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Introduction

The purpose of a Quarterly Operational Report (QOR) is to present a snapshot of the Council progressing through the delivery of the programme of activities agreed to in that year's annual plan or long-term plan. It is designed to give a feel for how the Council is progressing and the forecast for the rest of the year.

The QOR is structured in the following manner for each activity within each one of the six groups of activity:

- The objective for that activity
- Commentary/Highlights – a high-level overview of how that activity is progressing and any indications for future performance. Case studies and/or matters of interest may also be included in this section.
- Outputs/Key performance indicators – these are the annual plan/long-term plan measures for the year together with actual performance to date. "P" is the performance year to date and "F" is the forecast for the rest of the year. The colours are as defined below.
- Scoreboard – Outputs/Key performance indicators – this is a graphical representation of how performance is progressing and how it is forecast to progress for the rest of the year. The key is:
 - green – performance is on target for the year or is forecast to remain on target for the year
 - orange – performance to date is at risk of not achieving the target or there is a risk that the year end performance may not be achieved
 - red – performance to date has not achieved the target or the performance for the rest of the year is unlikely to achieve the target
 - grey – the performance measure has been delayed
 - black – reporting on the performance measure has not been updated or the forecast for the rest of the year has not been updated.
- Further explanation of all performance that is not "on target" is provided.

Resource Management



Resource management planning

Preparing, adopting and maintaining comprehensive and publicly considered policies, plans and strategies that will deliver to the Taranaki community, efficient and effective management of the Council's functions and Taranaki's natural and physical resources.

Commentary/Highlights

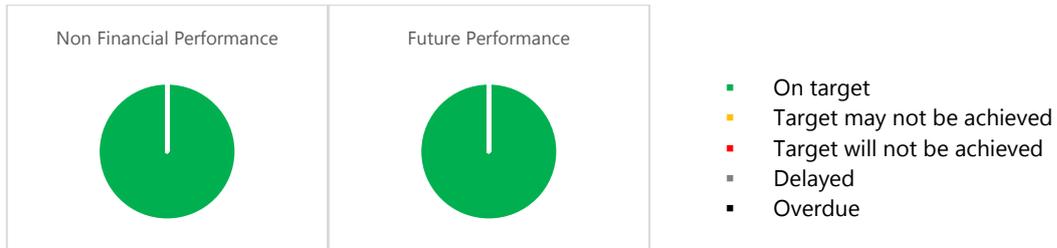
Continued to make progress on the review of the regional Freshwater and Coastal plans. Various reports associated with the reviews have been presented to the Policy and Planning Committee and feedback has been received. The Council decided to delay the release of a Proposed Freshwater Plan to allow further work to be undertaken and recognising the considerable uncertainty for the review arising from central government initiatives. In the interim the Council's requirements for farm dairy discharge to go to land, whenever possible, will be worked through with consent holders with appropriate transition arrangements. A draft requirements report for this and other changes will be discussed with key stakeholders. A draft Coastal Plan should be available in mid-2016 for consideration by the Council.

Outputs/Key performance indications

Performance measure	Actual performance
Complete preparation/full reviews and interim reviews of resource management policies, plans and strategies:	
Regional Policy Statement: Full review 2019/2020.	<p>The review of the Regional Policy Statement for Taranaki was completed and made operative in January 2010. No further work is required until the full review in 2019/2020.</p> <p>P █ F █</p>
Regional Coastal Plan: Full review 2015/2016. Interim review 2022/2023.	<p>The Draft Coastal Plan is in preparation with the draft policy framework and rules being developed. A finalised Coastal Landscape Study has been prepared following targeted consultation. Other background reports and investigations are in preparation relating to surf breaks, oil and gas, and sensitive areas.</p> <p>P █ F █</p>
Regional Air Quality Plan: Interim review 2016/2017. Full review 2021/2022.	<p>The review of the Regional Air Quality Plan for Taranaki was completed and made operative on 25 July 2011. No further work is required until the interim review of the efficiency and effectiveness of that Plan, which is scheduled for 2016/2017.</p> <p>P █ F █</p>

Performance measure	Actual performance
Regional Fresh Water and Land Plan: Full review 2015/2016. Interim review 2022/2023.	<p>The Freshwater and Soil Plans have been reviewed and a combined Draft Plan sent out for targeted consultation on 1 May 2015. 42 submissions/feedback were received. The Section 32 Report is in preparation. At the Policy and Planning Committee of 26 November 2015, the Council agreed to defer the public notification of a Proposed Plan for up to five years in accordance with a revised NPSFM progressive implementation plan (PIP). A revised timeline was approved to allow the review to factor in planned Government reforms in freshwater management and to undertake further consultation and work on issues identified to date. In the meantime, the Council will continue to progress the Plan review by undertaking further work, consultation, studies and investigations to finalise Plan provisions.</p> <p>P  F </p>

Scoreboard - Outputs/Key performance indications



Explanation for key performance indications other than "On target"

N/A

Consent processing and administration

Processing all applications for resource consents and administering resource consents in an efficient and effective manner.

Commentary/Highlights

Fewer resource consent applications are being received arising from the downturn in the dairy and oil and gas sectors. However, staff are still busy working on new applications and consent renewals. The consenting process is becoming more streamlined with ongoing system improvements being made to manage consenting risks and to reduce costs. There have been no objections or appeals against consent decisions. The 100% consent processing timeframe compliance has been maintained, meaning activities are not being held up.

Outputs/Key performance indications

Performance measure	Actual performance
Provide appropriate and timely information in response to 100% of requests for assistance in implementing Resource Management Act 1991 plan rules.	Timely and appropriate information has been provided for all information requests. P  F 
Process, issue and report upon 100% of accepted resource consent applications (approximately 450 consents per annum), in compliance with the Resource Management Act 1991 and the Council's Resource Consents Procedures document and successfully defend 100% of consent decisions appealed to the Environment Court.	Over the year to date, all of the resource consent applications processed (187) were completed in accordance with the statutory procedures of the Act and the Council's Resource Consents Procedures documentation. There have been no appeals to the Environment Court against any Council decision. P  F 
Process and administer 100% of accepted resource consent applications in compliance with statutory timeframes prescribed in the Resource Management Act 1991 and the Council's Resource Consents Procedures document.	In the year to date, 187 resource consent applications have been processed, all within the timeframes required by the Resource Management Act and the Council's Resource Consents Procedures documentation. P  F 
Minimising the number and duration of resource consent hearings by resolving, through the pre-hearing process, at least 50% of submissions received on resource consent applications.	In the year to date, the Council has resolved 100% (6/6) of resource consent applications attracting submissions through the pre-hearing process and without the need for a formal hearing. These applications involved 11 submissions. P  F 



Scoreboard - Outputs/Key performance indications



- On target
- Target may not be achieved
- Target will not be achieved
- Delayed
- Overdue

Explanation for key performance indications other than "On target"

N/A

Compliance monitoring programmes

Undertaking effective and efficient monitoring of resource consents and, where necessary, undertaking successful enforcement action.

Commentary/Highlights

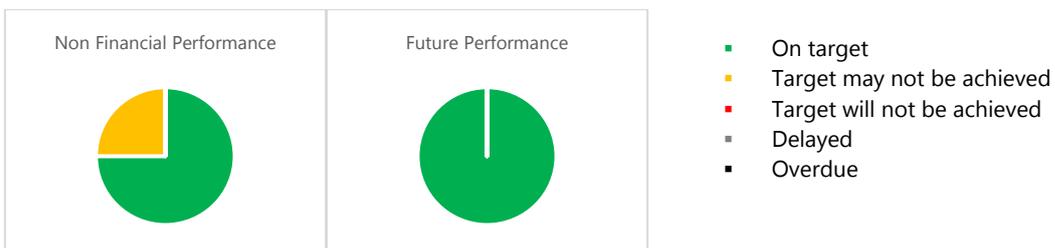
The Council is implementing 209 specific individual compliance programmes in 2015/2016 for major consent holders (including catchment programmes that cover multiple consent holders within a single programme), together with programmes for hydrocarbon exploration and development activities as they arise. Consent holders are assessed on environmental performance and on consent compliance. The rates for these consent holders in 2014/2015 was found to be 75% 'high' and 22% 'good'. The farm dairy effluent monitoring programme for the year has commenced with officers undertaking inspections and water quality sampling to assess compliance with consent conditions. The non-compliance rate is at a similar level to last year. Monitoring inspections of permitted activities associated with minor industries has been undertaken during the winter months and compliance has generally been found. Appropriate enforcement action has been undertaken in response to non-compliance with abatement notices and infringement notices issued. No prosecutions have been initiated because of non-compliance with consent conditions or the Resource Management Act. After a busy year, with some high profile cases, the prosecution workload has decreased with only one case yet to be heard. The reduction shows a greater compliance attitude that should translate to improved environmental quality.

Outputs/Key performance indications

Performance measure	Actual performance
<p>100% of individual compliance monitoring programmes for all major consents designed, implemented and publicly reported upon (approximately 200 individual compliance monitoring programmes per annum) within the negotiated budgets and completed within nine months of the end of the monitoring period.</p>	<p>The implementation of individual compliance monitoring programmes for the 2015/2016 monitoring period within agreed budgets is underway. The Council has publicly reported 57 annual programmes and 14 wellsite/hydraulic fracturing monitoring programmes in 56 reports presented to the Consents and Regulatory Committee. 209 individual scheduled compliance programmes are being implemented in the 2015/2016 year, with additional programmes applying to hydrocarbon exploration and work-over activities as they occur during the year. The work towards producing annual reports in a timely manner continues. Six 2013/2014 monitoring year reports remain outstanding as of 1 January 2015.</p> <p>P  F </p>
<p>Implement and report on 100% of recommendations arising from prior year's monitoring of resource consents subject to an individual compliance-monitoring programme.</p>	<p>Within each compliance monitoring annual report, recommendations from previous reports are set out and their implementation, via monitoring programme design and consent reviews, is reported upon. Implementation of every recommendation is reported in the relevant report presented during 2015/2016.</p> <p>P  F </p>
<p>Implement annual programmes for 100% of resource consents for agricultural discharges and 90% of minor industries not otherwise subject to an individual compliance monitoring programme (approximately 3,300 inspections per annum).</p>	<p>133 inspections of minor industrial operations have been completed. These inspections are to ensure good environmental practices are being achieved. 988 annual dairy inspections have been completed.</p> <p>P  F </p>

Performance measure	Actual performance
Where necessary, implement appropriate advisory and enforcement actions to require 100% compliance with resource consents and/or regional plans.	<p>The Council has undertaken appropriate monitoring and enforcement actions to require 100% compliance with resource consents and/or regional plans. Enforcement action, including 107 abatement notices and 27 infringement notices, has been undertaken. One prosecution was initiated because of unauthorised incidents.</p> <p>P  F </p>

Scoreboard - Outputs/Key performance indications



Explanation for key performance indications other than "On target"

There are a number of overdue compliance monitoring reports. Plans are in place to attend to these overdue reports by 30 June 2016.

Pollution incidents and response

Responding effectively to pollution incidents, reducing the occurrence and effects of pollution and other unauthorised incidents and, where necessary, undertaking successful enforcement action.

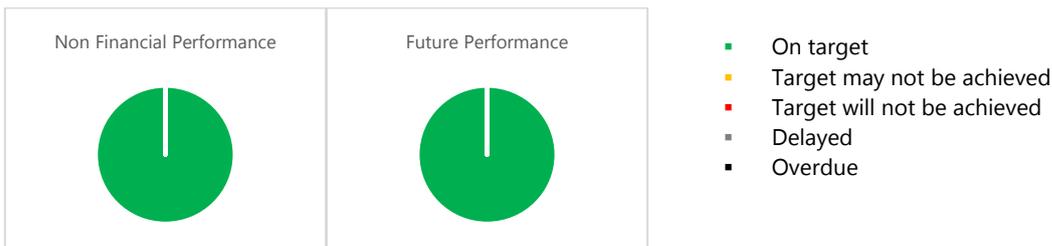
Commentary/Highlights

The number of prosecutions in the system is low which shows an improved compliance attitude, possibly arising from recent high profile prosecutions and high fines. This should translate to improved environmental quality. Inspectorate staff are half way through the major farm dairy effluent compliance monitoring programme. Non-compliance rates are higher than previous years but are expected to drop as the monitoring progresses. There have been no significant marine oil spills that required actioning the response plan.

Outputs/Key performance indications

Performance measure	Actual performance
Respond to 100% of pollution and other complaints (generally within four hours of receipt) and where appropriate instigate control, clean up and enforcement procedures, where reasonable and appropriate, and publicly report on all pollution incidents.	<p>Responded to all 279 reported incidents (100%) within the required timeframe. Instigated control and clean-up where required. Issued 62 fourteen-day letters, 107 abatement notices and 27 infringement notices. One prosecution has been initiated as a result of unauthorised incidents.</p> <p>P  F </p>
Administer and implement the Taranaki Regional Oil Spill Response Plan as agreed with Maritime New Zealand including responding to 100% of oil spills.	<p>Administered the Tier II Taranaki Regional Oil Spill Response Plan in accordance with the programme agreed with Maritime New Zealand. No significant marine oil spills occurred that warranted actioning the Plan.</p> <p>P  F </p>

Scoreboard - Outputs/Key performance indications



Explanation for key performance indications other than "On target"

N/A

State of the environment monitoring

Monitoring the state of the environment in Taranaki to enable periodic evaluation of trends in the state of the environment and of the effects of the implementation of the Council’s policies and plans—this activity contributes to all levels of service.

Commentary/Highlights

The significant achievement of the Council in the last 18 months has been the preparation and publishing of the five-yearly state of the environment report, which covers our land, fresh water, coastal environs, air quality, biodiversity, heritage and community, waste management, and natural hazards. The report (Taranaki as one- Taranaki tangata tu tahi) was launched in July. Staff continue to implement the 2015/2016 individual programmes that undergird the report - over 50 such programmes are implemented each year, and data made available through a variety of means and media. Some reports for individual programmes are being readied for presentation to Council as per their specific programme requirements. There has been considerable public and media interest this summer in the results of the Council's bathing waters programmes (bacteriological and biological).

Outputs/Key performance indications

Performance measure	Actual performance
<p>Implement and report on 100% of the Council’s state of the environment monitoring programmes comprising monitoring of surface fresh water quantity, levels and flows, fresh water quality, groundwater quantity and quality, coastal waters, biodiversity, air quality and land use sustainability using recognized and reputable methods of data collection, analysis and reporting in accordance with the Council’s State of the Environment Monitoring Procedures document and State of the Environment Monitoring Programmes.</p>	<p>State of the environment monitoring programmes are being implemented as scheduled, with reports being prepared for those programmes that have an annual reporting component. Individual State of the Environment programmes are currently being reviewed, to ensure efforts are appropriately focused and resourced.</p> <p>P  F </p>
<p>Monitor, review and where appropriate, further develop existing programmes by 30 June of each year.</p>	<p>State of the Environment monitoring is being delivered as scheduled and scoped. Reviews have been initiated to ensure they are properly described. Additional programmes for regional freshwater monitoring are being considered in the light of the regional monitoring obligations set out in the National Policy Statement - Fresh Water.</p> <p>P  F </p>
<p>Prepare and publish the five-yearly state of the environment report. The next report is due in 2020.</p>	<p>The Council's five-yearly state of the environment report, Taranaki as one - Taranaki Tangata tu Tahi, was published and launched in July 2015.</p> <p>P  F </p>

Performance measure	Actual performance
<p>Maintain all quality assurance programmes and information databases for hydrometric, air quality, physicochemical freshwater, terrestrial biodiversity, fresh water biological and marine biological data. IANZ registration for chemical analysis maintained.</p>	<p>All quality assurance programmes and information databases for hydrometric, air quality, physicochemical freshwater, terrestrial biodiversity, fresh water biological and marine biological data, are being maintained. IANZ accreditation (International Accreditation New Zealand) for a range of the tests undertaken by the Council's laboratory has been maintained.</p> <p>P  F </p>
<p>Maintain public access to on-line live regional data on hydrology, meteorology, soil moisture and bathing beach water quality. Live data reported on the Taranaki Regional Council's website.</p>	<p>Live on-line data is being maintained and reported for 32 hydrology sites, 27 meteorology sites and 9 soil moisture sites, and seasonally for 18 freshwater sites and 9 marine bathing beach water quality sites. The freshwater and marine bathing site data commenced being updated when seasonal sampling recommenced in November.</p> <p>P  F </p>

Scoreboard - Outputs/Key performance indications



- On target
- Target may not be achieved
- Target will not be achieved
- Delayed
- Overdue

Explanation for key performance indications other than "On target"

N/A

Resource investigations and projects

Providing relevant research information for resource management purposes—this activity contributes to all levels of service.

Commentary/Highlights

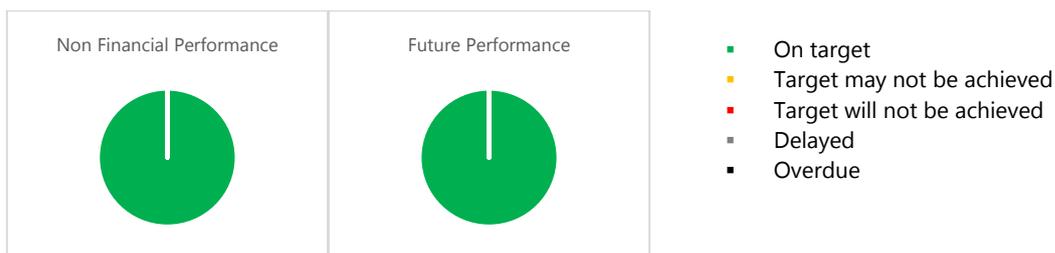
The Council undertakes targeted research and investigative activities each year that support and inform its policies and activities, providing a sound scientific and evidential basis for deliberation and decision-making. The Council seeks to be pro-active in determining its research investment, so that potential problems are identified and responses researched before they become critical. The highlight of the year to date has been the successful completion of the site investigation for the proposed Ngamotu marae, with support from this Council, Ngati te Whiti, and the Ministry for the Environment. It is anticipated that external costs will be met largely or in full by the Ministry's level of support.

Outputs/Key performance indications

Performance measure	Actual performance
Over the period of the <i>2015/2025 Long-Term Plan</i> the Council intends to undertake a range of resource investigations and applied research projects. These are normally undertaken in partnership with science providers, other councils or resource users but may also include a range of other parties, including iwi, as potential partners for Council resource investigations and projects. Such projects evolve over time. Specifically for 2015/2016, the Council intends to:	
Continue to support the “best practice dairying catchments” study in the Waiokura Stream catchment.	<p>NIWA and AgResearch have prepared and delivered a report on source apportionment of nutrient fluxes within the Waiokura catchment, and comparing actual yields with the OVEERSEER nutrient flux predictions. The study and report are being used to inform the Council's Fresh Water Plan policy review.</p> <p>P  F </p>
Continue to use microbial source testing technology to identify sources of faecal contamination in Taranaki waters.	<p>Consideration is being given to which catchments/streams should be investigated during 2015/2016. The mid-reaches of the Patea River have been confirmed as one stretch for investigation.</p> <p>P  F </p>
Support studies into the behaviour and bioavailability of cadmium in agricultural soils and fertilizer.	<p>The Council participates as an active member of the national Cadmium Working Group (CWG). Potential studies into the behaviour within differing classes of soils and the bioavailability of cadmium in agricultural and horticultural soils were considered by the CWG in October 2015, and a project brief for exploring the availability of cadmium in various soil types, and the variability and drivers of uptake of cadmium by various plant species, has been prepared. Funding has been solicited from regional councils. TRC has completed a report on levels of cadmium in groundwater.</p> <p>P  F </p>

Performance measure	Actual performance
Investigate shallow groundwater transport, transformation and attenuation processes.	<p>This study, to be delivered by Lincoln Ventures with fieldwork support by Council staff, is underway and on track as designed and scheduled. The first and second rounds of groundwater sampling have been undertaken.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> P F </p>
Engagement in "Envirolink" and other science research project development opportunities and strategies for regional councils, to enhance knowledge base for policy development and implementation. Projects with clear relevance and benefit to Taranaki to be adopted by "Envirolink" and other funding opportunities (advocacy to be reported through Council's annual report processes).	<p>The 'Envirolink' process (funded by MBIE) for projects to be funded in 2015/2016 was completed during 2014/2015. Projects with a clear benefit to Taranaki were identified and successfully advocated for a review of a national High Intensity Rainfall Design System (with benefits for hydrology, river engineering and civil defence response), and development of Discrete Water Quality Sampling Standards (State of the Environment and Policy/National Policy Statement-Fresh Water implementation benefits). The Envirolink process for soliciting projects for funding in 2016/2017 has been implemented and 2 proposals provisionally approved for further development. One further project was withdrawn due to absence of critical funding from other partners for policy reasons. There is on-going engagement with MBIE's National Science Challenges, to pursue specific projects of benefit to the Taranaki region. Staff are participating in a Joint project in conjunction with Venture Taranaki, to deliver a pilot 'Participatory Science Platform Project', providing mentoring to community science projects. A revised 'Research, Science, and Technology Strategy' for collective and collaborative delivery of research to councils is being prepared by the Science Advisory Group.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> P F </p>

Scoreboard - Outputs/Key performance indications



Explanation for key performance indications other than "On target"

N/A

Waste minimisation

Encouraging and implementing waste management and cleaner production initiatives in Taranaki consistent with the *Regional Waste Strategy for Taranaki* and the waste management plans of the districts.

Commentary/Highlights

The purpose of this work stream is to encourage and implement waste management and cleaner production initiatives in Taranaki consistent with the Regional Waste Strategy for Taranaki and the waste management plans of the districts. With a vacancy in the position of Regional Waste Minimisation officer for the first four months, work continued at a lower level than anticipated. The pace of work is now picking up with appointment of a new Waste Minimisation Officer.

Outputs/Key performance indications

Performance measure	Actual performance
Assist sector leaders in six activity areas in exploring and implementing energy efficiency and waste minimisation.	<p>Work towards this objective was delayed as the Waste Minimisation Officer (WMO) role was vacant until November 2015. Thus far the new officer has met with the district councils and been introduced to various activity areas, which will require further involvement in the next six months. The WMO has also met with the Regional Council's education officer to explore opportunities to work with schools. During December, the WMO assisted with the TRC in-house recycling, including off-site recycling and waste collection for a departmental event. The WMO also organised a viewing of "Just Eat It" for TRC staff (on food wastage). Planning for the "Love Food Hate Waste 2016" campaign was initiated. The Council continues to collaborate with various sector leaders in different activities through promotion and education around waste minimisation.</p> <p>P  F </p>
Work with the agricultural sector to identify, implement and/or promote waste minimisation opportunities.	<p>A discussion document on potential farm waste research has been developed by the WMO. The Council continues to promote waste recovery within the agricultural sector through education and publicity e.g., for national agrichemical container and plastic wrap recovery programmes.</p> <p>P  F </p>

Outputs/Key performance indications

Performance measure	Actual performance
<p>Facilitate a regional approach to waste management initiatives and programmes at policy, management, and implementation levels, in particular servicing the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee, implementing a revision of the Regional Waste Strategy by June 2021, and partnering in delivering waste plans for the three districts of Taranaki.</p>	<p>Servicing of the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee is continuing. The Waste Minimisation Education Annual Programme Plan will be reviewed during the 2015/2016 year. The recently appointed Waste Minimisation Officer (WMO) has met with the district councils and begun to explore the upcoming work required in reviewing the district waste plans. A project plan for the interim review of the Taranaki Regional Solid Waste Strategy has been developed by the WMO.</p> <p>P  F </p>

Scoreboard - Outputs/Key performance indications



- On target
- Target may not be achieved
- Target will not be achieved
- Delayed
- Overdue

Explanation for key performance indications other than "On target"

N/A

Sustainable land management plans and plant supply programme

Promoting sustainable land and riparian management by providing land management advice and information on an individual property basis and through advocacy and facilitation.

Commentary/Highlights

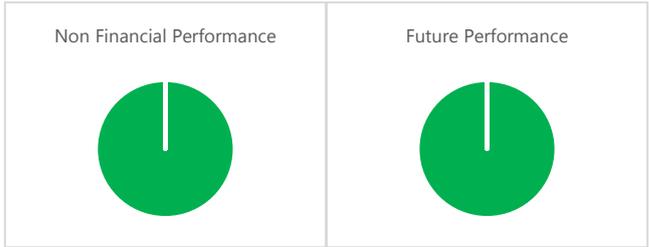
The delivery of the Council and Government's storm response packages continues to be a focus particularly for the hill country team. The Council and Government package for sustainable land management initiatives has now been fully allocated with only fencing and re-grassing of slip tails to be completed over the coming months. Almost 100% of the government funds provided via the Mayoral relief fund for farm infrastructure damage were allocated by Christmas. The focus for the riparian team has been on keeping momentum with implementation of both fencing and planting. Despite the downturn in the dairy sector, plant sales are currently slightly ahead of the same time last year. There has been a strong push by the team to ensure all properties are visited. A few hundred properties across the ring plain still require a riparian plan, staff have been working these landowners and are currently preparing over 100 new plans.

Outputs/Key performance indications

Performance measure	Actual performance
<p>Planning services. Provide property planning services to landholders. Prepare plans covering 1,000 hectares of land use capability mapping in the hill country and 100 riparian plans in the intensive water management zone. By the end of the period of this Plan, it is intended to have active or completed riparian plans in place for over 99% of dairy farms (approximately 1,680) and active comprehensive farm plans in place for over 69% of hill country in private ownership where approximately 840 sheep and beef farms are located.</p>	<p>There has been 1 comprehensive farm and 1 agroforestry plans prepared this year. Twenty-seven riparian plans have been completed in the year to date.</p> <p>P  F </p>
<p>Monitoring and reporting. Liaise with and monitor approximately 2,600 riparian plans and 100 farm plans and report on the implementation of the recommended fencing and planting.</p>	<p>There have been 4,691 liaisons (1,095 observations and 3,596 events) with plan holders in the year to date. Thirty-one hill country farm plans have also been monitored. 83.8% of streambanks are now protected by fencing and 68.8% of streambanks have adequate vegetation.</p> <p>P  F </p>
<p>Provision of advice. When requested, provide advice on sustainable land management practices within ten working days.</p>	<p>Staff have responded to 175 requests in the year to date</p> <p>P  F </p>
<p>Provide servicing and support to the Taranaki Tree Trust and assistance to other organizations involved in promoting sustainable land management.</p>	<p>Continued to provide administrative and treasury support services to the Taranaki Tree Trust and the newly formed Taranaki Biodiversity Trust.</p> <p>P  F </p>

Performance measure	Actual performance
Provide annually, on a cost-recovery basis, approximately 600,000 suitable plants for land stabilisation, soil conservation and riparian planting programmes.	<p>To the end of January, 270,854 plants have been ordered for the 2016 winter planting season.</p> <p>P  F </p>

Scoreboard - Outputs/Key performance indications



- On target
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- Delayed
- Overdue

Explanation for key performance indications other than "On target"

N/A

Biodiversity

Maintaining and enhancing the indigenous biodiversity of the Taranaki region, working alongside landowners and other groups and agencies in accordance with the Council's policies and biodiversity strategy priorities.

Commentary/Highlights

Officers continue to work with landowners to prepare biodiversity plans that protect the values within their Key Native Ecosystems (KNE). Work on existing plans including fencing, planting and pest plant and animal control, continues. Staff have identified three new sites that meet the Key Native Ecosystem criteria with particular focus on areas that are close to existing sites to provide corridors of protection across the landscape. Officers are working with these landowners to include them into the KNE inventory. Officers continue to assist the Biodiversity Trust board with funding and administrative support as they develop their procedures and strategic direction. A Memorandum of Understanding was signed between the Council and the Trust outlining Council's ongoing financial and in-kind support. The Trust will be officially launched in February 2016

Outputs/Key performance indications

Performance measure	Actual performance
Prepare at least 10 biodiversity plans per annum for properties containing key native ecosystems (KNE).	<p>Eleven KNEs were identified for a biodiversity plan in 2015/2016. Seven plans have been completed at 31 January 2016. Work is progressing well with three of the remaining four plans, two of which are expected to be completed by the end of February. (10 Biodiversity Plans were prepared for landowners with KNEs during the previous 2014/2015 financial year).</p> <p>P  F </p>
Initiate and support implementation of work programmes on all KNE's with a biodiversity plan and monitor and report on progress.	<p>Annual work plans have been approved for 85 KNE's. Implementation of works are progressing and expenditure is on track.</p> <p>P  F </p>

Scoreboard - Outputs/Key performance indications



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N/A

Enhancement grants

Promoting the protection of the environment through the provision of targeted enhancement grants.

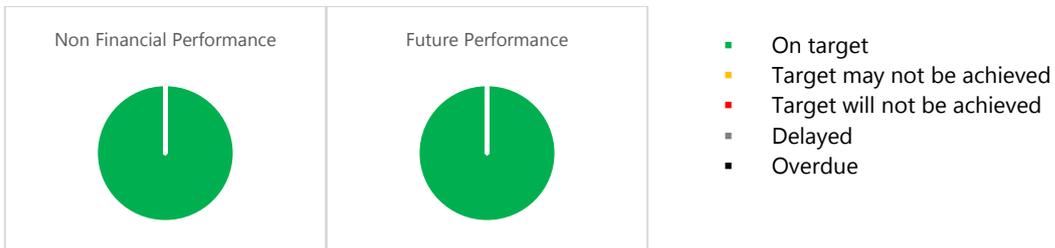
Commentary/Highlights

Enhancement grants provide funding for a range of Council's programmes including - Key Native Ecosystems, wetland protection, other sites of regional significance, the South Taranaki Regional Erosion Support Scheme (STRESS) and the newly allocated funding for the Taranaki Biodiversity Trust. Allocation of these funds is progressing well with work increasing from December throughout the summer months (fencing, weed and pest control). The STRESS scheme has received another 4 years of funding from the Government which will enable the continuation and acceleration of the good work done to date on erosion control measures in the hill country.

Outputs/Key performance indications

Performance measure	Actual performance
Implement a programme using environmental enhancement grants for the protection of biodiversity habitats of regional significance.	<p>Excluding the STRESS budget (which has only just been agreed with government), this year \$318,000 of the \$352,000 budget has been allocated to projects; Of this, \$87,440 has been paid out for operational work. Projects include KNE plans, regionally significant wetlands and support of the Taranaki Biodiversity Trust.</p> <p>P  F </p>

Scoreboard - Outputs/Key performance indications



Explanation for key performance indications other than "On target"

N/A



Biosecurity planning

Preparing, adopting and maintaining comprehensive and publicly considered policies, plans and strategies that will deliver to the Taranaki community, efficient and effective management of the Council's biosecurity functions.

Commentary/Highlights

Development of a draft proposed Regional Pest Management Plan is well underway with further meetings with stakeholders taking place during March and April 2016. The proposed plan will come through to Council mid-2016 for consideration.

Outputs/Key performance indications

Performance measure	Actual performance
Complete ten-yearly review of the Pest Management Plan for Taranaki in 2015/2016 and an interim review in 2020/2021.	<p>A position paper has been prepared and targeted consultation undertaken. Consultants have been commissioned to prepare a section 72 cost/benefit analysis report - the draft report has been received. Development of Plan provisions proceeding that give effect to the national policy direction (promulgated August 2015) and align with regional council sector initiatives to collaboratively develop RPMP templates and programmes. It is anticipated to publicly notify a Proposed Plan in mid-2016.</p> <p>P F </p>

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Explanation for key performance indications other than "On target"

N/A

Pest animal and pest plant management

Controlling pest animals and controlling or eradicating pest plants to minimise their adverse effects on biodiversity, primary production and the regional economy and environment.

Commentary/Highlights

The self-help possum control programme continues with landowners in the southern zone undertaking maintenance to ensure they meet strategy requirements. A contract for the urban pest control operation in New Plymouth was signed with control to be undertaken in the February/ March 2016. The third and final round of control of Old Mans Beard within the Kaipokonui catchment continued this quarter, following this, the Kaipokonui catchment will be removed from the current exemption from strategy rules. An intensive urban pest plant inspection programme was completed this quarter with only 291 infestations identified down from over 1100 in 2014. Officers continue to respond to public enquiries on a range of pest plant and animals.

Outputs/Key performance indications

Performance measure	Actual performance
<p>Dependent upon the review of the Pest Management Plan for Taranaki:</p>	
<p>Undertake property inspections, provide advice and, where necessary, enforcement action, for the self-help possum control and sustained control pest plant programmes.</p>	<p>The southern zone of the self-help possum control programme is close to completing their maintenance for this quarter. 2,376 properties have had maintenance facilitated to date and 106 post-operational trap-catch monitoring lines have been completed in the east zone. Further trap-catch monitoring for the south block is due in February 2016. 8 Notices of Direction have been issued under the self-help possum programme. Pest plant inspections for this quarter equate to 588 "A" properties (YTD 1,835), 365 "B" properties (YTD 745), and 88 "C" properties (YTD 150). 35 Notices of direction issued under the Pest Plant Programme this quarter (YTD 102). Non-compliance with direction notices has resulted in default action for 4 properties. An Urban Pest Plant inspection programme, undertaken in November, resulted in 291 infestations of strategy plant pests. Follow up inspections are due in February 2016</p> <p>P F </p>
<p>Engage with the community and raise awareness about management and control of pests, including providing advice and responding to public enquiries relating to pest issues.</p>	<p>Several radio and newspaper advertising campaigns were carried out over the last few months for both pest plants and animals. To date, 68 pest plant enquires have been received and actioned for strategy pest plants and 47 enquiries have been received for non-strategy pest plants. 125 enquiries have been received and actioned for strategy pest animals. In addition to this, the Council has received 30 enquiries regarding non-strategy animal pests such as rats and insects.</p> <p>P F </p>



Performance measure	Actual performance
Monitor and report trends for key pest species in the region and effectiveness of pest control programmes.	<p>The first post trap-catch monitoring of the self-help possum control programme encompasses the East zone. 106 lines have been completed this quarter resulting in a Residual Trap Catch (RTC) mean index of 5.52%.</p> <p>P  F </p>
Undertake urban pest programme in New Plymouth targeting, possums, rats and mustelids.	<p>Tenders were sent to all potential contractors for the Herekawe Urban pest control operation. Tender evaluation and contract letting was completed in December. Approximately 100 landowners have registered interest to participate in this voluntary scheme. Work is expected to begin in February 2016. Pre-operational monitoring using wax tag devices indicated a low to medium level of possums present. The previous 2 areas, Waiwhakaiho and Huatoki, have been sent brochures to inform participants that maintenance is due. Advice and education relating to control options has been provided. Outcome monitoring using 5-minute bird counts will be conducted annually.</p> <p>P  F </p>
Implement control operations for the New Plymouth urban pest programme	<p>Tenders were evaluated and a contract was let in December 2015. Work will commence within the Herekawe area in February 2016.</p> <p>P  F </p>
Implement control operations for the eradication of selected pest plants.	<p>Ten direct control operations have been undertaken on 'Eradication Pest Plants' during the second quarter. More intensive inspection work may find more infestations in the coming months.</p> <p>P  F </p>
Implement control operations for the Kaipokonui Old Mans Beard control programme.	<p>The contract for the final stage of the Kaipokonui Old Mans Beard project has been awarded. Work was started and completed in December for the area from Skeet Road to the coast.</p> <p>P  F </p>
Implement control operations for selected Key Native Ecosystems.	<p>Landowners and Council officers undertook or commissioned pest plant and animal control work at key native ecosystems in keeping with biodiversity plans and associated budgets. During 2014/2015, all but two KNEs with biodiversity plans received some form of pest control (plants and/or animal control).</p> <p>P  F </p>



Performance measure	Actual performance
Develop and implement biological control programmes for pest plants. Make releases of control agents when appropriate.	There were no releases of biological agents in the second quarter of the year. On-going monitoring will identify the effectiveness of agents over time P F
Provide advice on and, if necessary, implement small-scale control of unwanted plant organisms.	In the second quarter, 33 enquiries about non-strategy pest plants were received (YTD 47). In all cases, advice was provided as appropriate. P F
Implement the National Pest Plant Accord, inspecting all plant nurseries and retail outlets annually to promote and, where necessary, enforcing the prohibition from propagation, sale or distribution of specified unwanted plant organisms.	To date, no nursery inspections have been recorded/undertaken this financial year. P F

Scoreboard - Outputs/Key performance indications



- On target
- Target may not be achieved
- Target will not be achieved
- Delayed
- Overdue

Explanation for key performance indications other than "On target"

N/A

Regional land transport planning

Contributing to an effective, efficient and safe land transport system in the public interest.

Commentary/Highlights

Implementing the adopted Regional Land Transport Plan for Taranaki 2015/2016 – 2020/2021 is ongoing. Officers continue to provide support to key transport committees such as the Regional Transport Committee and State Highway 3 Working Party. Officers continue to liaise with other regions and agencies and respond to submissions as required. The Council's advocacy role on SH3 North has been successful with the Government announcing funding for the Awakino Tunnel bypass, the Mt Messenger bypass and general road and road safety improvements.

Outputs/Key performance indications

Performance measure	Actual performance
Complete preparation/full reviews and interim reviews of the transport policies, plans and strategies:	
Review and make adjustments to the regional land transport plan, as required, in accordance with statutory requirements.	<p>One Regional Land Transport Plan variation request has been received (from the South Taranaki District Council). This variation request was considered and approved by the Regional Transport Committee on 2 December 2015.</p> <p>P F </p>
During 2017/18, complete a mid-term review of the Regional Land Transport Plan 2015/16-2020/21 in 2017/2018.	<p>The regional component of the Regional Land Transport Plan is being implemented through a number of activities. These are regularly reported on. No further action is required in 2015/2016.</p> <p>P F </p>
Review and make adjustments to the Transport Activity Procurement Strategy, as required, in accordance with statutory requirements.	<p>The Transport Activity Procurement Strategy for the Taranaki region is current and ongoing. All reviews are up to date.</p> <p>P F </p>

Scoreboard - Outputs/Key performance indications



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- Overdue

Explanation for key performance indications other than "On target"

N/A

Public transport

Promoting the provision of community public transport in Taranaki and assist the transport needs of the transport disadvantaged.

Commentary/Highlights

The Total Mobility Scheme continues to assist people with impairments throughout the region. The number of trips is down this quarter on the corresponding quarter in 2014/2015. A new contract with Ironside Vehicle Society has been finalised. Existing passenger services continue to be provided throughout the region with ongoing monitoring of patronage, farebox recovery and the region's commerciality ratio. Patronage across these services excluding the Connector is down on the corresponding quarter in 2014/2015. Connector patronage increased in this quarter. SuperGold Card approval was confirmed by the Agency for the entire Connector service, which is a significant boost for cardholders. The decrease in numbers on the other services is also reflected in lower revenues. Investigations regarding the drop in passenger numbers both locally and nationally are on going.

Outputs/Key performance indications

Performance measure	Actual performance
Provide Total Mobility subsidy assistance to qualifying persons through the New Zealand Transport Agency supported Total Mobility Scheme. Process complete applications from eligible applicants within 10 working days.	<p>Provided Total Mobility Scheme services to the targeted areas — YTD 17,316 trips (2014/2015 - 41,556). An additional 2,718 (7,383) trips have been made by the Ironside Vehicle Society. ID cards were issued to 100% (100%) of eligible applicants within the required timeframe.</p> <p>P  F </p>
Operate public transport services in the New Plymouth district and regional Taranaki consistent with the Regional Public Transport Plan subject to funding approval from the New Zealand Transport Agency and the availability of local share funding.	<p>Passenger transport services in the New Plymouth district and regional Taranaki were operated consistent with the Regional Public Transport Plan. Funding for the services, including the Hawera to New Plymouth (Connector) service, has been approved by the NZ Transport Agency.</p> <p>P  F </p>
Monitor the New Plymouth bus service contract including patronage growth and fare box recovery.	<p>Services have been provided as contracted. No variations or issues have arisen during the year to date. YTD patronage is 282,236 (2014/2015 - 582,357). YTD farebox recovery rate is 38.4% (39.1%). The new contract for Citylink services commenced 1 November 2015.</p> <p>P  F </p>
Monitor the regional bus service contracts including patronage growth and fare box recovery.	<p>Services have been provided as contracted. No variations or issues have arisen during the year to date. YTD patronage is 16,331 (2014/2015 - 28,113). YTD farebox recovery is 25.5% (27.6%). (Patronage data includes the Connector service. Farebox recovery excludes direct funding from WITT and TDHB for the Connector service).</p> <p>P  F </p>

Performance measure	Actual performance
Monitor the commerciality ratio of the region's public transport services and publish the ratio annually.	The commerciality ratio for the region's public transport services YTD is 35.7% (2014/2015 - 38.9%). P  F 
Review public bus service fares annually to ensure passengers pay a fair share of the cost of the services.	The Council reviewed bus fares and approved a fare increase for the Citylink service, effective from Monday 1 February 2016. P  F 
Provide financial assistance to the Ironside Vehicle Society subject to funding eligibility criteria being met.	Financial assistance is provided to the Ironside Vehicle Society. Annual funding of 50,000 has been approved. P  F 

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- Target may not be achieved
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N/A

Harbour management

Promoting safe navigation for all users of the waters of Port Taranaki.

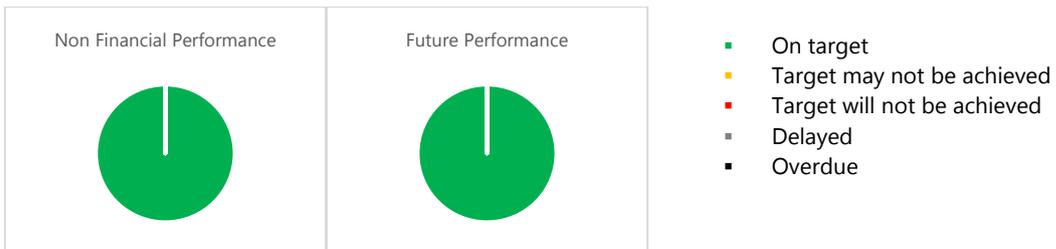
Commentary/Highlights

There were no significant navigation and safety incidents at the port and there was compliance with the required codes and management systems. Work on the ship monitoring and drift alert system beyond the port is continuing.

Outputs/Key performance indications

Performance measure	Actual performance
Provide harbourmaster and harbour warden services for Port Taranaki and implement the Navigation Bylaw for Port Taranaki and Approaches. No significant breaches of the requirements of the New Zealand Port and Maritime Safety Code, including the Port Taranaki Harbour Safety Management System.	In the year to date, no breaches have been reported. The Harbourmaster contract is in place for the year. 

Scoreboard - Outputs/Key performance indications



Explanation for key performance indications other than "On target"

N/A

Hazard Management



Civil defence emergency management

Promoting and enhancing, within the Taranaki community, an integrated comprehensive emergency management system including reducing risk, maintaining readiness, and providing response and recovery capacity and capabilities.

Commentary/Highlights

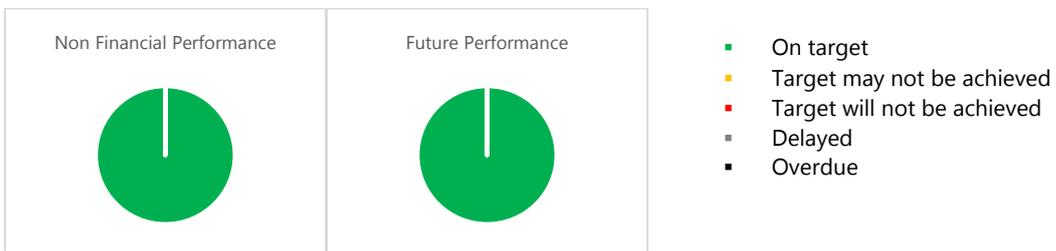
The large storm event with attendant widespread flooding and flood damage to infrastructure and land in June 2015 led to the declaration of a state of emergency, the evacuation of Waitotara, and a large number of flights to provide emergency supplies and evacuations to the residents of eastern Taranaki. There was a smaller localized flood event in Opunake some weeks later, and CDEM staff have subsequently had to track a potential tsunami event and deal with several small earthquake events - fortunately none causing damage. The national 'Shakeout' earthquake drill and awareness campaign in September had over 21,000 participants in Taranaki. Following debriefs and reviews of these events, members of the Co-ordinating Executive Group and the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group are reflecting on the effectiveness and efficiency of existing structures and means of delivery of civil defence activities in Taranaki. Opportunities for enhancement will be considered during the review of the Group Plan, due in 2016/2017. The CDEM Group has approved the proposed work plan and budget for 2016-2017, for distribution to contributing members for incorporation into annual plan processes.

Outputs/Key performance indications

Performance measure	Actual performance
Prepare, implement, monitor and report upon the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Annual Business Plan.	<p>The 2014 /2015, Annual Business Plan for Taranaki Civil Defence and Emergency Management (CDEM) was implemented as scheduled and its implementation was reported to the first meeting of the CDEM Group in 2015/2016. The first and second rounds of advisory groups, the Co-ordinating Executive Group and CDEMG meetings have been held for 2015/2016 year. Taranaki CDEM is preparing for the regional implementation of the national Emergency Management Information System (EMIS), which has required ongoing modifications and customisation to make it fit for purpose. The proposed business plan and resourcing budget for 2016/2017 has been presented to CDEMG and adopted for referral to individual councils within annual plan processes.</p> <p>P F </p>
Develop, implement, monitor and report upon the Civil Defence Emergency Management Public Education Plan for Taranaki. Review the Plan in 2016 and 2021	<p>Council staff are continuing the in-school delivery of educational material and public presentations in 2015/2016. Whanau Resilience Project educational material is being distributed. The national 'Shakeout' earthquake awareness campaign was delivered at regional level (school enrolments, newspaper coverage, advertisements etc.) in October 2015 - there were about 21,000 registered participants in Taranaki. 24 school sessions and 3 community sessions on CDEM have been delivered. Currently there are 10,000 followers on Facebook, 1,000 on twitter, and 5,700 registered members of the OPTN alerting system. CDEM and public information officers participated in the A and P shows in Waverley, Stratford and Hawera together with the Rescue helicopter/emergency services open day in January 2016.</p> <p>P F </p>

Performance measure	Actual performance
Implement, monitor and report upon the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Plan for Taranaki 2012, and review, draft, and notify the next Plan in 2017	The Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Plan has been implemented through the 2014/2015 Annual Business Plan, and its implementation reported to Council and the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group. The work plan implementing the Group Plan for 2015/2016 is being implemented as agreed with the Group. Staff have prepared a draft project brief for the preparation of the next generation Group Plan. P F

Scoreboard - Outputs/Key performance indications



Explanation for key performance indications other than "On target"

N/A

Flood management and general river control

Providing accurate and timely flood warnings, providing flood control advice and undertaking minor works and associated actions to minimise and prevent damage by floods and river erosion.

Commentary/Highlights

The demand for advice on remedial works arising from the June 2015 flood event has continued but requests for advice on general river stream channel improvement works has been low. Preliminary investigations have commenced on the development of flood control works to protect Opunake from future flood events, the results of these investigations will be presented in Council in due course.

Outputs/Key performance indications

Performance measure	Actual performance
Effectively monitor rainfall and river levels and issue timely flood warnings. Maintain continuous monitoring systems (100% functional) and issue timely warnings for all cases, where necessary, in accordance with the Flood Event Standard Operating Procedure (approximately 35 warnings per annum).	A total of 22 weather watches and 7 warnings (29 notifications) have been issued to date (63 notifications were issued in 2014/2015). In all instances, flood monitoring was undertaken in accordance with the Flood Event Standard Operating Procedure. P  F 
Undertake minor emergency river and flood control works when necessary.	No emergency works requiring Council funding have been required. P  F 
Respond to 100% of requests for drainage, river and flood control advice and assistance within ten working days.	A large number of requests for advice and information on river control and flood protection have been followed up on since the June 2015 flood event and advice has been provided as required. P  F 
Facilitate river control projects for the environmental enhancement of the region's waterways.	To date, no river control projects have been identified or required to be undertaken for the environmental enhancement of the region's waterways. P  F 

Scoreboard - Outputs/Key performance indications



- On target
- Target may not be achieved
- Target will not be achieved
- Delayed
- Overdue

Explanation for key performance indications other than "On target"

N/A

River control schemes

Managing and maintaining river control scheme works to accepted design standards to minimise and prevent damage by floods and river erosion.

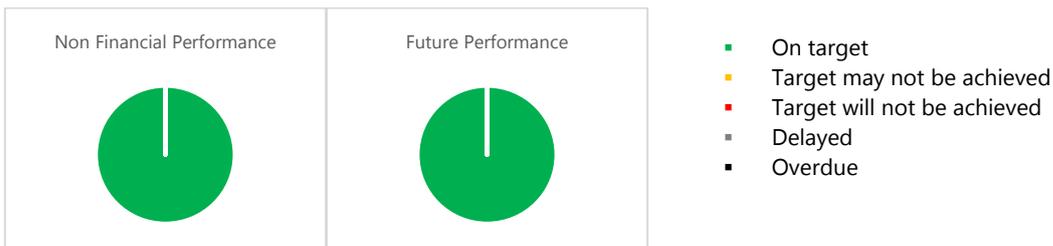
Commentary/Highlights

The first two stages of the Lower Waitara River Scheme upgrade works have been completed and the detailed designs for the final stage 3 works are complete. Tenders for stage 3A and 3B have been advertised and all works are planned for completion by June 2016. Work to improve the grass cover on both the Waitara and Waiwhakaiho river stop banks has been undertaken to improve stop bank strength and integrity.

Outputs/Key performance indications

Performance measure	Actual performance
Manage all flood and river control schemes across the region in accordance with asset management plans; including Lower Waiwhakaiho, Lower Waitara, Okato and Waitotara Schemes.	All schemes have been maintained as per the respective asset management plans. P  F 
Manage other minor river schemes to standards as agreed with scheme participants.	No works have been planned for this period. P  F 
Design and construct upgrade works for the Lower Waitara River Flood Control Scheme.	The Lower Waitara River Scheme upgrade Stages 1 and 2 are almost complete. Stage 3 is underway and is due for completion by June 2016. P  F 

Scoreboard - Outputs/Key performance indications



Explanation for key performance indications other than "On target"

N/A



Regional gardens

Ensuring that Hollard Gardens, Tupare and Pukeiti are maintained and enhanced as regionally significant recreational and heritage amenities.

Commentary/Highlights

Steady progress is being made on the Pukeiti upgrade project. Works completed include car parking and arrival, the covered walkway, the education centre, the water wheel, the Keiller garden (opened in October). At Tupare, the focus has been on general garden and plant husbandry. The entire garden now has reticulated water with the final stage of the garden water reticulation being installed at the north end of the property. Two sections of paths were upgraded and resealed. At Hollard Gardens, a programme of pruning and shaping a number of larger trees and shrubs has provided much needed light and space and revitalised a number of areas within the garden. The garden events have been particularly busy at Tupare and Hollards with various workshops being at maximum capacity with additional workshop being run to cater for the overflow. Events at Pukeiti have been reduced during the upgrade period.

Outputs/Key performance indications

Performance measure	Actual performance
Provide three regional gardens (Tupare, Hollard Gardens and Pukeiti) for free general use by the regional community. Three gardens open 9am to 5pm seven days a week, with Hollard Gardens and Tupare open till 8pm during daylight saving hours.	The gardens are open seven days a week from 9:00am to 5:00pm (to 8:00pm during daylight saving time for Tupare and Hollard Gardens). Entry is free to all three properties. P F
Encourage the increased use of the regional gardens by the community for recreational purposes and for specific events.	To date, Tupare has attracted approximately 13,482 visitors (29,209—2014/2015) with Hollard Gardens attracting approximately 6,998 (12,858). Pukeiti has had 16,449 (30,421) visitors. There have been 28 (42) events at Tupare, 48 (47) at Hollard Gardens and 9 (31) at Pukeiti. All three properties are part of the Powerco Taranaki Garden Spectacular. P F



Performance measure	Actual performance
<p>Continue implementing the Pukeiti asset management plans focusing on completing the upgrade works at Pukeiti. Priority tasks to be completed include: enhancing the garden and the Rhododendron Collection; continuing the implementation of the Plant Collection Plan; refurbishing the Lodge and surrounds; stabilising the cultivated area to the south of the Lodge by way of a retaining wall; refurbishing the plant borders; renovating the Pukeiti lookout; completing the rainforest interpretation material; subject to demand, extending the carpark; upgrading the outer ring tracks; reconfiguring and upgrading the Gate House.</p>	<p>The upgrade work at Pukeiti is in full swing with a number of significant projects completed. They include the workshop and staff facilities upgrade, the arrival experience which comprises new formed carparks, new shelters and access to rear carpark, lowered speed zone for pedestrian safety, lighting, landscaping and bold signage. The first of the three landscape installations is also now complete, namely the Keiller Rhododendron Home Garden. Other projects in progress with construction now complete are the walkway and covered areas. These works include a dramatic new elevated walk through the Vireya Walk. The Kokopu house will feature an engaging treehouse overlooking a haven for our native endangered fish. The Bublitz Education Centre will feature a display of fresh water aquatic life as well as a workshop area for school groups. The Waterwheel Walkway will lead you out of the covered areas on raised platforms through the lush rainforest to a viewing platform overlooking the stream and historic waterwheel. All these walkways and covered areas are wheelchair accessible and are able to be lit at night. The misty knoll landscape installation earthworks and tunnel construction is complete. The founder's garden retaining and forming of the lawn is also largely complete.</p> <p>P  F </p>
<p>Review and adopt asset management plans for Tupare, Hollard Gardens and Pukeiti by 31 October 2017.</p>	<p>The Council adopted the latest asset management plans in September 2014. No further action required until 2016/2017.</p> <p>P  F </p>

Scoreboard - Outputs/Key performance indications



- On target
- Target may not be achieved
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- Overdue

Explanation for key performance indications other than "On target"

N/A



Puke Ariki

Maintaining an ongoing partnership relationship with the Puke Ariki regional museum and library including the ongoing use of display and presentation material within an annual project.

Commentary/Highlight

The relationship with Puke Ariki is progressing well. The projects for 2015/2016 (see below) have been agreed upon and are in the process of being delivered. In particular, the sunlight exhibition is currently open to the public and receiving excellent visitor numbers.

Outputs/Key performance indications

Performance measure	Actual performance
Maintain an ongoing partnership relationship with the Puke Ariki regional museum and library including the ongoing use of display and presentation material within an annual project.	Quarterly Council/Puke Ariki partnership meetings are held to review progress on the agreed annual projects and to agree upon future projects. In 2015/2016, the Council's partnership with Puke Ariki will contribute to the following annual projects: Sunlight exhibition (\$80,000), STQRY APP (\$40,000), Events (\$5,000), South Taranaki Museum Trust - Parks and recreation exhibition (\$25,000). P  F 

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N/A



Yarrow Stadium

Facilitating the continued maintenance and development of Yarrow Stadium.

Commentary/Highlights

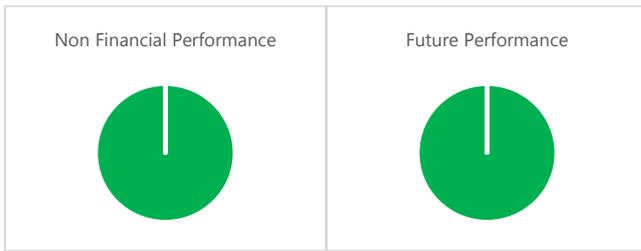
The Management Agreement between the Taranaki Stadium Trust and the New Plymouth District Council is working well. The Council and the New Plymouth District Council completed and adopted the 2015/2025 asset management plans in December 2015. Implementation of these plans is commencing. The majority of funding for 2015/2016 will be used for debt repayment following the recovering of the stand roofs.

Outputs/Key performance indications

Performance measure	Actual performance
Contract with New Plymouth District Council for the operation and management of Yarrow Stadium.	<p>The Trust and the New Plymouth District Council have a management agreement for the operation and management of Yarrow Stadium for the 2015/2016 year. New Plymouth District Council are operating and managing Yarrow Stadium under this agreement.</p> <p>P  F </p>
Undertake asset management planning for the future maintenance, enhancement and development of Yarrow Stadium.	<p>During 2014/2015, the Council and the New Plymouth District Council commenced a process of long-term asset planning for the future maintenance, enhancement and development of Yarrow Stadium. This concluded in December 2015 with both the Council and the New Plymouth District Council adopting a Strategic Plan and an asset management plan for Yarrow Stadium.</p> <p>P  F </p>
Provide regional funding for the future maintenance, enhancement and development of Yarrow Stadium.	<p>The funding provision (\$876,000) for 2015/2016, to be used for the ongoing maintenance, enhancement and development of Yarrow Stadium, will be transferred to the Taranaki Stadium Trust throughout the year. The Council and the New Plymouth District Council completed a process to adopt maintenance and development programmes through to June 2025 in December 2015. The majority of funding for 2015/2016 will be used for debt repayment following the recovering of the stand roofs.</p> <p>P  F </p>



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Explanation for key performance indications other than "On target"

N/A

Representation, Advocacy & Investment



Investment management

Ensuring that the equity, property and treasury investments owned by the Council are efficiently managed.

Commentary/Highlights

Council's investment management activities are working well within defined policies and procedures and to Investment Policy targets. Achieving the Council's interest rate return targets is challenging in the current low interest environment. It is unlikely that the Council will achieve its Investment Policy target of 6% in 2015/2016.

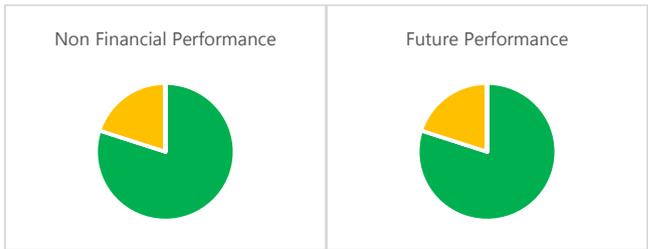
Outputs/Key performance indications

Performance measure	Actual performance
Consider Port Taranaki's annual statement of corporate intent and monitor performance against established targets on an annual basis.	<p>The Council considered Port Taranaki Ltd's statement of corporate intent for 2015/2018 on 11 August 2015. Port Taranaki Ltd's performance was reviewed when considering their 2014/2015 Annual Report at the Council's Ordinary Meeting on 22 September 2015. The Council will consider the half-year results to 31 December 2015 in the first half of 2016.</p> <p>P <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> F <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>
Appoint Directors at Port Taranaki Ltd's annual general meeting and at other times as required.	<p>Messrs Taylor and Horton retired by rotation at the 24 September 2015 Annual General Meeting of Port Taranaki Ltd. The Council reappointed Messrs Taylor and Horton at the same meeting. The Council is commencing a process of appointing a Director to the current vacancy on the Board - this will be undertaken pursuant to the Director Appointment Policy.</p> <p>P <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> F <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>
Undertake on-going liaison with port company directors and management.	<p>Regular formal and informal briefings and discussions occur between the Board and the Council.</p> <p>P <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> F <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>
Manage and, where appropriate, divest leasehold land in accordance with the Council's Investment Policy.	<p>Leasehold land is managed in accordance with the Council's Investment Policy. In 2014/15, the Council achieved a 5.68% return from leasehold land rentals. A similar return is expected in 2015/2016.</p> <p>P <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> F <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>



Performance measure	Actual performance
Manage and maximise the returns from treasury investments in accordance with the Council's Investment Policy.	<p>All treasury investments are in accordance with the Council's Investment Policy. Treasury investment returns are below target in current low interest rate environment.</p> <p>P F </p>

Scoreboard - Outputs/Key performance indications



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Explanation for key performance indications other than "On target"

The Council's *Investment Policy* has a 6% target for interest returns. The *Local Government Act 2002* requires the Council to set a target. In the current interest rate environment, the Council is unlikely to reach this target for 2015/2016. Since the target was established, the Council has exceeded consistently exceeded it. The target may need to be reassessed in the preparation of the *2018/2028 Long-Term Plan*.



Community engagement

Promoting community awareness and understanding of the Council's functions and activities, and making quality and timely information publicly available.

Commentary/Highlights

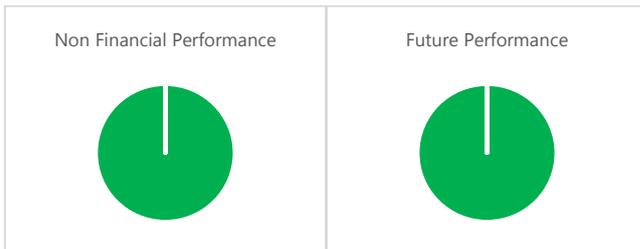
The implementation of the Council's digital and social media strategy is the primary focus and good progress is being made on all fronts. The web design and redevelopment project is progressing well. The Council hosted a successful environment awards ceremony in the second quarter.

Outputs/Key performance indications

Performance measure	Actual performance
Produce regular editions (4 per annum) of the Recount newsletter to over 1,000 stakeholders through a range of channels.	<p>For the year to date, two issues of Recount (1,200 copies) have been produced, distributed and published to the Council's website.</p> <p>P F </p>
Engage with the community across a range of channels including print and digital publications, news media, websites and mobile and social media.	<p>Content is reviewed and maintained on external Council websites and the Council's intranet. Catalyst IT of Wellington has been selected for the redevelopment of the Council's website. Social media activity continues to grow with over 1,400 followers on the Council's Facebook page. Stories about gardens, buses and environmental award winners dominated social media and print.</p> <p>P F </p>
Implement the Council's environmental awards programme.	<p>Fifteen environmental awards were presented in October 2015. The award winners continue to feature in the news media and social media.</p> <p>P F </p>
Provide an on-going environmental education programme for school children and the wider community including class visits, field trips and the Pukeiti Rainforest School.	<p>In the year to date there have been 91 class visits/field trips involving 3,001 students, including the Pukeiti Rainforest School, 4 staff meetings, 3 professional development sessions and 2 issues of SITE newsletter distributed.</p> <p>P F </p>



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Explanation for key performance indications other than "On target"

N/A



Advocacy and response

Advocating and responding, on behalf of the Taranaki community, to initiatives proposed by other agencies, when those initiatives affect the statutory responsibilities of the Council or relate to matters of regional significance, which are of interest or concern to the people of Taranaki.

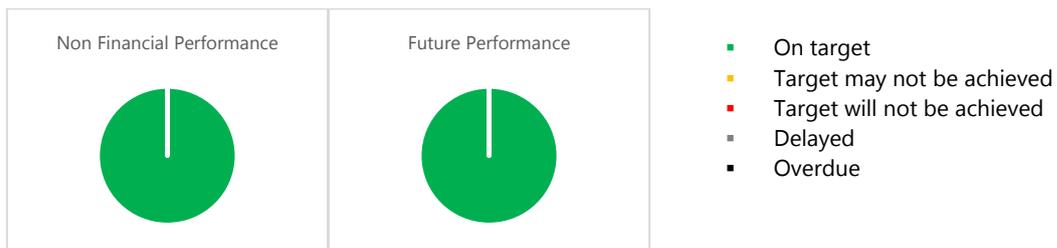
Commentary/Highlights

A submission was made on the South Taranaki District Council District Plan review. To date two submissions have been made which is less than normal. Council officers continue to be heavily involved in various forums, mainly in Wellington, associated with policy development, advocacy, liaison and response to national initiatives.

Outputs/Key performance indications

Performance measure	Actual performance
Assess the implications of policy initiatives proposed by other agencies including discussion documents, proposed policies, strategies, plans and draft legislation, and respond within required timeframes on approximately 20 occasions per year.	In the year to date, three submissions have been made. P F

Scoreboard - Outputs/Key performance indications



Explanation for key performance indications other than "On target"

N/A



Governance

Facilitating public representation by the Council and its committees in accordance with statutory requirements.

Commentary/Highlights

The Council is on target with all its statutory governance and engagement obligations. The 2014/2015 Annual Report was completed in the first quarter. Preparation of the 2016/2017 Annual Plan is well underway with the Council to consider the approach to be undertaken to consultation/engagement in the third quarter.

Outputs/Key performance indications

Performance measure	Actual performance
Complete statutory public accountability documents including long-term plans in 2017/2018, 2020/2021 and 2023/2024, annual plans in years in which a long-term plan is not prepared, and an audited annual report each year.	Statutory planning and reporting accountability documents have all been prepared within statutory requirements and timeframes. The 2014/2015 Annual Report was adopted on 22 September 2015. The draft 2016/2017 Annual Plan will be considered by the Council in February 2016. P F
Preparation of agendas and meetings in accordance with Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.	Agendas are publicly available at least 48 hours before each meeting and minutes are prepared and adopted for all meetings. P F
Conduct of meetings in accordance with Standing Orders and the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.	All Council meetings are conducted in accordance with adopted Standing Orders and the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987. P F
Successful conduct of triennial local authority elections in 2016, 2019 and 2022.	The 2013 local authority elections were held in October 2013. The elections were successfully completed with no appeals or judicial reviews held. The next local authority elections are in October 2016. P F

Scoreboard - Outputs/Key performance indications



- On target
- Target may not be achieved
- Target will not be achieved
- Delayed
- Overdue

Explanation for key performance indications other than "On target"

N/A