



# KOMITI HANGANGA INFRASTRUCTURE AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE

2 May 2024

Order Paper for the meeting to be held in the  
Council Chambers, 2nd Floor, 30 Laings Road, Lower Hutt,  
on:

**Thursday 9 May 2024 commencing at 2:00 pm**

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## Membership

	Cr S Edwards (Chair)
	Cr T Stallinger (Deputy Chair)
Mayor C Barry	Cr G Barratt
Cr K Brown	Cr B Dyer
Deputy Mayor T Lewis	Cr A Mitchell
Cr G Tupou	

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## KOMITI HANGANGA INFRASTRUCTURE AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE

<b>Chair:</b>	Cr Simon Edwards
<b>Deputy Chair:</b>	Cr Tony Stallinger
<b>Membership:</b>	Mayor Campbell Barry Deputy Mayor Tui Lewis Cr Glenda Barratt Cr Keri Brown Cr Brady Dyer Cr Andy Mitchell Cr Gabriel Tupou
<b>Quorum:</b>	Half of the membership
<b>Meeting Cycle:</b>	Meets on an eight-weekly basis or as required
<b>Reports to:</b>	Council
<b>Membership Resource Management Act (RMA) Hearings</b>	An independent Commissioner plus a minimum of either three or four elected members (including the Chair) and alternates who have current certification under the Making Good Decisions Training Assessment and Certification programme for RMA Decision Makers

### OVERVIEW:

This is an operationally focused committee, overseeing Council's above and below-ground core infrastructure needs, and core regulatory functions. The committee is aligned with the Economy and Development and Environment and Sustainability directorates.

### AREAS OF FOCUS:

- Three waters infrastructure
- Three waters reform
- Water investment
- Roothing/active transport
- Infrastructure strategy
- Integrated transport strategy
- Wharves
- Environmental consents
- Regulatory functions including enforcement
- Treaty partnerships
- Riverlink
- Cycleways
- Accessibility
- Footpaths renewal programme
- Oversight of Major Projects Steering Group

## PURPOSE:

To deliver quality infrastructure to support healthy and sustainable living, providing efficient and safe transport options and promoting the city's prosperity. To consider matters relating to the regulatory and quasi-judicial responsibilities of the Council under Council's bylaws and relevant legislation including the following:

- Building Act 2004
- Dog Control Act 1996
- Fencing of Swimming Pools Act 1987
- Local Government Act 1974 and the Local Government Act 2002
- Public Works Act 1981
- Reserves Act 1977
- Resource Management Act 1991
- Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012

## DELEGATIONS FOR THE COMMITTEE'S AREAS OF FOCUS:

- All powers necessary to perform the committee's responsibilities including the activities outlined below.
- Develop required strategies and policies. **Recommend draft and final versions to Council** for adoption where they have a city-wide or strategic focus.
- Implement, monitor and review strategies and policies.
- Oversee the implementation of major projects provided for in the Long Term Plan (LTP) or Annual Plan.
- Oversee budgetary decisions provided for in the LTP or Annual Plan.
- Oversee the development and implementation of plans and functions that promote economic well-being.
- Advocate for strong relationships with Council's Mana Whenua partners as outlined in the Tākai Here agreements ensuring the outcomes of the committee are in line with the aspirations of the partners.
- Advocate for the best interests of Māori communities in Lower Hutt having regard to the committee's goals.
- Ensure the committee is operating in a way that is consistent with various pieces of legislation that provide for Te Tiriti o Waitangi.
- Maintain an overview of work programmes carried out by Council's Economy and Development Directorate.
- Undertake the administration of all statutory functions, powers and duties other than those specifically delegated to any other committee or subcommittee or retained by Council.
- Conduct any consultation processes required on infrastructure issues before the committee.
- Approve and forward submissions (other than those delegated to the District Plan Review Committee).
- Any other matters delegated to the committee by Council in accordance with approved policies and bylaws.

- The committee has the powers to perform the responsibilities of another committee where it is necessary to make a decision prior to the next meeting of that other committee. When exercised, the report/minutes of the meeting require a resolution noting that the committee has performed the responsibilities of another committee and the reason/s.
- If a policy or project relates primarily to the responsibilities of the Komiti Hanganga | Infrastructure and Regulatory Committee, but aspects require additional decisions by the Komiti Hapori Ahurea me ngā Rangapū | Communities, Culture and Partnerships Committee and/or Komiti Kaupapa Taiao | Climate Change and Sustainability Committee, then the Komiti Hanganga | Infrastructure and Regulatory Committee has the powers to make associated decisions on behalf of those other committees. For the avoidance of doubt, this means that matters do not need to be taken to more than one of those committees for decisions.

#### **Additional Infrastructure Delegations:**

- Determine roading issues considered by the Mayor and Chief Executive to be strategic due to their significance on a city-wide basis, including links to the State Highway, or where their effects cross ward or community boundaries.
- Hear objections to specified traffic matters where the community board wishes to take an advocacy role.
- Make decisions under Clause 11(e) of the Tenth Schedule of the Local Government Act 1974 and the Transport (Vehicular Traffic Road Closure) Regulations 1965 in respect of temporary road closures, including making decisions on any ancillary matters including, without limitation, approval of temporary “No Stopping” restrictions under Hutt City Council Traffic Bylaw 2017.
- Undertake hearings on road stopping under the Local Government Act 1974.
- **Make recommendations to Council** whether to proceed with a road stopping and the disposal of stopped road, including (where the proposal includes or involves a related acquisition, disposal or land exchange) a **recommendation to Council** on the acquisition, disposal or exchange.
- Consider and **recommend to Council** any request to the Crown that a road is stopped under section 116 of the Public Works Act 1981, and the disposal of the stopped road.
- Make any resolution required under section 319A of the Local Government Act 1974 regarding the naming of new roads and alterations to street names (other than those in the Harbour and Wainuiomata Wards, which are delegated to the community boards in those areas).

#### **Additional Regulatory Delegations:**

- Develop any regulations required to achieve Council’s objectives.
- Approve Council’s list of hearings commissioners under the Resource Management Act 1991, including councillors sitting as hearings commissioners and independent commissioners.
- Conduct statutory hearings on regulatory matters and make decisions on those hearings<sup>2</sup>, excluding those conducted under the Resource Management Act 1991, which are delegated to the Hearings Subcommittee and District Plan Hearings Subcommittee.
- Authorise the submission of appeals to the Environment Court on behalf of Council.

- Make decisions on applications required under the Development Contributions Policy for remissions, postponements, reconsiderations and objections.
- **Recommend to Council** the list of members approved to be members of the District Licensing Committee under section 192 of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012.

**Delegations to make Appointments:**

- The Chair of the Komiti Hanganga | Infrastructure and Regulatory Committee, in conjunction with the Chief Executive, is authorised to appoint a subcommittee of suitably qualified persons to conduct hearings on behalf of the committee.
- The Chair of the Komiti Hanganga | Infrastructure and Regulatory Committee, in conjunction with the Chief Executive, is authorised to appoint a Hearings Subcommittee of suitably qualified persons to conduct resource consent and related hearings on behalf of the committee.
- The Chair of the Komiti Hanganga | Infrastructure and Regulatory Committee is authorised to appoint three people from the list prepared under the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 to specific meetings (Chair and two members).

**NOTE:**

The Manatū mō te Taiao | Ministry for the Environment advocates that Councils offer specialist Resource Management Act (RMA) training in areas that are difficult to grasp or where mistakes are commonly made. This is to complement the Good Decision Making RMA training that they run (which is an overview and basic summary of decision making, rather than an in-depth training in specific areas of the RMA). Therefore, in order to facilitate this, the RMA training run for councillors that wish to be hearings commissioners is mandatory.

Reasons for the importance of the training:

1. Hearings commissioners are kept abreast of developments in the legislation.
2. Legal and technical errors that have been made previously are avoided (many of which have resulted in Environment Court action which is costly, time-consuming and often creates unrealistic expectations for the community).
3. The reputation of Council as good and fair decision makers or judges (rather than legislators) is upheld.

## HUTT CITY COUNCIL

### KOMITI HANGANGA | INFRASTRUCTURE AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE

Meeting to be held in the Council Chambers, 2nd Floor, 30 Laings Road, Lower Hutt  
on  
Thursday 9 May 2024 commencing at 2:00 pm.

#### ORDER PAPER

#### PUBLIC BUSINESS

##### 1. OPENING FORMALITIES - KARAKIA TIMATANGA

Whakataka te hau ki te uru  
Whakataka te hau ki te  
tonga  
Kia mākinakina ki uta  
Kia mātaratara ki tai  
E hī ake ana te atakura  
He tio, he huka, he hau hū  
Tihei mauri ora

Cease the winds from the west  
Cease the winds from the south  
Let the breeze blow over the land  
Let the breeze blow over the  
ocean  
Let the red-tipped dawn come  
with a sharpened air.  
A touch of frost, a promise of a  
glorious day.

##### 2. APOLOGIES

Cr K Brown

##### 3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Generally up to 30 minutes is set aside for public comment (three minutes per speaker on items appearing on the agenda). Speakers may be asked questions on the matters they raise.

##### 4. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS

Members are reminded of the need to be vigilant to stand aside from decision making when a conflict arises between their role as a member and any private or other external interest they might have

##### 5. RECOMMENDATION TO TE KAUNIHERA O TE AWA KAIRANGI | COUNCIL - 28 May 2024

Infrastructure Acceleration Fund Project Report

Report No. IARCC2024/2/104 by the Head of City Delivery

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#### CHAIR'S RECOMMENDATION:

“That the recommendations contained in the report be endorsed.”

6. **PROPOSED REVIEWS OF THE LOCAL ALCOHOL POLICY 2018 AND THE ALCOHOL FEES BYLAW 2020**
- Report No. IARCC2024/2/105 by the Senior Policy Advisor 21
- CHAIR'S RECOMMENDATION:**
- "That the recommendations contained in the report be endorsed."
7. **THREE WATERS UPDATE**
- Report No. IARCC2024/2/106 by the Strategic Advisor 25
- CHAIR'S RECOMMENDATION:**
- "That the recommendation contained in the report be endorsed."
8. **REGULATORY MATTERS**
- Report No. IARCC2024/2/107 by the Head of Planning 34
- CHAIR'S RECOMMENDATION:**
- "That the recommendations contained in the report be endorsed."
9. **RETROSPECTIVE APPROVAL FOR COUNCIL'S SUBMISSION TO THE DRAFT GOVERNMENT POLICY STATEMENT ON LAND TRANSPORT 2024**
- Memorandum dated 24 April 2024 by the Executive Assistant to the Director of Economy and Development 52
- CHAIR'S RECOMMENDATION:**
- "That the recommendations contained in the memorandum be endorsed."
10. **INFORMATION ITEM**
- Infrastructure and Regulatory Forward Programme 2024**
- Memorandum dated 18 April 2024 by the Democracy Advisor 59
- CHAIR'S RECOMMENDATION:**
- "That the recommendation contained in the memorandum be endorsed."
11. **QUESTIONS**
- With reference to section 32 of Standing Orders, before putting a question a member shall endeavour to obtain the information. Questions shall be concise and in writing and handed to the Chair prior to the commencement of the meeting.

**12. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC****CHAIR'S RECOMMENDATION:**

“That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

**13. NATIONAL LAND TRANSPORT PROGRAMME (NLTP) 2024-27 - VERBAL UPDATE**

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason 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 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

(A)	(B)	(C)
General subject of the matter to be considered.	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter.	Ground under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution.
National Land Transport Programme (NLTP) 2024-27 - Verbal update.	The withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations) (s7(2)(i)).	That the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exist.

This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by section 6 or 7 of that Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as specified in Column (B) above.”

Vanessa Gilmour  
**DEMOCRACY ADVISOR**



**19 April 2024**

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**Report no: IARCC2024/2/104**

## **Infrastructure Acceleration Fund Project Report**

### **Purpose of Report**

1. The purpose of this report is to brief the Committee on:
  - (a) the proposed Stormwater and Wastewater Project funded through Council and the Infrastructure Acceleration Fund; and
  - (b) seek endorsement of the preferred option for stormwater and wastewater alignment to progress to Stage 2.

### **Recommendations**

That the Committee recommends that Council:

- (1) receives the report and notes the information;
- (2) endorses the advancement of Stormwater works Option 1b to Stage 2 (Detailed Design) as the preferred option;
- (3) notes that this option aligns strongly with project objectives and is within the overall project funding of \$174M;
- (4) notes that although, Option 5 (Riddiford Street) scored as the best option in the Multi Criteria Analysis workshop, Option 1b is recommended as the preferred option as it best aligns with the project objectives to enable the housing outcomes;
- (5) endorses advancement of Wastewater works option to Stage 2-Detailed Design; and
- (6) notes the risks associated with these options will be best addressed in Stage 2 once the design and cost maturity are sufficiently developed in collaboration with contractors.

For the reason that these options best achieve the housing outcomes of the IAF funding.

## Background

### Infrastructure Acceleration Fund

2. In June 2021, the New Zealand government announced the Infrastructure Acceleration Fund (IAF). Hutt City Council (HCC) secured IAF funding support to deliver Enabling Infrastructure Projects to facilitate the construction of up to 3,520 new houses in the Lower Hutt Valley Floor. The total budget as part of the funding bid is \$174M with the IAF, via Kāinga Ora, providing \$98.9M of funding for housing enabling infrastructure. Hutt City Council (HCC) has committed to funding the remaining through development contributions and rates.
3. As part of the IAF funding agreement, three projects are to be delivered:
  - Hutt Central Stormwater Scheme;
  - Hutt Central Wastewater Scheme; and
  - Eastern Hills Reservoir.
4. The stormwater and wastewater schemes will be delivered by HCC, whereas the Eastern Hill Reservoir will be delivered by Wellington Water Limited (WWL).
5. A proposed procurement strategy has been produced by Council for stage 2 (Pre-Implementation) of the project. The procurement strategy recommended Early Contractor Involvement from stage 2 of the project to provide cost certainty before committing the project for stage 3 implementation.
6. The funding agreement between Kāinga Ora and HCC includes several milestones that HCC must agree with Kāinga Ora in advance. The first of these milestones is the completion of Stage 1 Feasibility Activities.
7. The Table below shows Project Milestones agreed with Kāinga Ora. At this stage, only Stage 1 milestones are confirmed, and Kāinga Ora have agreed that milestones for subsequent stages will be updated at end of Stage 1. The table currently shows two stormwater projects. However, this will change to one stormwater project and one wastewater project at end of Stage 1.

IAF Funding Agreed Milestone	Melling Stormwater	Woburn Stormwater	Wastewater	Description
Stage 1 - Feasibility	30/06/2024	30/06/2024	30/06/2024	Feasibility Activities complete
Stage 2- Pre Implementation	31/12/2024*	31/12/2025*	31/12/2025*	Design
Stage 3 - Implementation	31/12/2025*	31/12/2027*	30/06/2026*	Construction
Stage 4 - Practical Completion	31/12/2026*	30/06/2028*	31/12/2026*	Certificate of Practical completion Issued

*\*to be reviewed at completion of stage 1*

Eastern Hills Reservoir	
Activity	Timeline
Notice of Requirement Lodgement within HCC	February 2024
Resource Consent Lodged to GWRC	April 2024
Estimated Construction Timeline	FY 2028/2029

## Project Scope

### Wastewater

8. Prior to handing the Wastewater project to HCC, WWL has progressed the wastewater pipeline design to the concept design stage and undertaken a growth study for to inform the likely flows expected for the population growth projected for year 2070.
9. This upgrade will increase sewer capacity in Hutt central, allowing the development and population growth associated with Riverlink to proceed unhindered. The wastewater project will deliver a new bypass, redirecting existing wastewater flow (from Hutt central catchment) to the Western Hills trunk main. This strategic diversion will alleviate strain on the current infrastructure, thereby unlocking additional housing capacity.

### Stormwater

10. In 2021, WWL undertook growth studies for several catchments identified for residential housing growth in the short to medium term. The growth study also considered impediments to this growth. Flooding from the Opahu Stream and future increased flooding of this stream (due to climate change) was one of the impediments to housing growth in the city.
11. The existing stormwater infrastructure in the Opahu Stream catchment is currently operating at full capacity. The objective of the stormwater project is to expand capacity within the trunk network, which will cover an estimated area of 75 hectares.
12. Without the implementation of the stormwater project, intensification of development, even beyond flood zones, poses a significant risk of surface flooding. Without this investment, development opportunities would be limited to areas characterized by impermeable surfaces.

13. Moreover, in the absence of additional stormwater capacity, developers would be compelled to adopt on-site mitigation measures, such as installing large rainwater tanks capable of handling extreme rainfall events. This would not only consume valuable space within the development but also necessitate the construction of pump stations to maintain hydraulic neutrality. The considerable expense associated with such mitigation measures would ultimately be borne by developers.
14. The stormwater project is essential to enable development in the Opaahu Stream catchment area, safeguarding against the worsening of flooding issues and ensuring compliance with regulatory requirements.

### **Eastern Hills Reservoir and Pipeline Project**

15. Lower Hutt's water supply network is vulnerable to disruption and needs to improve its water supply resilience. Building a new reservoir will improve the resilience of Lower Hutt water supply ensuring that water needs can be met in case of a significant earthquake or weather event. It will also reduce disruption on a day-to-day basis on network maintenance, repairs and the upgrade cater for the Lower Hutt Valley Floor future growth needs.
16. This project is delivered by WWL. It involves the development and delivery of a new reservoir and pipeline infrastructure to address both current and future water storage deficiencies in the Hutt City CBD area.
17. Key components of the project include:
  - construction of a new reservoir in the Eastern Hills region to augment water storage capacity; and
  - installation of a new outlet main from the Eastern Hills Reservoir to ensure adequate water supply capacity in the Hutt City CBD.
18. These initiatives are crucial to meet the growing demand for water resources and ensure resilience in the water supply infrastructure of the Hutt City central.

### **Project Update**

#### **Programme Wide**

19. Once preferred Wastewater and Stormwater options are endorsed by HCC, the team will focus on developing a comprehensive consenting strategy, property acquisition strategy and cost estimation as integral components of the Stage 1: Feasibility Activities reporting and deliverables.

#### **Wastewater**

20. The Project team have inherited a preferred option and associated concept design from WWL which underwent optioneering and approvals (see map 1 below).

21. Further options have been investigated by project team to reduce project costs. One such option moved the pump station above ground rather than below ground to reduce costs. Further work is required to seek Alliance agreement on the crossing point through the New Melling Bridge as part of the Te Awa Kairangi Alliance scope of works.

*Map 1 showing Wastewater Option via Pretoria Street/Melling Link/Rutherford Street*

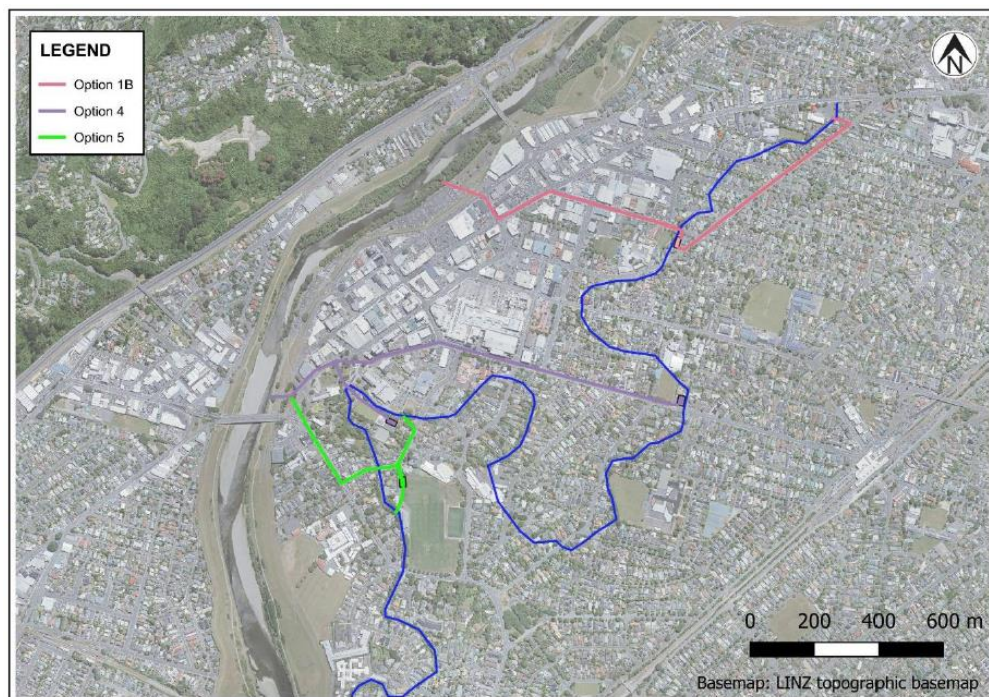


#### **Stormwater**

22. Seven long list options were investigated ranging from large pipes to large scale detention storage in large open areas and was shortlisted to 3 options (map 2 below):
- Option 1b- Pretoria Street/High Street/Queens Drive;
  - Option 4- Knights Road/Queens Drive; and
  - Option 5 – Woburn Road/Myrtle Street.
23. A shortlist workshop was then completed in April 2024 to identify a preferred option. A multi-criteria analysis was developed to score the shortlisted options. This criterion is included in the appendix 1 attached to the report.
24. The key points of this workshop are:
- a. the workshop engaged participants from HCC, WWL, consultants and Mana Whenua representatives;
  - b. following the workshop, Option 5 emerged as the top-scoring choice, marginally ahead of Option 1b when cost was considered;
  - c. Option 4 was discounted due to a fatal flaw given that the associated pump station is very close to the source water bores on Knights Road where the risk of contamination could occur; and

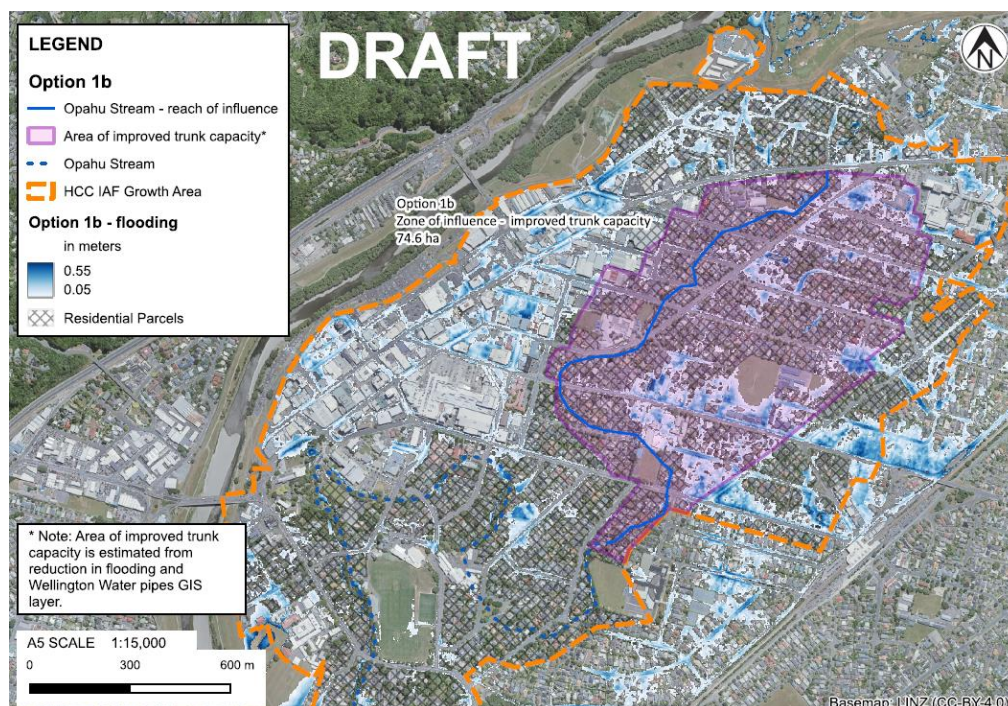


- d. even though Option 5 scored best in workshop, Option 1b overall is best aligned with housing outcomes.
25. This determination is based on the following considerations:
- a. Option 1b offers more area for intensification, with a significant 10-hectare difference (40ha vs. 29.5ha);
  - b. Option 1b, situated upstream of Opahu Stream, provides enhanced resilience compared to downstream locations; and
  - c. Residential properties within Option 5 area tend to be more expensive and are less likely to possess the economic development potential sought by developers.



*Map 2: three shortlisted stormwater options*

26. Map 3 below shows the estimated area for housing intensification for preferred option 1b.



Map 3- Option 1b housing intensification area

### Options comparison for Housing Outcomes

27. The table below shows potential housing numbers for each shortlisted option and for different types of dwellings:

<i>Option</i>	<b>1b</b>	<b>4 - No Riddiford PS</b>	<b>5</b>
Residential land in zone of influence with <0.05m of flooding [ha]	40.2	37.7	29.4
Number of dwellings in residential area within zone of influence with <0.05m of flooding (higher density)*	8000	7500	6000
Number of dwellings in residential area within zone of influence with <0.05m of flooding (lower density)**	1250	1200	900
Commercial land in zone of influence with <0.05m of flooding [ha]	0.4	4.8	20.0
<b>Total usable land in zone of influence with &lt;0.05m of flooding [ha]</b>	<b>40.6</b>	<b>42.5</b>	<b>49.4</b>

*\*This assumes that every residential property within the zone of influence is redeveloped at 200 dwellings per hectare. The economic feasibility of this scenario has not been tested as part of the multi-criteria assessment workshop.*

*\*\*This assumes that every residential property within the zone of influence is redeveloped at 31 dwellings per hectare. The economic feasibility of this scenario has not been tested as part of the multi-criteria assessment workshop.*

28. To assist in estimate the benefits, two styles of intensified redevelopment within existing residential areas have been used, being:
- terraced townhouses (2-3 storey), with an average density of 31 dwellings per hectare (lower density); and
  - walk-up apartments (3 storey), with an average density of 200 dwellings per hectare (higher density).
29. From these numbers, if you have a mix (higher and lower density) of redevelopment over the entire zone of influence, you can get more than 3520 dwellings.

#### **Eastern Hill Reservoir**

30. The Notice of Requirement application has been lodged with HCC on 29 February 2024. Resource consent lodgement to Greater Wellington Regional Council (GWRC) is expected to be in April 2024
31. Overall delivery programme is provisional and awaiting HCC direction on LTP funding.
32. Taranaki Whanui have endorsed the Notice of Requirement.
33. Stakeholders have been consulted on the project and the information has informed the development of the consent application. Following the formal public notice from HCC, open days will be held with the local community and residents to explain the application.

#### **Key Project Risks**

34. The project is actively managing the following risks:
- a. level of Service within approved funding;
  - b. overall project cost;
  - c. Riverlink interface where the Wastewater pipe crosses the new Melling Bridge and its construction timeline;
  - d. the Stormwater option 1b requires acquisition of private property for construction of pump station; and
  - e. consenting for the Wastewater Engineered Overflow point.



### Climate Change Impact and Considerations

35. The matters addressed in this report have been considered in accordance with the process set out in Council's Climate Change Considerations Guide.
36. Hydraulic modelling for each option has been completed to consider WWL recently adopted new requirements for sea level rise and climate change.

### Consultation

37. The team has actively collaborated with Mana Whenua, engaging in discussions, and presenting at the Kahui Mana Whenua Group hui.
38. Coordination meetings have been conducted with key stakeholders including the GWRC, Riverlink Alliance and Kainga Ora as part of the project's development process. The table below lists key stakeholders' groups for project consultation:

Stakeholder Group	Description
Riverlink	Coordination and liaison around design and construction programmes
Greater Wellington Regional Council	Engagement and Consultation around design and consenting strategy particularly around outfalls through stopbank
Hutt Central Regeneration Steering Group	Establish coordination initiatives aimed at influencing housing outcomes
Kainga Ora	Engagement and consultation around IAF delivery plan and milestones
Wellington Water	Technical review and involvement at governance level around projects
Hutt City Council	Coordination with Planning, Housing, Property, Customer, Transport, Legal and Finance teams
Kahui Mana Whenua Group / Richard Te One	Engagement and Consultation around Mana Whenua involvement in the project

### Legal Considerations

39. Legal review will be conducted by Dentons Kensington Swan concerning stormwater and wastewater assessments. They will offer advisory support throughout the preparation of consenting strategies, property acquisition strategy and the examination of final documents. With their involvement in the multi-criteria Assessment process to analyse each option, they will ensure the robustness of the process.

### Financial Considerations

40. Once a preferred option for both stormwater and wastewater has been endorsed by HCC, cost estimates will be completed and peer reviewed. This updated estimate will then be submitted to HCC for approval as part of stage 1 process in July 2024.
41. The table below shows overall budget and sources of funding for wastewater and stormwater works:

Funding Source	Contribution
IAF Funding through Kāinga Ora	\$98.9M
HCC Development Contributions	\$44.9M
HCC Rate Funding	\$30.5M
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$174.3M</b>

42. Current Cost estimates for each Stormwater option and Wastewater:

	Stormwater Option 1b	Stormwater Option 5	Wastewater
Base Estimate	\$51,850,000	\$39,150,000	
Expected Estimate (P50)	\$67,450,000	\$50,900,000	
Property Acquisition & Demolition	\$4,150,000	\$0	
P50 + Property	\$71,600,000	\$50,900,000	
Funding Risk	\$35,800,000	\$25,450,000	
P95 Estimate	\$107,400,000	\$76,350,000	\$62,600,000
*Total Project Estimate (Option 1b + Wastewater)			\$170,000,000
*Total Project Estimate (Option 5 + Wastewater)			\$138,950,000

\*Further cost estimates will be provided through peer review

**Appendices**

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Appendix 1:

## Multi Criteria Analysis:

Criteria (and matters to consider within each) <sup>1</sup>		Specialist	Input sought from:
<b>Planning, environmental and cultural</b>			
1.	<b>Ecology</b>	Tonkin+ Taylor	Tonkin+ Taylor
2.	<b>Cultural</b>	Hikoikoi Management	Port Nicholson Block Settlement Trust  HCC Tumuoki Maori
3.	<b>Planning and consenting complexity</b>	Tonkin+ Taylor	
<b>Engineering and technical considerations</b>			
4.	<b>Constructability</b>	Tonkin+ Taylor	
5.	<b>Infrastructure resilience and risk</b>	Wellington Water Limited	Tonkin+ Taylor
6.	<b>Operation of infrastructure</b>	Wellington Water Limited	
<b>Social</b>			
7.	<b>Enablement of housing development</b> - Area of residential land potentially served by an upgrade in trunk capacity - Area of residential land with reduced flood depth/extent - Degree of certainty or uncertainty in this benefit - Alignment with preferred development areas/likely developer-preferred areas	HCC Urban Development	Tonkin+ Taylor
8.	<b>Property</b>	Property Expert	
9.	<b>Effects on community</b>	Tonkin+ Taylor	HCC Transport HCC Parks and Reserves
10.	<b>Cost per property*</b>	Tonkin+ Taylor	

**04 April 2024**

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**Report no: IARCC2024/2/105**

## **Proposed reviews of the Local Alcohol Policy 2018 and the Alcohol Fees Bylaw 2020**

### **Purpose of Report**

1. To seek approval from the Infrastructure and Regulatory Committee to undertake concurrent public consultation in August 2024 on reviews of the Alcohol Fees Bylaw and the Local Alcohol Policy.

### **Recommendations**

That the Committee:

- (1) notes that the Alcohol Fees Bylaw and the Local Alcohol Policy are due for review this year;
- (2) notes that each review requires consultation to be undertaken;
- (3) agrees to run a concurrent consultation process for both reviews in August 2024;
- (4) notes the Control of Alcohol in Public Places Bylaw is also undergoing consultation in August 2024;
- (5) notes that the Policy, Finance and Strategy Committee is responsible for the Control of Alcohol in Public Places Bylaw;
- (6) agrees to run consultation processes for both the Alcohol Fees Bylaw and the Local Alcohol Policy concurrently with the consultation on the Control of Alcohol in Public Places Bylaw to ensure a coordinated and efficient public consultation process;
- (7) notes that subsequent hearings of submissions on the Alcohol Fees Bylaw (if required) and on the Local Alcohol Policy will be undertaken separately in September 2024;
- (8) notes the draft timeline attached as **Appendix 1** to the report; and
- (9) notes that officers will undertake draft reviews of the Alcohol Fees Bylaw the Local Alcohol Policy and bring them back to the Committee in July 2024 for consideration.

For the reasons that the Infrastructure and Regulatory Committee has the decision-making authority for issues related to the Local Alcohol Policy and the Alcohol Fees Bylaw.

## Background

2. The Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 requires local alcohol policies to be reviewed every six years. Council's Local Alcohol Policy has been in place since 2018 and is due for review this year.
3. The Local Alcohol Policy covers such licensing rules for on- and off-license venues as:
  - a) trading hours;
  - b) location of licensed premises;
  - c) discretionary conditions for issuing licenses or types of licenses;
  - d) off-license caps for some areas in the city; and
  - e) one-way door restrictions.
4. The Alcohol Fees Bylaw covers fees for venues that sell alcohol. This bylaw is due for review in 2024 but will remain in force until 2026, or until a new bylaw is adopted.
5. The Control of Alcohol in Public Places Bylaw (overseen by the Policy, Finance and Strategy Committee) is being developed this year. This Bylaw outlines alcohol-free zones throughout Te Awa Kairangi ki Tai Lower Hutt and is enforced by the Police.
6. The alcohol-related bylaws and policy will all require public consultation.

## Discussion

### Public consultation

7. The proposed timeline for the alcohol-related policy and bylaws is attached as **Appendix 1** to the report.
8. To ensure a coordinated and efficient public consultation process, officers recommend running all three consultations concurrently.
9. If the Committee agrees to a concurrent process, the bylaws and policy will hear the relevant verbal submissions separately:
  - a) a Subcommittee of the Infrastructure and Regulatory Committee will hear submissions in September 2024 on the Alcohol Fees Bylaw (if required) and separately on the Local Alcohol Policy; and
  - b) the Policy, Finance and Strategy Committee will hear submissions on the Control of Alcohol in Public Places Bylaw in September 2024.

10. Under previous legislation, appeals to provisional Local Alcohol Policies could delay or even prevent adoption by councils. An amendment in 2023 to the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 removed this avenue for appeal. This means the risk of delays to the adoption of a Local Alcohol Policy is reduced because interested parties can only voice their opinion via the submission process and not a subsequent appeals process.

### Next Steps

11. Officers will undertake draft reviews of the Alcohol Fees Bylaw the Local Alcohol Policy and bring them back to the Committee in July 2024 for consideration. This will include more detailed information on establishing a subcommittee to hear submissions.

### Climate Change Impact and Considerations

12. The matters addressed in this report have been considered in accordance with the process set out in Council's Climate Change Considerations Guide.

### Consultation

13. The Policy Team will work closely with the Communications and Engagement Teams to develop an effective public consultation process.

### Legal Considerations

14. Council's legal team will be consulted throughout the review processes to ensure that the policy and bylaw meets legislative requirements.

### Financial Considerations

15. There are no financial considerations.

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**Draft timelines for alcohol-related bylaws and policy**

	Control of Alcohol in Public Places Bylaw (Policy, Finance and Strategy Committee)	<b>Local Alcohol Policy (Infrastructure and Regulatory Committee)</b>	<b>Alcohol Fees Bylaw (Infrastructure and Regulatory Committee)</b>
March	End of March – evidence from Police and Public Health received	End of March – evidence from Police and Public Health received	
April	Research and Evaluation to begin analysis	Research and Evaluation to begin analysis	Scope/plan
May/June	Draft Bylaw	Draft Policy amendments	Draft Bylaw amendments
July	9 July – PFS 25 July – Council meeting	11 July – IRC meeting (does not go to Council)	11 July – IRC meeting 25 July – Council meeting
August	26 July – start consultation 25 August – end consultation		
	26 August – analysis of submissions		
September	10 Sep – PFS (to hear public submissions)	IRC sub-committee	If required, IRC sub-committee
October	1 October – Council to adopt CAPP Bylaw		
November		IRC to approve sub-committee recommendations	IRC to approve sub-committee recommendations
December		10 Dec Council approve LAP	10 Dec Council adopt Bylaw
Early 2025		Public Notice (30 days prior to Council meeting) Council adopt final LAP	
After LAP in force		Written notice to licensees of policies and their effect. New LAP to ALRA	



**12 April 2024**

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## **Three Waters Update**

### **Purpose of Report**

1. This report provides an update on three waters activities including the latest information on the government's programme for water reform.

### **Recommendation**

That the Committee receives the report and notes its contents.

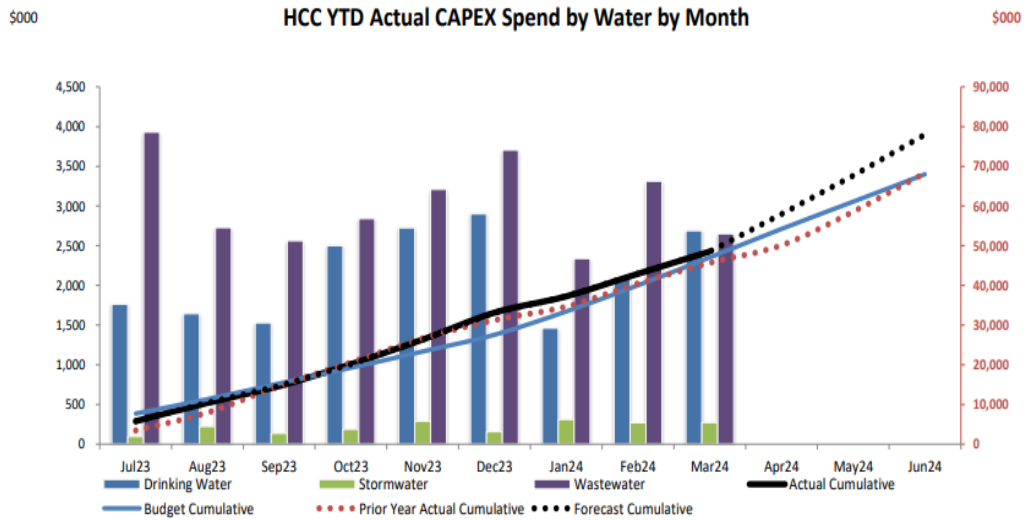
### **Background**

2. Wellington Water Limited (WWL) provides Council with regular updates on capital and operating projects and programmes. These are summarised in the following paragraphs. This report also provides an update on the new government's plans for the future delivery of three waters.

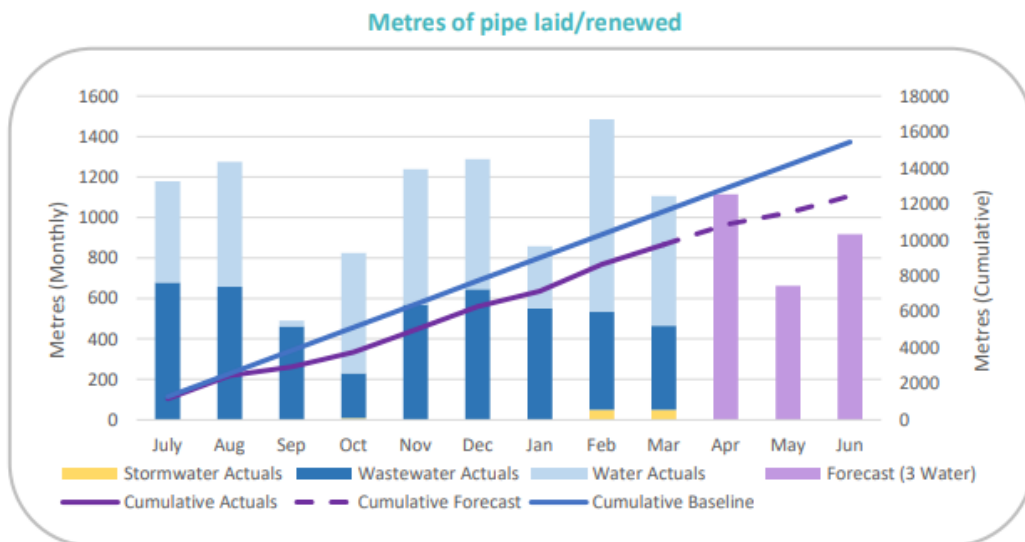
### **2023/24 CAPEX Programme**

3. The capital investment by WWL on Three Waters projects, up to 31 March 2024, was \$48.5M, compared to a year to date budget of \$47.0M.
4. The year end forecast is \$78M which is \$1M less than reported at the March meeting. The main variations in the work programme are;
  - a) deferment of the Jackson Street stormwater renewal to allow for consideration of water and wastewater renewals;
  - b) a 3-month delay with the Petone Collector Sewer investigations resulting in \$500k moving into 2024/25;
  - c) an underspend of \$700k with the Eastern Hills Reservoir project being pushed back two years.

- The following graph shows the CAPEX spend by water type by month up until 31 March 2024 and the projected tracking of the programme spend up to year end.



- The renewals programme has a target to deliver 15.3 kilometres of ageing pipe renewals across the three networks
- To date around 10km of pipes have been renewed in Wainuiomata, Epuni and Woburn, with the works on track to deliver approximately 12 kms by year end. This is less than what was initially assessed would be delivered, mainly due to over-estimating the target when it was first set. Some works that were thought would be completed in this year’s programme are now likely to occur later in 2024.



8. A full schedule of project works that are either in physical progress or in design are summarised in the following schedule.

**Physical Works in Progress - March 2024:**

- Wainuiomata Water Supply Renewals - Lees Gr and Holland Street
- Wainuiomata 21-22 Water Supply Renewals - Hine Road
- Epunui and Woburn WW Network Renewals.
- Avalon Wastewater Renewals 22-23 (Year2)
- Knights Road - Colin Grove E Coli Wastewater and Stormwater - Package 2
- HCC Watermain Renewals - Package 5 (Howard Road phase 2)
- HCC VHCA Reservoir Water Quality Renewals – Construction ongoing on the Kamihi and Korokoro Reservoirs.

**Contracts Awarded in March 2024:**

- HCC Urgent Works Pressure Management - URGENT WORKS SP1

**Contracts Award In Progress - March 2024:**

- Totara Park Road-Bridge Pipework Seismic Resilience WWJV (UHCC)
- Wainuiomata Water Supply Renewals – Hair St
- HCC Watermain Renewals - Package 5 (Howard Road phase 3)
- Wainui and Stokes Valley GI Ridermain Renewals – Package 1

**Designs completed in March 2024:**

- None

**Designs in Progress - March 2024:**

- Te Mome Pump Station – early planning stages
- Muritai Road-Rona Street - Marine Parade Stormwater Improvement - Optioneering Complete
- Jackson St Stormwater Improvements - Optioneering assessment to incorporate additional scope.
- Wainuiomata North Wastewater Trunk Main Upgrade - in Detailed design
- Kingsley Reservoir Seismic Resilience - optioneering assessment complete.
- Kamahi Pressure Control Valve Installation - in investigations planning.
- HCC Watermain Renewals - Package 3
- HCC Watermain Renewals - Package 4
- Taita Rock WW Pipe Protection – early planning
- Western Hutt Trunk Sewer Renewal – early planning

**Barber Grove to Seaview Wastewater Trunk Main**

9. The project is now closed out with the final cost following negotiation settled at \$34.2M, which is \$200k less than reported at the previous meeting.

**Jackson Street Stormwater Renewal Project**

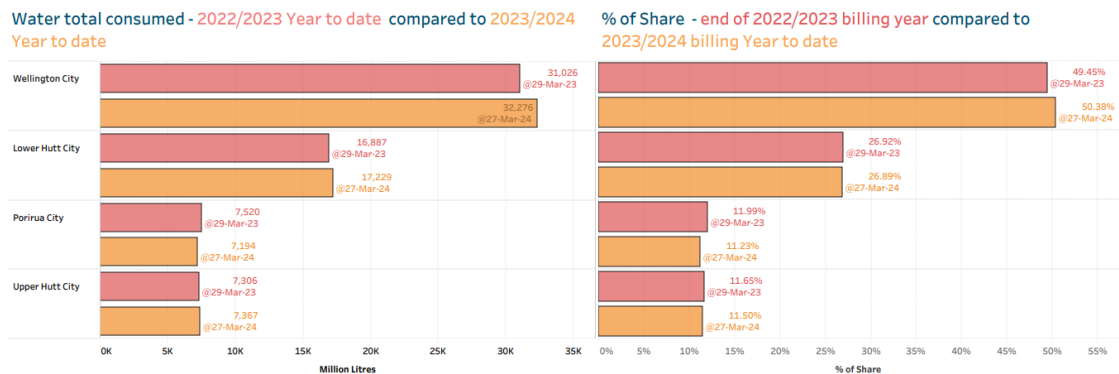
10. Investigations into renewing water and wastewater infrastructure in Jackson Street at the same time as the stormwater renewal works have been completed and are currently under review. Officers expect to be able to provide a verbal update on the options at the meeting.
11. If Council decides that works should be undertaken on the networks concurrently, construction will commence mid-2025, otherwise stormwater renewals on their own would commence August 2024.

**Water Leaks**

12. At Councils request, WWL has put together an implementation plan for how it will address the leaks backlog with the additional \$2.8M of funding provided by Council. The plan involves increasing resources to eliminate 60% of the backlog from May to July 2024, with the remaining backlog cleared by November 2024. A further uplift in resources is planned over the December 2024 to February 2025 period to be able to keep on top of the seasonal increase in reported leaks over summer.
13. WWL has determined that a target level of leak backlog in the future should be the number of leaks that it receives on average over a ten-day period. That currently equates to 108 leaks. This is half of the median resolution time of 20 working days for non-urgent work as per Councils Key Performance Indicator (KPI).
14. With the backlog sitting at around 700 leaks as at end of March 2024, the number of leaks to be eliminated is just under 600, while ensuring new leaks are adequately resourced.
15. WWL is providing a weekly report on progress. The latest report dated 18 April 2024 is attached as Appendix 1.

**Bulk Water**

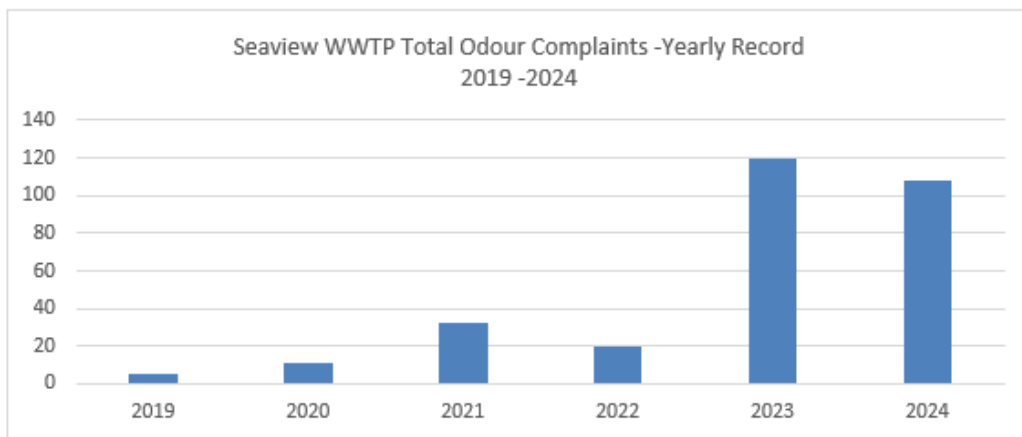
16. Bulk water consumption is measured and billed each year by Greater Wellington Regional Council on a 1 April to 31 March basis (noting that this year the close off date for the year was 27 March 2024)
17. For the full year, Hutt City usage was 17,229 megalitres which was a 2.0% increase in usage over the same period for the previous year. As a percentage of total use across the four-Council region the results are marginally lower (26.89% compared to 26.92%) than for the 2022/23 year. These results are outlined in the following table.



### Seaview Wastewater Treatment Plant

#### Odour Treatment Update

18. Odour remains a key issue in the plant operations. WWL and Veolia received 57 complaints over February and March 2024. GWRC officers undertook odour surveys after some of the odour complaints. Approximately 6 odour surveys made by the regional council staff have been assessed to have detected odour that was deemed to be offensive and objectionable. To date there have been no formal non-compliance notices received from GWRC regarding these complaints. A graphical representation of the historical odour complaints received for the WWTP is shown below by calendar year. 2024 shows the number of complaints for the first three months of the year.



19. Odour surveys continue to be undertaken in Seaview WWTP catchment to provide more data for the odour management project. The surveys are undertaken at different times, days, and weather conditions. The data will be used to help WWL connect the detected odour outside the plant’s boundary to the specific odour sources in the treatment plant which will help prioritise the activities undertaken by the project team.

20. A draft project management plan (PMP) for the plant’s odour treatment renewal has been reviewed by WWL and is currently being finalised. The activities planned under this project have been grouped into different work packages and priority. High priority work packages will be undertaken in FY24-25. These include resolving the remaining issues in the biofilter, milliscreen ducting replacement, external ducting repairs, milliscreen building air treatment and site wide improvement for odour control monitoring and instrumentation.

21. The biofilter “plenum” air distribution system and an upgrade of the biofilter cell isolation will be undertaken in winter 2024. Prior to the plenum upgrade, an assessment of the biofilter will be undertaken to measure the biofilter treatment performance following the replacement of the biofilter media and to provide a baseline measure for the effectiveness of the plenum upgrade once completed.

22. Attached as Appendix 2 is an indicative project schedule for all planned upgrades of the Seaview plant.

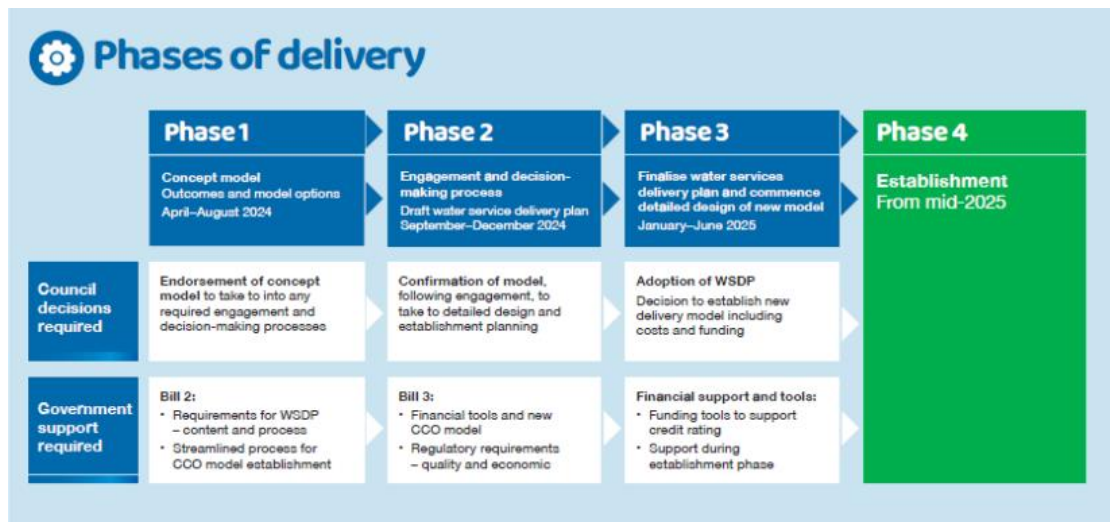
**Water reform - Local Water Done Well**

23. The Minister of Local Government made public announcements on 5 April 2024, about the first steps of the rollout of the Local Water Done Well (LWDW) programme of reforms, following recent cabinet decisions.

24. This includes streamlined processes for establishing new water services Council Controlled Organisations (CCOs), requirements for all councils to develop Water Services Delivery Plans and steps towards future economic regulation.

25. Led by Council Chief Executives, all Councils within the Wellington Region plus the Horowhenua District Council have formally resolved to work together to develop a joint water services delivery plan and a future delivery model.

26. The project is being planned to be delivered over 4 phases with the first phase now underway. The following table sets out the phases and their timing, along with the tie into the government’s LWDW legislative programme.



27. The goal of the first phase of the project is to outline the high-level conceptual design for a preferred future delivery model. This will be used to confirm individual Council support. Note that while agreeing to work together on this plan, each Council is able to opt out of the joint approach at any stage and work on another solution.

28. This first phase of the project will include identifying:

- a) the key features of an ideal future CCO model;
- b) the funding requirements and options for the new model;
- c) the governance options for the new model; and

- d) any legal changes required to enable the new model and simplify the transition.
29. The first phase of the project is estimated to be \$600k, the cost of which will be shared by all Councils. The HCC share (\$100k) will be able to be met from unspent three waters transitional funding received from the Department of Internal Affairs (DIA). Unless further funding is made available from government, the cost of phases 2 and 3 would be a variance to the 2024/25 budget. The government has stated that it has agreed to retain and redirect existing funding programmes (Better Off and Transitional funding) and has asked DIA to work with councils to align funding to LWDW.
30. DIA has since written to Council asking if we can redirect any unspent funding towards the Local Water Done Well work programme.
31. For this initial phase of the project resourcing from Wellington Water Limited (WWL) is expected to be minimal. WWL is concentrating on delivering core services including delivery of the capital works programme which is generally on target.

### **Climate Change Impact and Considerations**

32. This report touches on the current WWL capital work programme for which Council has previously made decisions as part of the consideration of the Long Term Plan on Climate Change considerations.

### **Consultation**

33. There are no specific consultation matters to comment on in this report.

### **Legal Considerations**

34. There are no legal considerations.

### **Financial Considerations**

35. Operating expenditure for fixing water leaks is forecasted to exceed budget this financial by \$1.3M, as additional resources are being used to keep leaks to a manageable level. However, this will be offset by savings in other operational expenditure, mainly investigations.

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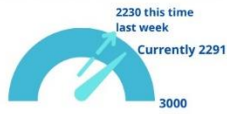
Hutt City Council's investment into leaks - progress update 18/04/24\*

\*The data provided is based on the best information available at the time of the assessment.



Overall Leaks fixed

2291 leaks fixed since 01/07/23



2291 Fixed leaks  
2095 are Network Leaks  
196 are Private Leaks



Weekly Update - Leaks Reported and Fixed

This Week

Reported Leaks	Leaks Fixed
40 Reported Leaks -- WWL Detected Leak	Public 53 Leaks
	Private 8 Leak

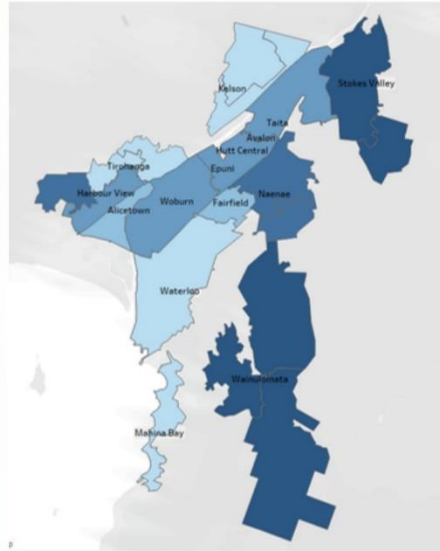


Leaks Backlog



Leaks fixed by Suburb

Below is a map of the suburbs in Hutt. Leaks fixed in those suburbs this week.

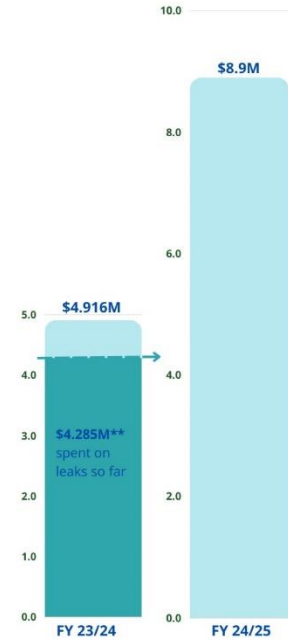


Leaks fixed per suburb

- Stokes Valley: 9
- Wainuiomata: 8
- Maungaraki: 6
- Naenae: 6
- Avalon: 4
- Harbour View: 4
- Epuni: 3
- Taita: 3
- Alicetown: 2
- Fairfield: 2
- Hutt Central: 2
- Normandale: 2
- Waterloo: 2
- Kelson: 1
- Lowry Bay: 1
- Mahina Bay: 1
- Melling: 1
- Moera: 1
- Tirohanga: 1
- Waiwhetu: 1
- Woburn: 1



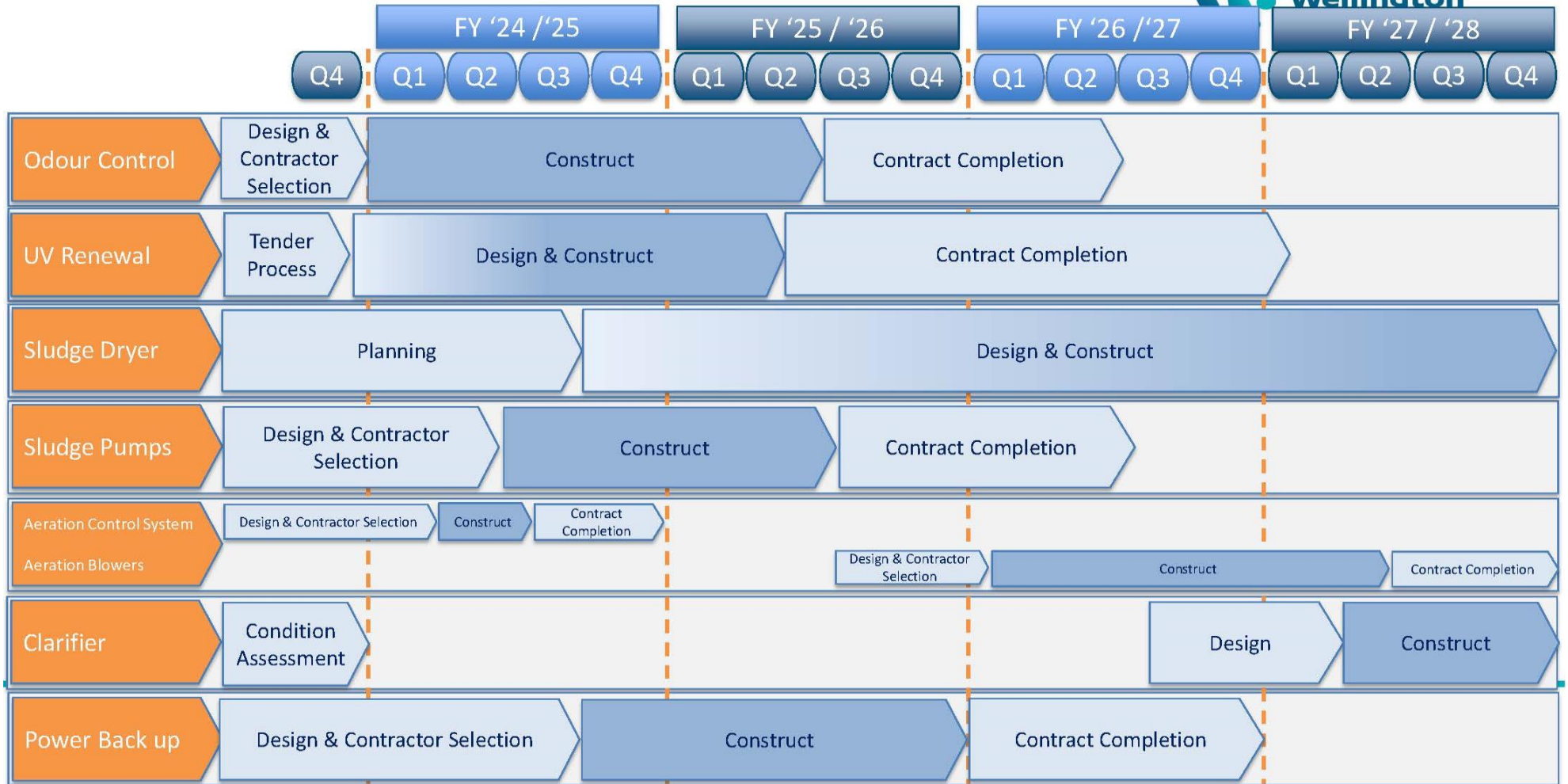
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# Seaview WwTP: Indicative project schedule (dates may change)



**15 April 2024**

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**Report no: IARCC2024/2/107**

## **Regulatory Matters**

### **Purpose of Report**

1. To provide an update on regulatory matters arising from the work of the Environment and Sustainability Group.

### **Recommendation**

That the Committee receives and notes the information.

### **Background**

2. The volume of RMA and Building consents received and processed is detailed below.
3. The latest edition of Kaihanga was issued in April 2024. Kaihanga is a newsletter targeted at our stakeholders and available to the public on the Council webpage. It focuses on topics across the Building Consents, Resource Consents and Policy Planning Teams.
4. The latest Kaihanga featured information from our consenting teams and updates on the District Plan review, MBIE report on "Operation Magazine, and fossil gas use in Lower Hutt. The full edition can be viewed here: <https://mailchi.mp/huttcity.govt.nz/kaihanga-6205224>

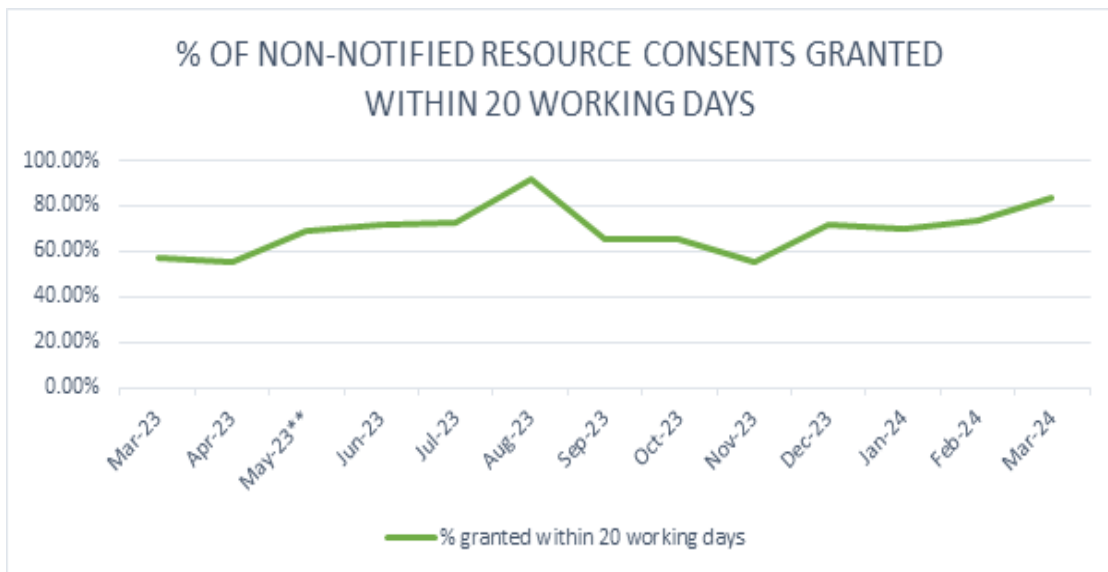
### **Resource Consents**

5. There are currently 92 resource consent applications in the system. 52 of these are being actively processed and 40 are on hold.
6. Below is a table summarising the throughput and statutory compliance of resource consents for each month since March 2023. 84% of the consents issued in March 2024 were within 20 working days (compared to 57% in March 2023).

7. Overall, for the 2023/2024 financial year, 75% of non-notified resource consents have been issued within 20 working days.

**Table 1: Non-notified consents granted within 20 working days since March 2023**

Mar 23 - Mar 24	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
Land use	10	12	9	6	5	0	7	6	3	3	3	13	9
Subdivision	0	1	2	0	4	0	1	0	5	4	2	0	2
Land use & Subdivision	9	2	4	3	2	2	7	7	3	2	4	3	4
Change of Condition	2	5	3	1	2	0	2	2	0	1	5	1	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>21</b>
% granted within 20 working days	57%	55%	70%	71%	72%	92%	65%	65%	55%	71%	70%	74%	84%



8. The table below shows the number of consents received has been steady throughout 2023 and 2024. This is expected to change in the coming months with an influx of resource consents expected to be submitted prior to 1 July 2024 associated with proposed changes to the Hutt City Council Development and Financial Contributions Policy. This is discussed more in paragraphs 11 – 13 below.

**Table 2: Resource consents received since March 2023**

Mar 23 - Mar 24	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
Landuse	9	11	7	9	7	16	2	4	10	17	12	13	15
Subdivision	3	1	7	2	4	3	5	2	9	1	1	2	2
Landuse and Subdivision	3	5	6	6	11	9	8	3	5	7	5	5	5
PBA	2	0	6	0	2	3	0	1	2	0	0	0	0
Change of Condition	5	1	2	3	3	3	2	3	3	5	0	7	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>24</b>

9. The average working days to process a consent has continued to reduce steadily, as shown in Table 3 below. The average working days in March 2024 were 19 days, compared to 36 days in March 2023.

**Table 3: Average days to grant a resource consent since March 2023**

Mar 23 - Mar 24	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
Subdivision	36.6	74.8	17.5	0	20.6	26.5	26.5	37	18.8	17	20.5	33	28
Landuse & Subdivision	48.1	42.7	30.4	38	32.2	40	40.1	25	66.3	37.6	25	43.2	17.5
Other*	16.1	22.3	15.5	14.7	11.4	13.25	19.8	19	21	21.4	21.5	14.5	17.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>35.9</b>	<b>34.8</b>	<b>21.5</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>23.1</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>29.4</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>45.35</b>	<b>25.9</b>	<b>22.3</b>	<b>24.9</b>	<b>19.3</b>

10. The reliance on external consultants to process consents has also reduced significantly, with only 11 resource consents allocated to consultants in the last three months. However, it is important to note a risk in relation to a potential for increased use of external consultants in the coming months associated with proposed increases to development contributions. This is discussed more in paragraphs 11 – 13 below.
11. The business improvement project to reduce the number of consents that have been on hold for over 12 months is progressing well. This list has been reduced to nine consents, down from the original list of 112.

#### Potential Impact of resource consents from proposed changes to the Hutt City Council Development and Financial Contribution Policy

12. Changes to the Development Contributions (DC) Policy are currently being consulted as part of the draft Long Term Plan process. It is expected that there will be an influx of resource applications submitted prior to 1 July 2024, when any increase in development contributions will take effect. However, it is unknown what level of applications are likely to be submitted prior to any 2024 increase. Based on previous experience from the last time development contributions were significantly increased in July 2021, Council experienced three-four times the average amount of consents for a sustained period of four months before it started to reduce. This created a backlog of consents and considerable disruption with long-term adverse effects on the business. As such, it is anticipated that there will be some negative impact on resource consent processing times and a need to use additional consultant resource to manage the increased workload.
13. To mitigate this risk as far as possible, the Resource Consent team is carrying out the following actions:
  - a) communications with the development community through the Customer Advisory Group (CAG) and the development industry newsletter (Kohanga) to raise awareness of the changes.
  - b) targeted consultation with regular resource consent customers with key messaging that incomplete applications will not be accepted, and that applications should be submitted as early as possible to avoid this risk.
  - c) conversations with the Development Engineering team, Wellington Water Limited, and external consultants to ensure the necessary resourcing and expertise are in place to support the increased workload.

#### Riverlink Update

14. The Riverlink project includes three primary areas of work relating to flood protection works, Melling transport improvements, and urban renewal and revitalisation works. In November 2022, the Environment Court confirmed the designations and resource consent approvals for all these works.

15. Currently the true left bank between Kennedy-Good Bridge and Melling Bridge has become a construction site and is now closed to the public. Work in this area is well underway with haul roads and sediment controls in place for the commencement of earthworks.
16. Geotechnical and utility investigations are also underway, with sub ground foundation removals approved for sites where demolition has been done.

**Table 5: Significant resource consents received since February 2023**

Location	Development
14 & 16 The Strand, Wainuiomata	30-lot subdivision, 28 dwellings and 2 commercial units
343 & 351B Wellington Road, Wainuiomata	49-lot subdivision and 43 dwellings with cul-de-sac road to be vested to HCC

**Table 6: Update of notable consents from previous reports**

Location	Development
30 Benmore Crescent (Manor Park)	<p>Resource Recovery Park, including infrastructure for retail, café, material recovery, construction/waste/demolition sorting, and general waste transfer. A related application is being processed to upgrade intersection in SH2 designation.</p> <p><b>Update April 2024:</b> The consent remains on hold pending submission of a Safe System Audit from the applicant, and approval from Waka Kotahi. No decision has been made on notification.</p>
47 The Esplanade (Petone)	<p>Construction and use of a 9.5m high, 3.5m wide billboard with a 7m digital screen. The digital billboard will be used for third party advertising that will change on a rotating basis, displaying an image for 8 seconds.</p> <p><b>Update April 2024:</b> Hearing has been set for 18 - 19th June 2024.</p>
56 Wood Street (Wainuiomata)	<p>Residential development by Kainga Ora comprising 40-units and associated 53-lot subdivision.</p> <p><b>Update February 2024:</b> No change from previous update - the applicant has responded to planning, engineering and traffic related further information issues. There are ongoing discussions relating to stormwater and wastewater infrastructure. No decision has been made on notification.</p>

Table 7: Notable consents granted since October 2023

Location	Development
12 Hollards Grove, Avalon	18 residential apartments, earthworks, and fee simple subdivision.
16D Pitoitoi Road, Days Bay (Williams Park)	Earthworks facilitating recreation improvement and redesign of Williams Park.
170D Whites Line East, Waiwhetu (Te Whiti Park)	Earthworks to facilitate construction of 365m of pedestrian pathway.
1338 High Street, Taita (Pomare Park)	Earthworks facilitating recreation improvement and redesign of Pomare Park.
48B Bell Road, Waiwhetu (Bell Park)	Earthworks facilitating recreation improvement and redesign of Bell Park.

### RMA Compliance

Table 8: Compliance Notices issued since March 2023

Mar 23 - Mar 24	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total
<b>Infringements</b>	6	4	9	2	2	7	0	1	2	6	1	4	6	<b>50</b>
<b>Abatement Notices</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	3	1	<b>5</b>
<b>Enforcement Orders</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
<b>Prosecutions</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>

17. The infringements issued since March 2023 largely related to noise from works outside of permitted hours, truck movement outside of permitted hours, and dust. The abatement notices issued largely relate to dust issues on large scale earthworks sites during the dry summer months.

**Table 9: Complaints received since March 2023**

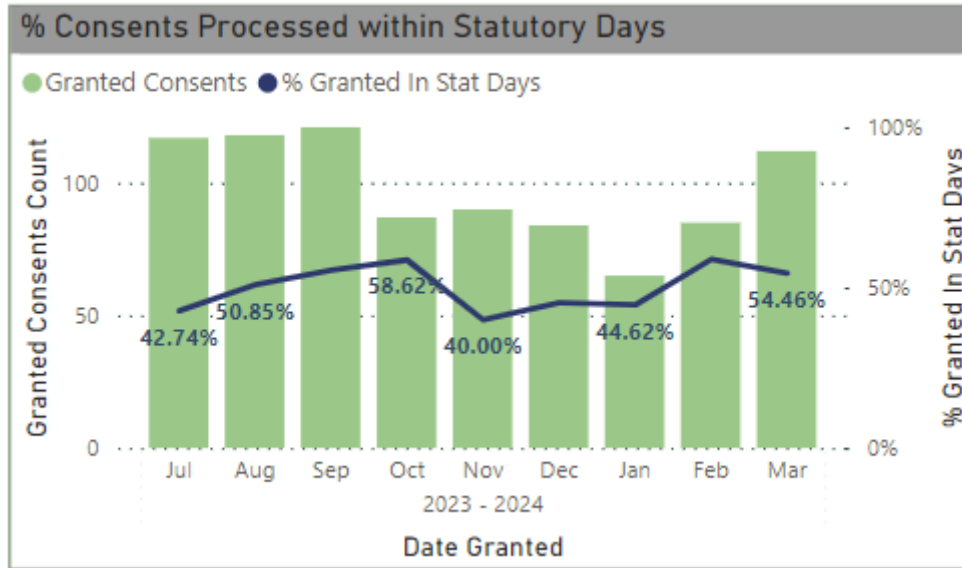
Mar 23 / Mar 24	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total
Complaints received	28	28	33	38	20	36	25	16	21	31	35	39	57	407
Complaints acknowledged within 24hrs	28	28	33	38	20	36	25	16	20	31	35	39	57	406
Complaints resolved	28	26	21	42	19	20	16	15	14	19	26	35	51	332
% Acknowledged within 24hrs	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	95.2	100	100	100	100	99.6

18. The number of complaints has increased this year, which is largely attributed to insufficient erosion and sediment controls (dust nuisance predominantly), works occurring after hours, and noise or vibrations.

### Building Control

19. Whilst consent application numbers are down from the financial year 2021/22, a peak in poor quality applications received during April and May 2023, due to changes in the building regulations affecting building insulation, combined with challenges onboarding contractors into the new digital system and a doubling in inspection numbers, led to a buildup of unallocated work. This in turn resulted in statutory timeframes being negatively impacted for several months.
20. The number of new building consents received, accepted, granted, and issued are comparable with the same quarter in the 2022/23 financial year. During the third quarter of 2023/24, the building team granted 260 consents up from 199 in the previous quarter.
21. Statutory timeframes continue to be impacted by historic overdue consents which have been on hold in the system awaiting further information from the applicant. As the applicant responds and these consents are processed and granted, they negatively impact on statutory performance. There are currently 42 suspended consents in the system over 20 statutory days, this is down from a high of 73 in July 2023.





2023-2024 KPIs	KPI %	YTD % Achieved	YTD totals
100% <b>Building Consents</b> granted within 20 days	100%	50.51%	340/735
100% <b>Code Compliance Certificates</b> issued within 20 days	100%	48%	281/586

22. As part of our internal audit process, the Building Unit has identified issues with how officers have been starting and stopping the statutory clock for processing Requests For Information (RFI's) on consent applications and for processing of CCC applications. Some changes to the statistics reported in this and previous reports may occur as officers work through and check all applications and CCC's granted this financial year.
23. Leading indicators, which calculate statutory performance by the date the application was received rather than granted, enable us to measure our performance by removing the impact of historic consents. This data set will be used to demonstrate to IANZ that officers are meeting substantive compliance to close out one of our audit non-conformances.
24. Our leading indicators show that officers are averaging below 20 statutory days for processing new applications, and they also show that officers are processing approximately 80% of new applications within 20 statutory days.
25. The Consents Processing team is now largely operating at capacity, with the final vacancy under offer. Having a full team for the first time this financial year means that officers have the internal resources to process most consents as they arrive and are no longer reliant on external contractors.

26. The Inspections teams currently have two vacancies for Building Inspectors and one for a Team Lead, and due to continued high demand, is heavily reliant on external contractors to undertake inspections for us. Similarly, the Territorial Authority Unit has three vacancies and is relying heavily on contractors to fill the gap for both undertaking its core regulatory duties (Building Warrant of Fitness (BWof) audits) and driving improvements to core systems and process to improve business efficiency.
27. Following the February 2024 IANZ audit, the Building team has agreed an action plan with IANZ and is focused on completing all actions within agreed timeframes. Officers expect to have all non-conformances cleared before the end of May 2024.

**Table 10: Notable Code Compliance Certificate (CCC) Issued**

Location	Development
BC211602 441 Jackson Street PETONE 5012	COMMERCIAL - Peacock Flats (Units 1-12) - Full refurbishment of the building, replace roof, walls, cladding, windows, interior refit, insulation throughout, improved fire protection system.
BC200973 209 Jackson Street PETONE 5012	Commercial - Demolish outbuildings, extension for new apartment block with 3 units, alterations/refurbishment of existing apartments.
BC230808 10 Andrews Avenue HUTT CENTRAL 5010	COMMERCIAL - Recovery Hub - Commercial fit out of an existing commercial space. Recovery Centre proposed, with proprietary saunas, and float tanks. Additional facilities proposed include showers and a toilet, and 2 sinks.
BC191379 307 Jackson Street PETONE 5012	RBW - Residential - Lothian Court Apartments - Fire rating and seismic strengthening to Units 1-4.

### Earthquake Prone Buildings

28. There were 17 earthquake prone notices issued to building owners during January to March 2024. 11 earthquake prone notices were removed during the same period and the total number of buildings on the register is currently 63.
29. All earthquake-prone buildings are recorded on a national register, managed by MBIE, more info in <https://epbr.building.govt.nz/>

### Inspections of residential pools

30. The Building Act requires that all swimming pools are inspected at least every three years. Below is a summary of pool compliance activity for the third quarter.

<b>January to March 2024</b>	
Total pools inspected	76
In ground pools	54
On ground pools	14
Spa pools only	8
Spa pools, as a secondary pool	11
Compliant Pools	33
Non-Compliant Pools	38
Removed Pools	5
<b>Total Pools on Register</b>	<b>621</b>

31. All non-compliant pools are followed up and further enforcement action is taken if required.

### Building Warrants of Fitness Audits

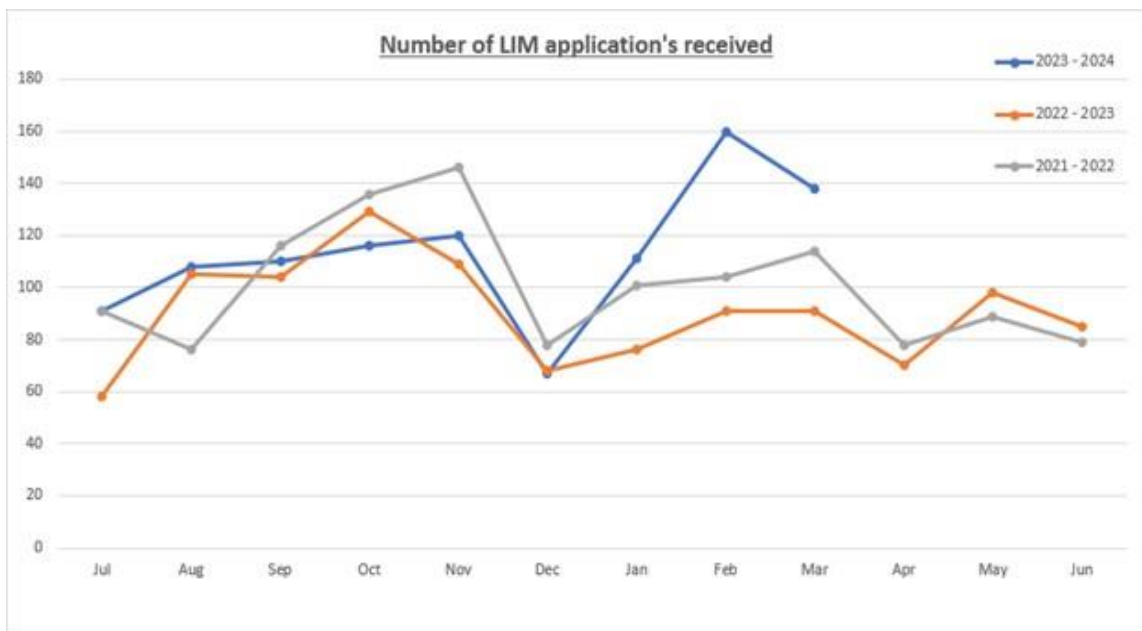
32. Between 1 January and 31 March, 36 BWoF audits have been completed. During the period 14 audits passed, 18 failed and four are pending further information. The most common reasons for failing BWoF audits are, no BWoF, issues with emergency exits, fire rated walls having penetrations and owners failing to provide maintenance and testing records.

### Land Information Memoranda

33. From 1 February 2024 to 31 March 2024, officers received 298 LIM applications, 277 LIM reports issued and 275 within the statutory timeframe (10 working days), two over 10 working days and 17 cancelled.
34. 268 residential LIM reports were issued along with nine Commercials. On average from February 2024 to March 2024, LIM reports were issued at 8.5 working days.
35. The LIM team had an exceptionally busy February with 160 applications received (increase of 50% above norm) and a computer software issue which began in mid-March, resulting in processing time increasing by 40% for LIMs.

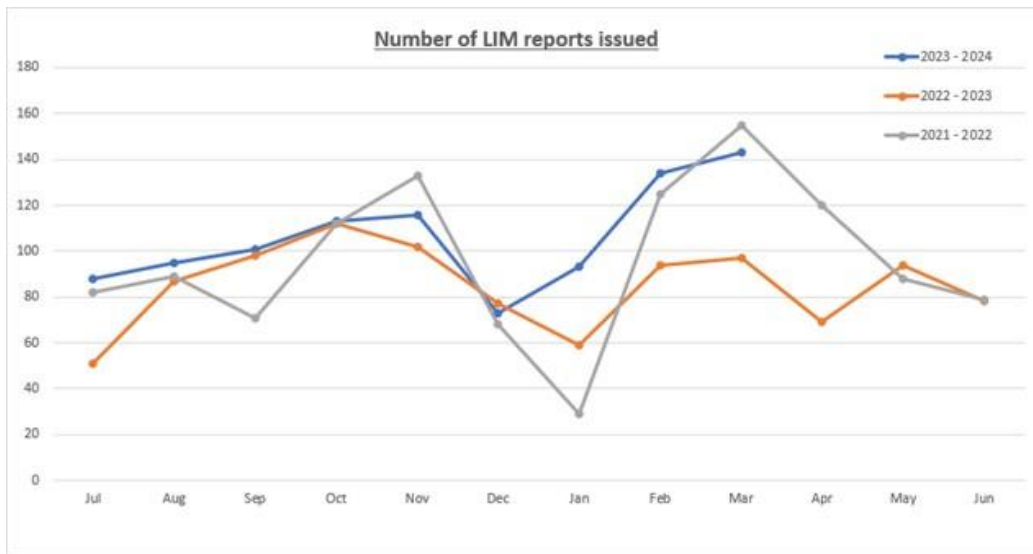
Table 12: Number of LIM applications received

Number of LIM applications received												
	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
2023 - 2024	91	108	110	116	120	67	111	160	138			
2022 - 2023	58	105	104	129	109	68	76	91	91	70	98	85
2021 - 2022	91	76	116	136	146	78	101	104	114	78	89	79



Number of LIM reports issued												
	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
2023 - 2024	88	95	101	113	116	73	93	134	143			
2022 - 2023	51	87	98	112	102	77	59	94	97	69	94	78
2021 - 2022	82	89	71	112	133	68	29	125	155	120	88	79

**Table 13: Number of LIM reports issued**



**Environmental Health**

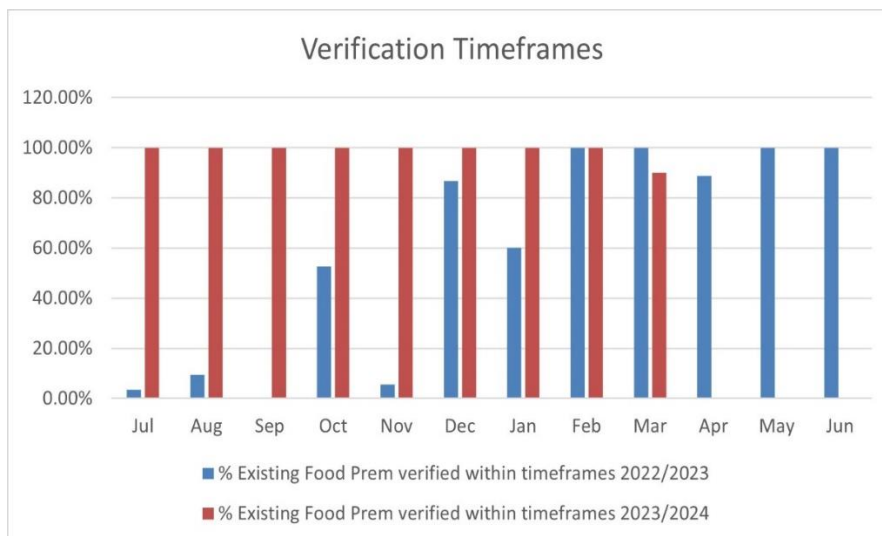
**Alcohol Licensing**

- 36. 18 peak-hour compliance checks were undertaken during February and March. Most premises were compliant although some had minor requisitions. The inspectorate is ahead of target to achieve its annual KPI target of 95%.
- 37. Hearings were held by ARLA (Alcohol Regulatory Licensing Authority) for Ole and Ava Foodstore. These hearings were brought about due to concerns about the licensees’ suitability. Both licences were effectively cancelled, meaning neither premise can sell or supply alcohol.

**Food**

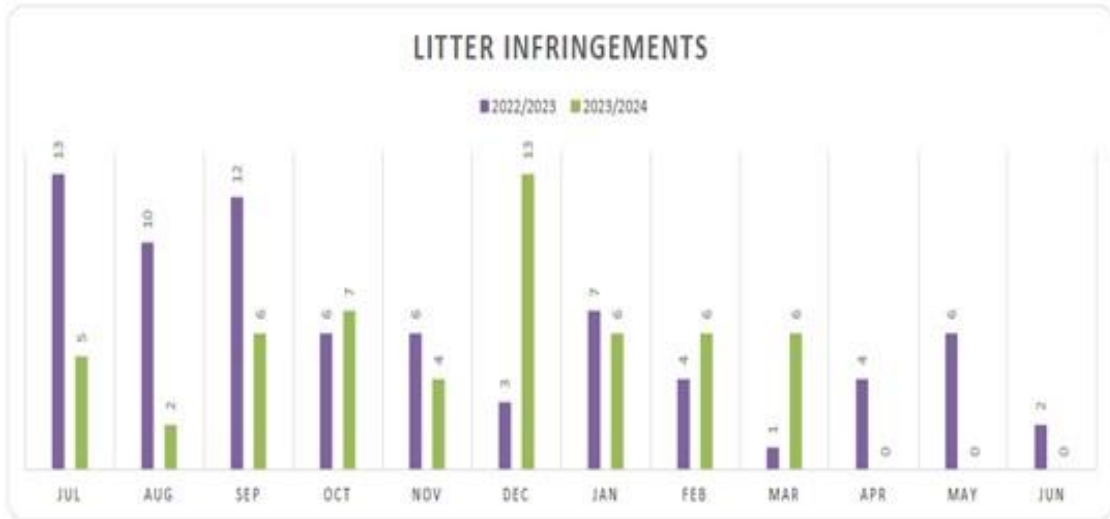
- 38. The food verifiers are exceeding the verification KPI of 95%, currently tracking at 99%.

**Table 14: Food Verification Timeframes July 2022 to January 2024**



**Litter**

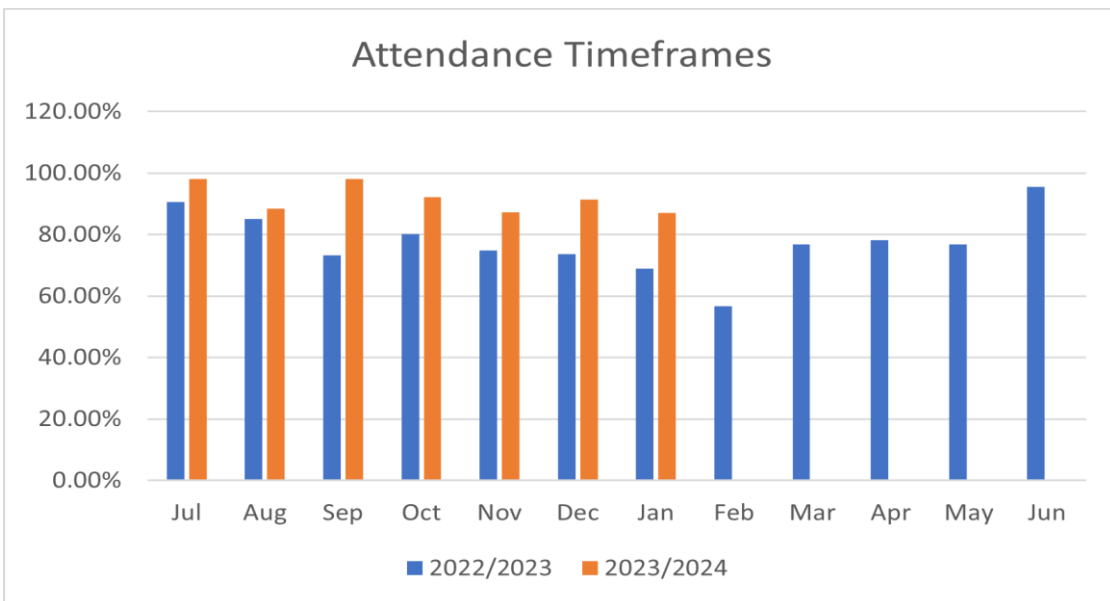
39. There were 48 complaints to Council about fly tipping during February and March. Four of these related to the Te Awa Kairangi area. The Greater Wellington Regional Council (GWRC) has advised of 15 instances where household refuse items were dumped along the river environs during the same time. This is approximately 50% less than previous months and is possibly due to sections of the river area being fenced off and not accessible to vehicles.



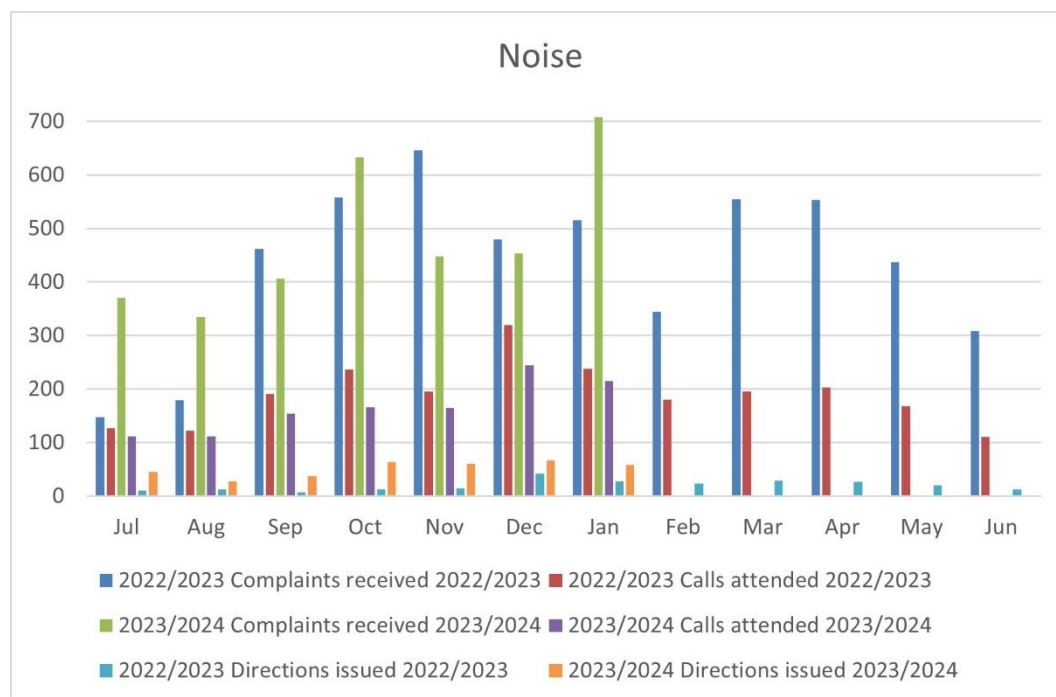
**Noise**

40. During February and March, 257 out of 274 complaints were attended to within 45 minutes by Council’s noise control contractor. Thus far this year they have attended 98% of attendances within 45 minutes (KPI is 85%).

**Table 15: Attendance Timeframes July 2022 to March 2024**



**Table 16: Noise complaints, attendances and directions issued July 2022 to January 2024**



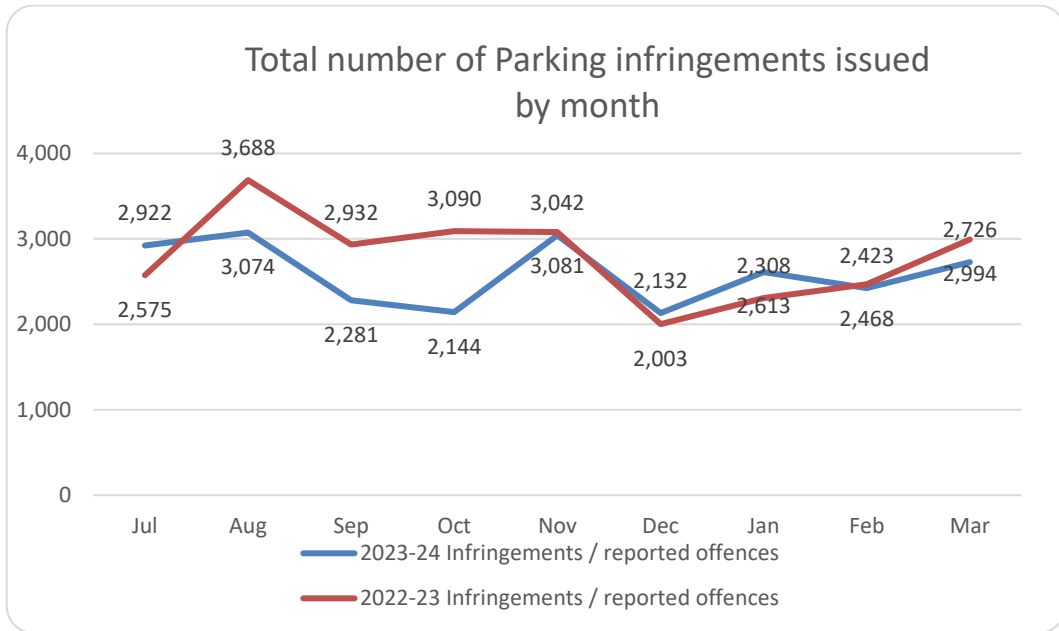
41. During February and March 2024, one infringement fine was issued for ongoing residential noise issues and non-compliance with notices and directions. Three items of stereo equipment were also seized during this period.

### Parking Services

42. During the period between July 2023 and March 2024, a total of 23,357 infringement notices were issued, with an average of 2,595 notices being issued each month. The cost per infringement was \$119. However, the number of infringement notices issued can vary from month to month depending on various factors, such as staff absences due to illness and availability. Below is a table comparing this year's figures to the previous year.

**Table 17: Total number of parking infringements issued by month:**

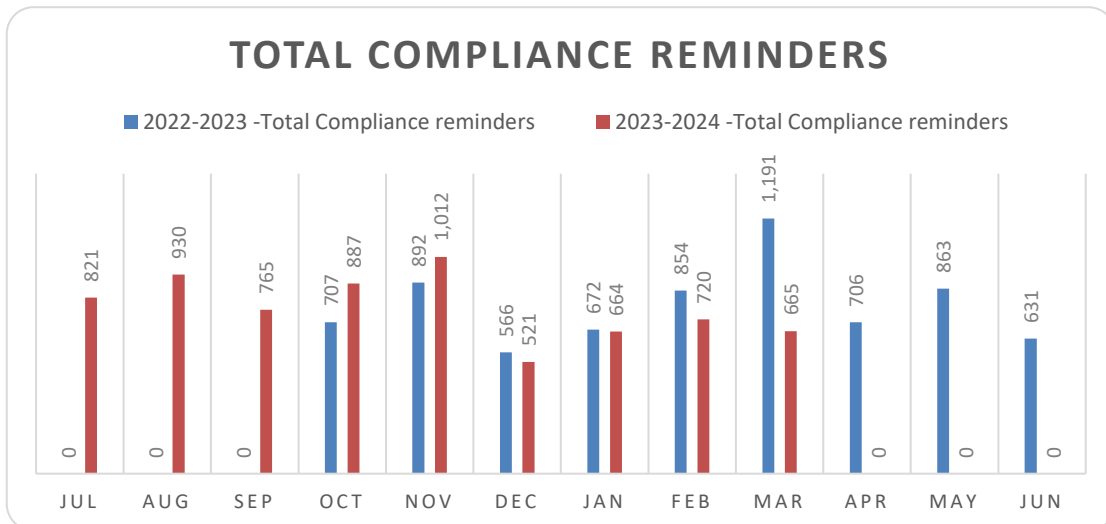
Total number of parking infringements issued by month									
	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
<b>2022-23</b>	2,575	3,688	2,932	3,090	3,081	2,003	2,308	2,468	2,994
<b>2023-24</b>	2,922	3,074	2,281	2,144	3,042	2,132	2,613	2,423	2,726



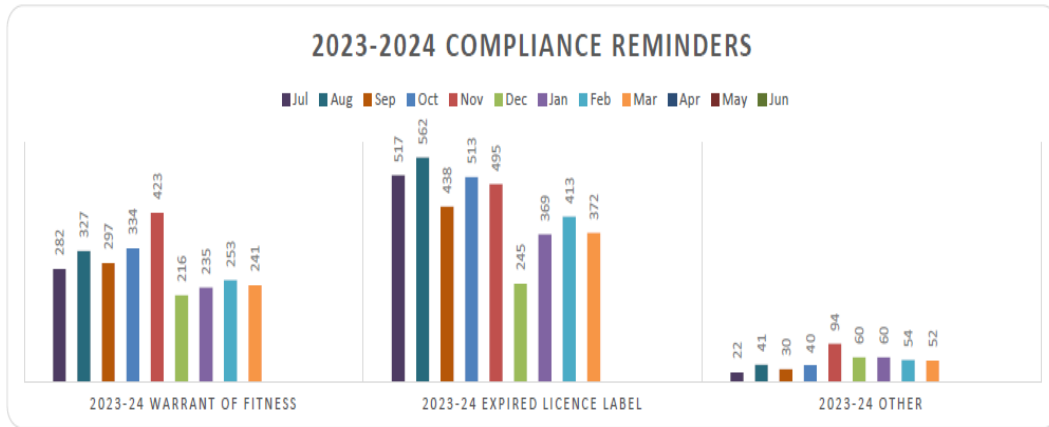
43. Starting from October 2022, Parking Services has started issuing compliance reminder notices to motorists, informing them that their warrant of fitness or license label is close to expiring. This initiative aims to raise public awareness about the hazards of operating an unsafe vehicle, promoting safer communities across Te Awa Kairangi ki Tai, Hutt City.

44. The chart below outlines the number of compliance reminders issued since July 2022.

**Table 18: Parking compliance reminders by month**







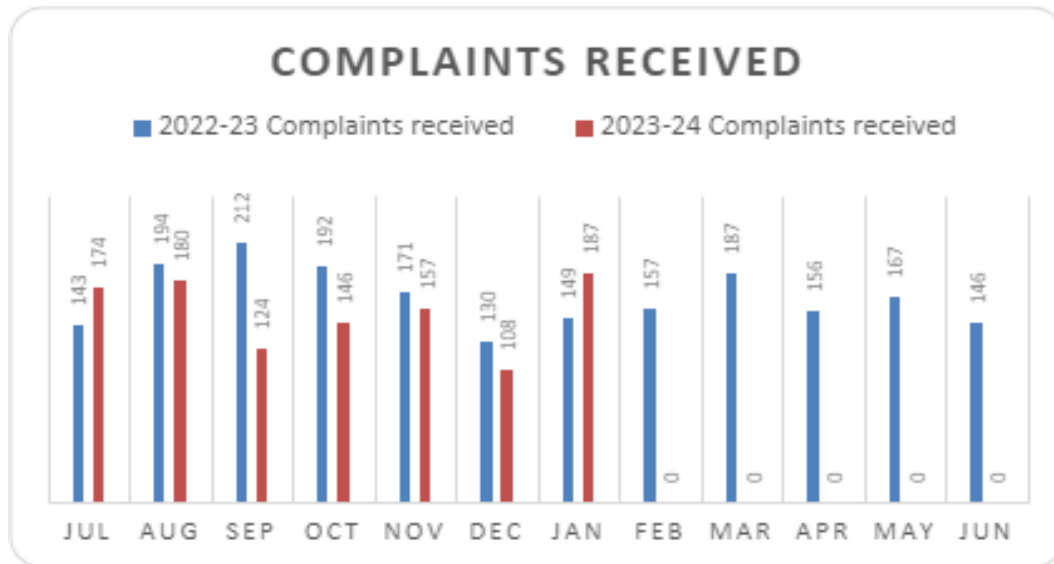
Other categories:

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|---|---|--|
| (i) Parked within 1 metre of a vehicle entrance | (iv) Parked on the grass berm                     | (vii) Parking over the line of a parking space |
| (ii) Operated vehicle with a damaged tyre       | (v) No evidence of current Certificate of Fitness | (viii) Parked on a broken yellow line          |
| (iii) Parked on a footpath or cycle path        | (vi) Parked a vehicle advertised for sale         |  |

**Animal Services**

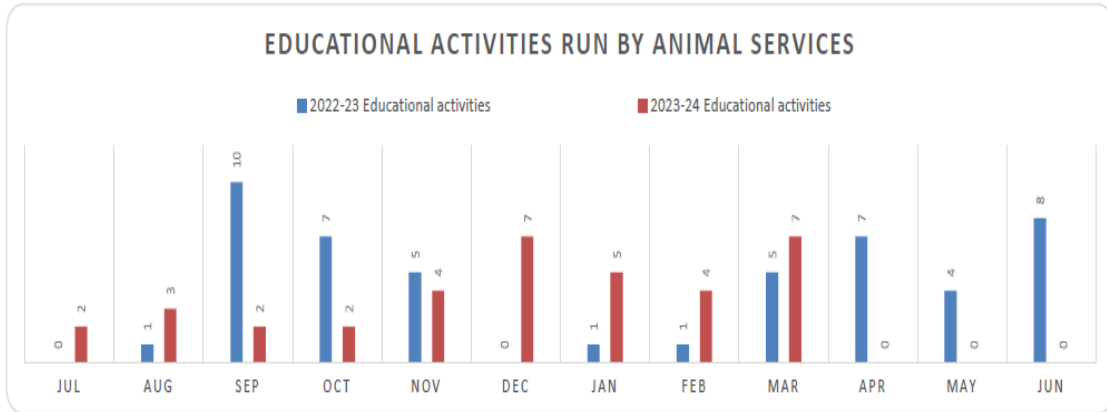
45. There are 10,461 recorded dogs in Lower Hutt for the 2023/2024 period. 1,046 dogs have not yet been registered. Reminders are sent and ultimately an infringement fine is issued for outstanding registration fees.

**Table 19: Complaints were received from July 2022 to March 2024**



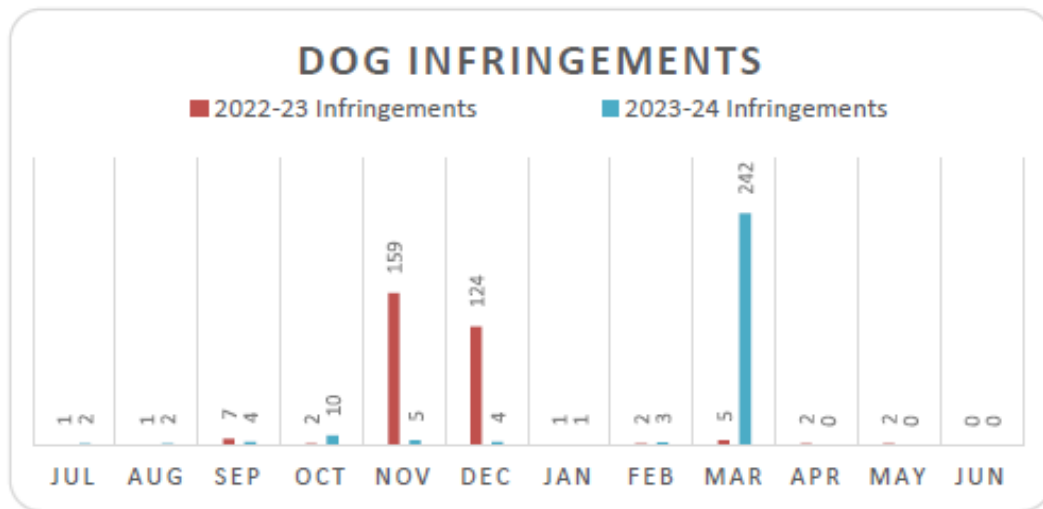
46. Animal Services have several community outreach programmes such as community education programmes on requests, and school education programmes. They also visit private residences to assist owners with dog behaviour. The current KPI requires that the same, or more visits be undertaken than the previous year, which would become unachievable. The proposed KPI for 2024/25 is 20 visits per annum.

**Table 20 Educational Activities by Animal Services from July 2022 to March 2024**



47. Animal Control Officers can issue infringement notices for non-compliance with the Dog Control Act 1996. The chart below shows the number of infringements issued between July 2022 and Jan 2024. The spike in infringements in November 2022 and December 2022 is due to dogs that had not been microchipped as required by the Dog Control Act 1996, despite being reminded several times during the year.

**Table 21: Infringement Notices issued between July 2022 and March 2024**



**Climate Change Impact and Considerations**

48. Fleet Management is committed to reviewing vehicles that come up for renewal to check if they are still required and prioritise a change to electric vehicles, where appropriate. Vehicles across Animal Services, Building, Parking and Environment Health have been replaced by electric vehicles.

49. With development on the most densely populated floodplain in Australasia, which is subject to climate impacts, great care needs to be taken to ensure development is appropriate and this risk is mitigated. This is currently managed using thorough peer reviews and expert technical advice. Council is also preparing new up-to-date hazard mapping for the District Plan Review and will be proposing a more proactive approach to managing hazards in the Draft District Plan which will be consulted on later this year.

### **Legal Considerations**

50. There are no legal considerations.

### **Financial Considerations**

51. Financial results for all areas are reported to the appropriate committee and in Council's Annual Report.

### **Appendices**

There are no appendices for this report.

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**TO:** Chair and Members  
**Infrastructure and Regulatory Committee**



**FROM:** Tessa Sefton

**DATE:** 24 April 2024

**SUBJECT:** RETROSPECTIVE APPROVAL FOR COUNCIL'S  
SUBMISSION TO THE DRAFT GOVERNMENT POLICY  
STATEMENT ON LAND TRANSPORT 2024

### **Purpose of Memorandum**

1. To provide an update to the Committee on Council's submission to the Ministry of Transport on the draft Government Policy Statement on Land Transport 2024.

### **Recommendations**

That the Committee:

- (1) receives and notes the submission to the Ministry of Transport on the draft Government Policy Statement on Land Transport 2024; and
- (2) retrospectively approves Council's submission attached as Appendix 1 to the memorandum.

### **Background**

2. The draft Government Policy Statement on Land Transport 2024 (draft policy statement) was released by the government in March 2024 and the consultation period ended on 2 April 2024.
3. Officers produced a submission to the draft policy statement. The submission was submitted on 2 April 2024.
4. The draft policy statement sets out the government's land transport strategy, including:
  - what it expects to be achieved from its investment in land transport through the National Land Transport Fund (NLTF);
  - what it expects to be achieved from its direct investment in land transport;
  - how much funding will be provided and how the funding will be raised;
  - how it will achieve its outcomes and priorities through investment in certain areas, known as "activity classes" (eg the maintenance of state highways or road policing; and

- a statement of the Ministers expectations of how the New Zealand Transport Agency gives effect to this Government Policy Statement.
5. The draft policy statement has replaced the Government Policy Statement that the former government consulted on in August 2023.

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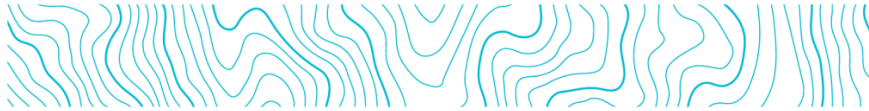
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# HUTT CITY COUNCIL'S SUBMISSION ON THE DRAFT GOVERNMENT POLICY STATEMENT

**02 April 2024**

## Introduction

Hutt City Council welcomes the opportunity to submit on the *Draft Government Policy Statement on land transport 2024-34 (GPS)*. We have a bold and ambitious long-term plan with a significant focus on new infrastructure projects to build resilience and meet the demand of our rapidly growing population. The GPS will help us meet our goal of creating a connected, resilient and inclusive city where people thrive. We do, however, have concerns that funding that was previously assured and built into our planning might now be at risk. Our submission highlights the need for the final GPS to provide funding certainty to ensure we can continue to deliver our ambitious transport projects to Te Awa Kairangi ki Tai Lower Hutt.

## Key points

Hutt City Council supports the following aspects outlined in the GPS;

- the four Strategic Priorities;
- the proposed direction indicated via System Reform;
- the indicative plan for investment in land transport; and
- the Statement of Ministerial expectation.

We are pleased to see the inclusion of Te Wai Takamori o Te Awa Kairangi RiverLink in the draft GPS as State Highway 2 Melling Transport Improvements. This initiative holds immense significance for Hutt City Council, encompassing pivotal components such as the city link bridge to connect the new train station with the CBD, a new road bridge and interchange to improve traffic flows and safety on SH2 and local roads, and local road and streetscape improvements. We are concerned, however, that the GPS provides no long-term certainty over the funding for the city link bridge which is a key component of Te Wai Takamori o Te Awa Kairangi RiverLink.

We would also like to see more certainty in the GPS over public transport investment for the Wellington region, and funding to build resilience, mitigation for the impact of the changing climate, and initiatives to improve cycling options within urban areas and between cities.

Hutt City Council would welcome further clarity in the GPS on the issues noted above, along with great consideration to other revenue sources, funding and delivery models and Value for Money. As we look to finalise our 2024-2034 Long-Term Plan, Council is cognisant of its responsibility for the planning and spending of rate and taxpayer funds in the current economic climate.

### Strategic priorities and direction

Hutt City Council supports economic growth and productivity and welcomes the increased focus on maintenance and renewals in the GPS. We expect to also see focus given to promoting permanent solutions in place of short-term interventions (i.e. more investment in renewals across the network rather than just fixing potholes). Through our strategic transport planning we have identified opportunities where additional renewals funding through the National Land Transport Fund would enable us to apply permanent solutions asset maintenance. This would encourage significant investment in improving road user safety and also enable us to support the GPS direction on using transport solutions to unlock sustainable economic growth.

We note and support the direction signalled in the GPS of significant investment of \$1.5 billion required by local councils. We would welcome further clarity of the Government's expectation of "public private partnerships, and other opportunities to use private expertise and finance", and the possibility of offsetting tolling, or other, costs via PPE or other funding models.

Hutt City Council agrees with the GPS priority on economic growth and productivity and the incentive to implement improvements to the rail system. While we note the importance of rail networks, we note there is less incentive for other means of public transport and overall safety.

The GPS should take a more holistic view across the entire transport network so that councils can achieve better outcomes when promoting the use of the rail system. As the GPS does not state other maintenance improvements which are required in our network to improve safety, the GPS should also include the use of better materials to be used on

our road surface and on regular inspections, planning, and funding to respond to failures quickly.

### **Roads of national significance programme**

We agree that the Roads of National Significance Programme (RoNS) will boost sustainable economic growth and productivity.

We particularly support the intention of the GPS that “new Roads of National Significance and major public transport projects will unlock access to greenfield land for housing development and support greater intensification to ultimately improve housing supply, choice and affordability.”

Although Te Awa Kairangi ki Tai Lower Hutt has very limited opportunities for greenfield development, we are actively pursuing intensification in our existing urban areas. The inclusion of the Cross Valley Link project in the GPS as a RoNS is vital in supporting housing growth on the valley floor, as well as supporting sustainable economic growth in the Seaview-Gracefield employment area. With an estimated increase in population of circa 40,000<sup>1</sup> over the next 30 years, Council supports the programme, including unlocking access to sell or purchase assets in the form of land to support housing development via major to local roads.

We look forward to working with New Zealand Transport Agency Waka Kotahi and other agencies to scope and deliver the Cross Valley Link. This will enable us to maximise housing development and drive sustainable economic investment in the city.

### **Ongoing support of current major projects**

Support in the GPS for projects like Te Wai Takamori o Te Awa Kairangi RiverLink and the Cross Valley connection are vital for Hutt City Council’s ability to unlock the revitalisation of its central city. Improving transport links through these major projects will also help meet the government’s IAF investment in stormwater and wastewater infrastructure to enable residential development in the central city

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<sup>1</sup> Hutt City Council Housing and Business Development Capacity Assessment, August 2023, page 122.



### Improved safety through greater police enforcement including specific targets

Whilst Hutt City Council agrees on the strategy for the Government to promote more police enforcement and road safety educational campaigns, Council disagrees with the solution outlined in the GPS to reduce/eliminate Death & Serious Injuries (DSI) crashes across the country.

The GPS omits the number of crashes associated with speeding issues; intersections and other crash types that cause more fatalities across the country. Analysis of these numbers in Te Awa Kairangi ki Tai Lower Hutt illustrates the need for more investment in road safety improvements. While speed is a contributing factor for DSI in our network, the social costs associated with these types of crashes are not shown in the GPS – these numbers would justify the need to keep investing strongly in road safety.

Although low-cost safety interventions help reduce crash likelihood, these solutions are unlikely to reduce the number of crashes on key Arterial and Collector roads. Major intervention investments such as intersection upgrades and/or changes on speed limits, should be highlighted more strongly in the GPS. This would alleviate our concern of any unintended consequences to a possible reduction of low cost, low risk funding to improve safety.

### Value for money

The GPS states: "There has been a significant increase in investment transport in recent years, however, this is not translating to better outcomes." We would highlight since the implementation of the 2021 GPS, Transport Engineers have been focusing on studies and design of new infrastructure across the city and given some projects have been implemented in recent years, there is a possibility of low monitoring to show the likely effectiveness of projects.

In terms of investment distribution, we would encourage more focus on safety and public transport infrastructure.

Value for Money considerations are acknowledged as important for all publicly funded spend.

### Walking and cycling

We note the statement that “investment in walking and cycling should *only* take place where there is either clear benefit for increasing economic growth or clear benefit for improving safety and demonstrated volumes of pedestrians and cyclists already exist.” Our experience is there is latent demand for active modes but safety concerns with the existing network deter many potential users. Using existing volumes of pedestrians and cyclists to forecast options to justify future investment would be supported.

### Activity class

Overall, priorities for safety and the use of public transport should be incentivised as the priority for these are directly associated with improvements on the Rail Network, which will have a significant cost incentive.

## Hutt City Council – Conclusion

Hutt City Council looks to partner with Government and other providers, to deliver on opportunities outlined in the draft GPS 2024/25-2033/34. Through a partnership approach, we are optimistic that existing and future Council programmes to revitalise Hutt City will be realised. This, in turn, will enable Council to improve the city’s resilience and unlock sustainable economic growth for the people of Te Awa Kairangi ki Tai Lower Hutt.

**TO:** Chair and Members  
**Infrastructure and Regulatory Committee**

**FROM:** Vanessa Gilmour

**DATE:** 18 April 2024

**SUBJECT:** INFRASTRUCTURE AND REGULATORY FORWARD PROGRAMME 2024



### Purpose of Memorandum

1. To provide the Infrastructure and Regulatory Committee with a forward Programme of work planned for the Committee for 2024.

### Recommendation

That the Committee receives and notes the Forward Programme for 2024 attached as Appendix 1 to the memorandum.

### Background

2. The Terms of Reference for the Committee requires the Committee to consider and make recommendations to Council on infrastructure matters and considering any infrastructure core matters referred to it by Council. This is an operationally focused committee, overseeing Council's above and below ground core infrastructure needs, and core regulatory functions.
3. The forward programme for 2024 provides a planning tool for both members and officers to co-ordinate programmes of work for the year. The forward programme is attached as Appendix 1 to the memorandum.

### Forward Programme

4. The forward programme is a working document and is subject to change on a regular basis.

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<b>Infrastructure and Regulatory Committee – Forward Programme 2024</b>					
<b>Description</b>	<b>Team</b>	<b>Cycle 3 11 July</b>	<b>Cycle 4 12 Sept</b>	<b>Cycle 5 21 Nov</b>	<b>Pending</b>
Committee Forward Work Programme	Democracy Advisor	✓	✓	✓	
Regulatory Matters report	Environment and Sustainability	✓	✓	✓	
Three Waters update	Strategic Projects	✓	✓	✓	
Infrastructure Acceleration Fund and Housing	Economy and Development		✓		
Alcohol Fees Bylaw	Strategy and Policy	✓			
Local Alcohol Policy	Strategy and Policy	✓			
Temporary Road Closure – Petone Rotary Fair 2025	Transport		✓		
Temporary Road Closure – Christmas parade	Transport		✓		
City Wide Speed Review	Transport				✓
Micromobility programme update (community connections)	Transport				✓
Integrated Transport Strategy	Transport				✓
Te Wai Takamori o Te Awa Kairangi (RiverLink) Update	City Delivery				✓