

## Contribution to community outcomes

# Strong and tolerant community

Community

to participate in decision making, eg, in meetings or through planning and budgeting processes. Run elections and pay councillors. Arrange and service Council meetings. Work with iwi – collectively through Ara Tahi – and also individually. Assist iwi to undertake special projects and to work with Greater Wellington. Promote the implementation of the Entrepreneurial and innovative region Wellington Regional Strategy in conjunction with city and district **Prosperous community** councils in the region. Fund GrowWellington – a regional economic development agency.

Provide opportunities for the public

Service a \$25 million loan to the Stadium Trust.

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### Key projects for 2008/09

### Activity: Run a democratic process

- Investigate e-democracy initiatives e-participation, e-petitions, e-meetings, etc
- Establish a Greater Wellington Disability Reference Group

### Activity: Involve Maori in our work

• Review the Charter of Understanding with iwi – to take engagement to the next level

### Activity: To act as keeper of the Wellington Regional Strategy

• Promote the implementation of the Wellington Regional Strategy

#### Activity: Operate a regional economic development agency

• Fund GrowWellington (a regional economic development agency) to carry out the economic development projects of the Wellington Regional Strategy

### Key changes from the 2006–16 Ten-Year Plan (LTCCP)

- Minor changes have been made to the short-term targets to more accurately reflect our business
- \$34,000 has been provided for a Greater Wellington Disability Reference Group
- \$100,000 has been provided for a Regional Water Strategy, half to be funded by rates and half by the bulk water levy
- Provision has been made for meeting fees relating to the new Wairarapa Hill Country Advisory Committee (\$11,700)
- For some time iwi have been requesting better input into Council decision making and Council has responded by providing for the appointment of a Maori representative to each Council committee (\$7,500). In addition, \$17,000 has been provided for these appointees to attend Ara Tahi meetings and for a hui-a-Ara Tahi
- An additional \$12,700 has been budgeted for preparing and distributing meeting order papers. We are continually reviewing our costs with regard to order papers and looking for ways to make the information more easily accessible
- Councillors' sundry costs have increased by \$18,000 to reflect current actual costs
- The rate requirement for the Wellington Strategy for 2008/09 will reduce by \$500,000 (excl GST) as we have carried over funds from the 2007/08 year



### Short-term targets – by 30 June 2009

#### Activity: Run a democratic process

**1** Provide opportunities for the public to participate in decision making, eg, in meetings or through planning and budgeting processes

**2** Run elections and pay councillors, and facilitate training and information

### **B** Arrange and service Council meetings

Target	Performance measures	
Community input will be sought before any significant decision on matters which may impact on rates	There will be no failure to meet legal requirements for public consultative processes. The public will be made aware of its opportunity to participate in meeting and hearings processes	
Opportunities will be given to councillors for training and personal development	Councillors will receive training appropriate to their needs	
Councillors will be provided with a regular flow of information through the <i>Councillors' Information Bulletin</i>	Relevant information will be regularly supplied to councillors through the <i>Councillors' Information Bulletin</i>	
Public notice of meetings will be given in accordance with the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987	Public notice will be given in accordance with the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987. Details of publication will be recorded to measure compliance with statutory deadlines	
Order Papers will be despatched to members and be publicly available in accordance with the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, and the Council's Standing Orders	All Order Papers for ordinary meetings of the Council and committees will be despatched to councillors and committee members not less than three working days before the meeting. Details of the despatch of order papers will be recorded to measure compliance with statutory deadlines	



### Short-term targets – by 30 June 2009

#### Activity: Involve Maori in our work

**1** Work with iwi – collectively through Ara Tahi – and also individually

**2** Assist iwi to undertake special projects and to work with Greater Wellington Regional Council

Target	Performance measures	
Ara Tahi will meet six times	Ara Tahi will meet six times and each meeting will be reported to Council	
Iwi will be resourced to:	Greater Wellington will:	
<ul> <li>Undertake special projects which mutually benefit Greater Wellington and iwi</li> <li>Engage with Greater Wellington on a range of issues</li> <li>Comment on non-notified resource consents</li> <li>Within a budget of \$279,000</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Have project contracts with iwi in place by 31 August 2008</li> <li>Provide non-notified resource consents to iwi for comment within two working days of receipt of application</li> </ul>	
Greater Wellington staff will have an enhanced knowledge of Te Reo and Tikanga	Appropriate training will be available to Greater Wellington staff to enable them to engage effectively with iwi. A monitoring and evaluation process will be put in place regarding the uptake and spread of training and its benefits to Greater Wellington	



### Short-term targets – by 30 June 2009

#### Activity: To act as keeper of the Wellington Regional Strategy

**1** Operate a Wellington Regional Strategy (WRS) Committee to develop and implement the WRS

**2** Develop an effective Wellington Regional Strategy addressing sustainable prosperity and quality of life, and monitor its implementation

Target	Performance measures
The strategic actions identified in the adopted WRS will be progressed according to timetable	Progress with all non-regional economic development agency projects in accordance with the agreed task plans will be reported to the WRS Committee
Greater Wellington will continue to facilitate stakeholder engagement in WRS priority action areas	A Stakeholder Forum will be held at least annually

#### Activity: Operate a regional economic development agency

**1** Establish and fund GrowWellington (an economic development agency) for the region via a Council-controlled organisation

Target	Performance measures
GrowWellington will meet the agreed Statement of Intent requirements, as approved by the Wellington Regional Strategy (WRS) Committee	GrowWellington's Statement of Intent for 2008/09 will include performance measures, achievement of which will be reported to the WRS Committee
GrowWellington will operate within the budget agreed by the WRS Committee	The WRS Committee will receive six-monthly financial reports from GrowWellington to show progress against budget



# Community

Prospective funding impact statement

2008/09

Plan \$000s

4,163

561

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2,969

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2008/09 LTCCP

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	2008/09 Plan \$000s	2008/09 LTCCP \$000s	
FUNDING STATEMENT			OPERATING REVENUE
General rate	2,931	2,891	Run a democratic process
Targeted rates	6,676	7,176	Involve Maori in our work
Government subsidies	-	307	Act as keeper of the
Interest and dividends	4	4	Wellington Regional Strategy (1)
Other operating revenue	2,546	2,702	Operate a regional economic
Operating revenue	12,157	13,080	development agency <sup>(1)</sup>
			Contribution to the Regional Stadi
Direct operating expenditure	9,643	9,526	Total operating revenue
Finance costs	1,460	1,460	
Depreciation	22	28	OPERATING EXPENDITURE
Operating expenditure	11,125	11,014	Run a democratic process
Operating surplus/(deficit)	1,032	2,066	Involve Maori in our work
			Act as keeper of the
Less:			Wellington Regional Strategy <sup>(1)</sup>
Capital expenditure	5	5	Operate a regional economic
Proceeds from asset sales	-	-	development agency <sup>(1)</sup>
Loan funding	-	-	Contribution to the Regional Stadi
Rates-funded capital expenditure	5	5	Total operating expenditure
Debt repayment	1,162	1,162	
Investment additions	-	-	CAPITAL EXPENDITURE
Operational reserve movements	(406)	84	Land and buildings
Working capital movements	-	-	Plant and equipment
Non-cash items <sup>(2)</sup>	271	815	Vehicles
Net funding required	-	-	Total capital expenditure

(1) 2008/09 LTCCP numbers have been updated to reflect the Amended Ten-Year Plan (LTCCP) 2006-16, which includes funding for the regional economic development agency (GrowWellington) in relation to the Wellington Regional Strategy

(2) Non-cash items include depreciation and a projected unrealised gain in the advance to the Wellington Regional Stadium Trust. The nominal amount of this advance is \$25 million, and as repayment of the advance gets nearer, a higher projected value is recorded. The projected increase in value is recorded as an unrealised revaluation gain each year

For more information on the revenue and financing mechanisms applicable to this group of activities, please refer to the Revenue and Financing Policy in the *Amended Ten-Year Plan (LTCCP)* 2006–16 Policies document, page 22. Please note that all figures on this page exclude GST.