



CENTRAL
HAWKE'S BAY
DISTRICT COUNCIL



Together we thrive!

Chief Executive's Report
Central Hawke's Bay District Council

Together We Thrive: E ora ngāwhiri āwhā



Our Strategic Direction

Together we Thrive!

Our vision for Central Hawke's Bay is a proud and prosperous district made up of strong communities and connected people who respect and protect our environment and celebrate our beautiful part of New Zealand.

What we know - Our DNA -

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|  <p>WORKING TOGETHER</p> <p>Central Hawke's Bay will be stronger when we work together. Partnerships and collaboration are at the core of everything we do.</p> |  <p>CUSTOMER EXCELLENCE</p> <p>The communities we serve are our customers. They are at the heart of our decisions, interactions and communication. We'll engage with our customers to deliver value and exceed expectations.</p> |  <p>PLANNING FOR TOMORROW</p> <p>We will act with purpose, and think with a long-term lens to make sure our actions future-proof Central Hawke's Bay.</p> |  <p>THINKING SMARTER</p> <p>We need to think smarter and better in everything we do. With a culture of innovation and continuous improvement we will add value to our communities.</p> |
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What we stand for - Our Values -



Our values capture who we are and what matters most to us. They are the attitudes we embrace as individuals, teams and as a whole organisation. We are all personally responsible for acting with these in mind.

- 1 TRUST** - We create trust by acting with integrity.
- 2 HONESTY** - We do what is right even when no one is looking.
- 3 RESPECT** - We have respect for each other, our community and our stakeholders.
- 4 INNOVATION** - We find smarter ways to produce improved and sustainable results.
- 5 VALUING PEOPLE** - We are one team, supporting each other to succeed.
- 6 EXCELLENCE** - We deliver exceptional results.

What we're most proud of - Our Greatest Asset -

People are our greatest asset. At Central Hawke's Bay District Council we are committed to providing a safe and great place to work that values diversity and inclusion, and develops skilled people who can lead our community to thrive.



Why we do what we do - Our Purpose -

It's our goal to create an environment that supports a thriving Central Hawke's Bay district, by providing efficient and appropriate infrastructure, services and regulatory functions.



The outcomes we want to achieve - Our Objectives -



- A proud district.
- A prosperous district.
- Strong communities.
- Connected citizens.
- Smart growth.
- Environmentally responsible.
- Durable infrastructure.

How we'll reach our outcomes - Our Focus -



- Promoting smart growth.
- Attracting and enabling business success.
- Strengthening our district and community identity.
- Protecting and promoting our unique landscape.
- Planning for tomorrow to future-proof Central Hawke's Bay.

E ORA NGĀTAHI ANA – TOGETHER WE THRIVE.

INTRODUCTION FROM THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE



It only seems appropriate as we head into 2023 to reflect on some of the key milestones of 2022, in particular the period from October to December. While three months, the organisation and wider community celebrated and focussed on a number of major achievements, which I want to give particular focus to, being:

Local Body Elections and Induction

The period saw what is undoubtedly, the most important activity every three years, being the running of elections and the induction of elected members. Congratulations again to our elected Members in their election successes and for your continued commitment through this triennium. As I outlined in my pre-election report, this triennium is not one for the faint hearted, as Local Government faces the most significant changes since the 1980's. In roles and positions that often go without thanks – thank you for continuing to lead out District through the times ahead.

Infrastructure Acceleration Fund Announcement

A particular highlight from the period has to be the announcement in November from Central Government for funding of \$10.9 million for infrastructure to unlock the area known as the old Hospital site. In what has been a long-term community ambition to see the site cleaned up and housing planned, this partnership project, is going to be critical to unlocking the future potential of Waipukurau, with capacity to service and cater for 950 homes over the next 10 – 20 years. This project is great example of Smart Growth in action for this district.

Weather and Rain

In what has now been described as the wettest six months on record, while much of our roading network continued to be challenged, I especially want to acknowledge the many hundreds of hours of staff and contractor hours, particularly over weekends and afterhours that have gone into keeping roads open, communities accessible and people safe, but also the many in our rural community who have faced some pretty weather relating challenging times over the last six months also. We now face the challenges of significant work ahead as Council repairing many of the significant roading issues and look forward to having a

favourable outcome on our funding application for repairs with Waka Kotahi later this year. With rain already a feature in the first week of 2023, here's hoping the remainder of the year will see more favourable weather ahead.

Reform in all its forms

The Governments' Three Waters Reform Programme continues to gain momentum with the Water Services Entities Bill being passed in the house in early December. Our teams remain committed to ensuring Council and community is as best placed from the reform programme as possible. In this agenda, is included the draft Resource Management Act Reform Submission that closes in early February and at Councils February meeting will also be seeking endorsement of Councils submission to the Future for Local Government Review also. We can expect reform to remain front and centre of Councils activities in the year ahead.

Civic Awards and Rotary Young Employee

If we needed anything to fill our cups as we came to the end of the year, these three events do this. The Civic Awards brought the best in community out, and we got the opportunity to celebrate those in our community who have tirelessly dedicated decades of service to our community. Similarly, the Rotary Young Employee of the Year, saw us celebrate the good in those up and coming in our community, with a number of future leaders recognised for their outstanding ability and future aspiration. Both events great opportunities to highlight those in our community.

Roll on 2023 – it's not going to be without its challenges, however, there is much too proud and positive about in Central Hawke's Bay.

Ngā mihi nui

Doug Tate
Chief Executive

Activity

Updates

SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

CENTRAL HAWKE'S BAY NETWORK OF NETWORKS

Central Hawke's Bay District Council was thrilled to provide our Network of Network members with the opportunity to hear inspirational speaker Korrin Barrett in November. The afternoon was a way of thanking those who work so tirelessly in our community in the social, health and volunteer sectors with over 60 people attending the event.

Safer Central Hawke's Bay

The coalition group have met once during this reporting period. The Safer Central Hawkes' Bay Teams site is operational, this shared platform allows members to access real time information and share documents.

The coalition goals for 2022-2023 are:

- Continue to enhance communication with the wider community
- Gather, use, and share available injury prevention data to enable measurement of impact
- Listen and respond to our community
- Encourage and support iwi participation
- Maintain regional and nation Safe Community relationships

At this last meeting for 2022, workstream leads presented their achievements for the 2022 calendar year and opportunities for 2023.

All four workstreams were present at the annual CHB A & P Show where Safer CHB won the Best Trade Site award for it's Safer CHB Precinct. With Covid-19 affecting the show over the past 2 years the network was especially happy to be able to be present at this large event and all those who participated were able to enjoy good face to face engagement with site visitors.





Safe and Healthy Homes Workstream

Complementing the training of 27 RSV staff the Home Safety project has now obtained the administrative support required and will formally re-launch the project in early 2023. This will enable a large number of Home Safety Checks to be completed and assist with the workstreams goal of getting free long life smoke alarms into every home in Central Hawke’s Bay. FENZ have also been leading the development of an app which will allow the efficient referrals, if required, to partner organisations following the safety check.

Violence Free CHB

An extremely busy period for this workstream who ran several initiatives during November White Ribbon Month beginning with a presence at the Safer CHB Precinct on Saturday 12 November. The workstream then hosted family harm trainer and educator Rob Veale where he delivered a workshop for professionals and a public event for the wider community.



This event also celebrated the announcement of the districts two inaugural White Ribbon Ambassadors Jackie Aitchison and Ian Sharp. Jackie and Ian, who are both members of Violence Free CHB, commit to showing leadership of family harm prevention and promotion of White Ribbon messages.

All main street businesses and social service and health organisations in Waipukurau and Waipawa were provided with a bag of White Ribbon resources. Raising awareness of family harm prevention and ways to access support are key goals for the workstream and during the month of November over 1500 white ribbons were distributed out to the community.



A visual message to our community was also developed highlighting some of the more sobering facts around family violence with a display at the Greenpatch in Waipukurau. From feedback and comments received we know that this display resonated with many people and provides a catalyst for many discussions amongst our community.

Community Resilience and Wellbeing Network

The network partnered with Central FM to promote Mental Health and Awareness week which was held on the 26 September to 2 October. As part of the initiative, listeners were able to call in with their top tip for keeping themselves well and six copies of the Live Well Farm Well Farmstrong books were given away on air. A further

twelve books were given away at the Safer CHB Precinct to people entering into a free draw at the workstreams site.

Road Safety

The focus for this workstream has been local input into the development of the Hawke’s Bay Roadsafe Strategy. The group spent time with the Hawkes’ Bay Regional Council staff contributing to the plan. The strategy takes a segmentation-based approach and seeks to tailor interventions around the needs and drivers of specific target segments. Identification of local risk factors has been completed and further workshops are planned for early 2023.

Central Hawke's Bay Older Persons Network

The network has met twice during this reporting period. International Day of the Older Person is celebrated annually on the 1 October and this year it was celebrated at a local event on Monday, 3 October. Sixty-five of our older residents enjoyed a morning of fellowship, food, and entertainment at the Municipal Theatre. Deputy Mayor Kelly Annand opened the event, acknowledging the contributions that older people make to our community.



Network members have met with Access Community Health representatives to provide feedback for a pilot which aims to address inequities for rural communities and make care more accessible for this cohort. Access Community Health will now take this feedback to develop their initiatives.

Central Hawke’s Bay Disability Network

The network has met once during this reporting period. The network has been working with the Waipawa Streets for People project team and are thrilled to see that an Accessibility Audit has been included in the project. This audit, which focuses on pedestrian infrastructure such as footpaths and road crossings and features that may affect transport accessibility, has been completed and received by the project team who will provide regular updates to the network.



International Day of Disabled Persons is an observance held annually on the 3 December and this year an event was held at Nelly Jull Park. Over 20 persons living with disabilities and community organisations staff attended and spent time together acknowledging the Music, food and fellowship shared. The network was pleased to host Mayor Alex Walker and clients and staff from the Hastings Disability Resource Centre.

Central Hawke's Bay is well represented on the Hawke's Bay Disability Network and members attended the Hawke's Bay Disability Strategy forum in early December. This forum provides a valuable space for sharing of ideas and initiatives from organisations throughout the region. Council Officers presented the successful All Terrain Wheelchair initiative to those gathered. A review of the Hawke's Bay Disability Strategy was also completed at the forum.

Youth Development Network

The network has collated information to identify all organisations and groups who provide youth services in the district. This will assist them with the identified priority area of "Who Are We?" – Understanding who is working in the youth space, allowing the network to better support young people and their whanau. We are also part of the regional initiative being led by Hastings District Council to create a Hawke's Bay database of youth providers.

Central Hawke's Bay Food Secure Network



The network has met twice during this reporting period and have completed the scoping for the utilisation of the infrastructure Funding received from the Ministry of Social Development. This funding was received to strengthen the capability and resilience of the network to address critical Infrastructure gaps and will be used to purchase a multi-function storage container, walkie-stacker and trailer.

The logo development has been completed and a Central Hawke's Bay Food Secure website page is now live and is hosted on Council's website.

COMMUNITY FUNDING

Creative Communities Fund

The Creative Communities Panel met on 21 September 2022 and assessed nine funding applications. Eight of these funding applications were approved and the funds dispersed to support local creative projects.

These projects included:

- Waipukurau Little Theatre production
- Raranga and Rongoa Workshops
- Adult Guitar lessons
- Pottery Classes
- CanBeads workshop
- Nelly Jull Park Summer Series
- Children's Christmas Crafts

The next Creative Communities Funding round opens 28 January 2023.

Community Voluntary Organisation Support Fund (CVOS)

The assessment committee met on Tuesday, 20 September to assess and distribute the CVOS fund. Successful applicants have been advised and are listed on council's website. CVOS is currently closed for applications until July 2023.

<https://www.chbdc.govt.nz/our-district/economic-development/grants/>

Community Pride and Vibrancy Fund

There have been two approved applications from the Community Pride and Vibrancy Fund in this reporting period. The fund has supported the Between the Ongaonga Historical Society with a grant of \$550 which has been used to purchase branded shirts for volunteers to wear during event organised by the society when on Museum duty and when society members are representing the society at other events.

The fund has also supported the Whanau Fitness CHB group with a grant of \$1000 to purchase sports equipment. This group runs regular fitness sessions in Waipawa and Waipukurau with a goal of supporting access for all to participate in physical activity and fitness.

Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund

The Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund opened on 14 November 2022 and closed on 9 December 2022. 12 applications were received, and these will be assessed this month.

Notification has been received from Sport NZ that due to the rise in living costs they will provide additional funding to support our rural community's involvement in sports for the 2022-23 and 2023-24 financial years.

Environment and Sustainability Fund

The Environment and Sustainability fund is a fund managed by the Solid Waste team capped at \$20K per year. Applications are accepted throughout the year. Two funding applications have been received in the last quarter which will be assessed in the following months.

COMMUNITY PLANS

Tikokino

The Tikokino Community plan was adopted by council on 1 September 2022. The working group made a submission to the Waka Kotahi Interim State Highway Speed Management Plan in December. The community plan identified concern around speed of vehicles on State Highway 50 and the group were able to reference these highlighted collective concerns from their community plan in their submission.

Ōtāne

The first iteration of the Ōtāne Community Plan has been developed and was presented to the working group on Monday 19 September. Additions and amendments have been captured and a follow up hui arranged with the group and iwi members for further input. The working group also attended the announcement of the successful funding from Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency Choices Programme for four kilometres of footpaths and safe crossings in the centre of Ōtāne. A connected and safe network of footpaths was identified as a key objective in the draft community plan.

Takapau

The Takapau Community Plan was adopted by Council on 24 September 2020. A number of smaller focus groups continue to work on actions points and priorities from the plan. Council has progressed work on the development of the proposed Mobile Home Dump Station.

Ongaonga

The Ongaonga Community Plan was adopted by Council on 24 September 2020.

A smaller focus group continues to progress the “Yeoman’s Boiler gateway project” with ground clearing work currently being undertaken at the site on the corner of Bridge Street and State Highway 50. This project contributes directly to Goal 2 of the plan “Market and promote Ongaonga as an outstanding destination”.

TOI TAMATEA – CENTRAL HAWKE’S BAY ART STRATEGY

The Toi Tamatea Network continues to meet on a regular basis with a meeting being held on 11 October 2022 and 29 November 2022. During these meetings local creatives comes together to talk about projects they are currently running in the community. At the last meeting the attendees were informed of the work being completed for Streets for People and the involvement Council would like the Arts sector to have in this project. The focus for 2023 will be to monitor and implement actions identified within the Action Plan.

MĀORI ENGAGEMENT – TŪHONO MAI TŪHONO ATU

A milestone for Māori engagement, on 12 Dec 2022 new General Manager, Community Partnerships, Dennise Elers was welcomed to Council with a whakatau at Te Huinga Wai/Knowledge and Learning Hub in Waipukurau. Dennise was supported by her whanau and the team from Hastings District Council including members of the HDC waiaata group.



Pictures: Powhiri/Whakatau for Dennise Elers & Tipene Heperi, Kainga ora with Tamatea subfunction group hikoi

Other key engagements this month were.

- Ngā Karanga hapū o Kairakau - Strategic & Business planning involving the possibility of DIA funding
- Tapairu Marae meeting – update on priorities & plans to move forward
- Tamatea Housing sub function group - Kainga Ora led – progress on Pōrangahau Road project, specifications on plans, near final discussions.
- Ngā Toi creative kaupapa redrafted plans were presented to the forum; leadership has been changed currently Te Rangi Huata is leading out for the sector.
- Supported Council officers to visit with Kaumatua in Pōrangahau in preparation for upcoming camping & holiday season
- Provided cultural induction for the Fulton Hogan team as a introduction to Tamatea working with Manawhenua

Central Hawke’s Bay Business Network

The Central Hawke’s Bay Business Network continues to meet regularly whereby local businesses are provided the opportunity to network and identify ways in which they can support each other. Meetings were held on 5 October 2022 and 28 November 2022.

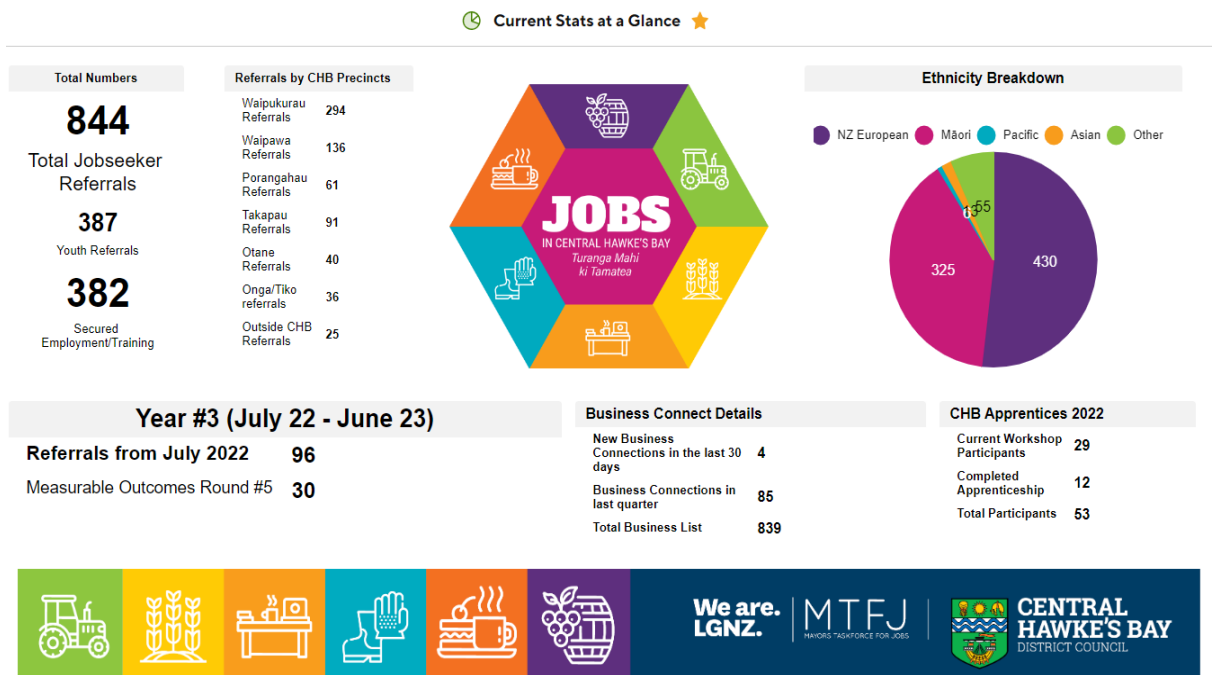
At the last meeting Justine and Rachael from Sloans expressed as interest in becoming the Leads for the network and those present agreed. The Council continues to support the network by providing admin support to the Leads. At these meetings an economic update is provided by Council to attendees, local businesses provide an update and upcoming events or initiatives to support our local economy are discussed. Attendance at these meetings is around 12-15 local businesses therefore showing the need for such a network.

Growing an Almond Opportunity

Earlier in 2022 Council secured funding on behalf of the Hawke’s Bay region to assess the feasibility of establishing a NZ almond industry based on a premium product using sustainable agronomic practices. This project is a partnership between CHBDC, HBRC, Wairoa DC, Hastings DC, Picot Productions (Pic’s), Plant & Food Research, local Central Hawke’s Bay grower Tony Kuklinski and the Ministry for Primary Industries. Following completion of the reports on economic feasibility, consumer/market demand and land use suitability modelling, we have been working with Plant & Food, other Hawke’s Bay Councils and MPI on finalising a fact sheet and media release for the New Year. The existing project webpage will be updated, and all reports will be uploaded for the community to access.

Jobs in Central Hawke’s Bay - Tūranga Mahi ki Tamatea

Local Jobs for Local People - the Jobs in Central Hawke’s Bay team continues to support local jobseekers and employers to connect the dots and facilitate sustainable employment in our community.



(Below current stats as at 11 January 2023)

Business Support

The final Growing Great Entrepreneurs (GGE) course completed for 2022 with 5 participants graduating. To date there have been 59 course applicants, with 31 course completions resulting in 28 new businesses established and 5 existing businesses supported through this initiative.

The 2023 GGE dates have recently been released which includes a 5th program to ensure as many Central Hawke’s Bay entrepreneurs as possible are assisted to thrive when developing their new business.

Business After 5 – Local business, Mills Honda hosted a successful Business After 5 event on Thursday, 6 October 2022. It was encouraging to see approximately 20 businesses attend, all of which had an incredible time networking

while having plenty of laughs over delicious catering by local caterer, Brenda Cooper. Connections were made and relationships were formed, the sign of a successful event!

Justine & Rachael from Sloans Ltd hosted the final Business After 5 for 2022 on 7 December, which was incredible! David Trim and Roger Smith from The Profit Club spoke about the benefits of business mentoring and the importance of having accountability. Justine did a fabulous job sharing the history of Sloans, what they have learned taking over the business, and their future plans for the iconic Central Hawke's Bay business moving forward. Two fantastic businesswomen with determination to succeed while ensuring their customers are well looked after with great service.

The **CHB Business Network** is excited to announce that 2023 will see the group co-led by Justine & Rachael of Sloans Ltd and supported by the Central Hawke's Bay District Council to ensure the voices of Central Hawke's Bay Businesses are heard and the momentum continues, to support local businesses.

Business Mentoring Support with David Trim – During this post covid time businesses are concerned about the lack of money being spent locally therefore adding pressure to their businesses, as well as their mental health. Seeing the need for support, the team are working with Business Coach, David Trim to offer Business Mentoring Support to those in need. At present David is working with 12 local businesses. The response to David's one on one mentoring has been positive showing the need for this type of support.

Work Ready Tamatea

On 25 October, Mayor Alex opened the Work Ready Tamatea Pilot programme, working with nine young people on a pathway to employment. This programme uses the License to Work training material that focuses on developing the seven key employability skills that employers say they want: Positive attitude, Willingness to learn, Communication, Thinking skills, Teamwork, Resilience & Self-management. Alongside voluntary work, life skills, career exploration and work experience.

The 6-week course was well supported by members of the local Skills, Training and Employment Network, providing specialist support and adding value to the course. The Work Ready Tamatea class of 2022 has exceeded expectations with 7 of the 9 participants securing ongoing employment.



The next course will start in the first quarter of 2023 and is open to 16–19-year-olds in Central Hawke’s Bay not currently in education, training or employment. The hope is to build up the License to Work as a locally recognised credential that will give employers confidence in Central Hawke’s Bays youth workforce.

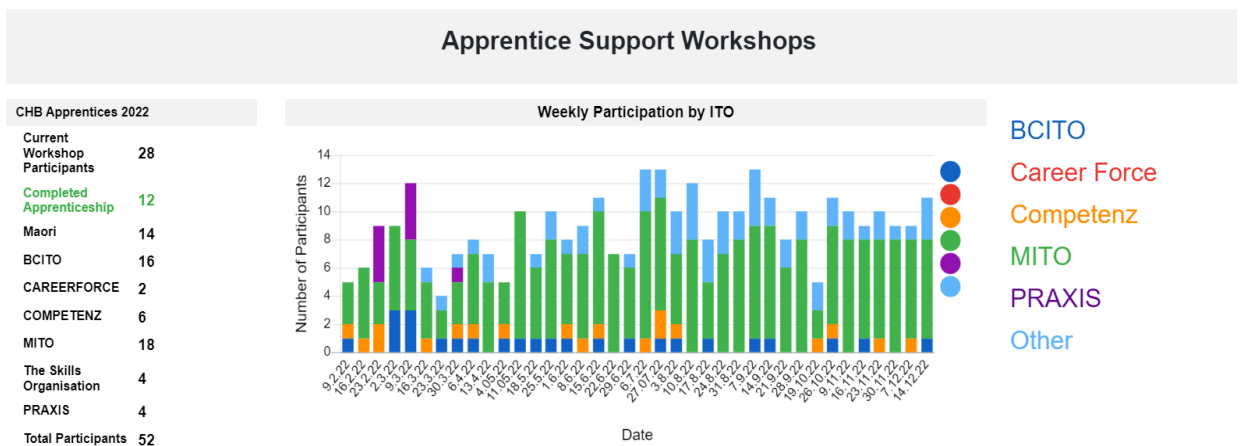
Partnering with Ministry of Social Development

Monthly employment workshops in collaboration with MSD have begun which offer a relaxed environment, with food and a variety of different support people. MSD Work Brokers and Case Managers, the Jobs in Central Hawke’s Bay team and Te Taiwhenua o Heretaunga staff work through getting to know the individual and exploring what options are available to them, how barriers can be removed to get them connected to local employers. This a great example of collaboration, which is only in its early stages, but will hopefully continue. The second collaborative Employment Workshop with MSD went extremely well. Tricia (Work Broker WINZ) and Camille (Employment Coordinator MTFJ) visited a local employer (Brownrigg) to discuss hiring locally and invited him to come to the workshop to meet prospective employees in a casual setting. This was advertised through local communications as well as MSD sending out 100 messages to jobseekers with work obligations. Nine jobseekers attended the workshop, with four interviewing with Brownrigg for employment.

Youth Transitions

In December 2022 the Council hosted five Year 10 students from Central Hawke’s Bay College for work exploration. It was a great way for those students to learn more about what different roles the council has. There were students in the Three waters department, Solid waste, Building consents, both Libraries, the Museum, Animal control and Customer service. These opportunities are very beneficial at building connection with local youth and each student enjoyed their three days of learning. *“I had a really great time getting to know new people and to have an idea on what it’s like to have a job. I loved working at the library and with Duncan, but my favourite part was learning about the animal care system and what that team of people get up to during a day of work.” Sophie*

[Apprentice Support Workshops](#)



See above stats for weekly attendance this year. The workshops have been well attended throughout the year and has been really beneficial to those attending.

On November 2 the Annual MTFJ Trades Graduation in partnership with the Waipukurau Rotary Young Employee of the Year was held. Thirteen hopefuls were nominated for the prestigious title with Ari Henson of Epic Ministries Inc winning the award. Graduates from a variety of fields were surrounded by family, employers, and trade representatives, as they received their qualifications from Mayor Alex Walker.

He Ringa Whānau Ora

A six-week wānaga transformation programme was piloted in October with 6 participants' competing the course. “He Kai Kei Aku Ringa” is used as a metaphor which translates to “There is abundance within me” and this is the basis of the programme. It empowers whanau to reconnect with their own ancestral wisdoms that can support and encourage

them to build resilience and adapt accordingly to life's challenges. Based on the success of the programme another intake is planned for early 2023. There has been a total of 35 engagements with He Ringa Whanau Ora since its inception.

TOURISM

Spring Fling 2022

Spring Fling 2022 was another success with 17 events being held, 10 of which were ticketed, 987 tickets sold through Eventfinda and \$52,952.54 net revenue being brought into the district from ticketed events. There were visitors from all over the region and beyond with people coming from Hawke's Bay, Gisborne, Manawatu, Whanganui, Wellington Region, Waikato, Auckland, Bay of Plenty, Taranaki and Canterbury. Feedback from both the event managers and the ticket holders was positive despite the rain affecting some events.





DRINKING WATER

Drinking-Water Compliance

District Drinking Water Supplies

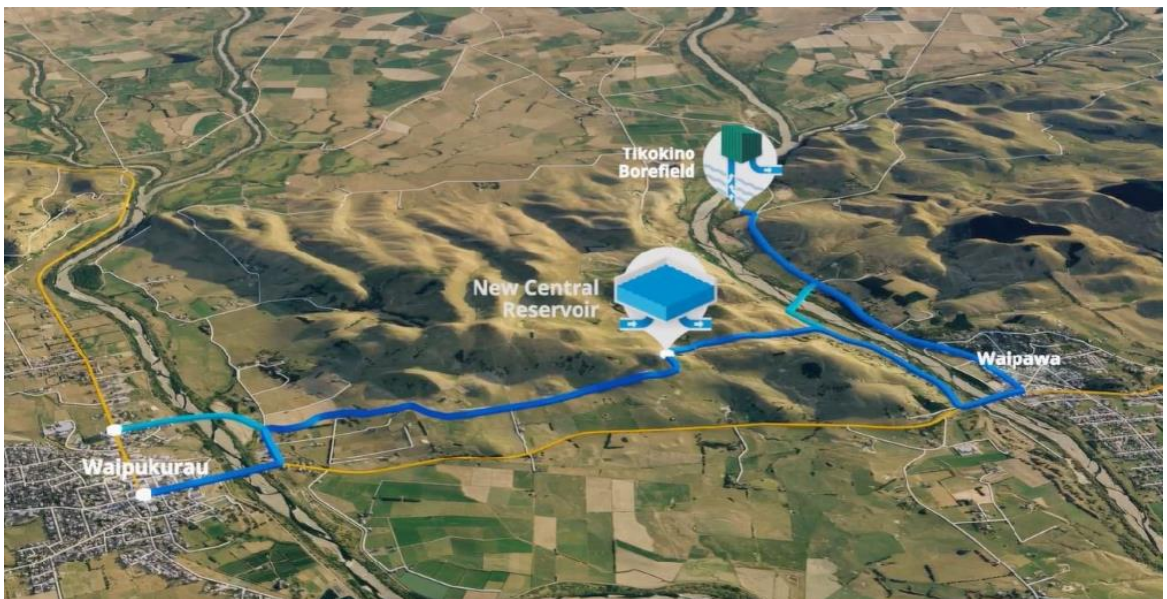
Water network demand moving into the summer period has increased with an influx in visitors to the district. Overall performance has been good, with consistent compliance against the newly enforced Taumata Arowai Drinking Water Quality Assurance Rules.

Operational update

Another challenging period as the team counter an usually wet seasonal period. Although the effects on potable water supply have been minimal, there has been a steady increase in RFS numbers across all three disciplines. We expect to see a greater demand for leak repair as the summer weather eventuates through January.

Waipawa to Waipukurau Water Supply

In May 2022 council approved the project to progress to construction and a budget increase to \$15.8. Geotechnical investigations to inform the river crossings decision is underway. Landowner agreements are all signed, and officers are now finalising design sections, planning the construction sequencing, as well as progressing consents required. The access track to the new reservoir contract has been issued to panel contractor Fulton Hogan and the construction will start mid-January 2023. Watch this space over the coming months as the project progresses further.



Waipawa/ Ōtāne Firefighting and Shortfalls (Stages 1-3)

Stage 1 and 2 are complete. Stage 3 Design is complete and will be one of the first projects completed by pipeline and civil works panel. This will complete the project upgrading the main from Abbotsford Road to the bottom of Mathews Street. Physical works are planned to commence on this section in April.

Pōrangahau Road Water Supply Upgrade

Fulton Hogan are progressing well on site and are on track to meet the target completion date of May 2023. The new water main has been installed from Lake View Road to Gaisford Terrace and property connections are underway. Fulton Hogan have also successfully completed the first tie in at corner of Pōrangahau Road and Lakeview Road.

Great North Rd Water Supply Upgrade

Higgins established on site in December 2022 to begin stage 1 of the water supply upgrade. They have made great progress in the short time on site and have installed 215m of new pipe by trenchless drilling. The detail connecting the new pipe to the existing network is planned for the beginning of February. This work is being done in conjunction with the Wastewater extension along the same stretch of road.



Waipawa Water Main Renewal/Upgrade.

Stage 1, 2, and 5 have been completed. Higgins have been engaged to complete the remaining works required to complete stage 3. This will allow us commission stage 1,2 and 3 into the current network. Stage 4 has also been awarded to Higgins via the new panel agreement and plan to start construction alongside the balance of stage 3 works in early February 2023.

Waipawa Water Fire Fighting Improvements

Stage 3 – Mathew Street has been procured under the new panel agreement and is due to begin construction in February 2023.

SH2 Borefield Upgrade

A final issue with a pump is still to be resolved prior to decommissioning of the existing pump system, this is being progressed with the pump supplier. In addition, Council has resourced support from Stantec to undertake both a review of the design and investigation of the pump failure.

Stantec report has been completed and received. This has been passed on to WSP the Original Design Consultant for their comments on the report's findings.

The Upgrade Contractor has been approached to provide options to carry out repairs on the damaged pump with the view to have this undertaken which will allow checks to be made on the remaining two new Bore Pumps to confirm there are any issues with their installation.

Contractor is currently undertaking the final works to complete electrical control and site visibility in conjunction with the Operations Team.

The Borefield is currently running on one New Bore and Pump in conjunction with the Original Stage 1 Bore A Pump upgrade.

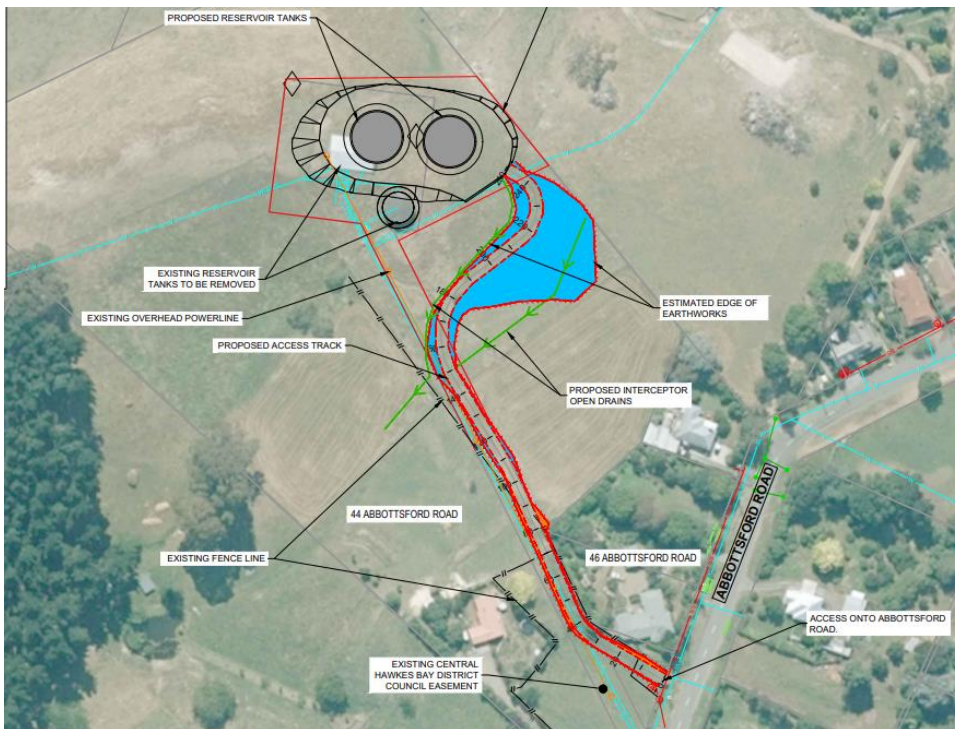
Kairakau Water Upgrade

Trility contractor is in the final stages of completion of the new water treatment plant for Kairakau with only the pipeline replacement to treated water reservoirs left done. Mechanical and electrical works are underway, and the new plant is planned for commissioning in February with a handover to our operations team in March 2023.

Reservoir Renewal Programme

Abbotsfod - Waipawa

Officers are in the early landowner negotiation phase of the plan to renew / upgrade the Abbotsfod Reservoirs that supply Waipawa and Ōtāne. A draft access track and reservoirs platform is being designed.



SH2 Borefield to Pukeora Reservoir – Rising Main Replacement

Officers are in the process of concept design of the alternative option, construction of the new reservoir and treatment plant at existing SH2 site, hence the rising main replacement has been put on hold. This project can only happen following completion of the new Central reservoir and the focus has now shifted to Waipukurau-Waipawa second supply and the construction of the Central reservoir and all interconnectivities.



WASTEWATER

Wastewater Treatment Operational Performance

Performance through the WWTPs continues to improve although we face a number of seasonal and process challenges. We will be renewing our focus on the Waipawa and Waipukurau WWTPs in 2023 as the introduction of a number of key projects will lend to improved performance and visibility of the sites.

Wastewater reticulation performance

Continued wet weather has steadily led to an increase in network demand, with several blockages and overflows within the district. Surcharging through the networks is commonplace, with performance improvement measures focussed to ensure maximum output throughout WWTPs. Response to events has improved massively, with a renewed focus on the delivery of wastewater DIA KPIs.

Inflow and Infiltration Management

Stormwater and wastewater system modelling has provided recommendations informing this programme of work, to identify and remediate wastewater and stormwater defects. This programme of work is underway with manhole repairs, pipe relining, jetting, flow monitoring and CCTV. A major contract was awarded to Pipevision for the investigative works, with larger scale renewals following from their recommendations. More than a quarter of the network has currently been investigated; 24 kilometres of pipe and 331 manholes. Renewal prioritization follows from here as well as detailed investigation.

Great North Road Wastewater Extension

Alongside the water supply upgrade that is currently underway, the wastewater will be extended from Tamumu Road to Abbotsford Road. This extension will facilitate development in the area. Higgins plan to bring this stage (2) early February with a target completion date of May 2023.

Waipawa, Waipukurau, Ōtāne Wastewater Upgrade Project

Conveyance from Ōtāne to Waipawa has now become fully operational, completely ceasing the discharge to the Papanui Stream, marking a significant milestone in the WOW programme.

Details on current projects below:

Ōtāne to Waipawa Pipeline (Stages 1, 2, 3 and 5)

The Ōtāne to Waipawa wastewater pipeline is complete with all the approximately 9km of pipeline in the ground across Stages 1, 2, 3 and 5. Final reinstatement works are still being carried out along the pipeline, the weather continues to impact the ability of the contractor to finish these small pieces of work, although none affect the use of the pipeline itself.

Ōtāne to Waipawa – Pump Station (Stage 4)

Similarly, to the conveyance pipeline, some final minor work is required to fully complete the Ōtāne Pump Station, this work does not affect the ability for the Pump Station to operate however. While a few minor teething issues have been found, the pump station has been running in automatic for a number of months now.



Waipawa & Waipukurau WWTP Short term Improvements

Currently several short-term improvement projects are either well into the planning stages or have recently commenced, these include optimisation of pond layouts and aeration and upgrading of the UV treatment systems. We continue to further define and develop the long-term solutions to move to a centralised treatment plant and away from current surface water discharges with both design work and more formal landowner engagement due to commence shortly.

The DAF unit continues to perform well, and we have seen continued consent compliance across all parameters at Waipawa following the DAF installation and variations to the consent linked with the conveyance of Ōtāne's wastewater.



Waipawa and Waipukurau Biosolids application to land

Consent has been granted for beneficial reuse of biosolids for fertiliser on agricultural land. Procurement is underway and management documents are being finalised to facilitate this.

Takapau Wastewater Upgrade Consenting Project

The consent for this wastewater upgrade was approved in October 2022. Finalised concept design was completed in November 2022. Detailed design and procurement for irrigation are the next areas of focus for the project. An information sheet with detail on the project (along with other Takapau projects) can be found [here](#).

Pōrangahau and Pōrangahau Beach Wastewater Upgrade Consenting Project

Resource consents for Pōrangahau and Pōrangahau Beach wastewater treatment plant upgrades were publicly notified on 14 April and submissions closed on 17 May 2022. Eight submissions were received. Submissions were received from five groups from four groups, Ngāti Kere Hapu Authority, Ngāti Kere MACA Working Party, Rongomaraeroa Marae and Te Toro o Punga RMA Unit and Hawke's Bay District Health Board. Submissions are accessible on Hawke's Bay Regional Council's website ([Hawke's Bay District Health Board](#), [Ngāti Kere Hapu Authority](#), [Ngāti Kere MACA Working Party](#), [Rongomaraeroa Marae and Te Toro o Punga RMA Unit](#)). Pre-hearing meetings were held on 27 June and 27 October 2022. Council is working through remaining technical issues on consent conditions with Hawke's Bay Regional Council and submitters. A third pre-hearing meeting is scheduled for 20 January 2022.

You can read more about the project [here](#).



STORMWATER

Stormwater Operational and Compliance update

Another period of consistent rain and wet weather has added additional pressure to the networks, with performance drops across a number of key assets due to vegetation growth and lack of maintenance. The absence of a summer period so far has made maintenance difficult, with safe and practical access restricted.

Stormwater Catchment Management Plan

Central Hawkes Bay District Council is currently commissioning an overarching stormwater catchment management plan which will outline the direction of stormwater management for the district. Working with project partners Stantec we have liaised with internal stakeholders to help capture problem areas, risks, and opportunities for future upgrades. We are aligning this plan with the results of the recent hydraulic modelling work as well as the stormwater improvements outlined in the Long Term Plan. The plan has been submitted to HBRC for approval. Next steps are to engage with both iwi and community on the plan as well as implementation of the workplan.

Waipawa/ Ōtāne Stormwater Model

The model builds and calibration for Waipawa/Ōtāne is complete. Recommendations to service development, future growth, network performance and environmental impacts have been developed. Integration of these within the Catchment Management Plan is underway. Workshopping with key users is ongoing with recommendations and further scope planned for implementation. Culvert maintenance to allow survey to improve the model is currently being procured.

Waipukurau Stormwater Model

A hydraulic model update has been undertaken by WSP. The hydraulic model will assist in development planning and identifying problem areas. We are also working with HBRC to include Lake Whatumā in the scope of this work to give some idea of where development can be undertaken and to increase our understanding of the impact of lake levels after storm events. Integration of the findings of this work within the Catchment Management Plan is underway.

Takapau Stormwater Model

A hydraulic model for the stormwater network in Takapau is being scoped by WSP.



LAND TRANSPORT

Summary General

All 3 of the initiatives noted below are continuing to be progressed

- An operational review for quick fixes and operational improvements – this includes the work prioritisation tool which is being field tested along with more direct involvement in the day-to-day operations of the contract
- A specific focus on remediating slips – some designs have been completed and a reporting structure has been set up but work on the actual slips has been delayed until funding can be secured from Waka Kotahi
- A Strategic Review of the Land Transport Activity in advance of preparation of the Activity Management Plan for Land Transport – this is progressing to ensure we meet the timelines required to submit the next 3-year programme

Maintenance

Our local contractor has been busy regular maintenance such as grading, pot-hole patching, street sweeping and drainage work. Due to the ongoing inclement weather this presents a huge challenge to our contractors to stay on top of the required work.

Winter Storm Damage

There are numerous areas across the district where slips have developed due to the continuous rain that the district has experienced since June. The hill sides have become saturated with water which is causing a lot of movement impacting our roads. Some areas have detours in place and are now single lane priority such as Elsthorpe Road, Cooks Tooth Road and Wimbledon Road pictured below.

A monitoring programme has been set up for all of the heavily damaged sites and Council has provided funding to keep the roads open while we wait for a reply from Waka Kotahi for funding assistance. Due to the enormity of the size of the damage Council are asking for 100% funding to restore service levels.



Elsthorpe Road at 14km mark



Cooks Tooth Road at 7.5km



Wimbledon Road at 1.3km

March Storm Response

There are only 2 sites remaining from the march storm that have not been repaired. (Old Hill Road and Farm Road at 12.6km) These sites both require more money than was originally thought which has been applied for from Waka Kotahi. A monitoring programme has been established for both sites to ensure we can keep both roads open



Farm Road at the 12km mark

Reseals

The pre-seal repairs are almost finished, and the seal designs have been completed for this year's programme. The contractor is ready to start once weather improves.

Bridges, Structures and Area Wide Pavement Treatments

Despite the inclement weather work on the new seal of Kyle Road has been completed with the residents happy. Work preparation to Gunsons' bridge repair is progressing with work to take place in February / March. Work is in the planning stages for repairs to the Makaramu Bridge which accesses Te Paerahi. After thorough investigation the site does not qualify for an AWPT at this time.

Footpaths

Footpath maintenance and renewals has continued but is also being hampered by adverse weather. Council was successful in their application for "Transport Choices" funding with Waka Kotahi and are to receive up to \$4,000,000 in funding to construct footpaths in both Ōtāne and one in Pōrangahau. Council is now working with Waka Kotahi to finalise a consultation, communication plan and construction programme. The programme will include the planned new footpath to the Ōtāne school.

Other Works

Work is almost complete on the Single Stage Business Case for Pōrangahau & Wimbledon roads (old SH 52) with support and input from Regional Waka Kotahi staff. Once complete this will be submitted to Waka Kotahi for approval. The outcome if successful should provide additional support for any work required on the route.

Our prioritisation methodology is being field tested by our maintenance contractor. A draft "Interim Speed Management Plan" has been completed by Stantec and will be presented at a workshop in January 2023 for input. The initial speed management will be applied to the District's Schools.

Low Cost / Low Risk intersection improvements will be implemented as funding allows. A request for funding for the damage to the road network over the winter months has been submitted to Waka Kotahi and we are awaiting their response.

Procurement

Council is in its final year of its current professional services contract and Land Transport are putting together a procurement plan for its renewal which will be presented to Council. Land Transport are also working on a required re-write of their procurement strategy (a Waka Kotahi requirement).

A decision will also be required as to whether or not to extend the road maintenance contract and the re-seal contract. This will be presented to council prior to March 2023.

Kairakau Road Rebuild – Higgins

The project team was disappointed not to be able to complete the project prior to Christmas as intended. The delays in the programme due to the extremely wet winter was just an obstacle the team could not overcome.

A project is 90% complete and was made safe over the Christmas break. Work is anticipated to start again in January with the main work focussing on sealing the new road and some tidy up works. The intention is to complete the project by early February.



SOLID WASTE

Waste Free CHB

WMMP Action Plan Priorities

The programme for CHBDC Waste Management and Minimisation Plan (WMMP) Action plan for the next fiscal year will focus on the following priorities:

- Continue to focus and where possible, expand waste minimisation education programme at schools.
- Support initiatives that encourage individuals, households and small community groups to divert green waste and food waste through small scale or home composting opportunities.
- Increased public awareness around our kerbside recycling – where it goes, what happens to it and what it ends up as.
- Support behaviour to repair, reuse or donate before disposing.

Waste Diversion

Green waste, scrap metal, e-waste, tyres, and recyclables from agriculture waste continue to be diverted through diversion options at our transfer stations.

We have not found an alternative to divert treated timber disposed by the construction industry since the facility in Hastings stopped accepting it for use as boiler fuel due to environmental concerns. This is a region wide issue.

Treated timber is now being sent to landfill while we find a feasible diversion alternative.

In December a container's worth of electronic waste was sent to our partners, E cycling in Tokoroa for recycling.

Waste Minimisation Education

The waste minimisation (Zero Waste) education programme is underway for the 2022-2023 financial year. Since July, we have completed the programme in the following schools:

- Argyl East School
- St. Joseph School
- Waipukurau School
- Elsthorpe School
- The Terrace

In November, Sherwood School achieved gold status as part of the Enviroschool programme, the first school in Central Hawks Bay to do so. The Enviroschool programme is a programme led by Hawkes Bay Regional Council and supported by CHBDC, to promote the principles of environmental sustainability in education and operations of a school.



Sherwood Students growing herbs using compost made at the school.

December saw the Mayor open new facilities that will support Hunter School kindergarden in their journey towards a waste free and more environmentally sustainable future. These improvements, funded through the Environmental Sustainability grant, included worm farms and recycling bins included a water feature fed by collected rainwater to instil importance of keeping our water ways clean for the next generation.



Mayor opening the new water feature at Hunter School.

Food/Green Waste Diversion Initiative Programme

With the assistance of Sustainability Ewe, the Council held two separate composting workshops in November and December. These two workshops garnered some interest but unfortunately, the weather limited attendance. Officers will review the programme in the New Year to improve attendance of these workshops.

Increasing Education around recycling.

Officers have adjusted collateral to improve messaging around what can and cannot be recycled following feedback from the public during the Roadshows.

Work have also been done to increase recycling drop off stations and other temporary recycling/waste infrastructure around our beaches during summer months.

In the lead up to Christmas, officers with assistance from Comms provided helpful hints for residents to reduce their waste during the festive season through social media channels.

Kerbside Recycling, Refuse & Transfer Station Services

Officers ensured contractors had adequate contingency plans in place for the festive period to ensure services are uninterrupted in what has been historically the busiest time for waste.

Reminders of kerbside waste/recycling collection days and transfer station opening hours were also widely socialised as we expect an influx of visitors to the district over the festive periods.

District Landfill

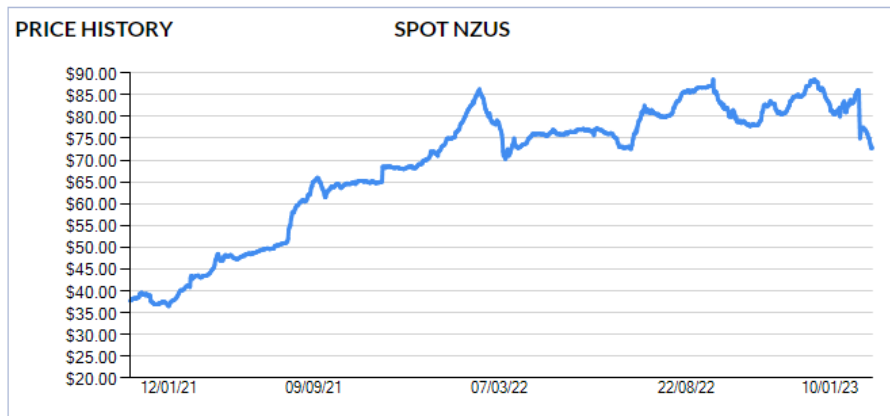
Operations at the landfill continue to be challenging due to the unseasonal wet weather. Managing leachate levels in the pond and irrigating when conditions are appropriate remain a priority. Our immediate goal is to reduce the levels in the leachate pond to near empty before we head into the winter months.

The tip face is being prepped for the busy festive season and existing tip face covered as we move into the hotter summer months to minimise odour and pest.

Tonnages to Landfill

| Month | October | November | December |
|--------|---------|----------|----------|
| Tonnes | 888 | 932 | 1175 |

Carbon Prices



Carbon prices fell over the past month largely due on the markets reacting to the government decision to reject the Climate Change Commission recommendation to increase the prices of carbon by restricting supply.

The spot price is currently \$72.75 down from \$85 a few months ago. Whether prices will fall further in 2023 is likely contingent on if NZ enters a recession as the demand for carbon credits reduces further. This could be view as an opportunity to purchase cheaper credits to offset future landfill carbon liability.

Waipukurau Transfer Station Weighbridge

The installation of the Waipukurau transfer station weighbridge has been delayed for 6 months pending financial review.

CONSENTING

Consent application volumes for 1 October – 31 December 2022 reporting period

Building Consents:

- Total consents: 81
- New dwellings: 30
- Total value: \$16.8M

Overall consent volumes remain high but a reduction in the volume of consents for new dwellings is being experienced. Inspection volumes remain very high with the team of inspectors running at full capacity to keep on top of demand. Beyond the high volumes of consents in the system, the complexity of many consents remains a challenge in many cases.

In November 2022 the BCA had their routine accreditation process with IANZ.) Council received high praise and commendation from IANZ and obtained accreditation with a low-risk rating.

Councils Online Portal for building consents is now live and is being heralded a huge success with significant efficiency added to the consenting process and greater visibility and confidence resulting in much-improved customer experience outcomes.

Council continues to push for the continued development and education of its consenting team with 2 cadets currently working through formal qualification processes. They have completed their first year of studies and start the second year in February 2023

Resource Consents:

- Total consents: 41
- Number of new lots to be created: 94

Resource Consent volumes remain steady but with a high degree of complexity through either large subdivisions or subdivisions with complex infrastructure/engineering requirements.

While lacking a Consents Manager (recruitment underway), Council continues to rely very heavily on the use of external planners and an expert team of RMA specialists to drive our subdivision consenting function. While not considered a long-term option, Council is confident that the partnering approach it has in place with its support partners is resulting in good quality and cost-effective outcomes for customers of the consenting process.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Hawkes Bay Emergency Management

In September the Hawkes Bay Civil Defence Emergency Management (HBCDEM) team trained the CHBDC Incident Management Team (IMT) in CIMS Level 3. Three courses were held over a week and most of the IMT attended and were trained.

The following week the HBCDEM led an exercise with a difference. The scenario was a heatwave but instead of everyone attending at once it was broken down into function groups so each function could focus on their role and practice the practical aspects of setting up the Emergency Operations Centre (EOC).

This training was put into practice for the January weather event where we gathered a small number of the IMT to help manage the CHBDC's response to ex tropical cyclone Hale.

Places & Spaces for a Thriving Future

Waipawa Kindergarten approached Council about the possibility of planting some native shrubs. Don Allen Reserve was chosen as a suitable area for the children to have a morning planting.

Approximately 15 native shrubs were planted in the garden beds in Don Allen Reserve. Teachers have asked if this is something the kindergarten can do on an annual basis if plants are available to them.

Despite the unseasonal weather and very wet conditions our Parks and Open Space contractor Recreational Services has been doing a fantastic job trying to keep on top of the unseasonal growth

CHB Municipal Theatre

In this quarter there have been busy with over 11 events being held with these including a Wedding, Spring Fling Event – Tell me on a Sunday, Council Swearing in Ceremony, Waipawa School Disco, Evolve Dance Club Performance, CHB College Leavers Do, Miss Tutu's Dance Recital Morning teas, Thrive Breakfast, PROBUS and an ABBA Tribute. Each of these events brought new people into the Municipal Theatre.

Waipawa M & D had another successful performance of Aladdin, seeing many coming into the theatre and enjoying the performance.

Central Hawke's Bay District Libraries

October School holidays saw the libraries running a school holiday programme. Children's weaving, quilting, make an accordion book and click happy workshop were some of the programmes that were run. Karen Mooney from Animal

Control also popped in to do some dog safety fun with the children. 81 local tamariki attended at least one of these programmes offered.

The Justice of the Peace drop-in sessions on a Friday alternating between Waipawa Library and Te Huinga Wai are being well attended each week.

Our home delivery services has increased, with more books approximately 97 books being delivered 22 borrowers fortnightly. One of our borrowers who has used this service for over 10 years and has been a member for as long as she can remember turned 100 in November.

November saw the libraries and the Friends of the Libraries hold a 'Have a Reading Christmas' evening. Shelley Burne-Field was the guest speaker talking about her writing career and her short story Speaking in Tongues which was short listed for The Commonwealth Short Story Prize.



After school crafternoons continued in the fourth term. Over 58 children enjoyed the different activities that were offered each week.

Waipawa Primary school continued to visit the Waipawa library. Classes from St Joseph School and Waipukurau Primary had visits to Te Huinga Wai.

Programmes such as Tea, Tarts and Crafts continues to be offered monthly with local community members coming together to complete some crafts over a cup of tea. It is a great way for the local community to meet others and socialise. This is also the case with Repurposed remnants which continues to be offered at both Libraries. Community members come together to repurpose clothing that can't be sold at the op shop. This programme has resulted in over 10 blankets being made for those in need within our community.

The Winter Warmers programme completed at the end of October with over 800 prize books given to Primary School children across Central Hawke's Bay. This programme was another successful reading programme for our community.

The children's Summer Reading programme was launched on Saturday, 10 December with a visit from Pirate Kai. The children enjoyed a session of making pirate hats and then watching Pirate Kai's performance. To date there have been approximately 150 children sign up to complete the Summer Reading Programme with the finale planned for Saturday 28 January. This programme celebrates and encourages our tamariki to read at home.



Children with Pirate Kai

Making Pirate Hats

An online version of the programme was also launched through Beanstack. Beanstack is an online platform that children and adult can choose to use for their Summer Reading challenge. The participants read books and log them on Beanstack to earn badges.

With this wet weather the libraries have been offering a safe haven for people to come in and get out of the rain. People have enjoyed doing jigsaw puzzles that the staff have put out. In Te Huinga wai a new jigsaw puzzles were getting put out approximately every two weeks. Some patrons were coming in daily to read the newspaper and do the puzzle.

Adult guitar lessons started at the end of October. This programme ran on a Thursday evening for 6 weeks and was fully booked. Two evening Rongoā kawakawa workshops were also held in November being well attended. This programme was supported by Creative Communities Funding.

Te Huinga Wai is becoming a banking hub for local support each Wednesday with three banks now committing to providing monthly support to the community via two-hour drop-in sessions with these banks being Westpac, ASB and BNZ. Attempts have been made to engage with Kiwibank however no further correspondence has been received. 13 people have utilised the service in this quarter.

With the introduction of practical driver's licence testing in Waipukurau AA has been busy. AA has also been steady with people applying to become REAL ME and IRD verified.

Streets for People – Waipawa Main Street

Waka Kotahi approved Streets for People funding to Central Hawke's Bay District Council for all five interventions to improve the safety and connectivity of Waipawa's main street in September 2022. The five projects approved are:

- Traffic calming interventions into Waipawa
- Improved walking and cycling connections across State Highway 2
- Improved walking and cycling connections at key intersections
- Improved access to Madge Hunter Park and Centennial Memorial Swimming Pool
- Testing cycling options on State Highway 2.

A codesign group was established in mid-September and members participated in three workshops; providing advice and recommendations to inform design across the five projects.

Council has also been working with FOLKL on collecting benchmarking data focused on both vehicle, pedestrian and cyclist movement on Waipawa's main street. This data will provide a good evidence base for measuring the impact of the five Streets for People projects.

Further information on this project can be found on Council's website – [Streets for People project](#).

Waipawa Streets For People.

Lets build on what we've heard from the Waipawa community.

'Slow the centre'

'See the highway as a hero'

'Pride in our environment and our people'

Projects

- 1 Slower Speeds in the Town Centre - Traffic calming interventions into Waipawa
- 2 Improved Walking and Cycling Connections Across SH-2 - 3x Raised tables build outs and bike parking
- 3 Improved Walking and Cycling Connections at Key intersections
- 4 Improve access to Madge Hunter Park and Centennial Memorial Swimming Pool
- 5 Cycling on SH-2 - Testing Cycling Options on SH-2



Safety

And Wellbeing

OVERVIEW

Council’s Health and Safety function continues to remain focussed on a number of internal initiatives to mature and lift the approach to Health and Safety across the organisation.

Critical Risks remain a top priority for the organisation, requiring collaboration across all divisions of the organisation and steady progress is being made to continuously update our critical risk standards to describe the system of work and resources needed when work is exposed to a critical risk.

The Health and Safety Committee continues to progress well and has gained enthusiastic momentum alongside an active voice within Health, Safety and Wellbeing across the organisation. The committee now has an updated Terms of Reference.

Training has now been rolled-out to our Health & Safety Reps in the use of our reporting system Risk Manager and increasing the awareness of reporting events to help inform council on how our current systems and processes are working to help us continually improve our systems and processes to keep our people and community safe.

A highlight over the past few months was the finalisation of our Health, Safety and Wellbeing Framework which outlines the health, safety and wellbeing management system for CHBDC, putting our values into practice in both our strategies and practices.

Contractor engagement and reporting is continually improving as we work with our contractors to get a better understanding of the hazards that align to their critical risks. Standardisation of our reporting system has progressed with contractor events now being added into councils Risk Manager reporting system which has allowed for better oversight and proactive collaboration with our contractors. Key statistics provided through routine contractor reporting are provided below:

| Reports | March | April | May | June | July | August | September | October | November | Trend |
|--|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-----------|---------|----------|-------|
| Contractor Hours | 16,372 | 11,307 | 13,704 | 17,527 | 13,208 | 13,799 | 14,397 | 15,529 | 15,807 | ↑ |
| Contractor Events (All incidents/near misses) | 67 | 78 | 78 | 121 | 77 | 54 | 42 | 27 | 44 | ↑ |
| Contractor Incidents (Injuries) | 3 | 4 | 11 | 11 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 3 | ↑ |
| CHBDC Reports | 1 | 4 | 6 | 9 | 2 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 3 | ↑ |



Covid-19 Internal Health Response

We continue to follow NZ Government guidance. Only COVID 19 positive individuals are required to isolate for 7 days. Household contacts no longer need to isolate but are asked to undertake a daily rat test before going about their daily life. This will mean that any staff that are household contacts will need to test before coming to work.

We continue to promote healthy habits and encourage staff to remain home if they are sick and to take a RAT test if they have Covid-19 symptoms.

Our RAT testing programme remains in place for staff for those who wish to continue. We still have air purifiers in place and are reviewing the use of these going forward in line with risk from the current flu virus. Hand sanitisers and masks are still in place for staff along with surface sanitiser.

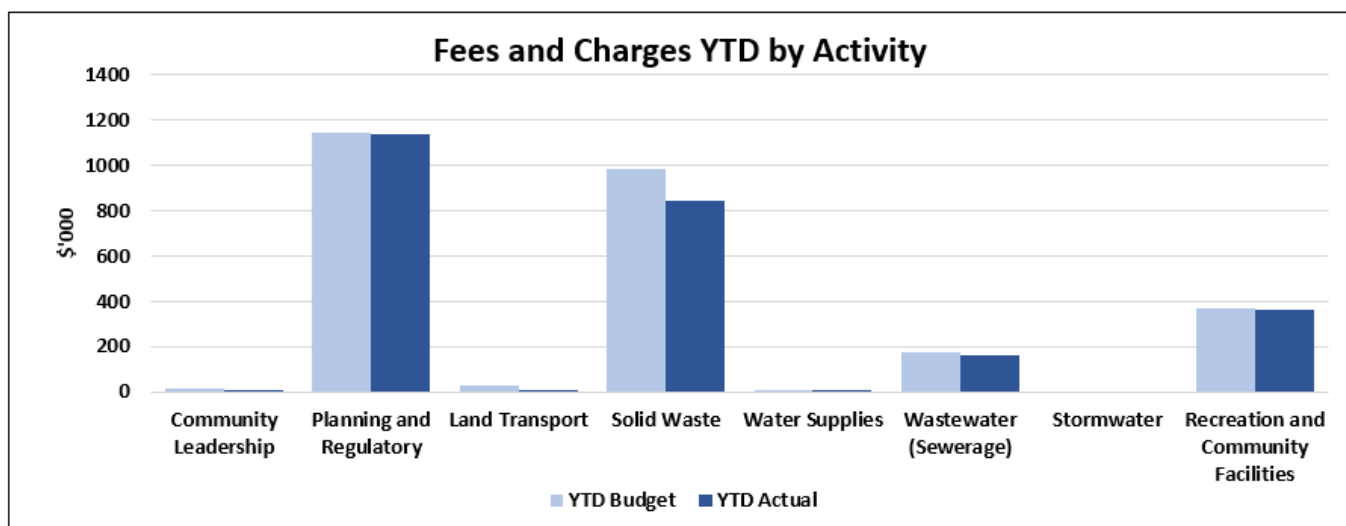
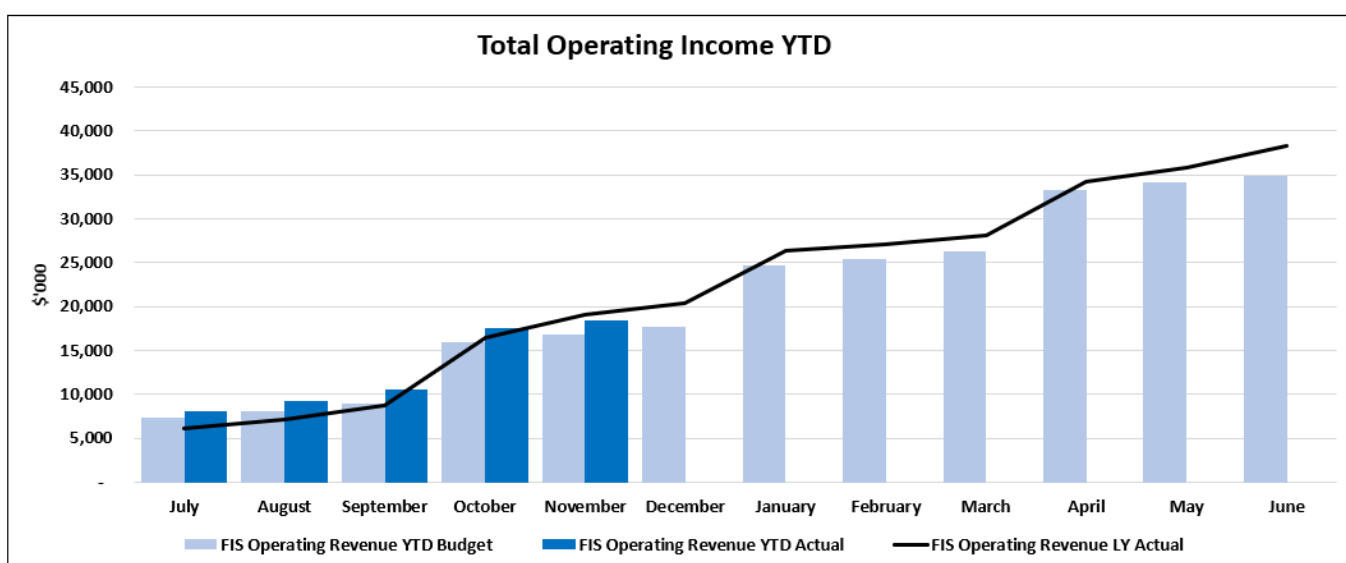
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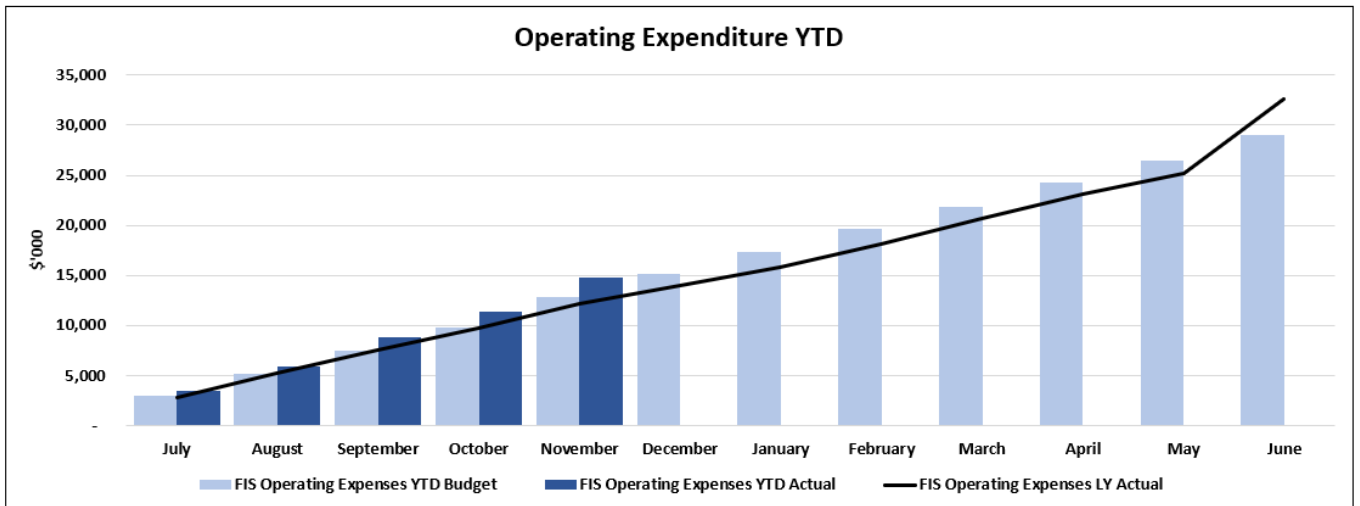
FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE ENDING 30 NOVEMBER 2022

The graphs and tables below show the financial results for Council covering the financial results for the 5 months ended 30 November 2022.

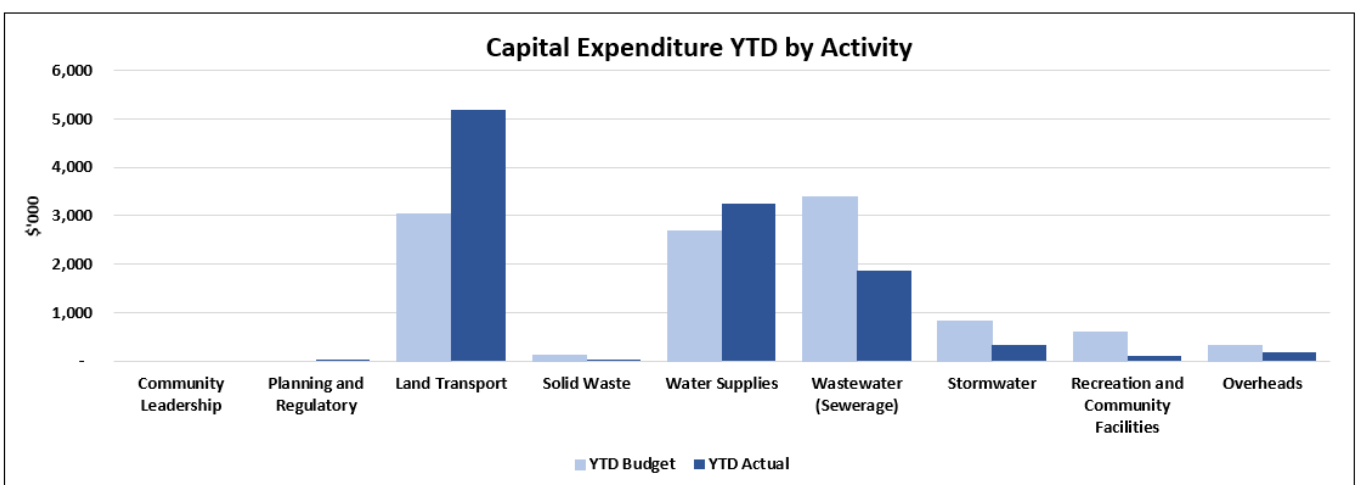
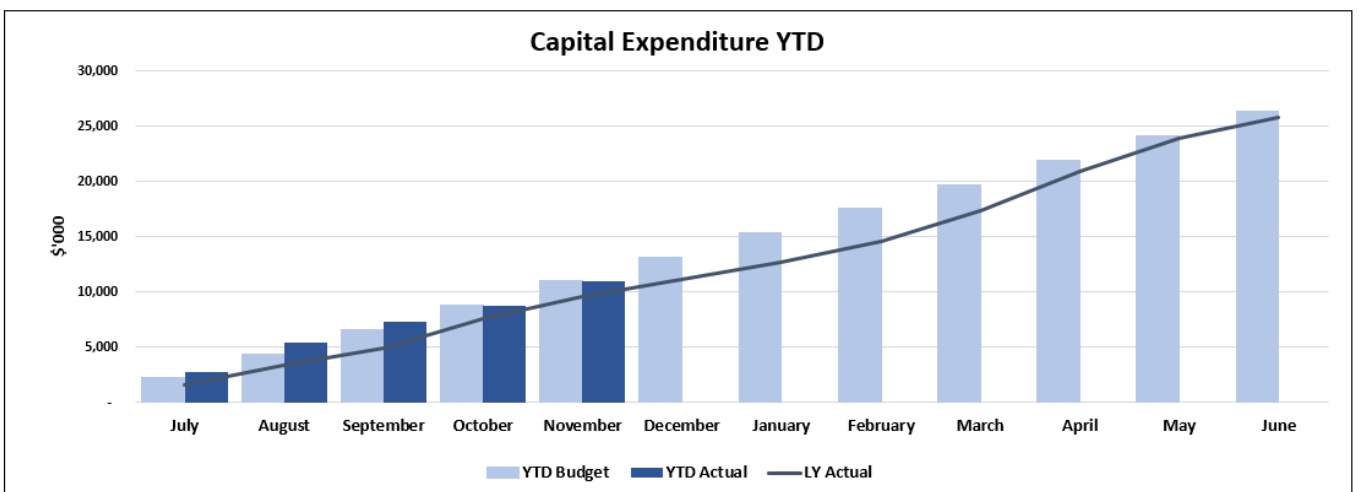
At a high-level Council's revenues are up on budget due to the last of unbudgeted grant monies being received (economic development/covid recovery, 3 Waters Reform, and higher than anticipated Waka Kotahi subsidies), however, this is slightly offset by lower-than-expected fees and charges (Resource Consents are down from their highs, Refuse volumes are down, and industrial users are doing higher pre-treatment of their trade waste before it hits our networks).












Operating Costs are ahead of budget with the continuation of Economic Recovery projects and the Roding Emergency Reinstatement works. Wages are lower than budgeted due to higher-than-expected vacancies, some of which are having to be covered by greater use of external contractors.



At a high level Capital spend is on budget, but this is misleading as Roothing is well ahead of budget due to all the emergency reinstates occurring, while waste water and stormwater are behind budget (mainly a timing issue).



DISTRICT PLAN REVIEW

| | | | |
|----------|--|---|--|
| PHASE | Hearings underway |      |  |
| TIMELINE | AUG 2012 START DATE | March 2022 HEARINGS BEGIN | |
| PROGRESS | 85% |  | |
| BUDGET | Total Budget \$3.5m Spend to Date: \$2.8m |  | |
| RISKS | |  | |

Scope

The review has now progressed to the phase of undertaking the formal Resource Management Act statutory hearings. Throughout 2022 submitters to the District Plan Review had the opportunity to formally submit their views on the topics contained within their written submissions to a Panel of Commissioners appointed by Council.

Progress Update

The hearings for the District Plan review have now completed. Seven hearings were undertaken across 2022. Hearing Stream 1 and 2 occurred during March, Hearing Stream 3 during June, Hearing Stream 4 in August, and Hearing Stream 5 in September. The topics covered were the Natural and Coastal Environment (hearing 1), the Urban Environment, Sustainability, and General District Wide Matters (hearing 2), the Rural Environment (hearing 3), Tāngata Whenua and Historic Heritage Matters (hearing 4), Risks and Hazards, Earthworks and Subdivision (hearing 5), Mapping and Miscellaneous Matters (hearing 6) and Energy, Infrastructure and Designations (hearing 7).

The Panel of Commissioners is now finalising their deliberations and will provide the Elected Council with a 'decisions-version' of a new District Plan in May this year.