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FINANCE/PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Thursday, 27 March 2025

Time: 9.30am

Venue: Council Chamber
Rangitikei District Council
46 High Street
Marton

Chair: Cr Fi Dalgety

Deputy Chair: Cr Jeff Wong

Membership: Cr Brian Carter
Cr Dave Wilson
Cr Simon Loudon
Cr Greg Maughan
Cr Paul Sharland
Ms Leanne Hiroti (TRAK Representative)
HWTM Andy Watson

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Notice is hereby given that a Finance/Performance Committee Meeting of the Rangitīkei District Council will be held in the Council Chamber, Rangitīkei District Council, 46 High Street, Marton on Thursday, 27 March 2025 at 9.30am.

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AGENDA

1 Welcome / Prayer

2 Apologies

3 Public Forum

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

Members are reminded of their obligation to declare any conflicts of interest they might have in respect of items on this agenda.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

That, taking into account the explanation provided why the item is not on the meeting agenda and why the discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting, [enter item number](#) be dealt as a late item at this meeting.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

6.1 Confirmation of Minutes

Author: Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 The minutes from **Finance/Performance Committee Meeting held on 26 February 2025 are attached.**

Attachments

1. **Finance/Performance Committee Meeting - 26 February 2025**

Recommendation

That the minutes of Finance/Performance Committee Meeting held on 26 February 2025 [**as amended/without amendment**] be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting, and that the electronic signature of the Chair of this Committee be added to the official minutes document as a formal record.

MINUTES

ITEM 6.1

ATTACHMENT 1

UNCONFIRMED: FINANCE/PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Wednesday, 26 February 2025

Time: 9.30am

**Venue: Council Chamber
Rangitikei District Council
46 High Street
Marton**

Present

- Cr Brian Carter
- Cr Dave Wilson
- Cr Fi Dalgety
- Cr Greg Maughan
- Cr Jeff Wong
- Cr Paul Sharland
- Cr Simon Loudon
- HWTM Andy Watson

In attendance

- Mr Kevin Ross, Chief Executive
- Mrs Carol Gordon, Deputy Chief Executive
- Mr Arno Benadie, Chief Operating Officer
- Ms Leanne Macdonald, Group Manager- Corporate Services
- Mr Warren Pedley, Manager Finance and Partnerships
- Ms Sophia Sykes, Communications Manager
- Ms Joanne Manuel, Manager Mana Whenua and Community Hubs
- Ms Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor
- Mr Miles O'Connor, Bancorp Treasury Services (Zoom)

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ITEM 6.1 ATTACHMENT 1

Unconfirmed

1 Welcome / Prayer

Cr Dalgety opened the meeting at 9.32am and read the council prayer.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number 25/FPE/001

That the apologies be received from Ms Leanne Hiroti.

Cr B Carter/Cr J Wong. Carried

3 Public Forum

There was no public forum.

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

There was no change to the order of business,

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number 25/FPE/002

That the minutes of Finance/Performance Committee Meeting held on 28 November 2024 **without amendment** be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting, and that the electronic signature of the Chair of this Committee be added to the official minutes document as a formal record.

Cr D Wilson/Cr G Maughan. Carried

7 Follow-up Actions

7.1 Follow-up Action Items from Finance/Performance Meetings

Item 1- Hall Debt

Ms Macdonald updated the committee on this item, the debt relating to halls covers Te Matapihi and other projects.

Resolved minute number 25/FPE/003

That the report 'Follow-up Action Items from Finance/Performance Meetings' be received.

Cr B Carter/Cr P Sharland. Carried

8 Chair's Report

8.1 Chair's Report - February 2025

The Chair's report was tabled after the meeting.

Resolved minute number 25/FPE/004

That the Chair's Report – February 2025 be received.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr B Carter. Carried

9 Reports for Information

9.1 Treasury Management Policy Review

Mr O'Connor from Bancorp was in attendance and stepped the committee through the changes to the Rangitikei District Council Treasury Management Policy.

Officers answered questions on what is core debt, this is the debt relating to the primary role of council business and is usually borrowed on a longer term basis.

Mr O'Connor noted that the water debt when moved to the CCO will be taken off councils book noting there is uncertainty regarding local water done well.

Ms Macdonald noted the exposure to Westpac may exceed \$10 million, therefore it was agreed to change this to \$20 million and that this exclude current accounts.

Mr O'Connor provided a presentation on interest rate swaps.

It was noted by the committee that when the tool of interest rate swaps can be used to reduce the debt and minimise the risk in this space, and is not to be used as a speculative tool.

Mr O'Connor will produce quarterly reports on this item to keep the committee informed.

Resolved minute number 25/FPE/005

That the Committee recommend to Council to approve the Treasury Management Policy with amendments.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr J Wong. Carried

9.2 Finance Snapshot - January 2025

Ms Macdonald responded to questions about capital spend and that the borrowing of debt will only happen when the debt is required.

Resolved minute number 25/FPE/006

That the report 'Finance Snapshot – January 2025' be received.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr D Wilson. Carried

9.3 Treasury and Debt

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 25/FPE/007

That the report 'Treasury and Debt – 2023/24' be received

HWTM A Watson/Cr B Carter. Carried

9.4 QV Report

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 25/FPE/008

That the QV Report be received.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr J Wong. Carried

9.5 LGFA - General Information

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 25/FPE/009

That the report 'LGFA - General Information' be received.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr D Wilson. Carried

9.6 Statement of Service Provision 6 Month Report: July 2024 - December 2024

Officers responded to questions that the playground inspections will be increased as more staff are becoming trained in this space.

Resolved minute number 25/FPE/010

That the report ‘Statement of Service Provision 6 Month report: July 2024 - December 2024’ be received.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr D Wilson. Carried

9.7 Public Feedback / Performance Report - January 2025

The committee thanked those that take the time to provide responses and to engage.

Ms Sykes highlighted that the most engaged with post was the weed removal from Horizons Regional Council, this is due to the community initiative and the traction gained by other councils sharing it.

Resolved minute number 25/FPE/011

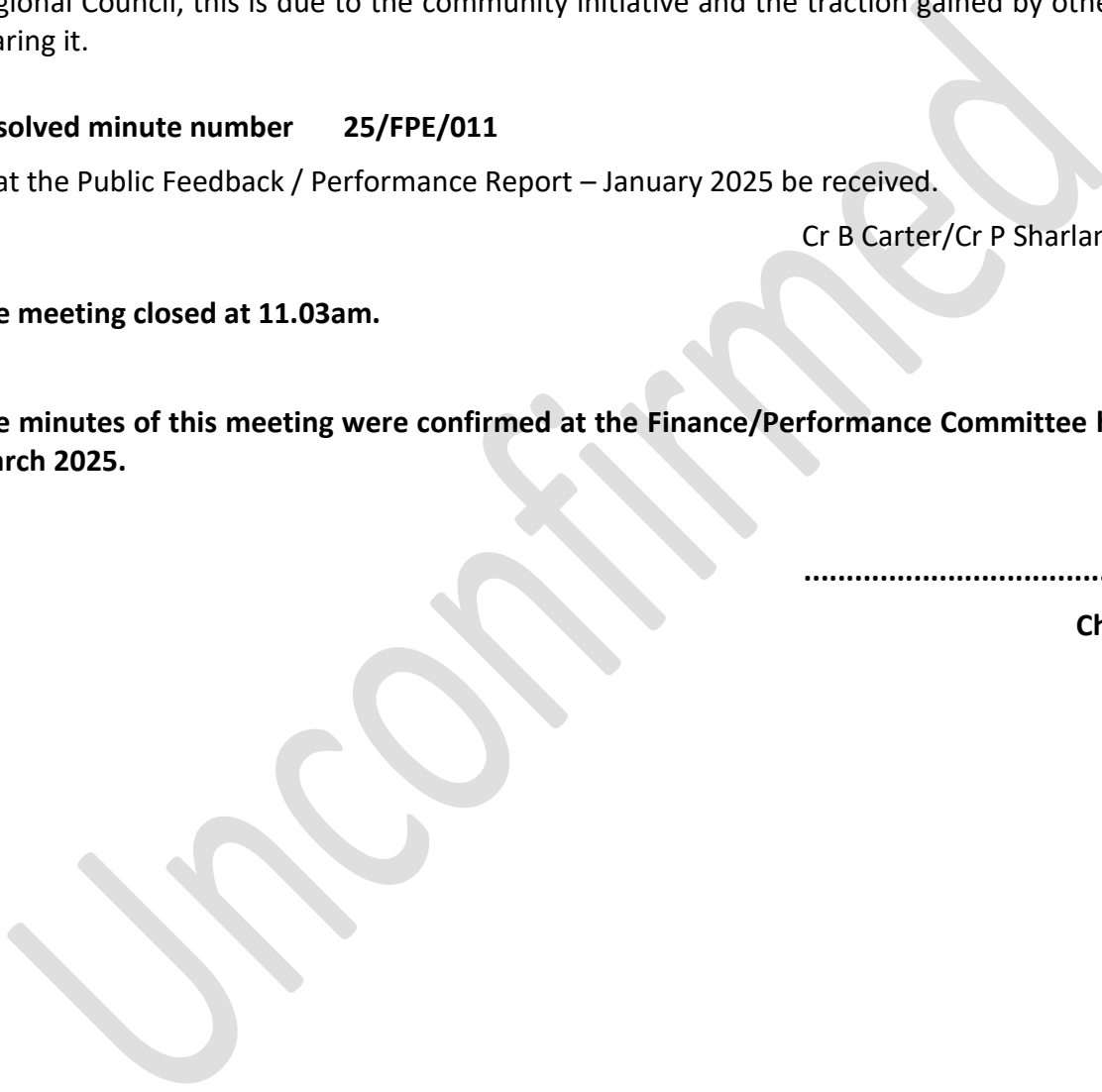
That the Public Feedback / Performance Report – January 2025 be received.

Cr B Carter/Cr P Sharland. Carried

The meeting closed at 11.03am.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Finance/Performance Committee held on 27 March 2025.

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Chairperson



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7 Chair's Report

7.1 Chair's Report - March 2025

Author: Fiona (Fi) Dalgety, Councillor

1. Reason for Report

1.1 A verbal or tabled report will be provided during the meeting.

Recommendation

That the Chair's Report – March 2025 be received.

8 Reports for Information

8.1 Finance Snapshot - February 2025

Author: Lorraine Bergen, Manager Financial Services

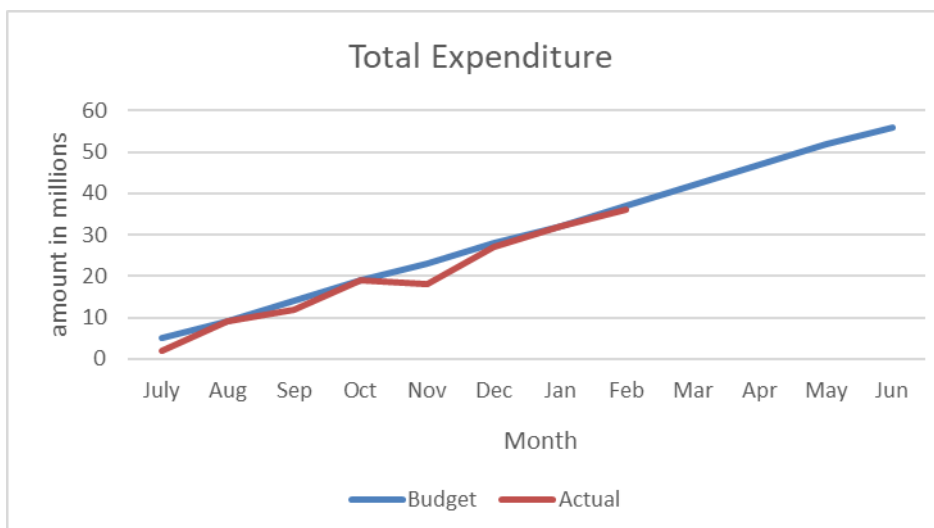
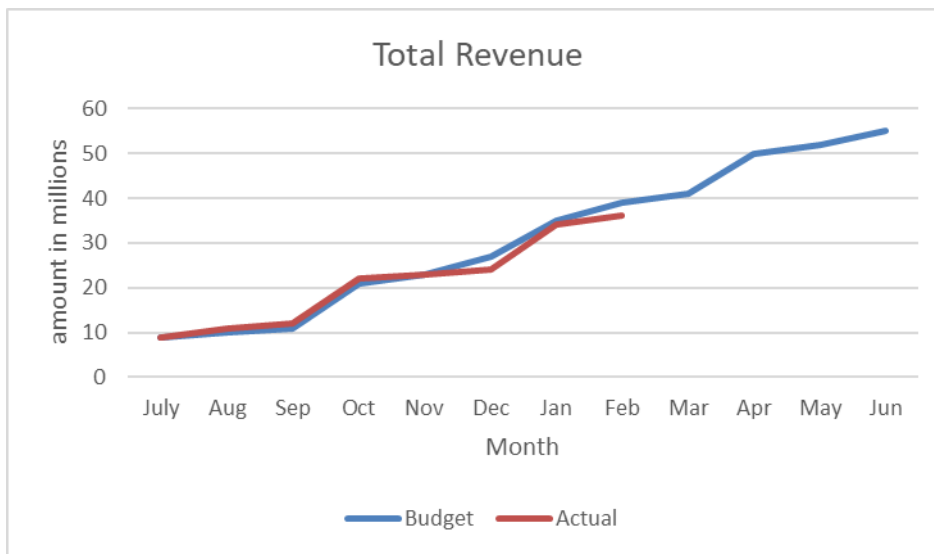
Authoriser: Leanne Macdonald, Group Manager - Corporate Services

1. Reason for Report

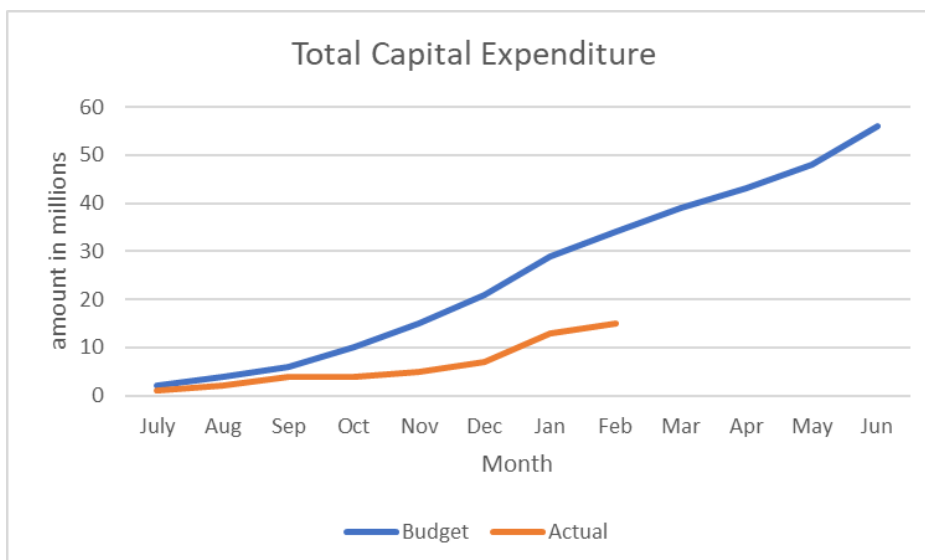
- 1.1 To provide Committee Members with Council’s management accounts and related commentary as at the end of February 2025.

2. Whole of Council

- 2.1 The attached Whole of Council Performance Report highlights a number of budget variances that are best considered ‘at Group level’ in the individual accompanying Group Financial Summary Reports.
- 2.2 The following are trend line graphs for Operational Revenue, Operational Expenditure and Capital Expenditure.



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3. Group Financial Summary Reports

3.1 The attached Group Financial Summary Reports provide commentary on operational budget variances in excess of \$100k.

4. Capital Expenditure

- 4.1 The attached summary shows these budget variances split by cost centre with the larger budgets (>\$500k) being shown separately.
- 4.2 Commentary regarding the majority of these capital budgets is provided in the *PMO Report* that is reviewed at Council Meetings and the *Assets and Infrastructure Report* that is reviewed at Assets/Infrastructure Committee Meetings.
- 4.3 Following the implementation of the business partnership programme between Finance and the Budget Managers and Group Managers, capital expenditure is closely monitored, and subsequent reports will start signalling potential carry forwards as the capital project experience delays and timing issues.

5. Borrowing

The following table shows the Council’s external debt unchanged at \$49m as at February 2025.

- 5.1 Council’s LTP shows that its Debt is budgeted to remain within its Debt Ceiling and Debt Limit throughout the term of the LTP (the Debt Ceiling is Council’s maximum debt it can access from LGFA; less a self-imposed amount of at least \$4m to \$5m lower than the Debt Ceiling, to allow for unforeseen costs).
- 5.2 Council’s current review of its capital projects along with the unbudgeted repairs to the swimming pool will have an impact not disclosed in the current LTP. Budgeted debt for 2025 was \$73m with the debt limit being \$102m. Currently officers are signalling this debt to reduce somewhat closer to \$70M, assuming 80% of the capital programme is completed.

- 5.3 The changes to the capital projects programme will be evaluated following the outcome of the review.

External Loans for period ended February 2025

Loan Parcels	Maturity Date	Interest Rate	Opening Balance	Raised	Repaid
Due with a year					
LGFA Commercial Paper	24/04/2025	4.22%	5,000,000		
Due within 2 - 5 years					
LGFA Bond	15/04/2026	5.62%	9,000,000		
LGFA Bond	15/04/2027	4.17%	11,000,000		
LGFA Bond	15/05/2028	5.10%	5,000,000		
LGFA Bond	15/05/2028	5.2965%	7,000,000		
LGFA Bond	15/04/2029	3.12%	3,000,000		
LGFA Bond	20/04/2029	5.55%	4,000,000		
Total due within 2 - 5 years			39,000,000	-	-
Due After 5 years					
LGFA Bond	14/04/2033	3.68%	5,000,000		
Total			49,000,000	-	-
Less Cash and cash equivalents					
Net debt			49,000,000	-	-

- 5.4 The following table discloses Council's debt by activity. Council borrows to fund capital expenditure in accordance with the Revenue and Financing Policy which states:

"Borrowing for capital expenditure enables the Council to ensure there is intergenerational equity in terms of who funds capital expenditure – the repayments are spread over the reasonably expected average life of the assets where practicable. This means today's ratepayers are not asked to fund tomorrow's assets"

Borrowing, therefore, is generally used to fund assets that improve the level of service (LOS, new assets) and those that meet additional demand (growth assets). Asset purchases that replace existing assets (renewals) are funded from the funding of depreciation, however, if this funding is insufficient, the shortfall is also funded from borrowing.

- 5.5 Internal borrowing has occurred over many years where surplus cash was used to fund these assets before resorting to borrowing externally. In essence Council's Treasury function acted as an internal bank. The interest charged to the activities, as detailed below, becomes income to the Treasury, offsetting the external charge. This means that overall Council only discloses the external borrowing costs in the Comprehensive Revenue and Expenditure Statement.
- 5.6 The interest rate used for internal loans is the weighted average cost of funds. This is currently 4.37% pa.

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Total Loans By Activity

Activity	External loans allocated as at 28/02/2025 \$000	Internal Loans as at 30/06/2024 \$000	Total Loans as at 28/02/2025 \$000	LTP Budget Year 3 30/06/2024 \$000	Internal interest Charged YE 30/06/2024 \$000
Roading and Footpaths	11,500	2,906	14,406	15,653	648
Water Supplies					
District Urban	5,000	12,856	17,856	25,511	883
Hunterville Urban		517	517	517	27
Hunterville Rural		171	171	171	9
Erewhon		88	88	88	5
Omatane		22	22	22	1
Putorino		1	1	1	
Total for Water Supplies	5,000	13,655	18,655	26,310	925
Wastewater/ Sewerage Disposal	22,000	1,124	23,124	18,046	615
Stormwater Drainage		1,676	1,676	2,439	64
Community and Leisure Assets					
Real Estate		307	307	307	16
Swim Centres		428	428	428	23
Civil defence		8	8	8	
Community Housing		161	161	161	3
Public Toilets		641	641	641	34
Cemeteries		133	133	133	7
Libraries		530	530	530	28
Halls	4,000	3,207	7,207	8,167	367
Domains	6,500	297	6,797	6,902	340
Total Community & Leisure Assets	10,500	5,712	16,212	17,277	818
Waste Transfer Stations		56	56	49	3
Other Activities					
Community Leadership			-	274	
Environment & Regulatory Services			-	223	
Community Wellbeing			-	37	
Forestry		4	4		
Business Units		10	10		
Total other activities	-	14	14	534	-
Totals	49,000	25,143	74,143	80,308	3,073

6. Sustainability

The following commentary represents Council's sustainability in relation to the Balanced Budget Prudential Benchmark and the LGFA borrowing covenants.

- 6.1 The Balanced Budget Benchmark is likely to end below 100% at year-end as council has budgeted to incur a deficit for the year.

The definitions for operating revenue and expenditure are explained and may be different from the actual year end position and described in the Statement of Comprehensive Revenue and Expenditure, which will include those items excluded from the definition in the Regulations.

Derivative gains and losses only incur if Council enters into interest rate swap agreements which are given a generic term of Financial Derivatives. Council does not currently have any derivatives.

- 6.2 Net debt to projected revenue covenant can only be used with the projected year end revenue, which at the stage is the budgeted year end revenue total from year 1 of the 2024-2034 LTP.
- 6.3 Net interest to rates revenue covenant can be assessed all the way through the financial year. For the purposes of this report ratio has been calculated using figures as at 28 February 2025.
- 6.4 Net Interest to operating revenue is similar in nature to the above covenant.
- 6.5 The liquidity benchmark requires Council to have at least 10% or more of debt in available cash or in bank standby facilities. We have used only cash in the bank to satisfy this requirement to date. The covenant is met where the benchmark is greater than 110%.

Sustainability

Balance Budget Ratio 101%

Operating Revenue YTD	\$36.33m
Operating Expenditure YTD	\$35.96m

This a Prudential Benchmark reported under the Local Government (Financial Reporting and Prudence) Regulations 2019. Operating Revenue should be equal or more (i.e. over 100%) to meet this benchmark. Operating revenue is described above. Operating expenditure includes depreciation and excludes losses on revaluations, increases in landfill after care provisions and loss on derivatives if applicable.

Net Debt to projected revenue (LGFA covenant) 68%

Total net borrowing	\$37.28m
Total projected operating revenue	\$55.13m

This is also a prudential benchmark set in our Treasury Policy and also a LGFA Covenant maximum of 175%. Net debt is defined as external borrowing less cash in the bank.

Net Interest to rates revenue (LGFA covenant) 4%

Net Interest YTD	\$ 1.02m
Rates Revenue	\$ 24.51m

This is also a prudential benchmark set in our Treasury Policy. Our set limit is 25% of rates revenue. Net interest is Interest paid less interest received.

Interest to operating revenue (LGFA covenant) 3%

Net Interest	<u>\$ 1.02m</u>
Operating revenue	\$36.33m

This is also a prudential benchmark set in our Treasury Policy. Our set limit is 20% of operating revenue.

Liquidity benchmark (LGFA covenant) 123%

External Debt plus cash	\$60.20m
External debt	\$49.00m

This is also a prudential benchmark set in our Treasury Policy. Our set limit is greater than 110%. This benchmark is calculated by dividing external debt plus cash by external debt.

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Attachments:

1. **Financial Snapshot - February 2025** [↓](#)

Recommendation

That the report 'Finance Snapshot – February 2025' be received.

Whole of Council

LTP Full Year 1	Activity Report For Period Ending 28 February 2025	YTD Actuals	YTD Budgets	YTD Variance	YTD Percentage Variance	Full Year Budget
		\$000	\$000	\$000		\$000
(55,127)	Total Revenue	(36,332)	(38,595)	(2,263)	-6%	(55,126)
(16,282)	Subsidies and Grants	(7,894)	(10,108)	(2,214)	-22%	(16,282)
(5,051)	Other Revenue	(3,443)	(3,446)	(3)	-0%	(5,051)
(495)	Finance Revenue	(377)	(325)	52	16%	(495)
(356)	Gains	(108)	(356)	(248)	-70%	(356)
(32,943)	Rates	(24,511)	(24,360)	151	1%	(32,943)
56,455	Total Expense	35,962	37,465	1,503	4%	56,829
25,748	Other Expenses	14,966	16,205	1,238	8%	24,667
9,333	Personnel Costs	7,158	7,072	(86)	-1%	10,789
2,899	Finance Costs	1,391	1,938	547	28%	2,899
18,474	Depreciation	12,447	12,250	(196)	-2%	18,474
0	Losses	0	0	(0)	-100%	0
1,328	Grand Total	(370)	(1,131)	(761)	-67%	1,703

The revised Budget contains Council agreed changes that have accrued post LTP adoption. This includes the transition of MDC Shared Services contract over to Council and the impact of carry forwards.

Variances > \$100k: Comment

Commentary provided in the following Group Summaries.

Corporate Services and Support Business Units

LTP Full Year 1	Activity Report For the Period Ending 28 February 2025	YTD Actuals	YTD Budgets	YTD Variance	YTD Percentage Variance	Full Year Budget
		\$000	\$000	\$000		\$000
(933)	Total Revenue	(662)	(788)	(125)	-16%	(933)
(15)	Other Revenue	(5)	(12)	(8)	-63%	(15)
(460)	Finance Revenue	(377)	(302)	75	25%	(460)
(356)	Gains	(104)	(356)	(252)	-71%	(356)
(10,313)	Rates	(7,836)	(7,777)	59	1%	(10,313)
10,211	Rate Apportionment	7,659	7,659	0	0%	10,211
1,010	Total Expense	(680)	878	1,559	177%	1,393
4,578	Other Expenses	2,024	2,630	606	23%	4,458
7,916	Personnel Costs	6,292	6,146	(146)	-2%	9,371
0	Finance Costs	(798)	0	798	100%	0
403	Depreciation	474	462	(12)	-3%	697
(11,887)	Overhead Allocation	(8,673)	(8,360)	313	4%	(13,133)
0	Losses	0	0	(0)	-100%	0
77	Grand Total	(1,343)	91	1,434	1579%	460

Variances > \$100k: Comment

Gains

- Reflects profit on sale of Fleet vehicles for above depreciated value.

Other Expenses

- Variance is mainly caused by contract spend primarily in Corporate Services lower than planned costs for contractors (which included MDC Shared Services) and software licencing.

Personnel Costs

- Variance reflects the impact of MDC personnel coming over to RDC, and then redistributed to Infrastructure.

Finance Costs

- The positive debt cost reflects internal debt being charged at a higher rate than the cost of external (LGFA) borrowing. This will be revised at the end of the financial year.

Overhead Allocation

- Variance is driven by the overhead recovery budget being set too low relative to the total planned costs. This has no impact at a Whole of Council level.

Community

LTP Full Year 1	Activity Report For the Period Ending 28 February 2025	YTD Actuals	YTD Budgets	YTD Variance	YTD Percentage Variance	Full Year Budget
		\$000	\$000	\$000		\$000
(7,267)	Total Revenue	(5,855)	(5,192)	663	13%	(7,267)
(350)	Subsidies and Grants	(784)	(97)	687	709%	(350)
(823)	Other Revenue	(520)	(527)	(7)	-1%	(823)
(31)	Finance Revenue	0	(21)	(21)	-100%	(31)
0	Gains	(3)	0	3	100%	0
0	Rates	0	0	(0)	-100%	0
(6,062)	Rate Apportionment	(4,548)	(4,548)	0	0%	(6,062)
8,981	Total Expense	5,361	5,651	290	5%	8,708
3,405	Other Expenses	1,926	2,176	250	11%	3,405
115	Personnel Costs	75	74	(1)	-1%	115
815	Finance Costs	509	545	35	6%	815
2,671	Depreciation	1,613	1,590	(23)	-1%	2,398
1,976	Overhead Allocation	1,239	1,267	28	2%	1,976
0	Losses	0	0	0	0%	0
1,714	Grand Total	(494)	459	953	208%	1,441

Variance > \$100k: Comment

Subsidies and Grants/Other Expenses

- Largely driven by receipt of Better off Funding subsidies not factored into the Budget. This to be realigned next Budget review, along with Mayoral Taskforce for Jobs subsidy received (now offset by costs in Other Expenses).

Community Leadership

LTP Full Year 1	Activity Report For the Period Ending 28 February 2025	YTD Actuals	YTD Budgets	YTD Variance	YTD Percentage Variance	Full Year Budget
		\$000	\$000	\$000		\$000
(2,428)	Total Revenue	(1,820)	(1,821)	(1)	-0%	(2,428)
(0)	Other Revenue	0	(0)	(1)	-950%	(0)
(104)	Rates	(78)	(78)	(0)	-0%	(104)
(2,323)	Rate Apportionment	(1,743)	(1,743)	0	0%	(2,323)
2,445	Total Expense	1,534	1,413	(121)	-9%	2,445
1,090	Other Expenses	582	574	(8)	-1%	1,090
0	Depreciation	0	0	0	0%	0
1,355	Overhead Allocation	952	840	(112)	-13%	1,355
18	Grand Total	(286)	(408)	(121)	-30%	18

Variations > \$100k: Comment

Overhead Allocation

- Variance is driven by the overhead recovery budget being set too low relative to the total planned costs. This has no impact at a Whole of Council level.

Regulatory Services

LTP Full Year 1	Activity Report For the Period Ending 28 February 2025	YTD Actuals	YTD Budgets	YTD Variance	YTD Percentage Variance	Full Year Budget
		\$000	\$000	\$000		\$000
(3,331)	Total Revenue	(2,057)	(2,466)	(409)	-17%	(3,331)
(2,254)	Other Revenue	(1,249)	(1,658)	(409)	-25%	(2,254)
(1,077)	Rate Apportionment	(808)	(808)	(0)	0%	(1,077)
3,396	Total Expense	1,854	2,140	286	13%	3,328
770	Other Expenses	171	456	285	63%	702
1,303	Personnel Costs	791	852	61	7%	1,303
1,324	Overhead Allocation	893	832	(60)	-7%	1,324
65	Grand Total	(203)	(326)	(123)	-38%	(2)

Variances > \$100k: Comment

Other Revenue/Other Expenses

- All regulatory activity continues as below expected levels. Accordingly, associated revenue and expenditure accounts are below budget.

Roading and Footpaths

LTP Full Year 1	Activity Report For the Period Ending 28 February 2025	YTD Actuals	YTD Budgets	YTD Variance	YTD Percentage Variance	Full Year Budget
		\$000	\$000	\$000		\$000
(25,924)	Total Revenue	(14,649)	(17,495)	(2,846)	-16%	(25,924)
(15,929)	Subsidies and Grants	(7,158)	(10,011)	(2,853)	-29%	(15,929)
(174)	Other Revenue	(95)	(122)	(27)	-22%	(174)
(9,820)	Rates	(7,397)	(7,362)	35	0%	(9,820)
23,842	Total Expense	16,588	16,473	(115)	-1%	24,299
8,517	Other Expenses	6,013	6,133	120	2%	8,504
487	Finance Costs	456	326	(131)	-40%	487
10,722	Depreciation	7,541	7,422	(120)	-2%	11,193
4,116	Overhead Allocation	2,577	2,592	15	1%	4,116
(2,082)	Grand Total	1,939	(1,022)	(2,961)	-290%	(1,625)

Variances > \$100k: Comment

Subsidies and Grants

- Variance is due to timing difference of the capex programme and receipt of NZTA subsidy claim payments.

Other Expenses

- Variance is due to differences in the 2023-24 seasonality assumptions used in the 2025-26 budget profile, against the actual programme roll-out.

Finance Costs

- This reflects higher costs for internal debt servicing.

Depreciation

- Variation attributed to system generated charging of Depreciation (previously manual) and timing as overall is in line with year-end Budget totals.

Rubbish and Recycling

LTP Full Year 1	Activity Report For the Period Ending 28 February 2025	YTD Actuals	YTD Budgets	YTD Variance	YTD Percentage Variance	Full Year Budget
		\$000	\$000	\$000		\$000
(3,030)	Total Revenue	(2,056)	(2,011)	45	2%	(3,030)
(1,635)	Other Revenue	(997)	(1,025)	(28)	-3%	(1,635)
(1,243)	Rates	(946)	(873)	73	8%	(1,243)
(152)	Rate Apportionment	(114)	(114)	0	0%	(152)
3,067	Total Expense	1,921	2,039	117	6%	3,079
2,490	Other Expenses	1,549	1,665	116	7%	2,490
11	Finance Costs	2	7	6	76%	11
65	Depreciation	52	51	(1)	-2%	77
501	Overhead Allocation	319	315	(3)	-1%	501
37	Grand Total	(135)	27	162	596%	49

Variances > \$100k: Comment

Total Revenue

- Officers signal that revenue will need to be revised at the end of the year to reflect probable impairment of outstanding debt.

Other Expenses

- Positive variance is due to timing - delay in monthly payment to rubbish disposal contractor.

Parks and Reserves

LTP Full Year 1	Activity Report For the Period Ending 28 February 2025	YTD Actuals	YTD Budgets	YTD Variance	YTD Percentage Variance	Full Year Budget
		\$000	\$000	\$000		\$000
(692)	Total Revenue	(501)	(507)	(7)	-1%	(692)
(2)	Subsidies and Grants	0	0	0	0%	(2)
(93)	Other Revenue	(53)	(60)	(7)	-11%	(93)
(597)	Rate Apportionment	(448)	(448)	(0)	-0%	(597)
586	Total Expense	322	380	58	15%	596
359	Other Expenses	171	230	58	25%	359
0	Finance Costs	4	0	(4)	-100%	0
0	Depreciation	4	7	2	36%	10
227	Overhead Allocation	142	144	2	1%	227
(106)	Grand Total	(179)	(127)	52	41%	(96)

Variances > \$100k: Comment

Nil

Water, Sewerage & Stormwater

LTP Full Year 1	Activity Report For the Period Ending 28 February 2025	YTD Actuals	YTD Budgets	YTD Variance	YTD Percentage Variance	Full Year Budget
		\$000	\$000	\$000		\$000
(11,522)	Total Revenue	(8,732)	(8,315)	416	5%	(11,522)
0	Subsidies and Grants	48	0	(48)	-100%	0
(56)	Other Revenue	(525)	(43)	483	1133%	(56)
(4)	Finance Revenue	0	(3)	(3)	-100%	(4)
(11,462)	Rates	(8,254)	(8,270)	(16)	-0%	(11,462)
13,127	Total Expense	9,063	8,491	(572)	-7%	12,981
4,539	Other Expenses	2,531	2,342	(189)	-8%	3,659
1,587	Finance Costs	1,218	1,061	(157)	-15%	1,587
4,613	Depreciation	2,763	2,719	(44)	-2%	4,100
2,388	Overhead Allocation	2,551	2,369	(182)	-8%	3,636
1,605	Grand Total	331	175	(155)	-89%	1,459

Variances > \$100k: Comment

Other Revenue

- Variance is mainly due to unplanned funding received from the Ministry of Environment for the Lake Waipu Freshwater Improvement Programme.

Other Expenses

- Variance reflects increased operational costs across the business unit including additional reticulation staff and consultants.

Finance Costs

- This reflects higher costs for internal debt servicing.

Overhead Allocation

- Driven by assets overheads being shared across infrastructure and not allocated across the rest of the business. This has no impact at a Whole of Council level.

Rangitikei District Council
 Capital Activity
 For Period ended 28 February 2025

LTP 2024/34 Year 1 Total Budget	Account	2024/25 YTD Actuals February	2024/25 YTD Budgets February	2024/25 YTD Percentage Variance February	2024/25 Full Year Budget
1,980,465	Corporate Services and Support	304,982	867,843	64.86%	2,121,465
500,000	Fleet Management	39,610	9,120	-334.32%	500,000
500,000	95500701. Motor Vehicle Purchases	67,730	9,120	-642.65%	500,000
1,480,465	Information Services	262,518	858,723	69.43%	1,621,465
10,334,669	Community	962,016	12,379,205	92.23%	7,661,768
800,000	Domains	262,750	838,459	68.66%	1,394,301
650,000	4410170630. Taihape Grandstand	38,263	588,999	93.50%	747,001
9,127,000	Halls	449,196	11,130,311	95.96%	5,487,498
4,000,000	4090174504. Taihape Town Hall and Library Re	209,379	2,065,491	89.86%	2,234,999
5,000,000	4090174505. Marton Building Design & Constr	182,847	8,912,720	97.95%	2,999,999
15,139,083	Roading and Footpaths	5,444,821	9,940,113	45.22%	16,141,080
730,000	Non-Subsidised Roothing	239,477	593,917	59.68%	1,532,000
14,409,083	Subsidised Roothing	5,205,343	9,346,196	44.31%	14,609,080
2,848,000	70100745. Marton Rail Hub	4,980	2,328,442	99.79%	3,047,999
1,637,283	70100781. Sealed Road Pavement Rehabilitati	1,636,358	964,914	-69.59%	1,637,283
985,000	70100782. Drainage Renewals (213)	727,938	642,654	-13.27%	985,000
842,000	70100783. Structures Components Replaceme	95,747	250,657	61.80%	842,001
534,000	7010078417. Renewal Footpath (225)	7,035	490,020	98.56%	534,001
615,000	7010078419. Walking Facilities Renewals (415	0	564,348	100.00%	615,000
2,405,009	70100787. Sealed Road Surfacing (212)	1,645,874	2,156,548	23.68%	2,405,009
3,471,746	70100795. Improvements- Low Cost Low Risk	336,704	1,507,119	77.66%	3,471,746
9,048,427	Water, Sewerage & Stormwater	7,903,583	10,963,111	27.91%	26,010,858
820,799	Stormwater	283,906	967,180	70.65%	2,096,598
500,000	6050177203. Bredins Line New Outfall	5,922	521,800	98.87%	609,000
0	6050177204. Bulls Stormwater Upgrades	163,140	134,600	-21.20%	673,000
2,530,000	Waste Water - Sewerage	5,804,188	6,003,122	3.31%	11,950,626
750,000	6070176204. Wastewater Reticulation	124,768	115,948	-7.61%	950,001
1,250,000	6070176206. Marton to Bulls Centralisation Pro	762,972	596,393	-27.93%	2,250,000
0	6070176207. Land Purchase - Marton to Bulls C	4,220,794	4,000,000	-5.52%	4,000,000
0	6070177108. Taihape Wastewater Treatment P	77,635	200,000	61.18%	1,000,000
0	6070177109. Taihape / Papakai Wastewater Pu	423,891	140,000	-202.78%	700,000
0	6070177111. Ratana Complete Upgrade	47,166	433,125	89.11%	2,165,625
5,236,000	Water - District	1,777,104	3,813,248	53.40%	11,502,004
2,450,000	6060174503. Marton Water Strategy	727,267	2,164,015	66.39%	7,450,003
391,845	6060176316. Bulls Water Pump Station / Risin	435,219	78,809	-452.25%	505,845
2,144,155	6060176401. Water Supply Renewals	519,472	1,136,024	54.27%	2,374,156
36,664,644	Grand Total	14,848,223	34,515,625	56.98%	52,387,170

With the year-to-date expenditure being significantly lower than planned, there will be a deep dive into the programme of work to understand and to reflect in the revised 2025-26 plan, the carry forward underspend.

8.2 Treasury and Debt

Author: Lorraine Bergen, Manager Financial Services

Authoriser: Leanne Macdonald, Group Manager - Corporate Services

1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 To provide the Finance and Performance Committee with an overview of Council's 2024/25 Treasury and Debt position, noting that a separate Debt report is provided to Risk and Assurance Committee which summarises Council's future debt position in more detail.

2. Summary

- 2.1 Council's 2024/25 revised budget includes any Council decisions post the adoption of the most recent updated annual budget (Long term plan 2024-34 (year one)) and includes a 30 June 2025 budgeted debt figure of \$73m.
- 2.2 Council's 28 February 2025 Bank Balance was \$11.72m.
- 2.3 As can be seen from this Report, and as previously reported and discussed in LTP forums, Council remained within its key Liquidity ratios and LTP-stated debt levels at 28 February 2025.

Note: the balances included in this report are only those that are relevant when considering Council's current treasury and debt position: other (non-financial) assets and liabilities also exist.

3. Investments

- 3.1 As stated in previous months' reports, Council currently earns a higher interest rate on its Current Account than it would earn on term deposits.
- 3.2 Council has no other significant financial investments.
- 3.3 Council's Finance Revenue for the year ending 30 June 2025 is expected to be \$55.1m

4. Liquidity

- 4.1 Council's current liquidity position as at 28 February 2025 is as follows:

4.1.1 Current Assets

- | | |
|-----------------|------------------------|
| • Bank/Deposits | \$ 11.72 million |
| • Receivables | \$1.40 million |
| • Prepayments | \$0.75 million |
| • Total | \$13.87 million |

4.1.2 Current Liabilities

- Payables \$ 1.55 million

Net Current Treasury Position \$12.32 million

5. Debt**Current Debt**

5.1 Council Debt at 28 February 2025 was unchanged, as summarised below:

Amount Borrowed	Settled Date	Maturity Date	Fixed Rate of Interest	Annual Interest Cost
\$ 3m	10/05/19	15/4/2029	3.12%	\$ 94k
\$ 5m	08/02/22	14/4/2033	3.68%	\$184k
\$11m	14/04/22	15/4/2027	4.17%	\$459k
\$ 5m	27/04/23	15/5/2028	5.10%	\$255k
\$ 7m	12/06/23	15/5/2028	5.30%	\$371k
\$ 9m	15/04/24	15/6/2026	5.62%	\$506k
\$ 4m	04/06/24	20/04/2029	5.55%	\$222k
\$ 5m	24/01/25	24/04/2025	4.22%	\$211k
\$49m				\$2.3m

5.2 This \$49m currently attracts interest expense of \$2.3m per month, providing a current weighted average cost of funds of 4.37%. However, these costs are partially offset by the borrowed money earning interest income before it is used. Year to date (28 February 2025) this interest income amounted to \$377k (29 February 2024: \$397k).

5.3 Council has engaged a Treasury specialist who will seek to reduce the weighted average cost of funds through making our debt structure more flexible and the introduction of swaps, subject to Council approving a changed Treasury Policy. Treasury specialist fee will add \$24k per annum to cost of borrowing.

6. Borrowing Ratios

6.1 Council's Long Term Plan 2024-34 (pages 152 and 153) includes two Liquidity Ratio Benchmarks set by the LGFA. Incorporating the figures above, Council's YTD performance in relation to these benchmarks is as follows (note these ratios are currently included in a more detailed report that is provided to each Risk and Assurance Committee).

6.2 Net Debt/Total Revenue must not exceed **175%**:

• Debt	\$49.0m
• Bank	\$ 11.2m
• Corporate Bonds	\$ 1.1m
• Notional Net Debt	\$36.7m
• Projected YE Revenue	\$55.1m
Net Debt/Total Revenue	67%

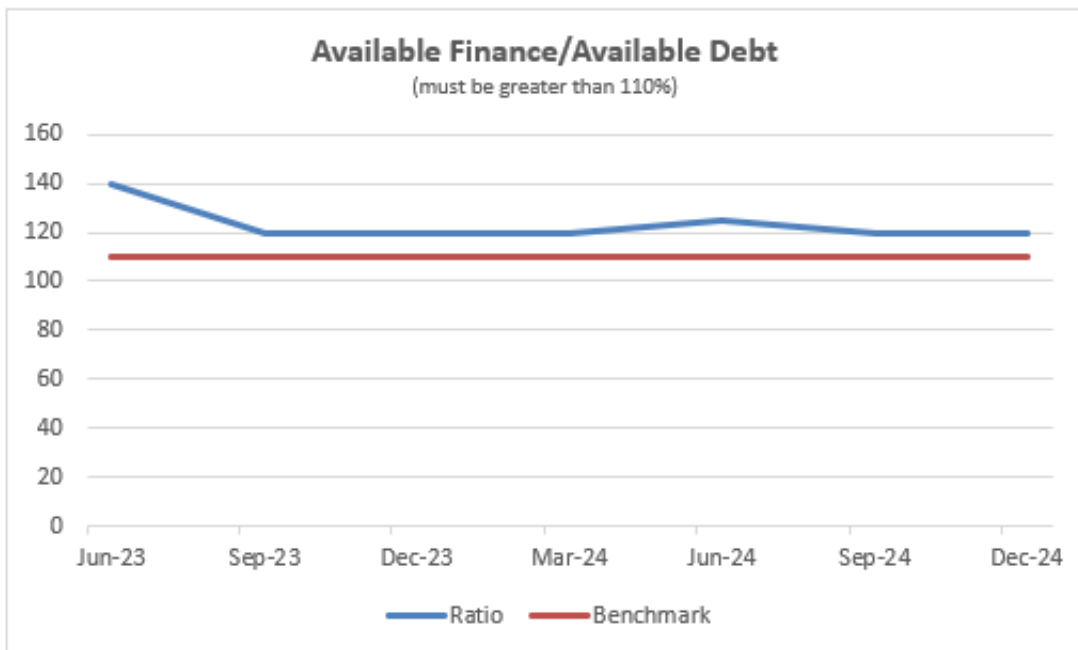
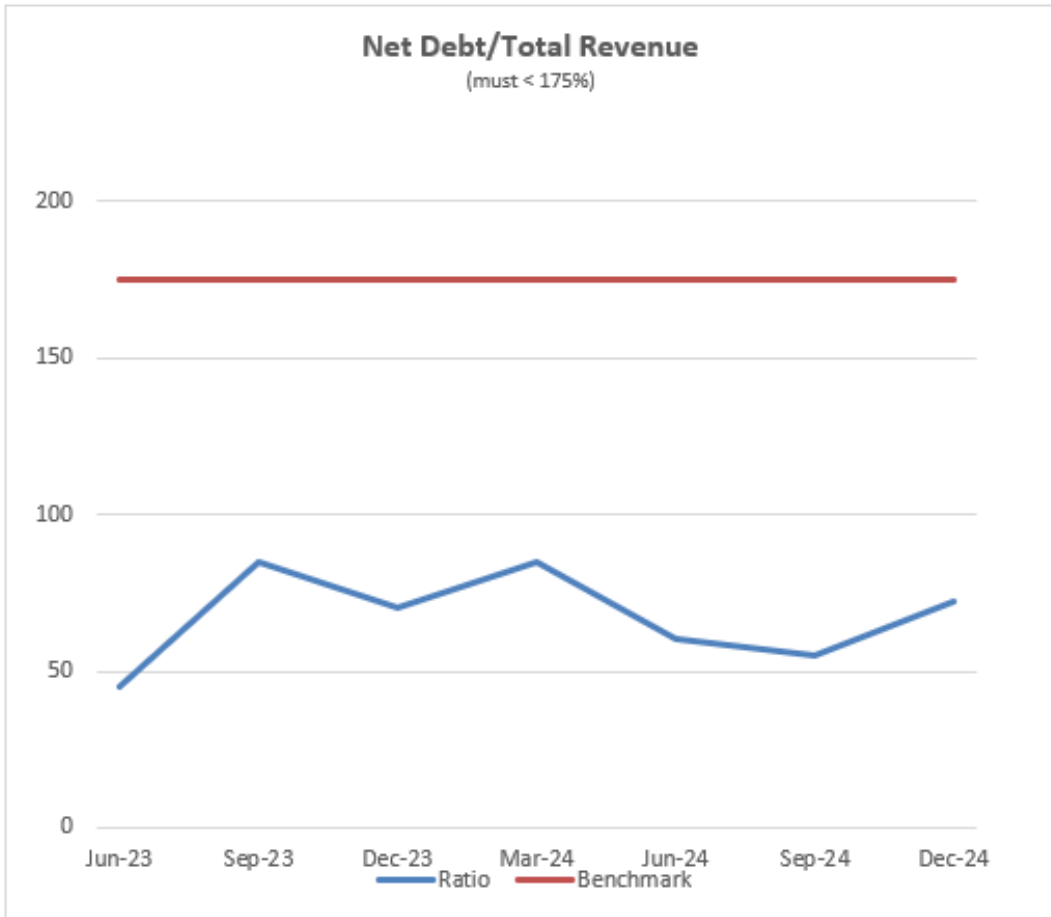
6.3 External debt plus committed facilities plus Liquid Assets (available finance) divided by external debt must be greater than **110%**:

• External Debt	\$49.0m
• Bank/Deposits	\$11.2m
• Available Finance	\$60.2m
Available Finance divided by External Debt	123%

7. Trends

7.1 At the March 2023 Finance/Performance Committee Meeting, Officers were asked to include historic trends (updated quarterly) with respect to these two Liquidity Ratios:

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Note: Council’s 2023/24 Annual Report includes similar trend analyses for the past 5 year-ends (Page 101)

8. Further Commentary, as noted in prior Reports

- 8.1 Officers note that the Financial Strategy and Benchmarks contained in the LTP 2024 show the impact of future Budgets on these debt levels. This is continually reviewed to ensure current and future capital projects remain affordable and within out debt limits.
- 8.2 The Financial Strategy shows that Council's future debt ceilings, based on the LTP Budgets, can cater for Council's LTP Budgets (noting that in some years the 'surplus debt capacity' is relatively low, compared to the 2023/24 position).
- 8.3 Officers will also monitor (and model) over the next few months Councils debt levels and debt capacity assuming the three waters revenue and associated debt are removed from Council's balance sheet.

Recommendation

That the report 'Treasury and Debt ' be received.

8.3 QV Report**Author:** Lorraine Bergen, Manager Financial Services**Authoriser:** Leanne Macdonald, Group Manager - Corporate Services**1. Reason for Report/Commentary**

- 1.1 To provide the Finance and Performance Committee with data provided by QV.
- 1.2 Officers provide this data in response to a prior request from members of the Committee. Officers have previously noted that certain market transactions cause apparent anomalies in some of the data included in the attached and emphasise that this raw information should not be used for any decision making.
- 1.3 Any queries arising from the following data will need to be passed to QV for a response.
- 1.4 Note that the data included in the following mini report is 'live' data so is current as of 18 March 2025. The attached summary includes results of QV's most recent property revaluations.

Attachments:

1. **QV Monthly Report - 18 March 2025** [↓](#)

Recommendation

That the QV Report be received.

RANGITIKEI
DISTRICT COUNCIL

TOTAL CAPITAL VALUE
\$8,064,464,710

TOTAL LAND VALUE
\$5,347,647,100

TOTAL RATING UNITS
8,871

RATING VALUATION
01 August 2023

NEXT RATING VALUATION
01 August 2026

SINCE 1 JULY 2024
+0.39%

+0.16%

+31

Report Centre

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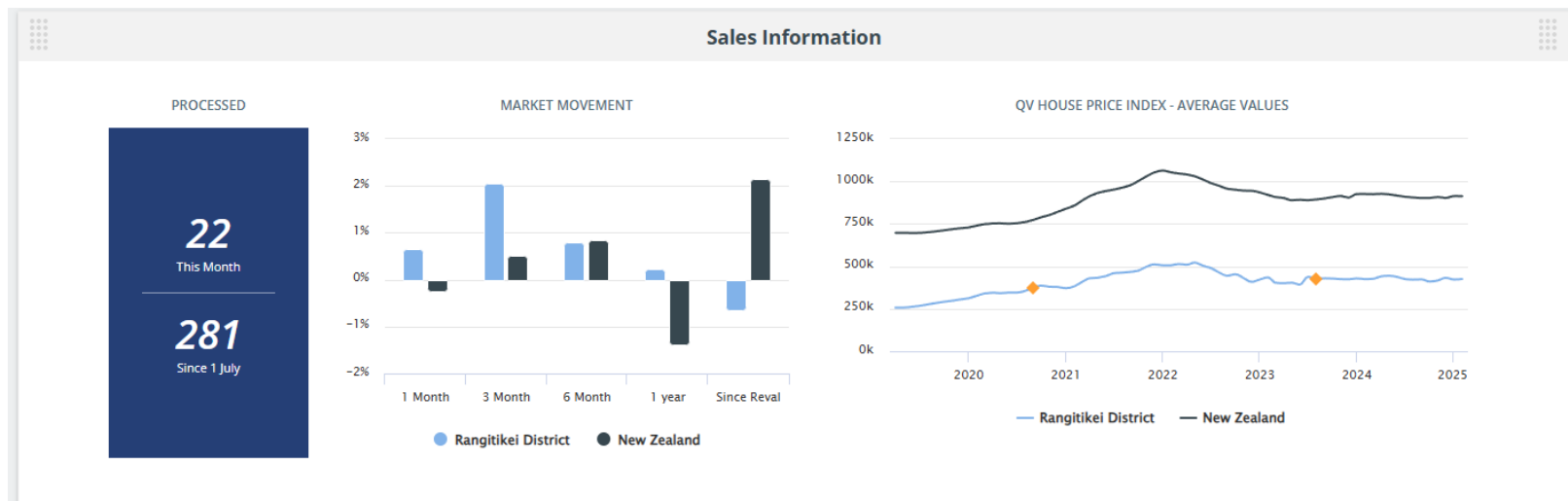
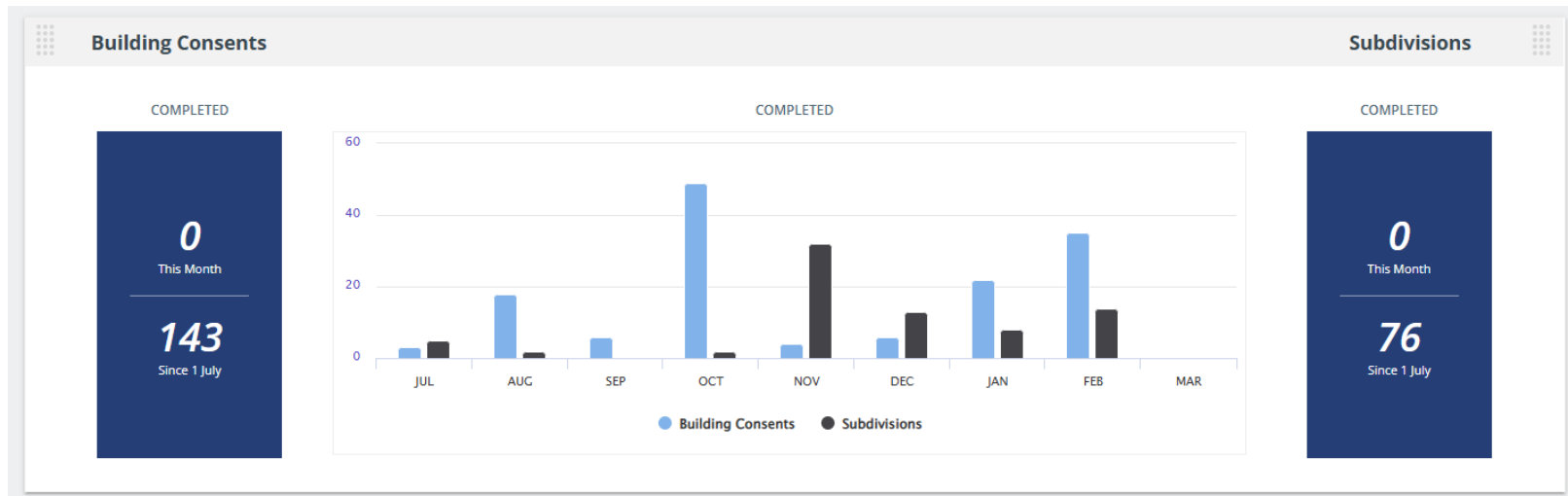
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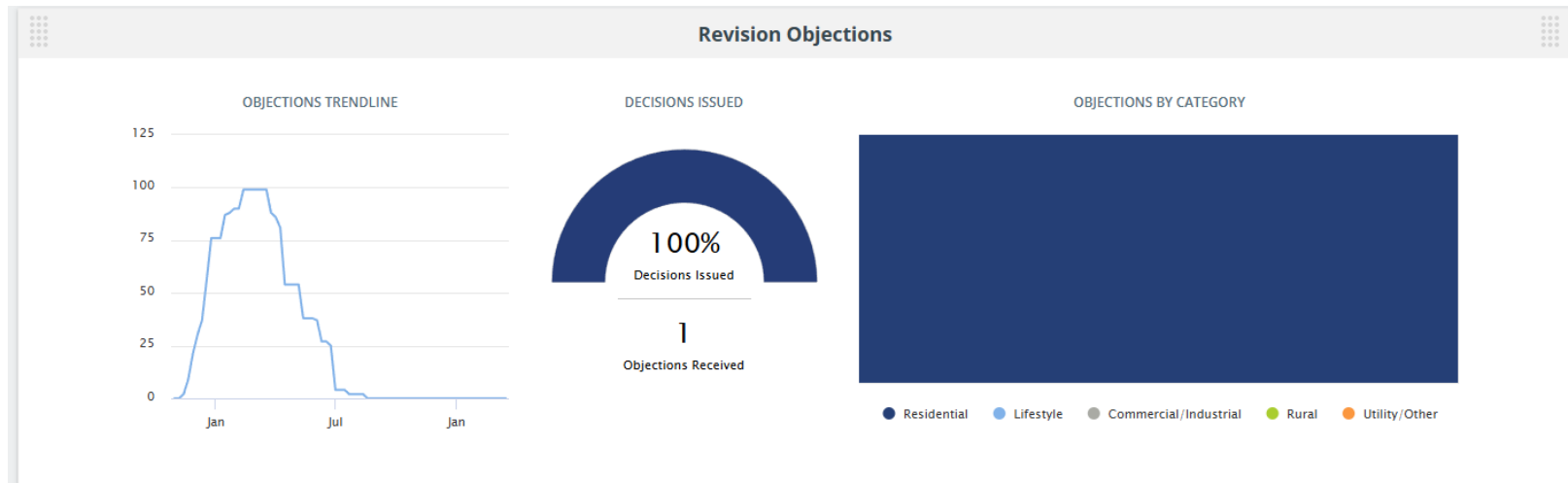
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8.4 Rate Remissions**Author:** Lorraine Bergen, Manager Financial Services**Authoriser:** Leanne Macdonald, Group Manager - Corporate Services**1. Reason for Report**

- 1.1 To provide Finance and Performance Committee with a summary of Council's Rate Remissions Register.

2. Context

- 2.1 Finance and Performance Committee has requested this Rate Remissions Summary be presented quarterly.
- 2.2 Report summarises Remissions by type, number and total amount awarded, covering the previous 12 months period.

3. Discussion and Options Considered

- 3.1 N/a

4. Financial Implications

- 4.1 N/a

5. Impact on Strategic Risks

- 5.1 N/a

6. Strategic Alignment

- 6.1 N/a

7. Mana Whenua Implications

- 7.1 N/a

8. Climate Change Impacts and Consideration

- 8.1 N/a

9. Statutory Implications

- 9.1 N/a

10. Conclusion

- 10.1 N/a

11. Decision Making Process

- 11.1 N/a

Attachments:

1. Rates Remissions Register - March 2025 [↓](#)

Recommendation

That the Rate Remission Report be received.

**Rates Remissions Register
Rangitikei District Council
12 months to March 2025**

	Type	Number	Total amount awarded
1	Rates Relief for economic development	-	-
2	Incentives to address earthquake-prone buildings	-	-
3	Community, Sporting and other Not-for-Profit Organisations	1	\$1,692
4	Contiguous rating units owned or leased by a single ratepayer	-	-
5	Remission of rates set on Multiple Toilet pans	-	-
6	Remission of penalties	186	\$67,944
7	Land Affected by Natural Calamity	-	-
8	Land Protected for Natural Conservation Purposes	-	-
9	Financial hardship or disproportionate rates compared to the value of the property	2	\$3,982
10	Incentivising residential development	-	-
11	Land subject to Rezoning	-	-
12	Any other matters	3	\$12,991

8.5 Summary of Bad Debts

Author: Lorraine Bergen, Manager Financial Services

Authoriser: Leanne Macdonald, Group Manager - Corporate Services

1. Reason for Report

1.1 To provide Finance and Performance Committee with a summary of Council's bad debt position.

2. Context

2.1 Finance and Performance Committee has requested this Bad Debts Summary be presented every six months for the March and September Committee.

2.2 Year to date DMC has collected \$202k for Council.

2.3 Of the 242 files submitted to DMC, 78 have been paid in full, 137 are actively managed and the remaining 27 remain work in progress, either seeking more information, Māori land, legal action, mortgagee process or in default.

3. Discussion and Options Considered

3.1 N/a

4. Financial Implications

Further to queries raised when this Summary was previously reported regarding DMC Fees: DMC fees are generally 10% of what is collected, the exception being the fixed fee for the mortgagee process if a single payment is received (which is \$40 + GST). DMC also on-charge direct costs such as court fees.

5. Impact on Strategic Risks

5.1 N/a

6. Strategic Alignment

6.1 N/a

7. Mana Whenua Implications

7.1 N/a

8. Climate Change Impacts and Consideration

8.1 N/a

9. Statutory Implications

9.1 N/a

10. Conclusion

10.1 N/a

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11. Decision Making Process

11.1 N/a

Attachments:

1. **DMC - RDC February 2025 Dashboard** [↓](#)

Recommendation

That the report 'Summary of Bad Debts' be received.

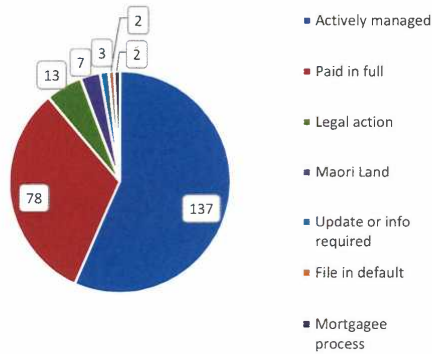
Dashboard 28-Feb-25

Debt Type (Multiple Items)

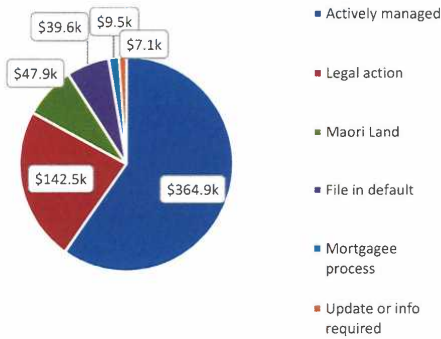


Rangitikei District Council Total collected YTD \$ 201.9k

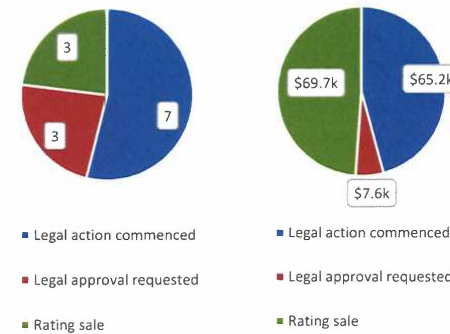
Summary of all files 242



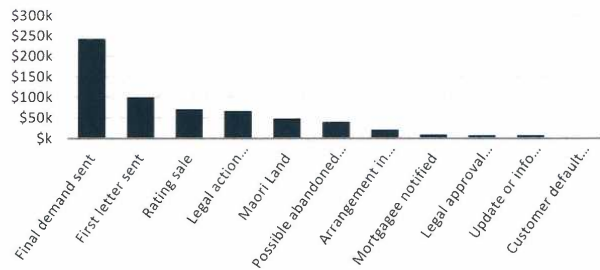
Summary of active files \$ 611.4k



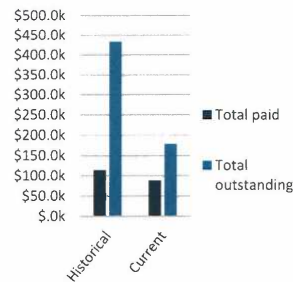
Summary of legal files



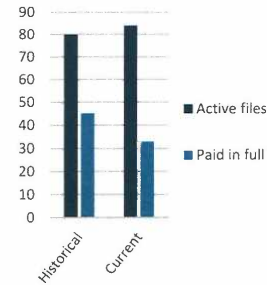
Status of active files



Debt Overview



File Overview



8.6 Public Feedback / Performance Report - February 2025**Author: Jo Manuel, Manager Mana Whenua and Community Hubs****Authoriser: Sophia Sykes, Communications Manager****1. Reason for Report**

1.1 This report provides the Finance/Performance Committee with a regular monthly Community Hubs, Customer Service, and Communications update.

2. Context

2.1 This report covers the February 2025 period and includes feedback received through Council's Happy Or Not system, and Korero Mai – Have Your Say initiative. It also includes an overview of the complaints dashboard, and a monthly communications update.

2.2 The committee are asked to provide any feedback on any other things they would like to see included in this report.

3. Discussion and Options Considered

3.1 As this report is for information only, this item is not considered to be significant according to the Council's Policy on Significance and Engagement.

4. Financial Implications

4.1 There are no financial implications from this report.

5. Impact on Strategic Risks

5.1 There is no direct impact on Council's Strategic Risks associated with this report.

6. Strategic Alignment

6.1 Regular and consistent communications and engagement with the Rangitikei community is a foundational component of Council's strategic framework.

7. Mana Whenua Implications

7.1 There are no direct mana whenua implications associated with this report. Engagement with Mana Whenua is an ongoing priority for the Community Hubs and Communications teams.

8. Climate Change Impacts and Consideration

8.1 There are no notable climate change impacts or considerations.

9. Statutory Implications

9.1 There are no statutory implications associated with this report.

10. Conclusion

10.1 This is a regular monthly report for the Finance/Performance Committee about the performance of Community Hubs and Communications activity.

11. Decision Making Process

11.1 This report is for information only, there are no decisions required.

Attachments:

1. **Public Feedback/Performance Report - February 2025** [↓](#)

Recommendation

That the Public Feedback / Performance Report – February 2025 be received.

Te Whakawhitiwhiti - Communications Report (February 2025)

Commentary from the Comms Corner

- February was dominated by water talk;

Marton Water Strategy

- With increased geosmin levels in the Tutaenui Reservoir in February, there were more taste and odour issues for Marton residents. While community frustration was felt in our online interactions, it's important to highlight that it's clear residents also recognise the complexity of the Marton Water Strategy project - and the extensive work Council is doing to improve this.
- The news of Council providing a water tanker to Marton residents was well received. The public have been vocal in expressing their support for this temporary measure.

Marton Swim Centre

- Progress on the Marton Swim Centre continues to dominate our online interactions. We provided an update this month, which noted that we are making progress towards a plan for reopening. We continue to highlight Council's desire to find a solution for the upcoming season.

Local Water Done Well

- We shared some pre-engagement relating to Local Water Done Well, which launched for consultation in March.
- As expected, Marton water issues made it difficult to separate the future management of three waters services from what's currently coming out of the tap for residents. We used this as an opportunity to explain what Local Water Done Well is in the context of Marton Water Strategy – and other water projects in progress across Rangitikei. This has been a successful approach as it positions something people can't see or comprehend (the realisation of Local Water Done Well), within the context of something that directly impacts them (what's coming out of the tap).

Media Releases

February	Public Interest
Rangitikei Youth Council presents ANZCO Foods with certificate of appreciation	Low
Marton Water Update - February 2025	High
Marton Water Strategy Update - February 2025	High
Marton Swim Centre Update - February 2025	High

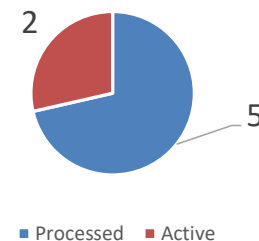
Looking Ahead

Consultation on Local Water Done Well will be completed by 2nd April with Annual Plan & Co a fast follow from 4th April. Pre-engagement on the District Plan review is also planned for April.

Local Elections will soon be in the spotlight. While our main campaign isn't scheduled until May, it is important we begin getting our communications house in order now.

Promotion for Marton Harvest Festival will continue throughout March, with the District Promotions Team running a regional marketing campaign.





LGOIMAs



Te Whakawhitiwhiti - Communications Report (February 2025)

Comms Channels

Social Media Posts

Facebook	Instagram	LinkedIn	Tik Tok
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36	41	2	2

Facebook



POST WITH MOST ENGAGEMENT:

1. Kindness doll

Reach = 19,851 Reactions = 311 Comments = 24 Impressions = 828,460

Followed by:

2. Get a haircut Reel
3. Water issues Reel
4. Marton Water Update



Instagram



POST WITH MOST ENGAGEMENT:

1. Water issues Reel

Plays = 319 Reactions = 15 Watch Time = 26 minutes

Followed by:

2. Get a Haircut Reel
3. Kindness doll
4. Flying Fox



Te Whakawhitiwhiti - Communications Report (February 2025)

LinkedIn

Page Impressions



8,149

New Followers



68

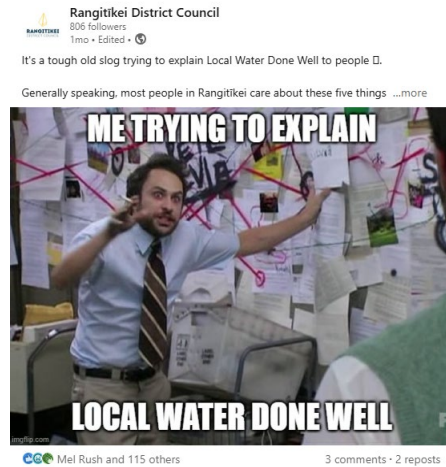
Reactions



117

POST WITH MOST ENGAGEMENT:

- Local Water Done Well explanation
Impressions = 5,496 Engagements = 357 Reactions = 116 Clicks = 236
- Youth Council presentation to ANZCO



Tik Tok

Post Views



4,596

New Followers



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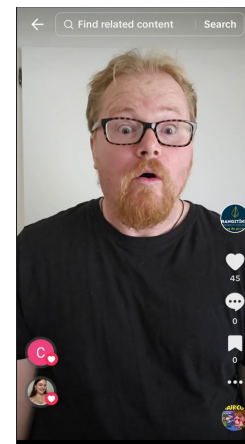
Comments and Replies



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POST WITH MOST ENGAGEMENT:

- Get a haircut Reel
Plays = 1593 Reactions = 45 = Comments = 8 Total play time = 1h:57m:28s
- Followed by:
- Water issues Reel



News and Website Statistics

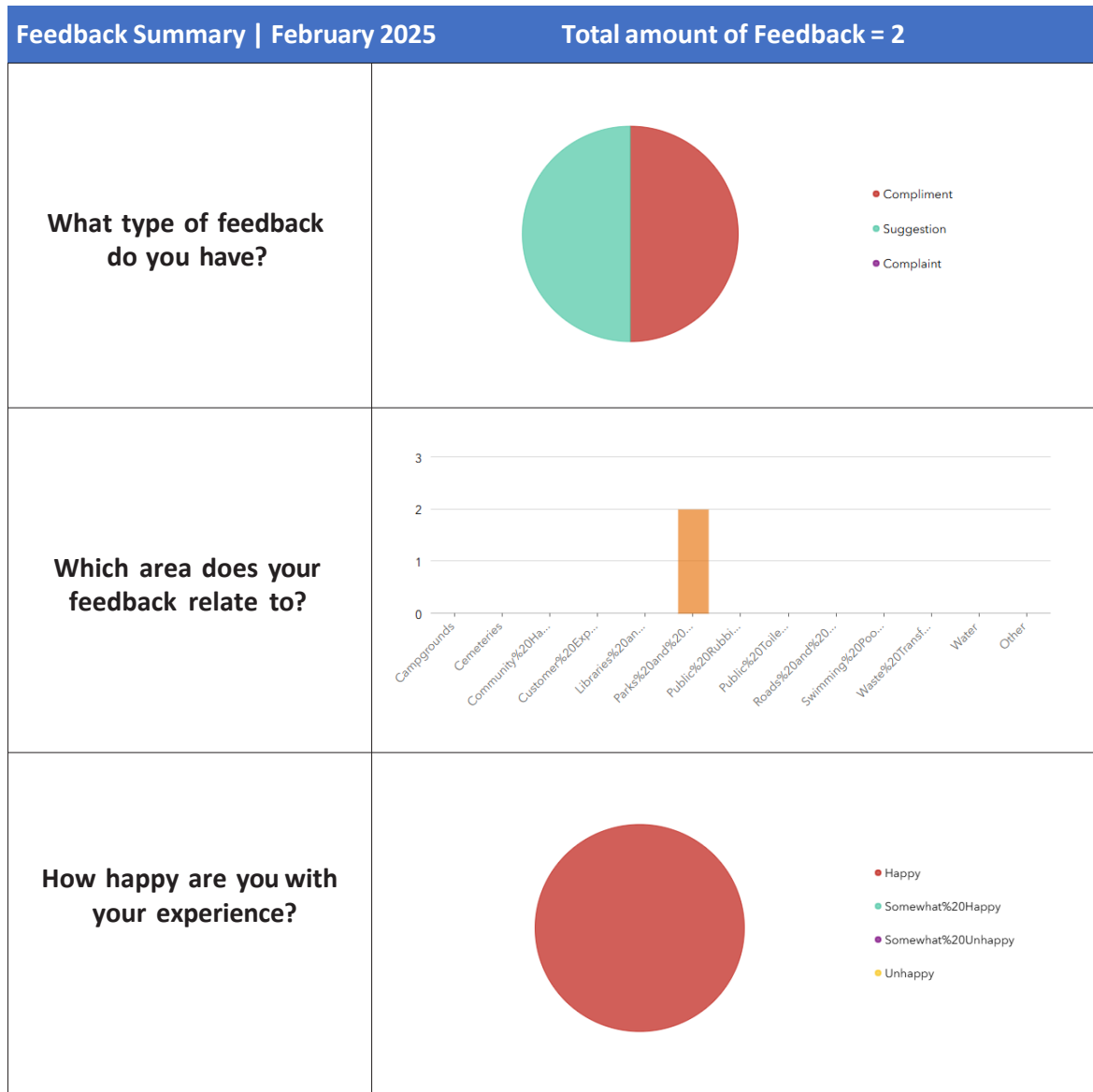
Newspaper Articles	Public Notices	Website Stories	Website New Users
10	5	6	6.8K

Top Five Web Pages

- Rating Information Search
- Library
- Contact Us
- Meetings - Council & Committees
- Marton Transfer Station

Kōrero Mai - Feedback Report (February 2025)

Kōrero Mai feedback is captured from QR codes displayed throughout our community parks and facilities. All submissions are acknowledged (if contact details are supplied) and if required a Request for Service is lodged. This feedback form is not intended for urgent or emergency requests.



Kōrero Mai - Feedback Report (February 2025)

Feedback Received

DATE: 25 Feb 2025

TYPE OF FEEDBACK: Suggestion

AREA FEEDBACK RELATES TO: Park and Reserves - Playground Hunterville

COMMENT:

Nails protruding from rear fence.

EXPERIENCE: Happy

ANYTHING ELSE: -

ACTION TAKEN: Feedback has been lodged as a RFS.



DATE: 16 Feb 2025

TYPE OF FEEDBACK: Compliment

AREA FEEDBACK RELATES TO: Parks and Reserves

COMMENT:

Lovely small play area, perfect for a quick stop on the way home. It would be lovely if the equipment could be refreshed as it's clearly showing its age but well maintained

EXPERIENCE: Happy

ANYTHING ELSE: -

ACTION TAKEN: Feedback provided to Parks Team

Community Hubs Report (February 2025)

Commentary from our Youth Spaces

THE LOBBY

Rangatahi – Youth Taihape Activities

- Setting up the year with korero sessions in engaging different programs that they might be interested in coming into our spaces.
- Working collaboratively with our library staff and local primary schools.
- Providing options available utilizing STEM resources e.g. library VR headsets.-VR afternoon.
- Collaboration of resources in our space for programs that the library staff may want to further develop into the Lobby or Library space.

The Lobby Attendance	
Feb 2025	45
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Friday New entrant classes engagement session at Library and Lobby from Taihape Area School Collab with Library Staff. • Waitangi Big Day Out – Supported Mokai Patea – Facilitated games and interactive space with Play Trailer equipment • Planning with rangatahi for seedling planting (winter vege) to grow that will contribute to their home and local community gardens. • Crafts afternoons – with "nature and the environment" 	



Rangatahi – Youth Marton Activities

- Korero on what days suits what age group better. Discussing if the older ones what a separate day. They are happy with how it is.
- Present making. Candles, bath salts, soaps etc. This will be gifts for sponsors throughout the year. Providing an opportunity for our Tamariki & Rangatahi to show our sponsors appreciation for their help towards our workshops that help build life skills and creativity.
- Movie night coming soon!
- Easter Holiday Programs preparation

YHQ Marton Attendance	
Feb 2025	106
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cupcake baking • Table Tennis challenges 	



Rangitikei District Youth Council

- The Youth Council 2025 induction, held at council chambers, was a success, with 12 out of 13 rangatahi attending.
- The induction aimed to help Youth Councillors feel more comfortable and confident working with their peers, while gaining insight into the governance side of Youth Council.
- Our workshops covered roles and responsibilities, the Youth Council code of conduct, and an open Q&A session.
- To ease any nerves before their first official hui, team building activities helped members connect and get to know each other. Overall, a great start to the year.



Making this place home.

Community Hubs Report (February 2025)

Commentary from the Community Hubs

Community Hubs/facilities are physical or virtual spaces designed to bring people together, fostering social interaction, support and collaboration.

These hubs are our libraries, community centres, co-working spaces or our online digital platforms where individuals can access resources, participate in activities and engage with others.



Welcoming Marton new entrants:

New entrant students from James Cook school visited the Marton library. Some for the first time! The students enjoyed story time with Community Engagement Office Raewyn, exploring the space, and playing with toys in the Community Hub.



Every year the Marton Community Hub enters the **Marton Scarecrow Competition** that's held in the lead-up to Marton Harvest Festival.

Introducing the Marton librarian scarecrow. Here she's advertising all the awesome services offered at the Marton Community Hub.



Holi – Festival of Colour:

Holi comes from the word Hola. On this day we give thanks for the Harvest Season. Our introduction to this festival is celebrated through colour paints as part of a wide global growing culture we live in and enjoy.



2025 Rangitikei Youth Awards

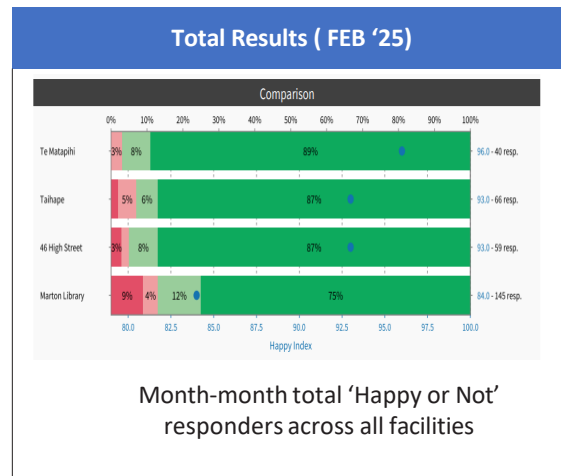
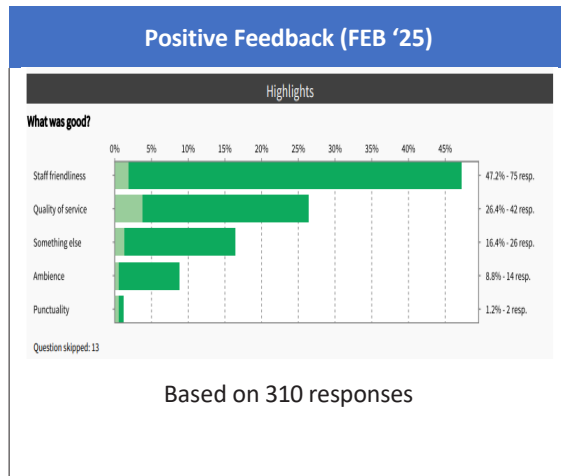
Planning is well underway for this special celebration of the awesome youth who call Rangitīkei home. We're pleased to share we've had great feedback and communication with sponsors on this 2025 event. Nominations are now open and will close 22 April.

Looking Ahead

- Outdoors Wānanga - Eeling, Fishing, Hunting (Marton/Bulls)
- Preparation for Easter Holiday Programs across the district
- Youth Awards 2025 – Nominations now open
- Youth Week 19-25 May

Community Hubs Report (February 2025)

Happy Or Not Report



Summary of HappyOrNot Responses

Please rate our service today

Marton Library

- Staff friendliness**
The staff were very friendly and nice!
- Quality of service**
The quality was awesome!
- Something else**
fisch
- its soo good here
- Something else**
welcome to big ricks dinner a harro
- Something else**
good job guys
- Something else**
i love the people in the reception place
- Punctuality**
loved it
- Quality of service**
good srevis
- Something else**
awesome sauce
- Staff friendliness**
the man working the hubwith glasses is mean
- Quality of service**
not really informed about elibrary

Te Matapihi

Staff friendliness
very nice to offer a cold drink of water

Staff friendliness
unberlable so good

Taihape

- Quality of service**
thank you very much recal libariann
- Staff friendliness**
fantastic to be open on a sunday morning!!
- Quality of service**
love
- Quality of service**
lovely ladies
- Something else**
the ladies are wonderful
- Quality of service**
fantastic service

9 Meeting Closed.