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Council

Thursday 10 December 2020, 9.30am

Council Chamber, Greater Wellington Regional Council
100 Cuba St, Te Aro, Wellington

Members

Cr Ponter (Chair)

Cr Staples (Deputy Chair)

Cr Blakeley

Cr Brash

Cr Connelly

Cr Gaylor

Cr Hughes

Cr Kirk-Burnnand

Cr Laban

Cr Lamason

Cr Lee

Cr Nash

Cr van Lier

Recommendations in reports are not to be construed as Council policy until adopted by Council

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Please note these minutes remain unconfirmed until the Council meeting on 10 December 2020.

Report 20.414

Public minutes of the Council meeting on Thursday 29 October 2020

Council Chamber, Greater Wellington Regional Council
Level 2, 15 Walter Street, Te Aro, Wellington at 9.30am

Members Present

Councillor Ponter (Chair)
Councillor Staples (Deputy Chair)
Councillor Blakeley
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Councillor Connelly
Councillor Gaylor
Councillor Hughes
Councillor Kirk-Burnnand
Councillor Laban
Councillor Lamason
Councillor Lee
Councillor Nash
Councillor van Lier

Public Business

1 Apologies

There were no apologies.

2 Declarations of conflicts of interest

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

3 Public participation

Geoff Canham, Convenor, New Zealand Parks Leaders Forum, spoke about the work of Amanda Cox, in her capacity as Greater Wellington's Manager Parks, in chairing the Parks Leaders Forum and her contribution to the parks management sector. Mr Canham advised that Ms Cox is the inaugural recipient of the Outstanding Parks Leader Award, and presented the award to Ms Cox.

4 Confirmation of the Public minutes of the Council meeting on 24 September 2020 – Report 20.360

Moved: Cr Lamason / Cr Blakeley

That the Council confirms the Public minutes of the Council meeting on 24 September 2020 – Report 20.360.

The motion was **carried**.

5 Update on progress of action items from previous meetings – October 2020 – Report 20.392 [For Information]

Wayne O'Donnell, General Manager, Catchment Management, spoke to the report.

Strategy, policy or major issues

6 Carbon Reduction Pathways and the Long Term Plan – Report 20.371

Andrea Brandon, Programme Lead – Climate Change and Jake Roos, Climate Change Advisor spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Nash / Cr Connelly

That the Council agrees that two or more options for the corporate carbon emissions reduction pathways and their associated measures (including scenario B2-R2-P2 in Attachment 1) be included in the Consultation Document for the 2021-31 Long Term Plan.

The motion was **carried**.

7 Public transport fares review – 2020/21 – Report 20.413

Tim Shackleton, Manager Strategy and Investments, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Staples / Cr Lamason

That the Council:

- 1 Notes that due to the uncertainties caused by COVID-19, the annual fares review for 2020/21 is being concluded after the Annual Plan has been adopted.
- 2 Notes that as a result of COVID-19, patronage and fare revenue in 2019/20 (before Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency's COVID-19 funding support) were significantly lower than the previous year and budget expectation.

- 3 Notes the assumption in the current Long Term Plan is that fares will increase by inflation from 2019/20 onwards.
- 4 Notes that fares did not increase by inflation in 2019/20.
- 5 Agrees to increase fares by inflation (1.5 percent) from 1 February 2021.
- 6 Agrees in principle, that in public information on fares that the fares should be initially identified as cash fares, with bus smartcard fares, rail 10-trip tickets, rail passes, and bus passes being shown as a discount off the cash fare.

The motion was **carried**.

The meeting accorded priority to agenda item 9, with agenda item 8 dealt with after agenda item 10.

8 Belmont West grazing license – temporary extension to enable consultation – Report 20.408

Al Cross, General Manager, Environment Management, Deborah Kessell-Haak Senior Legal Advisor and Wayne Boness, Principal Ranger, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Brash / Cr Connelly

That Council:

1. Authorises officers to extend the current Licence governing grazing activity within the Licensed Area to 31 March 2021 to enable public consultation to occur in relation to a possible extension of the Licence to 31 March 2022.
2. Delegates to the Chief Executive the development and implementation of a consultation plan conforming with the requirements of the Reserves Act 1977 (Reserves Act) in relation to the proposed further extension of the Licence to 31 March 2022.
3. Notes that all relevant information, including public feedback received, will be reported to Council for final decision with officer recommendations as to whether the extension of the Licence to 31 March 2022 should be granted under the Reserves Act 1977.

The motion was **carried**.

Note: The meeting adjourned at 10.25am during questions on the report, and reconvened at 10.39am.

9 Chief Executive position description – Report 20.398

Cr Hughes spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Hughes / Cr Lamason

That the Council:

- 1 Approves the Chief Executive position description (Attachment 1) for the purposes of recruiting the Chief Executive.

- 2 Appoints the Chair and Deputy Chair of the Chief Executive Employment Review Committee as the panel to select the recruitment agency to undertake the Chief Executive recruitment process.
- 3 Authorises the engagement of Strategic Pay to undertake the job sizing of the Chief Executive position in order for Council to determine the remuneration parameters to apply to the Chief Executive position.

The motion was **carried**.

Note: In the “Purpose of role” section of the draft position description the Council requested that the wording of the second sentence of the second paragraph be changed to “The CE needs to be visible across the organisation and community”.

Councillor Ponter requested that his abstention from voting on this motion be recorded.

10 Endorsement of the Wellington Regional Growth Framework for public consultation – Report 20.370

Tracy Plane, Manager, Strategic and Corporate Planning and Kim Kelly, Programme Lead, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Blakeley / Cr Lamason

That Council:

- 1 Notes that the draft Wellington Regional Growth Framework is the result of a partnership between central government, local government, and iwi.
- 2 Notes that the draft Framework is generally consistent in content and structure to other spatial plans developed within the urban growth partnership programme.
- 3 Notes that a ‘public consultation friendly’ version of this Framework (smaller and more concise) will be developed for the public consultation process in 2021 and that an example of what this might look like is included as Attachment 3.
- 4 Endorses the draft Wellington Regional Growth Framework attached as Attachment 2 for public consultation.

The motion was **carried**.

Governance

11 Impact of recent legislative changes on the Council’s powers, functions and duties October 2020 – Report 20.342

Francis Ryan, Manager, Democratic Services, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Lamason / Cr Staples

That Council:

- 1 Notes recent legislation with implications for Council’s powers, functions and duties.

- 2 Notes that Council has already established related delegations for the Land Transport (Rail) Legislation Act 2020 and the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020.
- 3 Delegates to the Chief Executive all the powers, functions and duties under the Privacy Act 2020 (as set out in Attachment 1).
- 4 Notes that, given a range of other legislative amendments, officers will report to Council's 10 December 2020 meeting proposing changes to the suite of delegations associated with the Resource Management Act 1991.

The motion was **carried**.

12 Notice of motion: Councillor Ros Connelly – Report 20.400

Cr Connelly spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Connelly / Cr van Lier

That Council:

- 1 Agrees to publicly support, through words, deeds and votes, the following birds for Bird of the Year 2020 (in preference order):
 - a Kākā
 - b Banded Dotterel/Tūturiwhatu
 - c Kererū
 - d Tieke and
 - e Kākāriki
- 2 Agrees that these birds all represent birds that are growing in abundance in the Wellington Region and can be considered as the 'Whanganui-a-tara Five' voting ticket.

The motion was **carried**.

13 Councillor fieldtrip to Auckland on 1 and 2 October 2020 – Report 20.394 [For Information]

Cr Blakeley spoke to the report.

Corporate

14 Issue of unpaid share capital to fund Greater Wellington Rail Limited capital expenditure for 2020/21 – Report 20.367

Moved: Cr Lamason / Cr Kirk-Burnnand

That Council:

- 1 Notes that the amount of \$16.7 million is required by GWRL to fund GWRL's budgeted 2020/21 year capital expenditure.
- 2 Notes that GWRL's budgeted 2020/21 capital expenditure will be funded by:

- The issue of 12.1 million unpaid ordinary \$1 shares by GWRL to WRCHL, and
 - The issue of 12.1 million unpaid ordinary \$1 shares by WRCHL to Council.
 - The utilisation of 4.6 million unpaid ordinary \$1 shares issued by GWRL to WRCHL in prior periods but not yet called.
 - The utilisation of 4.6 million unpaid ordinary \$1 shares issued by WRCHL to Council in prior periods but not yet called.
- 3 Approves the issue of 12.1 million unpaid ordinary \$1 shares in WRCHL to Council.
 - 4 Approves WRCHL approving the issue of 12.1 million unpaid ordinary \$1 shares in GWRL to WRCHL.
 - 5 Authorises the Council Chair and Deputy Chair to sign the required Entitled Persons Agreement attached approving and consenting to the issue of shares on behalf of Council.
 - 6 Authorises the Council Chair to sign the agreement attached for the issue of shares approving the basis upon which the respective WRCHL and GWRL boards may make calls for payment of the shares.
 - 7 Requests that the Council Chair confirms the consent and approvals referred to in this report, in writing to WRCHL.

The motion was **carried**.

15 Local Government Funding Agency Annual General Meeting 2020 – Report 20.368

Seán Mahoney, Company Portfolio and Economic Development Manager, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Lamason / Cr Hughes

That Council:

- 1 Appoints Samantha Gain, General Manager Corporate Services, as proxy to vote on behalf of the Council at the Local Government Funding Agency's Annual General Meeting on 19 November 2020, and Seán Mahoney, Company Portfolio and Economic Development Manager, as alternate.
- 2 Instructs the appointed proxy to:
 - a Receive the financial statements and reports.
 - b Re-elect Philip Cory-Wright as Independent Director
 - c Re-elect Michael Timmer as a non-independent Director
 - d Approve the changes to the foundation policies of the company
 - e Elect two of the following councils, as Nominating Local Authorities
 - i Wellington City Council

ii Tasman District Council.

The motion was **carried**.

Resolution to exclude the public

16 Resolution to exclude the public – Report 20.412

Moved: Cr Blakeley / Cr Brash

That the Council excludes the public from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

Public excluded minutes of the Council meeting on 24 September 2020 - Report PE20.363

Wellington Regional Stadium Trust – appointment of trustee – Report PE20.369

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

Public Excluded minutes of the Council meeting on 24 September 2020 – Report PE20.363	
<i>Reason/s for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</i>	<i>Ground/s under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i>
Information contained in these minutes relates to the terms of a loan to Water Wairarapa Limited. The release of this information is likely to prejudice the Council in the negotiation of the proposed loan agreement. Greater Wellington has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override the need to withhold the information.	The public conduct of this part of the meeting is excluded as per section 7(2)(i) of the Act (to enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)).
Wellington Regional Stadium Trust – appointment of trustee – Report PE20.369	
<i>Reason/s for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</i>	<i>Ground/s under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i>
The information contained in this report includes personal and identifying information about the proposed candidate. Withholding this	The public conduct of this part of the meeting is excluded as per section 7(2)(a) of the Act (to protect the privacy of natural persons).

<p>information prior to Council's decision is necessary to protect the privacy of that natural person as releasing this information would disclose their consideration as a Trustee of the Wellington Regional Stadium Trust.</p> <p>Greater Wellington has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override the need to withhold the information.</p>	
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The motion was **carried**.

The public part of the meeting closed at 11.48am.

Councillor D Ponter
Chair

Date:



Please note these minutes remain unconfirmed until the Council meeting on 10 December 2020.

The matters referred to in these minutes were considered by the Council on Thursday 29 October 2020 in public excluded business. These minutes do not require confidentiality and may be considered in the public part of the meeting.

Report PE20.415

Public Excluded minutes of the Council meeting on Thursday 29 October 2020

Council Chamber, Greater Wellington Regional Council
Level 2, 15 Walter Street, Te Aro, Wellington, at 11.48am

Members Present

Councillor Ponter (Chair)
Councillor Staples (Deputy Chair)
Councillor Blakeley
Councillor Brash
Councillor Connelly
Councillor Gaylor
Councillor Hughes
Councillor Kirk-Burnnand
Councillor Laban
Councillor Lamason
Councillor Lee
Councillor Nash
Councillor van Lier

Public Excluded Business

1 Confirmation of the Public excluded minutes of the Council meeting on 24 September 2020 – Report PE20.363

Moved: Cr Staples / Cr Lamason

That the Council confirms the Public excluded minutes of the Council meeting on 24 September 2020 – Report PE20.363.

The motion was **carried**.

2 Wellington Regional Stadium Trust – appointment of trustee – Report PE20.369

Seán Mahoney, Company Portfolio and Economic Development Manager, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Hughes / Cr Kirk-Burnnand

That Council:

1. Appoints Tracy Bridges as Trustee to the Wellington Regional Stadium Trust for a second term, from 1 January 2021 to 31 December 2023.
2. Notes that Wellington City Council approved this appointment earlier this year.

The motion was **carried**.

The public excluded part of the meeting closed at 11.49am.

Councillor D Ponter
Chair

Date:

Council
10 December 2020
Report 20.431



For Information

UPDATE ON PROGRESS OF ACTION ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS – DECEMBER 2020

Te take mō te pūrongo Purpose

1. To update the Council on the progress of action items arising from previous Council meetings.

Te horopaki Context

2. Items raised at Council meetings, that require actions from officers, are listed in the table of action items from previous Council meetings ([Attachment 1](#) – Action items from previous Council meetings – December 2020). All action items include an outline of the current status and a brief comment.

Ngā hua ahumoni Financial implications

3. There are no financial implications from this report, but there may be implications arising from the actions listed.

Ngā tūāoma e whai ake nei Next steps

4. Completed items will be removed from the action items table for the next report. Items not completed will continue to be progressed and reported. Any new items will be added to the table following this Council meeting and circulated to the relevant business group/s for action.

Ngā āpitihanga Attachment

Number	Title
1	Action items from previous Council meetings – December 2020

Ngā kaiwaitohu
Signatories

Writers	Luke Troy – General Manager, Strategy Wayne O’Donnell – General Manager, Catchment Management
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He whakarāpopoto i ngā huritaonga Summary of considerations
<i>Fit with Council's roles or with Committee's terms of reference</i> The action items are of an administrative nature and support the functioning of Council.
<i>Implications for Māori</i> There are no direct implications for Māori arising from this report.
<i>Contribution to Annual Plan / Long Term Plan / Other key strategies and policies</i> Action items contribute to Council's and Greater Wellington's related strategies, policies and plans to the extent identified in Attachment 1 .
<i>Internal consultation</i> There was no internal consultation.
<i>Risks and impacts - legal / health and safety etc.</i> There are no known risks.

Attachment 1 to Report 20.431

Action items from previous Council Meetings – December 2020

Meeting date	Action	Status and comment
27 February 2020	<p>Noted</p> <p>Council requested officers undertake a review of fees payable to external members of all Greater Wellington bodies to ensure appropriate relativity with other public bodies.</p>	<p>Status</p> <p>Completed.</p> <p>Comment</p> <p>Discussed at Council workshop on 19 November 2020.</p>
24 September 2020	<p>Noted</p> <p>Council requested officers to arrange a workshop on regional predator control programme arrangements in the context of the Long Term Plan.</p>	<p>Status</p> <p>Under action / ongoing.</p> <p>Comment</p> <p>A comprehensive review of options, including what other regional councils are doing, is required as well as options that we consider are fit for purpose for the Wellington Region.</p> <p>An internal staff workshop will be arranged prior to Christmas 2020, if possible, with an update provided to Council in early 2021.</p>

Council
10 December 2020
Report 20.490



For Decision

REPORT OF THE HEARING SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE DRAFT TOITŪ TE WHENUA PARKS NETWORK PLAN 2020-30

Te take mō te pūrongo

Purpose

1. This report outlines the deliberations and recommendations of the Toitū te Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020-30 Hearing Subcommittee (the Subcommittee) on the draft Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020-30.

He tūtohu

Recommendations

That Council:

1. **Approves** the recommended amendments to the Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020-30 made by the sub-committee during deliberations on 25 November 2020 as outlined in [Attachment 1](#).

Te tāhū kōrero

Background

2. The development of the management plan and consultation process encompassing hearings for public submissions is set out in the Reserves Act 1977 and outlined in Establishment of the Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020-30 hearing sub-committee (Report 20.372).
3. Consultation on the draft Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan commenced on 18 August 2020 and concluded on 23 October 2020.
4. Subcommittee met on 23 and 25 November 2020 to hear 56 oral submissions, followed by deliberations considering all submissions (outlined in Report 20.372).
5. In total 390 submissions were received; 265 of these were received via Greater Wellington's website 'Have your say' and 125 through the parks planning email address.
6. A summary of the written submissions was prepared for consideration by the Subcommittee, along with officers' comments in response (Report 20.372 Attachment 3).
7. The Subcommittee deliberated following the hearing of oral submissions on 25 November considering the views and information presented in:

- Written submissions (Report 20.372, Attachments 1 and 2).
- Oral submissions
- Summary of submissions and officer comments (Report 20.372, Attachment 3).

Deliberations summary

8. The Subcommittee agreed to recommend to Council that:
- a No substantive changes to the overall directions of the draft Plan are required. Many submissions were focused on smaller details and many minor changes were accepted.
 - b Changes to the draft Plan, as outlined **Attachment 1**, and summarised as:
 - a Correction of spelling, grammatical errors and minor amendments as noted
 - b Additional stakeholders added throughout including predator free groups
 - c Master planning text moved forward from Plan Appendix 1 and example added
 - d Additional text and imagery referencing walking, tramping, hunting, horse riding and mountain biking activities. Additional images
 - e Rearranging text and adding images to reflect pest plan and animal work programme work and the restoration focus of the Plan
 - f Adding KNE programme boundaries on maps to illustrate their extent
 - g Minor changes in Definitions

Policy section key changes

 - h Set riparian setbacks at 15 metres for Battle Hill, 10m for plantation forest and 20m for the Remutaka Rail Trail
 - i Ensuring farming activity practices protect soil, water and remnant native vegetation as stock grazing is phased out
 - j Excluding plantation forestry expansion to new areas of park
 - k Integrating proposed masterplans into the management plan following Reserves Act process
 - l Prioritising the reduction of pest/introduced animals and plants to support biodiversity and restoration work

Action section key changes

 - m Investigate an access 'pass' (not 'permit') with horse riders
 - n Amended action to include possible collaborative working groups for specific topics or recreation activities
 - o Action added to map ecological corridors connecting to and within parks

- p. Action amended referencing working with others regarding predator fencing options where cost effective

Rule section key changes

- q. Backcountry camping – minor changes to Belmont (Allowed), Queen Elizabeth Parks and Baring Head (Managed)
- r. Fishing – eel and whitebait changed to Prohibited, with an exception for mana whenua customary harvest
- s. Firewood harvesting – include in Plan, prohibited, with the exception of ranger residences, mana whenua customary uses, art and education purposes
- t. Remove reference to East Harbour Hunting phasing out by 2025.

Ngā hua ahumoni
Financial implications

- 9. Implementation of the management plan will be through long term plan and annual plan processes, supported by community contributions through volunteering, grants and other resources.

Te huritao ki te huringa o te āhuarangi
Consideration of climate change

- 10. The matter for decision in this report was considered by officers in accordance with the process set out in Greater Wellington's *Climate Change Consideration Guide*.
- 11. Many written submissions and oral presentations during the hearing urged Greater Wellington respond more rapidly to climate change action such as accelerating native vegetation restoration.

Ngā tikanga whakatau
Decision-making process

- 12. The matter requiring decision in this report was considered by officers against the decision-making requirements of Part 6 of the Local Government Act 2002.
- 13. This report outlines the recommendations of the Committee as a result of consultation on the development of the draft parks management plan and follows consultation procedure as required by the Act.

Te hiranga
Significance

- 14. The subject matter of this report is part of a decision-making process that will lead to the Council making a decision of high significance within the meaning of the Local Government Act 2002. There is a high level of public interest as expressed through 390 public submissions on the draft Plan.

Te whakatūtakitaki
Engagement

15. All submissions were acknowledged when received. At the hearing all submitters presenting oral submissions were thanked for their attendance and contribution to the planning process. Post hearing a thank you email was sent.
16. Further communication will be sent after the Council meeting on 10 December. As required by the Reserves Act 1977, submitters will receive a copy of the report identifying the recommendations of the Subcommittee and final Plan agreed by the Council. A media release will also be prepared and all stakeholders on the parks planning database notified.

Ngā tūāoma e whai ake nei
Next steps

17. Council will consider the draft Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan for Adoption on 10 December 2020.
18. After approval the Plan becomes operative and new policies come into effect.

Ngā āpitihanga
Attachments

Number	Title
1	Summary of submissions, officer advice and hearing deliberations

Ngā kaiwaitohu
Signatories

Writer	Penny Gaylor, Chair, Toitū te Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020-30 Hearing Subcommittee
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He whakarāpopoto i ngā huritaonga Summary of considerations
<i>Fit with Council's roles or with Committee's terms of reference</i> The principles of consultation, set out in section 82 of the Local Government Act 2002 applied to the submission process. Section 41 of the Reserves Act applies to the draft plan development and hearing process. Council is authorised to develop the Plan under the Reserves Act.
<i>Implications for Māori</i> Mana whenua expressed values are reflected in the draft management plan and have a key role in development implementation of it.
<i>Contribution to Annual Plan / Long Term Plan / Other key strategies and policies</i> Implementation of the management plan will be through long term plan and annual plan processes.
<i>Internal consultation</i> Officers in the Democratic Services department were consulted about this report.
<i>Risks and impacts - legal / health and safety etc.</i> The management plan once adopted may be of interest to the media.

Summary of written submissions, officer advice and deliberations

Summary of hearing deliberations

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Attachment 1

Summary of written submissions and officer advice

Note:

1. Submissions are ordered below by the structure of the draft plan and their primary topic, noting many submitters discussed a variety of parks and topics.
2. Quoted text from submission is *italicised*. Bold text is proposed changes/ additions.

Submission number	Name	Submission summary	Officer comment Noted / not accepted	Officer recommendations No change to Plan Accepted in part or full – change identified
NATURAL HERITAGE				
NA	GW officers and Council hearing deliberations		<p>Suggested changes to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 18P – to support ongoing stock grazing activities at Battle Hill and allow flexibility in the width of setbacks - 21P – be consistent with National Environmental Standards - to reflect current PNP and NZ heritage listing for the Rail Trail, Pakuratahi <p>Noting that set backs are a minimum and draft Plan policies 5P, 11P and 74P support moving beyond minimum standards in parks.</p>	<p>Change from 40m minimum setbacks to: 18P Stock exclusion zone for riparian margin to change to 15m 21P Plantation forestry a. to change to 10m setback Add f. Remutaka Rail Trail forestry set back minimum 20m 44P add bullet point: 'separating motor vehicles from walkers, cyclists and horse riders where ever practicable'. Definition added to Glossary re shared/ multi use trails.</p> <p>KNE boundaries added to maps to better show connection to biosecurity/ predator free work. Heading 2.7 changed</p> <p>Policies 7P and 10P adding to both 'prioritising pest animal reduction, working collaboratively with others'</p> <p>Combined sections 2.3 and 2.7 conservation opportunities and challenges. Added more reference to pest animal management and photos. Some text added from the consultation supporting document, 'Reclothing Papatūānuku'.</p>
#17	Hutt City Council (HCC)	HCC owns parts of Belmont and East Harbour parks. ' <i>HCC supports the vision and direction of the draft Plan</i> '	<p>Comment:</p> <p>HCC input to master planning and land use change to restoration is important to ensure</p>	Accepted

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		<p><i>'HCC would like to explore opportunities with GWRC to speed up re-establishment of indigenous forests specifically in the eastern side of Belmont Park, and partnering with community groups to improve biodiversity outcomes'</i></p> <p>Supports <i>'Reclothing Papatuanuku in a collaborative way with mana whenua and community groups as set out in the draft Plan'</i>.</p> <p>Land use change supported for a number of benefits including increasing recreation opportunities for Kelson residents, improving biodiversity and the quality and mauri of freshwater, supporting Whaitua work and HCC zero carbon target of 2025.</p> <p>HCC would like to provide input to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Master planning - Speeding up restoration processes - Partnering with community groups - Co-ordinating and collaborating on issues such as pests and weeds <p>Partnering with community groups to establish trails, picnic spots and <i>'make parks more available to a wider audience to enjoy, and which incentivise residents to participate in wider ecological restoration programmes'</i></p>	<p>connections with trails, other restoration work and operational programme co-ordination</p> <p><i>'Speeding up'</i> land use change and restoration processes will be determined by Council decisions in the LTP process, grazing licence changes, community and other partner / stakeholder led initiatives. It is expected that a range of passive and active restoration options will be explored through master planning processes.</p>	<p>HCC to be added as a stakeholder to additional actions for Belmont, East Harbour and Wainuiomata parks including master planning</p>
#62	Porirua City Council	<p>Supports key directions. Suggests:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Plantation forestry also phased out and that PCC be involved in master planning for Belmont and Battle Hill. - <i>PCC encourages GWRC to address planning and implementation of riparian</i> 	<p>Comment:</p> <p>A6 applies to all parks <i>'Incorporate Whaitua Implementation Programme (WIP) priorities and actions into park plans and work programmes'</i>.</p>	<p>Accepted</p> <p>PCC to be added as a stakeholder to additional actions for Belmont and Battle Hill including master planning.</p>

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		<p><i>management on Regional Parks through the PNP as a matter of urgency.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Addition to 21P to phase out plantation forestry. - Fast tracking and prioritising riparian planting - 49P suggested change. - A68 suggest TA's included in collaboration groups - Suggests Whitby to Takapu Rd key destination - Identifies land transfer option - A185. Whitby to Takapu Road added to cross-park trails 	<p>21P c. says 'Restore areas with native vegetation when current forestry agreements expire'.</p> <p>Riparian planting can be prioritised as part of master planning processes</p> <p>Consistency with District Plans is intended</p> <p>Post Transmission Gully land transfer discussions are ongoing</p>	<p>A9. add 'for areas outside of KNEs, to give effect to the restoration priorities identified through master planning. Prioritising riparian planting'</p> <p>A9 Develop and implement habitat restoration plans.</p> <p>A39 add... 'and future' needs</p> <p>49P add g. excluding plantation forestry. Refer Rules</p> <p>A68 TA's added in Notes</p> <p>A72 TA's added</p> <p>A123, PCC added, 'a ki uta ki tai, mountains to sea approach'</p> <p>A126, riparian areas added, changed to short - long.</p> <p>A165, timeframe changed to short</p> <p>A168,169, riparian areas added</p> <p>A185 amended to a. Porirua to Hutt Valley, b. Whitby to Takapu Road and map updated</p> <p>A172, A185, A197 PCC added in Notes</p>
#23	James Mikoz, Wellington Recreational Marine Fishers Association	<p><i>There are serious omissions in the Draft Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020-30 as it fails to mention that all freshwater fish travel in and out of the sea throughout their lives. Nowhere in the Plan has there been any acknowledgement that all native freshwater fish travel into and out of the sea throughout their life cycles.</i></p>	<p>Comment:</p> <p>The draft Plan has numerous references to improving fish passage in streams. The extent of their travels is not detailed.</p> <p>QEP – riparian plantings are ongoing. Significant long term habitat restoration works are proposed. The Plan identifies an action to</p>	<p>Accepted in part</p> <p>Interpretation panel in QEP to be updated as part of operational activities</p>

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		<p>QEP. <i>Nothing has been proposed to capture the sediment before it runs off the dirt tracks around the QE2 Park and flows into one of the streams. Currently along the walking and riding tracks are manmade channels directing the sediment off the tracks directly into a stream? There is nothing to stop logs from entering the Whareroa Stream where with every visit it can be seen the logs have moved up and down the stream with every spring tide, severely damaging the stream bank.</i></p> <p>Parangarahu Lakes. <i>Fish at present have no free travel into or out of the lakes and money should be spent in providing a free passage instead of this crazy idea to invest money in designing some magical gate. Nowhere in the Draft of this plan is there any mention that this access to the sea is going to be restored.</i></p> <p>GW/ DOC interpretation panel in QEP needs updating. Fire threat and rubbish concerns.</p>	<p>develop a fire management plan. GW has a take your rubbish home with you policy.</p> <p>Parangarahu Lakes-Refer action A271 for fish passage. Also note that this Plan draws on, but does not replicate the Co-management Plan for the Lakes developed in 2014. Refer action 3.1, page 41 which refers to reviewing and identifying best options for fish passage. The Roopu Tiaki management group determine priority work.</p> <p>Park boundaries stop at mean high water springs. Greater Wellington works with TA's, DOC and others beyond park boundaries.</p>	
#24	A Rocha Aotearoa New Zealand, Pene Burton Bell	<p><i>We don't see enough commitment to establishing eco-corridors as GW has previously promised. If anything there is less focus than in the last plan despite public submissions to this.</i></p> <p><i>Want more eco-corridors; priority fence-off, retirement and revegetation of most ecologically sensitive areas; continue improving KNEs, especially more effort on eliminating fish barriers and collaboration with neighbours downstream; targets for</i></p>	<p>Comment:</p> <p>Re ecological corridors, the Plan focuses on long term large scale restoration in parks, riparian areas provide the interim 'corridor'</p>	<p>Notes and accepted in part</p> <p>Add A Rocha to list of stakeholders for Battle Hill</p> <p>Add to A8 a. map ecological corridors within and connecting to parks and add to the Plan as an amendment</p>

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		<i>ecological indicator improvements set and publically reported on; no more exotic trees planted; improve weed and pest control; More tree planting, rewet wetlands and especially peatlands. Stream and river corridors should at least match the Fonterra guidelines to its farmers. More corridor width would be preferred. Support A124 broadening stock exclusion zones</i>		
#53	Mark Neeson, Porirua Harbour Trust/Guardians of Pauatahanui Inlet	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Particularly support and endorse proposal to phase out most livestock grazing and note this decision supports climate change objectives. - Strongly support restoration to the west of Transmission Gully in Belmont - Note that master planning can be time consuming and may not result in shifts which meet community expectations - Consultation should be targeted and focused - Suggest more generic place plans may be appropriate - Support intention to develop a park environment plan at Battle Hill and minimise downstream effects from forestry harvest - Suggests further resourcing to support implementation of the plan - A177 I endorse the proposal, nevertheless, I request that the term “paper road” be replaced by the more accurate and legally correct term “unformed legal road”. 	<p>Comment:</p> <p>64P guides renaming/ naming</p>	<p>Accepted</p> <p>A177 changed to ‘unformed legal road’ throughout</p>

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#26 and #88	Pene Burton Bell, Queen Elizabeth Park Restoration Group	<p>Separate to Friends of QEP group but some members in common.</p> <p><i>See Queen Elizabeth Park as the green southern gateway to Kapiti. When Transmission Gully opens, and if plans to extend the parks network through the Wainuiwhenua extension come to pass, it will have increased status. We are generally pleased with the document and with the strategic direction it embodies. ..we totally support the retiring of farmland and the rewetting of peatlands [A10, page 42; A83, page 68; A328, page 162] and riparian planting [A239, page 162]. We would like to see these processes advanced as fast as possible. Land-use choices [A340, page 163] and planting of native forests [A78, A79, page 68] are other levers for addressing the climate emergency.'</i></p> <p><i>We would like to see a greater emphasis on recycling in Regional Parks.</i></p> <p><i>The plan is largely silent on eco-corridors (see however 4P-e on page 38, which refers to 'prioritising ... threatened forest ecosystems and ecological corridor opportunities within and beyond park boundaries'), which are vital for the flourishing of native fauna, who need to be able to move freely between habitats and food sources. Trails..At pinch points these corridors could be riparian-style strips a few metres wide either side of the trail (though we would prefer them to be wider). We strongly urge that eco-corridors</i></p>	<p>Comment:</p> <p>The draft Plan focuses on overall restoration over a long term. Riparian areas and park boundaries planted with 'green fire breaks' in parks such as QEP and Belmont will be key priorities, with details driven by science and determined through master planning processes.</p> <p>Master planning process are likely to involve extensive iwi partner and community input. The intention is to incorporate them into this statutory management plan as they are developed. This will ensure transparency and accountability through proposed State of the Parks monitoring processes.</p> <p>Recreation suggestions – these are valuable for informing master planning.</p> <p>Greater Wellington is in the process of creating a new website.</p> <p>Fish passage barriers are being assessed across the region.</p>	<p>Accepted</p> <p>As per other submissions, ecological mapping added to A8 a. map ecological corridors within and connecting to parks</p>

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		<p><i>be included as a priority in the network plan, and followed through into the master plans for the different parks.</i></p> <p><i>We are however uneasy that there is no clear explanation as to how the master plans will be arrived at, or what the finished product will look like. Nor have we seen an explanation of how stakeholders and the public will be involved.how the process will be funded, or how the public will be able to assess delivery against the plan. It is critical that master planning is not a purely internal exercise, otherwise the network plan will have been a waste of everyone's time. In our experience, GW has not always been interested in working collaboratively.</i></p> <p>Recreation suggestions.</p> <p><i>One blockage to fish passage that we would like to see fixed promptly is in the section of stream that flows from the Mackays Wetland under Whareroa Road and joins the stream that passes north of the nursery.</i></p> <p>Don't support planting exotic species or poplars on Poplar Avenue. Opposed to community garden plantings. Suggest a review of planting events and success/failure rates. Support some herbicide use, fence removal, nature play. GW website needs improvement.</p>		
#93	Amelia Geary, Forest & Bird	- Agrees with core goals. Strongly support phasing out grazing and suggests better managed and reduced grazing extent at	Comment:	Accepted F&B added as a stakeholder in A198, A199, A200

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		<p>Battle Hill and more shade trees for stock and regenerative farming. Support the prohibition on unaccompanied domestic animals.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Suggests more integration of science, and would like to see all wetlands restored as a priority and more focus on pest control - Suggests that ecological corridors are mapped for all parks, that the plan doesn't give enough emphasis to pest control, clarification on AEE process for annual grazing licence plans and that farming not permitted under RA, only grazing. <i>Grazing for the purposes of keeping the grass down and maintaining views is quite different to the wholesale spraying of herbicides, fertilizers and killing of woody vegetation to maximise profitability from marginal land.</i> - Would like to see removal of public access restrictions to grazed areas, within reason. Kaitoke action needs updating to reflect recent LCAF restoration work - QEP would like to see dunes not grazed and restored in addition to wetlands. Oppose spraying of woody weeds and support opening the areas of the park closed to the public for stock grazing <p>Wainuiomata – would like pig and ungulate control</p>	Pest control policy and work is addressed through other GW plans and the KNE programme.	<p>Add to A8 a. map ecological corridors within and connecting to parks</p> <p>A280 to change to 'Develop restoration plans working with conservation, recreation and other community groups for the grazed areas encompassing A290 recreation trails'.</p>
#115	Mike McCombie	<i>I applaud the ambitious proposal to reduce the amount of livestock grazing in Belmont Park in particular, alongside the revegetation and biodiversity conservation goals. I fully</i>	Comment:	<p>Accepted</p> <p>More reference to Predator Free groups to be added in stakeholder sections</p>

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		<p><i>support the proposed vision, values and goals that are suggested in the document. Capital Kiwi is nearing achievement of its goal to return kiwi to the Wellington peninsula. The possibility for similarly suitable large-scale habitat like the Belmont hills, to provide homes for such taonga, is sincerely exciting.</i></p> <p>- Suggests more emphasis on predator control in the plan</p>	<p>A park-wide predator network proposal is commendable and can be actioned via existing plan directions.</p>	
#56, #126, #207, #259, #266, #277, #374, #380, #381, #104, #118	<p>Shirley Morrison (Onslow Residents Community Association, Jellyspud, Gary, Dom Harris, Richard Davies, Rob Taylor, Kim Beech, Hamish Glen, Ross Murdoch, Merewyn Groom, Graham Bellamy</p>	<p>Biodiversity conservation and restoration support</p> <p><i>Protect waterways from stock and horses by fencing them and planting riparian vegetation</i></p> <p><i>Use every opportunity possible to promote the preservation of natural habitats through the planting of native species especially where land previously farmed is being converted.</i></p> <p><i>Maintaining and growing our environment and making it accessible and interesting to the youth is the most important thing. If we can connect the youth to the land and environmental issues surrounding it means they will be the future Kaitaki of the land.</i></p> <p><i>...increase the budget for parks to increase pest animal trapping, increased pest plant control and native plant/tree restoration.</i></p> <p><i>In the balance between recreation and preservation/protection of natural</i></p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>The Plan identifies an action to develop fire management plans</p>	<p>Accepted</p> <p>2.7.4 Key Native Ecosystems, additional sentence ‘Much of the indigenous habitat within parks network is managed under the KNE programme’.</p> <p>Outcome 6.22 amend (i) Biodiversity values are improved ‘(no net loss of biodiversity, and preferably net gain)’, ecosystem resilience and mauri is strengthened.</p> <p>KNE map boundaries to maps for all parks and additional text in 2.7.4 text.</p>

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		<p><i>environments and habitats, recreation must come second.</i></p> <p><i>Be even more upfront about the network effects - for both biodiversity and recreation the activities of Territorial Authorities, central govt and private landowners will have positive and negative spillovers. Faze out and remove forestry activities as soon as possible to take advantage of areas recently cleared that can be regenerated.</i></p> <p><i>We wish to submit in support of the Draft Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020-30. In particular we would like to endorse the retirement of farmland and restoration of native bush.</i></p> <p><i>Suggests a range of practical measures to minimise fire threat:</i></p> <p><i>Native forest resists fire. Park management to prevent ignition events Land clearing burns and machinery remains the source of most wildfires, while the number of wildfires from escaped bonfires, rubbish fires and camp fires is increasing. Land clearing burns and rubbish fires should not be occurring within park boundaries (but such fires may occur as a result of the activities of neighbours). This risk can be managed through the use of park management strategies, and the strategic use of fire breaks to limit fire spread and enable access to quickly extinguish fires which do occur. Where physical fire breaks of clear space may be difficult or undesirable,</i></p>		

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		<i>green breaks consisting of plantings of especially fire resistant species may be preferable. Park management strategies and green breaks as described above could be effectively used to protect planted areas which they become established.</i>		
#384	Bev Abbott, Wellington Botanical Society (BOTSOC)	<p>Suggest:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ..further environmental scanning is required ..conducting a new environmental scan may be beneficial before making further revisions to the draft PNP because of Covid-19 and proposed RMA and NPS changes - further definition around master plans and their relationship to the statutory parks plan. <i>It suggests the blue-prints in master plans can trump policies and actions in the main PNP. We recommend you find a more focused title for this collaborative work. We see it as a subsidiary levels.</i> - <i>Council will also need to decide if it wants the results of master planning processes to have the same statutory status as the draft plan which has already been through the public consultation processes required under the Reserves Act, and if so, how this could be achieved. We wonder if the development of master plans for specific parks could be addressed through GWRC's draft Long Term Plan?</i> 	<p>Comment:</p> <p>Master plans provide the opportunity for more detailed planning with a focus on land use and spatial elements. The intention is that master plans will be incorporated into the statutory parks plan as amendments as they are developed. However this has not been made explicit in the draft plan. Change suggested to 72P for clarification.</p> <p>Overlap in plan goals is acknowledged</p> <p>The purpose of the Regional Pest Management Plan is to focus on pest animals.</p> <p>Developing monitoring and reporting methodology is an action in the draft plan.</p> <p>The RA allows for exotic plants and gardens in Scenic Reserves and identifies protection of indigenous flora or fauna in Recreation Reserves. 49P allows for taking of specimens. This is addresses in the Rules section of the draft Plan.</p> <p>Parks where grazing activities are undertaken are identified in the plan.</p>	<p>Accepted</p> <p>72P 'and incorporate into the Parks Network Plan through the amendment processes'.</p> <p>Upper Hutt Forest & Bird added to notes in Kaitoke section</p> <p>Page 274, Add to definition of Restoration. 'Restoration can be done by either active or passive means. 'Passive' restoration includes allowing regeneration though seed dispersal from birds and wind and may be supported by pest plant and animal management'.</p>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Plan goals overlap. Don't agree with exotic plantings in parks, and suggest we check the RA for 49P. - Would like to see <i>a clear statement recognising the relationship between the control of animal pests and the sequestration of carbon</i> and a sustained focus on pest animal control and that this will facilitate restoration processes. - Suggest that no more trails are built to stop vegetation loss and fragmentation but suggest this may result in more unauthorised track building, displacement of some visitor groups. Suggest gravel isn't used on tracks - Suggest Appendix 5 outline the approach for monitoring and reporting - Suggest adding hyperlinks within the plan to KNE plans - <i>Ensure experienced facilitators, access to specialists in many disciplines, and indicative financial and carbon budgets are available to support master planning, especially when planning restoration and recreation projects.</i> - <i>A more coherent PNP could be achieved by moving all the grazing related text from sections 2.3 ('conservation opportunities') and 6.2 ('natural heritage').to section 2.5 (Climate change and sustainability).</i> - <i>Create a new appendix with definitions and descriptions about different types of restoration to contribute to sound decision-making and planning for</i> 	Suggested restructuring of sections noted. Many issues fall under multiple topics.	

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		<i>restoration on large areas of formerly grazed land. Include a table naming parks where grazing is to cease, the hectares to be restored, the main ecosystem types, where the plants will come from, the proposed method of restoration, the estimated 5-year cost, and any end dates that have already been agreed</i>		
#232	Kathryn Hurr	<i>I would like to see an emphasis on both indigenous and introduced plant species to parks, in the right situation. Section 6.2 signals a key shift in terms of broad-scale restoration of grazed areas which will visibly demonstrate good land care practice. I would make two further comments about this. Firstly, grazing helps preserve open spaces which are valued by people for views, vistas and recreation. eg. the views from the Belmont Bunkers would be lost if all grazing is replaced by bush, or the value of carbon-reduction is lost if replaced by petrol-powered mowers / weed-whackers.</i>	Comment: The draft Plan allows for some grazing areas to continue to maintain open space areas if this is deemed as the most appropriate 'tool'. Open space areas can be maintained by mowing and other means.	No change to Plan Suggested are already addressed by the Plan or have been addressed in other submission responses
#238	George Thompson	Prioritising <i>1) For Belmont Park: A clearer emphasis on the strategic timetable for habitat restoration - eg, that 90% of the Belmont Park be in natural cover within 15 years, and 95% of the Belmont catchment leading to Porirua Harbour.</i>	Comment: Restoration planning will be undertaken in conjunction with master planning and may be accelerated through Climate Change Action priorities. 21p c. says 'Restore areas with native vegetation when current forestry agreements expire'.	No change to Plan Suggested are already addressed by the Plan or have been addressed in other submission responses

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		<p>2) A clear commitment to moving all the pine plantation area in Battle Hill Park to native cover, along with a timetable.</p> <p>3) Putting better teeth in the Battle Hill commitment to 'Work to minimise potential downstream effects from forestry harvesting and neighbouring properties such as sediment to Porirua Harbour . The detail of 'Plant buffers with native species' needs to be given - the size of the buffers, and a commitment to starting the buffers by next winter.</p> <p>There is a need to put a major and clear effort into explicitly and effectively working with Porirua Council and Porirua Harbour stakeholder groups - the need for a joint plan with teeth. The Draft Parks Network Plan had only two mentions of the Harbour. There is no mention of or connection with the Pauatahanui Inlet Action Plan or the Porirua Harbour and Catchment Management Programme .</p> <p>There needs to be measurable targets for sedimentation and nutrient rates in the streams leading from Regional Parks, eg, leading to a reduction of current levels to 10% of current within 10 years.</p>	<p>Whaitua implementation programme work supports sediment reduction and planting of riparian margins</p>	
#243	Julian Thompson	<p>'... I feel there should be an urgent timeline to transition away from livestock grazing and stop using top dressing and herbicides to allow natural revegetation to get started. I am concerned that the ambitious vision will</p>	<p>Comment: The draft Plan identifies that grazing activities will be phased out. Master planning will determine restoration priorities.</p>	<p>No change to draft Plan Suggested are already addressed by the Plan or have been addressed in other submission responses</p>

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		<p><i>get bogged down when it comes to actually implementing it.</i></p> <p><i>Long time locals, including myself, have noticed a gradual deterioration of the water quality in the streams entering the forest, and are really concerned with livestock in catchment streams and the chemical spraying on the farm, as well as the annual lack of access due to lambing etc. I see the transition away from livestock farming as a really enlightened move by the council and simply wish to encourage fast action to protect the streams and wetlands in particular. I would also love to see fast implementation of a revegetation corridor lining across the park from East (Pareraho) to west (Pauatahanui or thereabouts) . It also makes sense to do some regular environmental monitoring so that the anecdotal experiences of locals (eg that we are finding it harder and harder to find freshwater crayfish, or native fish species) can be backed up on a more systematic , scientific basis.</i></p> <p><i>Finally I would like to add that you, the council, have some incredibly enthusiastic and active local support in Belmont. We love the park and have visionary ideas for its future along the lines of your proposed PNP. It takes a long time for native plants and animals to take over bare grass hillsides, so for us it will mean a lot if we can actually see real progress start as soon as possible.</i></p>	<p>The current grazing licence in western Belmont Park expires on 31 January 2026</p>	

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#320	Ben Adams	<p><i>The Pareraho Forest is an amazing pool of local collaboration, with incredible mahi being poured in by some very dedicated participants to weed, plant, pest control and observe and mitigate all other threats to this remarkable stretch of forest that has its own rich history including the NZ wars. I have taken a particular interest in the existence of the threatened Ngahere Gecko on our land, which has been more evident following 2.5yrs of as much rodent control as we can muster. Following a community walkaround in Pareraho with two scientists specialising in lizards, I am really interested in ways that we can better support the park area to provide safe habitats for these incredibly elusive litmus indicators of native biodiversity.</i></p> <p><i>The little community of people who are working at their limit to support the Pareraho forest really need a tail wind of support from the Greater Wellington Council to make that area the incredible habitat for our retreating animals as it has become a sanctuary for our native regenerating flora. Enhanced pest control, lizard monitoring and safe houses, professional weed control programs to target pest plants like Asparagus Fern. And attention towards the sewerage threats that come with houses and farming land uphill/upriver. We really need help to bring the best out of local native area to what it can be for the community, and for the community of threatened lizards who have a tricky toe hold they are clinging to.</i></p> <p><i>Thanks!</i></p>	<p>Comment:</p> <p>Input to master planning to identify and realise local community aspirations and support work is an important part of plan implementation</p> <p>Refer A72 proposed change re sharing expertise and information to support collaboration and volunteers</p>	<p>No change to draft Plan</p> <p>Suggested are already addressed by the Plan or have been addressed in other submission responses</p>

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#261	Juan Diego Acevedo	<i>I strongly support the phasing out of ALL grazing from parks land, the rate payer should not subsidise farming activities. We should be leading natural regeneration and enhancing local biodiversity (1/3 of land in the GWR should be untouched, native bush). The role of GWRC is to focus on conservation and recreation really. A stronger mandate to remove pests (including cats) from parks is required along with more opportunities for local communities to do more volunteering. I would love to see bilingual signage at all parks, showcasing the Te Reo Maori along with clear support for the local iwi to demonstrate the cultural significance of the area. I also suggest partnering with local artists to create focal points and “experiences” in our parks to encourage recreation.</i>	Comment: A range of actions in the draft Plan support these topics	No change to draft Plan Suggested are already addressed by the Plan or have been addressed in other submission responses
#358	Dianne Strugnell	<i>I support the visions for the parks as presented by Greater Wellington. I am in support of the notion that medium and large scale renewable energy should be a restricted activity in any of the parks, acknowledging that such projects are likely to have a high conservation and recreation impact for low benefit. I am in partial support of the intent for Belmont Regional park to have some land use change to native vegetation restoration to support biodiversity, freshwater, recreation experience and help build ecosystem resilience. I know that how this is</i>	Comment: Input to master planning to identify and realise local community aspirations and support work is an important part of plan implementation	No change to draft Plan Suggested are already addressed by the Plan or have been addressed in other submission responses

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		<i>managed is intended to be part of further planning but I would urge that there is much more thought given to this including ensuring that this is not a rushed process. In the Te Awarua o Porirua WIP Recommendation 20, GW is encouraged to demonstrate best practice on Council land. There needs to be a very carefully staged and managed "retreat" so that GW does demonstrate best practice!!</i>		
#117	Department of Conservation	<i>We look forward to the new insights gained from phasing out most livestock grazing activities to enable a concerted focus on restoring natural values - particularly wetland, freshwater and terrestrial habitat values. We support the policies and objectives relating to natural heritage to protect, restore and/or maintain healthy ecosystems. We particularly support actions to improve fish passage and other ecological connections, and to minimise the impacts on freshwater ecosystems and wetlands.</i> Supports other plan goals and objectives. Notes overlap of work and that DOC administers the Waitangirua conservation covenants over sections of Belmont park and is working on transferring hunting permit administration for Parangarahu Lakes to Greater Wellington.	Comment: Collaborative work with DOC is ongoing	No change to draft Plan Suggested are already addressed by the Plan or have been addressed in other submission responses
RECREATION EXPERIENCE				
NA	GW officers	Proposed new section 2.2.7 Trail related activities Walking / tramping, dog walking	Comment: This suggested new text is to reflect the importance many submitters place on trail-related activities and hunting.	Additional text as proposed

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		<p>Greater Wellington's park network has over 230 kilometres of tracks for walking and 230 kilometres of roads; in total approximately 460 kilometres of road and trail available for recreation activities. Many parks have areas where walking activities are the focus such as much of the Northern Forest in East Harbour, Wainuiomata park and the native bush area of Battle Hill.</p> <p>Greater Wellington's research consistently identifies walking (encompassing dog walking) as the most popular recreation activity in parks (followed by cycling/ mountain biking, jogging/ running and tramping). Feedback to develop the Plan identified a number of opportunities to better support walking / tramping activities including improved signage, information about opportunities, more access and accessible facilities and in some parks, development of new track connections to create easier walks. Key actions in the Plan relate to improving accessibility, signage, more story telling of interesting features and development of 'key destinations' to support walking / tramping experiences. Dog walking areas are not defined in the Plan or on and off-leash areas which are managed on a park by park basis.</p> <p>Cycling/ Mountain biking</p> <p>The park network offers a variety of cycling and mountain biking opportunities including dedicated mountain bike trails in Belmont and Pakuratahi parks. Across parks there are over 350 kilometres of track and road available for cycling activities.</p> <p>E-bikes have transformed and supported the significant growth in cycling. They help reduce</p>		

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		<p>barriers to participation such as steep, hilly trails. Cross-park routes such as 'Te Ara O Whareroa' through Queen Elizabeth Park sustainably connect communities and are hugely popular. A proposed cycling route through Belmont park from the Waihora Crescent park entry in Waitangirua to Hill Road, Belmont will connect Porirua with the Hutt Valley and support recreation and commuter cycling. The Remutaka Cycle Trail, encompassing the rail trail in Pakuratahi, is part of the NZ Great Rides network and will be further enhanced. The proposed 'Akatarawa Traverse' from the Queen Elizabeth Park Kāpiti coast through Akatarawa forest to the Hutt Valley will be a draw card for the region</p> <p>There are a range of actions in the Plan to support mountain bike network enhancements including a number of new trails and facility improvements such as updating access barriers to make access easier. Appendix One outlines principles for trail development and a 'Track assessment criteria' for consideration of changes including environmental impact assessment process.</p> <p>Horse riding</p> <p>Horse trail riding in parks is a long standing tradition along with pony club and competitive eventing activities. There are pony clubs in QEP, Battle Hill, Belmont and Kaitoke parks and trail riding opportunities in</p>		

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		<p>Akatarawa, Pakuratahi and Baring Head parks. A number of clubs are based within parks. Horse riders can enjoy a variety of short and long rides through a variety of landscapes with over 160 kilometres of horse riding trails available.</p> <p>Multi-day trail riding is increasingly popular. Long rides are possible through Akatarawa, Belmont and Pakuratahi parks. Facilities for horse riding vary across parks. Actions in this Plan include improving float parking areas, providing more mounting blocks and supporting overnight stays.</p> <p>Hunting</p> <p>Reducing the impacts of introduced pest animals (also referred to as game animals) such as goats, pigs, and deer on the environment through hunting for recreation purposes can be beneficial in some parks. Deer, tahr, chamois and wild pigs, are legally Wild Animals under the Wild Animal Control Act or Game Animals under the Game Animal Council Act. Collectively with other species such as trout, salmon, ducks, pheasants, quail are considered by hunters to be species of recreation hunting value.</p> <p>Hunting organisations identify that the activity can be a gateway to encourage people to contribute to protection of the habitat through other activities such as predator trapping. Recreational hunting provides an important connection to nature,</p>		

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		<p>known as biophilia, encouraging people to engage with the outdoors and learn backcountry skills.</p> <p>In regional parks the pest/ game species harvested for recreation and food and can provide benefits for broader pest animal control objectives. Hunting activities are managed via permit systems. Public safety is the overarching priority. Safety considerations include public perceptions of safety, proximity to population, recreation trails and activities. Hunting activity areas and periods are defined via the permit system and revised periodically as circumstances change.</p>		
Public access				
#195, #196, #198, #199, #270, #291, #335	Caaaaam, GeoffW, SarafiNZ, Woodsie, Wendy Barry, Ellen Blake	<p>Accessible facilities/ barriers to access</p> <p><i>The accessibility barriers that are installed in some places are hard to use on bikes. The narrow one is too narrow for a kid seat on a bike. We use the high arch one. Firstly feed the handle bars through one at a time and then you have to tip the bike up to get the kid seat low enough to get through. Do-able but it definitely shouldn't be so hard to get through. Make the accessibility barriers easier to use.</i></p> <p><i>Ensuring everyone has access means removing or changing the barriers at access points. I am unable to get my bike through most barriers with my child seat on the back without a second person to help lift.</i></p>	<p>Comment:</p> <p>Access to and within parks and entry barriers was a key topic of discussion at public drop in sessions during consultation.</p> <p>Objective 6 (mislabelled as 5) on page 49 identifies 'Apply principles of universal design to park facilities and ensure a wide range of accessible recreation opportunities are provided'. A42 is 'Undertake an access audit to identify key issues...'</p>	<p>Accepted</p> <p>Add to Notes: Equestrians, cyclists, other park user groups.</p>

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		<p><i>Loving the new Bike gates, way less chance of injuring myself trying to get the eBike over the stiles etc. Also now able to take an older friend out by hiring an eBike</i></p> <p><i>Regarding making parks more accessible, I often have issues entering parks on my bike with my daughter in her bike seat on the back of my bike. The gates/barriers don't accommodate us both to fit through so I need to get her off my bike, lift my bike over the gate, lift my daughter over the gate then strap her back in her bike seat.</i></p> <p><i>Please consider access for people in wheelchairs. There aren't many options for nature lovers to get into the wilderness yet it's so critical to their wellbeing.</i></p>		
#206	Wellington NZ, Wellington Regional Trails Framework	<p><i>The Wellington Regional Trails Framework recognises that the Wellington Region has the potential to be a world-class trail destination for residents and visitors to explore the region via the strong mix of trail experiences on offer. The vision is Connecting our people with inspiring adventures and by 2025 aims to improve the access, communication and facilities to support the overall trail experience for walkers (including dog walkers), hikers, bikers & horse-riders to a world-class standard and market it as such. Supporting an active community of partners, volunteers, supporters and users to drive success to significantly expand the trail product offer is a goal. Welcoming operators</i></p>	<p>Comment: Implementation of the Wellington Regional Trails Framework is supported via a range of policies and actions in the draft Plan. The development and enhancement of 'key destinations' is a core supportive action.</p>	No change to draft plan

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		<i>that offer packages of accommodation, transport, equipment, events, information and storytelling across a number of activities can boost trail based economic development and employment, and showcase our other regional assets of nature, food, wine and services within easy reach of the capital to domestic and international visitors.</i>		
#69, #86, #215, #216, #217, #229, #244, #249, #263, #264, #270, #273, #276, #339	Cameron Evans, Caitlin Carew, A Rocha, Belinda Bennett, Konny Reichert, Mia Bui, Erez, Lynne Jackett, Bill Stephenson, Fiona Beals, Tiffany Nguyen, Parke Englebretsen, John Lucinsky, Leona Wolpert & Jan Keinheins, Jeff Carter	<p>Pro improving access</p> <p><i>It also doesn't seem appropriate that farming limits recreational access by the community, for example the closing of tracks for lambing for nearly three months of the year, and the dog ban in farmed areas.</i></p> <p><i>We welcome the draft Plan proposals to remove access restrictions to farmed areas of the Park. This will allow year-round access to the skyline Puke Ariki trail and the historic Kilmister track, and recreation with dogs on upper Hill Road.</i></p> <p><i>Want trail connections for walkers and cyclists between all Regional Parks as hinted at in A139</i></p> <p><i>The parks are public recreation land. Improving access, making experiences enjoyable, involving communities and ensuring recreation and conservation go hand in hand should be the focus of the parks plan. I would like to see for example a plan to retire Belmont regional as a farm, a change so that Belmont can be accessed all year round access not closed for lambing, more information about the history and cultural</i></p>	<p>Comment:</p> <p>Opening the currently closed areas of parks is core to realising public health and recreation benefits and equity of access concerns.</p> <p>Actions to improve access is addressed in range of policies, actions and rules in the draft Plan. In particular refer Rules page 195 for stock grazing not taking priority over public access, and overarching actions associated with Objective 6 (labelled as 5), page 49.</p> <p>Dog walking on or off-lead is determined on a park by park basis</p>	No change to draft plan

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		<p><i>significance of the area and more conservation, regeneration happening.</i></p> <p><i>I find myself particularly frustrated that I cannot access all of Belmont regional park at the moment due to lambing and that stock can access waterways. There seems there are things that can change quickly, while longer term plans are put in place to either reduce or eliminate farming on the park. ‘...the general principles of access, recreation, conservation apply to all parks</i></p> <p><i>Parks and ranges should be developed with the perception of making them natural “highways” between suburbs and cities. By that we encourage the people to utilize them more and by that increasing their physical and mental health.</i></p> <p><i>I would like to see dedicated walking tracks, identified wide shared tracks and mountain only tracks. GRWC does need to consider that people with disabilities and families with young children have just as much a right to the outdoors as cyclists.</i></p> <p><i>It would be good to see more tracks allowing dogs on leads...</i></p> <p><i>Lift the ban on dogs (still agree that dog must be on lead at all time on walking trail) and allow vehicle access to the top of Hill Road so young families and others can enjoy the trails, history and views on the ridge-tops.</i></p>		

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		<p><i>We are just worried that there might be too much car access and it will be dangerous to be walking with our children if there a lot of traffic seeking the outdoors...? We would love to have access into the Belmont Park with our dog.</i></p> <p><i>I support this plan as Wellington region should aim to continue to expand walking and cycling tracks at every opportunity</i></p>		
#188, #221, #245, #258, #330, #370	Amie Lightbourne, Name redacted, Thomas Davies, Mike Duoba, Beth McCraw, Deborah Jane Whittington	<p>Against changing access / facilities</p> <p><i>I prefer parks to be as natural and as little reminder of humans as possible (too much signage).</i></p> <p><i>From what I can work out, the plan includes the suggestion to make Belmont Regional Park more accessible, including through more access for motor vehicles. I am against that, particularly for the access via Hill Road. Planting trees as climate change measure feel like a cosmetic gesture if at the same time motor vehicles are encouraged (batteries are not environmentally friendly either). Walking, horse riding and pedal biking are environmentally friendly options and should be given preferred consideration.</i></p> <p><i>A rapid phasing out of all motorised activities in favour of less conflicting walking, biking and horse riding. This is the only sensible course of action to reduce emissions and reduce damage to park tracks and environment.</i></p> <p><i>I strongly oppose action A40 to open the park further to vehicles, and in particular to open</i></p>	<p>Comment:</p> <p>Private motor vehicle access is actively managed in parks and allowed where it is deemed to facilitate use. Vehicle access in some parks is restricted to events and permits.</p> <p>The Hill road access change is identified as an option to explore, which may be as trial. This is an under visited part of the park and the bunkers are an important heritage and landscape feature for Wellington</p>	No change to draft plan

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		<p><i>daylight hour vehicle access to the top car park, Hill Road, Belmont.</i></p> <p><i>The whole point of protecting natural areas is NOT to then litter them with "permanent structures" and picnic tables!</i></p>		
Walking / Mountain biking				
#50	<p>Lyon Edwardson, New Zealand Walking Access Commission Ara Hiko Aotearoa</p>	<p><i>We endorse the Parks Network plan. We lend our support to the following priorities within it:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Key destination regional trails</i> - <i>Developing a diverse network of shared trails</i> - <i>connected regional trail network</i> <p><i>Urges GW to:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>support access to parks for people without cars</i> - <i>improve the provision of wheelchair- and pram-friendly trails, including associated facilities (such as accessible parking and toilets), as this group of users often misses out on outdoor access opportunities</i> <p><i>Recommendations</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>The Commission recommends the Regional Council continues to protect significant key destination trails by creating enduring access easements. We</i> 	<p>Comment:</p> <p>The draft Plan has sought to address issues of inequity of access highlighted by the public and stakeholders in the initial consultation to develop the plan. This includes access for communities near western Belmont Park and Northern QEP. Developing at least one highly accessible trails in each park is a key action.</p>	<p>Accepted</p> <p>A40 add bullet point actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ensure entry barriers easily enable core users to access parks - Consult with different user groups in planning and design processes - Utilise event opportunities for vehicle access, promoting to people with limited mobility <p>Notes column: Horse riders, MTB, walkers/trampers, accessibility groups and others'</p>

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		<p><i>recommend the Commission to provide support to the Greater Wellington Regional Council to work through the legal and survey requirements to protect key regional assets.</i></p> <p>- <i>The Commission also recommends the Regional Council focus on equity of access, ensuring that all Wellingtonians can access its parks through public and active transport modes, in addition to private motor vehicles, and that people with wheelchairs and/or prams can access local trails in nature with appropriate associated infrastructure.</i></p>		
#75	Ian Goodwin (Forest & Bird Wellington Region Tramping Club)	<p>Support's key directions, park name changes.</p> <p>Disappointed that walking and tramping groups not identified in implementing various actions or master planning or in general.</p> <p>Suggest insufficient information about incompatibility of different activities.</p> <p>Suggest more detailed permissions table.</p> <p>Section 2.2.2 doesn't identify why master planning in some parks and not others.</p> <p>A76 should include consultation with park users/ stakeholders <i>Policies should be expanded to include provision (to the extent possible) and promotion of public transport to parks. A92 and A94 should be expanded to reflect this.</i></p> <p><i>A84: covenanting of native forest areas should be 'in perpetuity'.</i></p> <p>List of minor suggestions</p>	<p>Comment:</p> <p>Shared / multi-use trails are a priority over single uses to make best use of resources and minimise a proliferation of trails.</p> <p>A76 b. monitoring implementation against goals encompassed stakeholders within the Way We Work goal and references in stakeholders in c. but does not outline details.</p> <p>A92 this encompasses promotion of public transport</p> <p>The level of detail suggested cannot be spelled out. There is overarching commentary in each section to identify that place specific rules apply such as track uses.</p>	<p>Accepted</p> <p>More references to be added to walking and tramping clubs throughout including overarching stakeholder tables for all parks.</p> <p>New section 2.2.7 proposed above</p> <p>A76 add f. 'encompass mana whenua partner, park stakeholder and public feedback'</p> <p>A84 changed to 'in perpetuity'</p>

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#120, #136, #209, #240, #246, #267, #349	Shane Wetzel, Grahcoe, Paule Oliver, Steve Meeres, Alan Smith, Felix, Marwick, Blake Sutton	<p><i>A Lot of the parks could cater better by having longer multi use trails is in MTB and walking/tramping.</i></p> <p><i>The plan needs to show opportunities to link up existing parks with walkways, cycleways etc ie in particular, linking QE Park to Battle Hill via the farmland coming surplus as a result of NZTA building the Gully Road.</i></p> <p><i>There needs to be consultation with Walking/Tramping Groups representatives when planning future tracks in all parks.</i></p> <p><i>I particularly support the idea of linking the parks via user friendly MTB / walking trails, for example, Queen Elizabeth Park, Whareroa Farm, Battle Hill, Akatarawa Forest and The Hutt Valley.</i></p> <p><i>GW does not have good track record for pragmatic, real and sustained coo-operation with adjacent councils, always seeming to put its emphasis on "boundary lines on maps" rather than on the practical on-the-ground realities for those actually using those regional parks.</i></p> <p><i>Put some priority on completing the two big regional cycle trail opportunities (i) Akatarawa Traverse linking QEP and Akatarawa RP and (ii) the cycle trail around the coast from Orongorongo River to Eastbourne. In both cases the trails are "pretty much already there" and with some GW effort and positive liaison with adjacent</i></p>	<p>Comment:</p> <p>Other long distance trails can be explored considering trail assessment processes identified in the draft Plan.</p>	<p>Accepted</p> <p>Akatarawa Traverse to be added to Map 4 as a general arrow into Battle Hill</p> <p>More reference to walking/ tramping groups added throughout</p>

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		<p><i>landholders including HCC et al they could be moved from 90% done to 100% done, and marketed to GW's benefit, attracting users and drawing attention to the excellence and worth of the GW Regional parks.</i></p> <p><i>More Mountain Bike and walking trails.</i></p>		
#37	Jeremy Eckley (Upper Hutt Walking and Tramping Club)	<p><i>Congratulates GW in preparing the Draft Parks Network Plan, and for the thorough and detailed approach. Support:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Consistent park naming, land use change to restoration, master planning but suggests these should be for all parks that don't have them - Suggests walking and tramping groups be included as key stakeholders - <i>Overall it is felt that insufficient attention is paid to walking/tramping as a specific recreational activity</i> and walking trails protected from use changes - Suggest more detailed levels of permission for activities - Suggest that monitor progress on achieving Parks Network Plan goals should include a provision for consultation and feedback from Park users/stakeholder groups. - Do not support trout removal A374 in Wainuiomata - Various suggested changes in the Rules 	<p>Comment:</p> <p>The draft Plan generally refers to 'community' groups and introduces a wider AEE process</p> <p>Proposed State of the Park monitoring for plan implementation methodology is yet to be developed but can include Park users/stakeholder groups.</p> <p>The introductory section to the Rules identifies that there are some restrictions in some places and activities. Level of detail suggested is not included in the Plan.</p>	<p>Accepted</p> <p>Additional reference to walking/ tramping to be added. Refer new proposed section 2.2.7 above.</p> <p>A185, walkers added</p> <p>Rules table correction for 'Motorised Recreation, Category B' accepted (prohibited section missed in error)</p>
#46	Cathy Wylie (Taranua Tramping Club)	<p><i>Generally supportive of the work evident in this draft Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020-30...concerned that walkers and trampers have sometimes been overlooked in the preparation of this plan, and the</i></p>	<p>Comment:</p> <p>The plan refers to 'community groups' with the intention of including a range of groups including walking/ tramping clubs.</p>	<p>Accepted in part</p> <p>More references added to walking / tramping clubs added throughout in Notes and to master planning actions</p>

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		<p><i>tramping and walking groups which can offer their experience and understanding are not clearly identified as key stakeholders. Our particular interest is ensuring that</i></p> <p><i>a. track development does not occur at the cost of existing tall forest</i></p> <p><i>d. existing tall forest is protected with ongoing trapping and pest control</i></p> <p><i>e. each park has a Master Plan, in which tramping and walking groups are involved as stakeholders.</i></p> <p><i>3. We would welcome the opportunity to contribute to the Master Plans for each of the parks, or to discuss these points further.</i></p>	<p>AEE process encompasses new track developments</p> <p>Pest management encompassed in KNE and volunteer programme work</p>	
#78	Danilo Hegg, Federated Mountain Clubs	<p>Supports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>reduced grazing and increased reforestation of the Park to meet carbon neutrality goals</i> - <i>Strongly supports the action that encourages further land acquisition, protections and recreation links in the Cameron Creek, Gollans Stream and Wainuiomata River catchments. (A261)</i> - <i>the rules around stock grazing (pg 195)</i> <p>Suggests:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - an action to negotiate and provide enduring public access to the Park from Riverstone Terraces along Bulls Run Road - Cannon Point and Birchville Dam is recognised as a distinct entity from the wider Akatarawa Forest, and managed in close collaboration with Upper Hutt City Council 	<p>Comment:</p> <p>Access to Akatarawa park is restricted for safety reasons during forestry operational hours. It is open to the public after hours and weekends.</p> <p>Not all leases, licences, land exchanges require public notification, some are minor activities or utilities.</p>	<p>Accepted in part</p> <p>FMC to be added a stakeholder for Belmont and East Harbour</p> <p>Rules section, page 184 'Backcountry camping' to be changed to 'Allowed' for Belmont and 'Managed' for QEP and Baring Head.</p>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - backcountry camping in Belmont Regional Park become an allowed activity. - change to the point (e) of the list on page 183, to “It involves a <i>lease, licence, easement or land exchange</i>”. Does not support: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - the concept of the Akatarawa Traverse, development of glamping and concessionaire facilities in Kaitoke (A281). Wants to be added as a key stakeholder for Belmont, East Harbour		
#79	Owen Cox (Parawai Tramping Club)	<i>Queen Elizabeth Park. Agree with the proposals. We are especially pleased to see comment about enabling public access to currently off-limits parts of the Park. We were puzzled as to why the cycle track south from Eastbourne around the coast past Pencarrow and over Bering Head to the Wainuiomata Coast Road is not marked on the maps.</i> Kaitoke – track suggested for map Akatarawa – does not mention walking/tramping, misses KCDC in A114. Perkins Land suggestions.	Comment: The legal Pencarrow Coast Road enters the sea. The current road crosses private land. Land owner permission is required for access. The Kaitoke track suggestion is in the adjoining water collection area and outside the park. Walking/ tramping groups added as per other submission notes. Perkins land future uses post TG completion are ongoing. Refer Wainui Whenua related submission (acquisitions).	Accepted KCDC added to A114
#80	Gillian Candler & Philippa Doig	<i>We agree with a renewed focus on conservation, recreation, community and climate change. Walkers and trampers are key stakeholders and should be acknowledged in the plan and consulted.</i> <i>We think more work needs to be done on mitigating conflicts between conservation and recreation by wheeled or motorised vehicles.</i>	Comment: Phone towers are an operational matter	Accepted A131 more reference to be added to walkers / trampers as key stakeholders

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		<p><i>Not all parks need to be highly accessible, some parks offer wilderness experiences, which are spoiled by asphalt, gravel or graded paths.</i></p> <p><i>Accessibility is a great principle, but more visitors means more car parking unless public transport options are available.</i></p> <p>We also question the need for placing more phone towers etc in the forest</p>		
#105	Chris Horne	<p>Supports conservation opportunities, climate change actions,</p> <p><i>It is imperative that GWRC does all it can to restore the “carbon-sink” values of all the plant communities on the lands it manages on the public’s behalf. Thus GWRC must strive, using all methods at its disposal, to eliminate all alien animal species.</i></p> <p>Suggests tracks not trails and prosecuting unauthorised track builders. Asks what master plans are? Suggests no deer repellent on 1080 or more mountain bike or trail bike routes in the Akatarawa park. Doesn’t agree with planting exotics for amenity purposes at Battle Hill. Suggests more pest animal control in Belmont, Kaitoke and East Harbour.</p> <p>Add bus to Belmont maps at Major Drive.</p> <p><i>QEP GWRC should advocate to Kiwi Rail for the construction of a platform at Mackay’s Crossing for trains to use at weekends and for special occasions at the park.</i></p> <p><i>I consider that the among “Restricted activities” should be the construction of more tracks and “trails.</i></p>	<p>Comment:</p> <p>Appendix 1 describes master planning</p>	<p>Accepted in part</p> <p>Busses added to maps at Major Drive, Kelson</p>

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Horse riding				
#12 & #176, #160, #162, #163, #164, #165, #166, #167, #168, #170, #171, #172, #173, #174, #175, #177, #178, #179, #180 #181, #182, #186, #189, #191, #192, #210, #260	Kate Armstrong, Ruth, Kelly, Josien, Richard Schimpf, Ceciel, Rcahel Rolfs, CVW, Penelope Haines, Willowsrun, Wilkinson, Lesley Blackmore, Emmajo, Gina, Awells, Julie33, AbbyJ, CGMcC, Kheggglun, Sharon Baker, Shelly Warrick, Jacqui, Debbie Dorne, Carolin Beaufort, Chris Manning, Jenni Walsh	Multiple objections to a proposed horse riding pass as per A20, page 46 <i>'Investigate the development of a casual horse riding permit system such as 'parks horse riding pass' to help improve cross-country trail riding experiences for horse riders e.g. Auckland Council's free of charge 12 month pass which enables riders to have streamlined access and receive information updates on temporary closures or biosecurity issues.</i>	Comment: In the initial consultation to develop the plan many equestrians asked that Greater Wellington streamline and improve access arrangements. The word 'permit' was interpreted by many to mean more control. The intention was actually to make it easier for horse riders as per their request.	Accepted A20 suggested revision of this action to 'Investigate a streamlined access system for horse riders across the park network in liaison with equestrians and TAs' Proposed new action, Recreation Experience page 50 New action A20 a. 'Across parks improve facilities for horse riders including mounting blocks, hitching rails, float parking areas, and investigate further bridle trails, in particular long distance trails. Notes: equestrians groups, TA's Belmont section of plan: Add equestrians in notes column to additional actions.
#57	Ruth Halliday (Kapiti Equestrian Advocacy Group)	<i>Replace the term shared path with multiuse path where appropriate. Multi use includes walking, cycling and horse riding. Shared path excludes horses</i> - <i>Include horse riding as a permitted activity in all Parks</i> - <i>Include equestrian groups in discussions when developing new/existing trails</i> - <i>Where camping areas are to be established include paddocks and/or</i>	Comment: A131b, Battle Hill camping includes action for equestrian camping facilities. An equestrian / horse rider collaboration group can be established if appropriate to work on improving access across parks.	Accepted in part Proposed additional actions relating to horse riding as above Rules section change recommended Page 190 Rules. Add QEP to 'Managed' camping as item 'i' Fully self-contained limited sites QEP'

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		<p><i>pens for horses so horse riders are also able to undertake this activity</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Minimise entry obstacles to parks for horse riders. Currently riders need, keys, fobs or phone numbers to gain entry to different parks. This is cumbersome and difficult to understand. Establish a working group, including riders, to develop one consistent system without the need for any permit system</i> - <i>Develop parking areas at all trail heads with signage, hitching rails, mounting blocks, wash down areas and manure bins</i> - <i>Develop access and parking points in Belmont Park (as above) with long term planning for access from Pauatahanui</i> - <i>Improve trails for horse riders between Parks eg Q E Park to Battle Hill and Battle Hill to Belmont</i> - <i>Work with Local Governments to provide consistent signage and messaging throughout the Region</i> - <i>Work with Local Governments and Equestrian Groups to develop opportunities for Equestrian Tourism in the Region</i> 		<p>Action A327 amended to investigate camping options though master planning in QEP, refer QEP section below</p> <p>Add Kāpiti Equestrian Advocacy Group to the list of park stakeholders</p> <p>Action amended to include collaboration groups for particular activities or topics</p>
#193, #204, #214, #220, #228 #260	Taylor, Janette, Rachel Fletcher, Glen McCauley, Cora, Jenni Walsh, Rachel	<i>Horse riding and float parking areas. I would love to see more permitted horse riding areas where dogs are also allowed.</i>	Comment: Draft Plan policies and rules support prioritised public access to and within parks.	Accepted in part Proposed additional actions relating to horse riding as above

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#268, #271, #293, #319	Jones, Rachel, Hayley Auld, Sally Mitchell	<p><i>The plan misses an important customer base an community. The community of Horse riders that has traditionally used the parks for recreation. There is a lot of emphasis on enabling Mountain Biking and Walking, but these efforts seem to be at the disadvantage of recreational riders. This community needs to be catered for through the provision of safe, well-formed paths suitable for multiple riders. There is contention on the shared paths, and this practice is a danger to both groups, and leading to tensions between riders and bikers.</i></p> <p><i>‘... horse riding in Belmont is primarily a young female activity. A demographic that should be encouraged and supported in their out door sport activities. Sadly in contrast with the mountain bikers, advocacy for the horse riders seems to be hard. I have been on the sidelines of several discussions re horse activities in the region and it always seems to be a battle to ensure they are heard (the other was on the Kapiti Coast and the establishment of their track systems).</i></p> <p><i>Consider the opportunity, both socially and from a tourism perspective if there was a bridleway from Belmont connecting through Transmission Gully and Battle Hill to the Coastal bridleways enabling multi-day treks with camping and overnight opportunities on the way. This accessible from 10 minutes from the city!</i></p>		

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		<p><i>I would like to stress the need for GWRC to always consider horse access within all Regional Parks and not install 'human' cattle stops or barriers that deny access for horse riders. Small timber gates with long-handled access, spring loaded to ensure they remain shut are suitable for all park users.</i></p> <p><i>I'm a recreational horse rider and am increasingly disappointed with the emphasis on mountain biking with all of these parks to the detriment of horse riding. I would ask that any further development of mountain biking tracks be equal to the expansion of horse riding tracks available in all three of these parks.</i></p>		
#111	Brenda Johnston	<p>Walking and tramping groups left out of stakeholder lists</p> <p>Likes the idea of the Akatarawa and Pakuratahi park enhancements but concerned about pathogens</p> <p>Supports grazing ceasing but concerned restoration won't be fast enough.</p> <p>Should be more effort to control ungulates and weeds</p>	<p>Comment:</p> <p>Noted and addressed in response to other submissions and proposed new text.</p>	<p>No change to draft Plan</p> <p>Suggested are already addressed by the Plan or have been addressed in other submission responses</p>
#112	Steven Church	<p>New trail proposals need to consider maintenance requirements and suggests some rationalisation of other tracks.</p> <p>Supports overall directions and phasing out grazing, except Battle Hill for children to see farm animals</p> <p>Suggests regeneration needs to consider view maintenance on hill tops and ridgelines</p>	<p>Comment:</p> <p>View maintenance is considered</p> <p>Renaming with re reo names is proposed</p>	<p>No change to draft Plan</p> <p>Suggested are already addressed by the Plan or have been addressed in other submission responses</p>

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		Suggests park cottages could be rented to return income See traffic pressures in Stratton St at the MTB hub and has reservations about some trail proposals . Would like to see Belmont Trig renamed.		
#116	Allan & Glennis Sheppard	Supports track lookout vegetation maintenance and suggests they should be shown on park maps. Suggests: <i>..that use of weed-eaters is restricted to specific weeds and not used to remove all vegetation. This should also result in a reduction of direct and indirect costs. That the people employed (or their supervisors) have an appreciation of what species are likely to be present and how to avoid them. That the frequency of this level of track clearing be reduced to 2-yearly. ...with the growth of surrounding bush and the closing of the canopy, some of these species will cease to exist in this area and also reduce the need to weed-eat the track.</i> That vehicle access at Pakuratahi Forks, Kaitoke is revised and that the bridge should be replaced. That the Te Marua area is improved to make it more attractive to users Pakuratahi – suggests additional parking and supports other proposals	Comment: Track maintenance suggestions will be passed on to the track maintenance team. Bridge replacement is planned at Kaitoke along with revision of access/ parking. An action for master planning in Pakuratahi has been added, acknowledging car parking and facility review needs identified by submitters.	No change to draft Plan Suggested are already addressed by the Plan or have been addressed in other submission responses
Dog walking				

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#211, #213	Ailsa, Edward Montague	<i>It does not miss so much as does not say anything about access for animals as I do not want there to be less access as Wellington has some of the best access for dog walking and this should not change.</i> <i>Dogs under control and droppings removed. No need for full leashed at all times</i>	Comment: Dog on and off leash areas are defined on a park by park basis. More access, rather than less is proposed in the Plan as per Rules.	No change to draft Plan
#335	Ellen Blake	<i>Dogs should be prohibited from many areas, they are a menace to people and wildlife and detract from the outdoor experience.</i>	Comment: There are dog free areas within most parks and all of Battle Hill	No change to draft Plan Suggested are already addressed by the Plan or have been addressed in other submission responses
Hunting				
#87	Tim Gale (NZ Game Animal Council)	<i>Game Animals (deer, tahr, chamois and pigs) are now recognised as valued introduced species in Te Mana o Te Taiao - Aotearoa New Zealand Biodiversity Strategy 2020.</i> <i>The GAC recommends reference to game animals in the Park Network Plan to compliment the sentiment outlined in Te Mana o Te Taiao - Aotearoa New Zealand Biodiversity Strategy 2020.</i> <i>The GAC recommends the contribution hunting makes to the integrity of the ecosystem and gains to societal health and wellbeing is considered and detailed in the drafting of the Plan.</i> <i>The GAC recommends working in partnerships with hunting organisations in the Wellington region to provide coordinated and targeted game animal management in</i>	Comment: The hunting areas in Kaitoke and Wainuiomata are outside the regional parks and in the water collections areas which are managed under a separate management plan. No ballot extensions are proposed for East Harbour at this stage. This is determined operationally. Hunting areas are not proposed to change in Pakuratahi. The areas defined for hunting are for public safety purposes.	Accepted in part More general reference to the value of hunting and working in partnership added. East Harbour rule change proposed as below Table page 215 hunting and bees swapped

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		<p><i>areas of concern to GWRC. Local hunting organisations are in a position to act as facilitators to mobilise their members to undertake hunting where and required.</i></p> <p><i>Throughout the document there is limited reference to hunting. The GAC strongly recommends an increased mention of hunting in sections talking about recreational activities within the park and region.</i></p> <p><i>Page 215. Re-categorise hunting in table to 'High impact and High benefit'. Recreational hunting aligns with all the stated goals of the PNP.</i></p> <p>Suggests more overnight access in Kaitoke and Wainuiomata, ballot extensions in East Harbour and hunting area extension in Pakuratahi.</p>		
#59, #123, #224, #227, #247, #272, #280, #283, #284, #285, #286, #289, #290, #292, #299, #300, #304, #306, #307, #308, #312, #314, #315, #318, #321,	Simon Morley, Jmb, Brock Beyer, Anthony Coomer, Olivia Nottingham, Rob Howey, Les Ryan, Peter Henderson, Justin McCabe, Phillip Meyer, Pierre Pradervand, Matthew	<p><i>I have the following feedback in regards to GWRC current approach to managing game animals and engaging with the hunting community. It would be nice if some of this could be taken on board, which would foster better local engagement from hunters in our regional parks, which would have social, economic and conservation benefits if undertaken in a managed way.</i></p> <p><i>4. Increased engagement of GWRC pest animal teams with hunting community</i></p>	<p>Comment:</p> <p>Multiple submissions about hunting</p>	<p>Accepted in part</p> <p>Rules, page 196 'To be phased out by 2025' deleted</p> <p>Refer above proposed new section 2.2.7 encompassing hunting.</p>

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#337, #351, #369	Deiderich , Chris Green, Stefan Botha Wally Potts, Tim Watson, name redacted x2, Nigel Jeffries, Andy Roland, Simon Larsen, Peter Blang, Kovacs, Bryce Shepherd, Ed Trotter, Graeme Blanchard, Theren Williams, Blair Scotland	<p><i>groups in areas where they restrict access or don't allow hunting</i></p> <p><i>5. Overall a better consideration of and allowance of hunting in the region, which would promote individuals to hunt locally rather than leaving the region. This would also promote connection with local whenua and likely lead to further community programmes such as pest control and hut maintenance by hunting groups.</i></p> <p><i>Deer Hunting in the northern forest area of East Harbour region park should in no way be faded out by 2025. This is public land and we have a right to go hunting in there. It really doesn't harm anybody and the hunters pay money to enter the ballot.</i></p> <p><i>We have friends from GWRC pest control who tell us of deer around various Hutt Valley suburbs but are not huntable, so are culled at rate payer expense. Why can't we promote archery in greenbelt areas closer to population which would allow hunting bit massively minimise risk to public.</i></p>		
#282, #294, #297, #345 #76, #82	NZ Deer Stalkers, Wellington Branch, Anton Marsden, NZ Deer Stalkers Association,	<p><i>Wellington Branch of the New Zealand Deerstalkers Association (WB-NZDA) has not been identified as a stakeholder for any of the regional parks in the Parks Network Plan (PNP). Our members are frequent visitors and recreational users of the regional parks. Please amend PNP to identify WB-NZDA as</i></p>	<p>Comment:</p> <p>Hunting is permitted as a Managed activity in Wainuiomata Recreation Area.</p> <p>The Wainuiomata/ Orongorongo Water Collection Area is managed under its own</p>	<p>Accepted in part</p> <p>As above</p> <p>NZDA Wellington Branch to be added as a stakeholder</p>

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	Ricky Kernohan, Gordon George (NZDA Hutt Valley Branch), David Shaw	<p><i>important stakeholders of the parks; in particular, Akatarawa Forest, Belmont Regional Park, East Harbour Regional Park, Kaitoke Regional Park, Pakuratahi Forest and Wainuiomata Recreational Area.</i></p> <p><i>The Wellington Branch of the New Zealand Deerstalkers Association should be recognised in the PNP as key partners when it comes to the management of the ungulate (deer, pig and goat) resource across the parks network:</i></p> <p><i>Page 196. The following sentence “Hunting for recreation purposes does not take priority over Greater Wellington’s other pest animal management” needs to be amended to recognise the WB-NZDA as key partners.</i></p> <p><i>Recreational hunting and / or protein gathering has not been identified once in the PNP as an important recreational and cultural value in the PNP, despite it being a very popular recreational activity and aligning with the stated PNP goals. The PNP goes to great lengths to encourage activities such as mountain biking and hiking, but does not encourage recreational hunting despite aligning with all the core values for the parks, Why? Please amend throughout.</i></p> <p><i>Specifically, Page 215 - Recreational Hunting in the table on page 215 needs be re-categorised to ‘High impact and High benefit’. Recreational hunting aligns with all the stated goals of the PNP.</i></p>	management plan and outside the scope of this Plan.	

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		<p><i>Access and removal of barriers is a core goal of the PNP, however access to recreational hunters is being restricted, and in the case of Wainuiomata and East Harbour completely lost. The WB-NZDA strongly oppose this, it is 100% inconsistent with PNP state goals. Access for recreational hunters should be improved in the following ways: Overnight access should be granted to WB-NZDA members and the wider hunting community across all parks including the water reserve catchments Wainuiomata and Kaitoke.</i></p> <p><i>We strongly oppose recreational hunting being prohibited in East Harbour and Wainuiomata by 2025, please amend accordingly.</i></p> <p><i>The New Zealand Deerstalkers Association Incorporated speaks and advocates on behalf of New Zealand's recreational hunters and note the absence of partnership and consultation with the clubs located in the greater Wellington area. Please update the plan to include NZDA and our local branches as key stakeholders in the hunting aspects of the plan. Deer and hunting have cultural, recreational, and food gathering values that are overlooked in importance. This needs to be rectified in the plan.</i></p>		
#114	Heather Phillips and Donald Love	Concerns about pest animal management including pigs, deer and goats. Identify that the draft plan does not mention <i>wild cattle</i> and how they are managed and the risk the	Comment:	Accepted in part A98 add 'Work towards managing threats to indigenous ecosystem health by supporting the

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		<p><i>pose to adjoining/neighbour landowners – safety wise and/or TB infection potential.</i></p> <p><i>3. No level of pest animal population densities (cattle/pig/deer/goats) that will trigger control measures needed to reduce damage being done to environment and neighbours' properties (both farms and private native bush areas).</i></p> <p><i>4. The methodologies that are to be used to reduce/eradicate pest animals (cattle/deer/pigs/goats) is absent from this plan and the referred to GWRC Regional Pest Management Plan 2019-2039.</i></p> <p><i>5. Hunters liberating/releasing pest animals is stated as an offence in the Parks Plan, but there is no direction/plan of action that GWRC will undertake when these offences occur – (can say it is an offence but need action/prosecutions/jail/large fines to follow and this needs to be clear within the plan).</i></p> <p><i>6. Fire management/mitigation states that to return the vegetation of parks to their natural states (ie 'green vegetation' firebreaks) being a form of "fire response plans". How does this mitigate the fire threat? These forests burnt extensively (from Paraparaumu to Hutt Valley via Moonshine and Horokiwi Valleys), when still virgin forests in 1898.</i></p>	The Regional Pest Management Plan 2019-2039 provides guidance on these matters of concern	<p>KNE programme and associated pest plant and animals programme work'</p> <p>Page 76 additional text under Natural Heritage Under the Key Native Ecosystem programme 'much of the park is classed as a KNE'.</p> <p>References added to Battle Hill graves site on map and in text on page 86.</p>
#298, #301, #335 #48		<p>Anti-hunting <i>Recreation hunting shouldn't be happening in the parks anymore if you want to</i></p>	<p>Comment: Predator control programme is part of KNE programme work recognising that in some</p>	<p>Accepted in part Public perceptions of safety is one of the key considerations in determining where hunting</p>

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		<p><i>encourage more walkers and riders. There should be enough DOC land available for alternate use of venue.</i></p> <p><i>Ban hunting and gun carrying except for registered pest people</i></p> <p><i>We request that the phasing out of recreational deer & pig hunting be phased out by 2025.</i></p> <p><i>Specifically I would like to see an additional action to complement A166-A169 Support initiatives to develop a Park-wide predator control network, involving the community and mana whenua, to improve the safety of kiwi and other rare native birds returning to the Park.</i></p>	<p>parks this does not include the whole park. Community lead predator trapping has a significant role in these areas.</p> <p>Action to phase out hunting in Northern Forest by 2025 to be removed as per other submissions.</p>	<p>activities are permitted and the duration of ballots. Refer additional text re hunting for recreation purpose above.</p> <p>A222 allows for review of seasonal hunting activities in consultation with community.</p> <p>A65 amended to include extra bullet point: ‘Establishing short term or ongoing collaboration groups for particular parks or topics or activities e.g. recreation hunting, horse riding access improvements, trail development and/ or maintenance’</p>
Camping/ overnight stays				
#20	Kaumatua Tramping Club	<p><i>On behalf of our Club I would like to strongly commend your team for the detailed and careful work that has been put into this document. It is a superbly crafted work, rich in information and inspiring in its approach.</i></p> <p><i>We are especially delighted with your proposals to develop links and connectivity between currently disconnected parks, and between them and conservation lands.</i></p> <p><i>We also believe that there are opportunities to involve supportive private landowners in helping to connect parcels of park and conservation land, for example to develop a mountain-to-sea experience in East Harbour</i></p>	<p>Comment: There are a number of submissions for additional walking/ riding camping or hut stays. Refer submissions for camping/ overnight stays</p>	<p>Accepted</p> <p>Camping rules updated to allow backcountry camping in Belmont and QEP and investigate sites in Akatarawa. Refer above and proposed new action below.</p>

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		<i>Park and Baring Head. Our hope would be that GWRC, perhaps in collaboration with the Walking Access Commission, could take a lead in developing these opportunities.</i>		
#364	Eastbourne Scout Group (ESG)	<p><i>The ESG would like to open discussions with the Wellington Regional Council (WRC) in regards to the future of this Hut and its potential use by the Scouting youth of Wellington for years to come.</i></p> <p><i>While ESG would take the primary role of responsibility for the Hut, we would like to encourage other local Scouting Groups to use it to enable more youth to experience the beauty of our Regional Park in a way that is not otherwise so easily obtained.</i></p> <p><i>ESG is keen to understand and incorporate any learnings that WRC has from other similar situations with Scouting Groups and what has worked with the Huts they have access to. We want this to be a situation which benefits our Youth (Cubs 8 to 10 years old and Scouts 10 to 14 year old) by providing them an opportunity to experience the NZ wilderness without the risks associated with back-country outings. We would welcome an opportunity to meet and discuss this with a representative of the WRC.</i></p>	<p>Comment:</p> <p>This could be investigated.</p> <p>Note, Kāpiti Scout Groups have also asked to be allowed to camp in QEP periodically.</p>	<p>Accepted</p> <p>New action after A222, 'Investigate future uses of the backcountry hut for recreation/conservation purposes. Notes – Eastbourne Scout Group, other community groups.</p> <p>QEP backcountry camping changed in Rules to 'Managed'</p>
#63	James Imlach (NZ Motor Caravan Association Inc.)	<i>The NZMCA's membership is growing at a rapid rate. We urge the Council to be mindful of how camping is evolving and growing in popularity throughout NZ, particularly due to Covid-19, and ensure the 10-year plan accommodates the next generation of kiwi</i>		<p>Accepted</p> <p>Additional investigation of camping through master planning added, refer QEP section.</p>

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		<i>campers. We support the plan where it provides opportunities for all campers and we encourage the council to work with camping groups, including the NZMCA, to ensure the regional parks continue to provide the type camping experiences New Zealanders seek.</i>		
#20	Kaumatua Tramping Club	Support more overnight stay options for longer trails. <i>We believe there is significant opportunity for multi-day walking experiences either using camping/huts on public land and for fostering the use of private accommodation.</i>	Comment: A range of adaptive reuses of park buildings is proposed as grazing activities are phased out, to be explored through master planning processes in liaison with iwi partners, stakeholders and broader community.	No change to draft Plan
Fishing				
#49	Corinne Deans (Wellington Fish and Game Council)	Supports easy public access to parks Concerned about proposal to remove trout from Wainuiomata Reserve without consultation A374. Requests removal of this action Suggest that: - the public are excluded from the 'upper part of the reserve' - trout and native fish interactions not likely to be detrimental, that the upstream fishery is an important population source for the downstream fishery - Hunting- duck shooting is changed to 'game birds' on page 186 - Duck shooting be permitted in QEP - That duck shooting is identified a historic and traditional activity at Parangarahu	Comment: Action 374 to remain as an investigation. F&G NZ are already identified as a stakeholder. The adjoining Wainuiomata / Orongorongo Water Collection Area is closed to general public access but the Wainuiomata Recreation Area is fully open to the public except ranger residential area and Wellington Water operational buildings. 'Hunting –duck shooting' is more descriptive and change is not required. No change for QEP or Parangarahu Lakes	Accepted in part F&G NZ to be added as stakeholder in relevant sections of the Plan Typo noted page 215

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		Lakes and that dogs and boating be permitted		
#67	Ian Hutchings, Cross Country Vehicle Club Wellington	Suggests: - More 4WD access to other parks such as Baring Head, QEP, Wainuiomata and Pakuratahi <i>CCVC submits that the first four areas above should have 4WD recreation activity classified as Managed (instead of Restricted). Whilst there may be theoretical opportunities for 4WD activity in these areas under the Managed classification, every discussion with Officers (which is required/encouraged) has indicated that even with a costly AEE being prepared and submitted, approval is unlikely.</i>	Comment: It is acknowledged that motorised recreation access can enable more people to visit parks, particularly those with limited mobility. Access is periodically available into these parks via the Events programme and is identified as category B and 'Managed' in the draft Plan. The Lakes can be accessed via the HCC managed Pencarrow Coast road. Park tracks are not appropriate for 4WD. AEE for events are not onerous. Category A motorised recreation has more access to more parks. Long AEE not required for events in category B.	Accepted in part Page 199. Category B covers events. 'Impacts must be managed via conditions following AEE checklist and other standard events process'
#129, #130	Jay Rowley, Sharon Lapwood	<i>I would like to see further Mountain Bike trail development within the area. The sport has grown massively and Lower Hutt has a large user base, particularly on the western hills. BAMBA have put a lot of time and effort into existing trails within the limited area. Expanding trails to Belmont Trig will compliment the existing network.</i> <i>GWRC should prioritize building mountain bike tracks as a recognition that increasing interest in mountain biking is bringing more people outdoors.</i>	Comment: Multiple submissions in support of MTB in Belmont.	Accepted in part Refer other changes re Akatarawa tracks and proposed map additions
#97	Grant Purdie (NZ Four Wheel Drive Association)	<i>The draft plan took quite some reading, it is impressively comprehensive and complete. There is no doubt that it will successfully serve as a solid foundation for the use and management of Wellington's regional parks.</i>	Comment: Appendix three provides overall guidance. AEE process will include new templates and forms to facilitate events and low-impact activities.	Accepted in part NZ Four Wheel Drive Association added to overall Akatarawa stakeholders.

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		<p>Suggest Akatarawa Traverse route is separated from vehicles for walkers and cyclists e.g. parallel route. Concerned about AEE for motorised recreation Category B but suggest that: submit that: <i>The AEE process allow for a short-form option for low-impact, short duration, one-off events.</i> <i>GW provide templates or exemplars for full-form and short-form AEEs.</i> <i>The requirements are clarified for allowing our members to contribute when utilising their 4wd vehicles as part of GW-organised events.</i> <i>The above points be reflected in the Parks Network Plan.</i></p>		
CULTURAL HERITAGE FEATURES AND LANDSCAPE				
#14	Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga (HNZPT)	<p><i>'The Draft Plan demonstrates a comprehensive approach to management of the region's parks'</i> HNZ commend and support:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consideration of historic and cultural heritage values, interpretation, AEE process, accidental discovery protocol, work with mana whenua and community groups, development of heritage management plans. <p><i>'The policy direction to phase out grazing on most of the park land is commendable'</i>. HNZ would like to be in discussions about restoration works, in particular at Baring</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HNZPT should be included in list of key stakeholders, particularly in parks with significant heritage values. Want to be consulted for any development, enhancement or modification of heritage items or areas. • Include HNZ as a potentially interested party regarding disposal of surplus land (52P, pg. 54) • Pg. 150 activity A319 – the whole Remutaka rail area has already been entered on the Heritage NZ List (list number 7511), together with the whole Historic Area and some individual items and features. 	<p>Accepted</p> <p>52P c. add HNZPT</p> <p>A319 change to 'Liaise with HNZPT, DOC and others on rail trail enhancements and changes'</p> <p>HNZPT to be added as stakeholder to overarching action for key destinations A45</p>

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		<p>Head where there is <i>'a high concentration of cultural and historic resources'</i>.</p> <p>Specific suggestions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some activities e.g. access improvements and car parking at Baring Head likely require an archaeological authority under the HNZPT Act. • Interested in all and any heritage places and items, not just those on the HNZPT List. • Would appreciate opportunity to be involved in any identified heritage items or destinations, particularly when intention is to enhance and asset or develop interpretation and storytelling • Would like to be involved in drafting and development of conservation management plans for any heritage place or item. 		
#34	Dennis Page, Hutt Valley Tramping Club	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Support restoration works and endorse phasing out stock grazing - Concerned about fire threat and weed management, particularly climbing asparagus fern in Belmont and East Harbour - Would like to see views and hill top vistas maintained - Support Akatarawa Traverse - Would like to see more opportunities for overnight stays in parks, particularly for undertaking conservation work - Support cross valley connection in the Northern Forest but Bait line should be just 	<p>Comment:</p> <p>The draft Plan identifies that investigating adaptive re-uses for the five park cottages in Belmont and one in QEP (currently used for grazing licence purposes) will be undertaken via master planning processes. Two park cottages at Baring Head are in the process of restoration for public recreation purposes.</p>	<p>Accepted</p> <p>Rules for backcountry camping permission changed for Belmont and QEP. Additional action for investigation of backcountry hut in East Harbour Northern Forest added as per other submissions.</p>

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		a marked route (its currently an route marked with pink bait markers) - Support improved trail network connections		
94	Andrew Fuller, Wellington Astronomical Society	- Supports dark sky preservation, in particular at Wainuiomata <i>Whilst lighting has undeniable benefits and a key role in today's modern society, including areas such as parks and reserves, if not controlled and used only when and where required, it becomes a nuisance and pollutant.</i> - I support initiatives that apply guidance from the International Dark Sky Association covering aspects of light colour, shielding of light sources, using lighting only when and where needed. Applying the IDA initiatives can have cost benefits, while also improving the economy and the environment in the Greater Wellington area with minimal outlay.	Comment: The dark sky museum proposed at Wainuiomata will significantly enhance people's day time experience of the park as well as night visits.	No change to draft Plan Suggested are already addressed by the Plan or have been addressed in other submission responses
#60 #145, #156, #260, #268, #305, #310, #357, #370	Brent Cuttance (grazing licence holder Baring Head), Peter Harvey, Jaime, Jenni Walsh, Rachel Jones, Delia Tamsen, Nicola Swain, Jill Kennedy,	Do not support land use change/restoration <i>Sheep and young cattle should be allowed to graze as they complement each other. If wet areas require a higher level of protection then alternative stock water will need to be considered. We do not restrict the public whatsoever on Baring Head all year round. ... Rabbit control is also needed especially on the lower sand country. Fire threat, passive</i>	Comment: The draft Plan allows for grazing activities where there are demonstrable conservation or recreation benefits via AEE process. Refer Plan actions to develop fire management plans which will identify a range of measures to reduce seasonal fire threat. Section 2.3.1 Fire, page 25 identifies that non-flammable native vegetation is a core long term measure to reduce the threat and impact	No change to draft Plan

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	Deborah Jane Whittington	<p>surveillance from grazing licence holder periodic presence.</p> <p><i>Where we have farmed land in the parks this should be preserved as part of the Kiwi way and allows children to see well run farms and animals in their natural environment...</i></p> <p><i>By grazing and farming the regional parks it maintains the integrity of the park. Greater Wellington should be more concerned with urban waterways and urban pollution</i></p> <p><i>- I am very much opposed to the proposal to stop farming Belmont Regional Park. The farm is extremely well run by the current license holders and should farming cease the park will be overgrown with long grass. Horse riding on the paddocks would be very dangerous as there would undoubtedly be a proliferation of rabbits and the resulting rabbit holes (unseen in the long grass) which would break a horse's leg should they step in one.</i></p>	<p>of fire, with multiple benefits for biodiversity and climate change emissions reduction.</p> <p>The National Environmental Standard for freshwater and other policies require protection of freshwater such as wetlands and streams.</p> <p>Stock grazing activities at Baring Head currently require the restriction of public dog walking in the park.</p>	
#108	Craig Cottrill, Fire and Emergency NZ	<p><i>- We notice that the plan contains some key changes in pastoral land management policies, processes and practices, we submit that Greater Wellington's Senior Rangers contact FENZ's Principal Rural Fire Officer when these changes are in the actually planning process so that the implications on wildfire risk can be assessed and mitigation measures can be implemented to lessen the impacts of these policies, processes and practices. FENZ will most likely suggest that</i></p>	<p>Comments:</p> <p>Proposed fire response plans are expected to be developed in liaison with key stakeholders such as Fire and Emergency NZ</p>	No change to draft Plan

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		<i>environmental enhancements, in higher risk zones, include low flammability species and that defensible spaces are created around structures and other valuable infrastructure and that access for response assets is maintained along with access too and availability of sufficient water supplies. In some zones we may suggest that grasses are maintained via mowing or grazing to reduce the risk of unintended or other ignitions</i>		
#157, #201	Andrea McDonald, Stace	<i>- Protection for future urban growth. My concern if the bush takes over the grassland the views will become limited. Wants views maintained. Plan should relate to history and what was in the past.</i>	Comment: Maintenance of views is identified in the draft Plan	No change to draft Plan
#231	Charlie Morgan Hopkins	<i>I think that with the current housing environment that future pressure will come on council to surrender and rezone parks lands to be used for urban development, and I think that the current plan does not provide sufficient guidance with either way regardless of the outcome. If the council does hold a position on this matter, I think that could be made more explicit in the final version of the plan to provide more guidance to decision makers.</i> <i>- I think that on page 184 table 2 row 3 (private vehicle access) that every and all parks should be trigger at least the 'managed' activity status, as a default position and that high value biodiversity parks like Akatarawa should be restricted</i>	Comment: Restoration and recreation are the core focus of the draft Plan. These directions are very clear. Submissions opposing Greater Wellington's proposed disposal of land in Belmont park are referenced in this report. Private vehicle access (page 184) includes primary park roads open to the public daily. Most other areas of parks are closed to private vehicles or require an access permit.	No change to draft Plan

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		<i>or prohibited. There should be no park in which private vehicle access is 'allowed'. These spaces are taonga and I see so much damage done by motor vehicles. I do believe that have a right to access green space and I want to be inclusive of all persons but do also believe that right does not extend to the use of the parks for motorised access.</i>		
#298	Jemma	<p><i>Encouraging community involvement from all accessibility point including those with a physical and intellectual disability. also making the parks more engaging with art, sculpture trails for families. I think the move for bilingual signage, new park name etc is a fantastic move. Supporting local Iwi and mana whenua visibility in parks is so important. Allowing more businesses to sponsor conservation projects within the parks would be great. with this allowing more of the community and volunteers to contribute toward enhancing the parks</i></p> <p><i>- Phasing out private grazing activities is a great move, opening up 2000Ha of land that us the public are paying for but used for private profit use.</i></p>	<p>Comment: Access improvements are a core direction and the subject of many actions in the draft Plan.</p>	No change to draft Plan
#301	Melody Wehipeihana	<p><i>Love the move toward phasing out of private grazing, the use of Te Reo Maori in signage and a thorough public consultation process before land is sold. Hunting in parks should definitely be culled.</i></p> <p><i>- Great to see more community opportunities for volunteers to pitch in and</i></p>	<p>Comment: Noted, these are key directions.</p>	No change to draft Plan

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		<i>help enhance the parks too. Some great stuff in here!</i>		
#322	Nicholas Beynon	<p><i>More needs to be done to identify what cultural heritage assets actually exist within GWRC regional parks. To be able to promote and protect heritage assets one must know where they are. Some examples exist within the Kaitoke, Belmont and East Harbour regional parks which are not known enough to be protected. Other sites of importance exist in the East Harbour regional park northern forest such as Tramways, historic tracks over to Wainuiomata and an historic 19th homestead among other sites, these need to be better protected and identified.</i></p> <p><i>Kaitoke regional park has numerous histories relating to the maymorn estates railway from 1913, Bengé family occupation in the 19th century, the Upper Hutt pony club is not aware of the damage they are doing to an archaeological site for example. The sites here need to be better identified. As things have changed since the last heritage survey in 2005. Appendix 4 lists this as "significant heritage site Te Marua" however nothing has been done to protect the site which is used by the Upper Hutt pony club.</i></p> <p><i>59p-60p. Rangers and contractors should be given a guide on what to look for in the event work is being done in an area of high archaeological potential. (Both european and maori archaeology).</i></p>	<p>Comment:</p> <p>Noted, there are various actions in the plan to support historic and cultural heritage. Thank you for your offer of assistance re Kaitoke park heritage assets.</p>	No change to draft Plan

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		<p><i>Someone at GWRC is welcome to contact me about my knowledge of heritage resources in the parks and I'm happy to provide information about how to identify and protect these sites.</i></p> <p>-</p>		
Land disposal / acquisition				
#100	Keith Johnston, Wainuwhenua Working Group	<p>Acquisition</p> <p>The main limitation of the plan is that it does not make any provision for additions to parks or creating new parks. This is a major omission.</p> <p>The central interest of our group is the expansion of the park network to add lands associated with the Transmission Gully motorway that will become surplus after the completion of the project.</p> <p>The Greater Wellington Regional Council needs to commit to realising this opportunity, and others, and spelling out future in a new section to be added to this plan.</p>	<p>Comment:</p> <p>51P and A53 d. 'Regional open space planning priorities and opportunities for the Greater Wellington park network' allow for consideration of acquisitions</p>	<p>Accepted in part</p> <p>A 53 d. to be amended to add e.g. strategic additions to the park network</p>
#69, #261, #301, #77, Also refer PCC submission #62, #86, #92	Cameron Evans (Belmont Ratepayers Improvement Association), Juan Diego Acevedo, Melody Wehipeihana, Daniel Jones	<p>Does not support disposal (Belmont)</p> <p><i>We have been alerted to the proposed sale of the house and two hectares of the Park at 300 Hill Road. We, like the Friends of Belmont Regional Park, believe it is important to protect the integrity of the Park. Decisions such as selling part of it should be made very carefully, and we thank the Council for pausing the sale to hear from the community through this consultation. .. community</i></p>	<p>Comment:</p> <p>Draft Plan policies identify that investigation encompassing public consultation is required before land disposal processes begin. The proposed disposal process in Belmont park is a separate matter for Council consideration.</p>	<p>No change to draft Plan</p>

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	(Korokoro Environmental Group), Caitlin Carew, Jamie Stewart, Friends of Belmont,	<p><i>groups do have views and ideas that should be considered before a decision is made. We recommend that this matter be deliberated on as part of the master planning process and the decision be made in light of the outcome of that deliberation.</i></p> <p><i>I conversely strongly opposed the sale of ANY rate-payer owned land or assets without a thorough public consultation. It is extremely unlikely that council would be able to buy land back and short term budgetary concerns shouldn't be resolved by the fire sale of assets. Any land that doesn't have a purpose can be easily leased or lended to non-profits or conservation agencies to further biodiversity or cultural purposes.</i></p> <p><i>No sale of public park land without an THOROUGH public consultation.</i></p> <p><i>GWRC should carefully consider how best to use the resources of the Park and not look to sell land or property without very good reason. We were recently concerned to learn about a proposal to sell a property at Hill Road and the land on which it sits. The principle of keeping the Park intact and in public hands means that sale of land and property should only be a last resort, once all other options, including leasing, have been fully explored.</i></p> <p><i>300 Hill Rd Earlier this year I was disappointed to hear the council was proposing to sell off the former shearer's</i></p>		

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		<p><i>quarters at 300 Hill Rd, along with two hectares of park land. The timing was really inappropriate, given the community had not yet been consulted on the future of the park. The opportunities presented by the house and land need to be viewed alongside future uses of the park, so it was right that the proposal was temporarily shelved.</i></p> <p><i>If farming is phased out and recreation, education, and nature restoration are prioritised, this opens up new possibilities for the building, or a new structure in its place. For example, a classroom similar to the Woolshed in Stratton St, a shelter with interpretation panels, a plant nursery and hub for restoration activities, a bike washing / repair facility, or bookable overnight accommodation. The possibilities are endless, and I encourage the council to explore these options with the community.</i></p> <p><i>Waihora Crescent and Hill Road. Overnighting possibilities will be identified and with greater use comes greater opportunity for story-telling and appreciation of the historic heritage. The Friends request that decisions on the future of former farm houses and surrounding land at Waihora Crescent and Hill Road be made following master planning, a process where the community can collaboratively consider possible adaptive reuses and the values of the reserve land they occupy. This is consistent with A159 and A160, and the All Park Goal of “The Way</i></p>		

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		<i>We Work</i> ". A presumption of protection in perpetuity for reserve land sets a high bar for the process and substance of disposals.		
MANA WHENUA PARTNERSHIPS				
#388	Naomi Salomon, Te Rūnanga o Toa Rangatira	Generally supportive of the overall directions Suggests: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Stronger understanding of terms needed; conservation and kaitiakitanga are different - Mana whenua participation in implementation enabling opportunities that contribute to shaping the partnership - Access and storytelling are important as is sustainability - Support light pollution minimisation as is accidental discovery protocol - Different recognition for mana whenua, mata waka and community groups - Master planning at QEP needs to involve Ngati Haumia - Strongly supportive of the master planning process for Belmont park and connection with the Porirua Regeneration Project - Suggest AEE may also require Cultural Values Assessment (CVA) 	Comment: Understanding of terms noted. Working in partnership with Te Rūnanga o Toa Rangatira and Ngati Haumia is ongoing. Improving access to Belmont park, particularly in East Porirua is a Plan priority to support recreation activities, ecosystem services restoration and kaitiakitanga activities, enable the community to realise more benefits from the park and integrate it with residential areas.	Accepted Cultural Values Assessment (CVA) reference to be added to Appendix 2 and other relevant part of the Plan
#223	Lance W Barker	<i>With a multicultural background to the region incorporation of Te Reo Maori signage, names, history placards etc to engage public.</i>	Noted, these are key directions	No change to draft Plan
#375	Name redacted	<i>GWRC should work with mana whenua to restore significant sites</i>	Noted, this is ongoing	No change to draft Plan

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#379	Barbara McKenzie	<i>The GWRC horrible policy of hybridising the English language is offensive and especially demanding for those whose native language is neither English nor Maori. As far as I'm aware, GWRC has no mandate for this policy. Thought should be given to producing properly bilingual documentation, and treating ALL languages with respect.</i>	Comment: Submitter has asked to speak to this at Hearing.	No change to draft Plan
MAI TAHI / THE WAY WE WORK				
		Feedback on this goal is reflected in many submissions	Comment: Significant support for the desire for collaborative working is noted by the number of submitters wishing to be acknowledged as stakeholders in the Plan. The Mahi taahi/ Way we work goal is critical to Plan implementation.	
CLIMATE CHANGE & SUSTAINABILITY				
#85	Karen Yung, Zero Carbon Hutt Network)	<i>We request that Council move further and faster on its Regional Climate Emergency Action Plan to complement the Corporate Carbon Neutrality Action Plan. ...Support the proposal to phase out livestock grazing and change land use to that which benefits nature restoration, recreation and the climate. We urge GWRC to move in this direction without undue delay.</i> Recommend climate change reflected in the core values section better. Propose additional core value: <i>We proactively initiate and support natural and community-led opportunities that reduce or sequester</i>	Comment: Accepted with edits to minimise duplication. Regenerative agriculture practices is only referenced for Battle Hill because grazing activities are progressively ceasing or significantly reducing in other parks. Existing licence agreements create some operational constraints for short term changes in practices. Renewable energy NPS is considered to provide sufficient enabling direction.	Accepted in part Additional core value added Page 33 ' We support natural and /or community-led opportunities to reduce impacts of climate change and support public learning and engagement '. References to natural solutions changed to 'natural and/ or community lead' on p 66. A78 add 'e. and support the community in designing and working on natural and community-led solutions'

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		<p><i>emissions, build resilience, and support public learning and engagement on climate change issues.</i></p> <p><i>Propose that every instance of 'natural solutions' to climate change should be replaced with 'natural or community-led solutions'. Policy should be added to 6.7.1 to make this clear. We suggest: To support the community in designing and actioning natural or community-led solutions to reducing the impacts of climate change, consistent with the vision and values of this Plan. Matching actions in A78 and an extension of A79 would also be needed to enable this policy.</i></p> <p><i>Recommend genuinely sustainable, low carbon, regenerative agricultural practices in any park farming activities. We are concerned that current land use activities in farmed areas of parks are high impact on recreation, ecology, and the climate. We think that stocking rates, reliance of aerial fertiliser and herbicide, and poor protection of native flora and freshwater values within the farm all need close scrutiny.</i></p> <p><i>Policies and actions on truly sustainable land use management appear to be absent in relation to the other parks that currently have grazing and need to be included.</i></p> <p>Support community-led renewable energy generation, ask for additional policy. Request that Belmont master planning is</p>		

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		ped up, that indirect benefits of localised recreation for climate change be better recognised.		
PARK SPECIFIC SUBMISSIONS				
AKATARAWA				
#29	Tim Lapwood	<p><i>I am broadly in agreement with the plan and particularly with the six core goals and guiding principles of managing natural values, recreational experiences, heritage and landscape.</i></p> <p><i>There are a number of commercial plantations within the park which are currently being harvested, this has dramatically reduced access to the designated tracks shown on "The Akatarawa Forest Motorised Recreation Tracks 2016" issued with permits (below).</i></p> <p><i>I would encourage the implementation of all identified "Park Opportunities" in particular the cross park, long distance activities listed and the story telling around historic logging activities.</i></p> <p><i>I would be interested to understand the future status of the Whakatikei Headwater Swamp. The key point I would like the GWRC team to consider is that these areas have been shown to recover quickly from major commercial operations and extended periods of recreational activity and as such present an excellent opportunity to provide a sustainable recreational area, within the forest.</i></p>	<p>Comment:</p> <p>Maintenance of recreation access in plantation forest was a key topic of discussion at the public drop in session. A number of operational changes have been suggested and will be worked through with groups.</p> <p>The draft Plan identifies the forest as the key place for motorised recreation in the region. Further expansion of trails is not deemed appropriate, other than opening some historic logging tramways.</p>	<p>Accepted in part</p> <p>Ixion Motorcycle Club Inc. to be added to stakeholders</p>

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		<p><i>One idea worth considering is that permanent marked one-way trails be added to these areas, in particular pine plantations provide the ability to lay out a relatively high-density network of trial bike and mountain bike riding tracks, which are conducive to all weather use.</i></p> <p><i>Supports “key destinations” to utilise authentic attractions which already exist, rather than introduce attractions which do not historically belong to the forest... and are more family friendly. Suggests more access points to the forest and improving Karapoti Gorge track. Prefers ‘forest’ name to ‘park’. Community collaboration groups are a positive step forward.... believe this is the only way that sustainable use of the Regional Parks as both recreational and conservation areas can be achieved.</i></p> <p><i>Suggest that Ixion Motorcycle Club Inc. (Moto Trials) be included in the list of key stakeholders.</i></p>		
#30 (also see QEP section)	Kāpiti Coast District Council	<p>Suggest:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - KCDC and Kapiti MTB Club, Coastal Crew and equestrians added as a stakeholder for Akatarawa Traverse - Contradiction between motorised recreation use and conservation of the forest but acknowledge the need for a place for this activity. Suggest improving access controls and GPS on vehicles. 	<p>Comment:</p> <p>New track proposals can be considered via the established Track Protocol and the considerations identified in the Plan.</p> <p>The forest an importance place for managed motorised recreation activities and the draft Plan signals this as continuing.</p> <p>Gate access improvements are ongoing.</p>	<p>Accepted</p> <p>KCDC, Kapiti MTB Club, Coastal Crew and equestrians added as a stakeholder as suggested</p> <p>New or realigned tracks to be considered via existing Track Protocol processes.</p>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Suggest a number of new tracks – as mapped and an improved MTB track as well as signage improvements - Suggest possible additions to parks via Wainuiwhenua land post Transmission Gully completion - Acknowledging Otaki Lakes in the plan - Strongly support education activities and suggest outdoor classrooms being part of regional parks 	The draft Plan identifies and accommodates consideration of additions and changes to the park network such as Otaki Lakes/ river and other land.	
#84	Murray Dick (Kapi-Mana Motorcycle Club)	<p>A112 supported but not actioned yet</p> <p>A96, minimising effects of forestry operations on park roads. Concerned that tracks have been lost and blocked by logs</p> <p>A95 significant wetlands. Confused at GW approach <i>Significant Wetlands, I do find it slightly hypocritical that an area like Drapers Flat, can be a pine forest for 30 years, a significant wetland immediately after, while also potentially being flooded by a reservoir sometime in the future!</i></p>	<p>Comment:</p> <p>Loss of tracks in plantation forest areas has been noted by other submitters.</p> <p>Biodiversity and science officers can provide more information re wetland significance.</p>	<p>Accepted in part</p> <p>Refer other submission response re forest tracks and mapping</p>
#98	Andi Cockroft, Akatarawa Recreational Access Committee	The 2016 Plan update created a new map 23 for motorised recreation tracks but plantation forestry area difficult to map. <i>As such, it was agreed for simplicity's sake that many of the shorter tracks would be omitted for the sake of clarity. Unfortunately, when P F Olsen began their operations, it became immediately obvious that their interpretation of the ARAC/GW MoU and Map-23 differed from ARAC's (and indeed GW's) Many of these tracks have been arbitrarily closed by P F Olsen, and in some</i>	<p>Comment:</p> <p>Plan maps 3 and 4 do not provide the level of detail stakeholders are saying is required for clarity about the recreation road and track network.</p>	<p>Accepted</p> <p>Change A121 (duplicated action to) 'Work with all clubs to develop a detailed master map of trails to support ongoing use and safety escape routes in plantation and other areas'.</p> <p>A309, add 'Through the events programme, provide periodic access to Mt Climie by vehicle'</p>

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		<p><i>instances actually supported by GW personnel. This is completely unacceptable to ARAC.</i></p> <p><i>Our most fundamental issue then is the reinstatement of those tracks agreed jointly between ARAC and GW back in 2016. Map-23 could remain as-is, as long as the omitted tracks are listed to confirm ARAC's entitlement to use them.</i></p> <p>Wetlands – concerned about harvesting impacts</p> <p>Heritage – would like to see more conservation planning and preservation of tramways and heritage relics</p> <p>Birchville Dam – concerned about sediment impacts and unfair treatment of recreation group activities</p> <p>Belmont- supports gradual restoration and want to maintain event access</p> <p>Pakuratahi – would like more event access to Mt Climie</p>		
BATTLE HILL				
#11	Gareth Morgan	<p><i>We own "The Morgans", a working farm/forest property situated on Paekakariki Hill Rd that includes an operating 9 hole golf course and has under development walking trails, cycleways, mountain bike tracks, and a sculpture park – all being established within an ecological sanctuary.</i></p> <p><i>What's Our Point?</i></p> <p><i>We submit that there are significant synergies to be achieved from promoting a</i></p>	<p>Seek to integrate walking and cycling trails between their property and Battle Hill</p> <p>Comment:</p> <p>A139 refers to developing and enhancing shared trail connections. A131 Key destinations refers to developing forest trails.</p>	<p>Accepted</p> <p>Add reference to 'The Morgans/ park neighbours' in the notes section for A139, A131.</p>

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		<p><i>seamless boundary between Battle Hill and The Morgans for recreational users. To that end we'd like to work closely with the Recreational arm of GWRC to make that a reality. By so doing the GWRC can better meet its public good objectives, while we're able to pursue our values of enhancing the ecological value of our property whilst providing a community amenity.</i></p> <p><i>Conclusion: We submit that there are significant synergies to be achieved from promoting a seamless boundary between Battle Hill and The Morgans for recreational users. To that end we'd like to work closely with the Recreational arm of GWRC to make that a reality. By so doing the GWRC can better meet its public good objectives, while we're able to pursue our values of enhancing the ecological value of our property whilst providing a community amenity.</i></p>		
#18 Also supports by submission s: #234, #235, #236, #239, #242 #278, #281, #334, #356, #382, #375	Rob Hughes, Mana Cycle Group, Ashley Peters, Shane, Daren Maguire, Steve Meeres, Mike, Jau Hogkiss, Peter Mitchell, Trevor Stanyon, Jason Eason, Robert Lawrence, name redacted	<p>Battle Hill and Akatarawa</p> <p><i>The draft plan is an impressive document, it covers all the interested groups very well and we support it. We are pleased that GWRC included mountain biking at Battle Hill in the draft plan. We look forward to working with the parks people on implementation.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Puketiro is perfect venue for a small number of E bike specific tracks</i> <i>In Puketiro Forest, after logging, suggest 1 climbing track, 2 new descents and 1 connector with The Morgan's track into Puketiro Forest</i> 	<p>Comments:</p> <p>A131 d broadly covers trail development in the Puketiro Forest and Mana Cycle Group is already identified as a stakeholder.</p> <p>Akatarawa forest has an extensive network of tracks. A117 identifies possible opportunities for opening selected former logging tramways as shared use (non-motorised) heritage trails.</p> <p>Access improvements are noted in A132</p> <p>The Morgan's neighbouring golf course and trail enhancement proposal provides further</p>	<p>Accepted in part</p> <p>A106 add 'investigate options for non-motorised users camping with toilet facilities'</p> <p>Map 4, add general arrow for Akatarawa Traverse route through Battle Hill and connection to 'The Morgan's'</p>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Reschedule action time frames as short (1 to 3 years) so proposed track layout can be flagged straight after harvesting</i> • <i>A132 remove gates between homestead and forest and replace with cattle stops</i> • <i>Use Battle Hill for access to Akatarawa Forest</i> • <i>Trails maintained by Kapi Mana Motorcycle Club can be used for MTB outside events</i> • <i>Improve Bush 257 track to a shared road</i> • <i>1/A106 set up a mtb / tramper camp site at the Rimu Rd picnic area</i> • <i>2/A106 provide a link track around the western side of Wainui to connect Campbell Mills Rd to Battle Hill</i> • <i>4/A126 MCG plant native trees – goal is 1 tree per metre of track built, want to do riparian planting of Horokiri Stream and tributaries. Discuss provision of pest control with MCG.</i> • <i>Akatarawa trails lack a good trail map and trail markers</i> • <i>Battle Hill should be developed as a park entrance to the Akatarawa Forest and have good connections to the trails developed at The Morgan's.</i> 	<p>concessionaire opportunities. Refer submission #11.</p> <p>The draft Plan does not differentiate between the types of bicycles people use but recognises the need to remove entry barriers that make access difficult. The Park Bylaws address the definition of a bicycle.</p>	
#55	Tim Coles	<p>Suggests Mount Wainui name is change to it 'original and correct name' Pouawka Mountain. Suggests list of other place name changes and correct of Battle Hill to Battle Hill Knob.</p> <p><i>Amend Reserve Purpose to include 'Historic'.</i></p>	<p>Comment:</p> <p>Names changes can be investigated with mana whenua and are ongoing, refer 64P. A145 can be expanded.</p>	<p>Accepted in part</p> <p>32P to be amended. ... except where it may put cultural heritage features at risk of damage.</p> <p>A131 timeframe changed to medium</p>

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		<p><i>Action A131b (p.88) amend ... enhance the educational experience 'and commemoration of the battle.'</i> Change to medium timeframe</p> <p><i>Insert Policy 32a from the GWRC Parks Network Plan July 2011:</i></p> <p><i>'To present and interpret significant heritage values to the community, except where (a.) Cultural heritage features may be at risk from damage or vandalism through increased knowledge or access.'</i></p> <p>Suggested changes for A143 to create a new track to enable public access to the battle site during annual public park closures for lambing.</p> <p><i>For approximately 12 weeks every year visitors to the park are denied access to the battlefield due to lambing and this closure period always covers the anniversary of the battle in August. Next year is the 175th anniversary of The Battle of Horokiri and interested members of the public will be unable to visit the battlefield on the day unless investigation into Action A143 is begun immediately.</i></p> <p><i>For the entire period the Draft Plan was open for submissions access to the battlefield was closed.</i></p> <p>A149 suggests timeframe change and additional of other stakeholders.</p> <p><i>New Action in to Plan in the "Cultural heritage features and landscape values goal" section (p.90) to read:</i></p> <p><i>'Establish a stock exclusion zone on the summit of Battle Hill Knob.'</i></p>	<p>A53 addresses reserve purpose changes but A149 can be amended.</p> <p>A131b. Detail of storytelling will be determined at the time. GW policy is for bilingual signs.</p> <p>Public access closures have been a matter of significant public concern. Page 195 Stock grazing rule a. identifies that: Full public access must be maintained other than in equipment/agrichemical storage areas or short, temporary closures for public safety. Grazing licences must accommodate recreation activities. This change will avoid the need for an additional track for public access.</p> <p>A149. No change due to resourcing, additional parties added to notes.</p> <p>Heritage listing and controlled development zone can be investigated via historic reserve A149 investigation including possible tree removal within battle site.</p> <p>Suggested grave plaque changes could be a local initiative and do not require an action in the draft Plan.</p>	<p>A145 extended to 'and other features or places' NZ Geographic Board added to Notes.</p> <p>A149, amend to add 'and investigate historic reserve status for the battle site'. HNZ, Maori Heritage Council, Archaeologist, historian, others added in Notes. Timeframe changed to Short - medium</p> <p>New action A147a 'Establish a stock exclusion zone on the summit of Battle Hill'</p> <p>Map 6, key destination site to be moved to correct location</p>

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		<p><i>Timeframe: 'Immediate (cattle).'</i> Stock trampling risks ongoing modification of the trench remnant that should be eliminated as soon as possible.</p> <p>Suggests action for NZ heritage listing and a controlled development zone. <i>It is disappointing that as recently as 2018-19 ill-conceived works have been undertaken that negatively impact Horokiri Battlefield and right now is the last best chance to restore the integrity of the site with remedial works to reverse these alterations. Horokiri Battlefield is an irreplaceable heritage and cultural feature of much higher value now and in the future than revegetation planting and a fence, so the restrictions of a new controlled development zone should be applied retrospectively. The block of native tree seedlings recently planted above the Bush Reserve should be removed only where they are within the battlefield.</i></p> <p>Map change suggested to correct location of battle site</p> <p>Suggests new action for grave plaque rewording</p>		
#71	Steve Lewis, Kapiti Mountain Bike Club	<p><i>The mountain biking opportunities based around MacKays Crossing are some of the best in the Wellington region. With QE Park and Akatarawa Forest Park run by different areas of GWRC, Whareroa Farm managed by DoC, Campbell's Mill Road managed by KCDC, and a typical ride incorporating some or all of these areas, a commitment from all of these authorities to oversee this recreation</i></p>	<p>Comment:</p> <p>There are a range of actions in the draft Plan supporting MTB trails and connections.</p>	<p>Accepted</p> <p>Mountain biking clubs to be added to page 75 table of overarching stakeholders for Akatarawa and QEP, and Kapiti MTB Club added to A108, A351</p>

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		<p><i>resource as one is at the heart of this KMBC submission. With this in mind, what would KMBC like to see from GWRC in the next ten years.</i></p> <p><i>-a recognition by GWRC that the use of the northern area of the Forest by the mountain bike community is an important resource, and to work with KMBC to improve or enhance this resource.</i></p> <p><i>-the connection through the forest, given the regional ride designation in the plan, is further expanded to include the connection from CMR entrance through to Battle Hill. This may well tie in to work going on around Transmission Gully, and these connections will become more popular as more riders of e-bikes use the Forest.</i></p> <p><i>-a commitment by GWRC to work with the other land managers to the north of the Forest to actively promote the combined recreational resources that are available</i></p>		
#385	Mark Sidebotham, Ixion MCC	<p><i>It mostly concerns the Akatarawa Forest where some of our members like to go to appease their biophilia.</i></p> <p><i>This submission is also a call to GWRC to include us in any discussions regarding motorcycle recreation in the area. We consider ourselves to be worthy stakeholders, especially in respect of Akatarawa Forest and would especially like to be put on the list of stakeholders for this park.</i></p>	<p>Comment:</p> <p>Greater Wellington refers to the Land Transport Act definition of a bicycle in Parks Bylaws. This changes periodically but defines the power limits</p>	<p>Accepted</p> <p>Ixion MCC to be added as a stakeholder in Akatarawa park</p>

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		<i>The Akatarawas are a precious resource for us and reduce the temptation to go riding in places we're not allowed. Ixion would like to congratulate GWRC for allowing motorcycling here and our submission is that the status quo suits us very well.</i> Ask when e-bikes will be restricted like motorcyles		
BELMONT				
#73	Beth Reille	<i>I appreciate that grazing is important as a tool to manage land, but the commercialization of recreation land does not sit comfortably in Belmont. Recreation, and protection of our natural resources, water, flora and fauna must take precedence as per the Act. The failure of commercial farming to change and adapt over the last 10 years means it should be scaled out.</i> Park access <i>Legal roads running through the park have been removed from cadastre and illegally locked. Should be put under TA management. GW needs to seriously take this on board as up to now they just look the other way as it suits their farming purposes and to control the public's legal access.</i> Horse access improvements required Waterway and wetland monitoring required Does not support aerial spraying	Comment: Judgeford Hill adjoining residential development may provide a significant opportunity to improve northern entry points. Stream and wetland monitoring is not currently undertaken by Greater Wellington's Environmental Science team but it may become part of the programme in future. Locking gates on legal roads will be investigated as an operational matter in liaison with TA's.	Accepted Access improvements are key actions in the Plan Horse riding changes proposed as per other submission response above. A177 add 'and other unformed legal roads'. The Walking Access Commission has offered support re unformed legal roads and access in their submission #50 above.
#77, #336	Daniel Jones (Korokoro Environmental Group)	<i>We support the vision and direction of the plan, with its focus on conservation, community and tackling climate change. We strongly support the phased retirement and</i>	Comment:	Accepted A187 amended to include investigating a Korokoro valley to Titiro Moana Road track.

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		<p><i>restoration of currently grazed areas of the Park and believe that the carefully planned restoration will not only help the city meet its climate change goals but will increase its cultural and recreational value.</i></p> <p>Suggest: There needs to be comprehensive monitoring of natural heritage values, that community should be actively involved in restorations, that some open space is retained, bike, foot access is preferable. <i>To improve Korokoro residents' walking access to the Park, we would support the creation of a walking track into the Korokoro valley from Titiro Moana Road.</i> <i>We request to be included as a stakeholder in the proposed master planning for Belmont Regional Park.</i></p>	<p>Korokoro Environmental Group are identified as an overarching park stakeholder on page 97.</p>	
#92, #389	<p>Jamie Stewart, Friends of Belmont Regional Park, and Pareraho Forest Trust, Matt Young</p>	<p><i>The vision underlying the draft plan put forward by Greater Wellington is ambitious and inspiring. The Friends hope this submission reflects our enthusiasm that our wider community grabs this opportunity with both hands, shapes it, and becomes richer and stronger for doing so, in the best sense. As the Friends of Belmont Regional Park we reaffirm our commitment to bringing groups together and fulfilling our role in the future of our local hills, valleys and communities.</i></p> <p><i>As grazing reduces, space also becomes available for communities. It becomes possible to create better walking and cycling trails, encouraging the practice of low-carbon local recreation. The growing pursuit</i></p>	<p>Comment: With community involvement, master planning will be a key step in developing shared narratives for the future of the park A196 mana whenua will lead this process. Existing policies address sustainable and local recreation</p>	<p>Accepted in part</p> <p>Page 28 additional text 'as do plan proposals for increased access to the parks for local communities providing increased opportunities for low-carbon recreation'.</p> <p>..to lead the transition to a low-emissions society' added to Objective 20.</p> <p>Page 23, section 2.3 'and community led pest control initiatives' added</p>

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		<p><i>of ecological restoration recreation, the active care for our environment, is enabled.</i></p> <p><i>Reforestation can be passive, when grazing is removed. The effectiveness of this has been proven over the last generation as viscerally evidenced by the Remutaka Hill, Eastern Hutt Hills, Makara Peak, Mt Kaukau and any number of other Wellington landmarks. Reforestation can also be active, establishment of pioneering shrublands - or green firebreaks/seed sources, supplementary planting of keystone and missing species and active care for forests to manage weed invasion and encourage diversity. These approaches can (and inevitably do) work together, but they require action, commitment and the overcoming of organisational inertia.</i></p> <p><i>Appropriate scale nurseries can and should be created where the reforestation need exists: Hill Road, Baring Head, QE2 Park, Battle Hill etc.</i></p> <p>Supports key shifts and identifies that narratives matter. Supports farm building repurposing for community groups and overnight possibilities. Concerned about freshwater impacts from storm water and urban waste water.</p> <p>Suggests change to A196 about dual naming, section 2.5.1 and actions A91. Suggest new policy to add recreation to climate change policy. <i>Request change to 2.3 to recognise</i></p>		

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		<p><i>the opportunity of community led landscape scale pest control initiatives.</i></p> <p><i>The Friends offer to support and facilitate further community group engagement in conversations and decision-making that may need to take place prior to, during and following master planning.</i></p> <p><i>The Trust was recently informed that GWRC intends to delay the retirement and reforestation of the area of Belmont Regional Park west of Transmission Gully, because GWRC was “not ready”. Why not? And what is being done to ensure the climate emergency declaration is more than just words?</i></p>		
#95	Kena Duignan, Wesley Community Action	<p>Support East Porirua in restoration priority one, aspirations for partnerships and collaboration, plans for reforesting and regenerating park environments.</p> <p>We would like to explore how to support:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>use our parks infrastructure and resource to uplift communities’ aspirations for their environment and also include skills building, education and jobs?</i> • <i>extend Belmont Park north into Waitangirua so that the people in that community can also access and support the regional parks?</i> • <i>support citizen science opportunities for locals to grow their knowledge and connection with their local environment?</i> <p><i>The community in Porirua East report to us a strong desire for connection to te taiao but that they currently do not have easy access</i></p>	<p>Comment:</p> <p>The inequity of access to Belmont Park and green spaces was recognised via the preliminary consultation process for the plan.</p> <p>Collaborative, ground-up type master planning process will help facilitate answers to these questions, as will opening the main access to the park at Waihoura Crescent to allow the public to explore and start to envision future states and options. The timing of Ngahere Korowai is a good fit with planned changes for the park.</p>	<p>Accepted</p> <p>A199 amended to include ‘including Ngahere Korowai, a large scale reforestation and protection of the environment around Porirua East’.</p>

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		<p><i>to high quality, large scale, nature spaces. We are starting to work with a coalition of groups and people who are building momentum around the idea of a ngahere korowai – a large scale reforestation and protection of the environment around Porirua East. We are also sharing in this submission an idea that is forming in Porirua East and would include the western side of Belmont Regional Park. This idea is called the Ngahere Korowai.</i></p> <p><i>The Parks Network draft plan is in line with this idea and would support it well.</i></p> <p><i>The management of the park network is a massive job, that needs more than just Greater Wellington to achieve well. We have many groups, iwi, rūpū, individuals and organisations in the Wellington region who have much to contribute.</i></p> <p><i>We believe that it is not good enough to just manage things as status quo. We have a responsibility to future generations to enhance the world and communities that they will inherit.</i></p>		
#96, #101	Quentin Duthie , Hill Road Community Group, + personal submission	<p><i>I commend Greater Wellington on a draft plan with great vision and a strong set of core values</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Support actions to improve access into the park, restoration, freshwater quality, more monitoring, State of Parks monitoring, community input to AEE assessments, keeping cattle out of streams, no farm closures, less impacts from spraying etc 	Comment: Visitors was replaced as much as possible and can be further checked. Climate change action change as per Hutt Carbon Network submission. Some text changes accepted, others maintained for consistency with other objectives.	Accepted in part Page 94. ‘and large residential communities surround the park’, ‘and much of the Puke Ariki range of maunga’ added to description Page 94, Old Belmont Road added Predator Free Groups – added as Key Stakeholders for all parks

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Would like to be able to dog walk in the park - Suggests a range of text changes such as 'we' also includes the public – tātou rather than mātou, restoring nature rather than natural heritage, people rather than visitors, recognising the proximity of population to the park, name changes, recognising Old Belmont Road, predator free groups, science led/ guided - <i>Rename the Core values and park characteristics list "Key features and characteristics", The list here is one of physical features and characteristics</i> - <i>Recognise that the Puke Ariki track only enables a traverse when it is not closed for lambing. It's importance as a regional trail is severely diminished by this restriction</i> - Speedy's Reserve access has a bus - A159 and A160 for master planning are not consistent - <i>A164: Tautoko, add (here or elsewhere) "and collaborate with community groups on citizen science freshwater monitoring and riparian restoration. A166 suggested addition of community groups, A169 add predator control. Suggested stakeholder list amendments</i> - <i>Consider creating a basic camping area, or even a tramping hut, high in the park near a taumata</i> - Restricted Activities - suggested limited notification to key stakeholder groups 	<p>Draft Policy 22P and grazing Rules now prioritise public access</p> <p>A166 community groups are in the notes, other stakeholder list amendments noted</p> <p>Refer other comments re add camping to page 190 e. for investigation through master planning</p> <p>A177 addresses investigating Old Belmont Rd opportunities</p> <p>Master planning plan references for consistency noted. Details of master planning process are not yet fully determined. However the master plan for Western Belmont park will precede the eastern areas of the park in order to make the most of synergies with adjoin PCC/ Porirua Development opportunities, coincide with the current grazing licence expiring and ensure an appropriate level of focused engagement with the communities of eastern Porirua who have experienced limited access to the park.</p>	<p>Core values and park characteristics list renamed 'Key features and characteristics' for all parks</p> <p>P 98 under Restoration add 'Expanding council and community pest control efforts to improve the healthy and diversity of forest flora and fauna'</p> <p>Page 99, park entrances with bus stops - Speedy's Reserve add</p> <p>A159 and A160 reviewed and revised for consistency. Add text to bullet point 6. "such as food, bike hire/ shuttles and other appropriate concession activities, plant nursery/ restoration project hub, visitor accommodation, artist in residence/ studio's, 'remakery' / sustainability centre, indoor recreation facility'. This will facilitate permissions via PCC District Plan for Open Space Zones.</p> <p>A164 add 'and collaborate with community groups on citizen science freshwater monitoring and riparian restoration'</p> <p>A169 predator control added</p> <p>A178 'and connectors to Hill Road' added</p> <p>Restricted Activities, Page 214 add 'All significant new Restricted activities and all renewal applications will have limited notification to mana whenua and key stakeholders'.</p> <p>Backcountry camping Rule section changes as per other submission changes and adaptive re-uses of park cottages explored through master planning.</p>

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		- Interested to know how master planning will actually work		
#102	Tim Matthews (Kainga Ora)	<p>Supports key shifts, would like to be added as stakeholder for three parks. Would like to be involved in master planning early in the process.</p> <p><i>Kāinga Ora should be engaged to discuss new features near our land holdings, so that the development potential and amenity of our property is protected and vice versa for the park itself.</i></p> <p><i>Kāinga Ora also supports the Council identifying opportunity to work collaboratively on the master planning for Belmont Regional Park. It should be noted that staff from both organisations have already started this engagement.</i></p> <p>Suggests additional value identification at a park level <i>All values given to certain features, or the regional parks as a whole (e.g. ecological, cultural or heritage values) should be identified through a valuation process to determine their worthiness of protection.</i></p> <p>Suggests master planning is combined and not separated between east and west, bringing forward Waihoura Crescent entry opening and adding more actions to ensure an equitable approach for the Porirua side of the park in key destinations</p>	<p>Comment:</p> <p>Park level values can be defined by/ with community in master planning.</p> <p>Master planning can be combined if resources permit however the eastern Belmont grazing licence expiry in 2025 currently constrains short term land use change</p>	<p>Accepted</p> <p>Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities added to overarching list of park stakeholders for Belmont, QEP and East Harbour</p> <p>A170 j. changed to short term</p> <p>A170 replace Pareaho Trust in Notes with ‘Park and community groups’</p> <p>J. Add ‘for conservation, recreation and community purposes including concession activities’</p> <p>A170 k. added, work with community to develop Ngahere Korowai, a green town belt for Porirua to support connection to te taiao and ecosystem health</p>
#325	John Flux	<i>A minor point is the repeated reference to 64 magazines/bunkers. According to the original army plans, and my work for the past 50 years on starlings nesting in 42 of these bunkers, there are only 62: 51 labelled</i>		<p>Accepted:</p> <p>Bunker number to be amended to 62</p>

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		<i>1-51, 8 smaller ones in a short row, 1a, 44a, and 44b. There may be confusion because a farm manager about 30 years ago re-numbered the bunkers in white paint, and changed some of the original numbers.</i>		
#332	Paul Neason	<p><i>I like that there is an indication that there will be improved access to the park from the surrounding suburbs. The Major Drive entrance especially is in dire need of some love. It currently is weedy, with little parking and seems to be popular for fly-tipping in the stream, yet is the closest entrance to the park from the city. Could there be specific mention of improvement to the Major Drive entrance in the plan?</i></p> <p><i>I note that the intention is to phase grazing out. While grazing continues, and if any grazing is to remain into the future, it would be great to see more environmentally friendly farming practices such as fencing/planting out the waterways, and avoiding aerial spaying herbicide in the stream catchments. I feel Greater Wellington should be showcasing best farming practice through its farms.</i></p>	<p>Comment:</p> <p>Annual farm plans are required as part of the grazing licence and can include operational changes to support sustainable land management practices in farming methods.</p>	<p>Accepted</p> <p>A178 'and enhance amenity at Major Drive, Kelson' added</p>
Referenced in other submissions				
EAST HARBOUR				
#74	Lee Hunter, Tupoki Takarangi Trust 1996	<i>As an overview, the Tupoki Takarangi Trust (TTT) in general supports the draft network plan. Several of the actions impact upon the TTT as a permanent mana whenua</i>	<p>Comment:</p> <p>Support noted</p>	<p>Accepted</p> <p>A250 The Great Harbour Way changed to <i>Te Ara Tupua</i>.</p>

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		<p><i>landowner, and is a separate entity from mana whenua, tangata whenua and iwi. The TTT and its descendants are of Te Atiawa iwi and Ngati Tawhirikura hapu hailing from Te Tatau o Te Po Marae. As such, we are also part of Taranaki Whanui and Te Runanga o Te Atiawa.</i></p> <p><i>For context, you should be aware the TTT is a subset of the before mentioned iwi organisations and integrate with all of these on a regular basis. Identify support for various actions. Identify that The Great Harbour Way should now be superseded by the name of Te Ara Tupua.</i></p>		<p>A267 change to TTT from Takurangi Block, add TTT to A255, A273,</p>
#27	Terry Webb, MIRO	<p><i>There is a lack of a compelling vision in this document—things are too generic and it lacks a sense of urgency. Lakes block still plagued with sheep, goats, cattle, deer and rabbits.</i></p> <p><i>More emphasis and action on pest management required to support native species recovery. We would like a feasibility study undertaken on the construction of a deer fence, running along the Park boundary from Burdans Gate to the southern end of the Wainuiomata urban area.</i></p> <p><i>MIRO strongly supports item A271 (p. 127) to improve fish passage to and from the Parangarahu Lakes. This has been talked about for many years—we are keen to see some action!</i></p> <p><i>MIRO is very supportive of improving the visibility of Park entrances, especially on the Wainuiomata side—higher use of the Park</i></p>	<p>Noted. Feasibility study proposal not accepted The present focus is to be maintained with ongoing community support.</p>	<p>Accepted</p> <p>A95 add bullet point Improving fish passage throughout the park in line with the New Zealand Fish Passage Guidelines</p>

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		<i>builds a constituency of support for its continued restoration. The issue of improving access to all parts of the Northern Forest requires balance. If the Gollans Stream baitline (item A239, p. 123) was to be improved, better (and alternative) marking of the existing trapping route with minimal clearing is strongly preferred over highly developed tracks with bridges</i>		
#48	Felicity Rashbrooke, East Harbour Environmental Association	<p><i>We believe that the health of the natural environment, not recreation, should be the primary concern of this management plan.</i></p> <p><i>In this context we applaud the phasing out of livestock grazing which has such damaging effects on our natural environment.</i></p> <p><i>In particular we do not support the use of the Pencarrow Coast Rd for tourism.</i></p> <p>Suggest:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Maps 11 and 12 need correcting - <i>A hierarchy of tracks and routes and how they should be maintained needs to be incorporated</i> - New tracks are kept to a minimum - A greater commitment to <i>noxious plant removal</i> - Fire threat monitoring, possibly by drone use - Storytelling is kept to a minimum - Avoiding steps on Ferry Rd Track, A237 - Dogs should be on a lead at all times <p>Support:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A221 marked route to Wainui coast road and A231 	<p>Comment:</p> <p>Pencarrow Coast Road is managed by Hutt City Council and other sections of vehicle track by private land owners.</p> <p>Track maintenance methods are outside the scope of the management plan and determined operationally in liaison with community groups.</p> <p>Dog rules for on or off leash areas are determined on a park by park basis.</p> <p>Greater Wellington does not differentiate rules based on the type of bicycle people ride. E-bikes are managed by in the same manner as other bicycles with a focus on minimal impact user behaviour. The definition of a bicycle is defined in the Land Transport Act and referenced in the Parks Bylaws.</p> <p>Drone use is not permitted over wetlands.</p>	<p>Accepted</p> <p>Maps 11 & 12 to be updated (corrections for property boundary, track categories)</p> <p>A237, reference to steps to be removed</p>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Phasing out deer and pig hunting in the park by 2025 - A241 track circuit at Parangarahu Lakes Does not support: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cutting trees to maintain views , changes to A239 Bait Line track - Use of e-bikes at the Lakes 		
#16, #208, #230, #355, #350	F & J Vickers, Maria, Allison Gandy, Rob Lee, Brendan, Rob Lee	<p>Northern Forest A237 + A239</p> <p>In favour of maintaining harbour views from key vantage points</p> <p>Support A237 <i>We see the merit in creating a loop track by connecting the Korimako Road and Kereru Road tracks at approximately 180m elevation. We are sure many day visitors are frustrated at the current offerings, as being either too easy or too difficult. A route that would take 40 minutes to an hour to complete would be a welcome addition.</i></p> <p>A239 Bait line track. <i>If a cross-valley track was to be established, our concern would be that mountain bike groups might then exert pressure to upgrade this to form a track connecting Eastbourne and Wainuomata.</i></p> <p><i>For me as a resident/tramper and mountain biker, the thing that needs to be changed in the draft is the increased access to the Northern Park on the south side of the Wainuomata Hill Road for mountain biking. As someone who grew up walking Rata ridge once a week as a child and far into my adult life, the access that mountain bikers have</i></p>	<p>Comment: A237 – no need to add gravel or steps on tracks above Korimako/Kereru Rd connection or Ferry Rd track</p> <p>Comment: A239 – says ‘investigate upgrading’. The track is already established and marked with pink bait line markers. Upgrading could simply include the addition of orange (NZ Standard) route markers.</p>	<p>Accepted</p> <p>A237 accepted remove reference to steps</p>

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		<p><i>gotten to this area is absolutely DESTROYING the forest. It has gone from a beautiful walk to being horribly eroded and muddy and with a lot of bikers not abiding to the rules set out at the start of the track. ‘.. as much as I love the idea of a route down Gollans stream, this WILL get used by mountain bikers and will damage an even more valueable ecosystem and that damage won't be able to be undone. This comment refers to A239.</i></p> <p><i>Please consider adding a feasibility study for a up and downhill mountain bike track to the north of Point Howard water reservoirs at the end of Howard Road based on the preferred route detailed in the 2015 Kennet Report. This will provide access from the Eastern Bays into the park i.e. the ridge line and Wainui Trail Park. The Point Howard Assn recognizes that the walking trails up to the ridge line in the Northern Forest are not suitable for mountain bikes, a dedicated MTB track may alleviate any potential conflict on these tracks. It also supports the plan's objective to get people out and enjoy the park</i></p>		
#64	Linda Mead	<p>Suggests a hand cut route and provides a map: <i>In East Harbour Regional Park there are few tracks that do not involve a lot of climb. I would like to propose a track that contours and cuts out 80 to 90 m (about half) of the climb... Starting from Muritai Park, this would need to follow the new track for a</i></p>	<p>Comment: This was discussed in detail at a consultation drop in session and deemed to be worthy of investigation.</p> <p>Noted, ongoing work with community groups re track maintenance.</p>	<p>Accepted</p> <p>A237 to be split as investigation options for</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. ferry rd track b. Moana rd area c. Muratai park to McKenzie Rd track

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		<p><i>short distance so that when it starts to follow the contours it is above private property. This could then follow around the hillside to the McKenzie Road track. It would add different options for locals to walk and also add a lower level option for people walking the tour of Eastbourne. I think it would add to the range of tracks available and be popular for walkers and runners.</i></p> <p>Suggests track maintenance standards are amended for different track categories less mowing to protect native species such as orchids.</p>		
#121, #309, #328, #343, #344, #361, #362, #367, #368	Thomas Adams, Anna Lambrechtsen, Ben Wilde, Nick Kennedy, Dan Forster, Brenda Rosser, Gordon Maxwell, Caleb Smith, Dan Sharpe	<p><i>It all seems good. I strongly support A235, Fire break alternative, and think this should be expedited.</i></p> <p><i>The existing alternative 4WD is very slippery when wet and high speed when it is not, causing a potential for significant user conflict and harm.</i></p> <p><i>Request that rather than this being a medium term (4-7 year opportunity) that given this has been under discussion for 3+ years already it be considered for implementation in the short term.</i></p>	<p>Comment:</p> <p>A235 is 'Fire break alternative. Investigate a shared track for walking and cycling as alternative to the Fire Break Track between Stanley Street, Wainuiomata and the Zigzag Track'.</p>	<p>Accepted</p> <p>A235 change to 'Short-medium' term</p>
#241	The Eastbourne Community Board (ECB)	<p>Northern Forest</p> <p><i>The Eastbourne Community Board (ECB) supports the draft plan in general and GWRC's consultation process.</i></p> <p><i>We suggest the following amendments to the draft plan:</i></p>	<p>Comment:</p> <p>ECB already identified as overarching stakeholder on page 117.</p>	<p>Accepted</p> <p>ECB to be added to stakeholders <u>in relevant actions</u></p> <p><u>A225</u> Spelling of Muritai Road to be corrected</p>

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		<p><i>Page 119: Add ECB to the list of abbreviations - we note the Wainuiomata Community Board (WCB) is in that list.</i></p> <p><i>Add ECB as a partner/stakeholder to the following actions (green column on the action table). These are areas where ECB is already active, and where ECB can assist GWRC, for example by consulting with residents and encouraging support from residents for working bees, etc:</i></p> <p><i>A203: Raising awareness, A204: Pest plant and animal threat reduction, A209: Dotterel protection, A215: Vehicle parking at Burdens Gate, A217: Trail connections between the three areas of East Harbour, A223: A new lower-level trail in Days Bay, facilities at Butterfly Creek and improvement of the main ridge track, A225: Signage from Muritai Road (note the correct spelling of Muritai), A231: Link tracks at Point Howard, A239: Gollan Stream track - we note that WCB is listed here but see this as being of equal importance and relevance to Eastbourne residents and ECB, A247 and A248: Signage and bike trail at Parangarahu Lakes.</i></p>		<p>A247 – Add Distance markers from Burdens gate to Lake Kohangatera entry gate.</p>
#35	Colin Ryder	<p>Baring Head</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Does not support restoration. Suggests heritage values will be lost - Concerned about fire threat - Suggests <i>a more flexible grazing approach</i> - Supports proposed footbridge over the river - Supports collaborative working - Other comments re goats, deer, fishing and appendix heritage 	<p>Comment:</p> <p>Refer Heritage NZ submission (#14) re Baring Head and restoration and protection of heritage values.</p> <p>Refer plan actions re preparation of fire threat management plan and restoration plan.</p> <p>Annual stock grazing licence operational plans are a subset of licence agreements and guide</p>	<p>Accepted in part</p> <p>Refer proposed Rule changes for fishing rules to protect native fish</p>

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			land care practices, stock numbers, day to day matters.	
#54	Paula Warren, Friends of Baring Head	<p>- <i>strongly support the emphasis on collaborative processes in the Plan</i></p> <p>- <i>We support the proposals related to fire</i></p> <p>- Bridge for bikes, walkers, more toilets, car parking, a toilet at Fitzroy Bay, nature play, trails,</p> <p>Do not support:</p> <p>- master planning because plans take too long</p> <p>- phasing out grazing around the lighthouse complex to provide a firebreak, maintain <i>nationally important geomorphological features more visible within the park and from Wellington</i>, see lambs and maintain grass in overflow car park area by the bridge</p> <p>- suggest new text to support ongoing stock grazing activities and that leases are utilised</p> <p>- Farm management requires the use of dogs</p> <p>- Suggest passive restoration is not possible because of mouse numbers and rabbits</p> <p>- Would like Map 17, high level restoration priorities removed because it doesn't match the Friends priorities</p> <p>- A211 would like to see collaboration with the Friends to develop the KNE plan, fire threat reduction, reducing grazing pressure and predator control</p> <p>- Suggest rule changes via A213; prohibiting fishing of native fish.</p>	<p>Comment:</p> <p>Planting 'green fire breaks and grass mowing by mechanical means are other common methods of seasonal fire threat reduction and used in other parks. The draft Plan allows for grazing activities where there are demonstrated conservation or recreation benefits, e.g. low stock numbers of sheep to mow the grass or support restoration efforts.</p> <p>Heritage plans for the park identify that it is the views from Baring Head that are significant, not of the headland. Refer page 115 HNZ quote.</p> <p>Not accepted re phasing out grazing. This is to meet climate change and habitat restoration objectives. The vision for parks is long term with a 30+ year horizon and native vegetation has been identified as providing the best long term solution to reducing fire threat and supporting healthy ecosystem services.</p> <p>Leases are not utilised for grazing activities because they further limit public access which is not appropriate. The direction of the plan is to enable public access as an overarching priority. Annual stock grazing licence operational plans are a subset of licence agreements and guide land care practices, stock numbers, day to day matters.</p>	<p>Accepted in part</p> <p>A272 to be changed to include 'Work collaboratively with'.. and new bullet point 'sharing expertise and knowledge'</p> <p>FOBH added to all sub actions in A211</p> <p>A213 changes accepted, in part 'Improve the health of the Wainuiomata River and its margins by:</p> <p>a. investigate removal of barriers to gravel inputs b. Adding habitat elements such as logs c. Planting riparian margins d. Managing pest plants'</p> <p>Refer proposed dog Rules additional text above.</p> <p>P228 error noted for change (Lakes and Gollans Stream moved in heritage schedule)</p> <p>A72 add 'and share reference information freely including reports, plans and research on the website'.</p> <p>A256, 257 minor changes</p> <p>Refer KNE programme re pest animal work.</p> <p>Park Bylaws address native species removal from parks.</p>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Suggests volunteering related action - Dogs in the park or prohibiting deer and pig hunting Suggest changes to A252, A256, A257, A258, A259, re the lighthouse complex, a road that can accommodate buses and storage space, gate keys for disabled people to drive into the park, wheel chair access close to the coast, visitor number monitoring, track from the lighthouse to the coast. Also suggest a seed bank approach. Suggest marine conservation included (outside park boundaries)	Refer action A5, page 41 which refers to developing a planned approach to phasing out stock grazing. Map 17 is high level and not intended to be interpreted literally in guiding detailed restoration work. A211. Refers to developing a restoration plan with the Friends. KNE plan development is outside the scope of this management plan but does include consultation processes. Park Bylaws address native species removal and unauthorised uses. Volunteer related actions are already addressed in the draft Plan. The Plan is long term. Dog walking is a primary recreation activity and can be accommodated in as grazing activities are phased out in recreation and scenic reserves. A252 reflects existing restoration programme work developed based on heritage and landscape plans. Events are not precluded. Volunteer overnight stays are already accommodated. Other actions changes suggested previously reviewed and are either already in place or not considered appropriate. Land swaps retained as a Restricted activity for a consistent GW approach.	
PAKURATAHI				
#15	NtrailZ Kevin Blair	Outlines trail development proposals	Comment:	Accepted

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		Suggests: Toilets at Plateau Rd car park, Pump track/ gravity fed in the lower MTB area, bike wash station	Trail suggestions covered on map 22.	New action before A307 (or 308a): ‘Undertake a master plan to investigate a range of improvements for parking, amenity and facilities in the Tunnel Gully and Incline Road entry areas’ . Long term. Notes – mana whenua, park stakeholders. Amend A307 f Tunnel Gully MTB hub key destination... ‘trail head facilities such as toilet, bike wash down and pump track in the vicinity of Plateau Road car park area’
#373	Remutaka Incline Railway Heritage Trust	The Trust asks to be consulted when decisions are made on rail historic heritage assets in the Pakuratahi Forest Park as a stakeholder with rail heritage expertise. Other organisations should also be consulted on the conservation and use of these assets, including Heritage NZ, Rail Heritage Trust of NZ, Friends of Fell, Department of Conservation.		Accepted Trust to be identified as a stakeholder Also refer Heritage NZ submission proposed changes
QUEEN ELIZABETH PARK (QEP)				
#47	Ngāti Haumia Ki Paekākāriki	<i>We are writing this submission on behalf of Ngati Haumia Ki Paekakariki for the consideration of the Queen Elizabeths Parks plan.</i> <i>- Vested interest in the Budge house and propose establishment of Marae/Papakainga</i> <i>- Urupa extension and more convenient access.</i>	Comment: Iwi partner Ngāti Haumia Ki Paekākāriki interests and wishes for operational changes noted and will be addressed directly with them. Budge house interests and desire for establishment of Marae/ Papakainga noted. The urupa and adjoining area is Ngāti Toa owned land, classified as Recreation Reserve under the Reserves Act. Refer QEP map.	Accepted Spelling error corrected. Ongoing discussions with Ngati Houmia about their matters of interest. Reference added to A363 ‘and for the establishment of Marae/ Papakainga, extension of urupa area and other changes to support kaitiakitanga activities’ .

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Allocate a set of keys specifically for Ngāti Haumia Ki Paekakariki to access all gated areas of the Park - Sign posting for Wainui Pa - Restoration of the original wetlands and Wainui stream to enhance the natural habitat for growth. I.e. York Town Lagoon - Haumia specific Tohu he maumahara - Weir to be improved to promote the breeding and migration of fish and fresh water life. <p>Usage of the building, currently being utilised by the Paekakariki Surf Club.</p>	<p>Wetland restoration, freshwater and fish passage improvement works are signalled in the draft Plan.</p> <p>The current Paekākāriki Surf Club building is to be removed in future and a new building constructed inland. It will offer some shared use. Use of other park buildings can be investigated.</p>	
#109	Atiawa ki Whakarongotai Charitable Trust	<p>Supports a range of proposals and suggests a number of recommendations.</p> <p><i>The Trust does not support the use of the Park for large community events such as music festivals, as these events will negatively impact the surrounding ecosystems. Events that will have negligible impact to the environment such as community mass planting and sports days is a better use of this ecologically diverse space. The Trust supports events and recreational activities that will allow those from all economic backgrounds to participate.</i></p> <p>Support story telling but want to be involved, would like walkways moved away from the coast, support wetland restoration and ceasing grazing activities.</p> <p><i>The Trust believes that it is inappropriate to utilise recreation reserve land for farming that commercially benefits a very small</i></p>	<p>Comment:</p> <p>Riparian set backs will become less important as work progresses towards phasing out stock grazing across the entire park.</p> <p>Events are managed via a permit system which includes risk and impact assessment and management. Event proposals considered inappropriate are not approved.</p> <p>The draft Plan contains policy supporting phasing out stock grazing on a pragmatic, paddock by paddock, basis to avoid the need for further public capital investment in stock fencing infrastructure. It also identifies policy to meet and exceed regional and national standards. Wide riparian margins can be established where appropriate.</p> <p>Key dates for ceasing stock grazing activities across the park have not yet been determined by Council.</p>	<p>Accepted in part</p> <p>Working in partnership with mana whenua is a core part of master planning and ongoing park management. Atiawa ki Whakarongotai's Kaitiakitanga Plan will be an important guiding document.</p> <p>Stock grazing is identified for phasing out with the focus shifting to restoration and recreation activities across the park.</p>

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		<p><i>portion of the community but generates adverse effects for the entire community. The Trust asks that the Plan does not attempt to please all parties and instead focuses on phasing out grazing to restore the environment back to its natural state.</i></p> <p><i>The Trust would like the Plan take one step further in committing to phasing out all grazing within 50m of the Whareroa Stream so that these other restorative actions can be maintained into the future. Suggest Kaitiakitanga Plan will support management of the park and give effect to the plan and seeks involvement in restoration planning and science knowledge sharing</i></p>		
#2	Juanita Crossland	Would like motorhome campers to be able to stay overnight at QEP utilising existing toilet facilities	<p>Self-contained motorhome camping in QEP</p> <p>Camping at approved sites is identified as a 'managed' activity in the draft Plan.</p>	<p>Accepted.</p> <p>'Investigate self-contained camping options' to be added to A327 master planning.</p>
#19	Kāpiti Coast Biodiversity Project	Predator proof fencing for lizards is being investigated by the group for QEP.	The final Park Network Plan can reference the potential construction of such fences within regional parks.	<p>Accepted</p> <p>New A1 a 'work with others to develop cost effective, predator proof fencing or other intensive predator control options in appropriate locations to support native species biodiversity recovery'</p>
#30	Kāpiti Coast District Council	<p>Support national park city proposal. Suggest:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - strongly support wetland restoration and native forest - native vegetation in preference to exotic - suggest dune restoration should be a higher priority than identified 	<p>Comment:</p> <p>Master planning will consider the detail of many proposals in the draft Plan.</p>	<p>Accepted</p> <p>KCDC to be added as a stakeholder in master planning.</p>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - oppose horse riding permit - coastal track should be maintained - support bike skills track, links to other parks and other cycling/ trail proposals - support master plan and ask to be identified as a stakeholder - support Raumati end of park enhancements - suggest some consideration be given to motorhome stays in the park - strongly support equestrian uses and facility improvements - would like to see dedicated bridle trail in the park 		
#44	Gary Simpson, Te Araroa Wellington Trust	<i>Our interest is specifically Queen Elizabeth Park as Te Araroa travels through the park. Our concern is that reference to Te Araroa is made only on the map on page 169 of the plan. There is no narrative description of Te Araroa in the plan nor does it feature in the list of activities and amenities that are available within the park.</i>		Accepted Additional reference to Te Araroa to be added on pages 159
#52	John Andrews	<p><i>This submission is made intentionally without any reference to any guidelines, pre-formatting or other submission requests. It is a long term vision that may take longer than ten years to unfold. The broad areas of recommendation are highlighted in bold script and cover the following topical areas:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Appreciation and acknowledgement of achievements and changes to date</i> - <i>A deeper and more integrated theme for QERP</i> - <i>Species Management – Flora, Fauna, and Avifauna</i> 	<p>Comment: There is scope for more storytelling in the park particularly as wetland and terrestrial restoration activities advance Dual naming is proposed for the park, not name change. Storytelling suggestions can be further utilised via master planning and other processes</p>	Accepted Rule change proposed re white baiting.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cultural and Social Heritage - Education and Recreational Development Suggests that GW: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Consider the concept of TimePaths, or windows in time, using storyboards, static displays, dinosaur models, educational structures or a children's prehistoric adventure playground and further historic heritage story telling such as whaling and family stories and taniwha/ Maori mythological creatures/ storytelling - Ban the practice of whitebaiting - Re-wets the former wetlands and regularly water tests streams - Continues bee concessionaires - Retains QEP name 		
#81	Kat Thorstrand Mitchell and Wayne Mitchell	<p><i>There is no doubt that this plan is a dramatic and welcome shift in thinking at a time when transformational change is necessary. The policies and actions are important.</i></p> <p><i>The concern we have is that whilst many of these policies and actions are important and in some cases critical, there is no commitment to completing these actions nor are the timeframes anything more than indicative.</i></p> <p><i>Sections 6.2 and 6.7 are key, give thorough coverage, scientific, all the reasons to rewet peat. However there are a few more points that are not specifically mentioned that we believe raise the nature of related actions to critical status. RAMSAR wetland references.</i></p>	<p>Comment: Reducing emissions is a priority of GWRC and the LCAF will allow park-wide restoration works to commence in the short term and be ongoing.</p> <p>Refer Grazing licence rules and public access priority, page 195.</p> <p>A range of trail opportunities will be considered in master planning. The northern area will require significant focus to facilitate public use and enjoyment and consider options for pony club relocation to drier ground (as per their previous request)</p> <p>Refer A81 re regenerative agriculture practices for Battle Hill</p>	<p>Accepted in part</p> <p>A328 modified to add 'rewet peatland to stop further degradation and undertake riparian planting throughout the park</p>

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		<p><i>No peatland should be grazed.</i></p> <p><i>GWRC gained approval in September to restore 73 hectares of peatland in Queen Elizabeth Park. The proposal took 4 months to prepare and gain approval, also by the way demonstrating that for wetland plans there is a shortened process available. The scientific justification was clear and well written. However the proposal made no mention of the remaining peatland, which is estimated at 85 hectares. The justification contained in the proposal applies equally to the remaining 85 hectares.</i></p> <p><i>The submission made no mention of the Reserves Act which governs the Park.</i></p> <p>Climate Change</p> <p>Climate change indicators are getting worse. Our plans need to raise the criticality of mitigation actions. GWRC is no stranger to the climate change arguments. <i>This is urgent. For every year that the peatland remains drained, it emits CO2 and it will take another 15 years for the CO2 produced to be reabsorbed. So if GWRC continue to graze this land for another 3 years, it will take 45 years for the lost carbon to be reversed.</i></p> <p><i>Rewetting of peatlands is a much higher priority and more aligned with the Reserves Act than grazing. Action A328 should be modified to allow or propose that interim rewetting is encouraged where possible to stop further degradation. For any remaining</i></p>		

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		<p><i>non-peat area that may be grazed, the PNP should state that; Extensive riparian planting should be undertaken before grazing commences.</i></p> <p><i>Limited Access. The current farming license, ending October 31, effectively severely restricts free public access to 60% of the Queen Elizabeth Park. The current implementation of this is such that access is in effect not possible without considerable effort and pre-planning. The requirement should be that recreation should take precedence. Access needs to be free and unrestricted unless temporary notices are placed to control access for limited periods.</i></p>		
#83, #106	Russell Bell, + Friends of Queen Elizabeth Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Asks that GW manage QEP in accordance with the Reserves Act, putting conservation and recreation first Doesn't support spraying, heavy grazing, Supports more focus on ecological corridors and suggests mapping required as per current Plan. Requests x 26 to - Focus on recreation over grazing, public access over closures, speedy peatland restoration and re-wetting before weed spraying, excluding key areas from grazing in discussion with the Friends, riparian planting before grazing, protection of the spring in the <i>Stables lease area</i> from grazing, grazing not farming, consideration of recreation proposals in master planning, cattle 	<p>Comment:</p> <p>Planning for restoration work via the LCAF and master planning should be able to address many of the requests identified. Other issues raised can be addresses operationally or via other planning processes such as concession licence renewal processes. AEE requirements have been added in the Rules of the draft Plan.</p> <p>Ecological corridors. Biodiversity advice is to adopt a holistic approach to park-wide restoration, maintaining areas of open space where appropriate for recreation or landscape value. Whilst corridors are a priority, particularly riparian areas, the overall approach in the plan is park-wide restoration work.</p>	<p>Accepted in part</p> <p>Add to A8 a. map ecological corridors within and connecting to parks</p>

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		<p>exclusion from horse grazing area, loss of public access is minimised, monitoring is undertaken, contracts are scrutinised and honour RA, riparian strips are honoured and scientific advice sought, grazing effluent barriers investigated, sand blow outs revegetated, all wetlands protected from grazing, beehives treated like grazing and removed or kept small, fish barriers addressed, that rangers don't shoot grey ducks or pukeko, restoration priorities focus on peat, sand bottom wetlands then waterways, public input sought for resource consents, master planning undertaken by planning group.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Request 3 That the land available for a grazing licence is not decided upon until all recreational and conservation (including climate change opportunities) are removed and that this is preceded by an opportunity to see the land that the public have had no access to for 10 years.</i> - <i>Request 9 That the ecological corridors described by the Friends of QEP be added to the PNP and implemented forthwith. This was agreed to 10 years ago and are shown in the current PNP but GWRC Parks has not progressed this.</i> - <i>Concessions should be divided into two types. Those that provide recreation such as pony clubs and those that don't such as bee hives. In fact bee hives are essentially farming and seem to be</i> 	<p>Rules relating to grazing identify the requirement to prioritise public access. Bee hives are identified as a restricted activity requiring AEE in the draft Plan.</p> <p>Bees are now identified as a Restricted Activity with AEE required. They</p>	

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		<p><i>driven by a desire of GWRC to make money.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Those that provide recreation should essentially be helped to set up. But the potential for adverse effects to the park should be assessed</i> 		
#70	Henry Brittain, Wellington Tramway Museum	<p>Suggest:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Development of fire response plans is prioritised - Improved signage in McKays Crossing entry area is developed in liaison with stakeholders - Akatarawa Traverse identified as long term. Suggest earlier. <p>Disappointed that a possible train station at McKays is 'dismissed' as a remote possibility P165, A349.</p> <p><i>WTM looks forward to being a positive participant in the planned Master Planning exercise noted on p.44 and elsewhere in the PNP; but it is essential that this really does take in the diversity of ideas and views which will be expressed. Experience shows that it is all too easy for these well-intentioned strategies to turn into top-down exercises with "community reference groups" becoming little more than tokenistic fig-leaves. The guiding principle should be reinforced as set out on p.27: "supporting, recognising and rewarding the efforts of volunteers ... is critical to GW's success".</i></p>	<p>Comment:</p> <p>Routes already exist for Akatarawa Traverse so it can be changed to short –medium term, particularly with significant community group support for implementation (evidenced in other submissions). Map 4 shows the route to the coast.</p>	<p>Accepted</p> <p>A100c to be changed to short –medium term</p>
#103	Bruce Henderson (KCDC)	Supports plan directions. Suggests a more all-ecompassing approach to including horse riding as a permitted activity on all parks	Comment:	Accepted

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	Cycleways, Walkways, Bridleways Advisory Group)	<p>where practical, including equestrian groups in discussions when developing new/existing trails</p> <p><i>Where camping areas are to be established, include paddocks and/or pens for horses so horse riders are also able to undertake this activity</i></p> <p><i>Minimise entry obstacles to parks for horse riders. Currently riders need keys, fobs and phone numbers to gain entry to different parks. This is cumbersome and difficult to understand.</i></p> <p><i>Therefore, establish a working group, including riders to develop one consistent system without the need for any permit system</i></p> <p><i>Develop parking areas with, signage, hitching rails, mounting blocks, wash down areas and manure bins at all trail heads where topography and space permits</i></p> <p><i>Develop access points in Belmont Park (as above) with long term planning for access from the Pauatahanui side (Bradey or Belmont Roads).</i></p>	Changes are per other equestrian related submissions	<p>Managed camping via permit application identified for QEP and Belmont in Rule changes</p> <p>Page 77. Add Kāpiti Equestrian Advocacy Group to the list of park stakeholders</p>
WAINUIOMATA				
#262, #52	Mike Jackett	<i>There is no obvious reason why the area to the left of Reservoir road between the gates and the lower dam is shown on the map as being excluded from the WRA. This is potentially an area for walking track extension. I support highlighting the dark sky activities within the park. Dark Skies are becoming an increasingly rare commodity</i>	<p>Comment:</p> <p>This area is part of the Wainuiomata Water Collection area, not the park but a boundary change could be investigated with Wellington Water.</p>	<p>Accepted</p> <p>To be investigated operationally</p>

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		<p><i>internationally and it is most appropriate we should treasure what we have at WRA. Supports other actions</i></p> <p><i>Support your itemised points A389, A391 and A392 (perhaps the astronomy display could also include the full range of nature as highlighted within the park (trees, birds, insects, fungi etc)</i></p> <p>Suggests GW needs to use higher resolution aerial maps.</p>		
RULES FOR USE AND DEVELOPMENT				
	GW officers	<p>Suggested changes:</p> <p>Page 186 pig hunting Northern Forest = Managed activity</p> <p>Page 185, Rule 33. Fishing – eel, whitebait. Change to Prohibited (red shading) all parks. Note: <i>*except mana whenua customary harvest activities by permit.</i></p> <p>Page 185, No 35. Forestry Commercial change to Prohibited for Belmont, Baring Head, Parangarahu Lakes, QEP</p> <p>Page 190 Camping at Approved sites. Add h. Akatarawa additional sites investigated to support Akatarawa Traverse</p> <p>Page 191 Dog Walking add to:</p>	<p>Comment:</p> <p>Suggested changes to correct omissions/minor errors and ensure consistency with Parks, Forests and Reserves Bylaws 2016</p> <p>Grazing added to Akatarawa because there is a small paddock at Karapoti Road end.</p>	Changes as proposed

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		<p>f. change to ‘On a seasonal or periodic basis e.g. breeding season for birds, to facilitate restoration activities’</p> <p>J. ‘where toxins and traps are used intensively for pest management purposes’</p> <p>k. ‘where grazing activities present significant hazards e.g. toxins, agrichemicals. Also refer Stock grazing’.</p> <p>Page 194. Replace all current text with: ‘To protect these vulnerable species, fishing whitebait and eel is not permitted except mana whenua customary activities by permit. Refer Natural Resource Harvesting’</p> <p>Page 194 the text amendment ‘All public recreation access is prohibited during forestry operational hours, in areas that are actively being harvested and along park roads and truck routes.</p> <p>Page 195 Stock Grazing. Change Akatarawa to “Restricted”. Point d. remove ‘Greater Wellington carbon neutrality policies, carbon accounting, offsetting’ retain other text</p> <p>Page 196 Hunting, Pigs (ungulates) add East Harbour, Northern Forest to ‘Managed’ and change to same category in #46, Page 186.</p> <p>Page 196 Hunting (all other) – add ‘and hunting pigs with firearms’.</p> <p>Page 197 Park management purposes. Add ‘f. Fallen firewood for park ranger residence or park accommodation heating only. No removal from the park except for mana</p>		

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		<p>whenua customary purposes, public art, sculpture or education purposes. Public harvesting not permitted’.</p> <p>Page 199 ‘Motorised recreation’ – add ‘Prohibited’ row and move Parangarahu Lakes and QEP into this category to be consistent with Table 2. Add – ‘Motorised recreation not permitted to protect fragile wetland and dune systems’</p> <p>Page 199. Natural Resource Harvesting. Add ‘Note: Permit not required for harvesting from pa harakeke and other sites specifically planted and managed by mana whenua and mata waka for their customary purposes.’</p> <p>Appendix added to reference Waitua programme core value statements</p>		
APPENDICES				
#55	Tim Coles	<p>Appendix 4. Heritage and landscapes of significance schedule</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - move Gollans Stream to correct section - Suggested new text from PCC District Plan P219 as reinforcement 	<p>Comment:</p> <p>Minor corrections identified through consultation process</p> <p>PCC District Plan text not added. This would require too much if other TA plan references are included for consistency. Other actions in the plan should address concerns about threats to the Battle Hill battle site.</p>	<p>Accepted in part</p> <p>New text in introduction to schedule: Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Act 2014 - 42(1): ‘Unless an authority is granted under section 48, 56(1)(b), or 62 in respect of an archaeological site, no person may modify or destroy, or cause to be modified or destroyed, the whole or any part of that site if that person knows, or ought reasonably to have suspected, that the site is an archaeological site.’</p>
OTHER				
WAIRARAPA				

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#1	Max Stevens	<p>Would like the GW owned Hiwinui forest block 10 minutes south of Martinborough to be accessible for public recreation activities , similar to existing parks with plantation forest and over time, restored in native vegetation.</p> <p><i>We believe that the Wairarapa deserves more commitment to regional parks from GWRC, and that such commitment is in the overall strategic, environmental, economic, biodiversity and community/recreational best interests of both GWRC and the Wairarapa District. We submit that the Hiwinui Block, in concert with the Aorangi Forest Park, could be an amazing recreational asset for our region, and that this concept deserves well-resourced and dedicated attention from the Greater Wellington Regional Council, with a plan and time frame to achieve phases of public involvement and access. We further submit that it is an imperative that we utilise our public assets to the best advantage of the community as a whole.</i></p>	<p>Comment: The plan accommodates land managed under both the LGA and Reserves Act, and is designed to accommodate additional parks as chapters with a consistent policy approach. Refer Policy 51P, Actions A52 and A53 and Outcomes 6.4.2 B. and 6.6.2 A. This can be investigated through strategic planning processes and resourcing identified through LTP and Annual Plan processes.</p>	<p>Accepted</p> <p>New action proposed (page 56): A53 e. 'Investigate opportunities for public access to GW owned land for recreation and conservation purposes in the Wairarapa. Notes: Iwi, DOC, TA's, community groups'</p>
#132, #265, #335	Joe Howells, Jack Sheppard, Ellen Blake	<p><i>The Wairarapa area deserves more attention in the Regional Parks strategy There are opportunities to create one or more Regional Parks in the Wairarapa - in particular the Hiwinui Forest becoming a Regional Park and being eventually allowed to revert to Native Bush should be included in Regional Parks planning by GWRC. Wairarapa Moana is supertrophied and is the jewel in the crown of the Greater</i></p>	As per submission #1	Accepted as per as per submission #1

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		<i>Wellington Region. Please help protect this sacred space.</i>		
#134	Stevens	<i>The Wairarapa consists of what, two thirds of the land mass of GWRC, population of 45,000 and growing. The playground of many Wellingtonians but lacking in Regional Parks. Hiwinui Block is relatively close to Martinborough currently public access is prohibited, in the past management allowed access. The Hiwinui Block could easily provide an opportunity for the GWRC to firstly explore the possible inclusion of the block into the Regional Parks Plan. In the first instance access doesn't necessarily mean funding public facilities, there are many examples of public access into forestry blocks without providing a lot of infrastructure. Access would be closed during forestry operations. The recreational benefits are many and would not require significant funding if the level of expectation was pitched correctly and explained. The Aorangi Trust, chaired by Clive Paton is doing a great job in the preservation of flora and fauna. There are areas of the Hiwinui block that are not planted in pine that could be enhanced to improve native regrowth and water quality. Thank you.</i>	As per submission #1	Accepted as per submission #1
#147	David Boone, GW officer, Land Management team	<i>Identification of the long term aspirations for Regional Parks in the Eastern two-thirds of our Region. Is there any intent to look into opportunities for Wairarapa Parks, or will are</i>	Refer response submission #1	No change to the draft Plan

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		<i>Regional Parks continue to serve one-third of our Region?</i>		

Council
10 December 2020
Report 20.493



For Decision

ADOPTION OF DRAFT TOITU TE WHENUA PARKS NETWORK PLAN 2020-30

Te take mō te pūrongo

Purpose

1. To present the Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020-30 and the Greater Wellington Parks Concession Guideline and Fee Schedule 2020 for adoption.

He tūtohu

Recommendations

That Council:

- 1 **Notes** the recommendations of Hearing Subcommittee of the draft Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020-30 and summary of submissions, officer advice and deliberations (Report 20.490, Attachment 1).
- 2 **Adopts** the Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020-30, [Attachment 1](#).
- 3 **Adopts** the Parks Concession Guideline and Fee Schedule 2020, [Attachment 2](#).
- 4 **Delegates** to the Chair and Chief Executive the ability to make minor editorial changes to the Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan prior to publication to correct errors and improve public understanding.

Te tāhū kōrero

Background

2. The draft Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan was developed based on public feedback received during initial public consultation in 2018 (Report 18.307). This was followed by an extensive internal engagement process and development of strategic directions for the draft Plan. Council endorsed these directions in March 2020 (Report 20.89). In June 2020 Council endorsed the draft Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020-30 for consultation (Report 20.177) and a revised Parks Concession Guideline and Fee Schedule.
3. Consultation on the draft Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan and the draft Parks Concession Guideline and Fee Schedule 2020 commenced on 18 August 2020 and concluded on 23 October 2020.
4. The process for development of the management plan, and consultation process encompassing hearings for public submissions, is set out in the Reserves Act 1977, and

was outlined in the report Establishment of the Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020-30 hearing sub-committee (20.372).

5. Greater Wellington received a total of 390 submissions on the draft Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan; 265 of these were received via Greater Wellington's website 'Have your say' and 125 through the Parks Planning email address.
6. Four submissions were received on the draft Parks Concession Guideline and Fee Schedule 2020. All were in support.
7. The Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020-30 Hearing Subcommittee (the Subcommittee) met on 23 and 25 November to hear 56 oral submissions, followed by deliberations consideration of all submissions (outlined in Report 20.372).

Te tātaritanga Analysis

8. Overall, written and oral submissions indicated a high level of support for the key shifts identified in the draft Plan and its six goals. No substantive changes to the direction of the draft Plan were recommended by the Subcommittee. However, as a result of the public feedback, a number of minor changes were recommended (as per Report 20.490).
9. Key draft Plan changes included:
 - a. More emphasis on the importance of pest plant and animal control work in supporting biodiversity and the success of restoration work. Existing text was rearranged and some information from the consultation fact sheet 'Re-clothing Papatūānuku' was carried forward into the Plan.
 - b. Additional text and imagery about walking, tramping, horse riding, hunting and mountain biking/cycling activities in parks. A number of submitters supplied photos.
 - c. More recognition of park stakeholders including predator free groups and particular recreation, conservation or community clubs, and other organisations.
 - d. Minor changes to policies, actions, rules and other text as outlined in Report 20.490.
10. The draft Plan theme of '*everything is connected*' and its vision for '*restoring healthy ecosystems for the benefit of people and nature*', '*he waka eke noa*' (we're all in this together moving forward), received a high level of endorsement in public submissions.
11. Many submitters commended Greater Wellington for presenting a draft Plan with a bold vision for responding to climate change with action to restore the grazed areas of parks. Many submitters asked to be involved in proposed master planning processes, and to shape future recreation facilities and support native vegetation and wetland restoration work.
12. There was a high level of support from submitters for improving access to and within parks, and for working more collaboratively with partners, park stakeholders, and the broader community. Many submitters asked to be acknowledged in the Plan and sought involvement in implementing actions within it. No support was identified for land

disposal in Belmont Regional Park (proposed through other Council processes). A number of submitters expressed opposition to it.

Looking ahead

13. Implementing the Plan will require adapting the way we work, balancing sometimes competing needs, and the commitment of additional resources. *He waka eke noa, we're all in this together moving forward* is part of the Plan's mana. *Mahi tahi - working together*, drawing on the knowledge, skills and expertise of many, establishing community collaboration groups, and activity or issue-specific groups where needed will support collective implementation of the vision and actions of the Plan.
14. The focus and priorities will shift to restoration and recreation activities in areas of park currently grazed by stock. Phasing out grazing, and restoring park land is being supported by substantial new investment for park restoration in the draft budget for the 2021-31 Long Term Plan. Working with the current grazing licence holders during the transition to broad scale native vegetation restoration and recreation activity focused park management will be important work.
15. The Plan identifies short, medium and long term actions. Some of the actions identified as being short term can be achieved as 'quick wins', for example:
 - a. Developing, or enhancing and promoting a number of 'key destinations' such as
 - i. Adding storytelling to Tane's walk in Pakuratahi
 - ii. Signposting the hill top circuit walk to the munition stores and 'magazines' in Belmont
 - iii. Developing the 'Akatarawa Traverse' and working with park groups to identify historic timber tramways for enhancement as destinations in the Akatarawa Forest
 - iv. Further Baring Head lighthouse complex restoration work
 - b. Working to gain 'International Dark Sky Park' status for Wainuiomata Recreation Area' and developing night sky storytelling.
 - c. Working on access and ensuring each park has at least one highly accessible experience.
 - d. Opening the areas of park currently closed to the public for grazing activities in Belmont and Queen Elizabeth Parks (QEP) e.g. with events to celebrate the change.
 - e. Establishing collaboration groups to support master planning / restoration planning processes for QEP and Belmont, and working with horse riders to improve access arrangements across parks, mountain biking and walking groups on priority trail network changes.
 - f. Changing all park names to 'Regional Park' and supporting mana whenua to identify dual Te Reo Māori names for parks that don't have them.

Financial implications

16. Implementation of the new Plan will be through adjusting business as usual to align with the new directions and actions. It will be supported by additional funding through long term plan and annual plan processes, and community contributions through collaborative work with others, volunteering, grants and other resources.
17. Significant investment has been signalled as part of the 2021-31 Long Term Plan to accelerate the restoration of the majority of the grazed areas of regional parks (except Battle Hill where its purpose is 'farm-park'). This is in addition to the funding already allocated to Kaitoke and Queen Elizabeth parks through the Low Carbon Acceleration Fund for the 2020/21 year.

Te huritao ki te huringa o te āhuarangi Consideration of climate change

18. The matter for decision in this report was considered by officers in accordance with the process set out in Greater Wellington's *Climate Change Consideration Guide*.
19. The matters addressed in this report are of a procedural nature, and there is no need to conduct a climate change assessment.
20. Many submitters asked Greater Wellington to respond more urgently with climate change action by accelerating proposed peat wetland restoration in Queen Elizabeth Park and native vegetation restoration works across parks, improving access to support local short visit recreation and sustainable transport connections to parks.
21. Two of the Corporate Carbon Neutrality Action Plan (2019) actions are supported by the Plan policies and actions. These are:

'Action 7. Allocate resources to accelerate reforestation planting in regional parks, plan future phases, secure external funding where possible and develop agreements with DOC regarding acquiring carbon credits associated with planting in Queen Elizabeth Park.

Action 8. Review the future of grazing licences in regional parks as part of the review of the Parks Network Plan and options to use this land for native reforestation where appropriate to earn carbon credits'.

Ngā tikanga whakatau Decision-making process

22. The matter requiring decision in this report was considered by officers against the decision-making requirements of Part 6 of the Local Government Act 2002.
23. The management plan development process is in accordance with section 41 of the Reserves Act.

**Te hiranga
Significance**

24. This matter is considered to be of high significance and has followed the consultation process required under the Reserves Act 1977 and Local Government Act 2002. There is a high level of public interest in the management of regional parks and management plan preparation.

**Te whakatūtakitaki
Engagement**

25. As required by the Reserves Act 1977, submitters will receive a copy of the report identifying the summary of submissions, advice and hearing sub-committee (Attachment 1 to Report 20.490) and final Plan ([Attachment 1](#)) adopted by the Council.
26. Following publication of the Plan on the Greater Wellington website, communication will be sent to all stakeholders on the parks planning database. A media release and social media posts will be prepared.

**Ngā tūāoma e whai ake nei
Next steps**

27. After adoption and following minor editorial changes Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020-30 and the Parks Concession Guideline and Fee Schedule will be published on the website and become operative. New policies, rules and fees will come into effect.
28. Submitters and all park partners and stakeholders will be notified.
29. Copies of the Plan will be sent to relevant parties and a media release drafted.

**Ngā āpitihanga
Attachments**

Number	Title
1	Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020-30
2	Greater Wellington Parks Concession Guideline and Fee Schedule 2020

**Ngā kaiwaitohu
Signatories**

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He whakarāpopoto i ngā huritaonga Summary of considerations
<i>Fit with Council's roles or with Committee's terms of reference</i> Council is authorised to approve the Plan under the Reserves Act.
<i>Implications for Māori</i> Mana whenua expressed values are reflected in the draft management plan and have a key role in development implementation of it.
<i>Contribution to Annual Plan / Long Term Plan / Other key strategies and policies</i> Implementation of the management plan will be through long term plan and annual plan processes.
<i>Internal consultation</i> Officers in the Democratic Services department, Environment, Communications and Engagement and Strategy groups were consulted about this report.
<i>Risks and impacts - legal / health and safety etc.</i> The adopted management plan is likely to be of interest to the media.



Parks Concession Guideline and Fee Schedule 2020



Battle Hill Farm Forest Park – Farm Day event

1. Introduction

This guideline and fee schedule identifies fees and process for applications for concessions in regional parks. It should be read in conjunction with the:

- a. Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020-30 (Parks Plan) and its appendices which include guidance about activities and concession applications
- b. Greater Wellington Parks, Forests and Reserves Bylaw 2016.

1.1 What is a concession?

A concession is an official authorisation (agreement) for an individual or group to undertake an activity and/or event on land owned and/or managed by Greater Wellington. It is a formal relationship between the concession holder and Greater Wellington, ensuring that both parties are aware of their obligations.

Concessions include:

- Permits
- Leases
- Licences
- Easements

Where the term concession is used in these guidelines it includes all of the above forms.

The purpose of Greater Wellington's concession process is to ensure that compatible activities are carried out in a way that protects core park conservation, recreation, heritage, cultural and social values (refer to Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020-30).

The process of assessing a proposal and issuing a concession permit enables Greater Wellington to determine the appropriateness of particular activities in particular places and identify use conditions to ensure possible adverse effects are minimised. For example, events and general informal park recreation activities.

1.2 What activities require a concession?

Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020-30, Rules for use and development section classifies activities in parks as having different levels of permission. These are:

Allowed activities – are largely informal, unstructured activities traditionally associated with parks and compatible with core park values e.g. dog walking, mountain biking, picnics, nature play. Some activities require payment such as overnight camping stays in Designated Campgrounds. Contact a Greater Wellington park ranger if you have questions about these activities.

Managed activities – include formal events, more intensive use of particular places, one-off activities or activities that may present a threat to park values such as conflict with other visitor enjoyment. Applications for Managed Activities via a concession permit, short term licence or other agreements are via Greater Wellington park rangers, Principal Rangers or other authorised officers.

Activities considered by Greater Wellington to be have medium to high levels effects or in sensitive sites may require 'Assessment of Environmental Effects' (AEE) and other material supporting an application to be prepared and submitted. Refer to Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020-30 AEE Guide (in appendix). Applications for managed activities should be discussed with a park ranger in the first instance. Application fees apply for some managed activities. A fee may be charged for permits e.g. camping, collection of natural materials.

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Restricted activities – are those considered to have medium to high level effects on core park values or are identified in the Reserves, Local Government, Conservation or other relevant Acts as requiring authorisation via licence, lease, easement or other contractual agreements. For example, permanent structures or buildings, exclusive use of an area for an extended period of time, high impact activities such as horse or stock grazing.

Each application for a restricted activity is considered on its merit, compatibility and appropriateness to the location and park conditions. Public notification may be required.

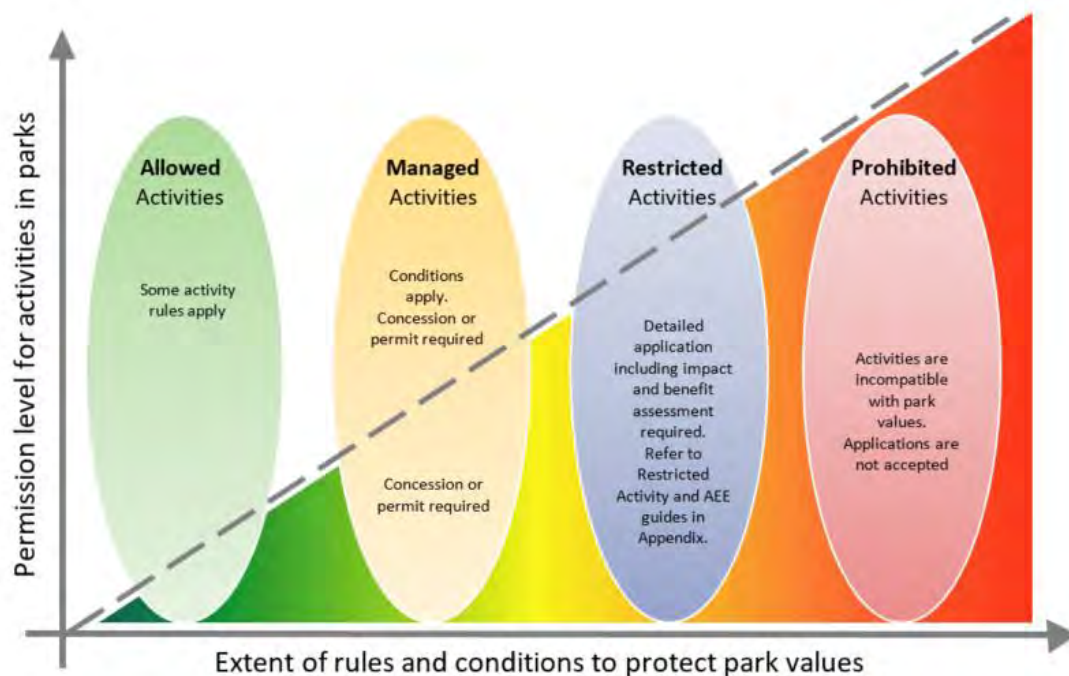
Restricted activities are managed via contractual agreements, including easement, licence or lease and subject to any conditions required by Council and ongoing reporting and audit processes. Applications for activities which do not demonstrate significant support or enhancement of park values may be declined.

Fees are charged for restricted activity applications and ongoing fees apply e.g. annual lease or licence fees.

Refer to Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020-30 for more information about applications for Restricted Activities. Applications for Restricted Activities are via Parks Planning. Contact parksplanning@gw.govt.nz

Prohibited activities –these activities are considered to be incompatible with park values and applications are not accepted. Refer to Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020-30 for further information.

Figure 1. Activity permission levels



1.3 What fees charged for concessions and permits?

Different fees apply to different activities. They cover Greater Wellington’s administrative costs for assessing and processing applications, ongoing costs in managing concession use of parks and fee contributions for use of public land. Fees apply for private gain from use of

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public assets and land. Fees may be discounted or waived where there is public conservation, recreation or community benefit from the activity. Fee types include:

- Application or renewal fee
- A park user or permit fee
- A rental fee
- A short notice fee

Table 1. Fee types and activities

Activity type	Application / renewal fee	Permit fee	Park user fee	Rental	Late notice fee	Easement
Allowed	No	No	No	No	No	NA
Managed	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	NA
Restricted	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	NA	Yes

Notes

1. Annual or monthly rentals are charged for licence and lease agreements. They are generally set at a market rate and reviewed periodically. Where reliable market information is not readily available, rental reviews may be assessed by an index based method.
2. Charges for the granting of easements include a one-off payment and annual maintenance fees on some instances. Easements are not generally subject to a review.

1.4 Fee concessions or waivers

Greater Wellington will consider waiving application fees in full or in part in certain circumstances.

Application fees will NOT be charged:

- For non-commercial events with less than 30 participants
- For schools or for other education-related groups where the activity supports awareness and understanding of park values
- Where Greater Wellington initiates an expression of interest or tender process for a specified activity and where the activity is low impact/ site sensitivity.

Fee waivers or discounts may be considered for:

- Schools, charities, community groups and not-for profit groups with events of less than 150 participants
- Non-commercial events or activities exclusively associated with children/ youth under 18 years of age
- Small scale photography (as defined in Glossary)
- Events or activities fundraising solely for charitable purposes
- Facility use fees e.g. meeting rooms for community groups

2. Processing applications for Managed Activities

2.1 Information required to be submitted with a Managed activity application

Greater Wellington’s website has permit application forms and advice.

Application details must include proposed:

- Event type
- Location
- Day and time
- Map of routes, tracks for recreation/sport events
- Identification of park facilities to be used or temporary facilities

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- Numbers of expected participants
- Numbers of expected spectators and organisers
- Number of stall holders
- If a fee will be charged for participants
- Identification of health and safety practices
- Traffic management plan or security practices
- Possible impacts and benefits related to park values

Where applicable, additional information may also be required:

- **A health and safety plan** for events or activities, including filming
- Evidence of current public liability insurance (\$2m) with evidence fire cover is included
- An approved traffic management plan, in accordance with the New Zealand Transport Agency's Code of Practice for Temporary Traffic Management (COPTTM refer: www.nzta.govt.nz/resources/code-temp-traffic-management/), when the event will:
 - a) Close off a park or adjoining road to vehicle traffic
 - b) Disrupt vehicle traffic in any way (i.e. stopping, closing a road or slowing traffic flow for a period of time)
 - c) Block a footpath to pedestrian traffic resulting in pedestrians needing to find an alternative route.
- Written confirmation of current public liability insurance cover considered adequate for the activity
- A business plan for larger events
- Proof of non-commercial nature such evidence of not-for-profit status and/or of being a registered charity

2.2 Decisions and conditions

Applications for concessions may be approved, approved with conditions, or declined by Greater Wellington. Conditions for concessions will be identified which protect the park environment, cultural and recreation values, health, safety and well-being of other users and to accommodate park operations. Conditions or restrictions may be imposed on permits as per the policies and Rules of the Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020-30. These may include:

- Group size
- Time of the day and duration of the activity
- Location (ensuring there is no conflict with other users)
- Season or time of year
- Infrastructure conditions (any use of tents, marquees, stages etc.)
- Park value related conditions (mitigating or minimising impacts).

2.3 Late notice applications

Applications made 5 working days or less before the event date will be declined. Minimum time frames are identified below to enable assessment of application size, location, Health and Safety measures proposed, traffic management, insurance requirements, possible park and other visitor experience impacts, contract drafting. Incomplete applications will result in longer processing times.

3. Managed activity concession fee schedule

All fees include GST. Initial application fees, permit fees, and late notice fees are payable at the time of application and are non-refundable. Bonds are also payable at the time of application. All other additional charges will be invoiced.

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Note: a half day is less than 4 hours duration and a full day 4 hours or more.

Managed activity - Applications	Fee
Managed activity application fee	Commercial activities - \$175 Filming – commercial \$500 (refer below) Non-commercial activities with over 150 participants - \$100
Renewal of concession – commercial or non-commercial	\$50
Permit fees managed activities, non-commercial activities with more than 30 participants	\$50
Low impact filming application fee (non-student)	\$50
NON-COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES	
Managed activities - Park user	Fees
Ranger assistance	
General concession support above normal duties, at discretion of the ranger. Includes independent groups and commercial research programmes	\$100 per ranger hour
Schools	Free, first two hours. \$50 per hour 2+ hours.
Special interest groups E.g. Forest and Bird, historic societies, conservation groups, botany clubs, universities.	First two hours - free More than two hours - \$100 per ranger hour
Accommodation- cottages, huts, cabins, glamping. Discounted rates for conservation /recreation groups undertaking work supporting Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020-30 goals.	Comparative market rates apply
Camping permit- Designated campgrounds (refer Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020-30)	Children under 5 – free of charge <i>Unpowered sites</i> \$8 per adult per night \$4 per child per night under 16 years old. If unsupervised, particularly 14-16 year old, adult rates apply) <i>Powered sites</i> \$16 per adult per night \$8 per child per night under 16 years old.
Camping – Approved sites - permission required and conditions apply (refer Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020-30)	Service fee may apply – variable rate
Camping – Backcountry	Free
Hunting permit	Free
Filming (also refer commercial)	
Conservation/educational/recreation promotion (supporting park values - refer Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020-30)	\$500 per day or to be negotiated depending on size and nature of filming. Preparation, clean up fees and a bond may apply
Filming by students for education purposes	To be negotiated depending on size and nature of filming. Preparation, clean up fees and a bond may apply
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Four wheel drives /motorised vehicles, motorbike and trail bike permit (non-commercial club events)	Free
Horse riding – events and trekking (more than 30 horses and people)	Events \$5 per person Rally/practice \$3 per person
Guided tours/ activities of more than 30 participants	\$5 per participant – full day \$2.50 per participant – half day
Natural Materials Collection and Research permit (Commercial and non-commercial)	
Refer to the Greater Wellington website for details including application forms: www.gw.govt.nz	
Low impact collecting and research permit	Free
High impact collecting and research permit	\$150
Picnic areas or space reservations for groups	
<i>Kaitoke:</i> Shelter facility 1 Shelter facility 2 Shelter facility 3 (top terrace) Bookable for groups of 25 or more, week days only	Flat fee \$40.00
<i>Queen Elizabeth Park</i> Picnic area booking 30+ people Space must be booked with ranger	Free
<i>Other parks</i> Any sites, 50 people minimum for booking	Free
Weddings	
Ceremony only – less than 50 people	\$50
Ceremony and function – less than 50 people	\$100
Ceremony only – over 50 people	\$200
Ceremony and function – over 50 people	\$500 (plus bond at Ranger discretion)
COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES	
Ranger assistance	
General concessionaire support above normal duties (at ranger discretion)	\$100 per ranger hour
Festivals/events	10% of gross receipts and any associated mobile traders or \$2.50 per person
Guided tours/ activities, commercial passenger vehicle conveyance	\$2.50 per person
Motorbike and trail bike - commercial	\$15 per bike – full day \$10 per bike – half day
4WDs/motorised vehicles - commercial	\$40 per vehicle – full day \$25 per vehicle – half day
Park user fees	\$5 per participant – full day \$2.50 per participant – half day
Park facilities	
Battle Hill - Ken Gray Education Centre Belmont - Stratton Street Old woolshed QEP - Kotare Room, Ramaroa All parks – ranger offices and park cottages	<i>\$50 per day non-commercial</i> 4 hours or less \$50 Daily \$180 3-5 day use \$300 maximum <i>Commercial</i> 4 hours or less \$180 Daily \$360

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	3 day use \$1000 5 day use \$1500 Bond may apply
Filming	
Advertising commercials	\$500 per day
Television (other than news/current affairs)	\$500 per day
News/current affairs	Nil fee
<i>Feature films</i>	
Application fee	\$500
Full day	\$800
Half day	\$500
Two hours	\$400
More than 10 days	Rate to be negotiated
<i>Low impact films</i>	To be negotiated depending on size and nature of filming. Preparation, clean up fees and bonds may apply
Photography	
Full day	\$300
Half day	\$150
12 month landscape photography permit (single photographer, limited props/ equipment)	\$800
Mobile traders e.g. food / coffee cart, equipment hire	
Casual use – less than 12 months	\$50 Application fee
Casual use – more than 12 months. (Note: Assessment of Environmental Effects (AEE) may be required. Refer Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020-30	\$50 per session or 10% of gross receipts As above and assessed on case by case basis
ALL ACTIVITIES	
Late notice applications	Fees
Late notice fees will be charged for applications received after specified timeframes: 1. At least 20 working days prior to any event or activity for less than 150 participants 2. At least 40 working days prior for events or activities with more than 150 participants 3. At least 60 working days prior for short term licences and easements. Processing timeframes may be longer Any application made less than 5 working days prior to an event will be declined	\$250
Bonds	
Greater Wellington may require a bond to be lodged for a concession as part of the approval. The purpose of a bond is to provide additional security from loss or damage of a park area or facilities. Greater Wellington will refund bonds in full or in part at the conclusion of the concession dependant on the state of the area of park and	Bonds are payable at the time of application and may be between \$200 and \$5,000, dependent on the level of possible impact on park values. A bond of less than \$200 may be applied for low impact/ site sensitivity, non-commercial activities.

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facilities. Reinstated to original condition is expected wherever possible.	
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4. Restricted Activities

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Fee schedule

Activity	Fee
Restricted activity – Application fee (deposit) for non-notified and low impact	\$1,800
Restricted activity – Application fee (deposit) for notified and moderate to high impact	\$5200
Additional officer time	\$130.00 per hour
Disbursements – includes advertising expenses, copying, hearing costs (other than officer time)	At cost
Hearing time (one officer)	\$2500 per half day
Hearing time (consultant)	At cost
Consultants	At cost
Mana whenua advice or engagement costs	Applicant cost (not via Greater Wellington)
Preparation of supporting documentation for application requested by Greater Wellington	Applicant cost
DOC charges	At cost
Renewal of existing activity - leases, licences, easements	Variable depending on changes, performance, complexity of assessment. Up to \$1000 and / or \$130.00 per officer hour
Renewals - permits only	\$100
Restricted Activities requiring urgency (less than 6 months prior)	\$500
Applications involving Greater Wellington and other agencies (e.g. DOC or TA land)	Pro rata fee according to the proposed use of other public lands
Bonds	\$200 minimum to \$5000 dependent on AEE assessed level of impact
Beehives Also refer Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020-30	Per hive rates and/or percentage of harvest share

4.1 What do the charges cover?

Applicants are charged for the costs incurred in assessing and making decisions on applications for leases, licenses and easements for restricted activities. Charges cover administration, assessment, peer review and travel time associated with site visits. External peer review or advice where required will be charged at consultant cost. Short timeframe applications require officers to defer other work and additional fees are charged.

Where the processing costs of the application exceed estimate, additional charges are made for actual and reasonable costs. Where the processing costs of the application are less than the initial deposit fee, a refund will be made.

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Consultation with mana whenua is required for most Restricted Activity applications and for all leases, easements and longer term licence. Mana whenua fees are paid directly by applicants.

4.2 How are the charges applied?

Application fees must be paid when an application is submitted and are not refundable if an application is declined or withdrawn. Where application processing costs exceed the initial application fee, an additional charge is made for actual and reasonable costs. Where application processing costs are less than the initial application fee, a refund will be made. Where an application is withdrawn, the cost of processing the application up to that point will be calculated and a refund or additional charge made as appropriate.

4.3 How are application charges calculated?

Actual and reasonable costs are charged for leases, licenses or easements. Based on:

- Fees are based on time to process an 'average' concession application
- The first four hours spent by Greater Wellington officers in preliminary application discussions is free of charge
- Costs of up to one staff member at a hearing. Note that if a staff member is required to provide secretarial assistance to a Hearing Panel their time spent at the hearing will not be charged
- Where a consultant is used to process an application because in-house time is not available, the officer charge out rate is applied
- Where external specialist consultant expertise is required to process an application or attend hearings, the full cost of the consultant is charged
- Where DOC charges are incurred by Greater Wellington as a result of processing or approving an application, the full cost of these DOC charges will be billed to the applicant

4.4 Notification

Applications for restricted activities will be publicly notified when:

- The term sought exceeds 10 years
- The activity is deemed to be medium to high impact on park values or required by policy in the Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020-30
- The activity occurs on land held under the Reserves Act and public notification is required under that Act
- It falls under section 138 of the Local Government Act 2002
- It is required under other Acts, e.g. Conservation Act
- In the opinion of Greater Wellington to be in the public interest
- It receives requests for easements that would significantly affect park land and current users.

Greater Wellington will provide a detailed cost estimate for a notified application if requested and can arrange for additional charges to be paid in instalments for applicants who do not want to receive a large account for additional charges at the end of the process.

In some instances, where there is not the Delegation under the Reserves Act 1977 for Greater Wellington to make a decision, the application for a lease, licence or easement will be referred to the Minister of Conservation. The Department of Conservation will consult with Greater Wellington (as manager of the land) in making a decision. In these instances, all administration fees associated with a concession are charged by the Department of Conservation.

5. Monitoring of concessions

Periodic audits will be undertaken of concession activities based on assessment of impacts and compliance with conditions as outlined in agreements e.g. mitigation measures and / or State of Parks monitoring and reporting as outlined in the Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020-30. Fee revisions may also occur for any fees contained within this policy.

When renewal applications for concession are received, Greater Wellington will review the performance of the concession holder based on the following:

- Ongoing appropriateness of the activity in relation to park values, Greater Wellington policies and complaints, damage or breaches of the concession agreement conditions
- Outstanding financial balances with Greater Wellington
- Impacts on park values in relation to the scale, frequency, location
- Compliance with all relevant Council policies, bylaws, management plans and legislation.

6.0 Glossary

Commercial activity

Any activity where the purpose is to operate or promote a business and/or obtain profit or gain from its operations utilising the GWRC parks and forests including conducting a trade, business or occupation on GWRC owned or managed land, or where profit and private benefit are involved.

Concession

A concession is an official authorisation for an individual or group to undertake an activity and/or event on land owned and/or managed by GWRC. A concession is a formal relationship between the concession holder and GWRC, ensuring that both parties are aware of their obligations. Concessions include permits, easements, leases, and licenses.

A concession is as referred to in sections 2, 53 and 59 of the Reserves Act 1977.

Easement

A right of access over or through land and may allow for the installation of pipelines, cables/overhead wires or utility services

Feature film

Also called a motion picture or movie with a running time long enough to be considered the principal or sole film to fill a program. Also includes short film and documentaries

Late notice

As defined in the fee schedule table above

Lease

Exclusive rights to occupy buildings or a specified area of land. Leases are granted according to the relevant provisions of the Reserves Act 1977 and/or Wellington Regional Water Board Act 1972, and/or Wellington Regional Council (Water Board Functions) Act 2005.

Licence

Allows the right to occupy or work in an area but not necessarily to the exclusion of the public or other licensees. Licences may allow temporary modifications to the land, such as re-locatable buildings, campsites or facilities. Licences are granted according to the relevant provisions of the Reserves Act

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1977 and/or Wellington Regional Water Board Act 1972, and/or Wellington Regional Council (Water Board Functions) Act 2005.

Low budget films

Those undertaken by students for education purposes

Low impact films

Less than ten crew/talent, limited and small props and equipment and vehicles, less than five vehicles in total, no generators or lighting

Non-commercial activity

Includes any activity:

- Where a private individual, club or any organisation will not profit or gain from the use of GWRC parks and forests
- A person undertaking the activity or event, or any of the subjects are not receiving any form of payment for the activity
- Where there are less than 30 participants (with the exemption of motorised recreation)
- Subject to standard terms and conditions for use of parks/forests.

Non-notified application

An application for a concession for a restricted activity that is not publicly notified.

Notified application

An application for a concession for a restricted activity that is publicly notified.

Limited notification application

An application for a concession for a restricted activity where a limited number of people, groups or organisations are consulted e.g. mana whenua, park stakeholder groups and neighbour consultation about proposed new agreements for existing recreation facilities.

Permits

A written authority for entry or to enable an activity or event to be undertaken on a park area for a limited period.

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For Decision

PROPOSED VARIATION TO WELLINGTON REGIONAL LAND TRANSPORT PLAN PROGRAMME 2018-21: SILVERSTREAM PIPELINE BRIDGE WALKWAY AND CYCLEWAY BUSINESS CASE

Te take mō te pūrongo
Purpose

1. To advise Council on approving a variation to the Wellington Regional Land Transport Plan Programme 2018-21 (the RLTP Programme) to include the Silverstream Pipeline Bridge Walkway and Cycleway Business Case.

He tūtohu
Recommendations

That the Council:

1. **Adopts** the proposed variation to the Wellington Regional Land Transport Plan Programme 2018-21, as set out in Attachment 1, to include the Silverstream Pipeline Bridge Walkway and Cycleway Business Case.
2. **Agrees** to the adopted variation being forwarded to Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency, requesting that the variation is included in the National Land Transport Programme.

Consideration by Committee

2. The proposed variation to the RLTP Programme was recommended to Council by the Regional Transport Committee at its meeting on 24 November 2020 (Proposed Variation to the Wellington Land Transport Plan Programme 2018-21 - Silverstream Pipeline Bridge Walkway and Cycleway Business Case – Report 20.407).

Te tāhū kōrero
Background

Wellington Regional Land Transport Plan Programme

3. The Wellington Regional Land Transport Plan (RLTP) 2105 (was updated by a mid-term review in June 2018. Part of that update was the development of a new programme section for 2018-21 (the RLTP Programme).

4. The RLTP Programme contains all the land transport activities proposed to be undertaken throughout the Wellington Region, and the regional priority of significant activities (costing over \$5 million).
5. The activities in the RLTP programme are submitted by the Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency (the Transport Agency) and approved organisations under the Land Transport Management Act 2003 (the LTMA). These approved organisations include the eight territorial authorities of the Wellington Region, Department of Conservation, and Greater Wellington Regional Council.

Process for considering a variation

6. Section 18D of the LTMA states that if a good reason exists to do so, the Regional Transport Committee (the Committee) may prepare a variation to the RLTP during the six years to which the RLTP applies. This variation can be at the request of an approved organisation or the Transport Agency, or on the Committee's own motion.
7. Section 18D(4) of the LTMA requires the Committee to consider any variation request promptly.
8. Section 18D(5) of the LTMA notes that consultation is not required for any variation that is not significant or that arises from the declaration or revocation of a state highway.
9. The Committee determines if a proposed variation is significant in accordance with its significance policy adopted under 106(2) of the LTMA and included in the RLTP (Appendix B - page 191).
10. The application of section 18B of the LTMA provides that, where the Committee recommends the proposed variation:
 - a The Committee must forward the proposed variation to Council
 - b Council may, after considering the proposed variation *either*:
 - i Approve the proposed variation, without modification *or*
 - ii Refer the proposed variation back to the Committee asking that it reconsider one or more aspects.

**Te tātaritanga
Analysis**

Proposed variation and significance

11. The details of the proposed variation are set out below, along with an assessment of the significance of this variation.
12. The Committee assessed the significance of the proposed variation, for the purpose of consultation, against the RLTP significance policy.

13. Information on the proposed variation is set out below and in [Attachment 1](#):

<i>Silverstream Pipeline Bridge Walkway and Cycleway Business Case</i>
Request by: Hutt City Council
<p>Details of the subject activity:</p> <p>The pedestrian and cycle component of the bridge project is expected to include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the basic structure • a 2.9m non-slip pedestrian deck with railings and lighting • raised abutments at a suitable grade for active modes • connections into the adjoining cycleway and pedestrian network • paths to current standards, i.e. sealed and standard widths • appropriate landscaping treatment • an underpass under the existing road bridge accessible except when the river is in flood • provision for one-way access by a light vehicle, i.e. deck loadings, adequate subbase on access paths, lockable bollard at each end.
Description of variation: to add a new activity to the RLTP programme as a significant activity.
<p>Reason for the variation:</p> <p>The subject activity was not expected to commence within the 6 years of the programme at the time the RLTP and its 2018 update were finalised. The opportunity has arisen to consider the development of a dual use bridge as part of the design process for a new pipe bridge required to carry water as part of the Wellington Water bulk distribution network.</p>
<p>Estimated total cost:</p> <p>The cost of development of the business case is estimated at \$30,000.</p> <p>The total cost of the project is estimated at \$11 million.</p>
<p>Proposed timing and cash-flow:</p> <p>Development of the business case is expected to commence in November 2020 and take one month.</p> <p>Subject to the business case being approved, the construction funding is proposed to be spent in the 2021/22 year of the programme.</p>
<p>Funding sources:</p> <p>The project is expected to be funded by a contribution from Wellington Water and the National Land Transport Fund.</p> <p>The proposed funding for implementation will be developed as part of the business case.</p>

14. The following tables indicate the Committee's consideration of the key factors in making determinations about significance and consultation:

1 Key considerations in determining significance – would the proposed variation:		
Materially change the balance of strategic investment?	No	The proposed cost variation of \$11 million associated with this activity is not considered to materially change the overall balance of strategic investment in the context of the \$1.3 billion programme cost.
Negatively impact on the contribution to Government or GPS objectives and priorities?	No	The proposed variation relates to a project that will make a positive contribution towards the Government Policy Statement objectives through the construction of improvements that will have a significant contribution to road safety and active mode benefits.
Affect residents?	No	This is unlikely because there are few residents nearby, but will be explored fully during the resource consenting process.
Affect the integrity of the RLTP, including its overall affordability?	No	The proposed variation is not expected to affect the integrity of the RLTP or its overall affordability.

2 Several types of variations are considered to be generally not significant in their own right. Are the proposed variations:	
An activity in the urgent interests of public safety?	No
A small scope change costing less than 10 percent of estimated total cost, or less than \$20 million	No
Replacement of a project within a group of generic projects by another project?	No
A change of the duration or priority of an activity in the programme which does not substantially alter the balance of the magnitude and timing of activities in the programme?	No
The addition of an activity previously consulted on in accordance with sections 18 and 18A of the LTMA and which comply with section 20 of that Act?	No

2 Several types of variations are considered to be generally not significant in their own right. Are the proposed variations:

Note: A variation that is assessed as meeting any one of these criteria will generally not be considered significant, however the key considerations in the first table should still be assessed.

3 Other considerations	
What are the likely impacts, time delays or cost on public safety, economic, social, environmental wellbeing as a consequence of undertaking consultation?	Consultation could delay funding approval for business case development.
What are the relative costs and benefits of consultation?	Consultation is unlikely to result in benefits. This variation seeks funding for business case development in the first instance and will not impact on residents.
To what extent has consultation with the community or relevant stakeholders been undertaken already?	This proposal has been developed in collaboration with Wellington Water. There may be consultation with the community as part of the resource consent process.

**Ngā hua ahumoni
Financial implications**

15. The financial implications of the proposed variation are stated in paragraph 13.

**Ngā tikanga whakatau
Decision-making process**

16. The matters for decision in this report are subject to the legislative requirements of sections 18B, 18D and 106(2) of the LTMA. The specific requirements are stated in paragraphs 6 to 10.
17. To give effect to section 18D(5) of the LTMA, the Committee determines if a proposed variation to the RLTP is significant, in accordance with its significance policy adopted under 106(2) of the Act and as included in the RLTP.

**Te hiranga
Significance**

18. The Committee determined, given the assessment in paragraph 14, that making the proposed variation is not significant.

**Te whakatūtakitaki
Engagement**

19. Given this determination, the Committee concluded that consultation is not required.

**Ngā tūāoma e whai ake nei
Next steps**

20. If Council adopts the proposed variation (**Attachment 1**), the Council Chair will then forward the variation to the Transport Agency to consider for inclusion in the National Land Transport Programme for funding.

21. There is no obligation on the Transport Agency to vary the National Land Transport Programme to include the new activity. However, the Transport Agency must give written reasons for any decision not to do so.

**Ngā āpitihanga
Attachment**

Number	Title
1	Proposed RLTP programme variation – the Silverstream Pipeline Bridge Walkway and Cycleway Business Case

**Ngā kaiwaitohu
Signatories**

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He whakarāpopoto i ngā huritaonga Summary of considerations
<p><i>Fit with Council's roles or with Committee's terms of reference</i></p> <p>Under section 18D of the LTMA, the Regional Transport Committee is responsible for preparing variations to the RLTP, and for recommending these to Council for its approval. Under section 18B of the LTMA, Council can either adopt the proposed variation or refer the matter back to the Committee for further consideration.</p>
<p><i>Implications for Māori</i></p> <p>There are no known impacts for Māori from the proposed variation.</p>
<p><i>Contribution to Annual Plan / Long Term Plan / Other key strategies and policies</i></p> <p>The proposed variation contributes to the RLTP 2015.</p>
<p><i>Internal consultation</i></p> <p>No internal consultation took place, as this is a procedural report to update the RLTP programme.</p>
<p><i>Risks and impacts - legal / health and safety etc.</i></p> <p>There are no risks related to the matter for decision.</p>

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Proposed RLTP programme variation – Silverstream Pipeline Bridge Walkway and Cycleway Business Case

Table One: Significant activity priority, and contribution to regional objectives

Priority band	Organisation	Project name	A high quality, reliable public transport network	An increasingly resilient transport network	An attractive and safe walking and cycling network	A safe system for all users of the regional transport network	An efficient and optimised transport system that minimises the impact on the environment	A well planned, connected and integrated transport network	A reliable and effective strategic road network	An effective network for the movement of freight
5	HCC	Silverstream Pipeline Bridge Walkway and Cycleway								

Key:

High contribution to objective	Medium contribution to objective	Low contribution to objective	No contribution to objective
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Table Two: Significant activities costs and timing

Organisation	Project Name	Description	Activity Stage	Expected start year	End year	Cost (\$m) 2018/19	Cost (\$m) 2019/20	Cost (\$m) 2020/21	3 year cost (\$m)	Total projected cost (\$m)	Funding source	BCR	Profile
HCC	Silverstream Pipeline Bridge Walkway and Cycleway Business Case	Investment in a dual use bridge to carry both a water pipe and pedestrians/cyclists at Silverstream.	Single-stage business case	2020/21	2021/22			\$0.03	\$0.03	\$11	Funding split to be confirmed, expected to include Wellington Water (water-related component), Waka Kotahi (pedestrian/cycling component)	To be confirmed during business case development	HML*

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For Decision

CHANGES TO COUNCIL'S DELEGATIONS OF POWERS, FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES – DECEMBER 2020

Te take mō te pūrongo

Purpose

1. To advise Council on proposed changes to its delegation of powers, functions and responsibilities under the:
 - a COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020
 - b Urban Development Act 2020
 - c Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA)
 - d Local Government (Rating) Act 2002.

He tūtohu

Recommendations

That Council:

- 1 **Notes** recent legislation with implications for Council's powers, functions and responsibilities.
- 2 **Delegates** to the Chief Executive all the powers, functions and responsibilities under the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020 and Urban Development Act 2020 (Attachment 1), except those powers, functions and responsibilities retained explicitly by Council (Attachment 2).
- 3 **Revokes**, with effect from 10 December 2020, the delegation made by Council on 24 October 2018 to specific officers under the Resource Management Act 1991 and the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002.
- 4 **Delegates** its powers, duties and responsibilities under the Resource Management Act 1991 to specified officers, except those powers retained explicitly by Council (Attachment 3), with effect from 10 December 2020.
- 5 **Delegates** its powers, duties and responsibilities under the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 to specified officers, except those powers not capable of delegation or retained explicitly by Council (Attachment 4), with effect from 10 December 2020.

- 6 **Revokes** the delegation to the Proposed Natural Resources Plan Hearing Panel (Establishment of a hearing panel to hear and decide on submissions on the Proposed Natural Resources Plan for the Wellington Region - Report 15.338) as this process has concluded.

Te horopaki Context

2. During late June to early August 2020 Parliament enacted the following legislation with implications for Council's powers, functions and duties, and where new or updated delegations are needed:
 - a Land Transport (Rail) Legislation Act 2020
 - b COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020
 - c Privacy Act 2020
 - d Urban Development Act 2020
 - e Resource Management Amendment Act 2020.
3. Council has already established related delegations for the Land Transport (Rail) Legislation Act 2020¹, the Privacy Act 2020², and one element of the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020³ to support consideration by an external consenting panel of a listed project (Te Ara Tupua – Ngauranga to Petone shared path).
4. Business groups are addressing the more specific policy and operational impacts of these Acts, and these impacts will be indicated to Council and Committees as needed.
5. Officers are now seeking:
 - a Additional delegations under the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020
 - b New delegations under the Urban Development Act 2020
 - c Updated delegations under the Resource Management Act 1991 to reflect changes arising from the Resource Management Amendment Act 2020
 - d Updated delegations under the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 to reflect a change in position title for one of the specified officers.
6. Under Council's delegations framework, Council delegates its powers, functions and responsibilities to the Chief Executive, who can (usually) sub-delegate these matters to specified officers. However, under the Resource Management Act 1991 and the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, all delegations must be made by the local authority. Accordingly, Council's practice is to agree to a full set of direct delegations that state any matters retained by Council, any matters not able to be delegated, and the matters delegated to the Chief Executive and specified officers.

¹ Revised terms of reference for the Regional Transport Committee – Report 20.291.

² Impact of legislative changes on Council's powers, functions and duties – October 2020 – Report 20.342.

³ Delegation under the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020 – Report 20.361.

Te tātaritanga Analysis

Delegations to the Chief Executive

7. We propose that Council delegates all of its powers, functions and responsibilities under the:
 - a COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020 to the Chief Executive (**Attachment 1**):
 - i Noting that it has already delegated the power to nominate a member of an expert consenting panel (see paragraph 3)
 - ii Except for the powers, functions and responsibilities retained explicitly by Council (**Attachment 2**)
 - b Urban Development Act 2020 (**Attachment 1**), except for the powers, functions and responsibilities retained explicitly by Council (**Attachment 2**).

Resource Management Act 1991

8. On 24 October 2018 Council directly delegated to certain officers its powers, duties and responsibilities under the Resource Management Act 1991 (Delegations made by Council under the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 and the Resource Management Act 1991 – Report 18.504).
9. These delegations are impacted by the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020, the Urban Development Act 2020, and the Resource Management Amendment Act 2020. Given this, we have reviewed carefully the current suite of Resource Management Act delegations and propose that Council revokes the current instrument of delegation and approves an updated instrument of delegation (**Attachment 3**).

Local Government (Rating) Act 2002

10. On 24 October 2018 Council directly delegated to certain officers its powers, duties and responsibilities under the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 (Delegations made by Council under the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 and the Resource Management Act 1991 – Report 18.504).
11. This decision included delegations to the position of Manager, Strategic Finance. This position is now known as the Financial Controller. It is therefore necessary to update the delegations to reflect this new title.
12. We propose that Council revokes the current instrument of delegation and approves an updated instrument of delegation relating to the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 (**Attachment 4**).

Proposed Natural Resources Plan Hearing Panel

13. On 25 September 2015 Council established the Proposed Natural Resources Plan Hearing Panel (Establishment of a hearing panel to hear and decide on submissions on the Proposed Natural Resources Plan for the Wellington Region - Report 15.338) to hear and decide on submissions on the Proposed Natural Resources Plan for the Wellington Region. As this Panel's work has concluded, we recommend revoking the related delegation.

**Ngā hua ahumoni
Financial implications**

14. There are no financial implications arising from this report.

**Ngā tikanga whakatau
Decision-making process**

15. The matters requiring decision in this report were considered by officers against the requirements of Part 6 of the Local Government Act 2002.

**Te hiranga
Significance**

16. Officers have considered the significance of the matters for decision, taking into account the Council's *Significance and Engagement Policy* and Greater Wellington's *Decision-making Guidelines*. As these decisions implement legislative changes (which have already undergone public consultation), and concern Council's internal allocation of decision-making rights, officers considers these matters to be of low significance.

**Te whakatūtakitaki
Engagement**

17. Given the significance of the matters for decision, no external engagement was considered necessary.

**Ngā tūāoma e whai ake nei
Next steps**

18. If the proposed delegations are approved, officers will:
- a Update Council's *Delegations Manual* and provide the Chief Executive and relevant general managers with an copy of the approved delegations
 - b Seek related sub-delegations from the Chief Executive to enable efficient and effective conduct of Greater Wellington's business under the relevant Acts.

**Ngā āpitihanga
Attachments**

Number	Title
1	Statutory delegations from Council to the Chief Executive
2	Powers retained by Council
3	Delegations from Council to officers – Resource Management Act 1991
4	Delegations from Council to officers – Local Government (Rating) Act 2002

**Ngā kaiwaitohu
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<p>He whakarāpopoto i ngā huritaonga Summary of considerations</p>
<p><i>Fit with Council's roles or with Committee's terms of reference</i></p> <p>Council can, under clause 32 of Schedule 7 to the Local Government Act 2002, delegate to any officer of the local authority its functions, powers or duties under the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020 and the Urban Development Act 2020.</p> <p>Council can, under section 34A(1) of the Resource Management Act 1991, delegate to any employee its functions, powers or duties under that Act except this power of delegation.</p> <p>Council can, under section 132 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2020, delegate the exercise of its functions, powers or duties to its chief executive office or any other specified officer; but must not delegate the power to delegate or any function, power or duty conferred by subpart 2 of Part 1 or subpart 1 of Part 5.</p>
<p><i>Implications for Māori</i></p> <p>There are no known implications for Māori.</p>
<p><i>Contribution to Annual Plan / Long Term Plan / Other key strategies and policies</i></p> <p>The proposed delegations do not contribute to the Annual Plan, Long Term Plan, or Council's or Greater Wellington's key strategies, policies and plans.</p>
<p><i>Internal consultation</i></p> <p>This report was prepared in consultation with the Environment Management business group and the Chief Financial Officer.</p>
<p><i>Risks and impacts - legal / health and safety etc.</i></p> <p>There are no known risks or impacts arising from the matters for decision.</p>

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Statutory delegations from Council to the Chief Executive

Delegation

The Council delegates to the Chief Executive all the powers, duties and responsibilities of the Council in the legislation (and any associated regulations) and bylaws set out as follows:

Biosecurity Act 1993

Building Act 2004

Civil Defence Emergency Management Act 2002

COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020

Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996

Land Drainage Act 1908

Land Transport Management Act 2003

Litter Act 1979

Local Government Act 2002

Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987

Marine and Coastal Area (Takutai Moana) Act 2011

Maritime Transport Act 1994

Privacy Act 1993 (until 30 November 2020)

Privacy Act 2020 (from 1 December 2020)

Property Law Act 2007

Protected Disclosures Act 2000

Public Records Act 2005

Public Works Act 1981

Rating Valuations Act 1998

Reserves Act 1977

Resource Management (Simplifying and Streamlining) Amendment Act 2009

Soil Conservation and Rivers Control Act 1941

Statutory Land Charges Registration Act 1928

Summary Proceedings Act 1957

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Statutory delegations from Council to the Chief Executive

Trespass Act 1980

Urban Development Act 2020

Walking Access Act 2008

Wellington Regional Water Board Act 1972

Wellington Regional Council (Water Board Functions) Act 2005

Parks, Forests and Reserves Bylaws 2016

Navigation and Safety Bylaws 2003

Wellington Regional Water Board Bylaws 1976.

In addition, if the Council has powers, duties and responsibilities under any other legislation, regulation or bylaws that is not specified in the above list and are of an enforcement, inspection, licensing or administrative nature, then the Chief Executive is delegated those powers, duties and responsibilities as if the legislation, regulation, or bylaw, was specified in the above table.

Exceptions

The following exceptions apply to the above delegation. The delegated authority does not include:

- Matters that cannot legally be delegated (including those powers set out in legislation, regulations, or bylaws that are required to be made by resolution)
- The power to adopt:
 - Council plans (this includes statutory plans and non-statutory plans, for example, flood management plans and parks network plans); or
 - Council strategies; or
 - Council policies.

This exception does not include management and operational strategies, plans and policies.
- Those powers retained by Council
- Those powers delegated to any Committee.

Power to sub-delegate

The Chief Executive is able to sub-delegate these delegations.

Explanatory note: *the Local Electoral Act 2001 was intentionally excluded from the list above (and therefore powers, functions and responsibilities under that Act remain with Council).*

Attachment 2 to Report 20.450**Powers retained by Council**

In addition to those powers, duties and responsibilities that are not capable of delegation, the Council specifically retains¹ the following powers, duties and responsibilities set out as follows:

Biosecurity Act 1993	
Section	Description
15	Transfer the performance of an operation under this Act to another local authority
100	Power to decide who shall be the management agency for a regional pest management plan
100B(4)	Power to disallow an operational plan or part of it
100H	Determine to prepare a Regional Pest Management Plan jointly with another Council
100H	Determine to prepare a Regional Pest Pathway Plan jointly with another Council

COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020	
Section	Description
20(1)	Any person may apply to the Minister for a project to be referred to an expert consenting panel
35(2)	Fixing charges, payable by agencies carrying out infrastructure work, for monitoring permitted activities

Land Transport Management Act 2003	
Section	Description
13	Ensuring that the relevant regional transport committee prepares, on the Council's behalf, a regional land transport plan
27	Hold an interest in, or acquire the ownership of, a public transport service or any public transport infrastructure
35	Local authority must consider the needs of persons who are transport-disadvantaged, when preparing a land transport programme or plan
124	Matters to take into account when adopting regional public transport plans
138	Hearing on proposal to deregister an exempt service
140	Consent to the modification of a plan

¹ The Council has the authority to, at any time, delegate any of these powers, duties and responsibilities under clause 32 of Schedule 7 to the Local Government Act 2002.

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Local Government Act 2002	
Section	Description
General	Matters concerning decisions on the use and adoption of documents relating to processes where the special consultative procedure is used
15	Entering into, or agreeing to vary, a triennial agreement
16	Significant new activities proposed by regional council
17	Transferring responsibilities
17A	Reviewing the delivery of services
31	Considering and responding to a report from the Local Government Commission
56	Establishing a council controlled organisation
57	Adopt a policy on the appointment and remuneration of directors. Appoint directors to council organisations
65 and Schedule 8	Agreeing to any statement of intent of a council controlled organisation (modifications must be done by resolution)
81	Provide for contributions to decision-making processes by Māori
139	Making a request to the Governor-General to make a declaration to protect a park
140	Sell or exchange endowment property
161	Transferring a bylaw-making power
179	Contracting out administration of certain functions
180	Consenting to enforcement and administration of bylaw by territorial authority
298	Determining application of proceeds of sale of shares or equity security in a port company
299	Determine to borrow from the Commissioners of any sinking fund established by the local authority under the Local Authorities Loans Act 1956 or any former enactment
Schedule 3, Clause 3	Making a reorganisation proposal
Schedule 7 (General)	All those powers, functions and duties that are required to be exercised by a local authority in Schedule 7 (these relate to adopting a code of conduct, adopting standing orders, meeting requirements, appointment and removal of chairpersons and deputy chairpersons, appointment of committees)
Schedule 9, Clause 4	Determine to transfer liabilities in relation to an undertaking to a council-controlled organisation if the transfer is agreed to by the local authority, the council-controlled organisation and any other affected parties

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Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987	
Section	Description
42(1)	May revoke any delegation made under section 42(1) at will

Reserves Act 1977	
Section	Description
14(4)	As Minister, gazette resolution to declare vested land to be reserve. <u>Note</u> It is, therefore, no longer necessary to consult the Commissioner in terms of section 14(3) of the Act
16(10)	The power to, by notice in the <i>Gazette</i> , declare that a reserve shall be known by such name as is specified in the notice
18(2)(e)	As Minister, determine in which cases exceptions can be made to the preservation of flora and fauna and the natural environment. <u>Note</u> If activity is provided for or contemplated in an approved Reserve Management Plan then the power has been delegated to the appropriate officer/s
19(2)(a)	As Minister, determine in which cases exceptions can be made to the preservation of flora and fauna and the natural environment. <u>Note</u> If activity is provided for or contemplated in an approved Reserve Management Plan then the power has been delegated to the appropriate officer/s
19(3)(a)	As Minister, determine in which cases exceptions can be made to the preservation of flora and fauna and the natural environment. <u>Note</u> If activity is provided for or contemplated in an approved Reserve Management Plan then the power has been delegated to the appropriate officer/s
24	Resolve to change the classification of a reserve
24(1)	As Minister, the power to change the classification or purpose of a reserve by notice in the <i>Gazette</i>
24(2)(e)	As Minister, the power to consider all objections received to a proposed change of classification or purpose <u>Limitation (from Minister)</u> Does not apply to the revocation of reserves
24(5)	As Minister, the power to form an opinion that the change of classification or purpose of a scenic, nature or scientific reserve is justified
24A	The power to, by notice in the <i>Gazette</i> , change the purpose for which a local purpose reserve is classified

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Reserves Act 1977	
Section	Description
41	Adopt management plans for reserves under its control
41(1)	As Minister, the power to approve reserve management plans
42(1)	As Minister, give or decline to give express written consent to the cutting or destruction of trees and bush on any historic, scenic, nature, or scientific reserve . <u>Note</u> If activity is provided for or contemplated in an approved Reserve Management Plan then the power has been delegated to the appropriate officer/s
42(2)	Power to authorise the cutting or destruction of trees and bushes on any recreation reserve, or Government purpose reserve, or local purpose reserve , subject to being satisfied that certain conditions apply <u>Note</u> Where such action is required for management, and health and safety reasons then the power has been delegated to the appropriate officer/s
44(1) and (2)	As Minister, to grant consent to any person to use a reserve for purposes of accommodation or to remain on a reserve. <u>Note</u> If activity is provided for or contemplated in an approved Reserve Management Plan then the power has been delegated to the appropriate officer/s
45	As Minister, to give or decline prior approval to erect shelters, huts, cabins, lodgings etc. on any recreation reserve or scenic reserve where such use is contemplated or provided for in approved management plan for the reserve. <u>Note</u> If activity is provided for or contemplated in an approved Reserve Management Plan then the power has been delegated to the appropriate officer/s
48(1)	As Minister, consent or refuse consent to administering body granting rights of way and other easements over any part of a vested reserve for any of the purposes specified in section 48(1). Impose such conditions as it thinks fit in giving the consent. <u>Note</u> If activity is provided for or contemplated in an approved Reserve Management Plan or the activity is an existing use and the effects of the use will be the same or similar in character, intensity and scale, then the power has been delegated to the appropriate officer/s
48A(1)	As Minister, consent or refuse consent to administering body granting a licence over a vested reserve to any person or department of State – (a) To erect, maintain and use buildings, dwellings, masts and other structures, and plant and machinery; and (b) To construct, maintain, and use tracks and engage in other works for any of the purposes specified in section 48A(1).

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Section	Description
	<p><u>Note</u></p> <p>If activity is provided for or contemplated in an approved Reserve Management Plan or the activity is an existing use and the effects of the use will be the same or similar in character, intensity and scale, then the power has been delegated to the appropriate officer/s</p>
50(1)	<p>As Minister, to authorise or decline to authorise any person to take and kill any specified kind of fauna that may be found in any scenic reserve or historic reserve, and to authorise or decline to authorise the use of firearms, traps, nets or other like objects within reserve for the foregoing purposes.</p> <p><u>Note</u></p> <p>If the authorisation is for non-protected exotic fauna only then the power has been delegated to the appropriate officer/s</p>
53(1)(d)	<p>As Minister, to consent to an increase in the number days the public shall not be entitled to have admission to a reserve.</p> <p><u>Note</u></p> <p>If activity is provided for or contemplated in an approved Reserve Management Plan or the activity is an existing use and the effects of the use will be the same or similar in character, intensity and scale, then the power has been delegated to the appropriate officer/s</p>
53(1)(e) to (k), and (m) to (o)	<p>To exercise powers listed in subsection as an administering body in respect of recreation reserves</p> <p><u>Note</u></p> <p>If activity (sections 53(1)(j) and 53(1)(n)) is consistent with Reserve Management Plan then the power has been delegated to the appropriate officer/s</p>
54(1)	<p>As Minister, give or decline to give prior consent to administering body, in the case of a recreation reserve vested in it, to grant leases for any of the purposes specified in paragraphs (a), (b), (c) and to grant a lease or licence for any of the purposes specified in paragraph (d) and to exercise all powers of the Minister referred to in the First Schedule that pertain to leases under sections 54(1)(a) to (d).</p> <p><u>Note</u></p> <p>If activity is provided for or contemplated in an approved Reserve Management Plan or the activity is an existing use and the effects of the use will be the same or similar in character, intensity and scale, then the power has been delegated to the appropriate officer/s</p>
55(1)	<p>To exercise powers listed in subsection as an administering body in respect of scenic reserves</p> <p><u>Note</u></p> <p>If activity is provided for or contemplated in an approved Reserve Management Plan then the power has been delegated to the appropriate officer/s</p>

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Reserves Act 1977	
Section	Description
55(2)(a)	<p>As Minister, in the case of a scenic reserve to give or decline to give consent to the enclosure and grassing or grazing of open parts of the In the case of a scenic reserve</p> <p><u>Limitation (from Minister)</u></p> <p>Must be satisfied that the facilities, amenities, buildings or structures are necessary and cannot readily be provided outside or in close proximity to the reserve. Section 55(3).</p> <p><u>Note</u></p> <p>If activity is provided for or contemplated in an approved Reserve Management Plan then the power has been delegated to the appropriate officer/s</p>
55(2)(b)	<p>Administering body of a scenic reserve may prohibit the public from entering or encroaching on any part laid down, renewed, or grazed in accordance with section 55(2)(b)</p> <p><u>Note</u></p> <p>If activity is consistent with an approved Reserve Management Plan then the power has been delegated to the appropriate officer/s</p>
55(2)(c)	<p>Administering body of a scenic reserve may, subject to any lease or licence granted pursuant to section 56(1)(b), prohibit or regulate the carrying on of any trade, business, or occupation within the reserve</p> <p><u>Note</u></p> <p>If activity is consistent with an approved Reserve Management Plan then the power has been delegated to the appropriate officer/s</p>
55(2)(d)	<p>As Minister, in the case of a scenic reserve to give or decline to give consent to the setting apart of areas for other purposes</p> <p><u>Limitation (from Minister)</u></p> <p>Must be satisfied that the facilities, amenities, buildings or structures are necessary and cannot readily be provided outside or in close proximity to the reserve. Section 55(3).</p> <p><u>Note</u></p> <p>If activity is provided for or contemplated in an approved Reserve Management Plan then the power has been delegated to the appropriate officer/s</p>
55(2)(e)	<p>As Minister, in the case of a scenic reserve to give or decline to give consent to the erection of buildings and other structures and amenities.</p> <p><u>Limitation (from Minister)</u></p> <p>Must be satisfied that the facilities, amenities, buildings or structures are necessary and cannot readily be provided outside or in close proximity to the reserve. Section 55(3).</p> <p><u>Note</u></p>

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	If activity is provided for or contemplated in an approved Reserve Management Plan then the power has been delegated to the appropriate officer/s
55(2)(f)	<p>As Minister, in the case of a scenic reserve to give or decline to give consent to such things considered necessary for the public to obtain the benefit of the reserve.</p> <p><u>Limitation (from Minister)</u></p> <p>Must be satisfied that the facilities, amenities, buildings or structures are necessary and cannot readily be provided outside or in close proximity to the reserve. Section 55(3).</p> <p><u>Note</u></p> <p>If activity is provided for or contemplated in an approved Reserve Management Plan then the power has been delegated to the appropriate officer/s</p>
55(2)(g)	<p>As Minister, in the case of a scenic reserve to give or decline to give consent to such things considered necessary for the setting apart of sites for residences and other buildings and structures necessary for the management of the reserve.</p> <p><u>Limitation (from Minister)</u></p> <p>Must be satisfied that the facilities, amenities, buildings or structures are necessary and cannot readily be provided outside or in close proximity to the reserve. Section 55(3).</p> <p><u>Note</u></p> <p>If activity is provided for or contemplated in an approved Reserve Management Plan then the power has been delegated to the appropriate officer/s.</p>
56(1)	<p>As Minister, consent or decline consent to variations or amendments to leases and licences, and consent to the carrying out of any other necessary actions arising out of the leases and licences consistent with the First Schedule.</p> <p><u>Note</u></p> <p>If activity is provided for or contemplated in an approved Reserve Management Plan or the activity is an existing use and the effects of the use will be the same or similar in character, intensity and scale, then the power has been delegated to the appropriate officer/s.</p>
56(2)	As Minister, the duty to give public notice in accordance with section 119 and give full consideration in accordance with section 120 to all objections and submissions.
58A(1)	<p>As Minister, give or decline prior consent to administering body, in the case of an historic reserve vested in it, to grant leases or licences for any of the purposes specified in that subsection.</p> <p><u>Note</u></p> <p>If activity is provided for or contemplated in an approved Reserve Management Plan or the activity is an existing use and the effects of the use will be the same or</p>

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Reserves Act 1977	
Section	Description
	similar in character, intensity and scale, then the power has been delegated to the appropriate officer/s.
58(b)	<p>As Minister, consent to the reserve being set apart and used as a site for residences and other buildings.</p> <p>...where necessary for management, protection and maintenance of reserve and for visitor display, and that the buildings cannot be provided outside and in close proximity to the reserve.</p> <p><u>Note</u></p> <p>If activity is provided for or contemplated in an approved Reserve Management Plan then the power has been delegated to the appropriate officer/s.</p>
59A(1)	<p>As Minister, in accordance with Part IIIB Conservation Act 1987, grant or refuse a concession in respect of any reserve controlled or managed by an administering body under section 28 of the Reserves Act so that the administering body may apply Part 111B as if references in that Part to a conservation area were references to such a reserve and references to the Minister of Conservation and to the Director-General of Conservation are references to an administering body.</p> <p><u>Note</u></p> <p>If activity is provided for or contemplated in an approved Reserve Management Plan or the activity is an existing use and the effects of the use will be the same or similar in character, intensity and scale, then the power has been delegated to the appropriate officer/s.</p>
72(1)	<p>As Minister, to enter into and agree the terms of a lease or other agreement for the farming of a recreation reserve or local purpose reserve.</p> <p><u>Note</u></p> <p>If activity is provided for or contemplated in an approved Reserve Management Plan or the activity is an existing use and the effects of the use will be the same or similar in character, intensity and scale, then the power has been delegated to the appropriate officer/s.</p>
73(1)	<p>As Minister, consent or decline prior consent to an administering body granting a lease of recreation reserve in the circumstances specified in section 73(1), where the reserve is vested in the administering body, and consent or decline prior consent to an administering body granting a lease in the circumstances specified in section 73(1) in all other cases.</p> <p><u>Note</u></p> <p>If activity is provided for or contemplated in an approved Reserve Management Plan or the activity is an existing use and the effects of the use will be the same or similar in character, intensity and scale, then the power has been delegated to the appropriate officer/s.</p>
73(2)	<p>As Minister, consent or decline prior consent to an administering body granting a lease of recreation reserve for afforestation where the reserve is vested in the administering body, and consent or decline prior consent to an administering</p>

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Reserves Act 1977	
Section	Description
	<p>body granting a lease of recreation reserve for afforestation purposes in all other cases.</p> <p>As Minister, exercise all powers of the Minister referred to in the First Schedule that pertain to leases under section 73(2).</p> <p><u>Note</u></p> <p>If activity is provided for or contemplated in an approved Reserve Management Plan or the activity is an existing use and the effects of the use will be the same or similar in character, intensity and scale, then the power has been delegated to the appropriate officer/s.</p>
73(3)	<p>As Minister, form opinion as to whether recreation reserve is not likely to be used for purposes of a recreation reserve.</p> <p>As Minister, consent or decline consent to administering body granting leases of whole or part of reserve vested in administering body.</p> <p>As Minister, grant or decline to grant leases of whole or part of a reserve held under an appointment to control and manage.</p> <p>As Minister, exercise all powers of the Minister referred to in the First Schedule that pertain to leases under section 73(3).</p> <p><u>Note</u></p> <p>The provisions of Part IIIB of the Conservation Act 1987 apply (section 73(3A)(b)) Section 73(3A) (a) applies.</p> <p><u>Note</u></p> <p>If activity is provided for or contemplated in an approved Reserve Management Plan or the activity is an existing use and the effects of the use will be the same or similar in character, intensity and scale, then the power has been delegated to the appropriate officer/s.</p>
73(5)	<p>As Minister, consent or decline consent in writing to a member of an administering body becoming the lessee of any land under the control of that body.</p> <p><u>Note</u></p> <p>If activity is provided for or contemplated in an approved Reserve Management Plan or the activity is an existing use and the effects of the use will be the same or similar in character, intensity and scale, then the power has been delegated to the appropriate officer/s.</p>
74(1)(b)(ii)	<p>As Minister, consent or decline consent to granting of a licence to occupy a historic, scenic or scientific reserve.</p> <p><u>Note</u></p> <p>If activity is provided for or contemplated in an approved Reserve Management Plan or the activity is an existing use and the effects of the use will be the same or similar in character, intensity and scale, then the power has been delegated to the appropriate officer/s.</p>

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Reserves Act 1977	
Section	Description
75(1) and (2)	As Minister, consent or decline to consent to the afforestation of a recreation reserve or local purpose reserve . <u>Note</u> If activity is provided for or contemplated in an approved Reserve Management Plan then the power has been delegated to the appropriate officer/s.
77(1)	The power to treat and agree for a covenant to provide for the management of land in a manner that will achieve the purpose of conservation.
89(1)	Local authority may, in certain circumstances (listed in provision), apply money in its general fund or account, or make advances from that fund or account to the administering body of the reserve upon such terms and conditions as it thinks fit, towards the management, improvement, maintenance, and protection of that reserve or any other reserve, notwithstanding that the reserve may be situate outside the district of the local authority
89(2)	Local authority may, out of its general fund or account, contribute such sums as it thinks fit towards the cost of the acquisition by the Crown of any land or interest in land for the purposes of this Act, or in payment for the consideration for any conservation covenant, notwithstanding that the land may be situate outside the district of the local authority.

Urban Development Act 2020	
Section	Description
72(11)(b)	Must approve provisions, if Kāinga Ora proposes these in a draft development plan relating to the use, modification or disposal of a park or regional park
97(1)	May transfer, in the transitional period for a specified development project, to Kāinga Ora any functions, powers or duties as a consent authority under the Resource Management Act 1991 for resource consent applications in the project area

Wellington Regional Water Board Act 1972	
Section	Description
24	The power to acquire land and erect dwellings for employees
30	The power to sell surplus water for motive power
31	The power to purchase any waterworks within or outside its region
45	The power with the prior written consent of the Minister of Forests, to sell all or part of any forestry area or land used for forestry purposes
109	Board may take, purchase, or otherwise acquire land for the purposes of providing sports grounds and recreation areas

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Walking Access Act 2008	
Section	Description
21	The decision to give written consent as an administering authority, to the Commission for the declaration of a walkway on public land
36	The decision to agree to be a controlling authority (or not as the case may be)
37(2)(c)	Setting and imposing charges
40	The decision to agree with the Commission's decision to revoke a walkway

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Note that in accordance with section 34A of the Resource Management Act 1991, the following delegations **may not** be sub-delegated.

General delegation to Chief Executive

The Council delegates to the Chief Executive all the powers, duties and responsibilities under the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA) other than the:

- (a) Powers to adopt policy statements and plans
- (b) Powers, duties, and responsibilities delegated to a Committee of the Council
- (c) Powers, duties, and responsibilities identified in the following tables as being retained by Council.

In addition, if the Council has any powers, duties and responsibilities under the RMA that are not specified in the following tables that are of an enforcement, inspection, licensing and administrative nature, then the Chief Executive is delegated those powers, duties and responsibilities as if the matter was specified in the following tables.

For the avoidance of doubt, any powers, duties, or responsibilities in the RMA that are conferred on an enforcement officer or other specific position contained in the RMA do not form part of this delegation.

Specific delegations to Chief Executive and specified positions**Key to RMA delegations**

Tier 1	Chief Executive
Tier 2	General Manager (as specified)
Tier 3 Regulation	Manager, Environmental Regulation
Tier 4 Regulation	Team Leader, Consents and Compliance; Team Leader Environmental Protection; Project Leader, Environmental Regulation; Project Leader Statutory Projects
Tier 5 Regulation	Senior Resource Advisor
Tier 6 Regulation	Resource Advisor (or any person who is engaged as a consultant resource advisor to the Council*), Take Charge Co-ordinator, Senior Environmental Protection Officer, Environmental Protection Officer, Senior Enforcement Investigator, Enforcement Investigator, Senior Project Consents & Compliance Officer, Project, Senior Project Consents Officer, Project Consents Officer, Senior Project Compliance Officer, Project Compliance Officer (or any person who is engaged as a consultant: project consents & compliance officer; or project consents officer; or project compliance officer to the Council*)
Tier 3 Policy	<i>Manager, Environmental Policy</i>
Tier 4 Policy	Team Leader, Policy Implementation; Team Leader Policy Development; Programme Manager - Whaitua
Tier 3 Science	Manager, Environmental Science

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* A contractor/consultant must be appointed as an officer in order to perform the relevant tier functions.

Delegations exercised by a Tier can be exercised by all those in the Tiers above (for example, a delegation to Tier 4 Regulation can be exercised by the Manager, Environmental Regulation, the General Manager, Environment Management and the Chief Executive).

Functions, powers and responsibilities

Section	Description	Delegate
Transfer of powers		
33	<i>Transfer functions, powers, or duties under this Act, except this power of transfer, to another public authority (and revoke or change any transfer made)</i>	Retained by Council

Resource consents

Section	Description	Delegate
Waivers		
37(1), 37A	Extend a time period and to waive compliance, or failure to comply with service of document requirements as provided in sections 37(1) and 37A <u>*Limitation</u> Authority relates to the extension of time periods and when the applicant requests or agrees	<i>Tier 3 Policy</i> <i>Tier 3 Science</i> <i>Tier 4 Regulation</i> <i>*Tier 5 Regulation</i>
37(2)	Power to direct the terms on which an omission or inaccuracy of information required, or a procedural requirement that was omitted, shall be rectified in accordance with section 37(2)	<i>Tier 3 Policy</i> <i>Tier 3 Science</i> <i>Tier 3 Regulation</i>
Section 42A reports		
42A	Powers regarding the preparation, commissioning and provision of reports (including waiving compliance with requirements in this section)	<i>Tier 4 Policy</i> <i>Tier 4 Regulation</i>
Permitted activities		
87BB	Powers regarding activities deemed to be a permitted activity	<i>Tier 5 Regulation</i>
Direct referral		
87E	Power to determine Council position on a request for direct referral to the Environment Court	<i>Tier 3 Regulation</i>
87F	Approve the content of a report prepared on an application that has been directly referred to the Environment Court	<i>Tier 3 Regulation</i>
Application for resource consent		
88	Authority to determine whether an application for resource consent is incomplete (and give reasons why)	<i>Tier 6 Regulation</i>

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Section	Description	Delegate
41B	Power to direct applicant to provide evidence <u>Limitation</u> Power only applies before hearing	<i>Tier 4 Regulation</i>
41C	Authority to make directions and requests <u>Limitation</u> Power only applies before hearing	<i>Tier 6 Regulation</i>
41D	Strike out submissions <u>Limitation</u> Power only applies before hearing	<i>Tier 2 Regulation</i>
91	Power to determine not to proceed with a resource consent application on certain grounds	<i>Tier 6 Regulation</i>
91C	Power to determine whether to return an application for a resource consent that has been suspended	<i>Tier 6 Regulation</i>
91D	Power to suspend the processing of a non-notified application when requested in accordance with this section	<i>Tier 6 Regulation</i>
91E	Requirement to cease to suspend the processing of a non-notified application when certain grounds apply	<i>Tier 6 Regulation</i>
Further information requests		
92	Authority to request further information to be provided, or to commission a report before a decision on a consent application is made	<i>Tier 6 Regulation</i>
92A	Set a time within which an applicant is to provide information	<i>Tier 6 Regulation</i>
Notification		
95, 95A, 95B, 95C, 95D and 127	Decide whether to publicly or limited notify an application for resource consent or change or cancellation of conditions Power to determine whether the adverse effects on the environment of an application will be minor or whether special circumstances exist in relation to the application	<i>Tier 6 Regulation</i>
95E	Determine which persons may be adversely affected by an application and to serve notice of the application on them if required	<i>Tier 6 Regulation</i>
95F	Determine that a protected customary rights group is an affected group if the activity may have adverse effects on a protected customary right and written approval from the group has not been received	<i>Tier 6 Regulation</i>
95G	Determine that a customary marine title group is an affected group if the activity may have adverse effects on	<i>Tier 6 Regulation</i>

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Section	Description	Delegate
	customary marine title rights and written approval from the group has not been received	
Submissions on applications, pre-hearing meetings and mediation		
96	The power to lodge a submission on a resource consent application	<i>Tier 4 Policy</i> <i>Tier 4 Regulation</i> <i>(See submissions policy)</i>
97	Adopt an earlier closing date for submissions in accordance with section 97	<i>Tier 6 Regulation</i>
99(1) to (4)	Power to call pre-hearing meetings and invite or require parties to attend and the duty to prepare a report of the meeting	<i>Tier 6 Regulation</i>
99(8)	Power to decide whether to decline to process an application or submission if they fail to attend a pre-hearing meeting	<i>Tier 3 Regulation</i>
99A(1) to (2)	Power to refer parties who have made a resource consent application or submissions on the application to mediation	<i>Tier 4 Policy</i> <i>Tier 4 Regulation</i>
99A(3)	Power to appoint mediators when the Council is the applicant	<i>Tier 3 Regulation</i>
Hearings		
100	Authority to determine whether a hearing should be held in respect of any application for a resource consent and require that a hearing be held	<i>Tier 6 Regulation</i>
101	Authority to fix and notify the commencement date, time and place where a hearing is to be held	<i>Tier 6 Regulation</i>
102(1)	Authority to determine that applications to two or more consent authorities for the same proposal are sufficiently unrelated that a joint hearing is unnecessary	<i>Tier 6 Regulation</i>
102(2)	If a joint hearing is held, agree that another authority should be responsible for notifying the hearing, setting the procedure, and providing administrative services	<i>Tier 6 Regulation</i>
102(3)	Jointly or separately decide applications where those applications are heard jointly	<i>Tier 6 Regulation</i>
103	Authority to determine that a combined hearing on applications for resource consents need not be held (proposals must be sufficiently unrelated)	<i>Tier 6 Regulation</i>
Decision making on resource consent applications		
104, 104A to D, 105, 106,	Determine or decline resource consent applications	<i>* Tier 3 Regulation</i>

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Section	Description	Delegate
107, 108A and 108AA	<p>Authority to impose conditions on any consent granted, including the provision of a bond</p> <p><u>*Limitation</u></p> <p>Applies to applications where no hearing required</p> <p><u>#Limitation</u></p> <p>Applies to applications which are non-notified and no hearing is required</p>	<i># Tier 5 Regulation</i>
109	Conditions relating to bonds; power to enter on to land to ensure work for which bond is given is being completed	<i>Tier 6 Regulation</i>
110	<p>Duty to refund financial contribution to consent holder where consent has lapsed</p> <p>Power to retain portion of financial contribution in certain circumstances</p>	<i>Tier 4 Regulation</i>
114	Authority to serve consent applicant, submitters and determine other people that are considered appropriate with notice of the decision on an application	<i>Tier 6 Regulation</i>
120	Authority to lodge, withdraw or oppose appeal on Council's behalf in Environment Court	<i>Tier 2 GM Environment Management</i>
Duration of consent		
123	Power to specify duration of consent	<i>Tier 5 Regulation</i>
123A	Power to decide duration of consent for aquaculture activities	<i>Tier 5 Regulation</i>
124	Power to allow a consent holder to continue to operate while applicant is seeking a new resource consent	<i>Tier 4 Regulation</i>
124B	Process that must be followed when applications by existing holders received	<i>Tier 5 Regulation</i>
124C	Process that must be followed when applications are received from persons who are not existing holders received	<i>Tier 5 Regulation</i>
125	Power to grant extension of period after which a consent will lapse	<i>Tier 5 Regulation</i>
Cancellation and change of resource consents		
126	Power to cancel a resource consent by written notice and power to cancel notice of revocation	<i>Tier 4 Regulation</i>
127	<p>Determine non-notified applications for a change or cancellation of any condition of consent</p> <p>Explanatory note: See above notification delegations in relation to notification decisions on section 127 applications</p>	<i>Tier 5 Regulation</i>

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Section	Description	Delegate
Review of consent conditions by consent authority		
128 and 129	Power to review resource consent conditions and to give notice of review	<i>Tier 4 Regulation</i>
130	Determine whether notification of a review is required under section 130 and whether a hearing be held	<i>Tier 4 Regulation</i>
131	Duty to consider certain matters during review of consent conditions and before changing the conditions of a discharge permit or a coastal permit <u>Limitation</u> Power only applies where no hearing is required	<i>Tier 4 Regulation</i>
132	Power to change the conditions of a resource consent on a review under s128, or to cancel resource consent <u>Limitation</u> Power only applies where no hearing is required	<i>Tier 4 Regulation</i>
Minor corrections of resource consents		
133A	Power to make minor changes or corrections to resource consent (within 20 working days of grant)	<i>Tier 6 Regulation</i>
Transfer of resource consents		
136	Power to approve the transfer of a water permit	<i>Tier 5 Regulation</i>
137	Approve the transfer of a discharge permit in whole or in part to another site and to any person	<i>Tier 5 Regulation</i>
Surrender of consents		
138	Power to Issue notice of acceptance of surrender of a resource consent, direct that person surrendering consent need not complete any work to give effect to the consent, and refuse acceptance of a part surrender of a resource consent	<i>Tier 5 Regulation</i>
Coastal permits for dumping and incineration		
138A(1)	Power to request further information in relation to applications for coastal permits for dumping or incineration <u>Limitation</u> Power only applies where no hearing is required	<i>Tier 6 Regulation</i>
138A(3)	Power to review coastal permits for dumping or incineration	<i>Tier 4 Regulation</i>

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Section	Description	Delegate
Certificates of compliance or existing use		
139 and 139A (excluding 139(4))	Authority to determine and issue certificate of compliance and existing use certificates Authority to request further information before determining whether to issue certificates	<i>Tier 5 Regulation</i>
139(4)	To require further information to be provided in order to determine if a certificate of compliance must be issued	<i>Tier 6 Regulation</i>
Planning		
Section	Description	Delegate
Officer reports		
42A	Powers regarding the preparation, commissioning and provision of reports (including waiving compliance with requirements in this section)	<i>Tier 3 Policy</i>
Combined documents		
80	<i>Determine whether the council wishes to prepare, implement, and administer the combined regional and district documents as set out in subsections 80(2) to (6)</i>	Retained by Council
Referral of disputes		
82	Power to refer a dispute relating to a policy statement, plan or order to the Environment Court for a decision	<i>Tier 3 Policy</i>
Legal effect of rules		
86B	<i>Resolve that a rule in a proposed plan has legal effect only once the proposed plan becomes operative</i>	Retained by Council
86D	<i>Apply to the Environment Court for a rule to have legal effect from date other than standard date</i>	Retained by Council
Time limits		
37(1) and 37A, Schedule 1, Clause 1(2)	Authority under section 37 to extend any time limit set in Schedule 1 and to waive compliance, or failure to comply, with a requirement in accordance with sections 37(1) and 37A	<i>Tier 3 Policy</i>
37(2)	Direct the terms on which an omission or inaccuracy of any information required under the Resource Management Act 1991, regulation or plan, or a procedural requirement that was omitted, shall be rectified	<i>Tier 3 Policy</i>
Consultation		
Schedule 1	Provide consultation comments on behalf of the Council on a planning or recovery document of another authority	<i>Tier 4 Policy</i>

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Section	Description	Delegate
Schedule Clause 3	1, Determine affected Ministers of the Crown, local authorities and other persons to consult with during the preparation of a proposed policy statement or plan	<i>Tier 4 Policy</i>
Evaluation reports		
32 and Schedule Clause 5 (excluding Clause 5(1)(a))	1, Direct the preparation of an evaluation report for a proposed policy statement or plan in accordance with section 32	<i>Tier 3 Policy</i>
165H(1A)	Prepare a report summarising the matters required by section 165H(1) and make it available for inspection	<i>Tier 3 Policy</i>
Notification		
Schedule Clause 5(1C)	1, Determine whether a person is likely to be directly affected by the proposed policy statement or plan and determine what information to provide those persons	<i>Tier 3 Policy</i>
Schedule Clause 5(5)	1, Determine appropriate locations in the region to make any proposed policy statement or plan available	<i>Tier 3 Policy</i>
Freshwater planning process		
80A(3)	<i>Prepare a freshwater planning instrument</i>	Retained by Council
80A(4)	<i>Give public notice of a freshwater planning instrument</i>	Retained by Council
80A(5)(d)	<i>Accept or reject a recommendation of the freshwater hearings panel</i>	Retained by Council
Schedule Clauses 37(1)	1, Provide written notice of intention to submit specified documents and nominates for appointments to the freshwater hearing panel Submit the specified documents to the Chief Freshwater Commissioner	<i>Tier 3 Policy</i>
Schedule Clause 52	1, <i>Decide to accept or reject each recommendation of the freshwater hearings panel; decide on an alternative solution for each relevant rejected recommendation; and include a related assessment in the further evaluation report</i> <i>Give public notice of these decisions; comply with clause 11 as if the decisions were notified under clause 10(4)(b); and give public notice of the specified matters</i>	Retained by Council
Schedule Clause 53	1, <i>Give written notice, and provide requested additional information, to the Chief Freshwater Commissioner of a needed variation to a freshwater planning instrument (including where this is recommended by the freshwater hearings panel)</i>	Retained by Council

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Section	Description	Delegate
Schedule 1, Clause 59(1)(b)	Relevant regional council nominates two persons as members of each freshwater hearings panel	<i>Chief Executive and GM Environment Management (acting individually), following consultation with the Chair of the Environment Committee and the Council Chair</i>
Submissions		
Schedule 1, Clauses 6 and 8	Make a submission or further submission	<i>Tier 3 Policy (see submissions policy)</i>
Schedule 1, Clause 7	Approve the public notification of the availability of a summary of decisions requested	<i>Tier 3 Policy</i>
Resolution of disputes		
Schedule 1, Clause 8AA(1)	Invite persons to a meeting for the purpose of clarifying or facilitating the resolution of any matter relating to a proposed policy statement or plan	<i>Tier 3 Policy</i>
Schedule 1, Clauses 8AA(3) and (4)	Authority to refer to mediation the issues raised by persons who have made submissions on the proposed plan or policy statement and appoint a mediator	<i>Tier 3 Policy</i>
Hearing, submissions and decisions		
Schedule 1, Clause 8D	<i>Withdraw a proposal to prepare, change, or vary a policy statement or plan</i>	Retained by Council
Schedule 1, Clause 8B	<i>Hearings on proposed policy statements and plans</i>	Retained by Council
Schedule 1, Clauses 10 and 55	<i>Decisions on provisions and submissions on proposed policy statement</i>	Retained by Council
Appeals		
Schedule 1, Clause 14	Lodge or withdraw an appeal to the Environment Court	<i>See below (Court Proceedings – Resource Management Act 1991)</i>
Amendments to proposed or operative policy statement or plan without using Schedule 1 process		
Schedule 1, Clauses 16(1), 16(2) and 20A	Amend a proposed or operative policy statement or plan in accordance with Clauses 16(1), 16(2) and 20A without using the Schedule 1 process	<i>Tier 3 Policy</i>

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Section	Description	Delegate
44A	Amend a plan or proposed plan to remove a duplication or conflict with a National Environmental Standard without using the process in Schedule 1	<i>Tier 2 GM Environment Management</i>
292	Duty to comply with Environment Court direction to amend a regional plan	<i>Tier 3 Policy</i>
85(3A) and 293	Make an amendment directed by the Environment Court under sections 85(3) and 293 without using the process in Schedule 1	<i>Tier 3 Policy</i>
Initiation of variations to policy statement or plan		
<i>Schedule Clause 16A</i>	<i>1, Initiate variations (being alterations other than those under Schedule 1, Clause 16) to a proposed policy statement or plan, or to a change, at any time before the approval of the policy statement or plan</i>	<i>Retained by Council</i>
Preparation of changes to policy statement or plan		
293	By direction of the Environment Court under section 293 prepare changes to a proposed policy statement or plan that is before the Environment Court, consult about the changes and submit the changes to the Court for confirmation	<i>Tier 3 Policy</i>
Approval and making operative of proposed plan and policy statement		
<i>Schedule Clause 17</i>	<i>1, Approval of Plan (other than regional coastal plan) and Policy Statement</i>	<i>Retained by Council</i>
<i>Schedule Clause 18</i>	<i>1, Adopt proposed regional coastal plan and refer to Minister of Conservation for that Minister's approval</i>	<i>Retained by Council</i>
<i>Schedule Clause 20</i>	<i>1, Publicly notify a date on which a policy statement or plan becomes operative</i>	<i>Tier 3 Policy</i>
Private plan changes		
<i>Schedule Clauses 21 and 28</i>	<i>1, Request a change (or withdraw a request) to a plan under Schedule 1, Clauses 21 and 28</i>	<i>Retained by Council</i>
<i>Schedule Clauses 23(1) and 23(2)</i>	<i>1, Require by written notice, further or additional information in accordance with Schedule 1, Clause 23</i>	<i>Tier 3 Policy</i>
<i>Schedule Clause 23(3)</i>	<i>1, Commission a report in relation to a request made under Schedule 1, Clause 21 and notify the person who made the request</i>	<i>Tier 3 Policy</i>
<i>Schedule Clause 23(6)</i>	<i>1, Reject a request made under Schedule 1, Clause 21 where there is insufficient information to enable the Council to consider the request</i>	<i>Retained by Council</i>
<i>Schedule Clause 24</i>	<i>1, Modify a request made under Schedule 1, Clause 21 (with the agreement of the person who made the request)</i>	<i>Tier 3 Policy</i>

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Section	Description	Delegate
<i>Schedule Clause 25</i>	<i>1, Make a decision under Schedule 1, Clause 25 as to how to deal with a request made under Schedule 1, Clause 21</i>	Retained by Council
Schedule Clause 27	1, Lodge and withdraw an appeal to the Environment Court against a decision by a local authority in relation to a request under Schedule 1, Clause 21	<i>See below (Court Proceedings - Resource Management Act 1991)</i>
Schedule Clause 28	1, Give notice that request made under Schedule 1, Clause 21 will be deemed to be withdrawn if not advised of wish to continue with request	<i>Tier 3 Policy</i>
<i>Schedule Clause 29</i>	<i>1, May decline, approve, or approve with modifications the plan or change requested under Schedule 1, Clause 21</i>	Retained by Council
Incorporation of documents by reference		
Schedule Clause 34	1, Consult on proposal to incorporate material by reference in a proposed plan, variation or change in accordance with Schedule 1, Clause 34	<i>Tier 3 Policy</i>

Administrative charges and cost recovery

Section	Description	Delegate
Administrative charges		
<i>36(1)</i>	<i>Fix administrative charges</i>	Retained by Council
36(5)	Power to require additional charges under section 36	<i>Tier 3 Science</i> <i>Tier 5 Regulation</i>
36AA(1)	Determine any discount under section 36AA on an administrative charge imposed under section 36	<i>Tier 3 Science</i> <i>Tier 5 Regulation</i>
<i>36AA(3)</i>	<i>Adopt policy for discounting administrative charges</i>	Retained by Council
36AAB(1)	Power to remit the whole or part of a charge	<i>Tier 3 Science</i> <i>Tier 5 Regulation</i>
36AAB(2)	Authority to determine to not perform an action to which a charge applies until the charge has been paid in full	<i>Tier 3 Science</i> <i>Tier 5 Regulation</i>
Proposals of national significance		
149ZD	Power to recover costs incurred by the Council from the applicant	<i>Tier 3 Science</i> <i>Tier 3 Regulation</i>

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Section	Description	Delegate
Emergency works		
331	Authority to seek reimbursement of Council's costs for emergency works	<i>Tier 2 GM Metlink</i> <i>Tier 2 GM Catchment Management</i> <i>Tier 3 Regulation</i>

Proposals of national significance

Section	Description	Delegate
142	<i>Request the Minister to call in a matter that is or is part of a proposal of national significance</i>	Retained by Council
149E	Power to make or withdraw a submission on behalf of Council on matter of national importance	<i>Tier 3 Regulation</i> <i>Tier 3 Policy</i> <i>(see submissions policy)</i>
149F	Power to make or withdraw a further submission on a proposed plan, change or variation	<i>Tier 3 Regulation</i> <i>Tier 3 Policy</i> <i>(see submissions policy)</i>
149I	Power to withdraw a notified change or variation to a proposed plan subject to limits	<i>Tier 3 Regulation</i> <i>Tier 3 Policy</i>
149K	Power to make suggestions about who should be appointed to a board	<i>Tier 3 Regulation</i> <i>Tier 3 Policy</i>
149M	Prepare a proposed plan or change as directed by the board of inquiry	<i>Tier 3 Regulation</i> <i>Tier 3 Policy</i>
149N	Prepare a proposed plan or change in consultation with the applicant and serve a copy on the Environmental Protection Agency	<i>Tier 3 Regulation</i> <i>Tier 3 Policy</i>
149T	Power to give notice on Council's behalf under section 274 of matter referred directly to the Environment Court	<i>Tier 3 Regulation</i> <i>Tier 3 Policy</i>
149V	Power to lodge appeal to the High Court on question of law on Council's behalf	<i>See below (Court Proceedings - Resource Management Act 1991)</i>
149ZD	Power to recover costs incurred by the Council from the applicant	<i>See above (Administrative charges and cost recovery)</i>

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Section	Description	Delegate
44	Make a submission on a proposed national environmental standard	<i>Tier 3 Science</i> <i>Tier 4 Policy</i> <i>Tier 4 Regulation</i> <i>(see submissions policy)</i>
44A	Amend a plan or proposed plan to remove a duplication or conflict with a National Environmental Standard without using the process in Schedule 1	<i>Tier 2 GM Environment Management</i>

National policy statements

Section	Description	Delegate
49	Make or withdraw a submission to a Board of Inquiry on a proposed national policy statement	<i>Tier 2 GM Environment Management</i> <i>Tier 2 GM Metlink</i> <i>Tier 2 GM Catchment Management</i> <i>(see submissions policy)</i>
55(2)	Make amendments in section 55(2) without using the process in Schedule 1, to give public notice of those amendments and to make other amendments as required using the process in Schedule 1 as soon as practicable <u>Limitation</u> This power does not include amendments to a regional policy statement or plan	<i>Tier 2 GM Environment Management</i>
55(2)	<i>Make amendments in section 55(2) to a regional policy statement or plan without using the process in Schedule 1</i>	Retained by Council
55(3)	<i>Take any action directed by a national policy statement</i>	Retained by Council

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Section	Description	Delegate
201	<i>Power to apply to the Minister for a Water Conservation Order</i>	Retained by Council
205	Power to make a submission to a tribunal concerning an application made under section 204	<i>Tier 3 Regulation Tier 3 Policy (see submissions policy)</i>
211	Authority to represent Council at an inquiry conducted by the Environment Court under section 210	<i>Tier 3 Policy Tier 6 Regulation</i>

Subdivision and reclamations

Section	Description	Delegate
234	Apply to territorial authority to vary or cancel instrument creating esplanade strip on Council land	<i>Tier 2 GM Environment Management Tier 2 GM Metlink Tier 2 GM Catchment Management</i>
237B	Acquire, on behalf of the Council, an easement over land	<i>Tier 2 GM Environment Management Tier 2 GM Metlink Tier 2 GM Catchment Management</i>
237C	Close an esplanade strip or access strip to the public	<i>Tier 2 GM Environment Management Tier 2 GM Metlink Tier 2 GM Catchment Management</i>
237D	Power to declare, subject to receiving agreement from the relevant territorial authority, that an esplanade reserve or bed of river or lake shall vest in the regional council	<i>Tier 2 GM Environment Management Tier 2 GM Metlink Tier 2 GM Catchment Management</i>
245	Power to approve a plan of survey of a reclamation	<i>Tier 4 Regulation</i>

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Section	Description	Delegate
355A	Power to grant a coastal permit consenting to reclamation of land that had been reclaimed from coastal marine area unlawfully	<i>Tier 4 Regulation</i>
355B	Power to seek enforcement order against person who unlawfully reclaimed land from the coastal marine area and take any necessary action to remove unlawfully reclaimed land from the coastal marine area	<i>Tier 3 Regulation</i>

Occupation of the common marine and coastal area

Section	Description	Delegate
165D	Power to refuse to receive applications for coastal permits	<i>Tier 3 Regulation</i>
165E	Power to grant a coastal permit authorising activity in aquaculture settlement area (to the extent authorised by section)	<i>Tier 3 Regulation</i>
165I	Duty to by public notice and in accordance with the regional coastal plan, offer authorisations for coastal permits for the occupation of space in the common marine and coastal area Duty to give the Minister notice before making an offer of authorisation	<i>Tier 3 Regulation</i>
369(4)	Power to grant a discharge permit or coastal permit to do something that would otherwise contravene section 15 and does not meet the minimum standards of water quality in certain circumstances	<i>Tier 4 Regulation</i>

Ministerial approval of use of method of allocating authorisations

165L	<i>Request the Minister to approve a method for the allocation of authorisations for the space in the common marine and coastal area</i>	Retained by Council
165N	If the request under section 165L is declined, publicly notify that applications may be made for coastal permits to occupy the space that was the subject of the request by public tender of authorisations	<i>Tier 3 Policy</i>
165P	Duty to publicly notify authorisation method made by the Minister under section 165N	<i>Tier 3 Policy</i>

Authorisations

165X	<i>Accept, reject and call for offers for authorisations, negotiate with any person who made an offer and give written notice of the decisions with reasons</i>	Retained by Council
165Y	Duty to grant an authorisation if an offer is accepted or an agreement is reached under section 165X	<i>Tier 3 Policy</i>

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Section	Description	Delegate
Ministerial powers in relation to applications for coastal permits to undertake aquaculture activities in common marine and coastal area		
165ZB and 165ZD	Request the Minister of Aquaculture to suspend the receipt of applications for coastal permits to occupy space for the purpose of aquaculture activities	Retained by Council
165ZD and 165ZFA	Provide further information on request of the Minister for Aquaculture	<i>Tier 3 Policy</i>
Ministerial power to direct applications for coastal permits to undertake aquaculture activities in common marine and coastal area to be processed and heard together		
165ZF	Request the Minister of Aquaculture to direct Council to process and hear together applications for coastal permits to occupy the space for the purpose of aquaculture activities	<i>Tier 3 Regulation</i>
165ZD and 165ZFA	Provide further information on request of the Minister for Aquaculture	<i>Tier 3 Policy</i>
Processing and hearing applications for coastal permits		
165ZFE(4)	Determine an applicant's request to have all affected applications determined by the Environment Court	<i>Tier 3 Regulation</i>
165ZFE(6)	Prepare a report under section 165ZFE(6) in accordance with sections 87F(4) to (6)	<i>Tier 3 Policy</i>
165ZFE(11)	Cancel an applicant's affected application if applicant does not lodge a notice of motion	<i>Tier 3 Policy</i>
165ZFG	Provide views to Minister for Aquaculture on whether Minister should call in an affected application	<i>Tier 3 Policy</i>

Designations

Section	Description	Delegate
Notice of requirement		
168	Power to give notice of requirement/s, and withdraw a requirement by notice, to the territorial authority	<i>Tier 2 GM Environment Management Tier 2 GM Catchment Management</i>
169	Lodge or withdraw a submission	<i>See below(Lodging submissions)</i>
172	Power as requiring authority to accept, reject or modify a territorial authority's recommendations on requirements for a designation	<i>Tier 2 GM Environment Management Tier 2 GM Catchment Management</i>

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Section	Description	Delegate
174	Lodge, withdraw or oppose an appeal to the Environment Court	<i>See below (Court Proceedings – Resource Management Act 1991)</i>
176	Power to give written consent in relation to land subject to Council designation	<i>Tier 2 GM Environment Management</i>
176A	Submit an outline plan to the territorial authority Power to determine whether to make changes requested by territorial authority	<i>Tier 2 GM Catchment Management</i>
177	Power, as requiring authority to do anything in respect of land subject to existing designation or heritage order	<i>Tier 2 GM Environment Management</i> <i>Tier 2 GM Catchment Management</i>
178	Power as requiring authority, to give written consent to person wishing to conduct work on an area subject to a requirement for a designation	<i>Tier 2 GM Environment Management</i> <i>Tier 2 GM Catchment Management</i>
179	Lodge, withdraw or oppose an appeal to the Environment Court against a refusal of consent by a requiring authority	<i>See below (Court Proceedings – Resource Management Act 1991)</i>
180	Power, as requiring authority to transfer rights and responsibilities for designations to another requiring authority	<i>Tier 2 GM Environment Management</i> <i>Tier 2 GM Catchment Management</i>
181	Power, as requiring authority to give notice to the territorial authority of its requirement to alter the designation	<i>Tier 2 GM Environment Management</i> <i>Tier 2 GM Catchment Management</i>
182	Power, as requiring authority, to determine that it no longer wants a designation or part thereof	<i>Tier 2 GM Environment Management</i> <i>Tier 2 GM Catchment Management</i>

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Section	Description	Delegate
184	Power, as requiring authority to make a decision not to fix a longer period on a designation	<i>Tier 2 GM Environment Management Tier 2 GM Catchment Management</i>

Enforcement and compliance

Section	Description	Delegate
Enforcement officers		
38	Appoint enforcement officers to carry out all or any of the functions and powers as an enforcement officer under the RMA	<i>Chief Executive</i>
Enforcement orders		
316 and 320	Power to apply to the Environment Court for an enforcement order or an interim enforcement order	<i>Tier 3 Regulation</i>
318	Power and duty to be heard in respect of application	<i>Tier 4 Regulation</i>
321	Power, if directly affected, to apply to change or cancel an enforcement order	<i>Tier 3 Regulation</i>
Abatement notices		
325	Duty to respond to Environment Judge (if they so request) before a decision on an abatement notice appeal is made	<i>Tier 4 Regulation</i>
325A	Determine that an abatement notice be cancelled, changed or confirmed	<i>Tier 4 Regulation</i>
Other		
329	Issue a direction during a period of serious temporary shortage of water	<i>Tier 3 Regulation</i>
330	Power to action emergency works and/or other preventative measures to contain or minimise adverse effects on the environment	<i>Tier 2 GM Metlink Tier 2 GM Catchment Management Tier 6 Regulation</i>
334	Authority to make application to the District Court for a warrant for entry for search where there are reasonable grounds to believe an offence against the Resource Management Act 1991 has been or is suspected of having been committed that is punishable by imprisonment	<i>Tier 3 Regulation Tier 3 Science</i>
217I	Functions of regional council for the purposes of Part 9A (Freshwater farm plans)	<i>Tier 6 Regulation</i>
217J	Keep and maintain records in relation to each freshwater farm in the regional council's jurisdiction	<i>Tier 6 Regulation</i>

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Section	Description	Delegate
217K	Power to appoint certifiers to certify freshwater farm plans Power to appoint auditors to audit freshwater farm plans	<i>Tier 4 Regulation</i>
Offences		
338	Make decision for Council to prosecute for offences against RMA	<i>Tier 2 Environment Management and Tier 3 Regulation (acting jointly)</i>
338	Authority to file a charging document on decisions to prosecute for offences provided that such ability shall only be exercised once the decision to prosecute has been approved	<i>Tier 3 Regulation</i>
338	Authority to withdraw a charging document that has been laid in relation to a prosecution	<i>Tier 3 Regulation</i>
343C(4)	Commence, withdraw or join proceedings in respect of an offence to which an infringement notice relates	<i>Tier 4 Regulation</i>

Objections

Section	Description	Delegate
357D	Determine any objection made under sections 357, 357A and 357B <u>Limitation</u> Power only applies where objection resolved and no hearing is required	<i>Tier 3 Regulation</i>
357, 357A and 357B	Power, as requiring authority, to object to certain decisions by territorial authorities	<i>Tier 2 GM Environment Management Tier 2 GM Metlink Tier 2 GM Catchment Management</i>
357C	Power to agree to a resolution to an objection	<i>Tier 4 Regulation</i>

Approvals on behalf of the Council

Section	Description	Delegate
General	Give, or decline to give, written approval on behalf of the Council to a resource consent application, and withdraw any written approval given	<i>Tier 3 Policy</i>
General	Give, or decline to give, written approval on behalf of the Council to a resource consent application, and withdraw any written approval given as a landowner or neighbour	<i>Tier 2 GM Corporate Services or CFO</i>

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Section	Description	Delegate
		<i>Tier 2 GM Environment Management</i>
		<i>Tier 2 GM, Catchment Management</i>
		<i>Tier 2 GM, Metlink</i>

Acquisition

Section	Description	Delegate
86	Acquire land by agreement under the Public Works Act 1981	<i>Tier 2 GM Corporate Services or CFO</i>
415	<i>Take, purchase, or acquire the whole or part of any deemed mining permit as a public work under the Public Works Act 1981 or by agreement or otherwise</i>	Retained by Council

Lodging submissions

Section	Description	Delegate
44	Make a submission on a proposed national environmental standard	<i>Tier 2 GM Environment Management</i> <i>(see submissions policy)</i>
49	Make a submission to a Board of Inquiry on a proposed national policy statement in accordance with section 49	<i>Tier 2 GM Environment Management</i> <i>(see submissions policy)</i>
96	Lodge or withdraw a submission on behalf of the Council	<i>Tier 4 Policy</i> <i>(see submissions policy)</i>
149E and 149F	Lodge or withdraw a submission or further submission to the Environment Protection Agency	<i>Tier 3 Policy</i> <i>Tier 3 Regulation</i> <i>(see submissions policy)</i>
169 and 190	Provide further information requested on Notice of Requirement Lodge or withdraw a submission	<i>Tier 2 GM Environment Management</i> <i>Tier 2 GM Catchment Management</i>

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Section	Description	Delegate
		<i>Tier 2 GM Metlink</i> <i>(see submissions policy)</i>
293	Lodge or withdraw a submission or further submission on behalf of the Council	<i>Tier 3 Policy</i> <i>Tier 3 Science</i>
Schedule 1, Clauses 6 and 8	Lodge or withdraw a submission or further submission on behalf of the Council	<i>Tier 4 Policy</i> <i>(see submissions policy)</i>

Court Proceedings - Resource Management Act 1991

Section	Description	Delegate
Environment Court		
120	Lodge, withdraw or oppose an appeal to the Environment Court	<i>Tier 3 Regulation</i> <i>Tier 3 Science</i>
174, 179, 192, 195, Schedule 1, Clause 14, Clause 27	Lodge, withdraw or oppose an appeal to the Environment Court	<i>Tier 2 GM Environment Management</i> <i>Tier 2 GM Catchment Management</i> <i>Tier 2 GM Metlink</i>
267	Authority to represent the Council at a conference and make decisions on matters that may reasonably be expected to arise at the conference	<i>Tier 4 Policy</i> <i>Tier 4 Regulation</i>
268	Agree or disagree that a member of the Environment Court who conducts an alternative dispute resolution process is not disqualified from resuming his or her role to decide a matter	<i>Tier 4 Policy</i> <i>Tier 4 Regulation</i>
268A	Settle a dispute or issues at stake at alternative dispute resolution sessions Make decisions on matters that may reasonably be expected to arise at the conference	<i>Tier 4 Policy</i> <i>Tier 4 Regulation</i>
272	Decide to appear at proceedings before the Environment Court and call evidence for the Council	<i>Tier 3 Policy</i> <i>Tier 4 Regulation</i>
274	Lodge, withdraw or oppose a notice of intention to become an interested party to Environment Court proceedings under section 274 As a section 274 party, oppose the withdrawal or abandonment of proceedings and step into the shoes of the appellant withdrawing the appeal	<i>Tier 3 Policy</i> <i>Tier 4 Regulation</i>

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Section	Description	Delegate
278 and 279	Seek, withdraw or oppose orders in accordance with sections 278 and 279	<i>Tier 2 GM Environment Management</i>
280	Power to apply to an Environment Judge for leave to make an application for review of order made by an Environment Commissioner. If leave is granted, may apply to the Environment Court for a review	<i>Tier 2 GM Environment Management</i>
281	Lodge, withdraw or oppose an application for a waiver or direction in accordance with section 281	<i>Tier 3 Regulation</i>
281B	Lodge an application to an Environment Court Judge to reconsider the exercise of a power by a Registrar	<i>Tier 3 Regulation</i>
285	Authority to approve an application for costs, respond to an application for costs, or waive the pursuit of costs in Court proceedings	<i>Tier 3 Regulation</i>
286	File an order for costs in the District Court	<i>Tier 3 Regulation</i>
291	Lodge, oppose or withdraw a Notice of Motion (or originating application) with the Environment Court seeking an order and give or withdraw notice of a wish to be heard on an application	<i>Tier 3 Regulation</i>
294	Apply to the Environment Court for a rehearing of proceedings	<i>Tier 2 GM Environment Management</i>
308G 311	Lodge, withdraw, join or oppose an application for declaration with the Environment Court	<i>Tier 2 GM Environment Management</i>
High Court		
149V	Power to lodge appeal to the High Court on question of law on Council's behalf	<i>Tier 2 GM Environment Management</i>
299 and 300	Lodge, withdraw, oppose or join an appeal to the High Court and any related applications or proceedings Settle a dispute or issues at stake at mediation or other dispute resolution sessions Approve Consent Memoranda, draft Consent Orders, side agreements or other documents required to settle a matter	<i>Tier 2 GM Environment Management</i>
301	Give or withdraw notice of intention to appear and be heard on appeal in High Court proceedings	<i>Tier 3 Regulation</i>
305	Lodge, withdraw, oppose or join an appeal to the High Court	<i>Tier 3 Regulation</i>
306	Lodge, withdraw or respond to an application for an extension of time	<i>Tier 2 GM Environment Management</i>

Attachment 3 to Report 20.450**Delegation from Council to officers – Resource Management Act 1991**

Section	Description	Delegate
Court of Appeal and Supreme Court		
308 RMA and Subpart 8 of Part 6 Criminal Procedure Act 2011	Lodge, withdraw, join or otherwise respond to an application for leave to appeal to the Court of Appeal, a Notice of Appeal to the Court of Appeal or any related applications or proceedings and be heard in relation to any application or proceedings Settle a dispute or issues at stake at mediation or other dispute resolution sessions Approve Consent Memoranda, draft Consent Orders, side agreements or other documents required to settle a matter	<i>Tier 2 GM Environment Management</i>

Resource Management (Simplifying and Streamlining) Amendment Act 2009

Section	Description	Delegate
	Duty to determine applications or matters lodged before the commencement of this Act (1 October 2009) in line with the Resource Management Act 1991 in place at that time. This includes the powers, functions and duties preliminary to determining matters or applications under the RMA in place at that time	<i>Tier 4 Regulation</i>

Resource Management Regulations

Section	Description	Delegate
Resource Management (Measurement and Reporting of Water Takes) Regulations 2010		
Clause 9	Approval to measure water taken each week (instead of each day)	<i>Tier 4 Regulation</i>
Clause 10	Approval to use device or system installed near (instead of at) location from which water taken	<i>Tier 4 Regulation</i>
Clause 11	Power to revoke approval granted under Clauses 9 or 10	<i>Tier 4 Regulation</i>

Resource Management (Forms, Fees, and Procedure) Regulations 2003

Clause 10A(2)	Power as consent authority to require a notice to be affixed in a conspicuous place	<i>Tier 4 Regulation</i>
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Resource Management (Transitional, Fees, Rents and Royalties) Regulations 1991

5	Power to require additional fees for the costs associated with a hearing committee considering application for a restricted coastal activity	<i>Tier 5 Regulation</i>
6	Power to require administrative charges associated with monitoring and supervision of that resource consent	<i>Tier 5 Regulation</i>

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Delegation from Council to officers – Resource Management Act 1991

Section	Description	Delegate
7C	Power to fix an additional charge to recover actual or reasonable costs of administering, monitoring, and supervision of the permit, licence, or other authorisation	<i>Tier 5 Regulation</i>

Attachment 4 to Report 20.450**Delegation from Council to officers – Local Government (Rating) Act 2002*****No power to sub-delegate***

Note that in accordance with section 132 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, the following delegations **may not** be sub-delegated.

General delegation to Chief Executive

The Council delegates to the Chief Executive all powers, duties and responsibilities under the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 that are legally able to be delegated under section 132 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 other than matters identified in the following tables as being retained by Council or not capable of delegation.

Specific delegations to Chief Executive and specified positions

The following table sets out a range of other delegations made by the Council to specified officers.

Section	Description	Delegate
General	Power to supervise those territorial authorities that have been appointed to collect rates in accordance with section 53	<i>Chief Executive General Manager, Corporate Services CFO Financial Controller</i>
General	Power to supervise those territorial authorities that have been delegated the authority to keep and maintain the rating information database in accordance with section 27	<i>Chief Executive General Manager, Corporate Services CFO Financial Controller</i>
7 to 26	<i>Key provisions (setting and assessing rates)</i>	<i>Not capable of delegation</i>
27	<i>Delegate the authority to keep and maintain the rating information database to constituent district in the region</i>	<i>Retained by Council</i>
29 and 39	Power to determine any objection to the rating information database or rates records	<i>Chief Executive General Manager, Corporate Services CFO Financial Controller</i>
40	Power to correct rates	<i>Chief Executive General Manager, Corporate Services CFO</i>
41 to 41A	Power to issue an amended rates assessment and refund overpayment, if an error is corrected	<i>Chief Executive General Manager, Corporate Services</i>

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Delegation from Council to officers – Local Government (Rating) Act 2002

Section	Description	Delegate
		<i>CFO</i>
44 to 51	Obligations to deliver rates assessments and rates invoices to ratepayers setting out the information required by the Act	<i>Chief Executive General Manager, Corporate Services CFO</i>
53	<i>Power to appoint a rates collector</i>	Retained by Council
54	Power to determine not collect rates that are uneconomic to collect <u>Limitation</u> If rates exceed \$1000 then Council approval must be sought	<i>Chief Executive General Manager, Corporate Services CFO</i>
55	<i>May adopt a policy for the early payment of rates</i>	Retained by Council
56	<i>May adopt a policy for the early payment of rates in anticipation of rates for subsequent financial years</i>	Retained by Council
61 and 62	Powers for recovery of unpaid rates	<i>Chief Executive General Manager, Corporate Services CFO</i>
63	Commence legal proceedings to recover rates	<i>Chief Executive General Manager, Corporate Services CFO</i>
67	<i>Power to have judgments of the court enforced by the court by sale or lease of the rating unit</i>	Retained by Council
72	Power to consent to the sale or lease of a rating unit by the Registrar by private treaty (if the unit cannot be sold or leased by public auction or public tender)	<i>Chief Executive General Manager, Corporate Services CFO</i>
77	<i>Sale or lease of abandoned land</i>	Retained by Council
79	<i>Determine matters for the sale or lease of abandoned land</i>	Retained by Council
82	<i>If the proceeds of a sale or lease of abandoned land under section 79 are not sufficient to meet the rates, interest, costs, and expenses, the local authority may write off the deficiency</i> <u>Limitation</u> If rates exceed \$1000 then Council approval must be sought	<i>Chief Executive General Manager, Corporate Services CFO</i>
85 and 86	Power to remit rates pursuant to Council rates remission policy	<i>Chief Executive General Manager, Corporate Services</i>

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Delegation from Council to officers – Local Government (Rating) Act 2002

Section	Description	Delegate
		<i>CFO</i>
87 to 90	Power to postpone rates pursuant to Council rates postponement policy	<i>Chief Executive General Manager, Corporate Services CFO</i>
94	To apply to the Māori Land Court to appoint one of the owners, or an agent, to receive rates assessments and rates invoices for Māori freehold land in multiple ownership	<i>Chief Executive General Manager, Corporate Services CFO</i>
99	To apply to Māori Land Court for charging order	<i>Chief Executive General Manager, Corporate Services CFO</i>
104	To consent to an owner dealing with land	<i>Chief Executive General Manager, Corporate Services CFO</i>
108	To apply to apply to Māori Land Court to enforce charging order	<i>Chief Executive General Manager, Corporate Services CFO</i>
111	To apply to Māori Land Court for payment of unpaid rates	<i>Chief Executive General Manager, Corporate Services CFO</i>
114 and 115	Power to remit or postpone rates on Māori Freehold land pursuant to Council policy	<i>Chief Executive General Manager, Corporate Services CFO</i>
116	<i>Power and duties in relation to consenting to an Order in Council made by the Governor-General to exempt Māori freehold land from some or all liability for rate</i>	Retained by Council
118 to 130	<i>Replacement rates</i>	Not capable of delegation
131	To arrange for a registered valuer to make an estimate of the projected valuation of all the rateable land in the districts of the constituent territorial authorities	<i>Chief Executive General Manager, Corporate Services</i>

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Delegation from Council to officers – Local Government (Rating) Act 2002

Section	Description	Delegate
		<i>CFO</i> <i>Financial Controller</i>
135	To sign documents as correct copies for the purpose of Court or Tribunal proceedings	<i>Chief Executive</i> <i>General Manager,</i> <i>Corporate Services</i> <i>CFO</i>

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For Information

REGIONAL TRANSPORT COMMITTEE MEETING, 24 NOVEMBER 2020

Te take mō te pūrongo

Purpose

1. To inform Council of the deliberations of the Regional Transport Committee (the Committee) meeting of 24 November 2020.

Te horopaki

Context

2. The business considered by the Committee is set out in the following paragraphs.

Written reports

Establishment of the Regional Land Transport Plan 2021 Hearing Subcommittee

3. The Committee established the Regional Land Transport Plan (RLTP) 2021 Hearing Subcommittee, adopted the Terms of Reference ([Attachment 1](#)), and appointed the following members:
 - a Councillor Staples, as Chair
 - b Emma Speight (Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency)
 - c Mayor Guppy (Upper Hutt City Council)
 - d Mayor Beijen (South Wairarapa District Council)
 - e Deputy Mayor Free (Wellington City Council)
 - f Councillor Leggett (Porirua City Council).

Proposed variation to the Wellington RLTP 2018–21 Silverstream Pipeline Bridge Walkway and Cycleway

4. The Committee agreed to recommend to Council a variation to the Wellington Regional Land Transport Plan Programme 2018-21 to include the Silverstream Pipeline Bridge Walkway and Cycleway business case (Proposed variation to the Wellington RLTP 2018-21 Silverstream Pipeline Bridge Walkway and Cycleway (Report 20.418)).

2019/20 Annual Monitoring Report on the Wellington Regional Land Transport Plan

5. The Committee was provided with a report on progress made in the 2019/20 financial year towards implementing the Wellington Regional Land Transport Plan 2015.

Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency update – November 2020

6. Emma Speight, Director Regional Relationships – Lower North Island, Waka Kotahi, updated the Committee on national initiatives and programmes, as well as on projects in the Wellington Region.

Oral reports

Ministry of Transport – Government Policy Statement

7. Danielle Bassan, Principal Advisor, Investment, and Joanna Heard, Principal Advisor, Supply Chain, Ministry of Transport, tabled a presentation ([Attachment 2](#) - Ministry of Transport presentation on Government Policy Statement 2021 – Land Transport) and provided an oral report on the Government Policy Statement on Land Transport (GPS) 2021 and the future of rail.
8. The GPS explains the Government’s direction for transport investment over the next 10 years. It influences how the National Land Transport Fund (NLTF) and local share will be invested. Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency (Waka Kotahi) gives effect to the GPS through the National Land Transport Programme (NLTP).
9. Investment is guided by four strategic priorities:
 - a Safety – developing a transport system where no-one is killed or seriously injured
 - b Better travel options – providing people with better transport options to access social and economic opportunities
 - c Improving freight connections – improving freight connections for economic development
 - d Climate change – developing a low carbon transport system that supports emission reductions, while improving safety and inclusive access.
10. The Future of Rail review looked at the role of rail in the transport system and the changes needed to enable rail to play its part in a multi-modal transport system. The review recommended a new long-term planning and funding approach was needed for the national rail network, and to bring rail into the Land Transport Management Act 2003.
11. The draft NZ Rail Plan is a key component of the new planning and funding framework for rail as it sets out the government’s intentions for rail investment over the next decade. The NZ Rail Plan will guide investment decisions taken under the GPS and by the Government.
12. The Land Transport (Rail) Legislation Act 2020 amended the Land Transport Management Act 2003 to include a representative of KiwiRail on the Regional Transport Committee for the Wellington Region.

KiwiRail update

13. David Gordon, Chief Operating Officer – Capital Projects and Asset Development, KiwiRail, tabled a presentation ([Attachment 3](#) – KiwiRail update presentation November 2020) and provided the Committee with an update.
14. Double tracking of the Trentham to Upper Hutt line is on track. The project has used 3D modelling to conduct the upgrades safely, and will submit the design for awards.

15. A key focus is planning for the Christmas Block of Line. The timing offers a larger opportunity than usual. Planning is more challenging as KiwiRail needs to ensure the opportunity is fully utilised in Wellington while supporting the emergency response to rolling contact fatigue issue in Auckland. The rolling contact fatigue issues in Auckland are significant, and will require resources to be diverted away from planned projects to support the response.

Ngā āpitihanga

Attachments

Number	Title
1	Regional Land Transport Plan 2021 Hearing Subcommittee Terms of Reference
2	Ministry of Transport presentation on the Government Policy Statement on Land Transport 2021
3	KiwiRail update presentation November 2020

Ngā kaiwaitohu

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He whakarāpopoto i ngā huritaonga Summary of considerations
<i>Fit with Council's roles or with Committee's terms of reference</i> It is appropriate for Council to be kept informed of the business conducted by its committees.
<i>Implications for Māori</i> There are no known implications for Māori.
<i>Contribution to Annual Plan / Long Term Plan / Other key strategies and policies</i> The Committee considered updates to the Regional Land Transport Plan 2015-21, Government Policy Statements, and the establishment of the Regional Land Transport Plan 2021 Hearing Subcommittee (to consider submissions for the RLTP 2021-26).
<i>Internal consultation</i> There was no internal consultation.
<i>Risks and impacts - legal / health and safety etc.</i> There are no known risks or impacts.

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Regional Land Transport Plan 2021 Hearing Subcommittee

(A subcommittee of the Regional Transport Committee)

1 Purpose

To hear and consider submissions made on the Draft Regional Land Transport Plan 2021, and recommend to the Regional Transport Committee any amendments.

2 Powers

The Regional Land Transport Plan 2021 Hearing Subcommittee has the power to:

- Consider both the written and oral submissions, and any other consultation material on the Draft Regional Land Transport Plan 2021
- Seek clarification from Council officers on any technical matters
- Develop recommendations on amendments to the Draft Regional Land Transport Plan 2021 for consideration by the Regional Transport Committee.

3 Responsibilities

The Regional Land Transport Plan 2021 Hearing Subcommittee shall ensure that:

- The hearing and consideration process is carried out in a way that is effective and timely
- Submitters are provided with the best possible opportunity to be heard in support of their submission
- Hearing Subcommittee members receive submissions with an open mind and give due consideration to each submission
- The decision making process is robust and transparent.

4 Members

The Regional Transport Committee shall appoint:

- a One person to represent Greater Wellington Regional Council, being an elected member of the Greater Wellington Regional Council
- b One person to represent Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency
- c One person to represent the Hutt Valley, being an elected member of the Hutt City Council or Upper Hutt City Council
- d One person to represent the Wairarapa, being an elected member from either Carterton District Council, Masterton District Council or South Wairarapa District Council
- e One person to represent Wellington City, being an elected member of the Wellington City Council

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- f One person to represent the West Coast being an elected member of Kāpiti Coast District Council or Porirua City Council.

5 Chair

The Chair is to be the appointed Greater Wellington Regional Council member.

6 Alternate members

There are no alternate members.

7 Quorum

Three Subcommittee members.

8 Meeting procedures

- All members have equal speaking rights and a deliberative vote
- The Chair has a deliberative vote; and, in the case of an equality of votes, does not have a casting vote (and therefore the act or question is defeated and the status quo is preserved)
- Members must be present for the substantial part of the hearing and deliberations in order to participate in the decision-making of the Hearing Subcommittee
- Submitters may speak to their submission by remote participation.

9 Remuneration and expenses

Each member's remuneration and expenses are met by the council or body they represent.

10 Duration of Subcommittee

The Subcommittee is deemed to be dissolved at the end of the decision-making process on the Regional Land Transport Plan 2021.

Wellington Regional Transport Committee



GPS 2021 and Future of Rail

24 November, 2020



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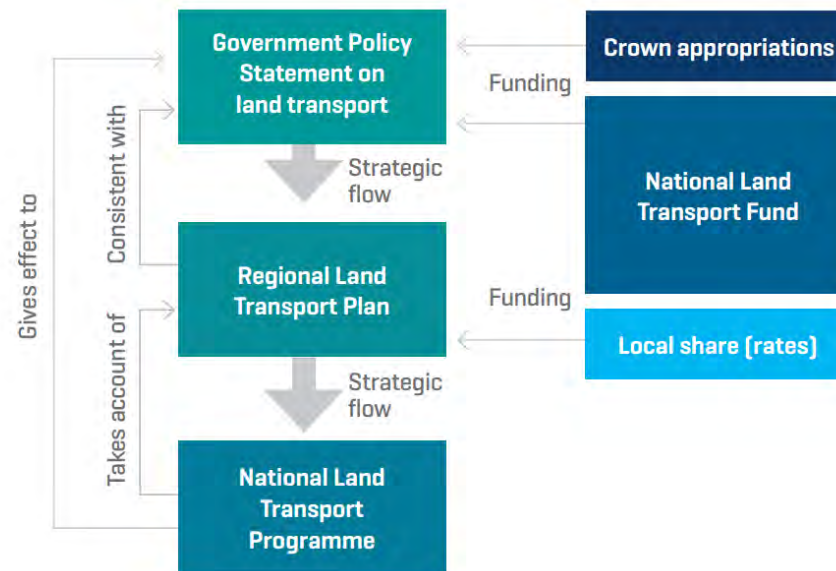
- overview of GPS 2021 content
- how we went from a draft GPS to the final version
- overview of new planning and funding for Rail

What the GPS means for land transport



- ▶ The GPS explains the Government's direction for transport investment over the next 10 years.
- ▶ It influences how the national land transport fund (NLTF) and local share will be invested.
- ▶ It contributes to the Ministry of Transport's Transport Outcomes Framework.
- ▶ Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency gives effect to the GPS through the National Land Transport Programme (NLTP).

The GPS fits within this funding framework



Strategic direction of GPS 2021



Investment will be guided by four strategic priorities:

Safety

- Developing a transport system where no-one is killed or seriously injured.

Better Travel Options

- Providing people with better transport options to access social and economic opportunities.

Improving Freight Connections

- Improving freight connections for economics development

Climate Change

- Developing a low carbon transport system that supports emission reductions, while improving safety and inclusive access.

Funding activity classes



GPS 2021 allocates funding across eleven activity classes

The 11 activity classes

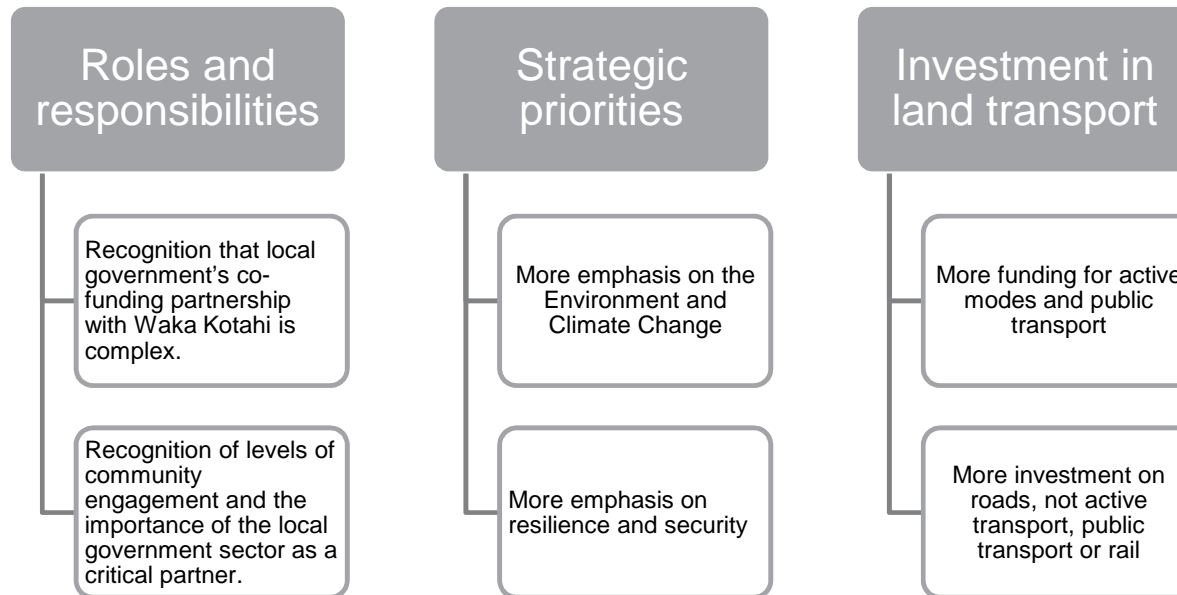
1. Road to Zero
2. Public transport services
3. Public transport infrastructure
4. Walking and cycling improvements
5. Local road improvements
6. State highway improvements
7. State highway maintenance
8. Local road maintenance
9. Investment management
10. Rail network
11. Coastal shipping

Input on draft GPS 2021



- ▶ 1,270 submissions were received
- ▶ Supportive of the strategic direction, and alignment with the 2018 Transport Outcomes Framework
- ▶ Mixed views on suggested funding ranges, linked to views on a multimodal system
- ▶ Welcomed enhanced recognition of RLTPs and their role in planning

Feedback on opportunities for GPS 2021



Adjustments made to GPS 2021 since the draft



- ▶ Language changes to provide clarity
- ▶ Confirming indicators to measure progress
- ▶ Reflecting Crown investment in land transport
- ▶ Noting the current work to update ATAP
- ▶ Increases in the upper bands of the Walking and Cycling, Investment Management, and State Highway Maintenance activity classes
- ▶ Decrease in year one for some lower bands (PT Infra and LRI)
- ▶ Updating Rail Network funding arrangements

How has COVID-19 been considered in GPS 2021



GPS implementation

- Working closely with Waka Kotahi
- Hearing your feedback

Future of Rail

Implementing a new planning and funding framework



New planning and funding framework



➤ **Background / strategic context**

- Future of Rail Review
- Consultation on draft New Zealand Rail Plan
- Amendments to the LTMA through the Land Transport (Rail) Legislation Act 2020
- GPS 2021 sets \$120-\$170m for the rail network (plus Crown), and further metro network funding under public transport infrastructure for Auckland and Wellington

➤ **Implementing a new planning and funding framework**

- Final Rail Plan to be released - TBC
- Developing the Rail Network Investment Programme and joining RTC's – KiwiRail
- Developing track user charges regulations for KiwiRail to contribute to the NLTF - MoT

Future of Rail Review and a new framework



- The Future of Rail review looked at the role of rail in the transport system and the changes needed to enable rail to play its part in a multi-modal transport system
- Government has agreed, in principle, to invest in a 'resilient and reliable' rail network as an important first step to bring rail out of 'managed decline'
- The review also recommended a new long-term planning and funding approach was needed for the national rail network, and to bring rail into the Land Transport Management Act 2003

Implementing new framework



- The Land Transport (Rail) Legislation Act 2020 was passed earlier this year
- It allows the rail network to be directly funded from the NLTF, and allow regulations to be made to implement track user charges to be paid into the NLTF.
- GPS 2021 sets \$120-\$170m for the rail network (plus Crown), and further metro network funding under public transport infrastructure for Auckland and Wellington
- Rail network activities will be outlined in the Rail Network Investment Programme (RNIP), to be developed by KiwiRail. Waka Kotahi will advise Minister's on the RNIP.
- KiwiRail will join Auckland and Wellington RTC's to support integrated transport planning of the metro networks in those regions.

Implementing new framework



- The draft NZ Rail Plan is a key component of the new planning and funding framework for rail as it sets out Government's intentions for rail investment over the next decade and beyond. The role of the Rail Plan is to guide investment decisions taken under the GPS and Crown.
- The draft NZ Rail Plan sets the following investment priorities for a resilient and reliable rail network:
 - Investing in the national rail network to maintain freight rail, and provide a platform for growth
 - Investing in metropolitan rail to support growth in our largest cities
- Draft Rail Plan engaged on publicly on alongside the draft GPS in March – May 2020. Over 1100 submissions received on the draft (including 946 from submissions from members of Generation Zero).
- The draft Rail Plan and submissions informed the final GPS and will inform the final Rail Plan once issued.

What does this mean for Wellington?



- KiwiRail has joined your Regional Transport Committee. KiwiRail is working with you to develop the Wellington components of the Rail Network Investment Programme to include in your Regional Land Transport Plan.

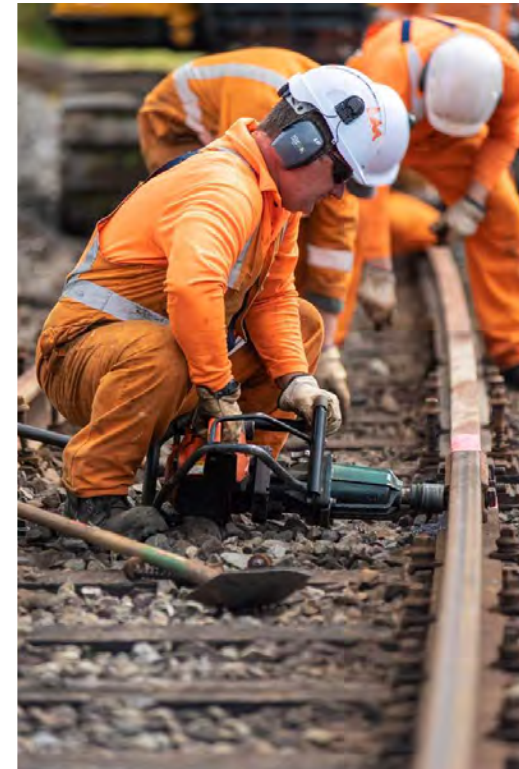
- Under the draft New Zealand Rail Plan the rail investment priorities for Wellington are delivering WMUPII, WMUPIII, and WMUPIV over the next decade, before considering further growth projects:

Programme	Primary Scope Overview
WMUP II	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ Renewal of traction overhead on Hutt Valley and Johnsonville Lines ▸ Replacing all remaining 3.3kV signals power supplies with low voltage power
WMUP III	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ Catch-up track renewals formation upgrade and drainage upgrade, primarily on Wairarapa Line ▸ Remutaka and Tawa Tunnels catch up track renewal ▸ Re-sleepering twelve short tunnels ▸ Slope stabilisation ▸ Bridge replacement
WMUP IV	<p>Capacity and resilience upgrades</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ Trentham – Upper Hutt double track ▸ Plimmerton Turn back ▸ Wellington Station approaches – improvements to increase capacity ▸ Traction Power Supply Upgrade

Next steps – Rail Implementation



- Final Rail Plan is intended to be issued
- Track user charges regulations – noting Wellington and Auckland MROM access arrangements arrange in place for now
- RNIP will be adopted as part of NLTP



Thank you



GPS 2021 and Future of Rail

24 November, 2020





Regional Transport Committee

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WMUP II – Traction Overhead Line Replacement

- \$98.4 million (Crown funded)
 - Under this contract
 - Pile foundations 87% complete
 - Masts 64% complete
 - Overhead wire 42% complete
 - Since network upgrade began
 - 3,347 of 3,719 masts replaced
 - 94kms of 97kms signals power replaced
 - On track for 223kms of 246kms of overhead line changed to balance weight tension
 - 12 of 21 substations are new
- Final preparation underway for the 20/21 Christmas Block of Line (BOL) when all the overhead lines in the Wellington Station approaches will be replaced
- GWRC and KiwiRail bid for supplementary funding to get to 100% replacement is with Waka Kotahi for consideration



WUMP III - Track and Civil Infrastructure Catch Up Renewals

- \$95.8 million (NLTF)
- Slope treatments, bridge renewals, significant track renewals and drainage upgrades
- Bridge replacement works underway on Bridge 49 Wairarapa Line
- Johnsonville Line Ngaio Gorge slope work underway.
- Planning underway for the Christmas BOL re-sleepering Tunnels 1 - 7 on the Johnsonville line



WMUP IV - Unlocking Network Capacity and Improving Resilience

- \$97.7 million (NLTF) (+\$3.0m GW)
 - Double tracking T2UH
 - Plimmerton turnback
 - Train power supply strengthening (substations)
- 2100m of the Trentham to Upper Hutt formation completed, 850m of sleepers laid and 830m of rail installed, plus 600m of ballast beyond this.
- Access ramps at Trentham installed and piling of down main underpass ramps completed
- Plimmerton Station Upgrade – workshop with Porirua City Councilors and wider communications strategy agreed.
- Preparation under way for installing new subway at Plimmerton during the Christmas BOL
- Power supply strengthening requirements greater than initial modelling suggested
- GWRC and KiwiRail proposal for supplementary funding to meet this is with Waka Kotahi for consideration

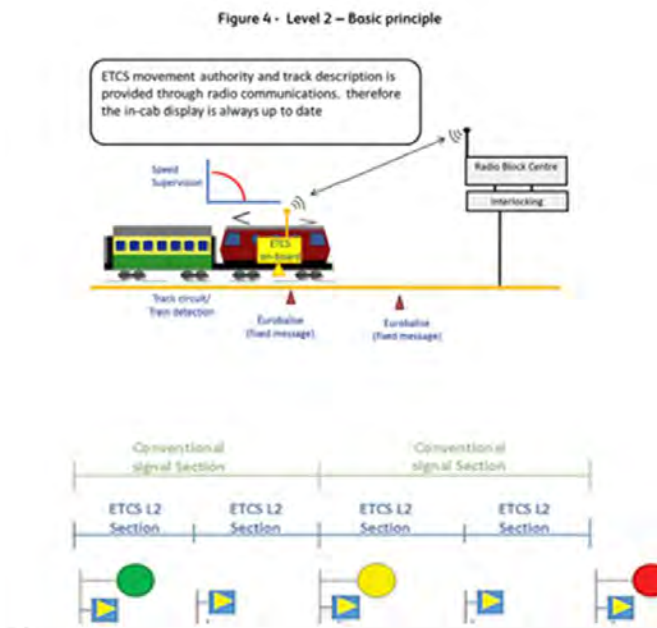


Trentham to Upper Hutt



WMUP V Resignalling and Automatic Train Protection

- Developing the case to support a major resignalling upgrade.
- The Indicative Business Case (IBC) is progressing well with a recent workshop identifying the shortlist of options to take through to the Detailed Business Case (DBC)
- We are seeking IBC Waka Kotahi endorsement mid 2021 with funding for the DBC and design in the next RLTP / NLTP with implementation in the subsequent RLTP / NLTP

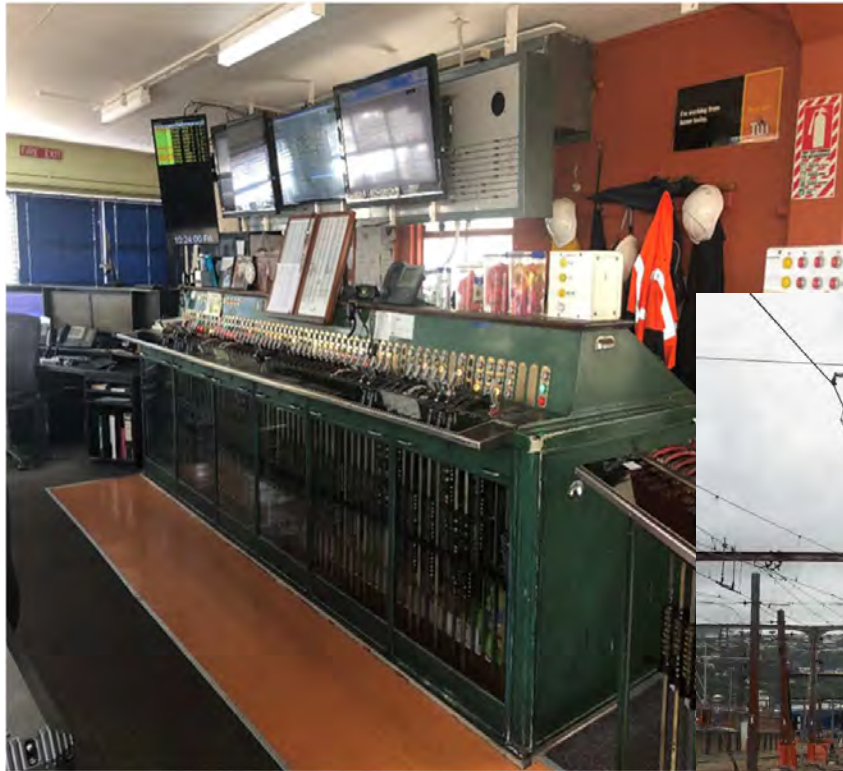


New Zealand Upgrade Programme - Wellington Rail

- Wairarapa rail upgrades \$126m
 - Draft cost and scope March 2021 and finalised July 2021.
 - Choice of rolling stock will materially impact scope and cost.
 - Approval to use NZUP funds **may** be linked to rolling stock progress
- Wellington station safety improvements \$70m
 - Draft cost and scope March 2021 and finalised July 2021.
 - Approval to use NZUP funds to follow
- Capital connection interim replacement rolling stock \$15m
 - Cost and scope to be finalised in calendar 2020
 - Approval to proceed by March 2021



Station Entry



Rail Network Investment Programme (RNIP)

- KiwiRail's 3-year investment programme for the rail network
- Developing the RNIP is progressing well
- Actively involved in the Technical Advisory Group (TAG) and working with the GWRC Rail Team on input into the Wellington RLTP process and aligning the RNIP programme with the RLTP development
- Continue to build the information that supports the RNIP – ie Asset Management Plan and the Wellington Network Access Agreement
- Continue to work with MoT and NZTA on the operational policy that supports the new planning and funding system



General issues

- Key focus is planning for the Christmas Block of Line
 - Timing offers a larger opportunity than usual
 - Planning is more challenging as we needed to ensure the opportunity is fully utilised in Wellington while supporting the need from Auckland to address the rolling contact fatigue (RCF) issue.
 - Tunnel 2 NIMT rail replacement postponed twelve months as a consequence of Auckland RCF.
- Working with GWRC and WK options to deliver an expanded work programme





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For Information

WELLINGTON REGIONAL STRATEGY COMMITTEE, 24 NOVEMBER 2020

Te take mō te pūrongo

Purpose

1. To inform Council of the deliberations of the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee (the Committee) meeting of 24 November 2020.

Te horopaki

Context

2. The business considered by the Committee is set out in the following paragraphs:

Draft Annual Report for 2019/20

3. John Allen, Chief Executive, Wellington NZ, spoke to the report and provided the Committee with an update on the annual report process for the Wellington Regional Economic Development Agency (WREDA).
4. The Committee was scheduled to receive the WREDA Annual Report for 2019/20 at its November 2020 meeting. However, the impact of the COVID-19 lockdown and low availability of audit resources delayed delivery of the annual report.
5. The Committee received the draft annual report and a draft set of performance measures for 2019/20.

Statement of Expectations

6. The Committee agreed to provide feedback on the draft Statement of Expectations for WREDA ([Attachment 1](#)).
7. The Committee agreed to authorise the Committee Chair and Deputy Chair to finalise any additional or amended commentary and to send the finalised Statement of Expectations to WREDA by 12 December 2020.

WREDA appointments

8. In Public-Excluded business the Committee considered appointments to the WREDA Board, for recommendation to the shareholding councils.

Ngā āpitihanga
Attachment

Number	Title
1	Draft Letter of Statement of Expectations for WREDA

**Ngā kaiwaitohu
Signatories**

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Approvers	Francis Ryan – Manager Democratic Services Luke Troy – General Manager Strategy Councillor David Lee – Council’s representative on the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee

He whakarāpopoto i ngā huritaonga Summary of considerations
<i>Fit with Council's roles or with Committee's terms of reference</i> It is appropriate for Council to be kept informed of the business conducted by its committees.
<i>Implications for Māori</i> There are no known implications for Māori associated with this report.
<i>Contribution to Annual Plan / Long Term Plan / Other key strategies and policies</i> This report does not contribute to any of Council's or Greater Wellington's key strategies and policies.
<i>Internal consultation</i> There was no internal consultation.
<i>Risks and impacts - legal / health and safety etc.</i> There are no known risks or impacts.

Attachment 1 to Report 20.483

Draft Statement of Expectations for the Wellington Regional Development Agency



(Insert Date)

Tracey Bridges
Chair
Wellington Regional Economic Development Agency Ltd
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Te Aro
WELLINGTON

By email only:

Tenā koe Tracey

This letter sets out the shareholders' statement of expectations for the Wellington Regional Economic Development Agency Limited and its subsidiary, Creative HQ (WREDA) regarding their Statement of Intent (SOI) for 2021-24.

The Committee wishes to acknowledge the role WREDA has taken in its response to supporting local businesses and our regional economy through the challenge of COVID-19. We look forward to working together on this response over the course of this SOI period. The current economic climate does provide a range of challenges and pressures for the whole region and you should plan to operate within a similar grant funding envelope as in previous years but with the need to provide robust plans to manage the pressures over third party revenues and funding.

2021 will also align with the new Long Term Plans (LTPs) for the region's councils and specific projects and prioritising will no doubt have an impact on WREDA's focus over the coming three years. This includes the development of Venues Wellington upgrades and the opportunities to be leveraged from this investment.

Specific areas that we would like to see a focus in are detailed below. We would like you to consider how these can be addressed in a measurable and meaningful way in the draft SOI.

COVID Recovery

As the initial wave of reactive actions comes to an end, we would like to see WREDA lead the development of a regional recovery plan to support economic recovery. As there is likely to be large infrastructure investments from the councils and government over the next few years there will be opportunities to leverage this investment to maximise economic benefits to the region.

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Draft Statement of Expectations for the Wellington Regional Development Agency

Targeted initiatives and programmes for domestic visitation to support the regional economy will no doubt feature in the near term but we also expect the SOI to plan for the return of international travel and visitors during the three year period.

Regional Economic Development Plan

As a region we are looking to create an updated Regional Economic Development Plan. This needs to be a collaborative approach and we would see you having a key role in leading and developing the plan with the Councils across the region and other stakeholders. This needs to identify the key interventions needed at a regional level to maximise the economic benefits to the region, including consideration of different economic scenarios and approaches. The plan should reflect the strategies of the new LTPs, together with the COVID recovery response.

Venues

The SOI should outline the strategy for driving performance activities and growing the utilisation of its performing arts venues together with driving the opportunities created for the region from the utilisation of Tākina, the St James Theatre and the Wellington Town Hall.

Low Carbon Economy

WREDA should lead thinking about how to position Wellington region to support its own businesses to be ready for a future low carbon economy but to also provide the commercial and intellectual opportunity to develop this as a point of difference for the region and to attract inward investment.

There are specific targets for waste minimisation in venues which will require targets and actions in the SOI.

Accessibility

Improving access to the regions activities and services will continue to be a focus during this SOI period. It is expected that WREDA will support this initiative by planning to improve accessibility to its venues and events, where possible.

Māori Economic Development

We would like to see the integration of initiatives and strategic alignment between the newly established independent board and WREDA for the delivery of the Māori Economic Development Strategy.

We look forward to receiving your draft SOI by 1 March 2021 and will consider it at the Wellington Regional Strategy (WRS) committee meeting in March 2021 before providing any further feedback.

Attachment 1 to Report 20.483

Draft Statement of Expectations for the Wellington Regional Development Agency

Relationship

The WRS committee will need a copy of the draft SOI by 1 March 2021. The WRS committee will then provide feedback on this document before agreeing the final version. Quarterly reports on performance, a six monthly report and annual report are also required for our role in monitoring and oversight.

If you have any questions or concerns about the content of this letter then please let me know.

Yours sincerely

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cc: John Allen, Chief Executive
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Council
10 December 2020
Report 20.435



For Information

WELLINGTON WATER COMMITTEE MEETINGS, 3 NOVEMBER 2020 AND 25 NOVEMBER 2020

Te take mō te pūrongo

Purpose

1. To inform Council of the deliberations of the Wellington Water Committee meetings of 3 November and 25 November 2020.

Te horopaki

Context

Extraordinary Meeting 3 November 2020

2. The Wellington Water Committee (WWC) met on 3 November 2020 for an extraordinary meeting. The business considered by the Committee is set out in the following paragraphs.

Wellington Water Limited Update

3. The completion of the Annual Report has been delayed because of a request for further information on the measurement of response times for callouts in the non financial performance measures.
4. There was a general discussion on water leaks and their increase in the summer months. This is partly because the drier ground exposes more leaks to the public and also because aged pipes were put under greater stress when the soil dries out.

Long Term Plan Update

5. Wellington Water provided an overview of the advice provided to councils as they prepare their Long Term Plans. This focuses on drought resilience risk work, reducing water demand and response time measures. The WWC noted that inconsistent regional investment in the Reducing Water Consumption priority may result in the need for investment in a new water source inside the 2021/31 Long Term Plan and that this has not been included in the proposed investment plan for bulk water.

Future Management of Water

6. The Three Waters Reform Funding Agreements had been signed by all Councils. Councils now had to supply further information concerning the stimulus package funding. The regional Chief Executives were looking to implement the same process for the Three Waters Reform that had been adopted for the Regional Spatial Plan.

7. The Department of Internal Affairs will be releasing information to all Councils in the New Year regarding the full reform process.

Wellington Water Limited Proposed Review

8. There was a general discussion around a proposed review of Wellington Water's role and function, however it was agreed to not proceed with this and to focus attention on the government's Three Waters Reform.

Appointment of Directors to Wellington Water Limited

9. The appointment of the Chair was extended. The current Directors are now:
 - a. Geoff Dangerfield, Chair (Term to 30 Sep 2023)
 - b. Cynthia Brophy (Term to 31 Jan 2021)
 - c. Philip Barry (Term to 30 June 2021)
 - d. Kim Skelton (Term to 30 Sep 2023)
 - e. Mike Underhill (Term to 30 Sep 2023)
 - f. One Vacancy

Ordinary Meeting 25 November 2020

10. The WWC met on 25 November 2020 for an ordinary meeting. The business considered by the Committee is set out in the following paragraphs.

Company Update

11. There is a continual steady increase in the use of drinking water. A large factor contributing to this is the increase in the number of leaks. The fiscal stimulus package has allowed for an increase in leak detecton and repair crews. There a campaign in place to highlight water usage and restrictions during the summer period.

Annual Report and Financial Statements

12. The Audit opinion is not expected to be completed until 10 December 2020 which means the Annual Report will be completed after the statutory deadline of 30 November 2020.

Water Services Regulatory Regime

13. The Taumata Arowai – Water Services Regulator Act was passed in July 2020. The Water Services Bill is expected to be referred to select committee by the end of the year. There will be a submission on this by the WWC, however individual councils still have the right to submit from a council perspective.

Water Supply System Story

14. There was a wide ranging presentation and discussion on the water system – where water comes from, catchment issues, the sustainability of the water take, the challenges of distribution and usage issues. There is no elegant or simple solution but a range of solutions to support the management of our water system. A paper "Economic Case for

Providing Residential Water Consumption Information” prepared by EY, looked at the case for residential meters and the WWC agreed to commission a detailed business case on behalf of its shareholders.

Ngā kaiwaitohu

Signatory

Writer	Seán Mahoney – Company Portfolio and Economic Development Manager
Approver	Samantha Gain – General Manager, Corporate Services

He whakarāpopoto i ngā huritaonga Summary of considerations
<i>Fit with Council's roles or with Committee's terms of reference</i> It is appropriate for Council to be kept informed of the business conducted by its committees.
<i>Implications for Māori</i> There are no known implications for Māori associated with this report.
<i>Contribution to Annual Plan / Long Term Plan / Other key strategies and policies</i> This report does not contribute to any of Council's or Greater Wellington's key strategies and policies.
<i>Internal consultation</i> There was no internal consultation.
<i>Risks and impacts - legal / health and safety etc.</i> There are no known risks or impacts.

Council
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For Information

CIVIL DEFENCE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT GROUP MEETING, 27 NOVEMBER 2020

Te take mō te pūrongo

Purpose

1. To inform Council of the deliberations of the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee (the Joint Committee) meeting of 27 November.

Te horopaki

Context

2. The business considered by the Joint Committee is set out in the following paragraphs.

Reports

Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Appointments – November 2020

3. The Joint Committee agreed to a number of statutory appointments for the roles of Group and Local Controllers and the appointment of Group and Local Recovery Managers as required under the Civil Defence Emergency Management Act 2002 (The Act).

Wellington Region Emergency Management Office Annual business plan 2020/21.

4. The Joint Committee discussed the Annual Business Plan 2020/21 which outlines the work programme and additional areas of work identified by the WREMO leadership team against the strategic outcomes identified in the Civil Defence Emergency Management (CDEM) Group Plan 2019-2024.
5. Under Section 17 of the Civil Defence Emergency Management Act 2002 (CDEM Act), the Joint Committee is responsible for development, approval, implementation, monitoring and review of the CDEM Group Plan 2019-2024.
6. The Joint Committee further discussed the roles and responsibilities of agencies during an emergency, in particular the health services. The Joint Committee asked for confirmation that the District Health Boards (DHBs) were ready for emergencies and that their plans are linked to the other emergency plans.

Wellington Region Emergency Management Office Quarterly Report – 30 September 2020

7. This quarterly report is to advise the Joint Committee of progress against the Wellington Region Emergency Management Office (WREMO) Annual Business Plan 2020/21 (Annual Business Plan 2020/21).

8. The Joint Committee was informed that of the 90 KPIs identified in the WREMO Annual Business Plan, 56 were progressed in the first quarter. Significant progress was made on the organisational priority of COVID-19 resurgence planning across several work streams, including cordon management, welfare and needs assessment, volunteer coordination and partnering with Māori and Pasifika communities.

Wellington Region Emergency Management Office proposed budget for 2020 – 2024 financial years

9. The Joint Committee was informed that the proposed budget provided the resourcing for WREMO to implement the work programme identified in its Annual Business Plan and to build towards the medium to long-term objectives identified in the CDEM Group Plan (2019-2024).
10. The proposed budget covered the agreed increase of two per cent for each financial year for the next three financial years.
11. Funding is allocated to each territorial authority based on the agreed funding apportionment which was reviewed at the Coordinating Executive Group (CEG) meeting on 2 February 2018.

Oral Items

COVID-19 Regional Response Update

12. A presentation from Mr Scott Dray, Emergency Management Advisor, was provided to the Joint Committee. For the regional response to COVID-19 there are multi-agency plans in place taking into account any new resurgence plan, ensuring that they align with each other.
13. The Joint Committee was informed that there is a focus on reminding people to use the Ministry of Health tracer app as this is very important if the region has community infections reported. The Joint Committee discussed the importance of councils promoting the use of the tracer app in their own publications and engagement with the public.
14. Mr Dray provided an update on the community outbreak of COVID-19 identified in Wellington, earlier in November. The outbreak was contained and well managed, though learning opportunities were identified, in particular, placing more effort into the public information management space to better inform the community.
15. Other responses in the region included a landslide in the Wairarapa caused by heavy rain and flooding. The landslide created a dam that has been identified as a risk to residences further down the river should the dam breach. There have also been a number of truck crashes that have impacted the region's transport routes, with one a possible risk if the cargo was to spill into the environment.

COVID-19 regional recovery update

16. A presentation from Scott Dray, Emergency Management Advisor, was provided to the Joint Committee on the recovery programme. The Joint Committee was presented with charts and a printed dashboard of the progress of the recovery.
17. Agencies have been working with communities to understand the issues within the communities. It was pointed out to the Joint Committee that there was no change

since the last report in mental health issues or other family issues. They have neither increased nor decreased.

18. There has been a steady rise in housing issues especially with emergency housing and household debt rising. There has been a rise in job advertising after a drop during June this year with a slight drop in people obtaining Job Seeker allowance.
19. It was reported that business confidence is up to pre-COVID levels and that public transport use was still down. There has been a rise in the use of libraries reported to pre-COVID levels, and a drop in volunteer work.
20. There had been a slight rise in emergency food parcels reported. This reporting is not the full picture as pointed out by some of the members of the Joint Committee. Councils agreed to provide more comprehensive information on food parcel needs around the region.
21. There has been a survey carried out on the community, this is to be two monthly surveys of around 100 agencies, community groups and volunteers. The survey will provide an understanding of the issues within the community. Some of the issues highlighted so far that need to be taken into account by local government are housing, jobs, food and mental health.

Local Earthquake Response Plan update

22. A presentation from Mr Scott Dray, Emergency Management Advisor was provided to the Joint Committee. The Local Earthquake Response Plans complement the Wellington Region Earthquake Response Plan which in turn is linked to the Wellington Earthquake National Initial Response Plan produced by the National Emergency Management Agency.
23. It was reported to the Joint Committee that the local earthquake response plans were in good shape and almost complete across the region. As with all planning there is always a need for more information.

Mayoral Training

24. Following the meeting the members of the Joint Committee undertook training on powers during an emergency. The scenario used was the landslide in the Wairarapa and the ability to evacuate those members of the community at risk. The training was to highlight that there are a number of agencies with powers that could help with the management of the emergency and not just those of the Civil Defence Emergency Management Act 2002.

**Ngā kaiwaitohu
Signatories**

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Approvers	Luke Troy – Kaiwhakahaere Matua Rautaki/General Manager, Strategy

He whakarāpopoto i ngā huritaonga Summary of considerations
<i>Fit with Council's roles or Committee's terms of reference</i> It is appropriate for Council, as a member of the Joint Committee, to be kept informed of the business of that committee.
<i>Implications for Māori</i> There are no known implications for Māori.
<i>Contribution to Annual Plan / Long term Plan / Other key strategies and policies</i> The report contains updates relevant to business continuity planning and emergency management and Regional Leadership
<i>Internal consultation</i> There was no internal consultation required.
<i>Risks and impacts: legal / health and safety etc.</i> There are no risks or impacts.

Council
10 December 2020
Report 20.422



For Decision

STATEMENT OF EXPECTATIONS – WRC HOLDINGS 2021-2022

Te take mō te pūrongo

Purpose

1. To advise on the draft Statement of Expectations (SOE) to be sent to WRC Holdings Limited (WRCH) to assist with preparation of its Statement of Intent (SOI) for 2020/21.

He tūtohu

Recommendations

That Council:

1. **Approve** the draft statement of expectations for WRC Holdings Limited ([Attachment 1](#))
2. **Authorises** the Council Chair to make changes to finalise the Statement of Expectations and send it to WRC Holdings Limited.

Te horopaki

Context

2. Council is the 100 per cent shareholder of WRCH, a council controlled trading organisation under the Local Government Act 2002. The WRCH group includes 100 per cent ownership of Greater Wellington Rail Limited and also the 76.9 per cent shareholding in CentrePort.
3. The Local Government Act 2002 (the LGA) requires WRCH to provide an SOI in draft form to the shareholder by 1 March each year (Schedule 8.1). The LGA also allows Council to issue a statement of expectations to clarify its expectations before the draft SOI is produced (S64B).

Te tātaritanga

Analysis

4. A draft SOE for 2021/22 is attached ([Attachment 1](#)). Council feedback is requested to enable this to be finalised.
5. The key themes highlighted in the draft SOE are:
 - a Carbon Neutrality
 - b The 2021-2031 LTP

- c Financial Sustainability
 - d Port Regeneration
 - e Health, Safety & Wellbeing
 - f Governance transparency.
6. As a shareholder in Centreport, WRCH issues a SOE to the Port. This will be finalised once Council has approved the SOE to WRCH.
 7. Under the LGA, Council can request the production of thematic plans from a CCTO. The draft SOE does not include this request.

Ngā hua ahumoni
Financial implications

8. There are no financial implications to issuing the statement of expectations.

Ngā tikanga whakatau
Decision-making process

9. The process for deciding this matter is explicitly prescribed in the LGA S64B.

Te hiranga
Significance

10. Officers considered the significance (as defined by Part 6 of the Local Government Act 2002) of the matter, taking into account Council's Significance and Engagement Policy and Decision-making Guidelines. Officers recommend that the matter is of low significance, as it is only providing advice before a draft SOI is submitted for review.

Te whakatūtakitaki
Engagement

11. Engagement has been undertaken with Council officers and elected members.

Ngā tūāoma e whai ake nei
Next steps

12. Changes to the draft will be agreed and the final version sent to the WRCH Chair. A draft SOI will be received in the new year which will be considered by Council with detailed feedback provided before the final SOI is adopted by 30 June 2021.

**Ngā āpitihanga
Attachment**

Number	Title
1	WRC Holdings Limited Draft Statement of Expectations for 2021

**Ngā kaiwaitohu
Signatories**

Writer	Seán Mahoney – Company Portfolio and Economic Development Manager
Approver	Luke Troy – General Manager, Strategy

<p style="text-align: center;">He whakarāpopoto i ngā huritaonga Summary of considerations</p>
<p><i>Fit with Council's roles or with Committee's terms of reference</i></p> <p>The LGA provides for Council as shareholder to issue the SOE</p>
<p><i>Implications for Māori</i></p> <p>There are no known impacts for Maori</p>
<p><i>Contribution to Annual Plan / Long Term Plan / Other key strategies and policies</i></p> <p>The SOE is sent to ensure alignment with the future LTP and annual plans by Councils Holdings board.</p>
<p><i>Internal consultation</i></p> <p>Preparation of this report included discussions with officers.</p>
<p><i>Risks and impacts - legal / health and safety etc.</i></p> <p>No known risks.</p>

WRC Holdings Draft Statement of Expectations for 2021/22

xx December 2020



Prue Lamason
Chair, WRC Holdings Limited

Prue.Lamason@gw.govt.nz

Dear Prue

Statement of Expectations – WRC Holdings Limited’s Statement of Intent for 2021/22

This letter sets out a statement of our expectations, as the shareholder in WRC Holdings Limited, as you begin drafting the Statement of Intent (SOI) for 2021/22. Our statement of expectations, as prescribed in section 64B of the Local Government Act, specifies the relationship we expect to have with you over the period and our expectations of the Holdings group.

The draft SOI is due to Council by 1 March 2021. We will then consider this document and provide feedback by 1 May 2021 to allow the document to be finalised before 30 June 2021.

Relationship framework

Council will require formal quarterly reports from WRC Holdings Limited to ensure we have a good understanding of performance against the SOI. These reports should focus on strategic issues facing the Holdings group and how these are being managed.

We expect a no surprises approach and to be informed of any issues that arise in a timely manner outside of this reporting.

Carbon neutrality

We expect to see the Holdings group achieve its part in Greater Wellington’s Carbon Neutral Action Plan goals by 30 June 2030. We would like to see carbon footprint reporting including in reporting to Council and that Holdings will work with Council to identify offsetting opportunities.

CentrePort regeneration plan

The CentrePort regeneration provides a once in a generation opportunity to recreate the Ports footprint to maximize the economic, social, environmental and cultural benefits for the whole region. Specific attention needs to be given in the SOI to the management and delivery of this plan, including milestone reporting and ensuring any risks are managed and communicated in an appropriate manner.

Long Term Plan (LTP)

Greater Wellington Rail Limited will need to ensure that its investment plans are fully aligned to the Council's LTP which is currently in development. The opportunity to refresh the performance measured to be more dynamic and focused on the asset management obligations should be considered.

Financial Sustainability

WRC Holdings own a significant portion of investment on behalf of Council. The impacts of COVID-19 have naturally opened up discussions on where the best use of resource and available benefits sit. We would like the Holdings board to review the optimal return on investment that can be made and to review its policy settings on dividend payments over the next three years.

Board Development

Council would like to see Holdings instigate a board development framework over the coming year. This should allow Council to understand how the board is performing and importantly where the gaps and future skills needs are.

Council is also looking for Holdings to develop a policy for the recruitment and retention of directors to CentrePort. This should align with the Council's own policy on Council Organisations and also best practice in the Ports sector.

Minimising the risk of workplace incidents

The health, safety and wellbeing of our workforce and residents key issues for Council as shareholder. We would like to see a Holdings group-wide health and safety performance measure, as well as CentrePort's individual measures.

In accordance with section 64B of the Local Government Act 2002, this letter will be published on Greater Wellington's website.

If you have any need for clarification on the above matters, then please feel free to contact me at the soonest opportunity.

We look forward to receiving your draft SOI by 01 March 2021.

Yours sincerely

Daran Ponter
Chair - Wellington Regional Council

Council
10 December 2020
Report 20.489



For Decision

WELLINGTON REGIONAL STADIUM TRUST – STATEMENT OF EXPECTATIONS FOR 2021/22

Te take mō te pūrongo

Purpose

1. To advise on the draft Statement of Expectations (SOE) to be sent to the Wellington Regional Stadium Trust (the Trust) to assist with preparation of its Statement of Trustee Intent for 2021/22.

He tūtohu

Recommendations

That the Council:

1. **Approves** the draft Statement of Expectations for the Wellington Regional Stadium Trust (Attachment 1).
2. **Authorises** the Council Chair to make changes to finalise the Statement of Expectations and send it to the Wellington Regional Stadium Trust.
3. **Notes** that in future years a joint statement of expectations will be issued by both settlor councils.

Te horopaki

Context

2. The Trust was established by two settlor councils (Greater Wellington Regional Council and Wellington City Council).
3. The Trust is not a council controlled organisation (CCO), but is a charitable trust. The Local Government Act 2002's provisions for CCOs are expressly not applicable to the Trust.
4. The Trust is required by section 10.1 of its Funding Deed to deliver a draft Statement of Trustee Intent (STI) no later than 1 April in each year. The settlor councils may advise the Trust by the end of February of that year of any significance governance issues they wish the Trustees to consider in that STI.
5. The provision of an SOE provides a framework and discipline for Council to provide advice to the Trust.

Te tātaritanga Analysis

6. Historically, the two settlor councils have delivered their own advice to the Trust for consideration in the STI. In future years, the two settlors will work together to produce a combined SOE.
7. The Trust has been managing the economic and commercial impact on its operations from the COVID-19 pandemic. The restrictions on gatherings and the impact of border restrictions has negatively impacted the Trust's plans. While both settlor councils have put in place a financial support package for the Trust, there is still a level of uncertainty around the impact of COVID-19.
8. The key themes highlighted in the draft SOE are:
 - a Financial stability – as a settlor council we still expect the Trust to be cost neutral
 - b COVID-19 uncertainty – understanding the impacts on capital plans
 - c Trustee appointments – greater involvement and transparency around identifying candidates
 - d Health, Safety and Wellbeing - a key performance indicator should reflect the commitment to reducing the risk of workplace incidents
 - e Carbon neutrality – working with council officers to meet the goal of carbon neutral by 2030.
9. A draft SOE for 2021/22 is attached ([Attachment 1](#)). Council feedback is requested to enable this to be finalised. The aim is to send the letter to the Trust by 18 December 2020.

Ngā hua ahumoni Financial implications

10. There are no financial implications from issuing the SOE.

Ngā tikanga whakatau Decision-making process

11. The decision-making process for the issuing the SOE is contained expressly in the Funding Deed as outlined in paragraph 4 above.

Te hiranga Significance

12. Officers considered the significance (as defined by Part 6 of the Local Government Act 2002) of the matters for decision, taking into account Council's *Significance and Engagement Policy* and Greater Wellington's *Decision-making Guidelines*. Officers recommend that these matters are of low significance, as this report is only providing advice before a draft STI is submitted for review.

Te whakatūtakitaki

Engagement

13. Engagement has been undertaken with Council officers, officers at Wellington City Council and elected members.

Ngā tūāoma e whai ake nei

Next steps

14. Changes to the draft SOE will be agreed and the final version sent to the Trust Chair. A draft STI will be received from the Trust before 1 April 2021; which will then be considered by Council, with detailed feedback provided to the Trust before the final STI is adopted by 30 June 2021.

Ngā āpitihanga

Attachment

Number	Title
1	Wellington Regional Stadium Trust’s Draft Statement of Expectations for 2021/22

Ngā kaiwaitohu

Signatories

Writer	Seán Mahoney – Company Portfolio and Economic Development Manager
Approver	Luke Troy – General Manager, Strategy

<p style="text-align: center;">He whakarāpopoto i ngā huritaonga Summary of considerations</p>
<p><i>Fit with Council's roles or with Committee's terms of reference</i> Council, as joint settlor of the Trust, is responsible for issuing the SOE.</p>
<p><i>Implications for Māori</i> There are no known impacts for Māori.</p>
<p><i>Contribution to Annual Plan / Long Term Plan / Other key strategies and policies</i> There are no implications for Council's or Greater Wellington's strategies or plans.</p>
<p><i>Internal consultation</i> This report was prepared in discussion with the Strategy group.</p>
<p><i>Risks and impacts - legal / health and safety etc.</i> There are no identified risks.</p>

Wellington Regional Stadium Trust’s Draft Statement of Expectations for 2021/22



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John Shewan
Chair
Wellington Regional Stadium Trust

By email only: XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

Tenā koe John

This letter sets out our expectations of the Wellington Regional Stadium Trust (the Trust) as you begin the process of developing the Trust’s Statement of Trustee Intent (STI) for the next three years.

We appreciate the challenging situation the Trust has been in over the last 12 months, with the various restrictions on events and gatherings and uncertainty over open borders. It has been encouraging to see events return to the stadium; and while we acknowledge this is not a bounce back to where the Trust was 12 months ago we would like to commend all staff and trustees on the way you have managed to remain event-ready.

COVID-19 environment

We would like to see the STI reflect the impact of various scenarios of operating in the COVID-19-related environment on the Trust. In particular, the STI should consider where capital expenditure can be deferred, what do the longer-term capital plans look like, and what are the implications of any changes to these plans for the settlors.

Financial stability

The joint settlors have provided some financial support to meet some of the current challenges posed by the drop in revenue this year. It is the ongoing view of the settlors that the Trust should be able to meet its own costs over the period of the STI.

Health, Safety and Wellbeing

We share the Trust’s commitment to health and safety and the processes that have been put in place to reduce the risk of workplace incidents. We would like to see the development of a non-financial performance measure to reflect this in the STI.

Carbon neutrality

As you are aware, Council has resolved to be carbon neutral by 2030. We expect you to continue to work with council officers on the implications of this to the Trust and how you can be fully engaged in the reporting and accountability process needed to become a carbon neutral venue.

Trustee appointments

As joint settlor, Council has welcomed the opportunity to work more closely with the Trust on identifying the options for new trustees. As well as early notification of suitable candidates we would also like to see three potential candidates presented for each vacancy that occurs. If you have any questions or concerns about the content of this letter then please let me know.

Nāku iti noa, nā

Daran Ponter
Chair, Wellington Regional Council

cc: Shane Harmon, Chief Executive Wellington Region Stadium Trust
Mayor Foster, Wellington City Council

Council
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Report 20.420



For Decision

GREATER WELLINGTON'S PERFORMANCE FOR THE THREE MONTHS TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2020

Te take mō te pūrongo

Purpose

1. To advise Council on a summary of performance for Greater Wellington Regional Council's (Greater Wellington) to 30 September 2020 (the end of the first quarter of 2020/21) ([Attachment 1](#)).

He tūtohu

Recommendation

That the Council **accepts** Greater Wellington's performance report for the three months to 30 September 2020 (the end of the first quarter of 2020/21) ([Attachment 1](#)).

Te tāhū kōrero

Background

2. Quarterly reporting is an internal monitoring tool for tracking progress against Greater Wellington's work programme for 2020/21. This reporting reflects on what is going well, and indicates what issues and risks need to be managed to enable us to achieve what we have committed to in Year Three of the 2018-28 Long Term Plan (the 2020/21 Annual Plan).
3. A performance summary is presented to Council after the end of the related period (e.g. each quarter), and the draft Annual Report is presented as a full-year wrap up in lieu of a fourth quarter report.
4. **Attachment 1** provides an update on performance during the period 1 July to 30 September 2020 (the first quarter of 2020/21). The attachment includes a year-to-date update on the Chief Executive's key performance indicators; a high-level summary of our activity; a health, safety and wellbeing update for the first quarter; and a year-to-date financial summary. **Attachment 1** also provides an update on the progress of our major projects, and the current status of our non-financial performance measures.

Te tātaritanga

Analysis

5. **Attachment 1** summarises Greater Wellington's activities during the first quarter of 2020/21.

6. We report against 63 non-financial performance measures that are outlined in the 2018-28 Long Term Plan.
7. Wellington Water Limited reports on our 19 Water Supply measures. To date, we have not received its first quarter results so this report only looks at the other 44 measures we deliver.

Ngā hua ahumoni
Financial implications

8. There are no financial implications arising from this report.

Ngā tikanga whakatau
Decision-making process

9. The matter requiring decision in this report was considered by officers against the decision-making requirements of Part 6 of the Local Government Act 2002.

Te hiranga
Significance

10. Officers considered the significance (as defined by Part 6 of the Local Government Act 2002) of the matter for decision, taking into account Council's *Significance and Engagement Policy* and Greater Wellington's *Decision-making Guidelines*.
11. Officers recommend that this matter is of low significance as it will not impact on the Wellington Region or have particular community interest; is consistent with Greater Wellington's policies and strategies; and does not impact on Greater Wellington's capability or capacity.

Te whakatūtakitaki
Engagement

12. Due to the low significance of the matter for decision, no engagement was considered necessary.

Ngā tūāoma e whai ake nei
Next steps

13. No further action is required.

Ngā āpitihanga
Attachment

Number	Title
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<p style="text-align: center;">He whakarāpopoto i ngā huritaonga Summary of considerations</p>
<p><i>Fit with Council's roles or with Committee's terms of reference</i></p> <p>One of Council's key governance functions is to review the effectiveness of Greater Wellington's performance. It is also important for public transparency that this review occurs at a Council meeting.</p>
<p><i>Implications for Māori</i></p> <p>The relevant impacts for Māori are addressed in Attachment 1.</p>
<p><i>Contribution to Annual Plan / Long Term Plan / Other key strategies and policies</i></p> <p>Attachment 1 reports on how Greater Wellington is achieving against the expected results for Year Three of its 2018-28 Long Term Plan (the 2020/21 Annual Plan).</p>
<p><i>Internal consultation</i></p> <p>All business groups and the Executive Leadership Team were consulted in the preparation of Attachment 1. The report was also reviewed by the Chief Executive.</p>
<p><i>Risks and impacts - legal / health and safety etc.</i></p> <p>The nature and management of relevant risks is covered in Attachment 1.</p>

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Greater Wellington's performance for the first quarter (1 July 2020 – 30 September 2020) of the 2020/21 financial year was encouraging given the disruptions experienced from the ongoing impacts of the COVID-19 Alert Level restrictions. We have adjusted the delivery of our activities to reflect the new environment and worked around any obstacles.

We made substantial progress with our work programme. We refreshed and launched the Wairarapa Moana Wetlands Project website; collaborated with the Ministry for Social Development and the Department of Conservation to deliver the Whāngai Repo conservation work experience programme in Wairarapa; and supported the Te Awarua-o-Porirua Whaitua Implementation Plan with the Plimmerton Farm Plan change submission to Porirua City Council and the Independent Hearing Panel. Priority was given to pest management activities that were affected by the COVID-19 Alert Level restrictions; and in our environmental protection work, one environmental enforcement prosecution case was partly concluded with six cases still in progress. Flood protection and control works re-focussed on community engagement to deliver community aspirations for flood resilience across the region.

Metlink Public Transport operated through changing COVID-19 Alert Level restrictions, working closely with central government to introduce the use of QR codes on public transport. Bus driver rosters were made fully compliant with the Employment Relations Amendment Act and the Transport Committee agreed to the provision of advertising on bus windows. Looking ahead, uncertainty remains with Waka Kotahi/NZ Transport Agency revenue from January 2021. Encouragingly though, at Alert Level 1 public transport patronage is at approximately 80-85% of levels from the equivalent period in 2019.

We made notable progress on our strategic plans including commencing consultation on the draft Parks Network Plan and advancement of the Regional Land Transport and Wellington Regional Public Transport Plans. Work on the 2021-31 Long Term Plan was spearheaded with a successful early community engagement survey attracting over 1,000 responses, development of the draft Long Term Plan budget, and completion of Asset Management Plans. We also contributed to development of the final stages of the Wellington Regional Growth Framework.

Work with our mana whenua partners included the launch of *Te Matarau a Māui: Collaborative Pathways to Prosperous Māori Economic Futures* (regional Māori economic development strategy). Hui were held with mana whenua to discuss the 2021-31 Long Term Plan to understand what the priorities are for mana whenua over the next 3-10 years. We continued to build capability within Greater Wellington with Te Tiriti o Waitangi training now embedded into the organisation.

Support for climate change initiatives included launching the Low Carbon Acceleration Fund (LCAF) and approving funding for restoration planting in current grazing areas at Queen Elizabeth Park and Kaitoke Regional Park. Discussions progressed with Council on what our carbon reduction pathway may look like and a preferred way forward for the inclusion of our response to climate change in the development and consultation of the 2021-31 Long Term Plan.

For our non-financial performance, we report against 63 performance measures outlined in the 2018-28 Long Term Plan. Wellington Water Limited (WW) reports against 19 Water Supply of these measures. We did not receive WW's first quarter results and therefore this report reports on 44 performance measures.

Of the 44 non-financial performance measures, 50 percent (22 measures) were achieved or are on track to achieve by financial year-end, with 14 percent being not achieved or off track, representing six performance measures. Five of these are from Metlink Public Transport Group and the results are very close to their targets, e.g. bus reliability was 99.3 percent against a target of 99.5 percent and rail reliability was 98.3 percent against a target of 99.5 percent. Fourteen measures (32 percent) were not measured because they are only measured six-monthly or annually at the end of the financial year.

Our financial position as at 30 September 2020 is \$1.2 million higher than projected.








Progress of our major projects (as outlined in Appendix 1) is slow with the majority of our projects delayed or at risk of not being achieved as at 30 September 2020. However in some cases, such as for the 2021-31 Long Term Plan, the project is now back on track to achieve due to completion of certain milestones.

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KEY METRICS – THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

For the three months to 30 September 2020

  Organisational Excellence  																
Compliance with statutory requirements under the Local Government Act Outcome: Our organisation fulfils its obligations fully and with passion to deliver value for money to its communities.	 Measure: Approval of the Long Term Plan within statutory timeframes.	2020/21 TARGET: Long Term Plan is approved by 30 June 2021.	YTD STATUS: On Track.													
	Measure: Council receives sufficient financial information to allow good governance.	2020/21 TARGET: The format and content of financial reports are approved by FRAC in the first quarter of 2020/21.	YTD STATUS: On Track.													
Improved perception and understanding of Greater Wellington's relevance by the community Outcome: Our communities trust Greater Wellington to focus on the right issues and deliver value for money.	Measure: Community perception of trust, leadership, fairness, and social responsibility, as measured by the Colmar Brunton Brand Tracker.	2020/21 TARGET: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improvement in the overall Greater Wellington reputation score (from 89 to 90) Improvement in the overall Metlink reputation score (from 84 to 85) 	YTD STATUS: Not Measured Measured in April 2021													
	 Measure: Improvement in community awareness of Greater Wellington's functions, as measured by the Colmar Brunton Brand Tracker.	2020/21 TARGET: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improvement in Greater Wellington social responsibility score (from 91 to 92) Improvement in Greater Wellington's trust score (from 86 to 87) 	YTD STATUS: Not Measured Measured in April 2021													
	Measure: Community perception of trust, leadership, fairness, and social responsibility, as measured by the Colmar Brunton Brand Tracker.	2020/21 TARGET: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10-15% increase in followers on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. 	YTD STATUS: On Track <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>% Growth</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>• Metlink Facebook</td> <td>13%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>• Metlink Twitter</td> <td>1%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>• GW Facebook</td> <td>11%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>• GW Twitter</td> <td>1%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>• GW Instagram</td> <td>4%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>• Total</td> <td>6%.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		% Growth	• Metlink Facebook	13%	• Metlink Twitter	1%	• GW Facebook	11%	• GW Twitter	1%	• GW Instagram	4%	• Total
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• Total	6%.															
Effective project management* Outcome: Our work delivers value for money through professional project management of our key activities.	 Measure: Percentage of major projects with an overall "green" rating (on track in terms of schedule, budget, managing risks and issues, health and safety, stakeholders, and resources).	2020/21 TARGET: 70% The status of each project will be reported in addition to the overall percentage.	YTD STATUS: At Risk. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> RiverLink LGWM Project NEXT Plan Change One –pNRP Port Future Optimus GWRC Accommodation – Cuba Street and Masterton 													

*Note: the projects themselves address a range of strategic priorities.

 Achieved / On Track	 Partially Met / At Risk	 Not Achieved / Off Track
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Effective Leadership

Outcome:

Our leaders help their people deliver high-quality work in a supportive and creative GWRC culture.

Measure: Assessment of the Chief Executive's Employment Review Committee based on:

- P4P practice survey
- observed behaviours
- sector leadership
- regional leadership, including water resilience
- Responsiveness and accessibility to Councillors.

2020/21 TARGET:

As assessed by the Chair and the Chief Executive's Employment Review Committee.

YTD STATUS: Not measured

This is measured at mid-year and full-year.

Improved wellbeing and health and safety

Outcome:

Our people return home each day in the same or better state than they started the day.



Measure: Lost-Time Injury Frequency Rate (number of incidents per 100K hours worked).

2020/21 TARGET:

0.9

YTD STATUS: On Track

0.76

Engaged Staff

Outcome:

Our people feel valued and engaged in the Greater Wellington's purpose, resulting in a productive Greater Wellington Regional Council.



Measure: Gallup overall employee engagement index.

2020/21 TARGET:

4.1 out of 5

YTD STATUS: On Track

Action planning occurring.

Diversity and gender equity within Greater Wellington

Outcome:

Our workforce represents the communities we work for, resulting in greater diversity of thought and improved outcomes for Greater Wellington.



Measure: Leadership at Greater Wellington increasingly reflects the region's gender, bicultural, ethnic, and cultural diversity make-up.




2020/21 TARGET:

- A Diversity and Inclusion Committee is established – implementing initiatives aligned with the Greater Wellington's Diversity and Inclusion Strategy.
- Progress is made towards ELT having a gender balance by 2025/26.
- A gender pay equity review undertaken, and recommendations addressing its findings are developed.

YTD STATUS: On Track

Diversity and inclusion committee first meeting occurred.

Recruitment of GM Corporate Services represents progress towards ELT having a gender balance.

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Regional Resilience

Climate Change

Outcome:

Greater Wellington reduces greenhouse gas emissions across all its areas of influence, including its own and subsidiary operations.



In collaboration with partners, Greater Wellington implements programmes for adaptation to the regional impacts of climate change.

Measure: Plans are in place for Council to reduce emissions to meet its 2030 carbon neutrality goal, and these plans are evident in the 2021-2031 Long Term Plan.

2020/21 TARGET:

Develop and adopt carbon reduction tools, including an organisational carbon policy and revised climate change consideration guide, carbon budgets, and reduction pathways to 2030.

YTD STATUS:

On Track.



Freshwater Quality and Biodiversity



Improved or maintained quality of freshwater

Outcome:

Our communities enjoy access to water and waterways that enhance their quality of life: now and into the future.



Measure: Deposited fine sediment.

2020/21 TARGET:

Deposited fine sediment is improved or maintained at each site for at least ten of the 12 months.

YTD STATUS: On Track. Fine sediment cover maintained at all four assessment sites.

Measure: Progress with the implementation of the recommendations of the Ruamahanga and Te-Awarua-o-Porirua Whaitua

2020/21 TARGET:

Notify changes to the proposed Natural Resources Plan (pNRP) to implement the statutory recommendations from the Ruamahanga and Te Awarua-o-Porirua Whaitua Implementation Plans and Ngati Toa Rangatira Statement.

YTD STATUS: At Risk. Additional funding provided to progress plan changes. Plan changes will now be in 2022 and 2024.

Measure: Implementation of the Regional Pest Management Strategy.

2020/21 TARGET:

Implementation of the Regional Pest Management Strategy.

YTD STATUS: On Track.

Measure: Implementation of the biodiversity strategy.

2020/21 TARGET:

- Deliver 95% of activities planned for the Key Native Ecosystem programme for 2020/21 (excluding activities reported under the Regional Pest Management Plan).
- Develop ten new Wetland Restoration Management Plans with landowners

YTD STATUS: On Track.



Water Supply



Maintained quality of potable water

Outcome:




Our communities enjoy safe drinking water.

Measure: Zero contamination of drinking water from the tap.

2020/21 TARGET:

Zero contamination of drinking water from the tap within the metropolitan Wellington region.


YTD STATUS: Not Reported.

 <p>Achieved / On Track</p>	 <p>Partially Met / At Risk</p>	 <p>Not Achieved / Off Track</p>
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 **Public Transport** 

		Measure: Bus: Percentage of services on-time at origin.	2020/21 TARGET: 95%	YTD STATUS: On Track 95.8%
<p>High quality public transport services</p> <p>Outcome: Our communities use and recommend public transport because it is affordable, efficient and safe.</p>		Measure: Rail: percentage of services on time at key interchange stations and final destination.	2020/21 TARGET: • 95% (Kapiti, Hutt, Johnsonville) • 80% (Wairarapa).	YTD STATUS: Off Track • 91.9% • 54.8% Work on the Wairarapa Line affected punctuality on the Hutt line.
		Measure: Customer satisfaction for overall trip.	2020/21 TARGET: >90%	YTD STATUS: Not Measured Annual Measure reported in June 2021

Implementation of Strategic Transport Priorities 2019-2020

<p>Outcome: Contributing to the regional target of a 30% reduction in transport-generated carbon emissions by 2030</p>		Measure: Acceleration of decarbonisation of the public transport vehicle fleet to achieve corporate target of zero net carbon emissions by 2030.	2020/21 TARGET: Acceleration of decarbonisation of the public transport vehicle fleet to achieve corporate target of zero net carbon emissions by 2030.	YTD STATUS: On Track.
<p>Outcome: Contributing to the regional target of a 40% increase in the regional mode share for public transport and active modes by 2030</p>		Measure: Proactively marketing off-peak and inter-peak bus services to increase off-peak patronage to 50% of all patronage by 2022 (from 47% in 2018/19).	2020/21 TARGET: Increase off-peak Bus patronage to 49% of all patronage by June 2021	YTD STATUS: Off Track Bus 44.2% / All Modes 40.4% Under Government alert levels we are not yet seeing established boarding patterns this year.
<p>Outcome: Lower North Island Regional Rail project on track.</p>		Measure: Lower North Island Regional Rail project on track.	2020/21 TARGET: Confirmed specifications for procurement and delivery plan by June 2021.	YTD STATUS: At Risk The set up and obtaining common understanding across the multiparty governance arrangements required for the project, has taken significantly longer than initially expected. It is expected that a contract will be signed prior to Christmas 2020.

 Achieved / On Track	 Partially Met / At Risk	 Not Achieved / Off Track
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ACTIVITY GROUP SUMMARIES

Summary of Performance by activity group for the period 1 July 2020 – 30 September 2020

How to read this section:

For each Activity Group we report:

1. A high-level summary of the quarter's performance related to the activity group
2. A few activity highlights from the quarter
3. Status of Long Term Plan Non-Financial measures related to the activity group

We divide our core business into six activity groups as follows:



Te Taiao | Environment



Ngā Papa Whenua | Regional Parks and Forests



Ngā Puna Wai | Water Supply



Te Tiaki me te Arahi Waipuke | Flood Protection and Control Works



Ngā Waka Tūmatanui | Metlink Public Transport



Ngā Kaihautū | Regional Leadership

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TE TAIAO | ENVIRONMENT



This Activity Group contributes to the following Priority Areas:

- Freshwater Quality and Biodiversity

The Environment Group includes the following activities:

- Resource management
- Biodiversity management
- Land management
- Pest management
- Harbour management

Summary of Quarter One

We gave priority to recovery operations early in the quarter, particularly to pest management activities which had been delayed due to the COVID-19 Alert Level 4 lockdown. This was also a busy quarter for Land Management with soil erosion (through Hill Country Erosion funding from Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI)) and riparian management activities at their peak.

Work to improve iwi capacity and involvement continued with Land Management reaching an agreement in principle, to channel One Billion Trees funding from MPI to Ngāti Kahungunu ki Wairarapa and Rangitāne o Wairarapa. This funding will enable iwi participation in programme steering, operational delivery through mātauranga Māori perspective and addressing succession issues.

We advanced mahi with iwi to better partner in our freshwater science monitoring, both in exploring ways to widen our use of summer students for monitoring and to encourage kaitiaki to apply for roles. A project has emerged from Taranaki Whānui with a pilot Kaitiaki monitoring plan for Parangarahu Lakes.

We applied considerable effort to COVID-19 recovery funding opportunities particularly Jobs for Nature funding through the Ministry for the Environment. Two applications were approved (Wairarapa Moana wetland enhancement and Upper Ruamahanga riparian management) totalling \$6 million over five years.

Implementation of Te Awarua-o-Porirua Whaitua regulatory aspirations has been advanced through Greater Wellington's Plimmerton Farm Plan change submission submitted to Porirua City Council and the Independent Hearing Panel – strongly supporting water sensitive design and a variety of urban form while protecting the Taupō Swamp wetland complex. Hearings were held in October 2020 and decisions are pending.

Highlights from Quarter One

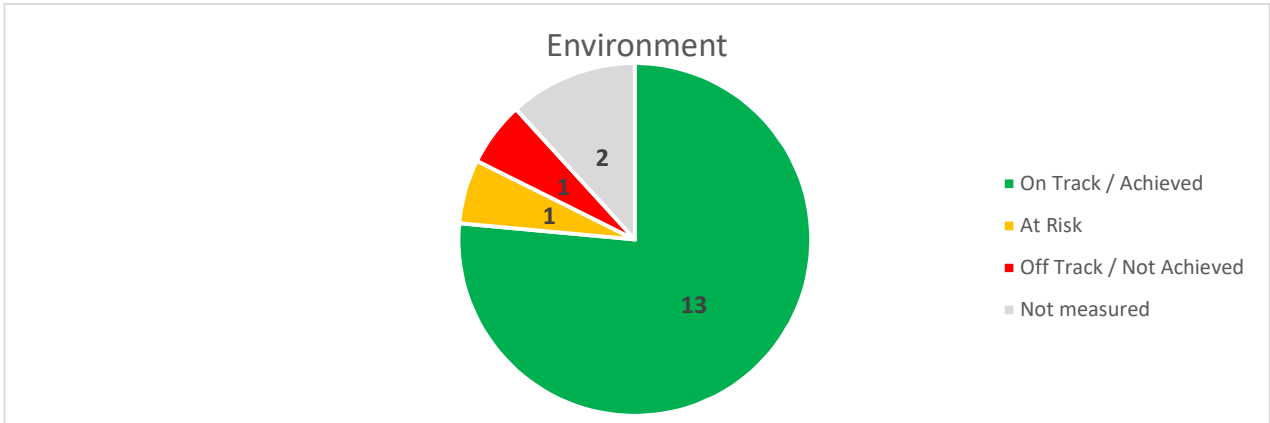
- Biodiversity staff worked with Ministry for Social Development and the Department of Conservation to deliver the Whāngai Repo programme – a nationally unique nine-week conservation work experience for unemployed in Wairarapa. There were ten participants in the work programme which focused around Wairarapa Moana.
- We completed 27,000 hectares of possum control and 500 hectares of mustelid control as part of the Regional Predator Control Programme.
- The costing and planning of phase two of the Predator Free Wellington Project was completed. This will encompass Mount Victoria, Newtown, Berhampore, Kilbirnie, Lyall Bay, Rongotai, Houghton Bay, Island Bay, Hāitaitai, and Owhiro Bay. Predator Free Wellington received a considerable boost in funding (\$7 million over four years) from Predator Free 250 Limited.
- Significant enforcement activity this quarter with one Prosecution Case partly concluded (this resulted in fines of \$60k for the companies) and six Prosecution Cases still in progress. We also laid charges against a company for discharging a hydrocarbon to Wellington Harbour.
- First involvement of mana whenua in our formal enforcement decision group (EDG), with representatives from Ngāti Toa involved in an investigation of illegal stream works near Takupuwahia Marae driving a restitution outcome.
- The proposed Harbour Navigation and Safety Bylaws were approved for public consultation.

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NGĀ PAPA WHENUA | REGIONAL PARKS AND FORESTS



This Activity Group contributes to the following Priority Areas:

- Freshwater Quality and Biodiversity

The Environment Group includes the following activities:

- Parks planning
- Visitor services

Summary of Quarter One

The effects of the COVID-19 Alert Level restrictions are still being felt in our Regional Parks and Forests programme both in delays in efforts brought about by volunteers to assist planting events, and in the progression of our capital works programme.

Quarter One reflects a period of considerable input to the Parks Network Planning process to aid the finalisation of the draft Plan and assist our collective responses to submissions received from the community.

Meanwhile, grazing retirement is front of mind for Greater Wellington. We have identified the need for a Parks Network Land Retirement Plan to enable us to strategically and practically transition land to retirement (e.g. maximum land area to manage annually) and extend grazing licences where necessary.

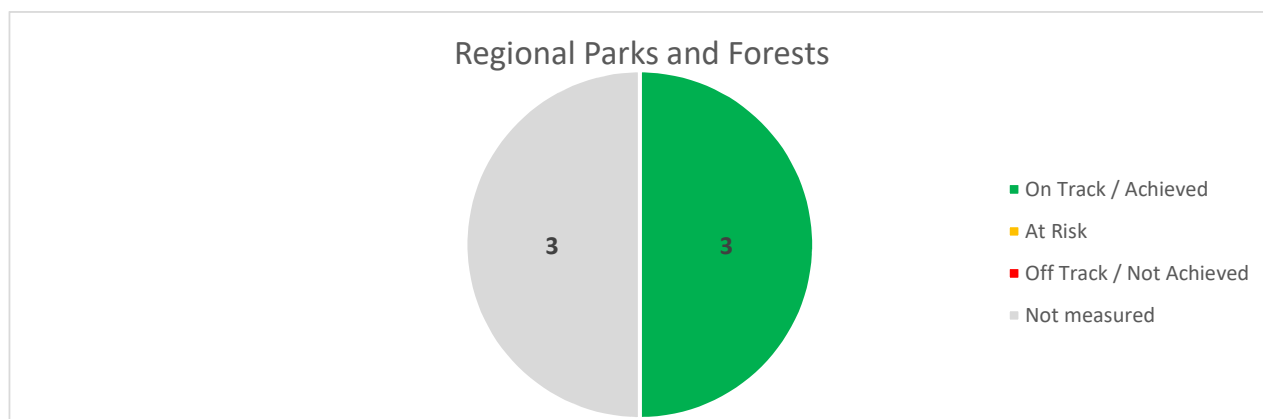
We also continue work towards the implementation of our radio communications network upgrade to support the safety and wellbeing of remote/lone workers to facilitate Greater Wellington's operational mobility needs.

Highlights from Quarter One

- Funding from the Low Carbon Acceleration Fund (LCAF) was approved for restoration planting in currently grazed areas at Queen Elizabeth Park and Kaitoke Regional Park. Planning is underway to carry out the work.
- Work to produce the successful LCAF application, the first for Greater Wellington, embodied significant coordination across the Organisation to bring it together.

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NGĀ PUNA WAI | WATER SUPPLY



This Activity Group contributes to the following Priority Areas:

- Water Supply
- Regional Resilience

Greater Wellington is responsible for collecting, treating and distributing safe and healthy drinking water to Wellington, Hutt, Upper Hutt and Porirua cities. This work is carried out by Wellington Water Limited, a jointly owned council controlled organisation.

Summary of Quarter One

No information has been provided for this section.

Highlights from Quarter One

No information has been provided for this section.

Long Term Plan Non-Financial Performance Measures, status as at 30 September 2020

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Wellington Water Limited report on our 19 Water Supply measures. To date we have not received their first quarter results.

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TE TIAKI ME TE ARAHI WAIPUKE | FLOOD PROTECTION AND CONTROL WORKS



This Activity Group contributes to the following Priority Areas:

- Regional Resilience
- Freshwater Quality and Biodiversity

The Flood Protection and Control Works Group includes the following activities:

- Understanding flood risk
- Maintaining flood protection and control works
- Improving flood security

Summary of Quarter One

RiverLink remained a key focus with Waka Kotahi/NZ Transport Agency, Hutt City Council and Greater Wellington, working collectively on the design integration, in preparation for consent lodgement in 2021. Programme risk increased with issues emerging from the integration of bridges, and transport network and flood infrastructure processes that will affect the consenting timeframe, timeline and implementation of the programme. The three agencies remain committed to delivering an integrated package.

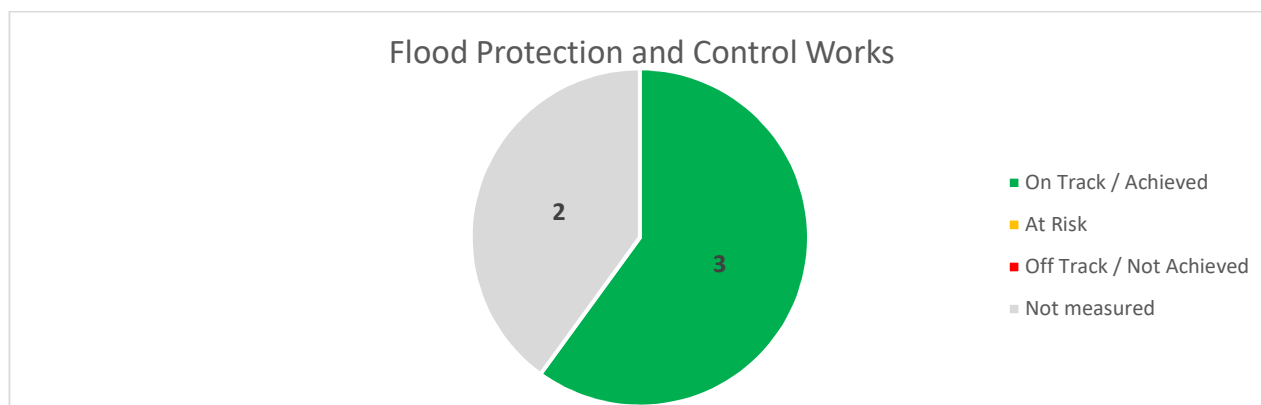
We applied considerable effort to COVID-19 recovery funding opportunities, particularly Shovel Ready funding with Provincial Development Unit | Ministry of Business, Innovation & Employment. Applications totalling \$10.7 million over two years were approved, covering projects in the Te Awa Kairangi/Hutt River and Upper Ruamahanga (Te Kauru Floodplain Management Plan). Greater Wellington funding is required to be brought forward to provide the regional share. This boost in funding will provide significant flood resilience and financial benefits.

Highlights from Quarter One

- The river management consent for Te Awa Kairangi/Hutt River was granted with a 35-year term.
- The strong focus on community engagement to deliver community aspirations for flood resilience continued across the region, including with the Waiohine Action Group, the Mangatarere Restoration Group, the Waipoua Action Group and the Friends of Ōtaki and Waikanae Rivers. Iwi remain committed to engagement across all these catchments.
- The programme to renew flood response procedures, raise flood awareness and improve warning capability continued to be progressed across the region:
 - The Flood Awareness project commenced with two workshops, held with the Wellington Regional Emergency Management Office (WREMO), to identify key messages and channels.
 - The Flood Warning project was completed.
 - At the end of Quarter One, the Road testing workshop for the Flood Response Procedures was completed. This was a major milestone in testing the updated procedures with key duty officers.

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NGĀ WAKA TŪMATANUI | METLINK PUBLIC TRANSPORT



This Activity Group contributes to the following Priority Areas:

- Public Transport

The Metlink Public Transport Group includes the following activities:

- Metlink network planning and operations (an integrated and accessible network)
- Bus and ferry operations (frequent, reliable bus and ferry services)
- Rail operations (a high capacity rail system)

Summary of Quarter One

COVID-19 continued to dominate public transport. During this quarter, Metlink undertook a significant amount of work to ensure the provision of public transport as an essential service in a way that responded to Government directives, customer needs, and the safety of passengers and Metlink staff. It has been pleasing to see collaboration between the wider Metlink team (Metlink officers, operators, workers Unions) to support the Government requirements for Public Transport in the fight against COVID-19.

We worked closely with the Government to introduce the use of QR codes on public transport; this was of particular importance for rail, which before the installation of QR codes on 12 August 2020, did not have an effective mechanism for contact tracing.

We also developed proactive messaging campaigns to ensure people were, and continue to be, making the right choices when it comes to health, safety and wellbeing. This included guidance on the train network for how people could adhere to physical distancing and mask wearing requirements (note that masks were mandatory on public transport from 31 August to 22 September 2020 and physical distancing requirements were removed from 14 September 2020).

Highlights from Quarter One

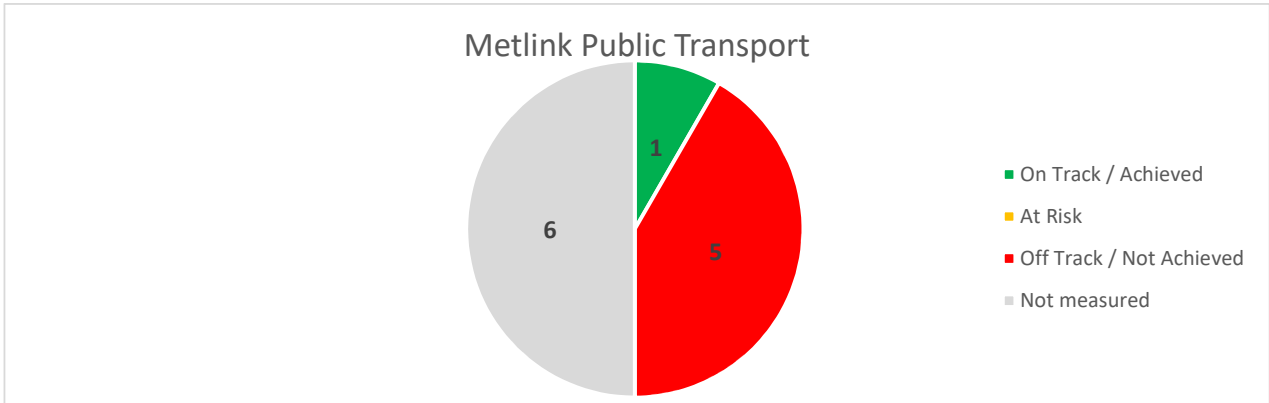
- The Transport Committee agreed to an approach for progressively strengthening the resilience of fare payment on the Metlink public transport network, supporting preparedness for future adoption of the National Ticketing Solution. The approach involves the application of a set of principles to guide Metlink initiatives to reduce on board cash fare payment, and increase the use of 'contactless' fare payment.
- The outcomes of the Bus Network Post Implementation Review – next steps programme in the rest of the Wellington Region (excluding Wellington City) were completed and presented to the Transport Committee. Metlink will consider the recommendations of the Review as part of both the review of the Regional Public Transport Plan and the ongoing programme of work to improve customer experience from both a network design and operational perspective.
- In order to progress Employment Relations Amendment Act operator compliance, Metlink continued to provide regional leadership to operators and unions while liaising with Waka Kotahi/NZ Transport Agency to ensure a consistent national approach to the legislation. This work resulted in NZ Bus, Mana and Uzabus all launching driver rosters that were fully compliant with the Employment Relations Amendment Act during this quarter. Tranzurban are due to launch their driver rosters on 25 October.
- Two tier bicycle facilities have been installed at Woburn, Redwood, Tawa, Carterton and Paekākāriki stations ahead of October's Kia Eke Paihikara Tātou Greater Welly Bike Fest.
- Wallaceville Station refurbishment and seismic strengthening has now been completed.

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NGĀ KAIHAUTŪ O TE ROHE | REGIONAL LEADERSHIP



This Activity Group contributes to the following Priority Areas:

- Water Supply
- Public Transport
- Regional Resilience
- Fresh Water Quality and Biodiversity

The Regional Leadership Group includes the following activities:

- Wellington Regional Strategy
- Democratic Services
- Regional Transport Planning and Programmes
- Emergency management
- Relationships with Māori and mana whenua
- Regional initiatives

Summary of Quarter One

Notable progress was made on a range of significant regional plans. The Wellington Region collectively progressed the development of the Wellington Regional Growth Framework, getting this to a final draft stage. The strategic front-end of the Regional Land Transport Plan was endorsed by the Regional Transport Committee and socialised with each of the Wellington Region's Approved Organisations. We made significant progress on the development of the 2021-31 Long Term Plan, with a business initiatives and budget prioritisation process undertaken with all activity groups across Greater Wellington, the completion of the Asset Management Plans and the completion of the Long Term Plan Early Engagement Survey. The draft Parks Network Plan was completed and public consultation commenced.

Greater Wellington continued to make progress with the implementation of its carbon reduction programme. Funding was approved from the Low Carbon Acceleration Fund for two projects, comprising retirement of large areas of grazing land and restoration at Queen Elizabeth Park and Kaitoke Regional Park. Council workshopped the carbon reduction pathways for the organisation and identified a preferred pathway for further development and consultation as part of the Long Term Plan.

We continued to build capability within Greater Wellington with Te Tiriti o Waitangi training now embedded in the organisation and the first course delivered to staff during this quarter. We also have a key group of staff from across the organisation engaged in designing training with an external provider to build knowledge and understanding of Mātauranga Māori.

Highlights from Quarter One

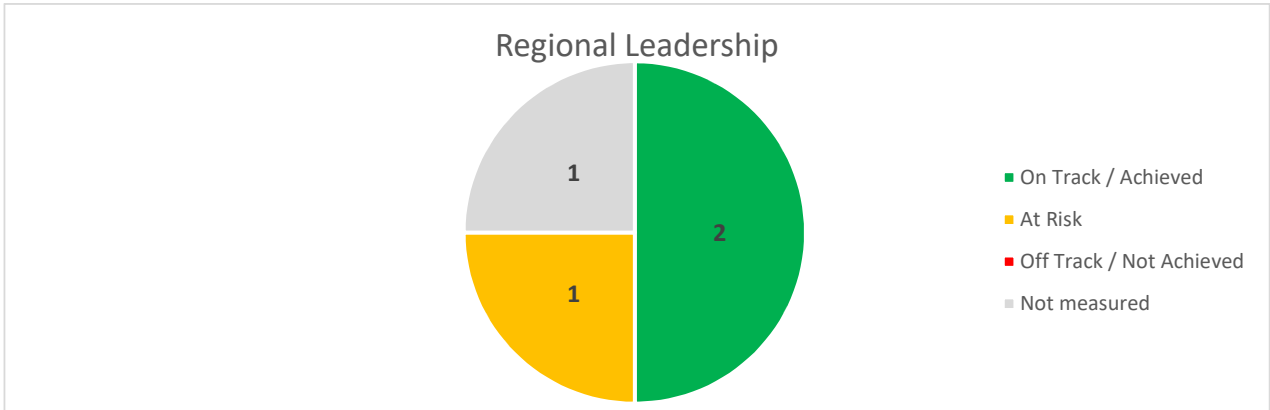
- Te Tiriti o Waitangi training is now embedded in the organisation with the first course delivered to staff during the quarter. In addition, a key group of staff from across the organisation is engaged in designing training with an external provider to build knowledge and understanding of Mātauranga Māori.
- Planning is underway with Ngā Hapū ō Ōtaki to build an Integrated Catchment Management approach in the Ōtaki rohe.
- The 2021-31 Long Term Plan Early Engagement Survey received 1,082 responses and results indicated strong support for Greater Wellington's proposed priority areas for the next ten years.
- Substantial progress was made on the development of the Regional Land Transport Plan with prioritisation methodology and policies developed and agreed by the Regional Transport Committee and the high-level strategic themes workshopped with the territorial authorities. Joint collection by Greater Wellington and Waka Kotahi/NZ Transport Agency of activities for the continuous, low-cost, low-risk and improvement programmes began.
- We rolled out a carbon policy and new climate change consideration guide for Greater Wellington staff, and provided secretariat support to the Regional Climate Change Working Group.
- Council confirmed that no Māori constituency would be created for the 2022 triennial elections constituency, on the advice of our mana whenua partners.
- Council appointed an independent Chair of the Finance, Risk and Assurance Committee.

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HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELLBEING

Everyone, every day – home, safe and well

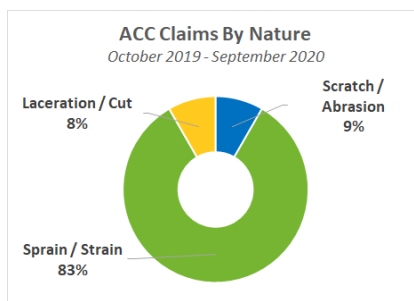
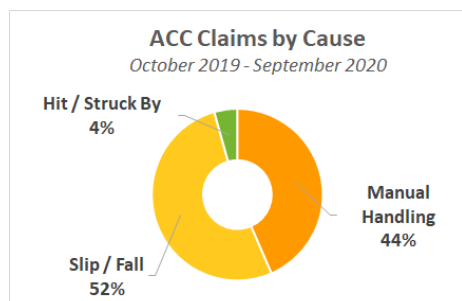
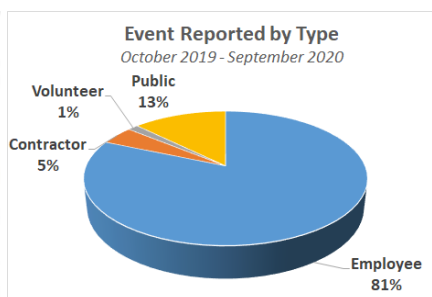
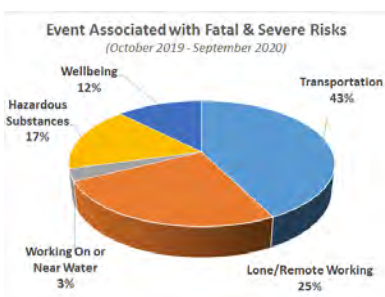
New and emerging trends in Quarter One

- Ongoing discovery of ordinances in Queen Elizabeth Park, requiring bomb squad intervention
- Abusive and threatening interaction by landowners in response to bait traps on private land and public in Parks towards Greater Wellington staff and contractors
- Slips and falls during seasonal planting resulting in strains and sprains and increased ACC claims
- Low speed collisions involving Greater Wellington vehicles, usually hitting stationary objects

Progress against Fatal and Severe Risk (FSR) work streams in quarter three

FSR	Residual	Target	Activity	Progress
Transportation and driving	High	Med	Driving for Greater Wellington standard and guidelines developed and approved by Executive Leadership Team	On track
Lone and remote working	High	Med	Radio control network physical works and crossfire function complete and training in use underway. Lone and remote working standards and controls in final review	On track
Mental health and wellbeing	Med	Low	Sensitive reporting tool in KESAW developed and approved by Executive Leadership Team pending privacy review	On track

Event reporting



	Last 12 months
New claims	23
New Lost time claims	5
Total days lost	75

Wellbeing Activity

- Focus on supporting our people to work safely and well as they move to Cuba Street and new agile working arrangements, including developing workstation set up video resource specific to the Europlan desks and B-Lite chairs and other Health, Safety and Wellbeing training and induction resources.
- Mental Health Awareness Week promotions in September 2020.

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GREATER WELLINGTON REGIONAL COUNCIL'S FINANCIAL POSITION

For the three months ended 30 September 2020

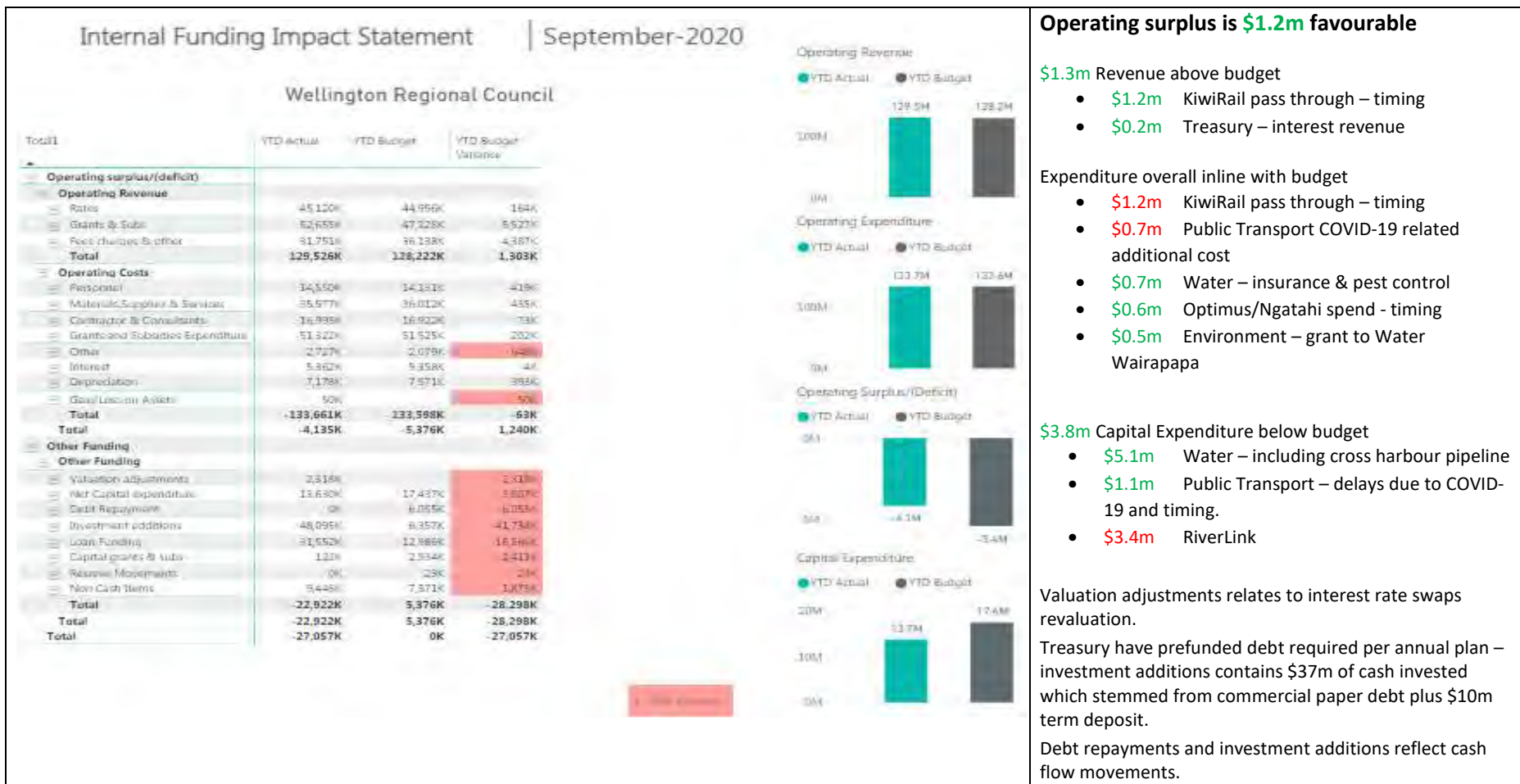
The following five pages provide an update on the financial position of Greater Wellington Regional Council:

1. **Funding Impact Statement** – Financial summary, Actual vs Budget year-to-date, for the three months ended 30 September 2020
2. **Revenue** – Revenue variance, Actual vs Budget year-to-date, for the three months ended 30 September 2020
3. **Operational Expenditure** – Expense variance, Actual vs Budget year-to-date, for the three months ended 30 September 2020
4. **Capital Expenditure** – Capital expenditure, Actual vs Budget year-to-date, for three months ended 30 September 2020
5. **Balance Sheet** – Balance sheet as at 30 September 2020

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FUNDING IMPACT STATEMENT, for the three months ended 30 September 2020



Operating surplus is \$1.2m favourable

\$1.3m Revenue above budget

- **\$1.2m** KiwiRail pass through – timing
- **\$0.2m** Treasury – interest revenue

Expenditure overall inline with budget

- **\$1.2m** KiwiRail pass through – timing
- **\$0.7m** Public Transport COVID-19 related additional cost
- **\$0.7m** Water – insurance & pest control
- **\$0.6m** Optimus/Ngatahi spend - timing
- **\$0.5m** Environment – grant to Water Wairapapa

\$3.8m Capital Expenditure below budget

- **\$5.1m** Water – including cross harbour pipeline
- **\$1.1m** Public Transport – delays due to COVID-19 and timing.
- **\$3.4m** RiverLink

Valuation adjustments relates to interest rate swaps revaluation.

Treasury have prefunded debt required per annual plan – investment additions contains \$37m of cash invested which stemmed from commercial paper debt plus \$10m term deposit.

Debt repayments and investment additions reflect cash flow movements.

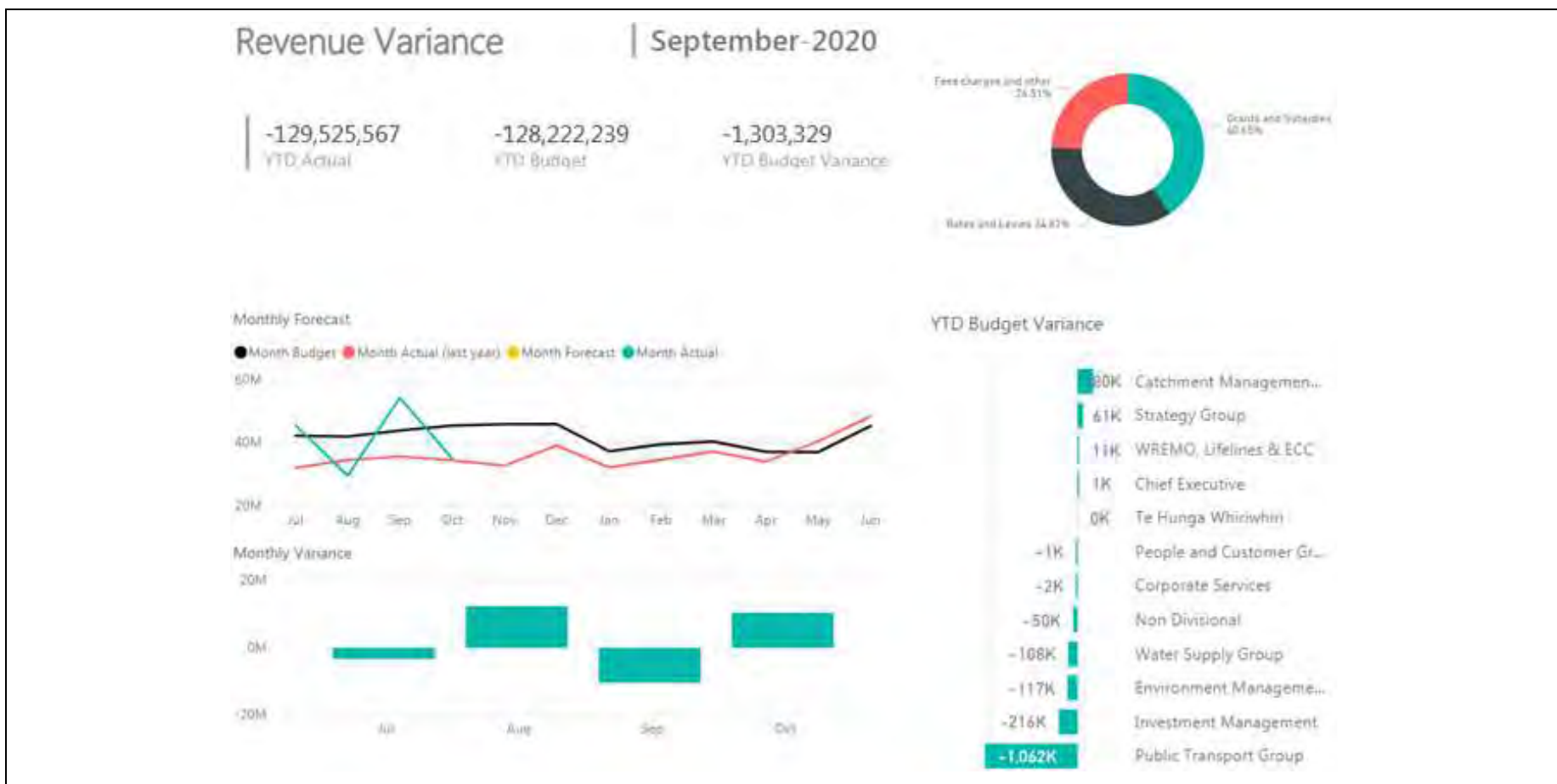
Key risks

- Waka Kotahi/NZ Transport Agency have agreed compensate the lost fare revenue due to COVID-19 and lower patronage levels until 31 December 2020.
- Fare revenue is approximate 20% lower than budgeted and we forecast this will amount to \$13m by 31 December 2020, recoverable from Waka Kotahi/NZ Transport Agency.

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REVENUE, for the three months ended 30 September 2020



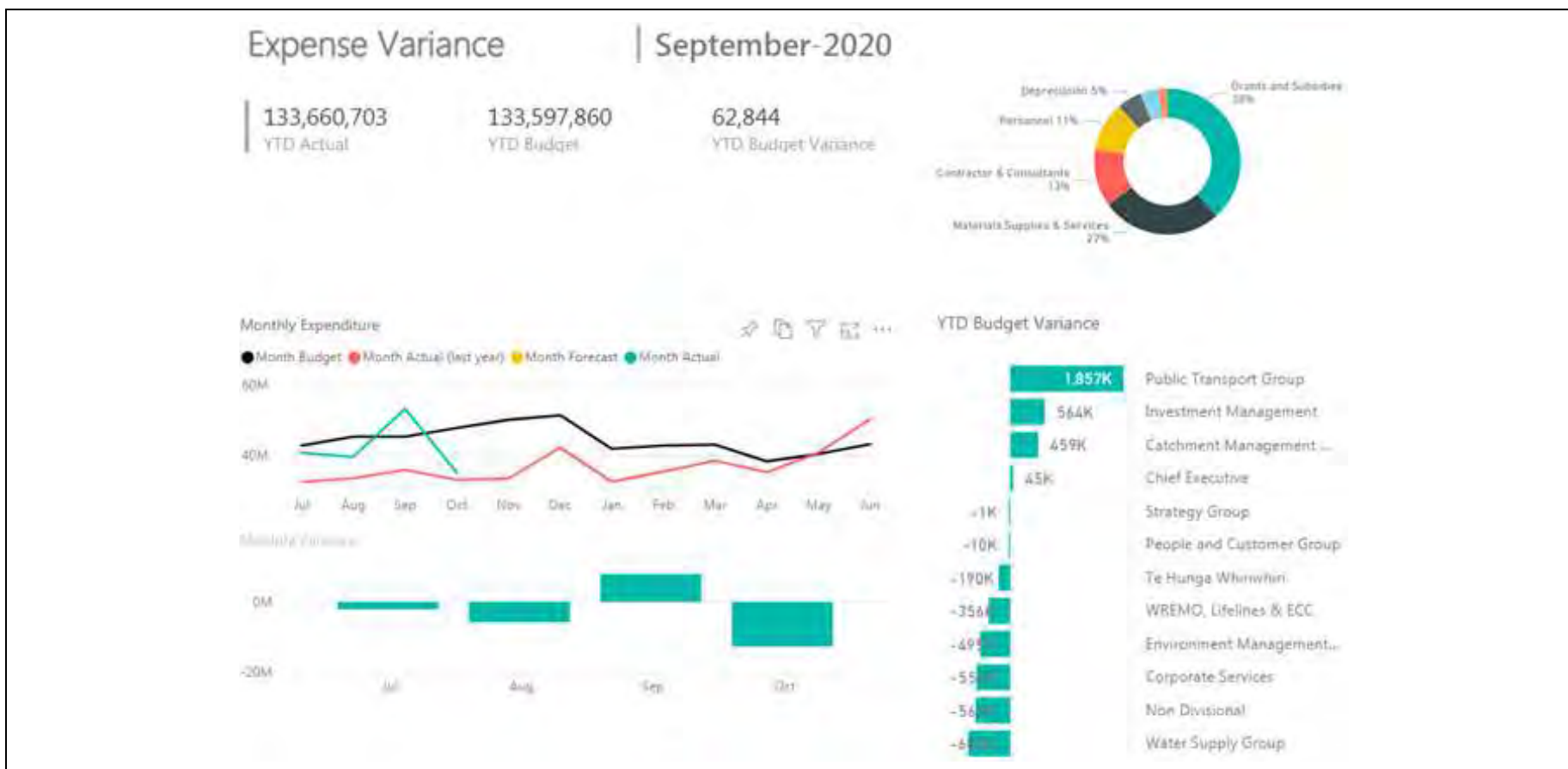
\$1.2m KiwiRail pass-through payment – fully offset in expenses.

\$0.2m Treasury – interest earned on money market and term deposits.

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OPERATIONAL EXPENDITURE, for the three months ended 30 September 2020



\$1.2m Public Transport – KiwiRail pass-through costs – fully offset in revenue

\$0.7m Public Transport – COVID-19 related additional cost for cleaning, marketing, and ambassadors (100% claimable from Waka Kotahi/NZ Transport Agency)

\$0.7m Water – timing of insurance, power and possum control programme

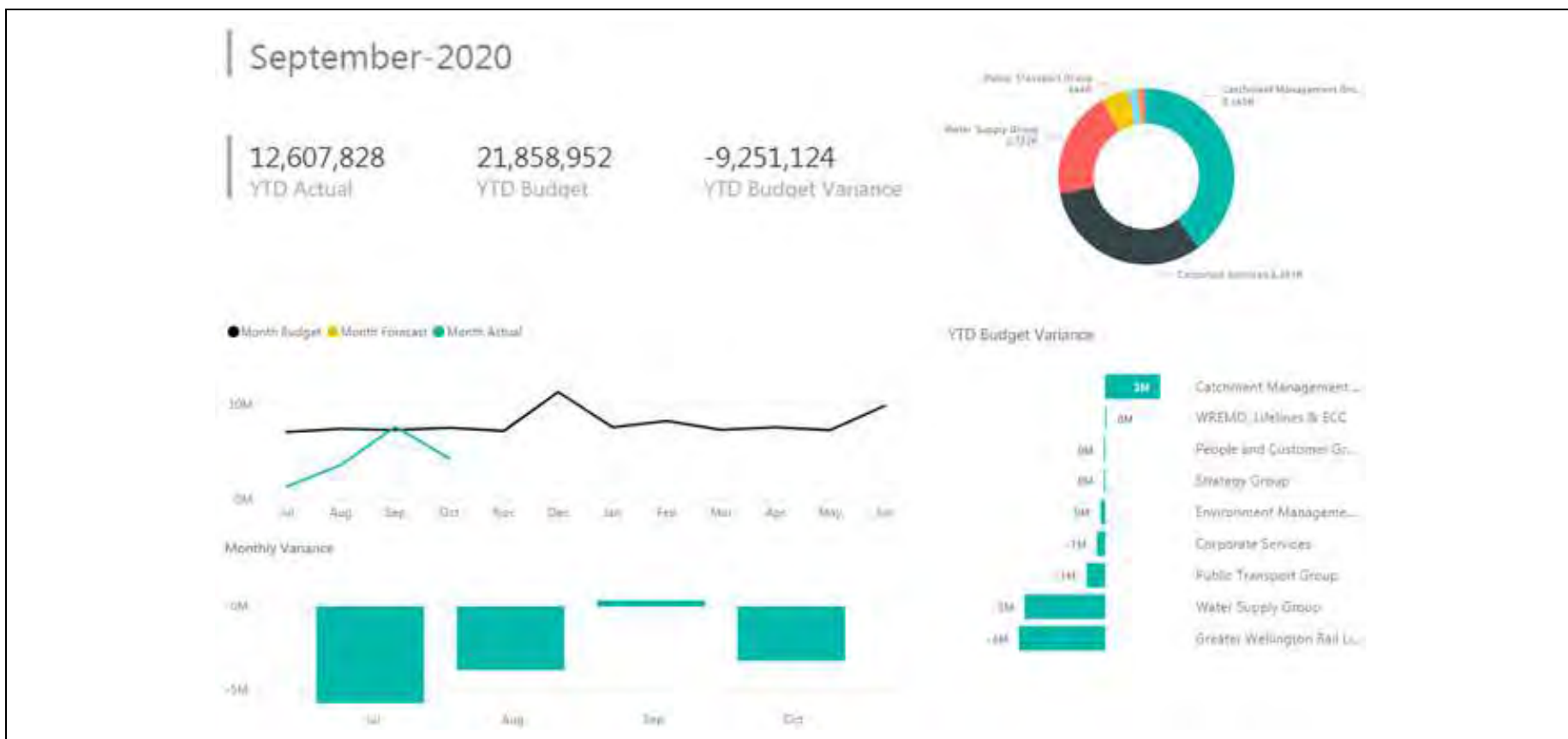
\$0.6m Corporate Services – timing of Optimus spend, expected to catch up.

\$0.5m Environment – timing of expenditure of grant to Water Wairapapa Limited and monitoring programmes.

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CAPITAL EXPENDITURE, for the three months ended 30 September 2020



\$5.1m Water Supply – timing of various capex programs including Cross Harbour Pipeline.

\$5.5m Public Transport – Greater Wellington Rail Limited – timing of rail projects and delays due to COVID-19

\$1.1m Public Transport – delays due to COVID-19 and timing of phasing.

\$0.5m Corporate Services – mainly due to timing of property spend on Cuba and Masterton.

\$3.5m Catchment – mainly RiverLink ahead of budget due to property acquisitions progressing faster than anticipated.

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BALANCE SHEET, as at 30 September 2020

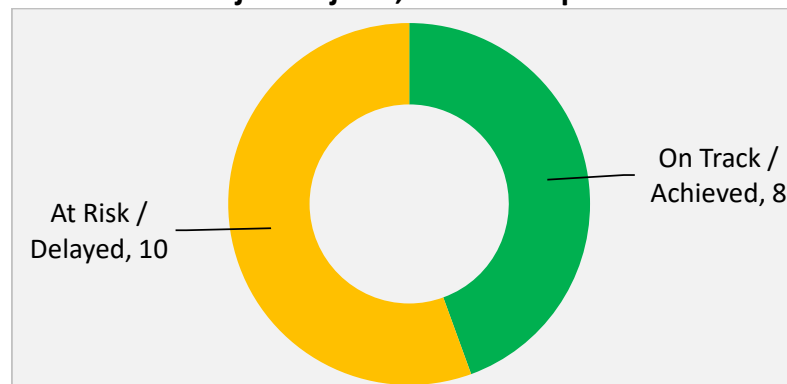
Greater Wellington Regional Council		
Statement of Financial Position		
As at 30 September 2020		
	Actual	Actual
	2021	2020
	\$'000	\$'000
ASSETS		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	7,801	9,338
Trade and other receivables	57,397	89,711
Other financial assets	130,642	83,855
Inventories	3,135	3,136
Total current assets	198,975	186,040
Non-current assets		
Other financial assets	70,439	68,981
Property, plant and equipment	1,258,241	1,251,469
Intangible assets	12,500	12,710
Investment in subsidiaries	286,145	286,295
Derivatives	1,372	1,293
Total non-current assets	1,628,697	1,620,748
Total assets	1,827,672	1,806,788
LIABILITIES		
Current liabilities		
Derivatives	779	2,165
Trade and other payables	58,855	65,884
Interest bearing liabilities	151,601	119,655
Employee benefits liabilities and provisions	5,146	4,700
Total current liabilities	216,381	192,404
Non-current liabilities		
Interest bearing liabilities	400,000	400,000
Derivatives	86,984	83,202
Employee benefits liabilities and provisions	-	152
Service concession liability	27,500	27,893
Total non-current liabilities	514,484	511,247
Total liabilities	730,865	703,651
Net assets	1,096,807	1,103,137
EQUITY		
Retained earnings	275,156	283,070
Other reserves	821,651	820,067
Total equity	1,096,807	1,103,137

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APPENDIX ONE – MAJOR PROJECTS¹

Status of Major Projects, as at 30 September 2020



Greater Wellington-only Projects

Major Project	Significant Milestones for 2020/21	What was achieved 1 July 2020 – 30 September 2020	Current Status
Project Optimus	<p>QTR 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No activity planned <p>QTR 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No activity planned <p>QTR 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Go live core Human Resources and payroll Go live enterprise budgeting <p>QTR 4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Go live core finance and enterprise asset management 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This project is just on schedule with some issues arising. We have contingency plan to push out 4 weeks and keep implementation within this financial year. We are not expecting to need to do this at this point. 	Delayed / At Risk

¹ Note: This section details the 18 Major Projects currently being delivered by Greater Wellington, while only seven of these are monitored in the Chief Executive's Key Performance Indicators (see page 4).

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Major Project	Significant Milestones for 2020/21	What was achieved 1 July 2020 – 30 September 2020	Current Status
Proposed Natural Resources Plan (pNRP) – finalisation and Implementation	<p>QTR 1 Continue Court Mediation</p> <p>QTR 2 Continue Court Mediation</p> <p>QTR 3 Continue Court Mediation</p> <p>QTR 4 Begin Court Hearings for matters left unresolved.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Court directed mediation commenced on 3 March 2020 with the court approved mediation schedule running through to December 2020. Mediation continued by video conferencing due to COVID-19 restrictions affecting Auckland-based parties. • While work on appeals to the Environment Court continues to take the full resource of the team, additional resource has been approved to enable progress on Plan Change 1 to recommence through external contractors. The Steering Group approved the preferred option for progressing a plan change by 31 December 2022: '3 waters + national bottom lines/current state'. • Lack of progress to date presents a reputational risk to Council, the appeals process (lack of NPS-FM implementation) and ultimately an environmental risk in terms of activities that require regulation through the variation process e.g. storm water management. • Central Governments 'Action for healthy waterways package gazetted on 5 August 2020 – implications for this work programme are not yet understood. All plan changes to give full effect to the NPS-FM must be notified by 31 December 2024. • The future nature of Te Upoko Taiao is yet to be determined. 	Delayed / At Risk
GW Cuba – new accommodation project	<p>QTR 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finalise furniture plan • Sign off on office cleaning contract <p>QTR 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finish soft furnishings fit out • Opening activities • Staff moves <p>QTR 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Decommission Shed 39 and Walter Street 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overall good progress, construction works completed and furniture orders were placed. • Cleaning Request for Proposals closed and responses under evaluation. • The meeting rooms and floor names were defined. 	On Track to achieve

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Major Project	Significant Milestones for 2020/21	What was achieved 1 July 2020 – 30 September 2020	Current Status
GW Masterton – new accommodation project	<p>QTR 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Formal appointment of architects Lease agreements for both buildings drafted <p>QTR 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project Management plan developed <p>QTR 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Key construction works, such as roof complete 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construction on site has commenced with building foundations and wall framing completed. This is more advanced than initially planned. 	On Track to achieve
2021-31 Long Term Plan (LTP)	<p>QTR 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Undertake pre-engagement Develop draft Activity Group budgets Begin implementation of the Māori Engagement Plan <p>QTR 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Draft budget discussions with Council Dafting of consultation document and supporting document <p>QTR 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finalise draft LTP budget for consultation and finalise the consultation and supporting documents Begin consultation <p>QTR 4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consultation, deliberations, hearings Final audit completed 2021-31 LTP adopted by Council before 30 June 2021. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Good quality feedback from the LTP pre-engagement (over 1,000 responses) Financial and Infrastructure Strategy development significantly advanced including workshop on key elements Hui commenced for LTP mana whenua engagement Significant progress made on new initiatives and budget prioritisation process, including workshops with ELT and activity groups <p><i>Update as at 1 December 2020: This project is now on track to achieve ("Green" status)</i></p>	At Risk
Review and adopt a new Public Transport (PT) Plan	<p>QTR 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Undertake pre-engagement on draft PT Plan <p>QTR 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preparation of draft PT Plan <p>QTR 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commence public consultation on draft PT Plan <p>QTR 4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finalisation and adoption of PT Plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pre-engagement with territorial authorities and key stakeholders on the draft PT Plan has occurred and significant work has occurred on development of the draft PT Plan. Preparation for the consultation round is underway. 	At Risk
Cross Harbour Pipeline	<p>QTR1</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project re-prioritised to 2030-35. 	At Risk

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Major Project	Significant Milestones for 2020/21	What was achieved 1 July 2020 – 30 September 2020	Current Status
Silverstream Bridge Pipeline	<p>QTR 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approval to proceed with consent applications and detailed design <p>QTR 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evaluate tender responses <p>QTR 3</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Obtained verbal approval to proceed with consent application and complete the detail design. 	At Risk
Flood Protection Shovel Ready	<p>QTR 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Submit draft project plan and payment schedule to Provincial Development Unit and Ministry for the Environment <p>QTR 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding agreements signed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Have submitted draft project plan and payment schedule to crown co-investment partners Provincial Development Unit and Ministry for the Environment. 	On Track to achieve
Post Implementation Review Next Steps	<p>QTR 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete bus network review workstream Complete tech and systems review workstream Commence final review on contractual arrangements workstream <p>QTR 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stakeholder interviews Produce final report <p>QTR 3</p> <p>QTR 4</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed final review of the tech and systems review Completed final review of bus network review Engaged consultants to undertake review of contractual arrangements 	On Track to achieve

Multi-Agency Projects

Major Project	Significant Milestones for 2020/21	What was achieved 1 July 2020 – 30 September 2020	Current Status
RiverLink – Hutt river flood protection	<p>QTR 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Progress consenting design and consent preparation Agree design assumptions with all project partners Maintain planting and monitoring of Belmont wetland Progress property purchase and increase efforts with remaining owners <p>QTR 2</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The integration of the stopbank, highway network, bridge and Public Transport on the western bank and the Daly Street and Rutherford Street on the western bank remain a key focus for the overall project. An update on timing and cost issues was raised with the RiverLink board during the quarter. Programme risk has increased with issues emerging from the 	Delayed / At Risk

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Progress consenting design and consent preparation • Agree design assumptions with all project partners • Progress property purchase and increase efforts with remaining owners <p>QTR 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lodge Resource consent and designation application • Progress detailed design • Progress property purchase and increase efforts with remaining owners <p>QTR 4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support RiverLink through the consenting process • Progress property purchase and increase efforts with remaining owners 	<p>integration of the bridges, transport network and flood infrastructure process that will impact the consenting timeframe, timeline and programme which will be revisited in the next quarter to reduce the risk to the programme pushing out into mid-2021.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Of significance to Greater Wellington is the integration of the stopbanks with Hutt City and the west bank roading and Public Transport improvements which continued to be worked through. The updated stopbank location and confirmed heights have been remodelled by consultants. These will be re-issued in the next quarter. • Three properties were acquired, bringing the total properties acquired to 88. 	
<p>Project NEXT – A single national; integrated fares and ticketing system – agree, procure, develop and implement with national and regional stakeholders</p>	<p>QTR 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparation for involvement in evaluation of ticketing solution Request For Proposals (RFP) responses. In-principle formalisation of Greater Wellington's participation in National Ticketing Programme (NTP) via 'P1' agreement. <p>QTR 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participation in evaluation of ticketing solution RFP responses, representing Greater Wellington's required outcomes. <p>QTR 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development and input of expected Greater Wellington costs to NTP detailed business case. <p>QTR 4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finalisation of ticketing solution RFP procurement process, including expected Waka Kotahi/NZ Transport Agency contracting with ticketing solution provider. • NTP detailed business case finalised. • Formalisation of detailed Greater Wellington and other stakeholders' participation in NTP via 'P2' Agreement. • Development of expected implementation and transition planning activity for Greater Wellington implementation of NTP, including expected timeline/approach etc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparation for involvement in evaluation of ticketing solution RFP responses and in-principle formalisation of Greater Wellington participation in NTP via 'P1' agreement both completed in this quarter. 	<p>On Track to achieve</p>

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Major Project	Significant Milestones for 2020/21	What was achieved 1 July 2020 – 30 September 2020	Current Status
Regional Land Transport Plan (RLTP)	<p>QTR 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agreement of Strategic priorities and engagement with Territorial Authorities <p>QTR 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Successful partner engagement held on draft RLTP Development of Investment Programme Completion of draft RLTP for public consultation <p>QTR 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Draft RLTP and revised programmes agreed with Regional Transport Committee (RTC) Public engagement held on draft RLPT Final plan completed <p>QTR 4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> RLTP 2021 is adopted by RTC and Greater Wellington 	<p>Achievements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conducted road-show of strategic part of plan to Approved Organisations Developed and obtained RTC approval of prioritisation methodology Policies drafted and approved by RTC Regional Mode Shift Plan endorsed for use in RLTP Initial bids for Waka Kotahi/NZ Transport Agency continuous programme submitted Joint engagement by Waka Kotahi /NZ Transport Agency and Greater Wellington to develop continuous and improvement programmes <p>Issues</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing delays with publication of GPS and Waka Kotahi Investment Proposal (WKIP) led to a delay in final submission of the RLTP until June 2021 with subsequent rescheduling of the project. The WKIP has now been published (31 Oct). 	At Risk
Multi-User Ferry Terminal	Coordinate with project partners to identify a preferred site, timeline for delivery, process for planning and delivery and transition.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project Steering Group and Working Group on hold whilst further negotiations are undertaken with CentrePort and KiwiRail on location options for ferry terminal. Ongoing discussions are being held at the CEO/GM level between CentrePort, Greater Wellington and KiwiRail. A number of additional reports have been commissioned and competed to feed into the discussions. 	Delayed / At Risk
Let's Get Wellington Moving (LGWM)	<p>QTR 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completion of IBC for City Streets <p>QTR 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completion of SSBC for Golden Mile package, commence pre-implementation phase Completion of draft IBC for MRT and Strategic Highways <p>QTR 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completion of SSBC for Thorndon Quay-Hutt Road, commence pre-implementation phase Completion of initial priority detailed business case (DBC) for City Streets 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposed changes to programme timing and strategic engagement approach were approved by the Board on 11 September which result in an overall positive impact on the programme's risk profile. All indicative and Single Stage Business Cases are now due for completion in Q4. The programme is working intensively towards an internal milestone draft package level technical document completion at the end of October. There is a growing focus on the integration of options at a programme level, which will become the programme's primary focus from November, with public engagement scheduled to commence early in 	Delayed / At Risk

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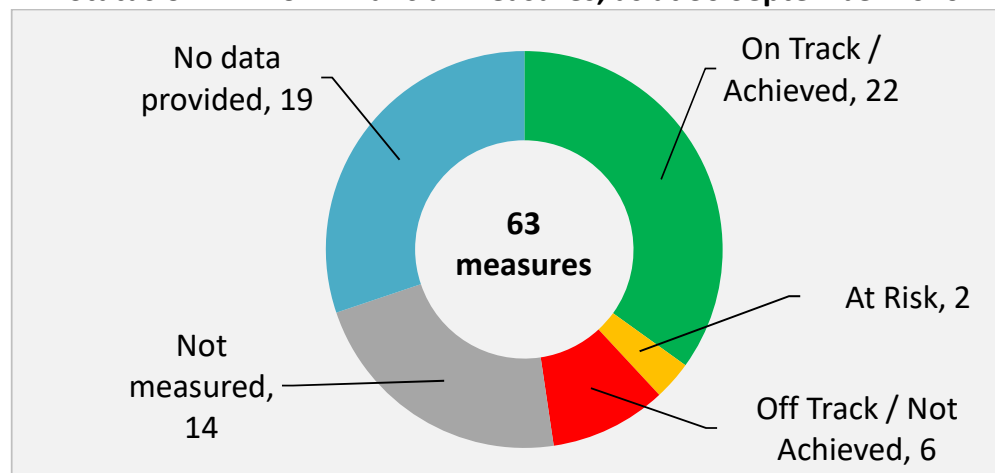
Major Project	Significant Milestones for 2020/21	What was achieved 1 July 2020 – 30 September 2020	Current Status
	QTR 4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completion of final IBCs for Strategic Highways and MRT 	2021. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An independent review was initiated during the quarter, focusing on opportunity for improvement across five key themes – governance; a gap assessment; people and culture; the baseline programme; and systems and processes. 	
Predator Free Wellington	QTR 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding requirements finalised Recruitment of project team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Predator Free Wellington Trust Ltd sign off on the funding and resource requirements. Resourcing requirements under way with four field supervisors and three community outreach officer positions filled. 	On Track to achieve
1 Billion Trees (1BT)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parks and Biodiversity planting programmes will carry on as planned until confirmation of 1BT funding is final and at such time will accelerate programmes with 1BT funding as intended. There are no anticipated complications with any of the Parks or Biodiversity work under this project. 	On Track to achieve
Wairarapa Moana Wetlands Expansion	QTR 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding requirements finalised QTR 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recruitment of project team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project lead job description drafted. Finance working on supporting invoicing during this scale of project delivery. 	On Track to achieve

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APPENDIX TWO – LONG TERM PLAN NON-FINANCIAL MEASURES

Status of LTP Non-Financial Measures, as at 30 September 2020



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Resource Management

Level of Service	Performance Measures	Baseline (2017)	2019/20 Result (Audited)	2019/20 Status of Result	2020/21 Target	2020/21 Result	2020/21 Status of Result	Commentary on 2020/21 Results
Customer satisfaction	Level of overall satisfaction with consent processing services ²	>4 when measured on a scale of 1 to 5	4.33	Achieved	>4		Not Measured	Reported six-monthly in December and June.
Process resource consents in a timely manner	Percentage of non-notified resourced consents processed within statutory timeframes	100%	100%	Achieved	100%	100%	On Track to Achieve	156 consents approved.

² On a scale of 1 (very dissatisfied) to 5 (very satisfied).

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Level of Service	Performance Measures	Baseline (2017)	2019/20 Result (Audited)	2019/20 Status of Result	2020/21 Target	2020/21 Result	2020/21 Status of Result	Commentary on 2020/21 Results
Monitor compliance with resource consents	Rates of compliance for high risk activities ³ where historical compliance rates are below 80%	High risk activities <80% · Water takes · Earthworks · Municipal wastewater, water supply, water races	Water takes 70.8% Earthworks 67.9% Municipal wastewater 59.5% Municipal water supplies and water races 87.5%	Not ⁴ Achieved	>80%	Only water takes can be assessed for year-to-date: Rate of compliance for water takes 60.1%	Not Achieved	The rate of compliance for water takes is significantly less than our target of 80%. Some observations on this result: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We reduced our monitoring programme this year by not monitoring low risk, complying water takes. Hence, focus was targeted towards water takes with higher probability of non-compliance, which has contributed to a lower result. Approximately 13% of our scheduled water take programme was not completed.
Effective response to environmental incidents	Rate of detection ⁵ and associated action taken on non-complying incidents ⁶	Establish baseline (28.7% in 2017/18)	31.7%	Not Achieved	Maintain or increase against previous year	38.2%	Achieved	

Land Management

Level of Service	Performance Measures	Baseline (2017)	2019/20 Result (Audited)	2019/20 Status of Result	2020/21 Target	2020/21 Result	2020/21 Status of Result	Commentary on 2020/21 Results
Implement farm plans to reduce nutrient and sediment discharges from erosion-prone land	Erosion prone hill-country covered by an active ⁷ farm plan	60%	60.4% ⁸	Not Achieved	63%		At Risk	It is likely that this measure will not be achieved at year-end due to the changing national regulations around farm plans meaning that this measure no longer captures the farm planning service being provided by the Wellington Regional Erosion Control Initiative programme.

³ The activities defined as high risk are potentially subject to change if risk profile changes.

⁴ Compliance rates are solely determined by consent holder performance.

⁵ 'Detection' – a discharge or activity is attributed to a specific source (i.e. non-compliance by a specific person(s) is confirmed).

⁶ This is only measured against those incidents in which environmental effects are rated minor or higher.

⁷ "Active" is assessed by whether a farm plan has led to some delivery of erosion mitigation work in the past three years.

⁸ This result represents the total area of properties that have engaged in erosion mitigation work in the past three years, and have a Greater Wellington-produced farm plan.

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Level of Service	Performance Measures	Baseline (2017)	2019/20 Result (Audited)	2019/20 Status of Result	2020/21 Target	2020/21 Result	2020/21 Status of Result	Commentary on 2020/21 Results
Deliver planting programme on identified erosion-prone land	Erosion-prone hill country planted	446.1 hectares	755 hectares	Achieved	550 hectares	Over 650 hectares	Achieved	With extra funding from 1 Billion Trees since the time that this measure was set, we are exceeding this measure.
Deliver farm environment plans to reduce nutrient and sediment loss	Over 50% of all contestable funding is allocated to priority catchments identified in the proposed Natural Resources Plan ⁹	New measure	Achieved ¹⁰	Achieved	Achieved	67%	On Track to Achieve	
Provide high quality goods and services to landowners from the Akura nursery	Survival of poles planted under the Wellington Regional Erosion Control Initiative (WRECI)	New measure	56%	Not Achieved	85%		Not Measured	Reported annually March.

Biodiversity Management

Level of Service	Performance Measures	Baseline (2017)	2019/20 Result (Audited)	2019/20 Status of Result	2020/21 Target	2020/21 Result	2020/21 Status of Result	Commentary on 2020/21 Results
Plan and deliver a programme to maintain or improve the ecological condition of identified high biodiversity value sites ¹¹	Percentage of management actions ¹² achieved to improve the habitat for native plants and animals	97.5%	95%	<i>Achieved</i>	95%		On Track to Achieve	Reported annually in June.

⁹ The "contestable fund" provides assistance to landowners for implementing remediation works to farm system environmental risks. These grants are coordinated through farm environment plans and incentivise farm system improvements that will result in a water quality or biodiversity enhancement. Works are prioritised by priority catchments identified in the Proposed Natural Resources Plan, and any unallocated funding is accessible to non-priority catchments after February in any plan year.

¹⁰ In 2019/20 86 percent of all contestable funding is allocated to priority catchments identified in the proposed Natural Resources Plan.

¹¹ High biodiversity value sites are those managed under the Key Native Ecosystem programme and within collaborative biodiversity projects carried out within Porirua Harbour and Wairarapa Moana catchments.

¹² Management actions can include improving legal protection, fencing and undertaking the control of pest plants and animals.

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Pest Management

Level of Service	Performance Measures	Baseline (2017)	2019/20 Result (Audited)	2019/20 Status of Result	2020/21 Target	2020/21 Result	2020/21 Status of Result	Commentary on 2020/21 Results
Provide possum control services in bovine TB free areas	Number of possums in the Regional Possum Predator Control Programme area	Low (<5% Residual Trap Catch)	Residual Trap Catch 1.4% in the areas that did receive pest control	Not Achieved	Low (<5% Residual Trap Catch)	Ōhāriu RTC 6.1%	On Track to Achieve	Previous Ōhāriu monitor in June 2019 was 18.0% (NOTE: aim of the programme is to achieve weighted average of 5% RTC over all of the programme)
Provide pest species control services in Greater Wellington Key Native Ecosystems (KNE)	Deliver in accordance with KNE plans ¹³	New measure	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	On track	On Track to Achieve	All services provided as specified in the KNE operational management plans
Provide pest control services across the region	Deliver in accordance with the Regional Pest Management Plan ¹⁴	New measure	Not Achieved	Not Achieved	Achieved	On track	On Track to Achieve	Rabbit control work is taking a lot of staff resource, and there is an additional drain on staff resources from Predator Free Wellington demands. As this work is fully cost recovered we were able to increase the use of our contractors to deliver BAU on time and to budget. Staff are starting to catch up on work though and will be on track soon. Pest plant work is on track.

Harbour Management

Level of Service	Performance Measures	Baseline (2017)	2019/20 Result (Audited)	2019/20 Status of Result	2020/21 Target	2020/21 Result	2020/21 Status of Result	Commentary on 2020/21 Results
Manage the safety of marine activities in the region's waters	Beacon Hill Communications station is staffed and operational 24 hours a day, seven days a week	100%	100%	Achieved	100%	100%	On Track to Achieve	
	All navigation aids are working 24 hours a day, seven days a week	99.9%	99.9%	Not Achieved	100%	100%	On Track to Achieve	

¹³ These plans describe the work that will be done to protect plants and animals over a three year period.

¹⁴ Refer to operational plan: <http://www.gw.govt.nz/assets/Biosecurity/RPMSPLAN-2016-17.pdf>

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	Operate in accordance with the current Port and Harbour Marine Safety Code	Compliant with standard	Compliant with standard	Achieved	Compliant with standard	Compliant	On Track to Achieve	
	Warnings and infringements issued	New measure 7 infringements 32 warnings (2017/18)	15 infringements 19 warnings	Not Achieved	Decrease	One infringement where diversion was applied	On Track to Achieve	
	Meet obligations to Maritime NZ for oil spill response equipment maintenance and exercises	New measure	3 equipment checks 1 exercise	Not Achieved	4 equipment checks 2 exercises	One exercise and one equipment service completed	On Track to Achieve	

NGĀ PAPA WHENUA | REGIONAL PARKS AND FORESTS

Level of Service	Performance Measures	Baseline (2017)	2019/20 Result (Audited)	2019/20 Status of Result	2020/21 Target	2020/21 Result	2020/21 Status of Result	Commentary on 2020/21 Results
Provide facilities and services that support the community enjoying, valuing and participating in regional parks	Percentage of regional population that has visited a regional park in last 12 months	68%	74%	Achieved	≥70%		Not Measured	Reported annually in June.
	Number of visits to a regional park in the last 12 months	1.7 million	1.76m	Achieved	Increase on baseline		Not Measured	Reported annually in June. Visits to parks post lockdown have been similar to previous levels.
	Percentage of regional park visitors that are satisfied with their experience ¹⁵	95%	98%	Achieved	95%		Not Measured	Reported annually in June.
	On-park volunteer hours ¹⁶	15,503 hours	10,720	Not Achieved	15,000	4,993	On Track to Achieve	Post lockdown volunteer activity in parks has largely returned to normal levels.
	Average asset condition (1 = excellent; 5 = very poor)	2.33 (structures) 2.25 (tracks)	2.13 (structures) 1.57 (tracks) 2.07 (overall)	Achieved	≤3	2.13 (Structures) 1.57 (Tracks)	On Track to Achieve	

¹⁵ Randomly selected sample of 500 residents 16+yr in the Wellington Region, telephone interviewing and face to face interviews with questionnaire, 90% confidence interval

¹⁶ This is a measure of time spent by volunteers carrying out on-park work, e.g. tree planting, nursery work, track building, pest trapping. Rangers on-site collect the number of volunteer hours.

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Level of Service	Performance Measures	Baseline (2017)	2019/20 Result (Audited)	2019/20 Status of Result	2020/21 Target	2020/21 Result	2020/21 Status of Result	Commentary on 2020/21 Results
Protect and care for the environment, landscape and heritage	Restore significant degraded environments	22,000 native trees planted pa	63,367	Achieved	35,000	62,815	Achieved	Includes contractor, community and volunteer plantings. 52,315 western and 10,500 eastern sector parks.

NGĀ PUNA WAI | WATER SUPPLY

Level of Service	Performance Measures	Baseline (2017)	2019/20 Result (Audited)	2019/20 Status of Result	2020/21 Target	2020/21 Result	2020/21 Status of Result	Commentary on 2020/21 Results	
Provide water that is safe and pleasant to drink	Number of waterborne disease outbreaks ¹⁷	0	0	Achieved	0		Not Reported	Wellington Water have not provided a result for the reporting period.	
	Customer Satisfaction:								
	Number of taste complaints related to bulk water supply	5	0	Achieved	<5		Not Reported	Wellington Water have not provided a result for the reporting period.	
	Number of complaints from Territorial Authorities (TAs) on drinking water clarity	0	0	Achieved	<5		Not Reported	Wellington Water have not provided a result for the reporting period.	
	Number of complaints from TAs on drinking water odour	0	0	Achieved	<5		Not Reported	Wellington Water have not provided a result for the reporting period.	
	Number of complaints from TAs on drinking water pressure or flow	1	0	Achieved	<5		Not Reported	Wellington Water have not provided a result for the reporting period.	
	Number of complaints per 1,000 connections (end consumers) to the bulk water supply system ^{18 19}	0.04	0	Achieved	<0.2		Not Reported	Wellington Water have not provided a result for the reporting period.	
Safety of drinking water ²⁰ :									

¹⁷ The outcome of the Havelock North Inquiry into water supply and safety is likely to result in changes to reporting requirements

¹⁸ Non-Financial Performance Measures Rules 2013, Water supply measure [4(a-e)]

¹⁹ Using the Water NZ survey data for the number of end consumers provided with drinking water (145,224).

²⁰ Non-financial Performance Measures Rules 2013, Water supply measure [1(a)-(b)]

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Level of Service	Performance Measures	Baseline (2017)	2019/20 Result (Audited)	2019/20 Status of Result	2020/21 Target	2020/21 Result	2020/21 Status of Result	Commentary on 2020/21 Results
	Compliance with part 4 of the drinking-water standards (bacteria compliance criteria)	Yes	100%	Achieved	Yes		Not Reported	Wellington Water have not provided a result for the reporting period.
	Compliance with part 5 of the drinking-water standards (protozoal compliance criteria)	Yes	100%	Achieved	Yes		Not Reported	Wellington Water have not provided a result for the reporting period.
Provide a continuous and secure bulk water supply	Number of events in the bulk water supply preventing the continuous supply of drinking water to consumers	0	0	Achieved	0		Not Reported	Wellington Water have not provided a result for the reporting period.
	Sufficient water is available to meet normal demand except in a drought with a severity of greater than or equal to 1 in 50 years ^{21 22}	0.4%	6.9%	Not Achieved	<2%		Not Reported	Wellington Water have not provided a result for the reporting period.
	Attendance for urgent call-outs ²³ : Time from local authority receiving notification to service personnel reaching site	No events occurred	0	Achieved	<60 minutes		Not Reported	Wellington Water have not provided a result for the reporting period.
	Time from local authority receiving notification to service personnel confirming resolution	No events occurred	0	Achieved	<4 hours		Not Reported	Wellington Water have not provided a result for the reporting period.
	Attendance for non-urgent call-outs ²⁴ : Time from local authority receiving notification to service personnel reaching site	35 minutes	0.9 hours ²⁵	Achieved	<36 hours		Not Reported	Wellington Water have not provided a result for the reporting period.

²¹ Normal demand includes routine hosing restrictions

²² Assessed using a probability model of annual water supply shortfall

²³ Non-Financial Performance Measures Rules 2013, Water supply measure [3(a)-(b)]

²⁴ Non-Financial Performance Measures Rules 2013, Water supply measure [3(c)-(d)]

²⁵ This result represents the median response time from 1 July 2019 through to 30 June 2020 for non-urgent callouts related to the bulk water network.

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Level of Service	Performance Measures	Baseline (2017)	2019/20 Result (Audited)	2019/20 Status of Result	2020/21 Target	2020/21 Result	2020/21 Status of Result	Commentary on 2020/21 Results
	Time from local authority receiving notification to service personnel confirming resolution	30 minutes	1.25 days	Achieved	<15days		Not Reported	Wellington Water have not provided a result for the reporting period.
	Average drinking water consumption per resident per day within the TA districts supplied by the bulk water system ²⁶	351 L/p/d	369.8 L/p/d	Achieved	<374 L/p/d		Not Reported	Wellington Water have not provided a result for the reporting period.
	Maintenance of the reticulation network: Percentage of real water loss from the networked reticulation system ^{27 28}	0.7%	0.07% ²⁹	Achieved	+/- 2%		Not Reported	Wellington Water have not provided a result for the reporting period.
Provide bulk water in compliance with all resource consents and environmental regulations	Full compliance with resource consents ³⁰	New measure	100%	Achieved	Yes		Not Reported	Wellington Water have not provided a result for the reporting period.
	Annual review of relevant environmental legislation	New measure	100%	Achieved	Yes		Not Reported	Wellington Water have not provided a result for the reporting period.
Provide bulk water in compliance with all resource consents and environmental regulations	HSNO location and stationary container test certificates are current	New measure	0%	Not Achieved	Yes		Not Reported	Wellington Water have not provided a result for the reporting period.

²⁶ Non-Financial Performance Measures Rules 2013, [5] Greater Wellington cannot technically report due to the wording of the measure, but will report the average of all residents' consumption for the district it supplies with bulk water.

²⁷ Non-Financial Performance Measures Rules 2013, Water supply measure [2]

²⁸ All connections are metered, production flows are subtracted from supply flows and weekly mass balance checks carried out to identify losses. Differences in metering accuracy account for the loss or gain of water supplied rather than leakage or unauthorised use.

²⁹ This is the non-revenue bulk water as a percentage of the annual production volume. Non-revenue bulk water is the total amount of bulk supplied water that has been used for scouring plus the amount of main leakage from the bulk mass balance.

³⁰ Full compliance means no notices/convictions (abatement notices, infringement notices, enforcement orders, or convictions).

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TE TIAKI ME TE ARAHI WAIPUKE | FLOOD PROTECTION AND CONTROL WORKS

Level of Service	Performance Measures	Baseline (2017)	2019/20 Result (Audited)	2019/20 Status of Result	2020/21 Target	2020/21 Result	2020/21 Status of Result	Commentary on 2020/21 Results
Provide the standard of flood protection agreed with communities	Major flood protection and control works are maintained, repaired and renewed to the key standards defined in relevant planning documents ^{31 32}	Yes	Completed	Achieved	Yes		On Track to Achieve	Some repair work required following flood events in Kāpiti and Wairarapa river systems.
	Percentage of Floodplain Management Plans (FMP) recommended structural improvements implemented	Hutt – 33% Ōtaki – 47% Waikanae – 45% Pinehaven – 0%	Hutt – 33% Ōtaki – 47% Waikanae – 56% Pinehaven – 33%	Achieved	Hutt – 33% Ōtaki – 50% Waikanae – 56% Pinehaven – 66%		Not Measured	Reported annually in June.
	Percentage completion of Lower Wairarapa Valley Development Scheme work programme (2007/2021)	88%	94%	Not Achieved	100%		On Track to Achieve	Work programmed for the second and third quarters of the financial year.
Provide information and understanding of flood risk in the community ³³	Percentage of identified vulnerable floodplains with a FMP in place	24%	30%	Not Achieved	41%		Not Measured	Reported annually in June.
	Percentage of identified vulnerable floodplains with flood hazard mapping available via online portal	72%	80%	Not Achieved	83%		On Track to Achieve	Wairarapa models are being progressed.

³¹ Non-Financial Performance Measures Rules 2013, Flood protection and control works measure [1].

³² Detailed reporting of maintenance, repair and renewal or upgrade works is included in annual asset management and implementation reports to Greater Wellington Environment Committee.

³³ These measures are based on a list of vulnerable floodplains, and targets for Floodplain Management Plans/mapping.

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NGĀ WAKA TŪMATANUI | METLINK PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Level of Service	Performance Measures	Baseline (2017)	2019/20 Result (Audited)	2019/20 Status of Result ³⁴	2020/21 Target	2020/21 Result	2020/21 Status of Result	Commentary on 2020/21 Results
Transform and elevate customer experience and use of Metlink passenger services	Percentage of rail users who are satisfied with their trip overall ³⁵	93.00%		Not Measured	>92.0%		Not Measured	Reported annually in June.
	Percentage of bus users who are satisfied with their trip overall ³⁶	92.00%		Not Measured	>92.0%		Not Measured	Reported annually in June.
	Annual public transport boardings per capita	74.5 Rebased to exclude commercial boardings: 71.8 ³⁷	62.4	Not Achieved	76.9 Rebased to exclude commercial boardings: 73.0	62.8	Not Achieved	Passenger boardings have reduced during COVID-19 Alert Level restrictions.
Deliver services in accordance with the published timetable	Percentage of scheduled services delivered (reliability)	Bus 99.1% ³⁸	98.9%	Not Achieved	Bus 99.5%	99.3%	Not Achieved	On target to achieve for the year
	Percentage of scheduled services delivered (reliability)	Rail 97.2 %	95.7%	Not Achieved	Rail 99.5%	98.3%	Not Achieved	Worksites to renew infrastructure on the Wairarapa Line affected rail reliability. There were also a number of disruptions that had a minor impact on reliability.
	Percentage of scheduled bus services on-time at origin (punctuality) - to 5 minutes ³⁹	Bus N/A ⁴⁰	94.2% ⁴¹	Not Achieved	Bus 95%	95.8%	Achieved	

³⁴ The Customer satisfaction performance measures have been reported as 'Not Measured'. This is because the annual passenger satisfaction survey normally undertaken in May each year across the regional public transport network (rail, bus and ferry services) could not be satisfactorily undertaken for 2019/20 due to the COVID-19 Alert Level 3 and 2 restrictions which were in place during May 2020. The physical distancing requirements for public transport during this time meant that it was not possible for surveyors to carry out the in-person engagement required for the survey. Also, due to significantly lower passenger numbers there would not have been a comparative sample size for this period against previous years.

³⁵ Satisfied = score of 6-10 on a scale of 0-10

³⁶ Satisfied = score of 6-10 on a scale of 0-10

³⁷ Performance prior to 2018/19 included boardings for commercial trips, which are no longer reported to Greater Wellington as these services are now defined as exempt services under the LTMA 2003. The baseline (2017) excluding these exempt services is 71.8.

³⁸ Reliability for the 2018/19 year is based on services that are actually tracked by our RTI and Snapper systems, and therefore results cannot be compared with prior years. In prior years operators self-reported reliability.

³⁹ This measure is based on services that depart from origin, departing between one minute early and five minutes late.

⁴⁰ This measure has changed from the previous Long Term Plan, moving from 10 to 5 minutes punctuality with the new bus contracting environment.

⁴¹ 2019/20 result: Measure excludes trips where the start time of the trip was not recorded. Trips where there is no origin data represents 11.5% of total trips.

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Level of Service	Performance Measures	Baseline (2017)	2019/20 Result (Audited)	2019/20 Status of Result ³⁴	2020/21 Target	2020/21 Result	2020/21 Status of Result	Commentary on 2020/21 Results
	Percentage of scheduled bus services on-time at destination (punctuality) - to 5 minutes ⁴²	Bus N/A ⁴³	53.8% ⁴⁴	Not Achieved	Bus: improvement on previous year	52.9%	Not Achieved	This measure is dependent on traffic and passenger volumes, which have been impacted this quarter by COVID-19.
	Percentage of scheduled rail services on-time (punctuality) - to 5 minutes ⁴⁵	Rail 88%	89.4%	Not Achieved	Rail 92%	91.0%	Not Achieved	On target to achieve for the year.
Provide accessible and accurate information on Metlink services to the public	Percentage of users who are satisfied with the provision of Metlink information - about delays and disruptions	67%		Not Measured	≥72%		Not Measured	Reported annually in June.
Maintain and improve the performance and condition of Metlink assets	Percentage of passengers who are satisfied with overall station/stop/wharf ⁴⁶	91%		Not Measured	≥92%		Not Measured	Reported annually in June.
	Average condition rating of all bus shelters maintained by Metlink (1 = very good and 5 = very poor)	1.8	1.6	Achieved	Improvement on previous year		Not Measured	Reported annually in June.
Provide a subsidised taxi service to customers unable to use buses or trains	Percentage of users who are satisfied with the overall service of the scheme ⁴⁷	99%		Not Measured	≥99%		Not Measured	Reported annually in June.

⁴² This measure is based on bus services that arrive at destination, arriving between one minute early and five minutes late (with a 30-second leeway). For 2019/20: 91.4% of services arrived at their destinations on time or early (53.8% arrived at their destination on time, 37.6% arrived more than one minute early) and 8.6% arrived more than five minutes late. Some customers do not consider early arrival to be a problem.

⁴³ Bus punctuality at destination has not been reported on in prior years; therefore results cannot be compared with prior years.

⁴⁴ 2019/20 result: Measure excludes trips where the end time of the trip was not recorded. Trips where there is no destination data represents 12.1% of total trips.

⁴⁵ The rail punctuality measure is based on rail services arriving at key interchange stations and final destination, within five minutes of the scheduled time.

⁴⁶ Technical details relating to survey: On board survey, systematic random sampling. Sample size 4,042. Response rate 61% (ferry 69%, train 65%, bus 55%). Max margin of error at 95% confidence interval. Total results weighted by mode: 63.5% bus, 36.1% train, 0.4% ferry.

⁴⁷ Satisfied = score of 3-5 on a scale of 1-5. In 2017/18 the satisfaction scale changed from 1 -10 points to 1-5 points.

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NGĀ KAIHAUTŪ | REGIONAL LEADERSHIP

Emergency Management

Level of Service	Performance Measures	Baseline (2017)	2019/20 Result (Audited)	2019/20 Status of Result	2020/21 Target	2020/21 Result	2020/21 Status of Result	Commentary on 2020/21 Results
Work with the regional community to improve resilience to, and preparedness for, major emergency events	Percentage of households with sufficient emergency food and water to last at least seven days	10%	31.2% ⁴⁸	Achieved	13%		Not Measured	Reported annually in June.
	Annual activation test for each Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) and Emergency Coordination Centre (ECC)	100%	100%	Achieved	100%		On Track to Achieve	The regional Emergency Coordination Centre (ECC) was activated in August in a monitoring capacity for the first COVID-19 resurgence. This means that one of seven activation tests have been completed.
	Number of published Community Response Plans	75%	91%	Not Achieved	100%		On Track to Achieve	The number of published Community Response Plans is expected to be completed during the summer months across quarter two and three.

Regional Transport Planning and Programmes

Level of Service	Performance Measures	Baseline (2017)	2019/20 Result (Audited)	2019/20 Status of Result	2020/21 Target	2020/21 Result	2020/21 Status of Result	Commentary on 2020/21 Results
Coordinate and deliver programmes which promote and encourage sustainable and safe transport choices	Number of adults participating in Sustainable Transport initiatives and promotions ⁴⁹	Establish Baseline 2,919 (2017/18)	4,418	Achieved	Increase	89	At Risk	Greater Wellington will not be hosting a Wellington Region 'child site' for the Aotearoa Bike Challenge (ABC) in February 2021. Instead, planning for more multi-modal initiatives targeting behaviour change for adults is underway. A large proportion of the target for this performance measure has been derived from ABC participation, therefore it is unlikely the target of 'Increase' will be reached in 2020/21.

⁴⁸ This figure reflects people who have 7 days of 'emergency supplies' which, in addition to emergency food and water, includes medications, pet supplies, alternative means of cooking, and so on.

⁴⁹ Aotearoa Bike Challenge – Wellington, national cycle skills courses, Smart Travel Challenge, Smart Travel registrations, and bus/bike workshops.

**Council
10 December
Report 20.497**



For Decision

RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

That the Council excludes the public from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

Fleet Acquisition – Bus – Report PE20.448

Harbour Ferry Services – contract variation – Report PE20.464

Proposed Diesel to Electric Bus Trial – Report PE20.487

Wellington Regional Stadium Trust – appointment of trustee – Report PE20.485

WREDA Director Appointment – Report PE20.423

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

Fleet Acquisition – Bus – Report PE20.448	
<i>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</i>	<i>Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i>
<p>Information contained in this report relates to bus service procurement and contracting in the Wellington Region. Release of this information would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the ability of Greater Wellington to carry on negotiations with bus operators for future fleet for the Metlink public transport network.</p> <p>Greater Wellington has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override the need to withhold the information.</p>	<p>The public conduct of this part of the meeting is excluded as per section 7(2)(i) of the Act (to enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)).</p>

Harbour Ferry Services – contract variation – Report PE20.464	
<i>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</i>	<i>Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i>
<p>Information contained in this report relates to the variation of the Partnering Contract for the provision of harbour ferry public transport services. Release of this information would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the ability of Greater Wellington to carry on negotiations with the ferry operator.</p> <p>Greater Wellington has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override the need to withhold the information</p>	<p>The public conduct of this part of the meeting is excluded as per section 7(2)(i) of the Act (to enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)).</p>
Proposed Diesel to Electric Bus Trial - Report PE20.487	
<i>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</i>	<i>Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i>
<p>Certain information contained in this report relates to bus service contracting in the Wellington Region. Release of this information would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the ability of Greater Wellington to carry on negotiations with the bus operator for converted fleet for the Metlink public transport network.</p> <p>Greater Wellington has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override the need to withhold the information.</p>	<p>The public conduct of this part of the meeting is excluded as per section 7(2)(i) of the Act (to enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)).</p>

Wellington Regional Stadium Trust – appointment of trustee – Report PE20.485	
<i>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</i>	<i>Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i>
<p>The information contained in this report includes personal and identifying information about the proposed candidate. Withholding this information prior to Council’s decision is necessary to protect the privacy of that natural person as releasing this information would disclose their consideration as a Trustee of the Wellington Regional Stadium Trust.</p> <p>Greater Wellington has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override the need to withhold the information.</p>	<p>The public conduct of this part of the meeting is excluded as per section 7(2)(a) of the Act (to protect the privacy of natural persons).</p>
WREDA Director Appointments – Report PE20.423	
<i>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</i>	<i>Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i>
<p>The information contained in this report includes personal and identifying information about the proposed candidates. Withholding this information prior to Council’s decision is necessary to protect the privacy of that natural person as releasing this information would disclose their consideration as a director of WREDA.</p> <p>Greater Wellington has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override the need to withhold the information.</p>	<p>The public conduct of this part of the meeting is excluded as per section 7(2)(a) of the Act (to protect the privacy of natural persons).</p>

This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1)(a) of the Act and the particular interest or interests protected by section 6 or section 7 of that Act or section 6 or section 7 or section 9

of the Official Information Act 1982, as the case may require, which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public.