

GOVERNANCE AND STRATEGIC DIRECTION

What we do

This activity covers a range of specific functions and is also the home of corporate leadership, planning and the technical and administrative support for Council's many services. The focus areas include:

- Chief Executive Group
- Corporate Planning and Support
- Corporate Property
- Customer Centre
- Democracy
- Financial Services
- Human Resources
- Information Services
- Kaupapa Maori
- Land Information Services
- Procurement and Sustainability
- Records

The role of this activity is to:

- Provide leadership for Council and the community.
- Provide technical and administrative advice and support to elected members representing the Rotorua district.
- Provide opportunities for public participation and involvement in decision-making and determining priorities and projects to meet community needs and aspirations.
- Ensure our internal systems and processes are up-to-date and capable of supporting and enabling the organisation to perform its key tasks effectively and efficiently.
- Manage three-yearly council elections.
- Provide advice and assistance in the development of council policies which affect

- Maori and promote awareness and understanding of Maori culture and protocols.
- Facilitate communication with Maori on issues and decisions that directly or indirectly affect them.
- Manage Council's relationship with Te Arawa and tangata whenua and advise the council on protocol and Tikanga Maori.
- Provide excellence in first contact customer service focused on getting it right first time, listen, respond promptly and take responsibility.
- Provide easy access to council and district information via the internet by increasing online services including online transactions, web and social media.
- Provide an overarching framework to consider sustainability across all of the council's functions by ensuring the prudent use and management of all resources balanced with the consideration and integration of environmental, social, cultural and economic wellbeing.
- Deliver value for money in relation to the purchasing function in an open and transparent manner, managing risk and with adequate probity.

Why we do it

To provide the organisation and community with inspiring, competent leadership and direction; to ensure public awareness of and engagement in the council's decision making processes; and to provide high quality governance, technical and administrative advice and support to elected members and staff.

Major projects

Over the course of the Long-term Plan a number of projects will be undertaken to change levels of service, catch up on deferred works, or to provide for additional growth or demands. These projects include:

What is planned?	Why?	Background	Costs	Other options considered
Local government elections	This is a requirement of legislation.	Every three years Council must hold a local body election so that the community can elect a mayor and councillors to represent the community's needs and wants.	October 2013 and October 2016 \$180,000	No other options applicable
Increased options in on-line services	To provide better access to council services i.e. website, online transaction (dog registration, rates payments, LIM payments etc).	Council is developing a number of on- line services in partnership with Hamilton City Council. This work, undertaken in conjunction with Lean Thinking, is intended to improve services and save costs.	2013 and 2014 \$800,000	 Take no action. Undertake development alone (higher cost). Continue with partnerships developed.

Measuring our achievements

Council will measure its achievements towards the objectives by monitoring the following set of performance measures and targets:

				Performance targets							
Community outcome	How council contributes	Level of service (What we will do)	Performance measure	Current performance 2010/11	Data source	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2016 to 2022		
Governance ar	nd Strategic Direction										
Visionary Community Leadership	 By informing the community via Annual Plan, Long-term Plan, District News etc on developments and ideas 	advice to better engage with communities on Council decisions related to the strategic direction of Rotorua.	70% of residents are very/fairly satisfied with how rates are spent on services and facilities provided by Council.	70%	Customer satisfaction survey	70%	70%	70%	70%		
	that may lead to the district's future. By going out to community groups, ratepayer		60% of residents strongly approve/approve of the decisions and or actions Council makes.	54%	Customer satisfaction survey	60%	60%	60%	60%		
	associations etc to inform and engage with the community on topical issues.		55% of residents are very/fairly satisfied with the quality of information Council provides.	54%	Customer satisfaction survey	55%	55%	55%	55%		



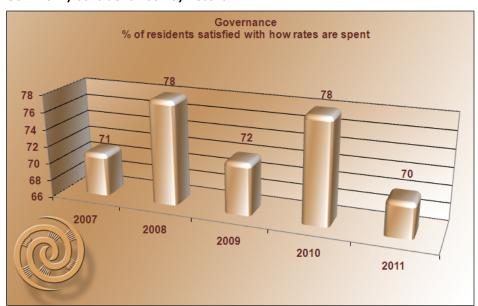
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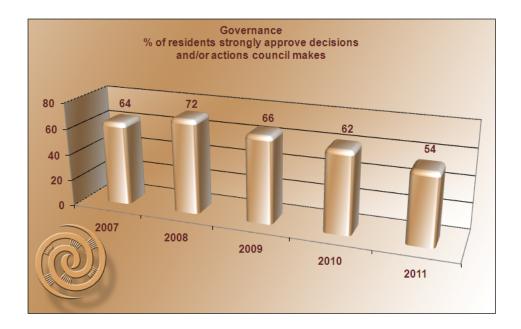
Community outcome					Performance targets						
	How council contributes		Level of service (What we will do)	Performance measure	Current performance 2010/11	Data source	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2016 to 2022	
Kaupapa Maori											
Living Maori Culture	res CUI	making decisions that spond to or plan for urrent and future ommunity needs.	Encourage the preservation and sustainable development of Maori resources.	Two Mana Whenua plans funded each year.	1	Annual report on funding awarded	2	2	2	2	
	org co to	increasing the ganisation's capacity to onsult, inform and respond concerns raised by aori.	Foster partnerships between Council and Maori on matters of mutual interest.	Six protocol meetings each year between Maori and Council to discuss matters of mutual interest.	New measure	Register of protocol meetings held	6	6	6	6	
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Performance

In order to plan for the future and ensure services are meeting our community's needs and expectations we assess past performance and feedback from the community.

Community Satisfaction Survey Results





Issues/Risks/Negative impacts

Potential negative effects associated with undertaking the activity are described below along with actions undertaken to mitigate the effect. Effects from the activity can influence the social, cultural, environmental and economic wellbeing of the community/district. The negative effect could be physical or a perception.

Issue/Risk/Negative impact	Action Plan
Interest groups may dominate the decision-making process.	Wider consultation with under- represented groups, including going to source and targeted surveys.
Poor voter turnout for council elections.	Comprehensive multi-channelled promotion of the electoral process.
Insufficient candidates seeking election.	Candidate information briefings and material.

Asset management

Key assets

The key assets associated with this activity are the:

- Civic Centre
- Specialised information technology assets

Maintaining our assets

Council assets are maintained as per agreed specifications within service contracts. The performance of assets is regularly reviewed to ensure that current levels of service/community expectations are still being met by the asset/s. Major works are competitively tendered out to specialised contractors ensuring that the final product is of a high standard and delivered at a competitive cost to Council.

Major changes planned for assets

Reason for change	What will be done?	Year 1 (\$000)	Year 2 (\$000)	Year 3 (\$000)	Year 4-10 (\$000)
	Information Technology - Report, project and web development	600	672	213	1,714
	Information Technology – New computer hardware	115	119	123	986
Increase level of service/ backlog	Information Technology – New computer software	20	-	-	-
Ducking	Information Services – Image editing software	20	21	21	171
	Information Services – Imaging of property	-	-	- 21 34 2 6	-
	Property – Vaughan Road Depot – plant and building renewal	144	34	2	624
	Property – Civic Centre – mechanical plant, floor coverings, lighting, boilers, cooling towers	50	90	17	1,218
Renewal and replacements	Information Services – printer and audio visual replacement	341	399	661	3,798
	Information Services – website, financial system replacement	230	264	213	2,012
	Information Services – orthophotography	85	88	91	729
	Customer Centre – cash receipting, scanner	-	-	-	43
Total		1,605	1,687	1,362	11,295

Activity assumptions used in providing this activity

This activity has been prepared in line with council's significant forecasting assumptions.

Governance & Strategic Direction - Funding Impact Statement

	Annual Plan										
	Budget 2011/12	Long-term 2012/13	Plan Budg 2013/14	et >> 2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22
	(\$000)	(\$000)	(\$000)	(\$000)	(\$000)	(\$000)	(\$000)	(\$000)	(\$000)	(\$000)	(\$000)
Sources of operating funding		•			•		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	•	•	•	
General Rates, uniform annual general charges, rates penalties	2,827	2,852	2,908	2,892	3,027	3,475	3,661	3,835	3,711	4,141	4,052
Targeted rates (other than a targeted rate for water supply)	50	52	53	55	57	59	61	63	65	68	70
Subsidies and grants for operating purposes	100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fees, charges and targeted rates for water supply	101	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Internal charges and overheads recovered	12,458	2,891	2,919	2,942	2,972	3,003	3,032	3,061	3,095	3,131	3,169
Local authorities fuel tax, fines, infringement fees and other receipts	811	686	753	689	752	822	759	822	893	837	906
Total operating funding (A)	16,347	6,481	6,633	6,578	6,808	7,359	7,513	7,781	7,764	8,177	8,197
Applications of operating funding											
Payments to staff and suppliers	12,791	4,092	4,250	4,244	4,436	4,648	4,649	4,844	5,067	5,107	5,337
Finance costs	473	214	220	228	219	241	254	271	278	281	286
Internal charges and overheads applied	1,901	1,980	2,039	2,087	2,134	2,161	2,205	2,251	2,304	2,362	2,422
Other operating funding applications	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	· -
Total applications of operating funding (B)	15,165	6,286	6,509	6,559	6,789	7,050	7,108	7,366	7,649	7,750	8,045
Surplus (deficit) of operating funding (A - B)	1,182	195	124	19	19	309	405	415	115	427	152
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Sources of capital funding											
Subsidies and grants for capital expenditure Development and financial contributions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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Increase (decrease) in debt	1,026	(1)	-	-	I	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gross proceeds from sale of assets Lump sum contributions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
·	1.007	(1)	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total sources of capital funding (C)	1,026	(1)	-	-	'	-	-	-	-	-	
Applications of capital funding											
Capital expenditure											
- to meet additional demand	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- to improve the level of service	1,015	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- to replace existing assets	1,182	194	124	19	20	309	405	415	115	427	152
Increase (decrease) in reserves	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Increase (decrease) in investments											
Total applications of capital funding (D)	2,208	194	124	19	20	309	405	415	115	427	152
Surplus (deficit) of capital funding (C - D)	(1,182)	(195)	(124)	(19)	(19)	(309)	(405)	(415)	(115)	(427)	(152)
Funding balance ((A - B) + (C - D))	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0