of this had been expected to occur in 2007/08
- The projected refurbishment of the Ganz Mavag passenger trains has been delayed to ensure sufficient rolling stock capacity is available before introducing the new trains. The LTCCP had projected expenditure in 2008/09 of \$23.3 million
- An additional \$4.8 million has been included to continue the project to refurbish and upgrade additional rolling stock to meet short-term capacity requirements (up to five additional English Electric units, six SE class carriages and up to three locomotives)
- The capital expenditure of \$3 million for integrated ticketing in 2008/09 has been deferred. A study was included in the 2007/08 budget to examine the scope and timing of this project
- A capital expenditure budget of \$0.3 million has been included to commence the real-time information project
- The budget of \$10.6 million for capital expenditure to meet Human Rights Commission requirements has been removed for 2008/09





## Key changes from the 2006–16 Ten-Year Plan (LTCCP)

## Activity: Fund and promote public transport services

- The cost of providing rail, bus and harbour ferry services has risen markedly, in part due to fuel price increases. To help offset the increased cost, it is proposed to:
  - Increase fares by an average of 10% from 1 September 2008
  - Remove the \$2.9 million budget for service improvements

With the above adjustments, the projected cost of rail, bus and harbour ferry services is \$2.8 million above the amount signalled in the LTCCP

- The operating expenditure budget for the integrated ticketing project has been reduced by \$0.9 million for 2008/09. Further work is required in 2008/09 to examine the project's scope and timing
- The operating expenditure budget for the real-time information project has been reduced by \$2.1 million for 2008/09. This is now expected to start in 2009/10

## Activity: Fund total mobility

• The operating expenditure budget for an extension to the Total Mobility scheme of \$1.2 million for 2008/09 has been removed



## Short-term targets – by 30 June 2009

## Activity: Plan and monitor the transport network

**1** Develop an affordable Regional Land Transport Strategy and monitor its implementation

Target	Performance measures
An annual report on the Regional Land Transport Strategy will be approved by Council, within a budget of \$80,000	A report will be approved by the Regional Land Transport Committee
A travel plan programme and active transport coordination will continue to be implemented, within a budget of \$954,000	At least four workplace travel plans and at least six school travel plans will be completed
Greater Wellington will review the Hutt Corridor Plan as part of a rolling review of the Regional Land Transport Strategy, within a budget of \$186,000	The review of the Hutt Corridor Plan will be completed and reported to the Regional Land Transport Committee
Greater Wellington will review the Travel Demand Strategy, within a budget of \$50,000	The Travel Demand Strategy will be reviewed so that all significant issues are addressed and the strategy is consistent with the Regional Land Transport Strategy
Greater Wellington will maintain the Wellington Transport Strategic Model, within a budget of \$100,000	The model will produce reliable information. It will achieve a rating of at least 80% in the overall performance of the strategic modelling activity, as measured by the modelling function evaluation framework (Project Model Excellence)

#### Activity: Public transport infrastructure

**1** Provide and maintain urban passenger trains, Park & Ride facilities, train stations, bus-rail interchanges and bus shelters

Target	Performance measures
All current and future public transport user facilities will be maintained in accordance with Greater Wellington's asset management plans and within a budget of \$10.9 million. This includes maintenance and improvement of public transport user facilities, as well as improvement of signage at the region's 53 railway stations	An annual review of maintenance activities against standards specified in the relevant asset management plan will be undertaken



## Short-term targets – by 30 June 2009

## Activity: Fund and promote public transport services

**1** Fund rail, bus and local harbour ferry passenger services

Target	Performance measures
More than 95% of calls to the Metlink Service Centre will be answered and customers given the necessary travel information within a budget of \$846,000 and with an overall customer satisfaction rate of 90%	Incoming calls will be monitored and customer satisfaction will be measured by annual market research
Journey-to-work trips using public transport will increase by $4\%$	Patronage statistics are provided annually by public transport operators and allow Greater Wellington to calculate the percentage of journey-to-work trips made by public transport
All rail, bus and harbour ferry service contracts will meet the requirements of Land Transport New Zealand (as required by the Land Transport Management Act 2003) within a budget of \$58.6 million	Clear audit by Land Transport New Zealand
Wellington Diesel Bus Services will be reviewed, within a budget of \$100,000	The review of services will be reported to the Transport and Access Committee

## Activity: Fund total mobility

**1** Part-fund taxi services for people with disabilities

Target	Performance measures
The Total Mobility scheme will be administered to the satisfaction of Land Transport New Zealand, within a budget of \$2,143 million	Clear audit by Land Transport New Zealand



Prospective funding impact statement

FUNDING STATEMENT	2008/09 Plan \$000s	2008/09 LTCCP \$000s	OPERATING REVENUE	2008/09 Plan \$000s	2008/09 LTCCP \$000s
General rate Targeted rate Government subsidies Interest and dividends Other operating revenue <b>Operating revenue</b>	- 39,280 118,854 1 1,683 <b>159,818</b>	41,183 119,429 90 271 <b>160,973</b>	Plan and monitor the transport network Provide the infrastructure for public transport <sup>(3)</sup> Fund and promote public transport services <sup>(3)</sup> Fund total mobility <b>Total operating revenue</b>	4,310 86,681 66,373 2,454 <b>159,818</b>	3,274 85,489 68,117 4,093 <b>160,973</b>
Direct operating expenditure Finance costs Fair value investment impairment Depreciation	79,723 985 - 565	86,095 2,266 5,495 1,222	<b>OPERATING EXPENDITURE</b> Plan and monitor the transport network	4,316	3,280
Operating expenditure Operating surplus/(deficit) before transport improvement grants Transport improvement grants	81,273 78,545 85,984 (7,439)	95,078 65,895 	Provide the infrastructure for public transport <sup>(1) (3)</sup> Fund and promote public transport services <sup>(3)</sup> Fund total mobility Total operating expenditure, excluding	8,173 66,330 2,454	19,491 68,188 4,119
<b>Operating surplus/(deficit)</b> <sup>(1)</sup> <b>Less:</b> Capital expenditure Passenger transport investment <sup>(1)</sup>	5,785	5,921 79,121	transport improvement grants Provide the infrastructure for public transport transport improvement grants	81,273 85,984	95,078
Proceeds from asset sales Loan funding Rates and subsidy-funded capital expenditure	(12) (2,173) <b>3,600</b>	(6) (14,832) <b>70,204</b>	CAPITAL EXPENDITURE AND TRANSPORT INVESTMENT Rail rolling stock <sup>(1) (3)</sup>	3,752	67,389
Loan-funded improvement grants <sup>(1)</sup> Debt repayment Investment additions Reserve movements Working capital movements	(12,618) 1,141 - (224)	2,317 - 91	Other <sup>(3)</sup> Capital project expenditure Land and buildings Plant and equipment Vehicles	1,975 5,727 - - 58	17,622 85,011 - - 31
Non-cash items <sup>(2)</sup> Net funding required	662 -	(6,717)	Total capital expenditure and transport investment	5,785	85,042

(1) Transport rail rolling stock will be purchased by the 100% Council Controlled Trading Organisation, Greater Wellington Rail Ltd (GWR Ltd). The accounting treatment has changed from the Amended Ten-Year Plan (LTCCP) 2006-16. The expenditure by GWR Ltd will be a combination of capital grants and share capital which has the effect of creating an operating deficit within transport

<sup>(2)</sup> Non-cash items include depreciation and the revaluation of interest-free debt to fund rail rolling stock

<sup>(3)</sup> Certain LTCCP numbers have been adjusted to aid comparability

For more information on the revenue and financing mechanisms applicable to this group of activities, please refer to the Revenue and Financing Policy in the *Amended Ten-Year Plan (LTCCP)* 2006–16 Policies document on p22. Please note that all figures on this page exclude GST.

## Water supply

## Contribution to community outcomes

**Essential services** 

Healthy community

Collect water from the Hutt. Wainuiomata and Orongorongo catchments and the Waiwhetu aquifer for public drinking water supply.

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Treat water so that it meets the Ministry of Health's standards for drinking water.

Deliver water to the cities of Lower Hutt, Upper Hutt, Porirua and Wellington.

Assess the demand for water – now and in the future – and plan how such demands will be met, including developing future sources.

### **Healthy environment**

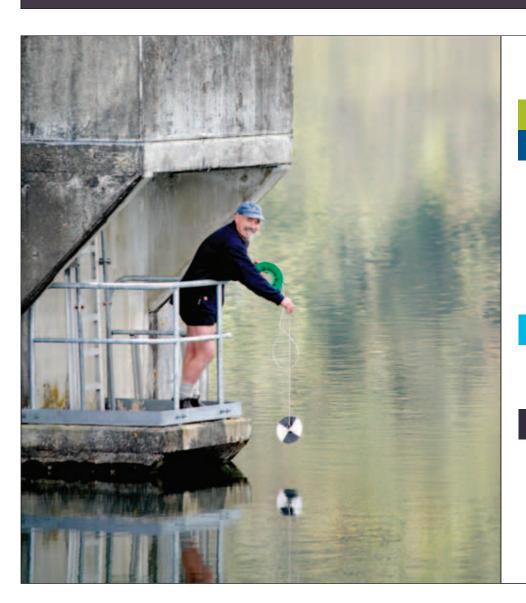
Manage catchments so that water treatment plants receive good quality water.

Encourage people to use water wisely.

## **Prepared community**

Maintain our pipes and plants, and build resilience in the system so that water can continue to be supplied after an emergency – or restored as quickly as possible.

Work with city councils to plan how water will be delivered to the community following an emergency event that disrupts supply.





## Water supply

## Key projects for 2008/09

### Activity: Collect, treat and deliver water

- Supply water to our four Wellington metropolitan city council customers that complies with the New Zealand Drinking Water Standards: 2005. This includes chemical, aesthetic and microbiological compliance
- Ensure that the gradings of our water treatment plants are maintained. Two are graded A1 – the highest grading. Waterloo is graded B – the highest grading possible because chlorine is not added as requested by the Hutt City Council
- Ensure that there is sufficient water to meet the community's expectations in all reasonable circumstances, other than in an extreme drought, with a return period of 50 years or more. In 2007/08 the return period was 35 years
- Undertake a water conservation programme over the summer of 2008/09 to promote wise water use, particularly in regard to watering gardens
- Ensure that all resource consents are complied with as part of our environmental commitment
- Manage vegetation and control pests in the Council-owned water catchments to ensure that high-quality water enters our water treatment plants, thereby making treatment less expensive with less risk
- Publish a comprehensive business report on Greater Wellington's water supply activities which will be made available to our four Wellington metropolitan city council customers, and also distributed to public libraries and published on Greater Wellington's website. This is in addition to Greater Wellington's annual report

### Activity: Plan to meet current and future demands for water

- Consider options for supplying water to our growing population. These options may include a new dam and/or water conservation measures and domestic metering
- Maintain our water supply assets. Capital expenditure of \$4,565,000 has been provided in 2008/09 to either replace existing assets or acquire new assets

### **Activity: Plan for emergencies**

- Improve the security and reduce the risks to our water supply, eg, by providing secondary emergency points of supply to the city customers
- Set aside \$750,000 for self-insurance of the water pipelines, Stuart Macaskill Lakes and pipeline tunnels

## Water supply



## Key changes from the 2006–16 Ten-Year Plan (LTCCP)

- The budgeted water supply expenditure for 2008/09 is \$28,790,805, which is \$1,142,985 less than the expenditure provided for in the LTCCP
- Capital expenditure on fixed infrastructure for 2008/09 in the LTCCP was shown as \$7,544,110. This amount will now be \$4,565,000. The major variation is the deferment by one year of a new Hutt River intake and associated pumping station at Te Marua. This has reduced expenditure by \$2 million. The other changes result from relatively minor refinements to the capital works programme



## Short-term targets – by 30 June 2009

### Activity & Levels of service: Collect, treat and deliver water

**1** Collect water from the Hutt, Wainuiomata and Orongorongo catchments and the Waiwhetu aquifer for public drinking water supply

**2** Manage catchments so that water treatment plants receive good quality water

**B** Treat water so that it meets the Ministry of Health's standards for drinking water

**4** Deliver water to the cities of Lower Hutt, Upper Hutt, Porirua and Wellington

Target	Performance measures
Water will be supplied to the four cities within a total operating expenditure, excluding depreciation, of \$21,473,029	Expenditure on water supply does not exceed \$21,473,029
The collection, treatment and delivery of water will be managed to ensure the quality of water supplied continually complies with the Ministry of Health's New Zealand Drinking Water Standards: 2005	Water testing will be carried out by an International Accreditation NZ (IANZ) registered laboratory at various sampling points, in accordance with the requirements of the New Zealand Drinking Water Standards: 2005
The gradings of the water treatment plants at 1 July 2008 will be maintained, except for the plants that will be graded during the year. Regraded plants will receive the same or a better grade	The current gradings of water treatment plants will be maintained and operational staff will hold the relevant NZQA qualifications as required by Ministry of Health grading guidelines
Vegetation management and pest control measures will be carried out in water catchments in accordance with the Forestry Management Plan and within a \$142,000 budget, so that treatment plants receive good quality water	The work will be completed within the budget of \$142,000
Our four Wellington metropolitan city council customers will be provided with a business report by 30 November 2008, including:	A business report will be provided to our customers by 30 November 2008
<ul> <li>Financial results for the preceding financial year ended 30 June</li> <li>Actual quality compared with targeted performance</li> <li>A list of interruptions to supply incidents, and time taken to respond and repair</li> <li>A report on compliance with resource consent requirements</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Status of ongoing service level agreements</li> </ul>	



## Short-term targets – by 30 June 2009

#### Activity & Levels of service: Plan to meet current and future demands for water

**1** Assess the demand for water now and in the future and plan how such demands will be met, including developing new water sources

#### **2** Encourage people to use water wisely

Target	Performance measures
Design of system enhancements will begin to enable supply for a population of 395,000	There will be sufficient water to meet the requirements of our growing population
Consultation will be carried out on the water supply strategy options	Consultation will be completed by 31 December 2008
A water conservation programme will be implemented, within a budget of \$185,000	The programme will be undertaken within budget

#### Activity & Level of service: Plan for emergencies

1 Maintain our pipes and plants, and build resilience in the system so that water can continue to be supplied after an emergency or restored as quickly as possible

Target	Performance measures
At least one customer emergency connection will be installed, within a budget of \$50,000	At least one emergency connection will be installed within budget
Hazard protection work will be undertaken at a cost not exceeding \$350,000	A sum not exceeding \$350,000 will be spent on protecting the fixed infrastructure from hazard events or improving the speed of repair



Water supply Prospective funding impact statement

	2008/09 Plan \$000s	2008/09 LTCCP \$000s	
FUNDING STATEMENT			OPERATING
General rate	-	-	Collect, trea
Targeted rate	-	-	Total operat
Water supply levy	23,460	25,635	
Government subsidies	-		
Interest and dividends	1,079	797	OPERATINO
Other operating revenue	(86)	739	Collect, trea
Operating revenue	24,453	27,171	Total operat
Direct operating expenditure	14,887	15,831	
Finance costs	3,771	3,731	
Depreciation	7,304	7,174	
Operating expenditure	25,962	26,736	
Operating surplus/(deficit)	(1,509)	435	CAPITAL EX
			Water source
Less:			Water treat
Capital expenditure	4,765	7,694	Pipelines
Proceeds from asset sales	(24)	(8)	Pump statio
Loan funding	(4,565)	(7,545)	Reservoirs
Levy-funded capital expenditure	176	141	Monitoring
			Seismic prot
Debt repayment	3,790	5,921	Other
Investment additions	1,829	1,547	Capital proj
Operational reserve movements	-	-	Land and bu
Working capital movements	-	-	Plant and e
Non-cash items <sup>(1)</sup>	(7,304)	(7,174)	Vehicles
Net funding required	-	-	Total capita

	2008/09	2008/09
	Plan	LTCCP
	\$000s	\$000s
RATING REVENUE		
ect, treat and deliver water	24,453	27,171
l operating revenue	24,453	27,171
RATING EXPENDITURE		
ect, treat and deliver water	25,962	26,736
l operating expenditure	25,962	26,736
ITAL EXPENDITURE		
er sources	200	4,022
er treatment plants	2,045	817
lines	990	499
p stations	-	-
rvoirs	100	1,591
itoring and control	480	138
nic protection	350	265
er	400	213
tal project expenditure	4,565	7,545
l and buildings	-	-
t and equipment	81	122
cles	119	27
l capital expenditure	4,765	7,694

(1) Non-cash items includes depreciation

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## Contribution to community outcomes

Healthy community

Healthy environment

Manage Queen Elizabeth Park, Battle Hill Farm Forest Park, Belmont Regional Park, Kaitoke Regional Park and East Harbour Regional Park.

Manage the Hutt River Trail and recreation areas in the Akatarawa and Pakuratahi Forests, and in the Hutt, Wainuiomata and Orongorongo catchments.

Prepare management plans to guide use and development.

Develop and maintain assets, eg, tracks, plantings, shelters and other facilities.

Care for and monitor ecosystem health.

Provide a ranger service to help the public enjoy our parks, recreation areas and trails.

Run a summer programme of community events.

Involve local communities in the management of these areas.



## Parks

### Key projects for 2008/09

#### Activity: Manage regional parks and recreation areas

- Continue preliminary design work on a wetland park at Lake Wairarapa
- Complete the transfer of management for Whitireia Park to Greater Wellington
- Conduct an aerial 1080 possum control operation in the Hutt Catchment
- Eradicate animal pests and investigate the feasibility of introducing North Island Robins in the Wainuiomata Mainland Island
- Implement plant and animal pest control programmes
- Complete monitoring the health of the regional forests
- Continue to maintain park amenities and facilities so they are safe and appealing to the public
- Complete the Battle Hill Farm Forest Park and Belmont Regional Park Management plans
- Begin reviewing the Regional Parks Network Management Plan
- Review Greater Wellington's park bylaws

#### Activity: Promote community use

- Run a Regional Outdoors Programme with at least 40 events from January to March 2009
- Facilitate group volunteer work in the parks, including Friends of Parks, and school and corporate groups
- Implement environmental enhancement projects in the parks, particularly:

**Queen Elizabeth Park** 

- Further removal of macrocarpas and revegetation planting in the Kahikatea bush remnant
- Restoration planting in the wetland systems of MacKays Crossing
- Further spinifex dune restoration planting in the coastal dunes
- Fuller fencing of coastal dunes with signage to improve public awareness of the dune system's fragility
- Continued riparian planting alongside Whareroa Stream

**Battle Hill Farm Forest Park** 

- Wetland restoration in Swampy Gully
- Ongoing intensive animal and plant pest control throughout the farm

Belmont Regional Park

- Restoration planting and pest control in the Cannons Creek restoration area with the Friends of Maara Roa
- Goat control and ongoing possum control in the Korokoro Bush, Speedy's Reserve and Dry Creek Reserve

East Harbour Regional Park

• Assistance for local community groups to carry out pest control and restoration planting in the Mainland Island area

Pakuratahi Forest (Rimutaka Rail Trail)

- Ongoing riparian (stream-side) weed removal
- Planting at Summit, Ladle Bend and Munitions Siding to enhance amenity areas for picnics and camping

## Parks

### Key changes from the 2006–16 Ten-Year Plan (LTCCP)

- The budget for the new wetland regional park at Lake Wairarapa has been cut (by \$345,000) to allow time for the governance arrangements to be agreed
- The budget for Whitireia Park has been cut (by \$118,000) to allow governance and land transfer arrangements to be finalised
- Additional revenue of \$100,000 and additional farm maintenance costs of \$114,000 have been included as a result of the newly purchased Waitangirua Farm being leased to Landcorp Farming Limited
- Toilet facilities on top of the Rimutaka Summit will be closed, generating a small cost saving of \$10,000
- Renewable energy project costs have been reduced from \$64,000 to \$40,000

The Council intends to transfer responsibility for managing land it currently owns at the end of Hine Road, Wainuiomata, to the Hutt City Council. This is to assist the Hutt City Council develop and maintain the sealed carpark and recreation garden for use as an integral part of its Garden of Remembrance, and also as its means of access to Hine Road. The Hutt City Council already informally manages this land.

Under section 17(4) of the Local Government Act 2002, Greater Wellington must include this proposal in its annual plan before the transfer of responsibility can take place.



#### Activity & Levels of service: Manage regional parks and recreation areas

**1** Manage Queen Elizabeth Park, Battle Hill Farm Forest Park, Belmont Regional Park, Kaitoke Regional Park, and East Harbour Regional Park

2 Manage the Hutt River trail and recreation areas in the Akatarawa and Pakuratahi Forests, and in the Hutt, Wainuiomata and Orongorongo catchments

**B** Prepare management plans to guide use and development

**4** Develop and maintain assets, eg, tracks, plantings, shelters and other facilities

Target	Performance measures
Environmental assets and settings within the regional parks and forests will be managed in accordance with the Parks and Forests Environmental Asset Management Plan service levels, within a budget of \$689,000	Compliance with the Environmental Asset Management Plan will be reported to Council
Recreation and heritage assets and facilities in the regional parks and forests will be managed in accordance with the Parks and Forests Infrastructure and Accounting Asset Management Plan service levels, within a budget of \$1,257,000	Compliance with the Infrastructure and Accounting Asset Management Plan will be reported to Council
The annual capital works programme will be undertaken to appropriate architectural and engineering standards, within the Parks and Forests Asset Management Plan service levels, and within a budget of \$307,000	The work will be completed within budget and reported to Council
Greater Wellington will investigate the possibility of assisting renewable energy production (eg, solar, wind, hydro) on its own lands, within a budget of \$40,000	As above
The annual policy and planning work programme will be completed in accordance with the relevant statutory process and within a budget of \$249,000	As above

Parks



### Short-term targets – by 30 June 2009

#### Activity & Levels of service: Promote community use

**1** Provide a ranger service to help the public enjoy our parks, recreation areas and trails

**2** Run a summer programme of community events

#### **Involve local communities in the management of these areas**

Target	Performance measures
Ranger services will be provided that facilitate public access, educate and inform visitors and users, liaise with community and stakeholder groups, and ensure compliance with Council policies, within a budget of \$976,000	Greater Wellington will continue to provide a five and seven-day service across regional parks and recreation areas
The marketing plan for the regional parks and forests will be implemented within a budget of \$165,000, and will include the planning, promotion and implementation of a Regional Outdoors Programme	The programme will be carried out within budget and reported to Council
The annual community enhancement projects will be completed within a budget of \$113,000	As above



## Parks

Prospective funding impact statement

	2008/09 Plan \$000s	2008/09 LTCCP \$000s
FUNDING STATEMENT		
General rate	5,594	6,032
Targeted rates	-	-
Government subsidies	-	-
Interest and dividends	-	-
Other operating revenue	870	776
Operating revenue	6,464	6,808
Direct operating expenditure	5,980	6,209
Finance costs	264	232
Depreciation	482	500
Operating expenditure	6,726	6,941
Operating surplus/(deficit)	(262)	(133)
Less:		
Capital expenditure	545	272
Proceeds from asset sales	(77)	(63)
Loan funding	(307)	(78)
Rates-funded capital expenditure	161	131
Debt repayment	227	236
Investment additions	-	-
Operational reserve movements	(168)	-
Working capital movements	-	-
Non-cash items <sup>(2)</sup>	(482)	(500)
Net funding required	-	-

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OPERATING REVENUE	<i></i>
Manage regional parks and	
recreation areas <sup>(1)</sup>	5,
Promote community use <sup>(1)</sup>	
Total operating revenue	6,
OPERATING EXPENDITURE	
Manage regional parks and	
recreation areas (1)	6,
Promote community use (1)	
Total operating expenditure	6,
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE	
Whitireia Park enhancements	
Asset management plan upgrades	
Capital project expenditure	
Land and buildings	
Plant and equipment	
Vehicles	
Total capital expenditure	

2008/09	2008/09
Plan	LTCCP
\$000s	\$000s
5,851	6,244
613	564
6,464	6,808
6,111	6,373
615	568
6,726	6,941
70	-
236	78
306	78
-	-
17	18
222	176
545	272

<sup>(1)</sup> Certain LTCCP numbers have been adjusted to aid comparability

<sup>(2)</sup> Non-cash items includes depreciation

For more information on the revenue and financing mechanisms applicable to this group of activities, please refer to the Revenue and Financing Policy in the *Amended Ten-Year Plan (LTCCP)* 2006–16 Policies document on p22. Please note that all figures on this page exclude GST.



## Contribution to community outcomes

#### Quality lifestyle

Plan to reduce the impacts of floods. Build and maintain agreed flood protection works, eg, stopbanks.

Provide a consultancy service for land drainage schemes.

#### Prepared community

Plan for emergency events.

Inform people of the risks they face and how these can be managed.

Operate the Wellington Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Emergency Operations Centre.

Operate a flood warning system.

#### Healthy community

**Healthy environment** 

Provide navigation aids in our harbours and a communications service for Wellington Harbour.

Educate people about water safety and enforce maritime safety rules.

Enhance the environment along flood corridors.

Clean-up oil spills in our harbours and coastal waters.

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### Key projects for 2008/09

#### **Activity: Flood protection**

- Complete the Waiwhetu floodplain investigation and commence the Waiwhetu improvements programme
- Complete the Waingawa River scheme review
- Carry out \$5.2 million of capital river works across the region, including commencing the Strand Park stopbank upgrade (Lower Hutt) and Waiohine River stopbank design (Wairarapa), and continue the Lower Wairarapa Valley Development Scheme stopbank improvement works
- Complete \$4.1 million of river maintenance work on river schemes in the region, including the Hutt, Otaki, Waikanae and Ruamahanga rivers
- Collect survey data for flood hazard assessments in the Greytown and Masterton areas

#### Activity: Emergency management

- Review Inter-Agency Planning Committee arrangements
- Develop community psychology support arrangements for the recovery phase of an event
- Develop a "spontaneous" volunteer management system
- Plan and deliver Exercise Phoenix VI
- Review the Wellington Region Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Plan

#### **Activity: Harbours management**

- Provide navigation aids in our harbours and a communications service for Wellington Harbour
- Educate people about water safety and enforce maritime safety rules
- Clean-up oil spills in our harbours and coastal waters



### Key changes from the 2006–16 Ten-Year Plan (LTCCP)

### **Activity: Flood protection**

- The Waiwhetu improvements have been budgeted over three years from 2008/09 to 2010/11 (previously budgeted over four years to 2011/12)
- Lower Wairarapa Valley Development Scheme stopbank improvements have been budgeted over nine years to 2016/17 (previously budgeted over seven years to 2013/14)
- \$150,000 of expenditure for the Waiohine River stopbank upgrade has been brought forward to 2008/09 to commence investigation work
- \$150,000 of expenditure has been budgeted in 2008/09 to complete LIDAR surveys and flood hazard mapping for the Greytown and Masterton areas

#### Activity: Emergency management

- The 2006-16 Ten-Year Plan (LTCCP) short-term targets for 2008/09 have changed as follows:
  - 1) The annual survey of household preparedness will now be carried out on a three-yearly basis. This is because we now have a good baseline and experience has shown that movements from year to year are very small
  - 2) The Civil Defence Emergency Management (CDEM) Resource Management Plan is no longer required. Instead a short-term target of reviewing the CDEM Group Plan has been included. This is the result of a central government initiative

#### **Activity: Harbours management**

• There are no significant changes from the 2006-16 Ten-Year Plan (LTCCP)



### Short-term targets – by 30 June 2009

#### Activity: Flood protection

**1** Plan to reduce the impacts of floods

**2** Operate a flood warning system

**B** Build and maintain agreed flood protection works, eg, stopbanks

**4** Enhance the environment along flood corridors

**5** Provide a consultancy service for land drainage schemes

Target	Performance measures
In conjunction with the Upper Hutt City Council, Pinehaven Stream flood hazard assessment will be completed, within a budget of \$96,000	Progress and completion of all flood protection programmes will be reported to Council
River investigations in the Wairarapa, including the Waingawa River scheme review, will be completed to the satisfaction of the Catchment Management Committee, within a budget of \$352,000	As above
The Strand Park stopbank improvements will be substantially completed in accordance with accepted engineering standards, within a budget of \$2,805,000	As above
Year One of the Waiwhetu Stream cleanup and flood improvements project will be completed in accordance with accepted engineering standards, within a budget of \$518,000	As above
The Hutt Boulcott stopbank design and consents will be completed in accordance with accepted engineering standards, within a budget of \$142,000	As above



### Activity: Flood protection (continued)

Target	Performance measures
Year Two of the Lower Wairarapa Valley Development Scheme stopbank improvements will be completed, within a budget of \$753,000	Progress and completion of all flood protection programmes will be reported to Council
Maintenance operations in the western part of the region will be completed in accordance with established standards, statutory requirements and the Western Rivers Asset Management Plan, all within a budget of \$2,265,000	As above
Maintenance operations for the 10 Wairarapa river schemes will be completed to established standards and to the satisfaction of the Scheme Advisory Committees, within a budget of \$1,608,000	As above
Maintain the recreational and environmental values of the Hutt, Waikanae and Otaki river corridors to the satisfaction of the Catchment Management Committee and, where appropriate, undertake improvements identified in the adopted River Environmental Strategies, within a budget of \$94,000	As above



### Short-term targets – by 30 June 2009

#### Activity: Emergency management

**1** Plan for emergency events

**2** Tell people about the risks they face and how these can be managed

**B** Operate the Wellington Civil Defence Emergency Management (CDEM) Group Emergency Operations Centre

Target	Performance measures
The Wellington Region CDEM Plan will be implemented to the satisfaction of the CDEM Group. Projects that are to be completed by Greater Wellington are listed under "key projects for 2008/09"	Progress with the implementation of the CDEM Group Plan will be reported to the CDEM Group, including the projects for which Greater Wellington has responsibility
The CDEM Group Plan will be reviewed	The review of the CDEM Group Plan will be reported to the CDEM Group



### Short-term targets – by 30 June 2009

#### Activity: Harbours management

**1** Provide navigation aids in our harbours and a communications service for Wellington Harbour

**2** Educate people about water safety and enforce maritime safety rules

#### **I** Clean-up oil spills in our harbours and coastal waters

Target	Performance measures
The Beacon Hill Harbour Communications Station will provide a 24-hour, 365-day service in accordance with the Beacon Hill Operations Manual, within a budget of \$450,000	Beacon Hill will operate in accordance with guidelines set in the Beacon Hill Operations Manual
Reports of oil spills in harbour waters will be checked within 30 minutes, and clean-up action for actual oil spills commenced within one hour of being reported in harbour waters and within three hours of being reported in regional coastal waters, all within a budget of \$16,000. A formal log will be kept and incidents followed up whenever possible	Response will be within specified target timeframes
Safety in our harbours and coastal waters will be maintained, within a budget of \$106,000, by:	Progress with these activities will be reported to Council
<ul> <li>Administering the Wellington Regional Navigation and Safety Bylaws</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Educating recreational boaters and harbour users about safety issues</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Monitoring behaviour for safety purposes through our harbour ranger service</li> </ul>	
• Investigating all reports of unsafe behaviour. A formal record will be kept	



Prospective funding impact statement

	2008/09 Plan \$000s	2008/09 LTCCP \$000s
FUNDING STATEMENT		
General rate	8,959	8,792
Targeted rates	4,822	4,924
Government subsidies	116	128
Interest and dividends	535	451
Other operating revenue	1,886	1,720
Operating revenue	16,318	16,015
Direct operating expenditure	9,748	9,623
Finance costs	2,812	2,540
Depreciation	984	1,148
Operating expenditure	13,544	13,311
Operating surplus/(deficit)	2,774	2,704
Less:		
Capital expenditure	6,149	5,115
Proceeds from asset sales	(78)	(64)
Loan funding	(5,899)	(4,884)
Rates-funded capital expenditure	172	167
Debt repayment	2,237	2,373
Investment additions	412	356
Operational reserve movements	937	956
Working capital movements	-	-
Non-cash items <sup>(1)</sup>	(984)	(1,148)
Net funding required	-	-

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	2008/09	2008/09
	Plan	LTCCP
	\$000s	\$000s
OPERATING REVENUE		
Flood protection	13,658	13,602
Emergency management	810	692
Harbour management	1,850	1,721
Total operating revenue	16,318	16,015
OPERATING EXPENDITURE		
Flood protection	10,858	10,804
Emergency management	846	739
Harbour management	1,840	1,768
Total operating expenditure	13,544	13,311
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE		
Harbour improvements	700	-
Hutt River improvements	3,185	3,124
Waikanae River improvements	124	127
Otaki River improvements	211	-
Wairarapa scheme improvements	1,053	1,007
Other flood protection	625	626
Capital project expenditure	5,898	4,884
Land and buildings	-	-
Plant and equipment	46	83
Vehicles	205	148
Total capital expenditure	6,149	5,115

(1) Non-cash items includes depreciation

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## Contribution to community outcomes

Prosperous community Healthy environment

#### Develop pest management strategies.

Eradicate or reduce significant pests (eg, possums, manchurian wildrice, moth plant and rooks).

Reduce numbers of wildlife that transmit bovine Tb to farmed cattle and deer (under contract to the Animal Health Board).

Investigate and manage the use of land.

Assist farmers and the community to protect and enhance the land.

Provide advice on land management issues.

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# Land

### Key projects for 2008/09

#### Activity: Manage pest plants and animals

**Regional Pest Management Strategy Review** 

• Implement the revised Regional Pest Management Strategy (RPMS)

#### National Pest Plant Accord (NPPA)

• Implement the NPPA by undertaking annual inspections of all plant retailers, wholesalers and markets to ensure no pest plants are being offered for sale, distributed or propagated, and by liaising with our neighbouring councils to prevent movement across borders. The NPPA is an agreement between regional councils, Department of Conservation, Biosecurity New Zealand, and the Nursery and Garden Industries Association

#### **National Interest Pests**

• Assist in controlling 10 National Interest Pests under contract to MAF Biosecurity New Zealand on a cost-recovery basis. This work includes monitoring of known sites, surveillance of at-risk sites and contract management

#### Activity: Control bovine Tb in wildlife

• Complete \$4 million of bovine Tb control operations in the region to protect farmed cattle and deer in accordance with the Wellington Bovine Tb Strategic Plan, on behalf of the Animal Health Board

#### Activity: Promote sustainable land management

- Complete erosion-control programmes to promote good land management practices, including planting poplar poles in our hill country, establishing shelterbelts and riparian (stream-side) planting alongside waterways. Recent government announcements relating to the funding of hill country erosion and afforestation grants under the Sustainable Land Management and Climate Change policies may provide an opportunity for this programme to be accelerated in selected priority catchments
- Work with the Wairarapa Hill Country Advisory Committee to review and advance Council policy on sustainable land management

## Land



### Key changes from the 2006–16 Ten-Year Plan (LTCCP)

#### Activity: Manage pest plants and animals

• Expenditure of \$20,000 per year has been budgeted for managing didymo, including public awareness programmes

### Activity: Control bovine Tb in wildlife

• Expenditure on bovine Tb vector control has been reduced by approximately \$415,000 in 2008/09 in accordance with Animal Health Board programme funding



#### Activity: Manage pest plants and animals

**1** Develop pest management strategies

**2** Eradicate or reduce significant pests (eg, possums, manchurian wildrice, moth plant and rooks)

Target	Performance measures
Work programmes identified in the seventh year of the Regional Pest Management Strategy 2002-2022 will be implemented in accordance with the approved operational plan, within a budget of \$2,150,000	Progress will be reported to Council

#### Activity: Control bovine tuberculosis in wildlife

**1** Reduce numbers of wildlife that transmit bovine Tb to farmed cattle and deer (under contract to the Animal Health Board)

Target	Performance measures
By 30 June 2009, bovine Tb vector control operations (including wildlife surveys) will be planned and implemented over 166,620 hectares in accordance with the	Progress will be reported monthly to the Animal Health Board, as well as in a year-end report
Wellington Bovine Tb Strategic Plan, within a budget of \$3,956,000	

Land



### Short-term targets – by 30 June 2009

#### Activity: Promote sustainable land management

**1** Investigate and monitor the use of land

**2** Assist farmers and the community to protect and enhance the land

#### **B** Provide advice on land management issues

Target	Performance measures
Approved soil conservation programmes incorporating 300 hectares of pole planting (25,000 poles), 150 hectares of conservation woodlots and 4km of shelterbelts will be completed to the Council's performance standards, within a budget of \$565,000	Progress will be reported to Council
Approved programmes will be completed under six catchment control schemes to the satisfaction of each Scheme Advisory Committee to the Council's performance standards, within a budget of \$92,500	As above
Stage Two of the soil-quality monitoring programme will continue. Established sites will be revisited to establish whether there has been any change over time, within a budget of \$31,200	As above
5km of riparian management, focusing on increased biodiversity along stream banks, will be implemented within a budget of \$197,000	As above



## Land

Prospective funding impact statement

	2008/09 Plan \$000s	2008/09 LTCCP \$000s
FUNDING STATEMENT		
General rate	4,533	4,063
Targeted rates	201	197
Government subsidies	-	-
Interest and dividends	46	45
Other operating revenue	5,680	6,742
Operating revenue	10,460	11,047
Direct operating expenditure	10,366	11,041
Finance costs	-	-
Depreciation	73	69
Operating expenditure	10,439	11,110
Operating surplus/(deficit)	21	(63)
Less:		
Capital expenditure	164	73
Proceeds from asset sales	(43)	(15)
Loan funding	-	-
Rates-funded capital expenditure	121	58
Debt repayment	-	-
Investment additions	-	-
Operational reserve movements	(27)	(52)
Working capital movements	-	-
Non-cash items <sup>(1)</sup>	(73)	(69)
Net funding required	-	-

	2008/09 Plan \$000s	2008/09 LTCCP \$000s
OPERATING REVENUE		
Promote sustainable land management	2,521	2,546
Control bovine Tb wildlife vectors	4,217	5,001
Manage pest plants and animals	3,722	3,500
Total operating revenue	10,460	11,047
OPERATING EXPENDITURE		
Promote sustainable land management	2,450	2,527
Control bovine Tb wildlife vectors	4,272	5,072
Manage pest plants and animals	3,717	3,511
Total operating expenditure	10,439	11,110
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE		
Land and buildings	_	-
Plant and equipment	_	-
Motor vehicles	164	73

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(1) Non-cash items includes depreciation

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Total capital expenditure



## Contribution to community outcomes

## Strong and tolerant community

to participate in decision making, eg, in meetings or through planning and budgeting processes. Run elections and pay councillors. Arrange and service Council meetings. Work with iwi – collectively through Ara Tahi – and also individually. Assist iwi to undertake special projects and to work with Greater Wellington. Entrepreneurial and innovative region Promote the implementation of the Wellington Regional Strategy in conjunction with city and district **Prosperous community** councils in the region. Fund GrowWellington – a regional economic development agency. Service a \$25 million loan to the Stadium Trust.

Provide opportunities for the public

# Community

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### Key projects for 2008/09

#### Activity: Run a democratic process

- Investigate e-democracy initiatives e-participation, e-petitions, e-meetings, etc
- Investigate the feasibility of establishing a Greater Wellington Disability Reference Group

#### Activity: Involve Maori in our work

• Review the Charter of Understanding with iwi – to take engagement to the next level

#### Activity: To act as keeper of the Wellington Regional Strategy

• Promote the implementation of the Wellington Regional Strategy

#### Activity: Operate a regional economic development agency

• Fund GrowWellington (a regional economic development agency) to carry out the economic development projects of the Wellington Regional Strategy

### Key changes from the 2006–16 Ten-Year Plan (LTCCP)

- Minor changes have been made to the short-term targets to more accurately reflect our business
- Provision has been made for meeting fees relating to the new Wairarapa Hill Country Advisory Committee (\$11,700)
- For some time iwi have been requesting better input into Council decision making and Council has responded by providing for the appointment of an iwi representative to each Council committee (\$7,500)
- An additional \$12,700 has been budgeted for preparing and distributing meeting order papers. We are continually reviewing our costs with regard to order papers and looking for ways to make the information more easily accessible
- Councillors' sundry costs have increased by \$18,000 to reflect current actual costs
- The rate requirement for the Wellington Strategy for 2008/09 will reduce by \$500,000 (excl GST) as we intend to carry over funds from the 2007/08 year



#### Activity: Run a democratic process

**1** Provide opportunities for the public to participate in decision making, eg, in meetings or through planning and budgeting processes

**2** Run elections and pay councillors, and facilitate training and information

#### **B** Arrange and service Council meetings

Target	Performance measures
Community input will be sought before any significant decision on matters which may impact on rates	There will be no failure to meet legal requirements for public consultative processes. The public will be made aware of its opportunity to participate in meeting and hearings processes
Opportunities will be given to councillors for training and personal development	Councillors will receive training appropriate to their needs
Councillors will be provided with a regular flow of information through the <i>Councillors' Information Bulletin</i>	Relevant information will be regularly supplied to councillors through the <i>Councillors' Information Bulletin</i>
Public notice of meetings will be given in accordance with the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987	Public notice will be given in accordance with the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987. Details of publication will be recorded to measure compliance with statutory deadlines
Order Papers will be despatched to members and be publicly available in accordance with the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, and the Council's Standing Orders	All Order Papers for ordinary meetings of the Council and committees will be despatched to councillors and committee members not less than three working days before the meeting. Details of the despatch of order papers will be recorded to measure compliance with statutory deadlines



#### Activity: Involve Maori in our work

**1** Work with iwi – collectively through Ara Tahi – and also individually

**2** Assist iwi to undertake special projects and to work with Greater Wellington Regional Council

Target	Performance measures
Ara Tahi will meet six times	Ara Tahi will meet six times and each meeting will be reported to Council
Iwi will be resourced to:	Greater Wellington will:
<ul> <li>Undertake special projects which mutually benefit Greater Wellington and iwi</li> <li>Engage with Greater Wellington on a range of issues</li> <li>Comment on non-notified resource consents</li> <li>Within a budget of \$262,000</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Have project contracts with iwi in place by 31 August 2008</li> <li>Provide non-notified resource consents to iwi for comment within two working days of receipt of application</li> </ul>
Greater Wellington staff will have an enhanced knowledge of Te Reo and Tikanga	Appropriate training will be available to Greater Wellington staff to enable them to engage effectively with iwi. A monitoring and evaluation process will be put in place regarding the uptake and spread of training and its benefits to Greater Wellington



#### Activity: To act as keeper of the Wellington Regional Strategy

**1** Operate a Wellington Regional Strategy (WRS) Committee to develop and implement the WRS

**2** Develop an effective Wellington Regional Strategy addressing sustainable prosperity and quality of life, and monitor its implementation

Target	Performance measures
The strategic actions identified in the adopted WRS will be progressed according to timetable	Progress with all non-regional economic development agency projects in accordance with the agreed task plans will be reported to the WRS Committee
Greater Wellington will continue to facilitate stakeholder engagement in WRS priority action areas	A Stakeholder Forum will be held at least annually

#### Activity: Operate a regional economic development agency

**1** Establish and fund GrowWellington (an economic development agency) for the region via a Council-controlled organisation

Target	Performance measures
GrowWellington will meet the agreed Statement of Intent requirements, as approved by the Wellington Regional Strategy (WRS) Committee	GrowWellington's Statement of Intent for 2008/09 will include performance measures, achievement of which will be reported to the WRS Committee
GrowWellington will operate within the budget agreed by the WRS Committee	The WRS Committee will receive six-monthly financial reports from GrowWellington to show progress against budget



## Community

Prospective funding impact statement

	2008/09 Plan \$000s	2008/09 LTCCP \$000s	
FUNDING STATEMENT			OPERATING
General rate	2,831	2,891	Run a democ
Targeted rates	6,676	7,176	Involve Maor
Government subsidies	-	307	Act as keepe
Interest and dividends	4	4	Wellington
Other operating revenue	2,432	2,702	Operate a re
Operating revenue	11,943	13,080	developme
			Contribution
Direct operating expenditure	9,429	9,526	Total operati
Finance costs	1,460	1,460	
Depreciation	22	28	OPERATING
Operating expenditure	10,911	11,014	Run a democ
Operating surplus/(deficit)	1,032	2,066	Involve Maor
			Act as keepe
Less:			Wellington
Capital expenditure	5	5	Operate a re
Proceeds from asset sales	-	-	developme
Loan funding	-	-	Contribution
Rates-funded capital expenditure	5	5	Total operati
Debt repayment	1,162	1,162	
Investment additions	-	-	CAPITAL EX
Operational reserve movements	(406)	84	Land and bui
Working capital movements	-	-	Plant and eq
Non-cash items <sup>(2)</sup>	271	815	Vehicles
Net funding required	-	-	Total capital

	2008/09 Plan \$000s	2008/09 LTCCP \$000s
ERATING REVENUE		
n a democratic process	4,063	4,136
olve Maori in our work	561	514
as keeper of the		
Vellington Regional Strategy <sup>(1)</sup>	350	412
erate a regional economic		
evelopment agency <sup>(1)</sup>	4,000	4,500
ntribution to the Regional Stadium	2,969	3,518
al operating revenue	11,943	13,080
ERATING EXPENDITURE		
n a democratic process	3,986	4,074
olve Maori in our work	561	514
as keeper of the		
Vellington Regional Strategy (1)	350	412
erate a regional economic		
evelopment agency <sup>(1)</sup>	4,500	4,500
ntribution to the Regional Stadium	1,514	1,514
al operating expenditure	10,911	11,014
PITAL EXPENDITURE		
nd and buildings	-	-
nt and equipment	5	5
nicles	-	-
al capital expenditure	5	5

(1) 2008/09 LTCCP numbers have been updated to reflect the *Amended Ten-Year Plan (LTCCP) 2006-16*, which includes funding for the regional economic development agency (GrowWellington) in relation to the Wellington Regional Strategy

<sup>(2)</sup> Non-cash items include depreciation and a projected unrealised gain in the advance to the Wellington Regional Stadium Trust. The nominal amount of this advance is \$25 million, and as repayment of the advance gets nearer, a higher projected value is recorded. The projected increase in value is recorded as an unrealised revaluation gain each year

For more information on the revenue and financing mechanisms applicable to this group of activities, please refer to the Revenue and Financing Policy in the *Amended Ten-Year Plan (LTCCP)* 2006–16 Policies document on p22. Please note that all figures on this page exclude GST.

## Investments



### **Investments overview**

Greater Wellington has a significant portfolio of investments comprising:

- Liquid financial deposits
- Greater Wellington's treasury management function
- Administrative properties (eg, depots)
- Forestry and business units
- Equity investments in the WRC Holdings Group (including CentrePort Limited)
- Rail rolling stock and related transport infrastructure

Greater Wellington recognises that, as a responsible public authority, any investments held should be for the long-term benefit of the community, with any risk being appropriately managed. It also recognises that lower risk generally means lower returns. From a risk management point of view, Greater Wellington is aware that its investment returns are exposed to the success or otherwise of its two main investments – the WRC Holdings Group (including CentrePort Limited) and its liquid financial deposits. At an appropriate future time, Greater Wellington believes it could continue to reduce its risk exposure by reducing its investment holdings and using the proceeds to repay debt. The timing of these divestments would be in accordance with Greater Wellington's objective to optimise the overall return to ratepayers.

It is important to appreciate that Greater Wellington's investments contribute approximately 11% to the total level of regional rates. In other words, regional rates would need to be 11% higher were it not for the contribution from Greater Wellington's investments.



## Investments

#### Liquid financial deposits

Greater Wellington holds \$33 million in liquid financial deposits. This is part of the proceeds from selling its interest in CentrePort Limited to one of its wholly owned subsidiaries, Port Investments Limited. Greater Wellington regularly reviews the rationale for holding these liquid financial deposits, taking the following into account:

- General provisions of our treasury management policy, including Greater Wellington's attitude to risk and creditworthy counterparties
- Specific provisions of Greater Wellington's treasury management policy to hold sufficient deposits or have committed funds available for emergency events

Greater Wellington's treasury management function

Greater Wellington's treasury management activity is carried out centrally to maximise its ability to negotiate with financial institutions. As a result, Greater Wellington produces an internal surplus by on-lending those funds to activities that require debt finance. This allows the true cost of debt funding to be reflected in the appropriate areas. This surplus is then used to offset regional rates.

#### Administrative properties

Greater Wellington's ownership of its depots and the Masterton office building are grouped to form an investment category – Administrative Properties.

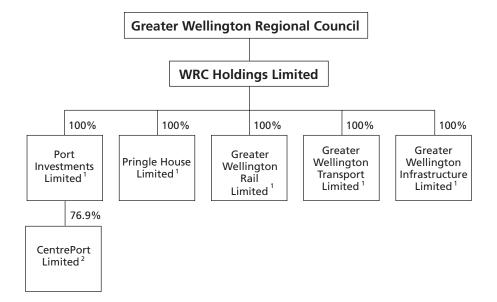
#### Forestry and business units

Greater Wellington and its predecessor organisations have been involved in forestry for many years, primarily for soil conservation and water quality purposes.

Greater Wellington currently holds 6,000 hectares of plantation and soil conservation reserve forests of which approximately 4,000 hectares are in the western or metropolitan part of the region, with the remaining 2,000 hectares in the Wairarapa. Greater Wellington's overall investment policy with regard to forestry is to maximise long-term returns while meeting soil conservation, water quality and recreational needs. This policy assumes that harvesting will be on a sustainable yield basis and maintained without any demand on regional rates.

## **Investments** WRC Holdings Group





- <sup>1</sup> A Council Controlled Trading Organisation in accordance with the *Local Government Act* 2002
- <sup>2</sup> A Commercial Port Company pursuant to the *Port Companies Act 1988* and not a Council Controlled Organisation in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2002*

The WRC Holdings Group structure is set up to:

- Impose commercial discipline on the Group's activities and produce an appropriate return by ensuring appropriate debt/equity funding, and by requiring a commercial rate of return
- Separate Greater Wellington's investment and commercial assets from its public good assets

The WRC Holdings Group is Greater Wellington's prime investment vehicle and the main mechanism by which it will own and manage any additional equity investments should they be acquired in the future. Periodically, Greater Wellington reviews the structure to determine if it is still an appropriate vehicle for holding its investments.

In addition, Greater Wellington has minor equity interests in Civic Assurance and Airtel Limited. These investments are owned directly by Greater Wellington rather than via the WRC Holdings Group.



### WRC Holdings Group – Statement of Intent

**Objectives of the Group** 

The primary objectives of the Group shall be to:

- a) Operate as a successful, sustainable and responsible business
- b) Own and operate Greater Wellington's headquarters at 142 Wakefield Street, Wellington, (known as the Regional Council Centre) on a cost-effective basis
- c) Own Greater Wellington's interest in CentrePort Limited and maximise its commercial value to shareholders to protect their investment, while maintaining CentrePort's strategic value to the economy of the region
- d) Own Greater Wellington's investments in rail rolling stock
- e) Effectively manage any other investments held by the Group to maximise the commercial value to shareholders and protect their investment

The financial objectives of the Group shall be to:

- a) Where possible, provide a commercial return to shareholders
- b) Adopt policies that prudently manage risk and protect the investment of shareholders

The environmental objectives of the Group shall be to:

- a) Operate in an environmentally responsible and sustainable manner
- b) Minimise the impact of any of the Group's activities on the environment
- c) Raise awareness of environmental issues within the Group
- d) Ensure CentrePort and Pringle House are more energy efficient and make greater use of renewable energy

The social objectives of the Group shall be to:

- a) Be a leading organisation and a superior employer
- b) Provide a safe and healthy workplace
- c) Participate in development, and cultural and community activities within the regions in which the Group operates
- d) Help sustain the economy of the region

### **Investments** WRC Holdings Group



### **Performance targets**

Financial	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11
Net profit/(deficit) before tax	\$4.5m	\$6.6m	\$6.2m
Net profit/(deficit) after tax <sup>1</sup>	\$1.5m	\$3.1m	\$2.8m
Return on total assets <sup>2</sup>	3.7%	4.5%	3.6%
Return on shareholders' funds <sup>3</sup>	(0.1%)	1.7%	0.7%
Dividends <sup>4</sup>	\$0.2m	\$0.4m	\$0.4m

<sup>1</sup> Net profit after tax, but before deduction of minority interest

<sup>2</sup> Earnings before interest and tax as a percentage of average total assets

- <sup>3</sup> Net profit after tax (and after deduction of minority interest) as a percentage of average shareholder equity (excluding minority interest)
- <sup>4</sup> Dividends (interim and final) paid or payable to the shareholder

#### General

The group will, in consultation with shareholders, continue to develop performance targets in the environmental and social areas.

#### Note

The performance targets are those provided by the directors in the Draft Statement of Intent (SOI) for the 2008/09 financial year.

#### **Board of Directors**

Anne Blackburn	Ian Buchanan
Peter Blades	Peter Glensor
John Burke	Fran Wilde (Chair)

The Board of Directors is the same for each of the companies in the group.



## Investments

CentrePort

### **CentrePort Limited – Statement of Corporate Intent**

**Objectives of the Company** 

- The *primary objectives* of the Company shall be to:
- a) Operate as a successful, sustainable and responsible business
- b) Be customer focused and provide superior service
- c) Be the industry leader in transport logistics solutions

The *financial objectives* of the Company shall be to:

- a) Provide a commercial return to shareholders
- b) Adopt policies that prudently manage risk and protect the investment of shareholders
- The environmental objectives of the Company shall be to:
- a) Operate in an environmentally responsible and sustainable manner
- b) Raise awareness of environmental issues within the Company
- The social objectives of the Company shall be to:
- a) Be a learning organisation and superior employer
- b) Provide a safe and healthy workplace
- c) Participate in development, cultural and community activities within the regions in which the Company operates

Environmental objectives

- a) Comply with AS/NZS 14000: Environmental Management Standards
- b) Comply with Centreport's Noise Management Plan
- c) Comply with all conditions under resource consents and permits held, and to fully adhere to the requirements of environmental law generally
- d) Maintain an environmental issues register of environmental complaints for monitoring and actioning purposes. The register is to be reported to CentrePort Limited's Health, Safety and Environment Committee on a regular basis (meets at least three times per annum)
- e) CentrePort Limited will hold a minimum of three Health, Safety and Environment Committee meetings in 2008/09 comprising CentrePort Limited and affected stakeholders (customers, port users, councils and residential groups). The meetings provide a forum to identify and inform on a range of environmental port-related matters



### CentrePort Limited – Statement of Corporate Intent (continued)

#### **Social objectives**

- a) Maintain tertiary level of compliance with the ACC Workplace Safety Management Practices Programme and the AS/NZS 4801: Occupational Health and Safety Management Systems
- b) Maintain compliance with the International Ship and Port Security (ISPS) Code which promotes security against terrorism within the port environment
- c) Undertake risk assessments and implement any mitigating procedures relating to the Port and Harbour Safety Code which promotes safety and excellence in marine operations
- d) Undertake an appropriate level of sponsorship
- e) Meet regularly with representative community groups

#### General

The company will, in consultation with shareholders, continue to develop performance targets in the environmental and social areas to be able to maintain triple bottom line reporting in accordance with best practice.

When developing property, the Board is to adhere to the following principles:

- Properties may be developed without the building being fully pre-let so long as tenancy risk is managed prudently
- Property developments must not compromise port operations
- Developments are to be undertaken only if they are able to be funded without additional capital from shareholders

Note

The performance targets are those provided by the directors of CentrePort Limited in the Draft Statement of Corporate Intent (SCI) for the 2008/09 financial year.

Shareholders of CentrePort Limited

- Port Investments Limited 76.9%
- Horizons Regional Council 23.1%

**Board of Directors** 

David Benham Nigel Gould (Chair) Jim Jefferies Malcolm Johnson Warren Larsen Mark Petersen



## Investments

Prospective income statement

	2008/09 Plan \$000s	2008/09 LTCCP \$000s		2008/09 Plan \$000s	2008/09 LTCCP \$000s
INCOME STATEMENT					
Operating revenue	14,939	19,789			
Operating expenditure	8,416	13,341			
Earnings before interest	6,523	6,448			
Interest	(3,154)	(2,652)			
Operating surplus/(deficit)	9,677	9,100			
Less:					
Contribution to general rates	8,148	8,044			
Earnings retained	1,529	1,056			
OPERATING SURPLUS OF INDIVIDUAL INVESTMENTS			NET CONTRIBUTION TO GENERAL RATES FROM INDIVIDUAL INVESTMENTS		
Liquid financial deposits	2,723	2,926	Liquid financial deposits	2,723	2,926
WRC Holdings	3,129	1,399	WRC Holdings	624	1,071
Treasury management	4,177	4,133	Treasury management	4,531	4,133
Forestry	(479)	803	Forestry	225	225
Business units and property	127	(161)	Business units and property	45	(311)
Operating surplus	9,677	9,100	Total contribution to general rates	8,148	8,044

## For more information on the revenue and financing mechanisms applicable to this group of activities, please refer to the Revenue and Financing Policy in the *Amended Ten-Year Plan (LTCCP)* 2006–16 Policies document on p22. Please note that all figures on this page exclude GST.

## **Funding impact statement**



Funding mechanisms	Groups of activities funded	Valuation system	Matters for differentiation/categories of land	Calculation factor
General rate General rate	All except water supply, transport, economic development and regional stadium	Capital value	Where the land is situated	Cents per dollar of rateable capital value
Targeted rates Regional transport	Transport	Capital value	Where the land is situated and the use to which the land is put	Cents per dollar of rateable capital value
River management	Safety and flood protection	Capital value/ land value	Where the land is situated	Cents per dollar of rateable capital value/land value
Stadium purposes	Community	Capital value	Where the land is situated and the use to which the land is put	Cents per dollar of rateable capital value
Economic development agency	Community	Capital value for business n/a for residential n/a for rural	Where the land is situated and the use to which the land is put Where the land is situated and the use to which the land is put Where the land is situated and the use to which the land is put	Cents per dollar of rateable capital value Fixed dollar amount per rating unit Fixed dollar amount per rating unit
Bovine Tb	Land	Land area	The area of land within each rating unit and provision of a service provided	Dollars per hectare
Wairarapa River management schemes	Safety and flood protection	Land area area/inhabited parts/services provided	Where the land is situated (set under section 146 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 using approved classification and differential registers) and/or the benefits accruing through the provision of services and in some cases residential use	Dollars per hectare in the area protected, or dollars per point attributed to each rating unit and in some cases a fixed charge per separately used or inhabitedpart (dwelling) <sup>(1)</sup>
Te Whiti stopbank	Safety and flood protection	Land area	Where the land is situated and the use to which the land is put	Dollars per hectare in the area protected
Wairarapa catchment schemes	Land	Land area/ land value/ inhabited part(s)	Where the land is situated (Set under S146 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 using approved classification and differential registers) and in some cases residential use and land value	Dollars per hectare in the area protected and in some cases a fixed charge per separately used or inhabited part (dwelling) and cents per dollar of rateable land value <sup>(1)</sup>
Wairarapa drainage schemes	Safety and flood protection	Land area	Where the land is situated (set under S146 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 using approved classification and differential registers)	Dollars per hectare in the area protected

#### Differential on the general rate

Greater Wellington uses an "estimate of projected valuation" under section 131 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 to recognise that valuation dates vary across the region.

Note:

(1) "Separately used or inhabited part" includes any part of a rating unit separately used or inhabited by the owner or any other person who has the right to use or inhabit that part by virtue of a tenancy, lease, licence or other agreement. At a minimum, the land or premises intended to form the separately used or inhabited part of the rating unit must be capable of actual habitation, or actual separate use. For the avoidance of doubt, a rating unit that has only one use (ie it does not have separate parts or is vacant land) is treated as being one separately used or inhabited part.



# Funding impact statement

	Proposed rate 2008/09 cents per \$ of rateable capital value	Revenue sought 2008/09 \$
General rate		
Wellington city	0.02800	12,627,595
Lower Hutt city	0.02720	4,819,117
Upper Hutt city	0.02722	1,702,347
Porirua city	0.02703	2,055,125
Kapiti Coast district	0.03474	2,715,755
Masterton district	0.03454	1,358,979
Carterton district	0.03057	535,960
South Wairarapa district	0.03082	901,631
Tararua district <sup>(1)</sup>	0.03032	2,753
Total general rate		26,719,262
Targeted rate: river management Wellington city Lower Hutt city Upper Hutt city Porirua city Kapiti Coast district Carterton district	0.00036 0.01068 0.00873 0.00119 0.01753 0.00128	160,189 1,892,231 546,117 90,177 1,370,412 22,376
Total district-wide river management rate		4,081,502
Greytown ward	0.02398	90,667
Total river management rates based		
upon capital value		4,172,169
upon capital value	0.00000	4,172,169
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upon capital value Greytown stopbank		-

	Proposed rate 2008/09 cents per \$ of rateable capital value	Revenue sought 2008/09 \$
Wellington City		
Downtown city centre business	0.20518	15,482,707
Urban	0.02905	10,768,986
Rural	0.00821	40,396
Lower Hutt city		
Urban	0.04845	8,455,280
Rural	0.01314	35,483
Upper Hutt city		
Urban	0.04837	2,740,464
Rural	0.01316	79,468
Porirua city		
Urban	0.05585	3,925,590
Rural	0.01507	86,604
Kapiti Coast district		
Urban	0.02810	1,841,292
Rural	0.00830	104,863
Masterton district		
Urban	0.00990	168,602
Rural	0.00323	72,123
Carterton district		
Urban	0.01499	74,261
Rural	0.00436	54,807
South Wairarapa district		
Urban	0.01857	149,827
Rural	0.00514	108,910
Total regional transport rate		44,189,663

#### Note:

<sup>(1)</sup> 11 Rural properties in the Tararua district are within the boundaries of the Wellington region



\$ 28.13

\$ 28.13

68,653

4,500,000

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	Proposed rate 2008/09 cents per \$ of rateable capital value	Revenue sought 2008/09 \$		Proposed rate 2008/09 cents per \$ of rateable capital value or \$ per rating unit	Revenue sought 2008/09 \$
Targeted rate:			Targeted rate:		
stadium purposes			economic development		
Wellington City			Wellington City		
Business	0.00578	618,609	Downtown city centre business	0.01040	784,918
Residential	0.00342	1,160,757	Business	0.01040	329,312
Rural	0.00177	8,730	Residential – per rating unit	\$ 14.06	910,870
Lower Hutt city		,	Rural – per rating unit	\$ 28.13	17,128
Business	0.00394	153,222	Lower Hutt city		
Residential	0.00315	427,457	Business	0.01010	392,516
Rural	0.00256	6,924	Residential – per rating unit	\$ 14.06	494,100
Upper Hutt city			Rural – per rating unit	\$ 28.13	13,190
Business	0.00238	23,781	Upper Hutt city		
Residential	0.00275	128,538	Business	0.01009	99,961
Rural	0.00100	6,021	Residential – per rating unit	\$ 14.06	197,128
Porirua city			Rural – per rating unit	\$ 28.13	26,466
Business	0.00325	37,327	Porirua city		
Residential	0.00297	174,595	Business	0.01004	115,442
Rural	0.00073	4,214	Residential – per rating unit	\$ 14.06	217,392
Kapiti Coast district			Rural – per rating unit	\$ 28.13	16,059
Urban	0.00203	132,753	Kapiti Coast district		
Rural	0.00102	12,944	Business	0.01291	106,526
Masterton district			Residential – per rating unit	\$ 14.06	274,852
Urban	0.00260	44,251	Rural – per rating unit	\$ 28.13	66,403
Rural	0.00071	15,954	Masterton district		
Carterton district			Business	0.01283	35,967
Urban	0.00237	11,740	Residential – per rating unit	\$ 14.06	106,059
Rural	0.00074	9,332	Rural – per rating unit	\$ 28.13	96,441
South Wairarapa district			Carterton district		
Urban	0.00269	21,674	Business	0.01136	4,362
Rural	0.00054	11,439	Residential – per rating unit	\$ 14.06	28,562
Total stadium purposes rate		3,010,262	Rural – per rating unit	\$ 28.13	45,140
Total statium pulposes late		5,010,202	South Wairarapa district		
			Business	0.01145	14,317
Noto			Residential – per rating unit	\$ 14.06	37,955

Rural – per rating unit

**Tararua district** (1) – per rating unit

Total economic development rate

#### Note:

(1) 11 rural properties in the Tararua District are within the boundaries of the Wellington region.



	Proposed rate 2008/09 \$ per hectare	Revenue sought 2008/09 \$		Proposed rate 2008/09 \$ per hectare	Revenue sought 2008/09 \$
Targeted rate: river management scher	nes		Targeted rate: river management schemes		
Waingawa A B C D E F G	138.47220 90.00690 69.23610 62.31250 55.38890 48.46530 20.77080	4,621 11,502 8,343 125 9,248 1,302 972	Mangatarere A B C D G	33.76650 32.29840 27.36970 24.22380 0.10490	725 6,770 430 1,740 <u>39</u> <u>9,704</u>
H Lower Wairarapa Valley A Development scheme Sa	13.84720 0.23751 19.68750	2,199 38,312 627,807 6,792	Upper Mangatarere A B C	9.55960 7.17800 4.79530	665 125 <u>229</u> <u>1,019</u>
Sb Upper Ruamahanga A	39.37500 131.82350	<u>62,764</u> <u>697,363</u> 12,121	Waipoua A B C D	105.96780 84.77430 63.58070 42.38710	9,317 25,286 1,415 12,450
B C D E F	109.85300 87.88240 65.91180 43.94120 21.97060	727 10,922 1,161 13,085 878	SA SC Kopuaranga A2	3,581.71310 2,140.55040 45.78120	358 <u>214</u> <u><b>49,040</b></u> 1,205
S Middle Ruamahanga A B	1,237.83380 112.94650 94.12210	<u>1,857</u> <u>40,751</u> 5,051 5,148	A3 A4 A5 A6 B2	41.20310 22.89060 16.02340 9.15620 9.15620	2,841 258 925 743 561
C D E F S	75.29770 56.47320 37.64880 18.82440 1,139.04380	385 6,992 1,774 5,575 <u>1,936</u> <u>26,861</u>	B3 B4 B5 B6 SA SB	8.24060 4.57810 3.20470 1.83120 112.50000 56.25000	606 42 100 220 563 <u>619</u>
Lower Ruamahanga A B C D E F SA	57.63600 49.40230 41.16860 32.93490 24.70120 16.46740 1.445.20640	7,370 2,702 9,005 10,911 8,117 20,217 3,613	Lower Taueru A B C S	3.16110 0.63220 0.31610 158.05580	<u>8,683</u> 1,284 178 59 <u>192</u> <b>1,713</b>
SB Waiohine – rural A	722.60330 46.58250	<u>1,156</u> <u>63,091</u> 5,219	Lower Whangaehu A B C D	17.88560 14.30850 10.73140 7.15420	606 925 576 524
B C D E	38.81880 31.05500 23.29130 15.52750	14,732 39,627 8,453 12,621	E S	3.57710 89.42800	625 <u>120</u> <b>3,376</b>
S	776.37580	<u>10,015</u> <b>90,667</b>	Total river management scheme rates		1,030,580

Please note that on pages 70-74 all figures include GST.



		Proposed rate 2008/09 \$ per hectare	Revenue sought 2008/09 \$
Targeted rate: c	atchment schemes 1		
Whareama	А	4.52780	2,944
	В	1.74150	1,262
	С	0.30480	13,338
	D	0.26120	5
	E	0.21770	4
	F	0.17410	<u>487</u>
			<u>18,040</u>
Homewood	А	1.46170	3,456
	В	1.39210	619
	С	1.21810	4,065
	D	0.17400	<u>302</u>
			<u>8,442</u>
Maungaraki	А	1.79400	5,068
U	В	0.89700	2,237
	С	0.50230	<u>311</u>
			<u>7,616</u>
Upper Kaiwhata	А	10.33500	433
	В	4.52150	355
	С	0.64590	591
	D	0.38760	689
	Е	0.25840	484
	F	0.12920	<u>57</u>
			<u>2,609</u>
Lower Kaiwhata	А	17.24660	1,134
	В	7.54540	350
	С	1.07790	1,231
	D	0.64670	1,700
	E	0.43120	15
	F	0.21560	<u>60</u>
			4,490
Catchment management	t scheme 1 rates		44,197

		Proposed rate 2008/09 cents per \$ of rateable land value	Revenue sought 2008/09 \$
Targeted rate: catcl	hment schemes 2		
Awhea-Opouawe Mataikona-Whakataki	Land value Land value within scheme area	0.01439 0.00377	9,915 2,893
Catchment management scho	eme 2 rates		12,808
		Proposed rate 2008/09 \$ per dwelling \$	Revenue sought 2008/09
Targeted rate: catcl	hment schemes 3		
Awhea-Opouawe Mataikona-Whakataki	Charge per dwelling <sup>(1)</sup> Charge per dwelling <sup>(1)</sup>	\$124.63 / \$62.31 \$ 17.69	9,597 2,299
Catchment management scho	eme 3 rates		11,896
Total catchment managemen	t scheme rates		65,901

#### Note:

(1) Separately used or inhabited part includes any part of a rating unit separately used or inhabited by the owner or any other person who has the right to use or inhabit that part by virtue of a tenancy, lease, licence or other agreement. At a minimum, the land or premises intended to form the separately used or inhabited part of the rating unit must be capable of actual habitation, or actual separate use. For the avoidance of doubt, a rating unit that has only one use (ie, it does not have separate parts or is vacant land) is treated as being one separately used or inhabited part



		Proposed rate 2008/09 \$ per hectare	Revenue sought 2008/09 \$
Targeted rate: pu	ump drainage schemes		
Papatahi	А	26.58560	9,360
Te Hopai	А	42.06290	51,750
Moonmoot pump	А	43.14300	10,004
Onoke pump	А	48.44350	33,087
Pouawha pump	А	33.09520	29,753
Total pump drainage sch	eme rates		133,954
Targeted rate: To	Whiti stophonk		
Targeted rate: Te Te Whiti	e Whiti stopbank A B C SA SB	84.77330 70.64450 56.51560 706.44450 847.73340	2,314 12,881 1,914 141 424
-	A B C SA SB	70.64450 56.51560 706.44450	12,881 1,914 141
Te Whiti Total Te Whiti stopbank a Targeted rate: bo	A B C SA SB rates	70.64450 56.51560 706.44450 847.73340	12,881 1,914 141 424 17,674
Te Whiti Total Te Whiti stopbank 1	A B C SA SB rates	70.64450 56.51560 706.44450	12,881 1,914 141 424

		Proposed rate 2008/09 \$ per hectare	Revenue sought 2008/09 \$
Targeted rate: g	gravity drainage schemes		
Taumata	А	6.79620	1,965
East Pukio	А	29.26410	3,375
Longbush	А	8.38940	1,830
	В	4.19470	542
Te Whiti	А	4.29050	583
Ahikouka	А	29.10730	3,266
Battersea	А	16.41820	2,757
	А	13.59350	2,522
	В	10.59240	3,301
	С	6.35540	977
	D	5.47270	1,115
	E	5.29620	397
Manaia	F	45.66660	7,875
Whakawiriwiri	А	14.92510	9,308
Total gravity drainage	scheme rates		39,813

Differential rating categories



Each rating unit is allocated to a differential rating category based upon location and/or land use for the purpose of calculating the general rate or any specific targeted rate based upon capital or land value.

As Greater Wellington Regional Council rates are invoiced and collected by each of the territorial authorities in the Wellington region, Greater Wellington is limited to using rating categories based on those used by each of the territorial authorities. Set out below are the definitions used to allocate rating units into rating categories.

### Category 1. Rates based on capital or land value

Location	Use	Description
Wellington City	Wellington City Downtown City Centre Business	All rating units not classified as Base within the central area boundary, currently shown on Map 32 of the District Plan of Wellington city, as may be amended from time to time by Wellington city
	Wellington City Business	All rating units not classified as Base in the rating information database for Wellington city outside the downtown city centre.
	Wellington City Residential	All rating units classified as Base (excluding rural and farm) in the rating information database for Wellington city
	Wellington City Urban	All Wellington city business and Wellington city residential rating units.
	Wellington City Rural	All rating units sub classified as Rural or Farm within the Base category in the rating information database for Wellington city
Hutt City	Hutt City Business	All rating units not classified as Residential, Rural or Community Facilities in the rating information database for Hutt city
	Hutt City Residential	All rating units classified as Residential or Community Facilities in the rating information database for Hutt city
	Hutt City Urban	All Hutt city business and Hutt city residential rating units
	Hutt City Rural	All rating units classified as Rural in the rating information database for Hutt city



# **Funding impact statement** Differential rating categories

Location	Use	Description
Porirua City	Porirua City Business	All rating units classified as Business in the rating information database for Porirua city
	Porirua City Residential	All rating units classified as Residential in the rating information database for Porirua city
	Porirua City Urban	All Porirua City residential and Porirua city business rating units
	Porirua City Rural	All rating units classified as Rural in the rating information database for Porirua city
Upper Hutt City	Upper Hutt City Business	All rating units classified as Business or Utilities in the rating information database for Upper Hutt city.
	Upper Hutt City Residential	All rating units not classified as Rural, Business or Utilities in the rating information database for Upper Hutt city
	Upper Hutt City Urban	All Upper Hutt city business and Upper Hutt city residential rating units
	Upper Hutt City Rural	All rating units classified as Rural in the rating information database for Upper Hutt city
Kapiti Coast District	Kapiti Coast District Urban	All rating units not classified in the Rural rating areas for Kapiti Coast district
	Kapiti Coast District Rural	All rating units classified in the Rural rating areas for Kapiti Coast district
Masterton District	Masterton District Urban	All rating units not classified as Rural in the rating information database for Masterton district
	Masterton District Rural	All rating units classified as Rural in the rating information database for Masterton district

# **Funding impact statement** Differential rating categories



Location	Use	Description
Carterton District	Carterton District Urban	All rating units not classified as Rural in the rating information database for Carterton district
	Carterton District Rural	All rating units classified as Rural in the rating information database for Carterton district
South Wairarapa District	South Wairarapa District Urban	All rating units not classified as Rural in the rating information database for South Wairarapa district
	South Wairarapa District Rural	All rating units classified as Rural in the rating information database for South Wairarapa district
	Greytown Ward	All rating units classified in the rating area of the Greytown Ward in the rating information database for South Wairarapa district
	Greytown Urban	All rating units classified in the urban area of Greytown in the rating information database for South Wairarapa district. (Prefaced Nos 18400 and 18420)
	Featherston Urban	All rating units classified in the urban area of Featherston in the rating information database for South Wairarapa district. (Prefaced Nos 18440 and 18450)
Tararua District		All rating units classified as being within the boundaries of the Wellington region



Differential rating categories

### Category 2. Rates based on land area

Some rating units (either in whole or part) are allocated to additional differential rating categories (based on the area of land within each rating unit and the provision of a service or location) for the purpose of calculating the bovine Tb and Wairarapa schemes targeted rates based on land area. Some schemes have an additional fixed charge per separate use or inhabited part.

Rating units subject to these rates are shown within an approved classification register for each scheme. For more information on whether your rating unit is allocated to one or more of these categories, please contact Greater Wellington's Masterton office on 06 378 2484.

### Category 3. Economic development agency rates (EDA)

The economic development agency rate (EDA) is a targeted rate allocated on a fixed-amount basis for residential and rural ratepayers, and capital value for businesses. For residential properties, the fixed amount is \$14.06 and rural properties \$28.13. This rate will fund GrowWellington – the regions economic development agency.

Location	Use	Description
Wellington City	Wellington City WRS Business	All rating units not classified as Base in the Wellington City rating information database
	Wellington City Residential	As per differential category 1 above
	Wellington City Rural	As per differential category 1 above
Hutt City	Hutt City Business	As per differential category 1 above
	Hutt City Residential	As per differential category 1 above
	Hutt City Rural	As per differential category 1 above
Porirua City	Porirua City Business	As per differential category 1 above
	Porirua City Residential	As per differential category 1 above
	Porirua City Rural	As per differential category 1 above
Upper Hutt City	Upper Hutt City Business	As per differential category 1 above
	Upper Hutt City Residential	As per differential category 1 above
	Upper Hutt City Rural	As per differential category 1 above

# **Funding impact statement** Differential rating categories



Location	Use	Description
Kapiti Coast District	Kapiti Coast District Business	All rating units used for a commercial, business, industrial purpose, or utility network activity in the Kapiti Coast rating information database
	Kapiti Coast District Residential	All rating units located in the Urban Rating Areas, except those properties which meet the classification of rural, commercial, business, industrial purpose or utility network activity and all community activities in the Kapiti Coast rating information database
	Kapiti Coast District Rural	All rating units located in Rural Rating Areas, except those properties which meet the classification of commercial, business, industrial purpose, utility network or community activity in the Kapiti Coast rating information database
Masterton District	Masterton District Business	All rating units classified as Non-Residential Urban in the Masterton district rating information database
	Masterton District Residential	All rating units classified as Urban Residential in the Masterton district rating information database
	Masterton District Rural	As per differential category 1 above
Carterton District	Carterton District Business	All rating units classified as Urban Commercial, Urban Industrial or Urban Smallholding – greater than one hectare in the Carterton district rating information database
	Carterton District Residential	All rating units classified as Urban Residential in the Carterton district rating information database
	Carterton District Rural	As per differential category 1 above
South Wairarapa District	South Wairarapa District Business	All rating units classified as Commercial in the South Wairarapa district rating information database
	South Wairarapa District Residential	All rating units classified as Urban in the South Wairarapa district rating information database
	South Wairarapa District Rural	As per differential category 1 above
Tararua District		As per differential category 1 above



Prospective funding impact statement

	2007/08 Budget	2008/09 Plan	2008/09 LTCCP
OPERATING REVENUE	\$000s	\$000s	\$000s
General rates	21,803	23,750	24,319
Targeted rates <sup>(1)</sup>	48,186	50,979	53,480
Regional rates	69,989	74,729	77,799
Water supply levy	23,460	23,460	25,635
Government subsidies	81,670	118,980	119,177
Interest and dividends	4,136	4,405	4,978
Unrealised revaluation gains	3,809	3,807	5,087
Other operating revenue	17,621	17,434	18,227
Total external operating revenue	200,685	242,815	250,903

#### Notes:

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- (3) Non-cash items include depreciation, investment impairment, forestry cost of goods sold and unrealised revaluation gains.

	2007/08 Budget \$000s	2008/09 Plan \$000s	2008/09 LTCCP \$000s
OPERATING EXPENDITURE			
Personnel costs	30,593	31,475	30,557
Grants and subsidies <sup>(1) (2)</sup>	65,019	64,481	69,554
Finance costs	4,975	6,373	7,757
Investment impairment	-	-	5,495
Depreciation	10,466	10,772	11,429
Tax expense	-	-	-
Other operating expenses	46,389	47,714	53,954
Total external operating expenditure	157,442	160,815	178,746
Operating surplus/(deficit) before			/
transport improvement grants <sup>(1)</sup>	43,243	82,000	72,157
Transport improvement grants <sup>(1)</sup>	58,108	85,984	-
Operating surplus/(deficit) <sup>(2)</sup>	(14,865)	(3,984)	72,157
Less:			
Capital expenditure and			
transport investments	25,495	20,169	99,945
Proceeds from asset sales	(346)	(392)	(362)
Loan funding of capital expenditure	(15,340)	(12,227)	(23,150)
Rate, levy and subsidy-funded			
capital expenditure	9,809	7,550	76,433
Loan-funded improvement grants <sup>(1)</sup>	(23,225)	(12,618)	-
Other loan funding	(4,612)	(5,144)	(3,797)
Debt repayment	9,234	10,601	11,046
Other investment movements	2,062	4,425	1,903
Operational reserve movements	(263)	(99)	1,000
Non-cash items <sup>(3)</sup>	(7,870)	(8,699)	(14,428)
Net funding required	-	-	-

Prospective income statement



	2007/08 Budget \$000s	2008/09 Plan \$000s	2008/09 LTCCP \$000s
OPERATING REVENUE			
Environment	10,383	11,098	11,218
Transport	118,540	159,818	160,973
Water supply	24,955	24,453	27,171
Parks	6,548	6,464	6,808
Safety and flood protection	15,952	16,318	16,015
Land	10,979	10,460	11,047
Community <sup>(1)</sup>	13,059	11,943	13,080
Investments	7,923	6,791	11,745
Other	2,217	2,714	2,423
Total operating revenue	210,556	250,059	260,480
Less:			
Internal operating revenue	9,871	7,244	9,577
Total external operating revenue	200,685	242,815	250,903

	2007/08 Budget	2008/09 Plan	2008/09 LTCCP
	\$000s	\$000s	\$000s
OPERATING EXPENDITURE			
Environment	10,552	11,097	11,059
Transport <sup>(2)</sup>	78,901	81,273	95,078
Water supply	26,887	25,962	26,736
Parks	6,869	6,726	6,941
Safety and flood protection	12,931	13,544	13,311
Land	10,953	10,439	11,110
Community <sup>(1)</sup>	11,389	10,911	11,014
Investments	6,796	5,262	10,689
Other	2,035	2,845	2,385
Total operating expenditure	167,313	168,059	188,323
Less:			
Internal operating expenditure	9,871	7,244	9,577
Total external operating expenditure	157,442	160,815	178,746
Operating surplus/(deficit) before transport improvement grants <sup>(1)</sup>	43,243	82,000	72,157
Transport improvement grants <sup>(1)</sup>	58,108	85,984	-
Operating surplus/(deficit) <sup>(2)</sup>	(14,865)	(3,984)	72,157

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A further breakdown of operating revenue and expenditure is contained in the Prospective Funding Impact Statements at the end of each outcome area section (eg, Environment is on p20).



Prospective balance sheet

	2007/08 Budget \$000s	2008/09 Plan \$000s	2008/09 LTCCP \$000s		2007/08 Budget \$000s	2008/09 Plan \$000s	2008/09 LTCCP \$000s
ASSETS				RATEPAYERS' FUNDS			
Cash and cash equivalents <sup>(1)</sup>	48,224	52,853	63,380	Retained earnings	345,854	306,378	550,025
Other current assets	14,153	34,732	16,880	Reserves	205,745	293,499	257,351
Current assets	62,377	87,585	80,260	Total ratepayers' funds	551,599	599,877	807,376
Investments (non-current) <sup>(2)</sup> Forestry investments Property, plant and equipment Other non-current assets	23,089 18,194 561,209	41,335 15,841 581,864 -	223,791 23,265 621,730	<b>LIABILITIES</b> Debt (current) Other current liabilities Current liabilities	2,767 19,154 21,921	66,023 31,834 97,857	2,143 19,230 21,373
Non-current assets	602,492	639,040	868,786			20.004	400.007
Total assets	664,869	726,625	949,046	Debt (non-current)	91,349	28,891	120,297
				Non-current liabilities	91,349	28,891	120,297
				Total liabilities	113,270	126,748	141,670
				Total equity and liabilities	664,869	726,625	949,046

#### Notes:

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Prospective statement of changes in equity



	2007/08 Budget \$000s	2008/09 Plan \$000s	2008/09 LTCCP \$000s
Opening ratepayers' fund	566,464	544,722	685,506
Operating surplus/deficit	(14,865)	(3,984)	72,157
Movements in revaluation reserve	-	59,139	49,713
Revenue and expense recognised in equity	(14,865)	55,155	121,870
Closing ratepayers' fund	551,599	599,877	807,376

Movements in revaluation reserves are the projected revaluation of water supply and flood protection property, plant and equipment. These have been projected in accordance with their respective five-yearly revaluation cycles.



Prospective statement of cashflows

	2007/08 Budget	2008/09 Plan	2008/09 LTCCP
	\$000s	\$000s	\$000s
CASHFLOWS FROM			
OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Cash is provided from:			
Regional rates <sup>(1)</sup>	69,989	74,729	77,799
Water supply levy	23,460	23,460	25,635
Government subsidies	81,670	118,980	119,177
Interest and dividends	3,023	3,113	4,025
Fees, charges and other revenue	17,621	17,434	18,227
	195,763	237,716	244,863
Cash is disbursed to:			
Interest	4,703	6,106	7,547
Payment to suppliers and employees	198,893	230,106	151,474
	203,596	236,212	159,021
Net cashflows from operating activities	(7,833)	1,504	85,842
CASHFLOWS FROM			
INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Cash is provided from:			
Tax refund	-	-	-
Sale of property, plant and equipment Investment withdrawals	346	392	362
	346	392	- 362
Cash is applied to:	540	592	502
Tax expense Burchase of property plant and equipment	- 24,518	- 20,169	- 20,824
Purchase of property, plant and equipment Investment additions <sup>(2)</sup>	-	20,169	
	1,928 26,446	21,119	80,071 100,895
Net cashflows from investing activities	(26,446	(20,727)	(100,895
Net cashiows from investing activities	(20,100)	(20,727)	(100,555)

	2007/08 Budget \$000s	2008/09 Plan \$000s	2008/09 LTCCP \$000s
CASHFLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Cash is provided from:			
Loan funding	42,904	29,725	26,736
Cash is applied to:			
Debt repayment	8,971	10,502	12,045
Net cashflows from financing activities	33,933	19,223	14,691
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	-	-	-
Opening cash and cash equivalents <sup>(3)</sup>	48,224	52,853	63,380
Closing cash and cash equivalents	48,224	52,853	63,380

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Prospective regional rates and capital expenditure

	2007/08 Budget \$000s	2008/09 Plan \$000s	2008/09 LTCCP \$000s		2007/08 Budget \$000s	2008/09 Plan \$000s	2008/09 LTCCP \$000s
REGIONAL RATES				CAPITAL EXPENDITURE AND TRANSPORT INVESTMENT			
Environment	8,904	9,282	9,830	Environment	401	590	627
Transport	36,761	39,280	41,183	Transport <sup>(2)</sup>	7,086	5,785	85,042
Water supply	0	-	-	Water supply	5,016	4,765	7,694
Parks	5,472	5,594	6,032	Parks	425	545	272
Safety and flood protection	12,940	13,781	13,716	Safety and flood protection	8,499	6,149	5,115
Land	4,550	4,734	4,260	Land	187	164	73
Community <sup>(1)</sup>	9,399	9,507	10,067	Community	65	5	5
Investments	(8,742)	(8,148)	(8,044)	Investments	1,919	689	590
Other	705	699	755	Other	1,897	1,477	527
Total regional rates	69,989	74,729	77,799	Total capital expenditure	25,495	20,169	99,945

#### Notes:

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Prospective investments

	2007/08 Budget \$000s	2008/09 Plan \$000s	2008/09 LTCCP \$000s
EQUITY INVESTMENTS			
New Zealand Local Government			
Insurance Corporation Ltd shares	80	80	80
WRC Holdings Ltd shares <sup>(1)</sup>	12,477	37,301	212,337
Total equity investments	12,557	37,381	212,417
OTHER INVESTMENTS			
Stadium advance	10,532	3,954	11,374
Total other investments (2)	10,532	3,954	11,374
Total investments	23,089	41,335	223,791
Investments (current) <sup>(2)</sup>	-	-	-
Investments (non-current)	23,089	41,335	223,791
Total investments	23,089	41,335	223,791

#### Notes:

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Prospective r	reserves
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	2007/08 Budget \$000s	2008/09 Plan \$000s	2008/09 LTCCP \$000s
Area of benefit reserves			
River rate reserves	1,220	1,678	1,158
Wairarapa scheme reserves	2,627	2,628	3,110
Transport reserves	(104)	435	1,640
Bovine Tb rate reserve	760	505	630
BioWorks reserve	171	-	173
Akura nursery reserve	(18)	10	42
Contingency reserves			
Rural fire contingency reserve	52	53	51
Flood contingency reserve	1,336	1,020	1,566
Environment legal contingency reserve	329	252	347
Special reserves			
Election reserve	9	103	117
Corporate systems reserve	1,035	1,289	759
Total operational reserves	7,417	7,973	9,593
Revaluation of property, plant			
and equipment	198,328	285,526	247,758
Total revaluation reserves	198,328	285,526	247,758
Total reserves	205,745	293,499	257,351



Prospective debt

	2007/08 Budget \$000s	2008/09 Plan \$000s	2008/09 LTCCP \$000s
Environment	404	641	568
Transport	35,343	24,509	46,413
Water supply	45,602	46,355	52,044
Parks	3,329	3,220	3,059
Flood protection	32,016	34,901	35,213
Harbour management	864	837	461
Stadium	17,498	16,755	16,336
WRCH Group	1,906	1,583	1,573
Forestry	25,675	27,186	27,255
Property	2,302	1,023	3,680
Corporate systems	1,870	2,316	1,473
Total activities debt	166,809	159,326	188,075
Treasury internal funding	72,693	64,412	65,635
Total external debt	94,116	94,914	122,440
External debt (current) <sup>(1)</sup>	2,767	66,023	2,143
External debt (non-current)	91,349	28,891	120,297
Total external debt	94,116	94,914	122,440

Note:

(1) A change in international financial reporting standards has meant some external debt has been reclassified current debt from non-current debt



Any accounting policies adopted in the prospective financial statements in this annual plan document which have a significant effect on the results and financial position disclosed are set out below:

Greater Wellington Regional Council is a regional local authority governed by the Local Government Act 2002. For the purposes of financial reporting, Greater Wellington is designated as a public benefit entity.

### (a) Revenue recognition

Rates and levies are a statutory annual charge and are recognised in the year the assessments are issued. Government grants and contributions from territorial local authorities are recognised in the Income Statement when eligibility has been established by the grantor. Other revenue is recognised in the Income Statement on an accrual basis.

### (b) Borrowing costs

Borrowing costs directly attributable to capital construction are capitalised as part of the costs of those assets. All other borrowing costs are recognised as an expense in the period in which they are incurred. (c) Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment is categorised into the following classes:

- Operational land and buildings
- Operational plant and equipment
- Operational vehicles
- Flood protection infrastructural assets
- Transport infrastructural assets
- Rail rolling stock
- Navigational aids infrastructural assets
- Parks infrastructural assets
- Capital work in progress
- Water supply infrastructural assets
- Water supply administrative buildings
- Water supply minor equipment
- Water supply motor vehicles
- Water supply capital work in progress

Infrastructural assets are revalued or reviewed by independent qualified valuers at least every five years.

The results of any revaluation of a class of property, plant and equipment are credited or debited to an asset revaluation reserve for that class of asset. Where this results in a debit balance in the asset revaluation reserve, it is taken to the income statement as an expense.



#### (d) Impairment

All assets are reviewed annually to determine if there is any indication of impairment.

An impairment loss is recognised when its carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. Losses resulting from impairment are accounted for in the Income Statement, unless the asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case any impairment loss is treated as a revaluation decrease.

### (e) Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on a straight line basis on all tangible property, plant and equipment other than land and capital works in progress, at rates which will write off assets, less their estimated residual value, over their remaining useful lives. The useful lives of major classes of assets have been estimated as follows:

<ul> <li>Operational land and buildings</li> </ul>	10 years to indefinite
• Operational plant and equipment	2 – 20 years
• Operational vehicles	3 – 10 years
• Flood protection infrastructural assets	15 years to indefinite
• Transport infrastructural assets	5 – 50 years
• Rail rolling stock	15 – 35 years
• Navigational aids infrastructural assets	5 – 50 years
• Parks and forests infrastructural assets	10 – 100 years
• Regional water supply infrastructural assets	3 – 150 years

Stopbanks included in the flood protection infrastructure asset class are maintained in perpetuity. Annual inspections are undertaken to ensure design standards are being maintained and to check for impairment. As such, stopbanks are considered to have an indefinite life and are not depreciated.

Work in progress is not depreciated until the project phase is completed.

### (f) Intangible assets

Software is carried at cost less any accumulated amortisation and any accumulated impairment losses. It is amortised over the useful life of the asset as follows:

• Software 1 – 3 years

(g) Investments

### 1) Investment in subsidiaries

Investments in subsidiaries are held at the lower of cost and fair value.

#### 2) Forestry investment

Forestry investments are stated at fair value, less point-of-sale costs. They are independently revalued to an estimate of market valuation based on net present value. The net gain or loss arising from changes in forestry valuation is included in the Income Statement.

#### (h) Inventories

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost or net realisable value on a first-in first-out basis. The value of harvested timber is its fair value, less estimated point-of-sale costs at the date of harvest. Any change in value at the date of harvest is recognised in the Income Statement.



### (i) Financial instruments

Greater Wellington classifies its financial assets and liabilities according to the purpose for which they were acquired. Financial assets and liabilities are only offset when there is a legally enforceable right to offset them and there is an intention to settle on a net basis.

#### 1) Financial assets

Greater Wellington's financial assets are categorised as follows:

• Financial assets at fair value accounted through the Income Statementnt

Financial Financial assets are classified in this category if acquired principally for the purpose of selling in the short term or if so designated by management.

Gains or losses on re-measurement are recognised in the Income Statement.

• Financial assets at fair value accounted through equity

Financial assets are classified in this category if they were not acquired principally for selling in the short term. After initial recognition these assets are measured at their fair value. Any gains and losses are recognised directly to equity, except for impairment losses which are recognised in the Income Statement.

Available-for-sale financial assets are either designated in this category or not classified in any of the other categories. Available-for-sale financial assets are initially recorded at fair value plus transaction costs when it can be reliably estimated. Subsequent to initial recognition, they are measured at fair value and changes therein, other than impairment losses, are recognised directly through equity. If there is no active market and no intention to sell the asset, the item is measured at cost. Fair value is equal to Greater Wellington's share of the net assets of the entity. Upon sale, the cumulative fair value gain or loss previously recognised directly in equity is recognised in the Income Statement.

• Loans and receivables

These assets are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. After initial recognition they are measured at amortised costs using the effective interest method.

Gains and losses when the asset is impaired or sold are accounted for in the Income Statement.

• Held-to-maturity investments

These are assets with fixed or determinable payments with fixed maturities that Greater Wellington has the intention and ability to hold to maturity. After initial recognition they are recorded at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Gains and losses when the asset is impaired or settled are recognised in the Income Statement.

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash balances and call deposits with up to three months maturity from the date of acquisition. These are recorded at their nominal value.

### 2) Financial liabilities

Financial liabilities comprise trade, other payables and borrowings. Financial liabilities with duration of more than 12 months are recognised initially at fair value, less transaction costs. Subsequently, they are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method. Amortisation is recognised in the Income Statement as is any gain or loss when the liability is settled. Financial liabilities entered into with duration of less than 12 months are recognised at their nominal value.



(j) Derivative financial instruments

Greater Wellington uses derivative financial instruments to manage its exposure to interest rate and foreign exchange risks arising from its operational, financing and investment activities. In accordance with its treasury policies, Greater Wellington does not hold or issue derivative financial instruments for trading purposes.

Derivative financial instruments are initially recognised at cost. Subsequent to initial recognition, derivative financial instruments are stated at fair value. For those instruments which do not qualify for hedge accounting, the gain or loss on re-measurement to fair value is recognised immediately in the Income Statement.

The fair value of an interest rate swap is the estimated amount that Greater Wellington would receive or pay to terminate the swap at balance date, based on current interest rates. The fair value of forward-exchange contracts is their quoted market price at the balance date. (k) Goods and Services Tax (GST)

All items in the financial statements are exclusive of GST, with the exception of receivables and payables, which are stated as GST inclusive.

(I) Changes in Accounting Policies

There have been no changes from the accounting policies adopted in the last audited financial statements.

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