

# SOUTH TARANAKI DISTRICT COUNCIL'S ANNUAL REPORT SUMMARY

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MAKING SOUTH TARANAKI

THE MOST  
*liveable*

DISTRICT IN NZ



Ko Taranaki kei runga.  
 Ko Aotea, ko Kurahaupo e urunga mai ki uta.  
 Ko Turi, ko Ruatea ngā tūpuna,  
 Tihei mauri tū ki runga!

Mai i Okurukuru ki Rāwa o Turi,  
 Rāwa o Turi ki Waingongoro,  
 Waingōngoro ki Whenuakura,  
 Whenuakura ki Waitōtara.

Ko wai tērā, ko Taranaki ki te Tonga.

E ngā tini wairua, kua whetūrangihia, koutou e korowaitia ana te tauheke rā, ko Pukehaupapa, ko Pukeonaki, e moe. Haere I raro I te kahu kōrako ki tua whakarere. Ki te kāinga o tāua te tangata.

Hoki atu rā koutou ki Hawaiki nui, Hawaiki roa, Hawaiki pāmamao.

Ki a tātou ngā uri o Tiki, ki ngā kanohi kitea. Tātou mā e kawea nei ngā kete matauranga o te ao tūroa, o te ao hurihuri. Tihei mouri ora.

Ko te kaupapa e anga atu nei, ko te Hōtaka o te wā, hei tirohanga ki mua mā tātou ki te Tonga. Kia whai nei I ngā wawata kia pākari ai te rohe.

Kāti rā, ki a koutou, ki a tātou, rire, rire Hau Pai marire!

*So stands Taranaki above  
 Aotea and Kurahaupo are anchored ashore,  
 Turi and Ruatea are our ancestors.  
 So, we share the breath of life!*

*From Okurukuru to Rāwa o Turi,  
 From Rāwa o Turi to the Waingongoro River,  
 From the Waingōngoro to the Whenuakura River,  
 From the Whenuakura to the Waitōtara River.*

*Who are we, South Taranaki.*

*To those spirits, who have passed beyond, you who cloak our mountain, Pukehaupapa, Pukeonaki, rest in peace. Go beyond the veil with the protection of peace. To the ancestral home of us, the people.*

*Return to Hawaiki nui, Hawaiki roa and Hawaiki pāmamao.*

*To those of us who remain, the descendants of Tiki, the living. We, the bearers of the baskets of knowledge from the past and present. So, the breath of life.*

*So, the focus for this is the Long Term Plan, to look forward for us the people of South Taranaki. To achieve the hopes and dreams to enhance our region.*

*In conclusion, to you and us all, Peace flow across us!*



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## INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the South Taranaki District Council's 2018/19 Annual Report Summary. The purpose of this Summary is to provide an overview of the Council's activities over the last financial year (1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019) and to identify any major differences to what the Council set out to do in its 2018/19 Annual Plan (the first year of our 2018 – 2028 Long Term Plan).

The Annual Report Summary shows how well the District's assets are being looked after and how well the Council is performing as an organisation. The information included in this Summary has been taken from the audited Annual Report (which received an unmodified Audit Opinion) which was adopted by the Council on 9 October 2019. The Annual Report Summary does not provide as complete an understanding as the full Annual Report. For more detailed information covering all of the Council's activities please refer to the full Annual Report. Copies of the full Annual Report are available on request (phone 0800 111 323) for a copy to be sent out to you or you can view it on the Council website [www.southtaranaki.com](http://www.southtaranaki.com)

## WHERE DOES THE ANNUAL REPORT FIT IN?

Every council in New Zealand is required to prepare a Long Term Plan (with a ten year timeframe), as well as an Annual Plan and an Annual Report. These three documents form the essential guide to what Council does in any given year. The Long Term Plan and the Annual Plan set out what the Council plans to do, while the Annual Report states what the Council has actually done. The 2018/19 Annual Report reflects progress made in Year 1 of our 2018-2028 Long Term Plan.

# MAYOR & CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S MESSAGE

## TE REO MAIOHA TĀ TE KOROMATUA ME TE TUMU PAETAKI

Welcome to the South Taranaki District Council's Summary Annual Report 2018/19.

In this document we look back on the last financial year (1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019) and report on how we performed against the objectives and priorities we set in our 2018-19 Annual Plan (Year 1 of our 2018-2028 Long Term Plan).

The Council's vision is to make South Taranaki the most liveable district in New Zealand with an attractive and affordable lifestyle, connected people in sustainable and vibrant communities. The 12 months to the end of June 2019 has seen significant progress made on a number of priorities and projects we undertook in order to achieve our vision.

Our second Hāwera Town Centre re-development project, Korimako Lane, and the refurbishment of the Grubi Building was completed and opened in early December 2018. The attractive new lane provides improved connectivity between the free public car parks and the CBD shopping precinct.

We continued to prepare for the main Hāwera Town Centre re-development project, Te Ramanui o Ruapūtahanga – South Taranaki's new Library, Culture and Arts Centre. Concept designs were shared with the community and feedback integrated into the preliminary designs (completed in May 2019). The project received a huge boost in the form of a \$2.8 million commitment from the TSB Community Trust in June 2019 and means we can move forward with great confidence. Construction is planned to begin in early 2020 and to be complete by July 2021.

In May 2019, Council embarked on a consultation process to develop town centre masterplans for Eltham, Ōpunakē, Manaia, Pātea and Waverley. The aim of this exercise is to develop a suite of actions for each town's CBD which can be included in our 2021 Long Term Plan. The masterplans will be completed for Council's consideration in October 2019.

As part of our goal to support economic development and sustainability, Council initiated a Feasibility and Initial Business Case Study into the potential development of an Industrial Park in the district. The study, has been part funded by the Government's Provincial Growth Fund and, at the time of writing this report, was finalised in September 2019.

After careful consideration and a detailed feasibility study we, along with the Stratford and New Plymouth District Councils, agreed to suspend further development of the Central Landfill near Eltham, bank the facility for future use and accept an offer from Midwest Disposals Ltd to send our waste to the Bonny Glen landfill, near Marton. The offer will save Taranaki ratepayers up to \$25 million over 35 years and enables us to focus on reducing waste going to landfill without raising the residential waste disposal costs. The 35-year agreement saves money, reduces risk, delivers long-term certainty and provides real incentive to minimise waste. We will begin taking our waste to Bonny Glen

in the second half of 2019.

South Taranaki has been identified as being in a medium seismic (earthquake) risk area. Because of this, all earthquake-prone buildings in the district must be strengthened or demolished within 25 years. Places determined as Priority Areas would require that timeframe to be halved to 12.5 years. After public consultation and based on the information it had at hand, Council decided that a priority classification in our district was not warranted.

The Council decided to bring its professional roading services in-house. We believe this move will improve asset management and service delivery over time, as well as reduce costs and ultimately represent better value for money for our ratepayers. We also continued to invest in our infrastructure and improve the protection of our water supplies, such as the permanent treatment of the Pātea Water Supply with chlorine dioxide from December 2018.

We are nearly at the end of a major two-year project to review a range of bylaws covering activities from dog and livestock control to liquor control, water and wastewater. These bylaws will be in place for 10 years, unless there are changes to legislation or the Council decides to review them earlier.

The Council's Representation Review (which started in 2017) was finalised after receiving approval from the Local Government Commission. This means the Council's electoral arrangements for the next 6 years will consist of a Mayor elected at large, and 12 Councillors elected from four Wards; Te Hawera (5 Councillors), Taranaki Coastal (3 Councillors), Eltham-Kaponga (2 Councillors) and Pātea Ward (2 Councillors). There will be four community boards (same Ward boundaries) each with four elected members and one Councillor appointed by the Council.

Other notable achievements during the year include:

- 79km of roads were resealed and 7km of roads were reconstructed
- Pātea LibraryPlus was renovated
- Kaponga LibraryPlus was reopened in December 2018 after being earthquake strengthened and refurbished
- Work started on earthquake strengthening Pātea's Hunter Shaw Building
- Hāwera's King Edward Park (KEP) received international recognition with as recipient of a Green Flag Award and was also awarded a 5th star by the New Zealand Gardens Trust making it a Garden of National Significance
- Council's energy costs have fallen by approximately 13% compared to the previous two years. This was achieved mainly through conversion of street lighting to LED, switching two sites from standard metering to time-of-use metering and drier weather conditions in the months of August-November
- Council won the Tompkins Wake Award for Better

Regulation and Policy at the 2019 McGredy Winder SOLGM Local Government Excellence Awards for our innovative approach to freedom camping.

- Standard and Poors (S&P) Global revised our financial outlook from stable to positive and reaffirmed our credit rating as 'AA-/A-1+'. A positive outlook reflects a one-in-three chance that S&P could raise the long-term ratings within the next two years.
- Our annual independent survey of more than 400 residents across all five South Taranaki wards found that 93% of residents were happy with the overall service the Council provides.

The Council is in a healthy financial position and finished the year with a \$5,816,000 operational surplus before unbudgeted adjustments, against a budgeted surplus of \$2,123,000. While the Council's Income Statement shows a deficit of \$3,208,000 this was due to unbudgeted adjustments – these included a book loss on the disposal of assets (\$3,903,000) and a balance day valuation snapshot of our financial instruments. On 30 June this year, our Derivative Contracts showed a loss of \$5,121,000. These are unrealised losses.

As a result of strong market conditions, the Council's Long Term Investment Fund returned \$10.09 million against a budgeted return of \$8.75 million. After allowing for withdrawal of the annual rates subsidy and interest repayments for specific community projects, the value of the Fund at 30 June 2019 was \$147.09 million (\$143.21 million in 2018) including internal borrowings.

Note from Waid: Finally, this is Mayor Ross Dunlop's last summary Annual Report as he is not standing for re-election at the upcoming Local Body elections. Ross has dedicated a huge part of his life to his community having served 33 years on Council, 12 of those as South Taranaki Mayor. Ross leaves the Council in extremely good heart. We are fiscally sound, have upgraded much of our key infrastructure, have high levels of community satisfaction and have a clear direction for the future. It is our privilege to present the Council's 2018/19 Summary Annual Report.



**ROSS DUNLOP**  
Mayor



**WAID CROCKETT**  
Chief Executive

# VISION & MISSION

COUNCIL WILL LEAD WITH FAIRNESS AND INTEGRITY, AND WORK TO INSPIRE A VIBRANT AND CARING SPIRIT OF COMMUNITY, WHILE REMAINING AN EFFICIENT AND SENSITIVE PROVIDER OF SERVICES AND FACILITIES.

SOUTH TARANAKI IS THE MOST LIVEABLE DISTRICT IN NZ; WITH AN ATTRACTIVE AND AFFORDABLE LIFESTYLE, CONNECTED PEOPLE, IN SUSTAINABLE AND VIBRANT COMMUNITIES

# YOUR COUNCILLORS Ō KOUTOU KAİKAUNIHERA



**MAYOR ROSS DUNLOP**  
South Taranaki District



**ANDY BECCARD**



**BONITA BIGHAM**



**KIRSTY BOURKE**



**GARY BROWN**



**CLEM COXHEAD**



**GORDON LAWSON**



**STEFFY MACKAY**



**PHIL NIXON**



**ROBERT NORTHCOTT**



**JACK RANGIWAHIA**



**BRYAN ROACH**



**IAN WARDS**



The South Taranaki District Council is made up of the District Mayor and 12 Councillors. The Mayor is elected at large over the District with the Councillors elected from Wards. There are four Community Boards; Te Hāwera, Taranaki Coastal, Eltham-Kaponga and Patea and 16 Community Board members. These positions are all subject to election every three years.

The Council's purpose is to enable democratic local decision-making and action by and on behalf of communities; and to meet the current and future needs of communities for good quality local infrastructure, local public services, and performance of regulatory functions in a way that is most cost effective for households and businesses.

The Council groups its activities and services within the Annual Report under the following headings:

- Democracy & Leadership
- Water Supply
- Stormwater
- Wastewater
- Solid Waste
- Roothing & Footpaths (includes road safety and pathways)
- Community Facilities (parks and reserves, public spaces, halls, swimming pools, public toilets, holiday parks, cemeteries, pensioner housing, TSB Hub, Hāwera Cinema and corporate property)
- Arts & Culture (arts, heritage, libraries)
- District Economy (economic development, tourism and events)
- Community Development
- Environmental Sustainability (planning and environmental policy)
- Regulatory Services (building control, environmental health, licensing – alcohol and gambling, noise control, animal management, regulation monitoring and civil defence and emergency)
- Coastal Structures

The performance measures within the Annual Report were adopted by the Council as part of the 2018 -28 Long Term Plan. We get performance information from a wide variety of sources: Council systems such as the customer requests management system, the finance system, databases for quality tests; satisfaction surveys; and reports from external organisations (for example the Taranaki Regional Council and the District Health Board).

The Council also commissions an independent resident satisfaction survey every year to find out what South Taranaki residents think of our District and the Council's services and facilities. The Survey was conducted by Research First using a sample of 400 residents 18 years + and representative of the population in terms of ward and gender. A number of the performance measure results summarised in this Summary are based on the results of this satisfaction survey. For a detailed list of all the Council's performance measures please refer to the full Annual Report.



THE COUNCIL'S VISION IS TO MAKE SOUTH TARANAKI THE MOST LIVEABLE DISTRICT IN NEW ZEALAND WITH AN ATTRACTIVE AND AFFORDABLE LIFESTYLE, CONNECTED PEOPLE IN SUSTAINABLE AND VIBRANT COMMUNITIES. IN OUR 2018 – 2028 LONG TERM PLAN COUNCIL IDENTIFIED A NUMBER OF KEY PROJECTS AND PRIORITIES THAT WE WANTED TO IMPLEMENT TO SUPPORT THE ACHIEVEMENT OF OUR VISION. IN THIS SECTION WE REPORT ON THE PROGRESS OF THOSE KEY PRIORITIES.



Project/Priority	Progress
Complete the District Pathways Programme outlined in our last Long Term Plan (2015) and put an additional (\$500,000) aside for further development.	Work to develop a pathway along the Normanby to Hāwera rail corridor proved difficult, due to KiwiRail requirements. An alternative proposal which doesn't cross the railway line is now being considered.
Implement the Ōpunakē Beach Management Plan with approximately (\$500,000) worth of improvements budgeted for Ōpunakē Beach and the Holiday Park.	New playground was installed at Ōpunakē Beach.
Support the Rotokare Scenic Reserve Trust	The Rotokare Scenic Reserve Trust was granted \$50,000.
Improve track access and build new toilets at Waihi Beach Reserve to complement the Denby Road pathway (\$225,000 Council contribution, 2019).	Upgrade of the Waihi Beach track was completed in October 2018. \$125,000 was secured from the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment's (MBIE) Tourism Infrastructure Fund to go towards purchasing four mobile, fully-contained ablution pods and five solar powered rubbish compaction bins, one of which will be placed at Waihi Beach Reserve. Council will pay for the other half of the cost of the new infrastructure. The Waihi Beach ablution pod will be installed in the 2019/20 financial year.
Undertake upgrades to the Waverley Beach Holiday Park.	New playground was installed at Waverley Beach and the electricity supply and fittings to all powered sites were upgraded.



Project/Priority	Progress
Continue to work on the Hāwera Town Centre Strategy.	The second Hāwera Town Centre re-development project, Korimako Lane, and the refurbishment of the Grubi Building was completed and opened in early December 2018.
Design and build 'CHALCI' (Centre for Heritage, Arts, Library, Culture and Information).	Concept designs were shared with the community and feedback integrated into the preliminary designs (completed in May 2019). The project received a huge boost in the form of a \$2.8 million grant from the TSB Community Trust in June 2019. Construction is planned to begin in early 2020 to be complete by July 2021.

# THE YEAR IN REVIEW



Project/Priority	Progress
Develop Town Centre Strategies for Eltham, Manaia, Ōpunakē, Pātea and Waverley over the next five years (\$100,000).	In May 2019, Council embarked on a consultation process to develop the 5 town centre masterplans in order to develop a suite of actions for each town's CBD which can be included in our 2021-31 Long Term Plan. The masterplans will be completed for Council's consideration in October 2019.
Earthquake strengthen the Hunter Shaw Building in Pātea and the Kaponga LibraryPlus.	Kaponga LibraryPlus was reopened in December 2018 after being earthquake strengthened and refurbished. Work started on earthquake strengthening Pātea's Hunter Shaw Building in April 2019 and is expected to be finished in September 2019.
Upgrade the Manaia Swimming Pool (\$623,000) staged over three years starting in 2018/19).	Upgraded the pools filtration plant.
Upgrade the Pātea LibraryPlus (\$300,000 in 2018/19).	The Pātea LibraryPlus refurbishments were completed in March 2019.



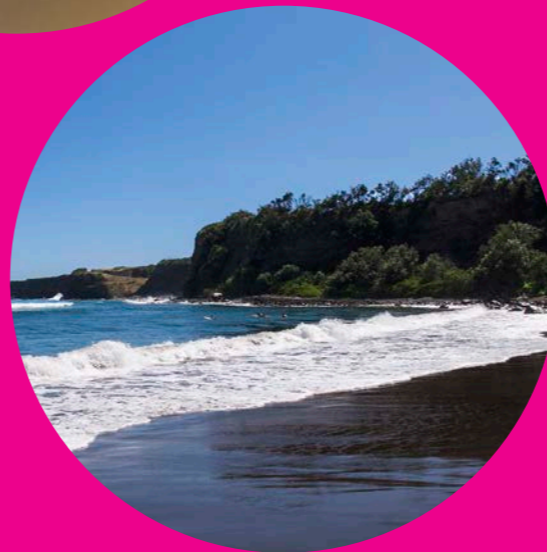
Project/Priority	Progress
Construct a new regional landfill, south of Eltham, called the Central Landfill.	After careful consideration and a detailed feasibility study STDC, along with the Stratford and New Plymouth District Councils, agreed to suspend further development (resulting in a write-off of \$2.23 million) of the Central Landfill near Eltham, bank the facility for future use and accept an offer from Midwest Disposals Ltd to send our waste to the Bonny Glen landfill, near Marton. The offer will save Taranaki ratepayers up to \$25 million over 35 years and enables us to focus on reducing waste going to landfill without raising the residential waste disposal costs. The 35-year agreement saves money, reduces risk, delivers long-term certainty and provides real incentive to minimise waste. We will begin taking our waste to Bonny Glen in the second half of 2019.
Reduce the total amount of waste going to landfill by 5% by 2023 through Council waste minimisation activities and introduce the ability to take e-Waste to the Hāwera Transfer Station.	The total waste diversion from landfill, inclusive of recycling and green waste was 33.13% for the year.
Complete the new Wai-inu Wastewater Treatment Plant by December 2018.	This project was delayed due to no tenders being received that met our specifications. After further investigation we decided to purchase a submerged aerated filter (SAF) plant for Wai-inu Beach. The new SAF plant will be installed and commissioned in November 2019.
Complete chlorination of the Pātea, Waverley, Waverley Beach and Wai-inu water supplies by 2019 (to meet changes that are expected to be made to the NZ Drinking Water Standards as a result of the recommendation of the Havelock North Inquiry).	Council began permanently treating the Pātea Water Supply with chlorine dioxide in December 2018.

Project/Priority	Progress
Improve our water and wastewater infrastructure by reducing water loss (leakage) within our water networks and reducing water entering our wastewater (sewers) networks.	More than 200 Opito data loggers have been installed in Inaha farm water connections which make it easy to track individual farm consumption and to monitor night flows. Acoustic leak detection was carried out in Ōpunakē which has helped reduce minimum night flows from 27 to 18 m <sup>3</sup> /h - a saving of 9,000 litres of water every hour. Wastewater pipelines in Eltham, Hāwera and the Normanby trunk main were upgraded to improve pipe condition and reduce leakage of groundwater into our wastewater pipe network.



Project/Priority	Progress
Spend an average of \$26.36 million pa on the road network (includes average \$7.3 million pa for depreciation), including an average annual spend of \$635,000 on footpaths.	The Council spent \$27.98 million on the road network in 2018/19 which included 79km of roads resealed, 7km of roads reconstructed and \$489,000 spent on 743 metres of footpaths.
Support the introduction of electric vehicle charging stations in the district by partnering with government funding agencies like EECA.	The Council, in partnership with Stratford District Council and ChargeNet, received \$96,000 in investment funding from the Government's Low Emission Vehicles Contestable Fund to support the installation of three electric vehicle (EV) fast chargers to be located at Ōpunakē, Waverley and Stratford. The Ōpunakē charging station was installed in September 2018 and the Waverley charging station will be installed in the next financial year.
Undertake a feasibility study to investigate the need for a location of a district Industrial/Business Park.	A Feasibility and Initial Business Case Study into the potential development of an Industrial Park in the district was started in April 2019. The study, which has been part funded by the Government's Provincial Growth Fund, is expected to be finished by September 2019, after which time Council will decide whether or not there is a case for further development and, if so, next steps towards establishment.

# THE YEAR IN REVIEW



Project/Priority	Progress
Have an average rate increase limit of 3.65%.	The average rate increase for the year was 3.18%
Use debt to fund key infrastructural projects.	Council's total borrowing increased from \$128.18 million (2018) to \$128.51 million. This included \$14.91 million of internal borrowing (\$11.38 million in 2018).
Maintain or improve our credit rating.	S&P Global have revised our financial outlook from stable to positive and reaffirmed our credit rating as 'AA-/A-1+' A positive outlook reflects a one-in-three chance that S&P could raise the long-term ratings within the next two years.
Subsidise rates on average by \$6.5 million pa using earnings from the Long Term Investment Fund.	During the year the Council withdrew \$5.8 million from the LTIF to provide \$3.87 million to subsidise general rates and a further \$1.93 million to service interest and loan repayments for specific community projects. The full amount of the subsidy was not drawn due to timing of the projects.
Fund key projects (e.g. Hāwera Town Centre upgrade) by taking out a loan which is paid back over a number of years using annual drawdowns from Council's Long Term Investment Fund.	See above

# OTHER HIGHLIGHTS AND PERFORMANCE MEASURES

## DEMOCRACY AND LEADERSHIP

### Performance Measures

Measure	Target	Achieved	Not Achieved
% of residents who agree decisions made by Council represent the best interests of the District.	≥70%	The Annual Resident's Survey showed that 77% of residents thought that decisions made by the Council represent the best interests of the District.	
% of residents who are satisfied/neutral with their opportunity to participate in Council decision-making processes.	≥80%	The Annual Resident's Survey showed that 86% of residents were satisfied with their opportunities to participate in Council decision-making processes.	
% of residents who feel that the Council is moving in the right direction.	≥80%	The Annual Resident's Survey showed that 90% of residents feel that the Council is moving in the right direction.	

As part of our Community Vision Project, Council staff went out to several community events over summer 2018/19 to ask people:

1. What do you love about – the District, your town, your community?
2. What ideas do you have for the future?
3. What could we do better?

Some of the places we went to included Arts in the Park, Summer Sounds on the Sand, Sounds in the Park, Ngāruahine Whanau Fun Day, Paepae in the Park, Movies in the Park, Manaia Fish 'n' Chip Night, Bunnings Sausage Sizzle and all LibraryPlus sites.

Since March 2019, we have been analysing the responses and have come up with community priorities that will inform and drive the next Long Term Plan 2021-31.



## WATER SUPPLY SERVICES

### Performance Measures

Measure	Target	Achieved	Not Achieved
Number of complaints received (per 1,000 connections) about taste.	≤3	Water taste 1.12	
Number of complaints received (per 1,000 connections) about pressure.	≤3		Water pressure 4.39
Number of complaints received (per 1,000 connections) about continuity of supply.	≤10	7.2 complaints per 1,000 were received for the year.	
Total number of complaints received (per 1,000 connections) for DIA performance measures 4a – 4e	≤24	In total 15.14 complaints (per 1,000 connections) were received relating to Measures 4a-4e.	
Compliance with current Drinking Water Standards (for bacteria).	10/10 supplies	10/10 supplies complied with Drinking Water Standards for bacteria All plants and reticulated networks complied with Drinking Water Standards NZ for the year.	
% of consumers satisfied with the water supply overall.	≥80%	82% of those surveyed were satisfied	

We temporarily suspended water fluoridation of the Kapuni Water Supply to conduct a fluoridation system inspection and to make possible modifications. The dosing system will be recommissioned once the necessary modifications have been made.

## STORMWATER

### Performance Measures

Measure	Target	Achieved	Not Achieved
Number of reported flooding incidents of habitable properties.	<10	No flooding events of habitable properties were received	
Number of abatement notices received by Council for stormwater discharges	0	No abatement notices were received	



## WASTE WATER

### Performance Measures

Measure	Target	Achieved	Not Achieved
Number of customer complaints per year relating to odours from wastewater pump stations or treatment facilities (per 1,000 connections).	≤1	0.51 complaints were received	
Number of customer complaints per year about sewerage system faults (per 1,000 connections).	≤26		38.03 complaints per 1,000 connections were received for the year about sewerage system faults (as per CRM system). Numbers did reduce each quarter though with only 7.73 complaints received for Q4.
Total number of complaints received (per 1,000 connections). DIA Performance Measures 4a-4d	≤41		51.21 complaints per 1,000 connections were received for the year. A large number of complaints were attributed to third party damage caused to the network due to underboring.
Number of sewerage overflows into occupied buildings due to faults in the public wastewater system.	0	Achieved	
% of customers satisfied with the wastewater services	≥80%	84% of consumers surveyed were satisfied	

## SOLID WASTE

### Performance Measures

Measure	Target	Achieved	Not Achieved
Number of customers satisfied with the solid waste collection service.	≥90%	93% of those surveyed were satisfied	
Number of complaints received for missed street collection that are not resolved.	2	Achieved - One complaint was received of a missed collection for the year that was not resolved.	
% of council controlled waste diverted from the landfill each year.	30%	Total waste diverted from landfill, inclusive of recycling and green waste was 33.13%. This includes some estimated residual waste figures from recycling.	

## ROADING AND FOOTPATHS

### Performance Measures

Measure	Target	Achieved	Not Achieved
% of the quality of the Council's sealed local roads to provide smooth and comfortable ride for motorists measured by Smooth Travel Exposure.	92%	The smooth travel exposure achieved is 92% for the network (96% for rural road and 82% for urban road) as surveyed and reported from RAMM.	
% of road users satisfied with the condition of Council roads.	≥75%		The Annual Resident's Survey showed that 65% of road users are satisfied with the condition of Council roads. 76% of dissatisfied respondents have stated that the roads are in poor condition. However a number of large work items which are planned will address specific concerns noted. Council has re-established management of roading maintenance and operations in-house with the intention of being more responsive to the customer.
% of sealed local road network resurfaced annually	6%	447,638m <sup>2</sup> of roads were sealed in the 2018/19 year, out of the district total of 7,302,291m <sup>2</sup> .	
% of footpath with condition rating 1-4	92%	99.7% of footpaths made the 1-4 Condition Rating. Only 4 footpath sites have condition rating above 4. 1,581 out of 1,585 footpath sites have condition ratings from 1 to 4.	
% of urgent customer service requests relating to roads and footpaths responded within 2 working days.	≥95%		27 out of 30 (90%) urgent requests were responded to within 2 days for the year.
% of non-urgent customer service requests relating to roads and footpaths responded within 5 working days.	≥90%		1,167 out of 1,329 (88%) non-urgent requests were responded to within 5 days for the year.





## COMMUNITY FACILITIES

### Performance Measures

Measure	Target	Achieved	Not Achieved
% of customers satisfied with the level of maintenance in Council parks and reserves.	≥90%	The Annual Resident Satisfaction Survey results published in Quarter 4 indicated 97% of residents were satisfied with Parks and Reserves.	
% of residents satisfied with cleanliness and maintenance of Public Toilets.	≥80%		The Annual Resident's Survey showed that 78% of residents were satisfied with the cleanliness and maintenance of Public Toilets.
% of customers satisfied with the maintenance and cleanliness of Halls.	≥90%	The Annual Resident's Survey showed that 94% of residents were satisfied with the maintenance and cleanliness of Halls.	
(C) % of visitors satisfied with the tidiness and level of maintenance at Cemeteries.	≥95%	The Annual Resident's Survey showed that 99% of residents were satisfied with the level of maintenance at Cemeteries.	
Number of TSB Hub users.	≥150,000	A total of 158,677 visits were recorded for the year	
Number of users of Powerco Aquatic Centre.	≥90,000	There were 100,798 users of the Aquatic Centre for the year.	
Total number of users of rural pools is greater than 30,000	≥30,000	Total attendance was 42,844	
% of customers satisfied with Rural Pools being well maintained	≥90%		86% of customers surveyed were satisfied Survey results indicated 90% or more of customers were satisfied that the pools were well maintained, with the exception of Manaia. The dissatisfaction results from Manaia caused the overall percentage result to be below the 90% target. This pool is due for upgrade works over the next 3 years.
% of pensioner housing tenants satisfied with the standard of their accommodation.	≥ 95%	The Annual Tenants Survey was completed in March 2019 and 37 of the 64 tenants completed the survey. 35 of those tenants (95%) were satisfied with the condition of their units.	



The Waverley Clock is now fully electronic, chiming and keeping good time, which the community is very happy about. Winding the clock stopped in June 2017 due to health and safety concerns around the clock's hand winding mechanism which required two people on site, and this had to be carried out every six days. The new system was installed by local contractors.



Community Boards funded the installation of drinking water fountains across the District with the purpose of providing a healthier option and to encourage people to refill bottles thus reducing waste. These have been provided by the Eltham Community Board (Victoria Park, Kaponga and Taumata Park, Eltham) - Pātea Community Board (in front of the Pātea and Waverley LibraryPlus') and Egmont Plains Community Board installed one at the Ōpunakē Skate Park.



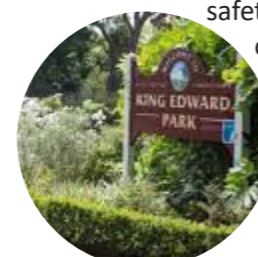
This year's Hall of Fame inductees were Graham Mourie (Rugby) and Stan Lay (Athletics - Javelin). Graham Mourie attended the ceremony and John Lay (son of Stan) and other family members attended on behalf of Stan. The induction was well supported by members of groups which the two recipients had been involved with. Thanks were also extended to the Hāwera Rotary Club who are sponsors of the South Taranaki Sporting Hall of Fame.



Beech Place Reserve, an open field between Tawa and Ngaio Streets and Kamahi Avenue, is one of four areas in the Hāwera Ward where dogs are permitted unleashed. During the year, the area was fully fenced and gated so dogs can run free while still enclosed in the reserve. It is the start of a longer project which will include involvement from interested groups to plan and discuss landscaping and provide basic dog agility equipment for our pooches. A Doggy Doo bins area is also planned, and the Hāwera Community Board agreed to part fund 5 bins to be installed throughout Hāwera, including two at Beech Place Reserve, two on the Denby Road walkway and one at Ohawe Beach.



New playground equipment was installed at Ōpunakē Beach, Waverley Beach and Queen Elizabeth Park in Hāwera during the year.



Hāwera's King Edward Park (KEP) was assessed for and awarded a Green Flag Award using eight criteria including horticultural standards, cleanliness, sustainability, community involvement, safety and a sense of welcome. The award is an internationally recognised mark of a quality park or green space. Internationally 14 countries participate in the award and KEP is one of only 23 recipients in New Zealand. The award reflects the dedication that goes into the park's ongoing development and year-round maintenance and is a tribute to the hard work of the Parks Team.

Also, during the year King Edward Park in Hāwera was awarded another star by the New Zealand Gardens Trust making it a Garden of National Significance. As a 5-star garden the Park joins 60 other similarly ranked gardens nation-wide, including the Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch botanical gardens. King Edward Park also joins nine other Taranaki 5-star gardens, including; Pukeiti, Hollard Gardens and Pukekura - Brooklands Park in cementing the region's leading place in the New Zealand Garden Tourist trail.



Work on the interior refits of our Pensioner Housing units continues with 47 completed at June 2019. We are on target to bring 90% of units up to a standard of 'good' or 'very good' with 67% of units now meeting the standard. Despite 11 vacancies during the year occupancy rates have remained at 100% for all units except for the 2 closed for refitting, reflecting the growing need for affordable accommodation. A highlight is achieving an operating surplus while continuing to offer subsidised housing at 80% of market rates.



Contractors have completed work to replace the roof at TSB Hub, over the fitness gym and the third court area. These roofs were retained as part of the original TSB Hub construction project and have come to the end of their life. We have experienced roof leaks over some years, which have proved too difficult to locate and repair.

## ARTS AND CULTURE

### Performance Measures

Measure	Target	Achieved	Not Achieved
% of customers satisfied with LibraryPlus facilities and customer service.	≥95%	The Annual Resident's Survey showed that 100% of residents were satisfied with the facilities and customer service of LibraryPlus Centres.	



The seven LibraryPlus' continue to provide a wide range of events and activities across the District. In the last year these have included Alpaca at Hāwera LibraryPlus as part of National Simultaneous Storytime, the Taranaki Secondary School Literature Challenge and Free Comic Book Day in May. Free Comic Book Day was attended by over 400 people, many participating in the various workshops offered. Members of the public, families, and LibraryPlus staff took the opportunity for some Cosplay, culminating in a parade in the Town Square.



Pātea residents and staff were pleased to move back into the renovated Pātea LibraryPlus facility. As well as the outside work, some interior work was done including renovating an under-used room to turn it into a space for our younger citizens to hang out in. The room has sliding doors which makes the room multipurpose - staff can open up the space for large events or groups or close the room off if there is a meeting being held. The opening was a real community affair with around 60 members of the public in attendance, as well as Councillors, Community Board Members and students from Pātea St Joseph's School.



The annual Arts in the Park was held in December at King Edward Park, Hāwera. There were plenty of stallholders selling their amazing handcrafted products and the Arts Tipi attracted many children who enjoyed story times, paint blasting, flower power and making lots of noise with bucket drumming. On the stage were Karen Clarke and friends, Te Tira Whakamua Kapa Haka group opened the event and there was a roaming performance by the Hāwera Highland Pipe Band.



Arts Fest South Taranaki was facilitated by the Arts Co-ordinator in Spring 2018. Held over ten days, the festival was launched by the 17th annual Taranaki National Art Awards Ceremony in Ōpunakē and coincided with the regions garden festivals. The district-wide event promoted galleries, artist studios, pop-up exhibitions, music gigs, art collectives, comedy shows, events, installations, creative workshops and a film festival to showcase our diverse and vibrant art community. Most venues were free to visit, and events utilised our district halls and venues.



Aotea Utanganui Museum of South Taranaki was the first museum in New Zealand to attain the rights to the National Geographic exhibition Rarely Seen: Photographs of the Extraordinary; visitors have been able to experience some of the world's most astounding phenomena, revealing a world very few have the chance to see for themselves. Inspired by the book NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC RARELY SEEN: Photographs of the Extraordinary, it features 50 striking images shot by some of the world's finest photographers of places, events, natural phenomena, and man-made heirlooms seldom seen by human eyes.

## DISTRICT ECONOMY

### Performance Measures

Measure	Target	Achieved	Not Achieved
Number of client interactions with the Business Advisory Service.	≥475	A total of 1,076 client interactions were made for the year.	
Dollar value of Capability Development vouchers distributed in South Taranaki.	≥ \$75,000	The dollar value of the Capability Development Vouchers distributed in South Taranaki for the year was \$91,489	
Number of South Taranaki promotions per annum.	≥10	Ten promotions were supported for the year. An advert was supported in the AA Walkers Guide, Venture Taranaki has produced three South Taranaki case studies of new and returning residents to the District, two adverts were in the NZ Today magazine, one in the AA Tourism Taranaki Regional Visitor Guide and one in the NZ Holiday Parks Book with free listings on the AA Website, as well as a video developed in partnership with Venture Taranaki to promote South Taranaki in Harbin.	
Number of events provided or supported by Council per annum.	≥10	18 events were provided or supported during the year; the School Holiday Programme (3), the Scale Ship Regatta, Comedy Night, Arts on Tour - Messy Magic Adventure, Seven Deadly Stunts, Arts in the Park, the Ranfurly Shield Game, Arts on Tour in Ōpunakē, Family Fun at the Movies in Ōpunakē and Hāwera, the Mayoral VC Dinner, Sounds on the Sand, Sounds in the Park, Movies in the Park and AmeriCARna in Hāwera and Ōpunakē.	



The Mayors Taskforce for Jobs Innovation Challenge was held in November 2018 with mixed teams of business representatives and students from the three South Taranaki high schools competing in a series of challenges including making a self-propelling mode of transport out of a pile of junk. The event was held as a response to feedback from South Taranaki businesses that they did not fully understand NCEA and did not understand how to use it in their business and particularly at job interviews.



Pedal Powered Pictures was also organised as part of National Youth/Tech Week in Hāwera in May 2019. Youth worked with business owners to put together 10 stationary bikes on a framework with peddlers generating enough power to run a digital projector, laptop and sound system except for one five-minute break in transmission.

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

### Performance Measures

Measure	Target	Achieved	Not Achieved
% of the cost of community led projects (supported by Council) funded from external sources.	≥50%	63% During the year Paepae in the Park was supported with 63% of their funding coming from sources other than Council.	
% of the total cost of Council led projects (completed in partnership with the community) funded from external sources.	≥33.3%	50% of the total cost of Council-led projects have been funded from external sources; \$450,000 from the Lotteries Community Facilities Fund and \$125,187 from the Tourism Infrastructure Fund.	



“Bringing Back Aunt Daisy” was the Council’s contribution to the Heritage and Family History Week calendar which was put together by the Hāwera Genealogy Society. The audience of 250 were treated to stellar performances by Vivien Taylor as Maud Basham (Aunt Daisy), with her guest cooks Celine Filbee and Don Stockwell. Aunt Daisy’s connection to Hāwera, Eltham and other parts of Taranaki gave the opportunity to promote a zero waste, no plastic, no harmful chemical message while providing a light-hearted look at a small part of our local history.

## ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

### Performance Measures

Measure	Target	Achieved	Not Achieved
% of resource consent applications are processed within statutory timeframes	100%	100% Of the 157 applications received for the year all were processed within the statutory timeframes.	



## REGULATORY SERVICES

### Performance Measures

Measure	Target	Achieved	Not Achieved
% of (liquor) licensed premises that the Council has contact with or are inspected.	100%	100% For the year, all 88 licensed premises were inspected. Note: Some premises had multiple inspections.	
% of new and renewed (food) premises applications processed within 10 working days	≥95%	100% For the year, all 156 premises applications were processed within 10 working days.	
% of noise complaints are responded to within one hour.	≥90%	For the year 525 (91%) of the 577 noise complaints received were responded to within 1 hour.	
% of building consent applications processed within the statutory timeframe of 20 working days.	100%		For the year, 452 (74%) of 609 consents were issued within the statutory timeframe. Compliance was affected by staff sickness, leave, training and staff resignations. This issue has been addressed.
% of building inspections carried out within 2 working days of request.	95%	100% For the year, all 2,047 inspections were inspected within the timeframes.	
% of reported serious dog or wandering stock incidents responded to within 4 hours.	≥95%	For the year, 382 (99%) of the 387 serious incidents reported were responded to within 4 hours.	
% of reported general dog incidents responded to within 1 working day.	≥95%	For the year, 1,261 (98%) of the 1,288 general dog incidents reported were responded to within 1 working day.	
% of residents satisfied with the Animal Control service.	≥95%	The Annual Resident’s Survey showed that 78% of residents were satisfied with the Animal Control service.	

A total of **1,354 Animal Control related complaints** were received during the 2018/19 year. The Council continues to be committed to reuniting lost dogs with their owners and re-homing suitable dogs. Of the 231 dogs which were impounded, 147 dogs were either returned to their owners or re-homed.

The Environmental Health Team processed 139 health premises registrations, 120 alcohol licences and 95 Manager Certificates during the year. The team successfully transitioned all food businesses onto food control plans or national programmes depending on the food sector and any associated risk. The Food Act continues to put a lot of emphasis on managers of food businesses to show how they prepare and sell safe and suitable food. The Plan is audited by the Council’s Environmental Health Officers (EHOs) once a year for higher risk food business or between 2/3 years for a lower risk business. This is a major change in how the EHOs verify food safety.

This year the planning team processed 157 resource consents, 101 for land uses and 56 for Subdivision. Compliance with the conditions of 146 granted consents were also monitored during the year.

The Building Control Team processed 609 building consents during the year. In December 2018, International Accreditation New Zealand (IANZ) visited to undertake the Bi-Annual Accreditation Audit of our Building Consent Authority, a number of issues were identified and subsequently resolved and when IANZ revisited in June 2019, the Building Control Team were commended for their excellent progress and retained accreditation for two more years.

## FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

The following pages provide an overview of the Council's financial performance for the year 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019.

	Council
Net surplus/(deficit)	(\$3,208,000)
Total assets	\$989 million
Total liabilities	\$139 million
Total equity	\$850 million

### Statement of Financial Performance

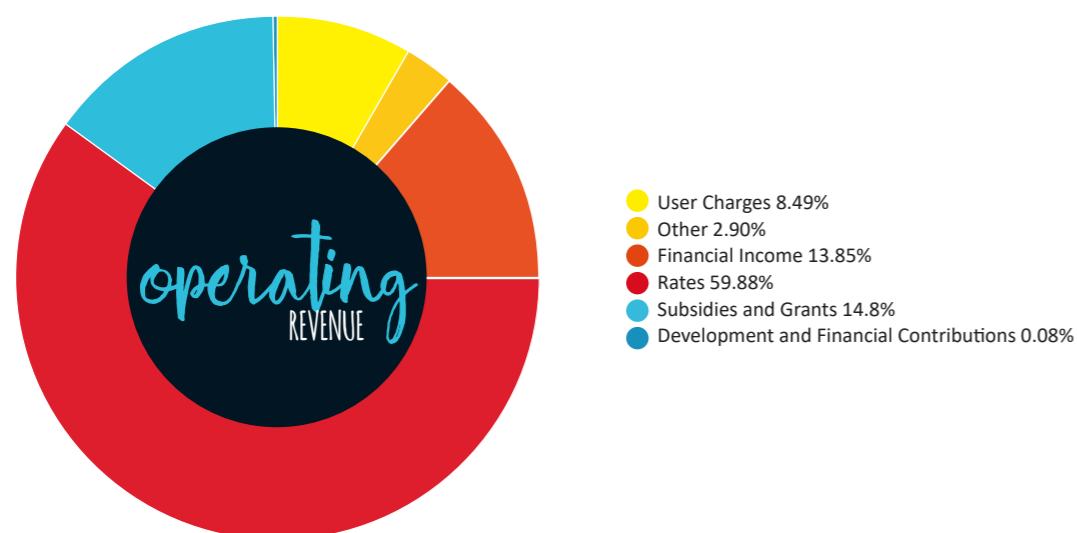
The Council finished the year with a \$5,816,000 operational surplus before unbudgeted adjustments (loss on derivative contracts \$5,121,000 and disposal of assets \$3,903,000). After taking these unrealised losses into account the Council finished the year with a deficit of \$3,208,000 against a budgeted surplus of \$2,123,000. The main contributors to the variance (\$5.3 million) are as follows:

#### Revenue

The total revenue was \$2.6 million more than budgeted. This included an additional \$1.0 million from the Long Term Investment Fund (LTIF) due to strong market conditions and \$1.4 million in additional subsidies and grants income from the NZTA and New Plymouth District Council (NPDC) in accordance with the Central Landfill Joint Committee Agreement for the Rotokare Road and SH3 upgrade.

#### Expenditure

- An unbudgeted adjustment for the \$1.7 million loss on infrastructure asset disposals.
- An unbudgeted adjustment for the \$2.2 million write off as Council's share due to the Central Landfill Joint Committee's decision to suspend further development of the Central Landfill.
- \$5.1 million unbudgeted adjustment for the loss on derivative contract (Swaps).
- \$1.5 million of savings on actual versus budgeted amounts for interest paid and depreciation due to delays in the Capital Works Programmes.



## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

### Net assets as at 30 June 2019

\$ Million	Actual 2018/19	Budget 2018/19	Actual 2017/18
Total assets	989	1,011	992
Less total liabilities	139	157	138
Net assets	850	854	854

### Long Term Investment Fund (LTIF)

The value of the LTIF at 30 June 2019 increased to \$147.09 million (\$143.21 million in 2018) which included internal borrowing of \$14.91 million (\$11.38 million in 2018) after allowing for the withdrawal of the annual rates subsidy.

### External Funds

The budgeted return was \$8.75 million (\$0.63 million of interest revenue from internal borrowings) but the LTIF received a net return of \$10.09 million (\$0.73 million of interest revenue from internal borrowings) in the 2018/19 year as a result of strong market conditions. During the year the Council withdrew \$5.78 million for the annual rates subsidy and received \$0.97 million for internal loan repayments and \$0.64 million for the interest on internal loans.

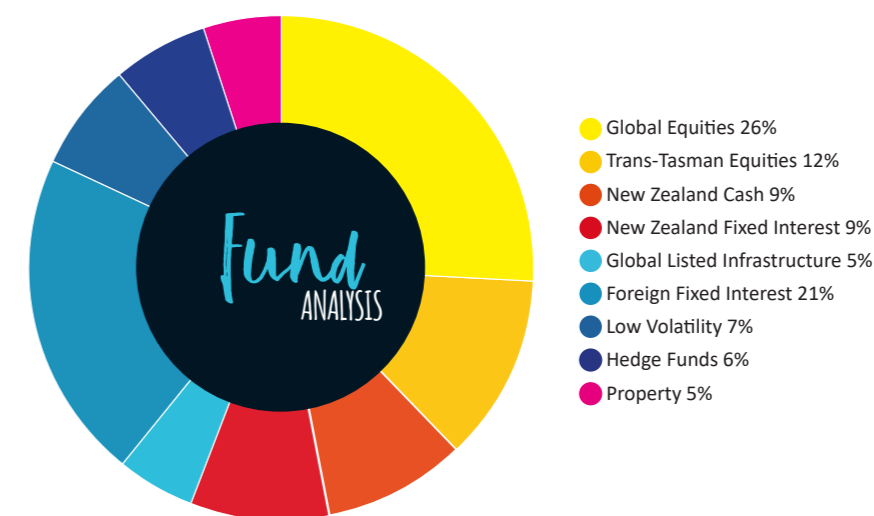
### Term Debt

The total borrowing of the Council increased to \$128.51 million (\$128.18 million in 2018) which included \$14.91 million of internal borrowing (\$11.38 million in 2018).

### Local Government (Financial and Prudence) Regulations 2014

The Council is required to include Financial Prudence Benchmarks in its Annual Report in accordance with the Local Government (Financial Reporting and Prudence) Regulations 2014. The key benchmarks for 2018/19 are summarised below:

Key 2018/19 Benchmarks	Benchmark	Achieved
Rates (Increase) Affordability	<3.65%	Yes 3.18%
Debt Affordability	Net interest expense as a percentage of total annual income (<15%)	Yes (5%)
Debt Affordability	Net debt per capita is less than \$2,000 per person	Yes (\$1,121.39)
Balanced Budget	Revenue equals or is greater than its operating expenses (=>100%)	Yes 102.87%
Debt Servicing	Borrowing costs equal or are less than 10% of its revenue (=<10%)	Yes 8.10%



## FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE AND MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY

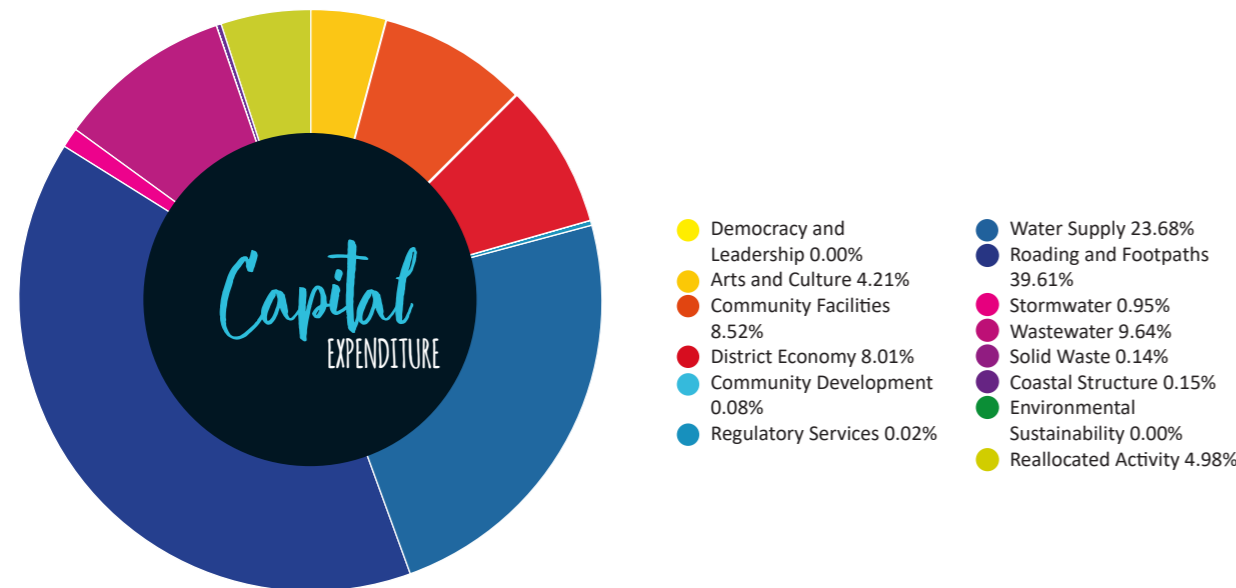
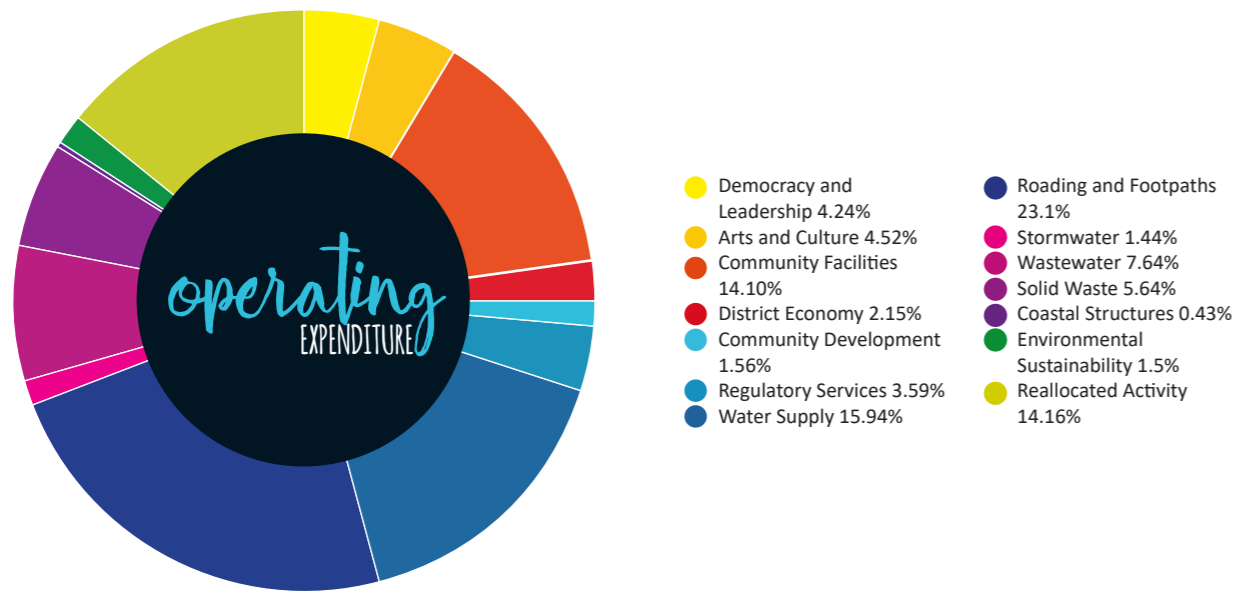
(\$ millions)	Actual 2018/19	Budget 2018/19	Actual 2017/18
Operating revenue	68.32	65.74	74.66
Operating expenditure	71.53	63.62	66.62
Net operating surplus/(deficit)	(3.21)	2.12	8.04
Net Increase/(Decrease) in value of assets	(2.66)	40.00	14.71
Total Movements in Equity	(3.37)	34.00	8.01

## SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	Actual 2018/19 \$000	Council Budget 2018/19 \$000	Group Actual 2018/19 \$000	Council Actual 2017/18 \$000	Group Actual 2017/18 \$000
Current assets	125,943	121,676	125,943	121,554	121,554
Non-current assets	862,956	888,825	862,956	870,006	870,006
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>988,899</b>	<b>1,010,502</b>	<b>988,899</b>	<b>991,560</b>	<b>991,560</b>
Current liabilities	34,472	11,932	34,472	30,730	30,730
Non-current liabilities	104,042	144,988	104,042	107,078	107,078
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>138,514</b>	<b>156,920</b>	<b>138,514</b>	<b>137,808</b>	<b>137,808</b>
<b>Total Equity/Net Assets</b>	<b>850,384</b>	<b>853,582</b>	<b>850,384</b>	<b>853,752</b>	<b>853,752</b>

## SUMMARY STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE REVENUE AND EXPENSES

	Actual 2018/19 \$000	Council Budget 2018/19 \$000	Group Actual 2018/19 \$000	Council Actual 2017/18 \$000	Group Actual 2017/18 \$000
Total Revenue	68,318	65,745	68,318	74,657	74,657
Total expenses (excluding finance cost)	65,989	56,678	65,989	61,059	61,059
Finance cost	5,537	6,944	5,537	5,556	5,556
<b>Total operating surplus/(deficit) before tax</b>	<b>(3,208)</b>	<b>2,123</b>	<b>(3,208)</b>	<b>8,042</b>	<b>8,042</b>
<b>OTHER COMPREHENSIVE REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE</b>					
Increase/(decrease) in revaluation reserves	(160)	0	(160)	(31)	(31)
Gain on asset revaluation	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total other comprehensive revenue and expenditure</b>	<b>(160)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(160)</b>	<b>(31)</b>	<b>(31)</b>
<b>Total comprehensive revenue and expenditure for the year</b>	<b>(3,368)</b>	<b>2,123</b>	<b>(3,368)</b>	<b>8,011</b>	<b>8,011</b>



## SUMMARY STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

	Actual 2018/19 \$000	Council Budget 2018/19 \$000	Group Actual 2018/19 \$000	Council Actual 2017/18 \$000	Group Actual 2017/18 \$000
<b>Equity at the beginning of the year</b>	<b>853,752</b>	<b>851,459</b>	<b>853,752</b>	<b>845,741</b>	<b>845,741</b>
Net surplus/(deficit) for the year	(3,208)	2,123	(3,208)	8,042	8,042
Other comprehensive income/(loss)	(160)	0	(160)	(31)	(31)
<b>Total comprehensive income for the year</b>	<b>(3,368)</b>	<b>2,123</b>	<b>(3,368)</b>	<b>8,011</b>	<b>8,011</b>
<b>Equity at the end of the year</b>	<b>850,384</b>	<b>853,582</b>	<b>850,384</b>	<b>853,752</b>	<b>853,752</b>
<b>COMPRISING:</b>					
Accumulated balances	394,779	418,641	394,779	415,549	415,549
Restricted and statutory reserves	2,006	1,275	2,006	1,711	1,711
Investment revaluation reserves	36	120	36	196	196
Separate Operating Reserves	9,023	4,629	9,023	7,373	7,373
Council Created Reserves	147,882	132,369	147,882	132,305	132,305
Capital Replacement Reserves	345	234	345	305	305
Asset revaluation reserves	296,313	296,314	296,313	296,313	296,313
<b>Equity at the end of the year</b>	<b>850,384</b>	<b>853,582</b>	<b>850,384</b>	<b>853,752</b>	<b>853,752</b>

## SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF CASHFLOWS

	Actual 2018/19 \$000	Council Budget 2018/19 \$000	Group Actual 2018/19 \$000	Council Actual 2017/18 \$000	Group Actual 2017/18 \$000
Net cashflows from operating activities	22,829	14,029	22,829	32,573	32,573
Net cash flows from investing activities	(15,919)	(19,195)	(15,919)	(37,064)	(37,064)
Net cash flows from financing activities	(3,299)	5,948	(3,299)	5,406	5,406
<b>Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents</b>	<b>3,611</b>	<b>782</b>	<b>3,611</b>	<b>915</b>	<b>915</b>

## HOW WE PREPARED THESE STATEMENTS

This summary report has been taken from the South Taranaki District Council 2018/19 Annual Report. The Annual Report, adopted on 9 October 2019, has been prepared in accordance with Tier 1 PBE Standards and contains detailed information about our finances and service provision. Audit New Zealand has audited the full Annual Report and issued an unmodified opinion.

This Summary has been prepared in compliance with PBE FRS-43 and examined by Audit NZ for consistency with the full Annual Report.

South Taranaki District Council is a public benefit entity for financial reporting purposes. The financial statements within the Annual Report have been prepared in accordance with New Zealand Generally Accepted Accounting Practices (NZ GAAP) and comply with PBE Standards. The financial statements include a Statement of Compliance to this effect. The financial statements are presented in New Zealand dollars and all values are rounded to the nearest thousand dollars.

This summary Annual Report was authorised by the Chief Executive Officer of the South Taranaki District Council on 30 October 2019.

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

**To the readers of South Taranaki District Council and group's summary of the annual report for the year ended 30 June 2019**

The summary of the annual report was derived from the annual report of the South Taranaki District Council and group (the District Council) for the year ended 30 June 2019.

The summary of the annual report comprises the following summary statements on pages 8 to 25:

- the summary statement of financial position as at 30 June 2019;
- the summaries of the statement of comprehensive revenue and expenses, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year ended 30 June 2019; and
- the summary description used for the summary statement of service provision.

### OPINION

In our opinion:

- the summary of the annual report represents, fairly and consistently, the information regarding the major matters dealt with in the annual report; and
- the summary statements comply with PBE FRS 43: Summary Financial Statements.

### SUMMARY OF THE ANNUAL REPORT

The summary of the annual report does not contain all the disclosures required by generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand. Reading the summary of the annual report and the auditor's report thereon, therefore, is not a substitute for reading the full annual report and the auditor's report thereon.

The summary of the annual report does not reflect the effects of events that occurred subsequent to the date of our auditor's report on the full annual report.

### THE FULL ANNUAL REPORT AND OUR AUDIT REPORT THEREON

We expressed an unmodified audit opinion on the information we audited in the full annual report for the year ended 30 June 2019 in our auditor's report dated 9 October 2019.

### COUNCIL'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE SUMMARY OF THE ANNUAL REPORT

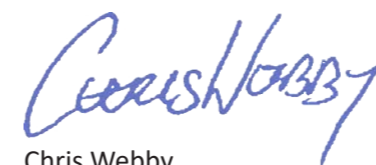
The Council is responsible for preparing the summary of the annual report which includes preparing summary statements, in accordance with PBE FRS 43: Summary Financial Statements.

### AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITY

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on whether the summary of the annual report represents, fairly and consistently, the information regarding the major matters dealt with in the full annual report and whether the summary statements comply with PBE FRS 43: Summary Financial Statements.

Our opinion on the summary of the annual report is based on our procedures, which were carried out in accordance with the Auditor General's Auditing Standards, which incorporate the Professional and Ethical Standards and the International Standards on Auditing (New Zealand) issued by the New Zealand Auditing and Assurance Standards Board.

Other than in our capacity as auditor, we have no relationship with, or interests in the District Council or its subsidiaries and controlled entities.



Chris Webby  
Audit New Zealand  
On behalf of the Auditor General  
Palmerston North, New Zealand  
30 October 2019

**AUDIT NEW ZEALAND**

Mana Arotake Aotearoa

