

ATTACHMENTS

Ordinary Council Meeting

26 May 2026

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**TAUPŌ DISTRICT COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, LEVEL 1, 67 HOROMĀTANGI STREET, TAUPŌ
ON TUESDAY, 28 APRIL 2026 AT 1.00 PM**

PRESENT: Mayor John Funnell (in the Chair), Cr Rachel Cameron, Cr Duncan Campbell, Cr Nicola de Lautour (until 2.32pm), Cr Ngāhuia Foreman, Cr Sandra Greenslade, Cr Steve Manunui (from 1.02pm via MS Teams until 1.18pm and then in person from 1.21pm), Cr Wahine Murch, Cr Christine Rankin, Cr Kevin Taylor, Cr Yvonne Westerman, Cr Hope Woodward

IN ATTENDANCE: Chief Executive (J Gardyne), Acting General Manager Community Infrastructure and Services (S Giles), General Manager People and Community Partnerships (H Tattle), General Manager Organisation Performance (S Matthews), Legal and Governance Manager (N McAdie), Communications Manager (L McMichael), Environmental Services Manager (J Sparks), Community Engagement and Development Manager (T Russell), Finance Manager (J Paenga), Project Management Office Manager (P Fletcher), Infrastructure Manager (R Stokes), Resource Consents Manager (H Williams), Environmental Impact Manager (B Aitken), Senior Solicitor (K Hollman), Programme Manager (J Walton), Senior Policy Advisor (H Samuel), Senior Emergency Management Advisor (E Harrington), Policy Advisor (A Wilson), Policy Advisor (C Pilkington), Governance Quality Manager (S James)

MEDIA AND PUBLIC: Seven members of the public

- Notes:
- (i) *This meeting was livestreamed and is available to view on Taupō District Council's YouTube channel.*
 - (ii) *Cr Nicola de Lautour left the meeting at 2.32pm. She was not present for resolutions TDC202604/09-13.*
 - (iii) *The meeting was adjourned at 3.06pm and reconvened at the start of the public excluded part of the meeting at 3.15pm.*

1 KARAKIA

2 WHAKAPĀHA | APOLOGIES

TDC202604/01 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Ngāhuia Foreman

Seconded: Cr Nicola de Lautour

That the apologies received from Cr Kylie Leonard for absence and Cr Steve Manunui for lateness be accepted.

CARRIED

Note: *All members present at the Council meeting voted in favour of resolution TDC202604/01 above.*

3 NGĀ WHAKAPĀNGA TUKITUKI | CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil

4 WHAKAMANATANGA O NGĀ MENETI | CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**4.1 ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING - 31 MARCH 2026****TDC202604/02 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Wahine Murch
Seconded: Cr Christine Rankin

That the minutes of the Council meeting held on Tuesday 31 March 2026 be approved and adopted as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Council meeting voted in favour of resolution TDC202604/02 above.

5 NGĀ KAUPAPA HERE ME NGĀ WHAKATAUNGA | POLICY AND DECISION MAKING**5.1 PUBLIC FORUM**

Item **withdrawn**.

5.2 RECOMMENDATION FROM TAUPŌ WATER SERVICES COMMITTEE - ADOPTION OF THREE WATERS ASSET MANAGEMENT POLICY

The Programme Manager summarised the report.

In answer to questions, the following was clarified:

- Elected Members of Council made policy decisions and calls on the appropriate weighting of compliance versus affordability.
- Water standards were set by Taumata Arowai and were for community safety.
- Engagement with public and iwi was not deemed necessary in accordance with the Significance and Engagement Policy.

TDC202604/03 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Sandra Greenslade
Seconded: Cr Christine Rankin

That Council accepts the recommendation from the Taupō Water Services Committee and adopts the Three Waters Asset Management Policy.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Council meeting voted in favour of resolution TDC202604/03 above.

5.3 CHANGE OF PURPOSE OF LOCAL PURPOSE RESERVE AND DEDICATION OF LOCAL PURPOSE RESERVE AS ROAD UNDER RESERVES ACT 1977 - CROWN ROAD INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

The Senior Solicitor summarised the report and explained that this was the last aspect of the Crown Road development.

TDC202604/04 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Kevin Taylor
Seconded: Cr Rachel Cameron

That Council:

1. resolves, pursuant to s24A(1) of the Reserves Act 1977, to change the purpose of proposed Lot 103 on Land Transfer Plan 614613 from local purpose reserve (drainage) to local purpose reserve (road), on the basis that the exception in s24A(3)(b) to the public notice requirement in s24A(2) applies;
2. resolves, pursuant to s111 of the Reserves Act 1977, to dedicate proposed Lot 103 on Land Transfer Plan 614035 as road subject to the purpose of proposed Lot 103 first being changed to local purpose reserve (road); and
3. authorises the Chief Executive and officers to complete such administrative tasks as needed to give effect to the above resolutions.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Council meeting voted in favour of resolution TDC202604/04 above.

5.4 DELEGATION OF DECISION MAKING FOR RESOURCE CONSENT APPLICATION - 132 BROADLANDS ROAD, TAUPŌ

The Resource Consents Manager summarised the report and set out the process that would be followed.

Members asked that it was emphasised that this resource consent application was separate to the resource consent for the landfill itself, it was for the new waste transfer building.

TDC202604/05 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Rachel Cameron
Seconded: Cr Christine Rankin

That Council, pursuant to section 34A of the Resource Management Act 1991, hereby delegates the functions and powers in regards to:

- the notification decision under section 95 and
- of hearing, consideration, and decision-making under section 104

in relation to a resource consent application for the proposed upgrade of the land transfer station by extending the new building at 132 Broadlands Road, Taupō to an Independent Commissioner with Chairperson accreditation, Ms Rachel Dimery.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Council meeting voted in favour of resolution TDC202604/05 above.

5.5 DELEGATION TO COMMISSIONERS FOR PLAN CHANGES 44-45 AND 47-49

The Senior Policy Advisor corrected the title of the report and noted that Plan Changes 44 and 45 also needed to be included.

She clarified that the list of accredited commissioners had been developed over the years from the Ministry for the Environment list and amended accordingly following engagement with iwi partners.

TDC202604/06 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Sandra Greenslade

Seconded: Cr Kevin Taylor

That, pursuant to section 34A of the Resource Management Act 1991, Council:

1. Appoints one Chairperson to conduct a hearing for Taupō District Plan Changes 44 (Residential Zones), Plan Change 45 (Neighbourhood Centre Zone), Plan Change 47 (Māori Purpose Zone), Plan Change 48 (Designations) and 49 (Minor Corrections), selected from the list of Making Good Decisions certificate holders maintained by the Ministry for the Environment. The proposed Chairperson is David Hill;
2. Appoints one Commissioner with expertise in Te Ao Māori to sit with the chairperson for Plan Change 47 (Māori Purpose Zone) selected from the list of Making Good Decisions certificate holders maintained by the Ministry for the Environment. The proposed commissioner is Eugene Berryman-Kamp; and
3. Delegates to the Commissioners the powers to hear, consider, and make recommendations to Council on the respective Taupō District Plan Changes.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Council meeting voted in favour of resolution TDC202604/06 above.

5.6 FEES AND CHARGES 2026/27 - ANIMAL MANAGEMENT, FOOD LICENSING AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

The Policy Advisor explained that during the last Long-term Plan process, it was decided to gradually increase fees and charges. Inflationary adjustments to the fees were required and more regular adjustments would be required in future.

In answer to questions, the following was explained:

- The proposed new charge for an initial application fee for road stopping would apply to applicants who had a road adjacent or alongside their property. A valuation would need to be done and the Council officers would look at feasibility. They would be able to provide better advice to the applicant without Council bearing the costs.
- The dog registration fee was among the lowest across the country and the animal control fees and charges were at the bottom end of the Revenue and Financing Policy bands. During the Long-term Plan process the following year, the impacts on changing the funding band could be analysed.

Members welcomed a more in-depth look into animal control fees in the future in order to not disincentivise dog owners who were complying and registering their dogs on time each year.

TDC202604/07 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Sandra Greenslade

Seconded: Cr Yvonne Westerman

That Council:

1. Adopts the 2026/27 Animal Management Fees and Charges as per the attached schedule; and
2. Adopts the statement of proposal and schedule for food licensing, resource management and road stopping fees to enable consultation.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Council meeting voted in favour of resolution TDC202604/07 above.

5.7 APPOINTMENT OF LOCAL RECOVERY MANAGER

The Senior Emergency Management Advisor and Community Engagement and Development Manager advised as per the report that Mr Carroll had completed training and been appointed by the Waikato Civil Defence Emergency Management Joint Committee as Taupō District Council's Local Recovery Manager.

It was clarified that the Local Recovery Manager's responsibility was moving from an emergency response into recovery mode. The local recovery response plan would be followed and the Local Recovery Manager would have a delegation of authority in conjunction with Controllers and Elected Members.

TDC202604/08 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Rachel Cameron

Seconded: Cr Christine Rankin

That Council receives the information regarding the appointment of a Local Recovery Manager and formally endorses Mr Nick Carroll as the Local Recovery Manager for Taupō District.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Council meeting voted in favour of resolution TDC202604/08 above.

5.8 TAUPŌ DISTRICT COUNCIL PERFORMANCE REPORT - MARCH 2026

The Chief Executive acknowledged the successful Ironman event in March and thanked members for their input into the Annual Plan and Long-term Plan processes over the last month.

Cr Nicola de Lautour left the meeting at this point (2.32pm).

The Project Management Office Manager highlighted key parts to the Portfolio report. She advised that the Long-term Plan had been added as a new critical project. The overall delivery for the capital programme was up to \$52m. She noted that of the four multi year projects on drinking water standards, two were complete (Kinloch and Omori) but Motuoapa and Hatepe were still ongoing. With the fuel crisis, Hatepe in particular could be impacted with price escalations. It was still too early to understand the full impacts. The Manager highlighted that while a short term deferral of this membrane plant upgrade may be feasible, a longer term deferral would mean commitments made with the water regulator Taumata Arowai would not be met. If there were critical project budget impacts, this would come back to Council for approval.

A member requested that the superloo be brought back to the agenda as she had received a number of calls about it.

TDC202604/09 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Wahine Murch

Seconded: Cr Ngāhuia Foreman

That Council receives the information contained in the Performance Report for the month of March 2026.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Council meeting voted in favour of resolution TDC202604/09 above.

5.9 DEFERRAL OF ROADING ASSET REVALUATION AND MODIFICATION OF ACCOUNTING POLICY

The Finance Manager advised that the independent Chair of the Risk and Assurance Committee Bruce Robertson would have liked to have attended but was not able to.

She summarised the report and advised that if the deferral was approved, Council officers would work with Audit New Zealand. It was possible that an audit qualification would need to be accepted.

TDC202604/10 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Wahine Murch
Seconded: Cr Rachel Cameron

That Council:

1. Approves the modification of the Accounting Policy for Asset Revaluations by removing the words "and at least every three years"; and
2. Approves the deferral of the roading asset revaluation for a period of six months.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Council meeting voted in favour of resolution TDC202604/10 above.

5.10 RESULTS OF FEBRUARY REFORECASTING

The Finance Manager summarised the report. It was clarified that the work on Waipapa Road had started and that it was likely that the New Zealand Transport Agency subsidy of 51% of costs would be received.

TDC202604/11 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Rachel Cameron
Seconded: Cr Kevin Taylor

That Council:

1. Receives the initial results of the reforecasting of capital and operational expenditure and plan for the work related to the global economic uncertainty and associated fuel crisis;
2. Approves increased operational expenditure of \$627,000 (SIX HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SEVEN THOUSAND DOLLARS) to be funded from the reforecasted surplus from the October formal forecasting;
3. Approves the additional budget of \$1,395,000 (ONE MILLION, THREE HUNDRED AND NINETY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS) for roading capital & renewal expenditure to reinstate Waipapa Road after storm damage, to be funded by 51% NZTA subsidy \$711,450, 42% Roothing Reserve \$586,040 and 7% loan funding \$97,510;
4. Approves up to \$36,000 (THIRTY-SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS) of operational maintenance costs for Waipapa Road to be funded from the Disaster Recovery Reserve; and
5. Approves the budget transfer and associated funding of \$900,000 (NINE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS) for the Omori/Kuratau Slip Project and \$100,000 (ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS) for the Wairakei Steam Pipe Bridge into the 2026/27 financial year.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Council meeting voted in favour of resolution TDC202604/11 above.

5.11 COUNCIL ENGAGEMENTS MAY 2026, APPOINTMENTS, AND TRAINING AND CONFERENCE OPPORTUNITIES

The Governance Quality Manager advised that three additional engagements had been added for May:

- Taupō Councillor Connect Forum Tuesday 5 May, 1pm – 3pm, Taupō District Council Chamber
- Taupō East Rural Councillor Connect Forum Wednesday 13 May, 6pm – 8pm, Wairakei School
- Kinloch Councillor Connect Forum Thursday 14 May, 5.30pm – 7.30pm, Kinloch Community Hall

Members deferred the decision to select a councillor to accompany his worship the Mayor to the Local Government all-of-government meeting and Rural Provincial Sector meeting in Wellington on 14 and 15 May.

TDC202604/12 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Ngāhuia Foreman

Seconded: Cr Wahine Murch

That Council:

1. Receives the information relating to engagements for May 2026;
2. Amends Taupō District Council's representation on Te Kōpu ā Kānapanapa, so that Council's primary representatives will be Crs Rachel Cameron and Ngāhuia Foreman; the first alternate representative will be Cr Steve Manunui; with His Worship the Mayor, John Funnell appointed *ex officio*. This membership will be reviewed after a year; and
3. Approves the attendance of Crs Duncan Campbell, Wahine Murch and Hope Woodward at the Zone 2 Local Government New Zealand meeting on Friday 22 May in Karapiro with travel and attendance costs to be paid by Council.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Council meeting voted in favour of resolution TDC202604/12 above.

6 NGĀ KŌRERO TŪMATAITI | CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

TDC202604/13 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Rachel Cameron

Seconded: Cr Ngāhuia Foreman

RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

I move that the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting.

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48[1] of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution	Plain English reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter
<p>Agenda Item No: 6.1 Confirmation of Confidential Portion of Ordinary Council Minutes - 31 March 2026</p>	<p>Section 7(2)(g) - the withholding of the information is necessary to maintain legal professional privilege Section 7(2)(i) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable [the Council] to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)</p>	<p>Section 48(1)(a)(i)- the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under section 7</p>	<p>It is necessary to exclude the public for consideration of the confidential minutes of the 31 March 2026 Council meeting, for the reasons set out on the public agenda for that meeting (negotiations and legal professional privilege)</p>

<p>Agenda Item No: 6.2 Legalisation of Oruanui Road - Progress Update</p>	<p>Section 7(2)(a) - the withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons Section 7(2)(i) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable [the Council] to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)</p>	<p>Section 48(1)(a)(i)- the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under section 7</p>	<p>It is necessary for the public to be excluded to protect privacy of property owners and negotiations that are taking place.</p>
<p>Agenda Item No: 6.3 Appointment of External Representatives to Council Committees</p>	<p>Section 7(2)(a) - the withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons</p>	<p>Section 48(1)(a)(i)- the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under section 7</p>	<p>It is necessary to protect applicants' personal information that they have provided in their cover letters and curriculum vitae.</p>

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Council meeting voted in favour of resolution TDC202604/13 above.

Note: The following resolutions were made with the public excluded but were released after the meeting so can therefore appear in the public part of the minutes:

6.3 APPOINTMENT OF EXTERNAL REPRESENTATIVES TO COUNCIL COMMITTEES

TDC202604/C14 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Hope Woodward
Seconded: Cr Kevin Taylor

That Council appoints Mr Whitu Karauna and Mr Tony Wakefield Community representatives, Mr Alan Te Maari Marae representative, and Ms Margaret Boscher Māori representative to the Mangakino Pouākani Representative Group for the 2025-28 triennium.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Council meeting voted in favour of resolution TDC202604/C14 above.

TDC202604/C15 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Ngāhuia Foreman

Seconded: Cr Wahine Murch

That Council:

1. Appoints Ms Margaret Sagar, Mr Lee Vaughan Community representatives and Ms Cornelia Dempsey Māori representative to the Tongariro Representative Group for the 2025-28 triennium; and
2. Releases the above resolutions relating to appointment of external representatives to Council committees from confidence once all applicants have been advised of the outcome.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Council meeting voted in favour of resolution TDC202604/C15 above.

The meeting was adjourned at 3.06pm.

The meeting closed at 3.45pm with a karakia.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 26 May 2026.

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CHAIRPERSON

Extracts from Standing Orders 2022-2025

15. Public Forums | Ngā Matapakinga a te Marea

Public forums are a defined period of time, usually at the start of an ordinary meeting, which, at the discretion of a meeting, is put aside for the purpose of public input. Public forums are designed to enable members of the public to bring matters of their choice, not necessarily on the meeting's agenda, to the attention of the local authority.

In the case of a committee, subcommittee, local or community board, any issue, idea, or matter raised in a public forum, must fall within the terms of reference of that body.

15.1 Time limits | Ngā tepenga wā

A period of up to 30 minutes, or such longer time as the meeting may determine, will be available for the public forum at each scheduled local authority meeting. Requests must be made to the chief executive (or their delegate) at least one clear day before the meeting; however this requirement may be waived by the chairperson. Requests should also outline the matters that will be addressed by the speaker(s).

Speakers can speak for up to 5 minutes. Where the number of speakers presenting in the public forum exceeds 6 in total, the chairperson has discretion to restrict the speaking time permitted for all presenters.

15.2 Restrictions | Ngā Herenga

The chairperson has the discretion to decline to hear a speaker or to terminate a presentation at any time where:

- A speaker is repeating views presented by an earlier speaker at the same public forum;
- The speaker is criticising elected members and/or staff;
- The speaker is being repetitious, disrespectful or offensive;
- The speaker has previously spoken on the same issue;
- The matter is subject to legal proceedings; and
- The matter is subject to a hearing, including the hearing of submissions where the local authority or committee sits in a quasi-judicial capacity.

15.3 Questions at public forums | Ngā pātai i ngā matapakinga a te marea

At the conclusion of the presentation, with the permission of the chairperson, elected members may ask questions of speakers. Questions are to be confined to obtaining information or clarification on matters raised by a speaker.

15.4 No resolutions | Kāore he tatūnga

Following the public forum, no debate or decisions will be made at the meeting on issues raised during the forum unless related to items already on the agenda. (See the LGNZ Guide to Standing Orders for suggestions of good practice in dealing with issues raised during a forum).

15.5 Application of restrictions | Te hāngaitanga o ngā Herenga

Clause 15.2 above applies to members of the public addressing meetings at any time, not just as part of a scheduled public forum session.

Extracts from Standing Orders 2022-2025**9.1 Items of business not on the agenda which cannot be delayed | Ngā take kāore i runga i te rārangi take e kore e taea te whakaroa**

A meeting may deal with an item of business that is not on the agenda where the meeting resolves to deal with that item and the chairperson provides the following information during the public part of the meeting:

- (a) The reason the item is not on the agenda; and
- (b) The reason why the discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting.

LGOIMA, s 46A(7).

Items not on the agenda may be brought before the meeting through a report from either the chief executive or the chairperson.

Please note, that nothing in this standing order removes the requirement to meet the provisions of Part 6 of the LGA 2002 with regard to consultation and decision-making.

9.2 Discussion of minor matters not on the agenda | Te kōrerorero i ngā take iti kāore i runga i te rārangi take

A meeting may discuss an item that is not on the agenda only if it is a minor matter relating to the general business of the meeting and the chairperson explains at the beginning of the public part of the meeting that the item will be discussed. However, the meeting may not make a resolution, decision, or recommendation about the item, except to refer it to a subsequent meeting for further discussion.

LGOIMA, s 46A(7A).

TAUPŌ DISTRICT COUNCIL

NOTICE OF MOTION

I Duncan Campbell, give notice that I intend to move the following motion at the Taupō District Council meeting to be held on 28 April 2026:

That Taupo District Council:

1. Notes recent public reporting concerning local authority meeting conduct, particularly Rotorua, where questions have been raised regarding the ability of elected members to fully participate in formal proceedings.
2. Affirms that the ability of elected members to speak to matters before the Council, within the framework of Standing Orders, is a fundamental component of representative democracy.
3. Confirms that Standing Orders are to be applied in a manner that facilitates orderly debate while preserving each member's reasonable opportunity to participate.
4. Agrees that any speaking time limits adopted by the Council (including any standard limits applied by the Chairperson) are to be applied consistently, fairly, and without undue restriction of members' participation.
5. Further affirms that elected members should not be unreasonably prevented, whether by procedural requirements or their application, from bringing forward or speaking to matters of public interest.
6. Notes that maintaining public confidence in local democratic processes requires that meeting procedures are applied in a manner that is transparent, even-handed, and consistent with the principles of natural justice.

The publicity of a recent incident at Rotorua Lakes Council highlights the issue around the ability of elected members to fully express their views during formal proceedings. It is important for this to be acknowledged, because it has relevance to the way this Council can function. Clause 5.1 of the Taupo District Council Code of Conduct and Clause 20 of Standing Orders deserve specific reference.

Signed by mover:



Councillor Duncan Campbell

Date: 19 April 2026

Signed by seconder:



Councillor Hope Woodward

Date: 19 April 2026

**Kinloch
Kindergarten &
Community Building
TDC Workshop**

14 April 2026

Pat Kane – Project Leader
Bruce Bartley – KFT Deputy Chair
Belinda Walker – KFT Chair



Kinloch Kindy & Community Building

Community Need

Community Support



Funds raised - **\$115,000** plus site at **\$535,000**
Kinloch Reserves Developer Contributions
Relationship established with other funders



Aligns with Kinloch Reserves Plan
No Rates impact
No ongoing costs for TDC



Proven team Capable of delivery





Next Steps

- TDC support confirmed
- Key Funding applications
- Community Fundraising events
- Building begins
- Kinloch Kindergarten & Community Building opens 2027



Additional Slides



Background

- Kinloch Community Plan 2017
- Part time Kindy in the Community Hall opened 2019
- Jack Jenkins establish the KFT Kindy Building Project in 2023
- Seven Oaks donation of section
- Funds raised & in kind contribution
- Design & Resource Consent



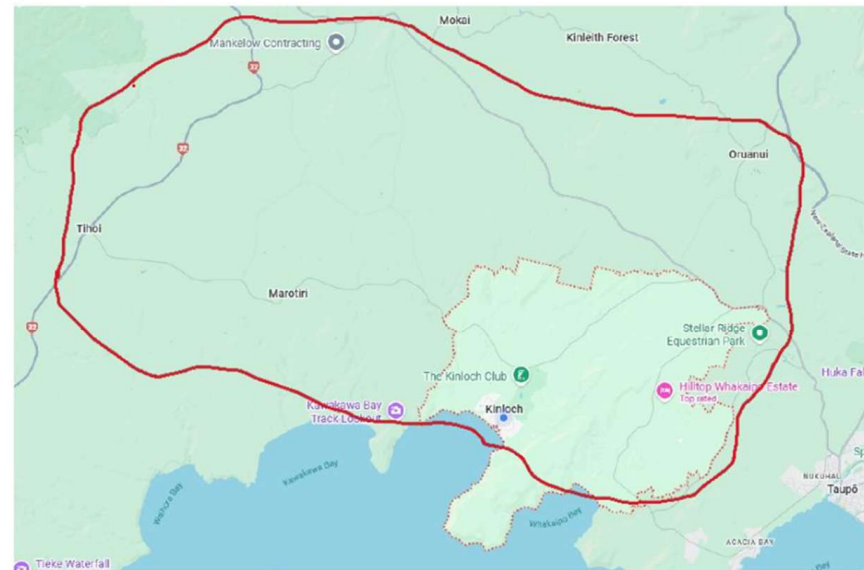
Funding

- Funding
 - \$115,000 raised plus in kind contributions
 - Section valuation estimate \$535k
 - TOTAL = 650,000
 - Building estimate = \$950,000



Catchment/Need

- Catchment Area



Proposed Kinloch Kindergarten - Catchment



Floor Plan





Support

- Resource Consent granted
 - Neighbours in agreement
 - Traffic assessment done & approved
 - Infrastructure in place
- Iwi & DOC support use of reserve
- Ministry of Education & Ministry of Health approval



Kinloch Families Charitable Trust

- Registered Charitable Trust
- Trustees:
 - Belinda Walker MNZM
 - Brigid Eady
 - Bruce Bartley
- Purposes of the Trust:
 - (a) To benefit the Kinloch Community by keeping the local community informed about, and encouraging community participation in, decisions affecting the community, such as planning and development processes
 - (b) To benefit the Kinloch community by holding public meetings, and representing the Kinloch community to and with community liaison groups
 - (c) To benefit the Kinloch community by promoting a sense of community, fostering their ability to work together and provide opportunities for locals and in particular youth in the community, and
 - (d) such other charitable purposes as the Trustees may decide.



Use of the Building

- Full time Kindy
- 13% of building is dedicated for community use
- Potential for Civil Defence use



Risks

- Could Trusts fail?
- Kinloch Families Trust
 - Charitable Trust
 - Duly Incorporated in 2021
 - Not for profit
 - Thriving in fast growing Kinloch
- Central Kids Kindergarten Trust
 - not for profit Trust
 - Over 50 central North Island centres
 - Commitment shown to Kinloch



Proven Project

- This Project is capable of being delivered:
 - Proven fundraising - \$115k to date
 - Proven track record establishing a Kindy
 - Proven partnership with Central Kids
 - KFT – proven entity – see KFT slide

Rights of Objection

sections 357, 357A and 357B of the Resource Management Act 1991

357 Right of objection against certain decisions

- (1) A person whose application to a territorial authority is not granted under [section 10\(2\)](#) has a right of objection to the territorial authority.
- (2) A person whose submission to an authority is struck out under [section 41D](#) has a right of objection to the authority.
- (3) A person whose application to a consent authority is determined to be incomplete under [section 88\(3\)](#) has a right of objection to the consent authority.
- (3A) A person has a right of objection to a consent authority that decides to return the person's application under [section 91C\(2\)](#) or [91F\(2\)](#).
- (4) A person whose application or submission is declined to be processed or considered by a board of inquiry exercising the powers of a consent authority under [section 99\(8\)](#) has a right of objection to the board.
- (5) A person who requests a certificate of compliance from the EPA under [section 139\(13\)](#) has a right of objection to the EPA about the EPA's decision on the request.
- (6) A requiring authority whose notice to a territorial authority is declined under [section 182\(5\)](#) has a right of objection to the territorial authority.
- (7) A requiring authority whose application to a territorial authority is not granted under [section 184](#) has a right of objection to the territorial authority.
- (8) A requiring authority or heritage protection authority whose request to a territorial authority is not granted under [section 198C\(4\) to \(5A\)](#) has a right of objection to the territorial authority.
- (9) A person has a right of objection to a regional council about a public notice given by the council under [section 369\(11\)](#).

357A Right of objection to consent authority against certain decisions or requirements

- (1) There is a right of objection to a consent authority,—
 - (a) in respect of that authority, for any person who has made an application under—
 - (i) [section 124\(2\)](#) (which relates to the exercise of a resource consent while applying for a new resource consent):
 - (ii) [section 125\(1A\)\(b\)](#) (which relates to the lapsing of consents):
 - (iii) [section 126\(2\)\(b\)](#) (which relates to the cancellation of consents):
 - (iv) [section 139](#) (which relates to certificates of compliance):
 - (v) [section 139A](#) (which relates to existing use certificates):
 - (b) *[Repealed]*
 - (c) *[Repealed]*
 - (d) in respect of an application or a submission that a consent authority declines to process or to consider, as provided for by [section 99\(8\)](#), for the person who made the application or submission:
 - (e) in respect of a decision of the authority under [section 87E\(5\) to \(6A\)](#), for a person who made a request under [section 87D](#):
 - (f) in respect of the consent authority's decision on an application or review described in subsections (2) to (5), for an applicant or consent holder, if—
 - (i) the application or review was notified; and
 - (ii) either no submissions were received or any submissions received were withdrawn:
 - (g) in respect of the consent authority's decision on an application or review described in subsections (2) to (5), for an applicant or consent holder, if the application or review was not notified.
- (2) Subsection (1)(f) and (g) apply to an application made under [section 88](#) for a resource consent. However, they do not apply if the consent authority refuses to grant the resource consent under [sections 104B and 104C](#). They do apply if an officer of the consent authority exercising delegated authority under [section 34A](#) refuses to grant the resource consent under [sections 104B and 104C](#).
- (3) Subsection (1)(f) and (g) apply to an application made under [section 127](#) for a change or cancellation of a condition of a resource consent.
- (3A) *[Repealed]*
- (4) Subsection (1)(f) and (g) apply to a review of the conditions of a resource consent under [sections 128 to 132](#).
- (5) Subsection (1)(f) and (g) apply to an application made under [section 221](#) to vary or cancel a condition specified in a consent notice.

357B Right of objection in relation to imposition of additional charges or recovery of costs

There is a right of objection,—

- (a) for a person required by a local authority to pay an additional charge under [section 36\(5\)](#) or costs under [section 149ZD\(1\)](#), to the local authority in respect of that requirement:
- (ab) for a person required by the EPA to pay costs under [section 149ZD\(2\) or \(3\)](#), to the EPA in respect of that requirement:
- (b) for a person required by the Minister to pay costs under [section 149ZD\(4\)](#), to the Minister in respect of that requirement.

Regulatory Committee

Standing Committee

Objective	To exercise a range of functions relating to roading and reserves throughout the Taupō district (excluding those functions within the Mana Whakahono boundary)
Membership	Mayor One (1) Te Papamārearea Māori Ward councillor Five (5) other councillors
Quorum	Four (4)
Meeting frequency	Every two months
Reporting	Reports to Council

Scope of activity

1. Exercising Council's statutory regulatory functions under the following Acts and Regulations (and any amendments) that are not elsewhere delegated to staff and that relate to matters within the Taupō district, but with the exception of matters within the Mana Whakahono boundary:

Local Government Act 1974 ("LGA 1974"), Part 21, including:

- Road naming (section 319A of the LGA 1974);
- Decisions on pedestrian malls (section 336 of the LGA 1974);
- Licences to occupy roads (section 341(3) of the LGA 1974); and
- Decisions on stopping and closing roads (section 342 of the LGA 1974).

Reserves Act 1977 (excluding the development of reserve management plans under s 41 of that Act)

Leases and licences under the Conservation Act 1987

Hear objections to resource management decisions under sections 357, 357A and 357B of the Resource Management Act 1991

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2. Considering resident and ratepayer appeals to decisions made in accordance with Council's Tree and Vegetation policy (excluding decisions relating to trees and vegetation within the Mana Whakahono boundary).
3. Making changes to the Asset Management Data Standard relating to roads and public spaces throughout the Taupō district, except for roads and public spaces within the Mana Whakahono boundary (e.g. no stopping, parking signs and times, road markings etc) and in accordance with bylaws made under the Land Transport Act 1998.
4. Developing and, if requested, making decisions in relation to specific regulatory strategies or policies as delegated by Council, for example reserve management plans, reserve encroachment policies etc.

Power to act

1. Council delegates powers and duties under the Acts, Regulations and policies specified above, except where they may not be delegated, or where they are elsewhere delegated.
2. If any matter is of such strategic or policy importance or urgency, then, with the endorsement of the appropriate Chairperson or His Worship the Mayor, the matter shall be referred direct to Council.

Power to recommend to Council

The Committee has the power to resolve only on matters relating to the Acts, Regulations and policies specified above.

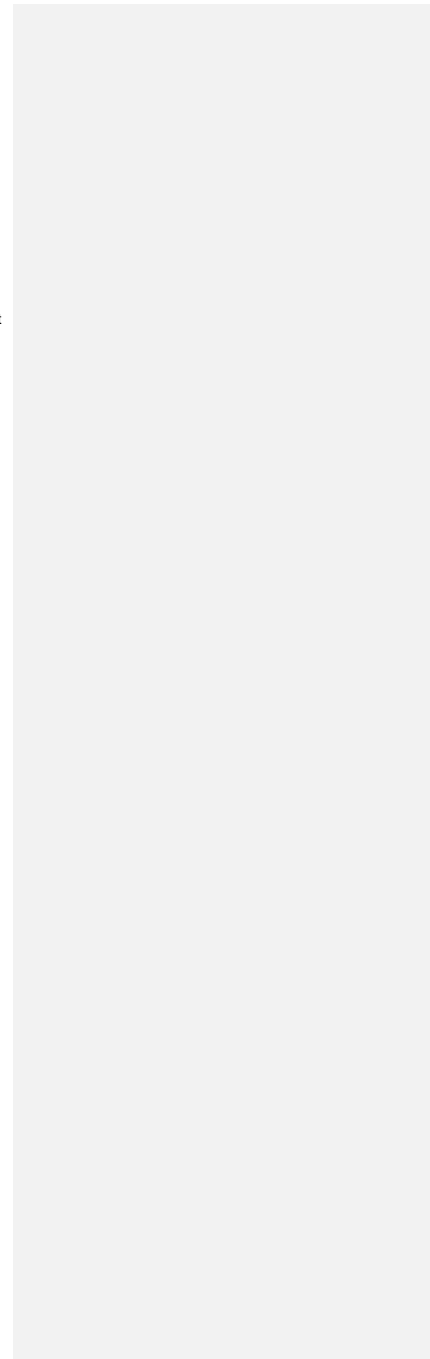
Delegation of powers

This Committee has no powers to sub-delegate.

Limits on authority

The Committee's 'power to act' pursuant to these delegations is subject to:

1. Matters being related solely to the functions specified above.
2. An overriding responsibility to ensure that its actions and decisions are always within the law .
3. An overriding responsibility to ensure that its actions and decisions are within Council policy, or if in conflict with a Council policy, that this is explicitly identified in a report to Council and any relevant resolutions.





TAUPŌ DISTRICT COUNCIL

PERFORMANCE REPORT

April 2026

CHIEF EXECUTIVE - Julie Gardyne

Overview

The government has recently made announcements on the future form and function of local government. Following that announcement councillors discussed and provided guidance to the organisation on how they wish to respond. Based on that direction, early work has commenced to understand the implications for Taupō District Council, and options available, while we continue to focus on delivering our core services to the community.

Government policy update

The government has set out two reform pathways. The Head Start pathway allows groups of councils three months to develop a proposal for a unitary authority, with no structural change until after the 2028 local government elections. Alternatively, a Back Stop process would see the government intervene to ensure reform proceeds, also post-2028.

While Head Start is voluntary, council has asked the organisation to investigate this option, so Taupō District is informed, prepared, and able to influence outcomes, particularly given the potential for decisions by other councils in the region to affect us. Government has also made it clear that the message is “do this, or we will do it to you”.

Stakeholder relationships

There is strong concern about the short timeframe for meaningful engagement with communities and iwi, but it has been agreed that it is in Taupō District’s best interests to explore options based on local knowledge rather than risk being directed into a government-determined arrangement. At this stage, there are no preferred outcomes and many uncertainties remain.

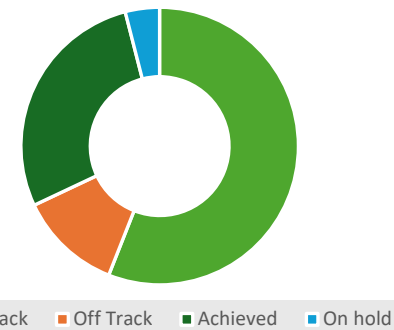
No changes are expected before 2028. Some longer-term work may be reprioritised while this investigation is undertaken, but the organisation remains focused on serving the district.

Operating efficiency and improvements

Council’s internal (ELT) business plan outlines our core portfolio programmes for 2025/2026 financial year, highlighting a heavy schedule of non-business-as-usual projects, including major initiatives such as capital delivery (\$70 million), resource consent processes, long-term planning for water services, legislative reforms, and complex cross-council strategic reviews. Recurring activities span infrastructure upgrades, regulatory compliance, health and safety frameworks, and core financial strategies.

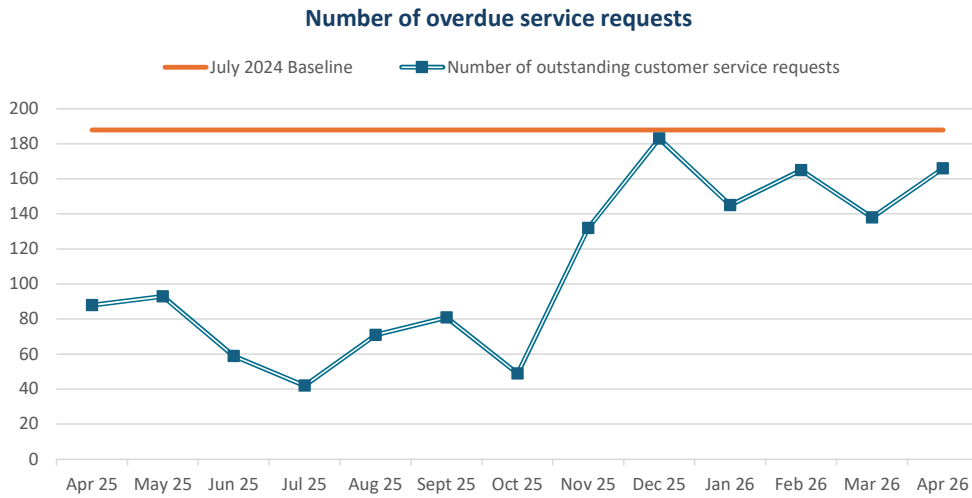
As at April 2026, 28 of the 50 activities were on track, with a further 14 already completed. The six activities that are off track are associated with erosion control and ongoing resource consent application processes. The payroll system upgrade and infrastructure asset revaluations are currently on hold.

ELT Business Plan; 50 activities



PEOPLE AND COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS - Hadley Tattle

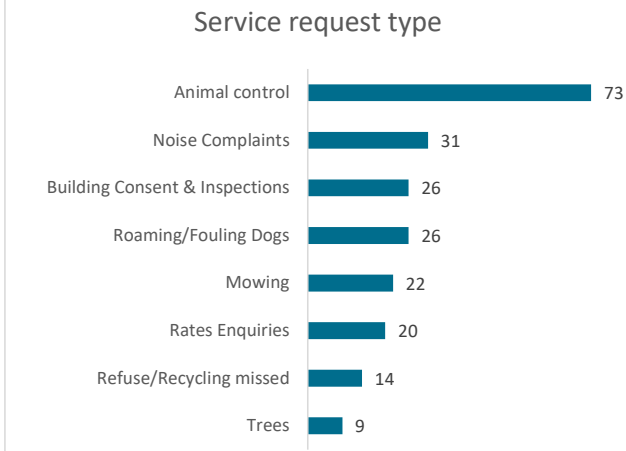
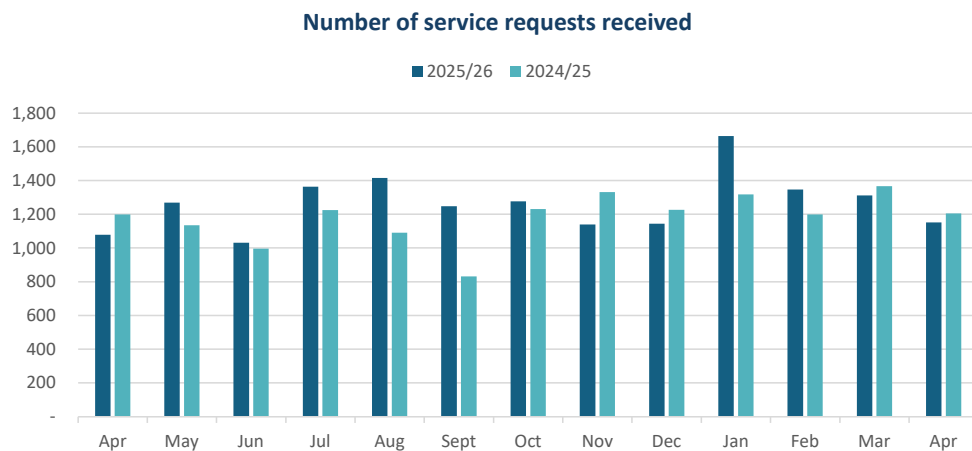
Customer focus



3548 calls received by customer services

78% of calls answered within 40 secs

April's service request and call volumes decreased from March, reflecting the expected seasonal shift as the district moves out of the summer peak and into the cooler months. Call responsiveness remains broadly on track, sitting slightly below the target for the month. While the service request backlog increased modestly in April, overall levels remain below baseline and continue to be actively monitored, particularly for high-volume request types. Notably, the most visible community-facing categories (such as animal control, noise complaints and roaming dogs) declined compared with March. This reduction is consistent with typical seasonal patterns as the we transition out of the summer period, when outdoor activity and associated impacts are highest.



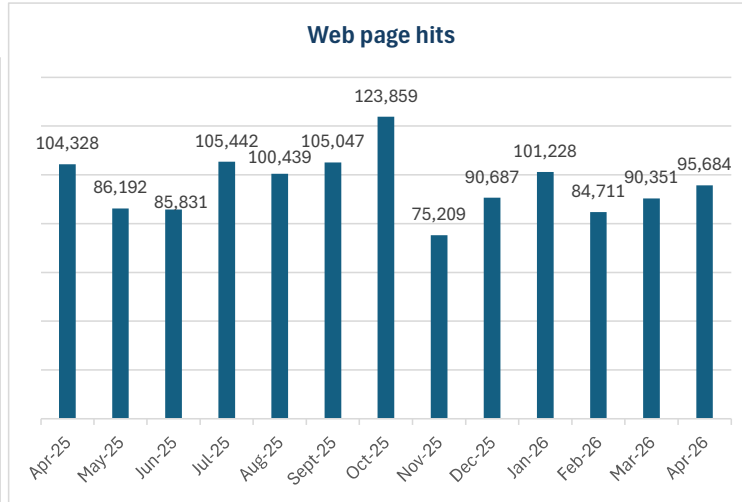
Community engagement and communications

424,978 people engaged in social media across these three messaging areas in April

Cyclone Vaianu - There was a lot of interest in the arrival of Cyclone Vaianu given the forecast severity of the event and the fact that messaging began five days in advance of the cyclone's arrival. On the whole the messaging was well-received and people appreciated not only the Civil Defence messaging but also the communications around impacts on council services.

Supercars - One of our biggest events of the year with huge community engagement and lots of shares across social media meant that our posts about Track to Town, the Supercars trophies, engagement events and a wrap-up video were popular.

Rates increases - In line with our commitment to transparency, once the councillors approved the draft average rates increase of 6.6 percent, we included this in our communications channels so that property owners would not be caught by surprise when the new financial year begins on 1 July 2026.



Iwi partnerships and initiatives

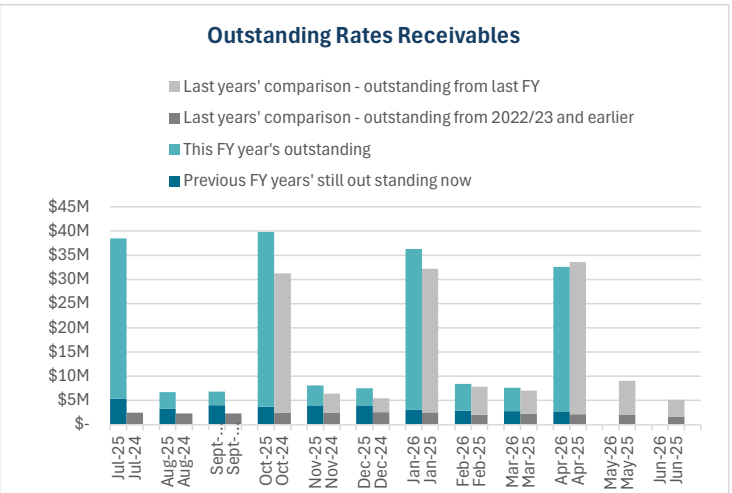
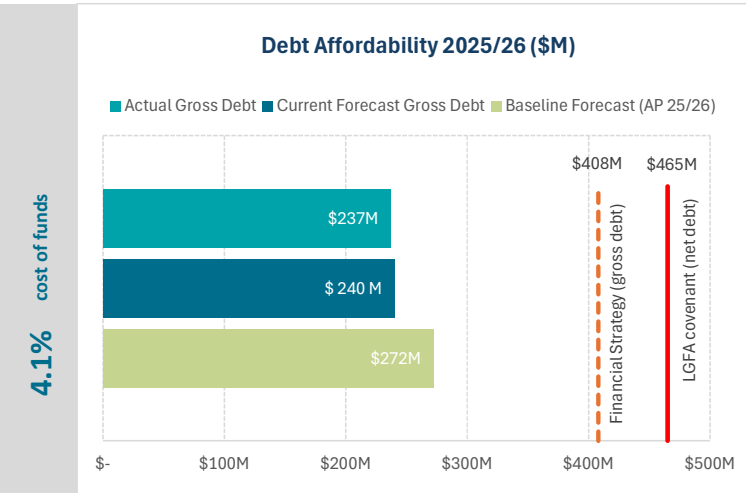
April was a productive month, with a focus on induction and relationship-building.

This included the Council–Ngāti Tūrangitukua induction for staff and elected members at Te Mataapuna in Tūrangi, which was well received by all of those in attendance.

Engagement with Ngāti Manawa and Ngāti Whare was also progressed in relation to the Rangitāiki River Forum, alongside the delivery of an induction to support effective participation and shared understanding.

ORGANISATION PERFORMANCE - Sarah Matthews

Financial Strategy

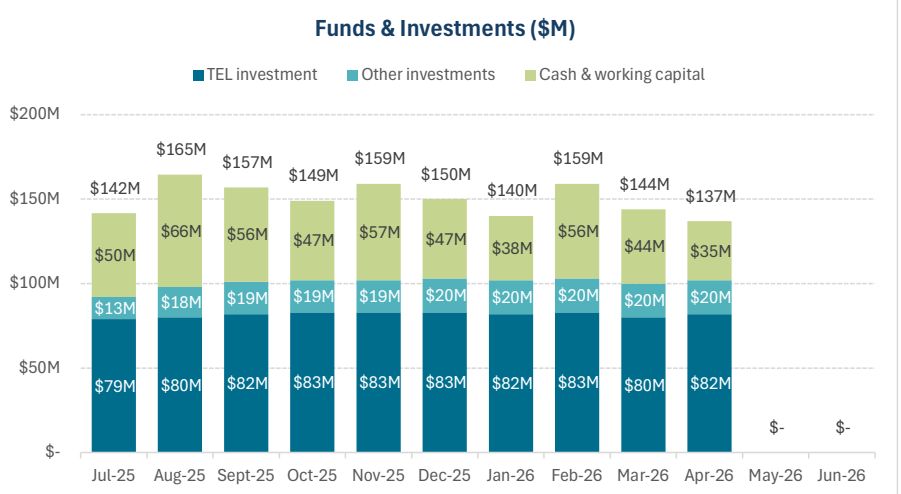


TEL investment has stabilised after a small reduction in March caused by global uncertainty.

Looking forward we are in position that sees us well within our LGFA Covenants. We are anticipating that minimal further external borrowing will be required before June and have adjusted our forecasted debt position at year end accordingly allowing for a small increase.

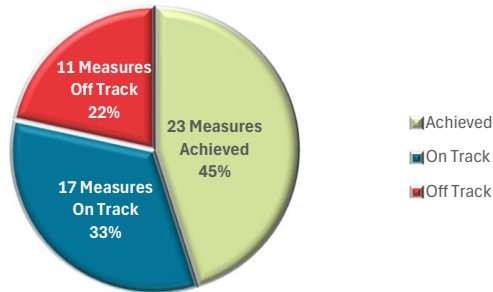
Councils cost of capital has also stabilised however the conflict in the Middle East will continue to affect financial markets. Council is protected to some extent from our interest rate derivatives which help to keep our cost of capital at the current levels.

Total rates debt is below the same period last year.

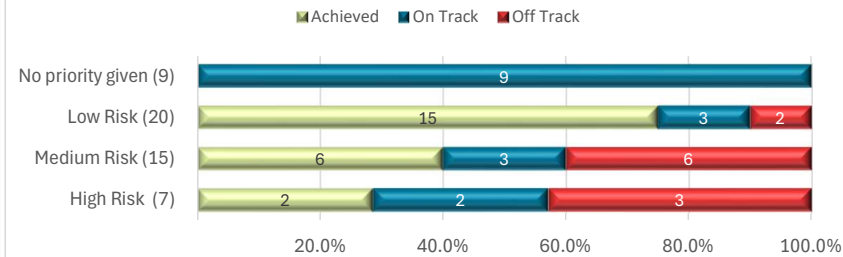


Health & Safety Improvements

Progress of Health & Safety Workplan



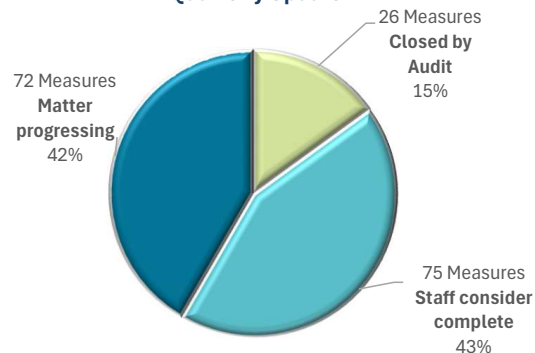
Achievement of Health & Safety Workplan, arising out of KPMG Recommendations (as a % of number of measures)



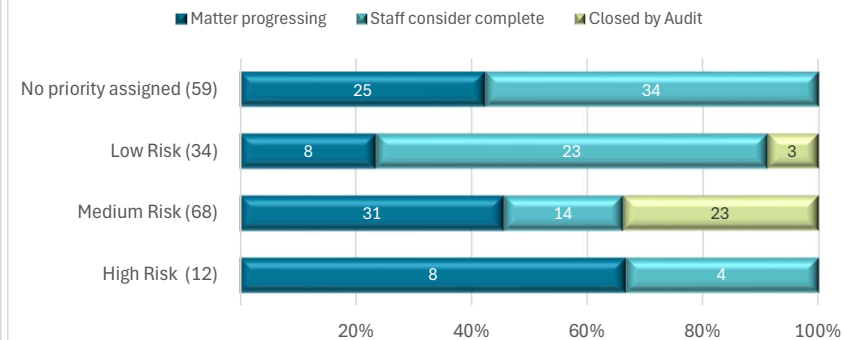
Council's 2025/26 Health and Safety Improvement Plan seeks to progress Health, Safety and Wellbeing Strategy objectives, and also to address recommendations arising from KPMG's audit of Council's health and safety systems and processes. More than half of the original audit recommendations have now been addressed, with KPMG's recent (December 2025) desktop review confirming that "substantial progress has been made". Work on the remaining audit recommendations is ongoing and is being progressed through Council's 'critical risk-led' improvement approach. While KPMG's audit identified a broad set of system-wide improvements, Council is working through each audit recommendation using a critical risk-by-critical risk "vertical slice" model. This approach enables controls, role-specific training, assurance practices, and reporting requirements to be designed, implemented, and embedded end-to-end for each risk in turn. As a result, the remaining audit recommendations are being addressed incrementally as each critical risk framework is completed and embedded within Council's Health & Safety Management System. While this means some recommendations may continue to be recorded as "in progress", substantive and sustainable system improvements are being implemented through each critical risk rollout. Solid progress continues to be made on these critical risks: Aggressive & Threatening Behaviour, Asbestos, Driving and Working with Animals.

Organisational Wide Audit Improvements

Outstanding Audit & Improvement Items - Quarterly Update



Outstanding Organisational Wide Audit & Improvement Actions (as a percentage of number of actions)



Council Property

Crown Road Development: The slight delay in the issue of titles due to encumbrance changes had caused offers to slow down. Now that Council has lodged titles with LINZ, agents are seeing interest levels rise again, and we are expecting further offers to come in during the week of 11 May.

East Urban Lands: The Orokō Rise Consortium has had 19 construction contracts signed with end purchasers, and titles have now been issued. Construction has commenced on 11 lots, with a further 15 lots expected to commence in June/July, including Kickstart homes. Stage 1B physical civil works continue, with quality remaining good, and the project is currently tracking slightly ahead of programme.

Leases and licences: The team are completing a review of the drafted policy and appropriate reporting to provide data and information to Elected Members during key processes (grants, LTP, and lease processes).

Fleet: Council's current telematics contract is coming to an end. Requirements have now been gathered and the procurement plan has been drafted, with procurement ready to go to market.

Digital Solutions

During April, the Digital Solutions team focused on preparing for multiple system go-lives, with key platforms progressing through final testing, defect resolution, and readiness activities. Particular focus was placed on the new building consent system ahead of its May launch, alongside stabilisation of supporting infrastructure and continued improvements in information management, with a focus on strengthening data quality to support reliable decision making and service delivery.

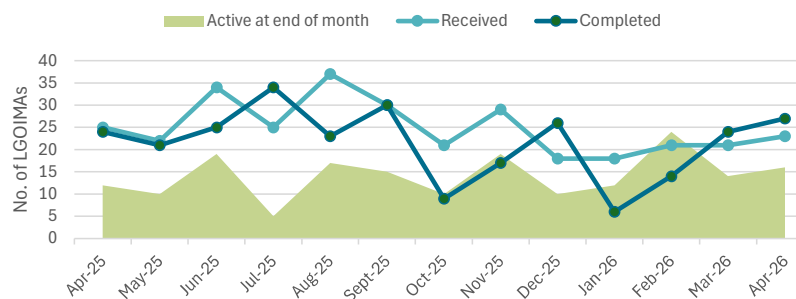
This was supported by continued delivery across the wider programme. The new Venues Management system and AC Baths upgrades were successfully delivered for April go-live, while TechOne design workshops progressed for Consents and Licensing (late 2026) and Document Management (early 2027). Work also continued to strengthen security, automation, and user experience to support a smooth transition for customers and staff.

Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act (LGOIMA) requests

99% of LGOIMAs processed within 20 days - YTD Target is 99%

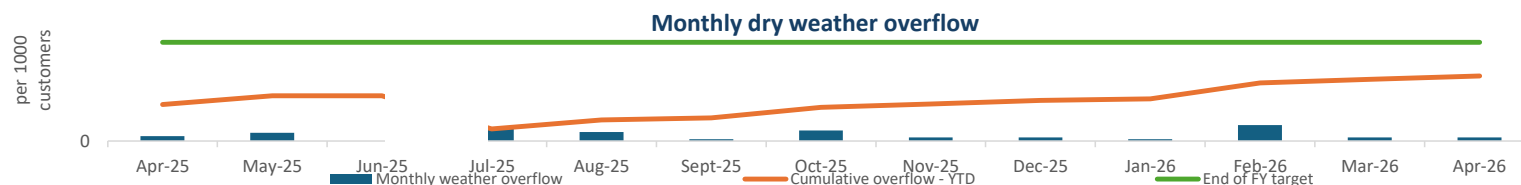
Over the month of April, the key trend for official information requests related to district infrastructure projects, including roading, footpaths, and water treatment, particularly around project costs and completion dates.

Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act (LGOIMA) requests



COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE AND SERVICES - Tony Hale

Three Waters



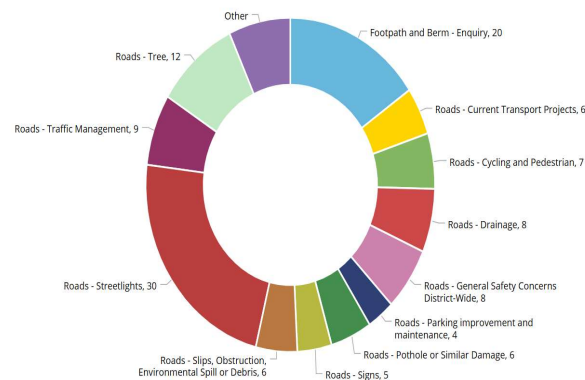
- 1** notifications to Taumata Arowai of risk to drinking water quality. Target is Nil. 1. Monthly arsenic test results exceeded compliance limits in Centennial Drive, Hatepe, Motutere and Motouapa. Arsenic has always been present in these water supplies due to geothermal activity. The test results continue to be stable and arsenic removal is included in the treatment plant upgrades that are underway. Arsenic levels in Ōmori have been fully compliant since commissioning of the new water treatment plant this month.
- 1** moderate or significant resource consent non-compliances (take & discharge) with an actual or potential adverse health or environmental effect. Target is Nil. 1. The Waikato Regional Council was notified following a wastewater overflow to the stormwater system and the lake foreshore at Ōmori. While it was initially believed that the overflow may have entered the lake, subsequent monitoring found no evidence of a discharge to water, indicating the overflow was contained on the beach. the cause of the overflow was longitudinal split in the PVC pipe. There were no other significant compliance issues with all treatment plants operating within consent requirements.

- The team continued delivery of Three Waters capital programme. Major projects include the recent commissioning of the Ōmori Water Treatment Plant and the continued progress with construction of the Motouapa Water Treatment Plant.
- The Taupō wastewater buffer tank project is scheduled to commence in June, with the project providing increased resilience for managing wastewater flows within the network. The buffer tanks will be located to the North of the Norman Smith Street lights on Wairakei Drive and will include excavation of up to 7 metres.
- Implementation of Local Waters legislation continues, including strategic planning and optioneering.

Transport

3.2 3.8km rehabilitation target **19.6** 28km reseal target **120** pothole repairs/month **1558** public transport passengers

- In April, the transportation team received 130 service requests (see graph to the right) and five Local Government Official Information Act requests.
- The reseal programme for this financial year has finished, and the remaining kilometres will be carried over to start in spring when weather permits. The final length achieved will be confirmed in the next report.
- New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA) has introduced a new interim fuel cost fluctuation mechanism to help accommodate current industry cost pressures.
- Physical works have been completed on Oruanui culvert failure. Norman Smith shared path is 90 percent completed and should be finished by end of May. Titiraupenga and Roberts Street intersection works have begun with changes to the carparking angle on Titiraupenga. Lake Road shared path in Mangakino is near completion. HEB Construction continue to progress well with three of the four slips on Waipapa Road. Slip four needs geotechnical investigation and some options to be developed. Napier Road retaining wall completion date of late May has been delayed to mid-June 2026.
- Couple of fatigue stops were undertaken on SH1 and SH5 with our road safety partners including NZ Police and sponsors WSP. The team attended the Regional Road Safety Forum to look at updating the road safety strategy.



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Waste Management

11,559 tonnes of waste diverted from landfill - YTD
33% of waste stream diverted from landfill - YTD
50% target diverted from landfill - by 2034

- One of the new kerbside recycling trucks is now operational. Others are having health and safety checks.
- New storage bunkers at the Mangakino Transfer Station have been completed.
- Tūrangi transfer station is offering free leaf drop off until 26 July.

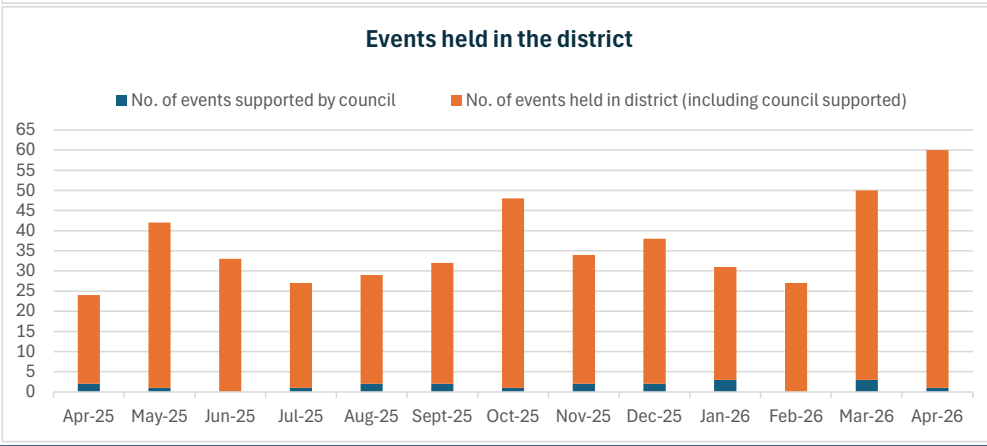
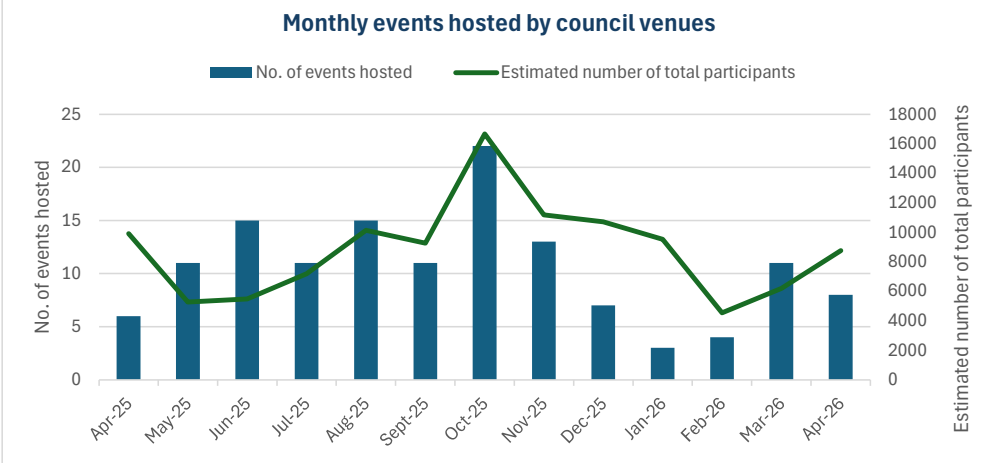
Events and Venues

- Across the wider Taupō district, 59 events were delivered during April. Of these, 56 events were held in Taupō and three in Tūrangi. This programme included 22 new events and 37 existing or annual events. Events delivered during the month included Easterfest, the Let's Jump Easter Show (Equestrian), Taupō Home and Garden Show, Trailer Yacht Magic 25 and Class Racing Regatta, Craters Classic mountain biking, ANZAC Day services, and Epic Events' Berm Buster.

- Of the events delivered in April, only one event received direct financial support: Supercars. The financial data for Supercars is not tracked within this report as it sits outside the \$488,000 events budget due to its separate financial agreement. While final spectator numbers for Supercars are yet to be confirmed, data received to date indicates that 29,562 spectators attended across the two days. The third day of the Supercars event was cancelled due to cyclone warnings. Further Supercars data will be provided in the July report.

- Data for IRONMAN New Zealand 2026 and IRONMAN New Zealand 70.3 2026, the Under 20 New Zealand Rugby Development Camp, and the Volcanic Epic mountain biking event has now been provided, and this report has been updated accordingly.

Note: Events not supported by Council typically don't provide data, and reporting from supported events can vary in detail and consistency each month due to contract timing and event delivery schedules.



Donations, grants and sponsorship fund

\$319,727 of **\$488,000**
 donations, grants & sponsorship fund invested to date
\$27,403,302 estimated economic return - YTD
8471% return on investment - YTD

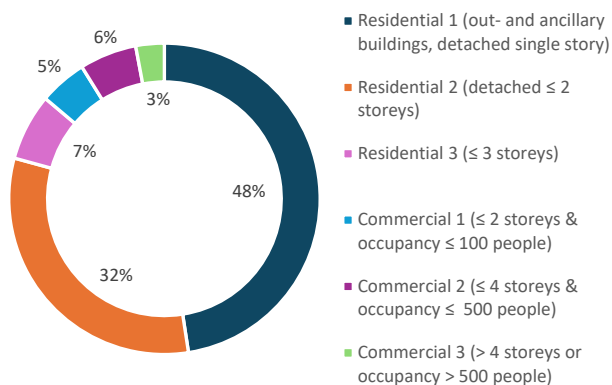
STRATEGY AND ENVIRONMENT - Warrick Zander

Policy

- The summary of submissions for plan changes 47-49 was notified, seeking further submissions (closed 30 April).
- The plan changes related to the Residential Zone and Neighbourhood Centres Zone were notified (closes 2 June).
- The team continued work on the preparation of the Annual Plan 2026-27 with direction confirmed at the March Council meeting.
- Consultation on the proposed changes to fees and charges related to food licensing, resource management and road stopping closes on 29 May.
- The community was consulted on a series of changes to the Development Contributions Policy aimed at making administration simpler and more efficient (closed 8 May).

Environmental Services

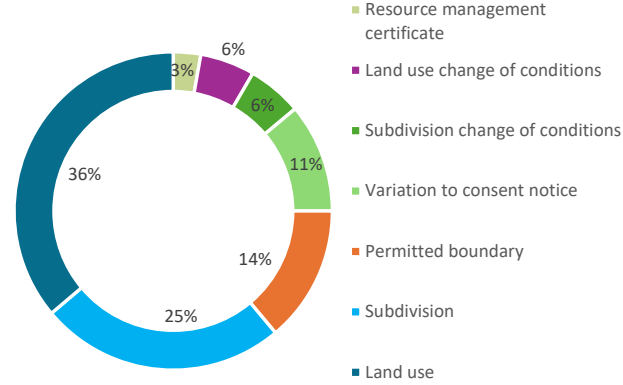
Types of building consents granted



100% of building consents completed within statutory timeframes - this month

93 building consent applications received - this month

Types of resource consents granted



100% of resource consents completed within statutory timeframes - this month

37 resource consent applications received - this month

- The dog control team successfully defended two menacing dog objections before the District Dog Control Committee, with both classifications upheld. Dog education programmes for 2026 are now underway, including a dog bite prevention course delivered to District Community Nurses. Three joint Police operations were undertaken, resulting in a significant number of non registered dogs being impounded. From 27 March to 5 May 2026, 44 dogs were impounded. All abandoned vehicles have been removed from the pound, and drainage improvements were completed at the Tūrangi pound.
- The transition to ObjectiveBuild is nearing completion, with substantial effort from subject matter experts balancing business as usual and implementation work. The wider team has supported business as usual delivery, and staffing levels are now at full capacity. ObjectiveBuild go-live preparation ahead of 11 May is coinciding with peak demand.
- High workloads continue, with some new consents requiring legal input due to complexity. Ongoing uncertainty around the future planning system remains a key risk.
- Cyclone Vaianu planning caused staff disruption, though impacts were limited.

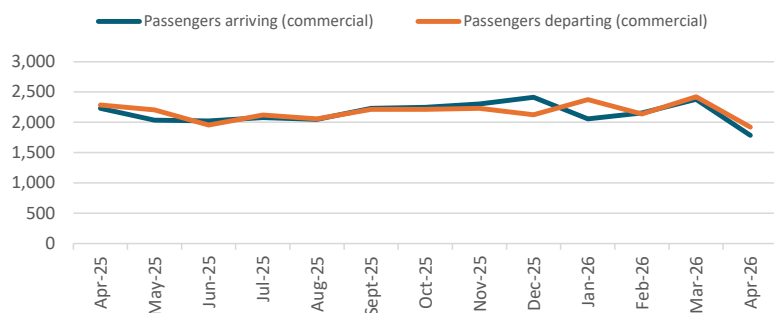
Parks and Reserves

- In April, the Superloo was rebranded as the South Domain Public Toilet. Services offered have been revised and reduced. Overall, the feedback has been positive with reserve and playground users appreciating the extended opening hours.
- The vault (long-drop) toilet located at the end of Te Heuheu Parade, Tauranga-Taupō, was removed, reducing the environmental risk posed by lakeshore erosion in the area. We are looking to continue this programme of work, with the removal of similar vault toilets at Waitetoko, Jellicoe Point, and 5 Mile Bay.
- The weather through April was significantly wetter than in April 2025 with 82.8mm of rain, allowing the grass to continue to grow. Some areas have required localised mowing. However, overall, the reserve rangers have been able to start on the winter maintenance programme: tree pruning, mulching, and weed spraying.
- As planting season starts, the team have also supported the first of Greening Taupō’s plantings through the provision of mulch, and the carting of Mynoke to site.
- The team also undertook maintenance on the district Returned and Services’ Association cemeteries and cenotaphs in preparation for ANZAC Day.

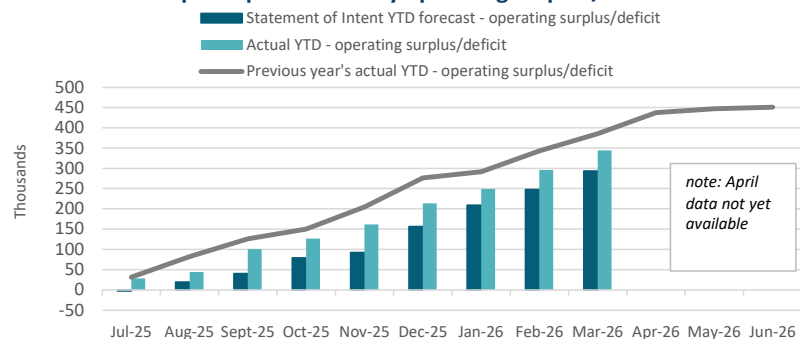
Taupō Airport

- Financials are still tracking well with operating surplus at the end of the third quarter 17 percent ahead of budget.
 - Business development both airside and landside is going well and discussions are continuing with three prospective tenants. An agreement has been reached with one airside tenant and the lease is currently being drafted. The hangar construction is to commence in June/July.
 - Private Plan change to the District Plan workshop was held with the councillors to explain the process, clarify roles, provide context and answer questions. The workshop was well received and provided an insight into why the airport authority is progressing this important piece of work.
- Air New Zealand schedule cuts due to the fuel crisis have extended until the end of June, but at this stage it does not affect Taupō. Some regional ports have seen a ten percent cut in services.
- Air New Zealand load factors are still good, however, aircraft movements and passenger numbers were low for April due to weather disruptions and, after liaising with the airline, was informed that also due to crewing issues. The Middle East conflict is also affecting general aviation users who are cutting back due to escalating fuel costs resulting in less aircraft movements for the airport.
 - An analysis of parking trends in the airport car park was to be undertaken with revised charges being introduced from 1 July 2026. However, due to the current situation in the Middle East and the impact on fuel charges, imposing further cost burden on the travelling public may not be appropriate at this time.


Arriving & departing passengers



Taupō Airport Authority operating surplus/deficit



Activity Area	OVERALL	TIME	COST	SCOPE	KEY UPDATES	UPCOMING MILESTONES	% COMPLETE (Life Budget)	LIFE BUDGET
3W All								
SCADA FTView Upgrade Programme of upgrades to convert legacy 3W network SCADA control systems technology to FTView.	▲	↗	●	●	Weather and staffing availability delays have hindered installation. Continued delay with weather and staffing availability		90%	\$4.6M
Water Services Delivery Plan Implementation Programme of work required to comply with central government reform Local Water Done Well.	▲	▲	▲	●	Planning for go live for financial separation is in progress. Asset Management Policy was adopted by Council. Asset Information Improvement Plan development.	Continue with pre-work for 30 June separation.	87%	\$1.2M
Events & Venues								
Owen Delany Park upgrade A masterplan design and construction to upgrade Owen Delany park. The main focus being to address the current seismic ratings of the grandstand, changing rooms, clubroom/function space and the lighting, PA system and scoreboards for Field 1. The aim is to upgrade and futureproof this facility, to host larger events and to take the pressure off other local sports and rec facilities.	●	●	●	●	Roof is now installed on the Sports Hub.	Completions of developed design and updated quantity surveying for the grandstand buildings. Peer review of the structural design for seismic strengthening of grandstand.	72%	\$10.0M
Tūrangitukua Park (te Aonini carpark seal) Extend carpark seal over grassed area and install additional drainage to mitigate flood risks from stormwater discharge. Will require engagement to find a solution which avoids tapu land.	●	●	●	●	We will install boom gates to reduce damage to sports fields and additional fencing (post & rail).	Installation of gates and fencing.	54%	\$0.4M
Investments								
204 Crown Road - subdivision earthworks & civil Development of 31 hectares of land along SH1, focusing on earthworks and civil works to facilitate the sale of lots and generate revenue.	▲	▲	●	●	Awaiting titles (lodged).	Secure titles. Sales & marketing ongoing. Formally close-out project.	97%	\$11.0M
EUL Stage 1 Lot 20 - Earthworks & Civil. Provide affordable lots for medium to high density dwellings to eligible purchasers and renters, supporting both affordable housing and revenue generation.	▲	▲	▲	●	Stage 1a (62 lots) on the market (over 50% of affordable and market homes already sold). Titles have now come through and building works has started on lots. Stage 1b (54 lots) civil works progressing to plan and expected to be completed in October.	Sale of lots ongoing through build partners with second wave of marketing proposed now that titles have been secured and building works under way. Continue with civil works programme for 1b.	97%	\$11.9M
Parks & Reserves								
Erosion Control - Kuratau Mitigate effects of lakeshore erosion at Kuratau foreshore.	▲	▲	▲	●	Erosion control structures repaired. Delay in further hapū engagement due to resolving correct communication channels and awaiting hapū and marae to be appropriately resourced to have this kōrero.		99%	\$0.8M
Erosion Control - Tapuaecharuru Bay Mitigate effects of lakeshore erosion in Tapuaecharuru Bay.	▲	▲	▲	▲	Regular monitoring continues along the top and toe of the cliffs. Water flow investigation report due by 15th May.	Water flow investigation report will produce recommendations and further action/investigation that may need to be undertaken.	84%	\$0.2M
Mangakino Lakefront Upgrade Project This project will combine a number of existing LTP Mangakino redevelopment projects/renewals into a coherent upgrade project for the Lakefront. The aim will be to futureproof use of the area. Includes Shared Path Mangakino.	▲	●	●	▲	Working with Land Information New Zealand on agreement or potential lease. Stormwater investigation and design refinements. Access to water stair design completed.	Pricing for stair access construction, and working on tender package for stage-1	18%	\$1.7M
Solid Waste								
Broadlands Road Consent Programme Renewal of Broadlands Road Landfill Consent which expires in 2027.	◆	◆	●	▲	Refinement of technical application continues, hapū & land trust hui's scheduled for 22 May.	Finalise technical sections of the draft application. Receive cultural impact assessments for feedback to continue conversations, allowing for incorporation of cultural feedback into the application.	54%	\$1.0M

 PORTFOLIO UPDATE		OVERALL	TIME	COST	SCOPE	KEY UPDATES	UPCOMING MILESTONES	% COMPLETE (Life Budget)	LIFE BUDGET
Stormwater									
Stormwater Discharge Consents Renewal									
District wide Stormwater consent expires June 2027, a significant amount of work will be required to renew this consent.	▲	●	▲	●	Final info gathering to support Stage 2 reports.	Site visits in Tūrangi and Tokaanu with hapū will wrap up the ecological inputs for Stage 2 to be finalised	66%	\$0.8M	
Support services									
Long Term Plan 2027									
Development of Long-term Plan and Water Services Strategy 2027-37, to be adopted June 2027.	▲	▲	●	●	Final Level of Service workshop undertaken with Elected Members.	Level of Service direction to be confirmed at the May Council meeting. Project team preparing / finalising templates/resources for business planning. Individual hui with iwi authorities being organised.	0%		
Tūrangi Master Plan									
Development of a strategic document that will set a vision for Tūrangi's urban area over the next 30+ years.	▲	▲	●	▲	No updates for this month.		0%	\$0.2M	
Transport									
Omori / Kuratau Slip									
Repairs to slip on Omori road required including retaining wall structure.	▲	▲	●	●	Tender to go live on GETS 05/05/2026. Stakeholder engagement progressing. Time concerns, delay from consultant in receiving tender documentation.	Tender evaluation and award. Building consent exemption application	39%	\$0.3M	
Wastewater									
Taupō WW Control gates bridge buffer storage tanks									
To enable continued growth in the Nukuhau area and increase resiliency to the control gates bridge pipe, we will install buffer tanks and pump station at Control Gates bridge to manage peak flows.	●	●	●	●	Tenders have been evaluated, contract to be awarded.	Send out communications and plan for construction.	25%	\$0.8M	
Turangi WW Consent									
Renewal of Tūrangi Wastewater discharge consent	◆	◆	●	●	Met in Turangi to go over proposed consent conditions. Updated draft conditions and have provided this back to Tūrangitukua. Following receipt of feedback we will be submitting to Waikato Regional Council to progress the consent process.	Receive feedback and updated application. Proceed with consent process.	32%	\$0.2M	
Wastewater Taupō Wastewater Treatment Plant Programme									
Programme of works to increase capacity and improve treatment at Taupō Wastewater Treatment Plant, including installation of a third primary clarifier, pump station upgrades, and new processes to increase nitrogen removal at the plant.	◆	◆	▲	◆	Long-term works (Primary Clarifier, side-stream solids filtrate) are still on hold pending Wastewater Treatment Plant Strategic Review (considering new Wastewater performance standards).	Strategic planning for Waste Water Treatment Plant following Water Environmental Performance Standards.	36%	\$2.0M	



PORTFOLIO UPDATE

Activity Area	OVERALL	TIME	COST	SCOPE	KEY UPDATES	UPCOMING MILESTONES	% COMPLETE (Life Budget)	LIFE BUDGET
Water								
Centennial - Treatment Compliance Upgrade								
Pump station and pipeline from Taupō scheme to Centennial and reservoir upgrade and renewal at Centennial to enable safe and compliant water to be provided to customers on the Centennial scheme.	▲	▲	▲	●	New pipeline drawing set, pumpstation design and electrical design received and reviewed. Minor tweaks required. Draft tender docs received and being reviewed. Still not clear if Council will move to tender this financial year due to uncertainty of cost fluctuations. Still being reviewed.		35%	\$2.6M
District - Universal Smart Water Metering								
Address high water usage throughout the district through the installation of water meters on all water connections to enable planned growth, reduce wastage and operational costs.	▲	▲	▲	▲	Procurement plan and comms plan signed off. Tender planned for release mid May.	Tender.	22%	\$1.0M
DWSNZ Drinking Water Membrane Plant Upgrades								
Construction of 4 new membrane water treatment plants at Hatepe, Kinloch, Motuoapa and Omori, to enable compliance and safe water for the community.	▲	▲	▲	●	Hatepe: Geotech is complete, detailed design underway. Kinloch: Project has achieved practical completion. Motuoapa: Works are progressing well - on track to start commissioning next month. Omori: Project has achieved practical completion.	Hatepe: Detailed design submission due in late June. Kinloch: Close-out of minor defects. Omori: Opening ceremony and close-out of minor defects. Motuoapa: Commencement of commissioning – late May/early June.	92%	\$40.5M
Kinloch Low Zone Reservoir								
Construction of new reservoir and pipelines to support growth and resilience in Kinloch community.	▲	▲	●	●	Cut/fill modelling underway for regional consent requirements. Site designation underway. Tender documents in development. Hydraulic modelling to confirm reservoir details nearing completion.	Reservoir tender.	32%	\$0.8M
Tauhara Ridge Reservoir & Airport Connection								
Construction of new reservoir, rising main and pipelines to enable EUL growth and improved fire flows at the airport.	▲	▲	●	●	All major works are completed with reservoir and pumpstations currently in full operational mode. Small works still continuing with decommissioning of the Airport reservoir and pumpstation. This project has reached Practical Completion and will no longer appear on the report.	Signing off snag list for pumpstation and awarding small works tender for the decommissioning of the Airport reservoir and pumpstation.	100%	\$4.2M

KEY

●	Low Risk	↓	Risk Decreased (Amber/Red to Green)
▲	Medium Risk	↘	Risk Decreased (Red to Amber)
◆	High Risk	↗	Risk Increased (Green to Amber)
⊖	On Hold (waiting LTP)	↑	Risk Increased (Amber/Green to Red)
89%	Almost Complete	\$1.0M	Smaller Value Project
12%	Low Spend to Date	\$8.5M	High Value Project
% Complete = \$ Spend to Date / Life Budget		\$ Life Budget	

TAUPŌ DISTRICT COUNCIL – FINANCIAL REPORT

REVENUE & EXPENDITURE PERFORMANCE 30 APRIL 2026

\$000	YTD Actual	YTD Approved Budget	YTD variance	Full year Forecast	Full year AP25/26	Notes
Operating revenue						
Rates	98,603	98,357	246	118,257	118,089	
Subsidies and grants (operational)	2,705	2,977	(271)	3,554	3,465	
Fees and charges	15,554	14,271	1,284	28,558	28,512	
Finance revenue	4,736	5,616	(880)	6,729	6,739	
Total operating revenue	121,599	121,220	378	157,099	156,805	
Asset development & other revenue						
Development and financial contributions	6,430	7,548	(1,118)	9,057	9,057	1
Subsidies and grants (Capital)	5,297	4,680	617	5,448	4,608	2
Gains on financial assets	5,604	0	5,604	0	0	3
Other revenue	1,280	1,406	(126)	8,128	8,155	
Total asset development & other revenue	18,611	13,634	4,977	22,633	21,821	
Total revenue	140,210	134,854	5,356	179,732	178,625	
Expenditure						
Personnel costs	27,946	28,307	361	33,969	33,969	
Depreciation and amortisation expense	30,765	32,251	1,486	38,701	38,701	
Finance costs	8,600	9,429	829	11,315	11,315	
Other expenses:	51,903	55,180	3,277	73,195	71,829	
Legal, professional & consultant expense *	4,403	5,476	1,073	6,603	6,803	4
Maintenance expense	12,136	12,859	723	15,433	14,949	
Services & service delivery expense	13,040	14,822	1,782	17,740	17,504	5
Grants and funding expense	1,309	1,497	187	1,801	1,827	6
Other operating expenses	21,014	20,526	(488)	32,105	30,746	7
Total operating expenditure	119,214	125,167	5,953	157,179	155,813	
Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	20,996	9,687	11,309	22,554	22,812	8

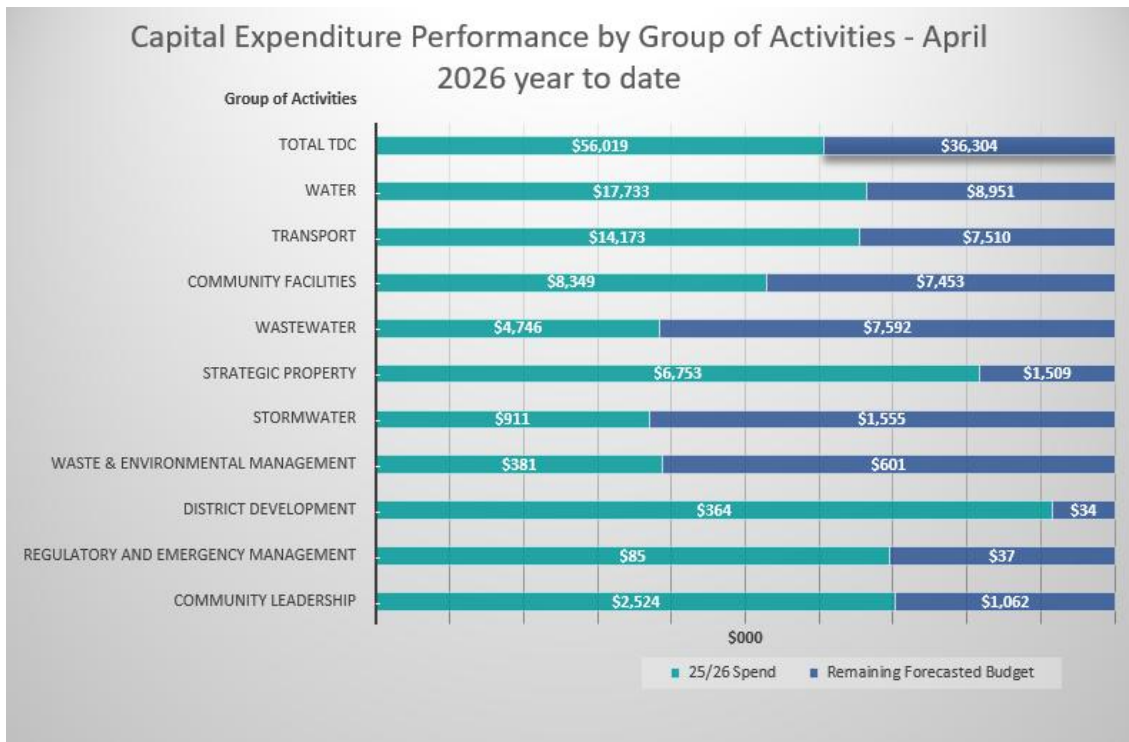
Explanation of variances +/- 10%

- 1) Development and financial contributions are behind budget \$1.1m due to the timing of expected property developments.
- 2) Capital grants & subsidies ahead of plan by \$617,000 due to Lottery grant funding of \$156,000 and DIA better off funding of \$810,000 for Owen Delany Park unbudgeted in current year. Partially offset by timing of the NZTA claim for April.
- 3) Gains on financial assets is higher than budget \$5.6m, due to the unrealised foreign exchange gains on the TEL fund which are unbudgeted.
- 4) Legal, professional & consultant costs for operational matters are under budget by \$1.1m this is due primarily to lower consultant costs driven by the reprioritisation of operational projects and some work being done in house instead of externally.

- 5) Services & service delivery costs are under budget by \$1.78m this is due to reduced market pricing on Carbon Credits \$672,000, timing of expenditure on resource consent renewals \$624,000, solid waste contracts below budget by \$299,000 and the balance related to timing against budget.
- 6) Grants & other funding is below budget by \$187,000 due to the delay associated with establishing Representative Group Committees, this expenditure is likely to be completed in May.
- 7) Other operating expenditure is above budget by \$488,000 with unders and overs comprising of:
 - o Insurance cost \$277,000 below budget due to premiums not increasing by as much as budgeted
 - o Software licenses below budget by \$1.2m due to timing of various digital projects
 - o Materials below budget by \$905,000 due to Solid Waste (Waste \$166,000, water treatment chemicals \$304,000, 3 waters general materials \$130,000
 - o Building costs \$181,000 over budget mainly electricity and gas costs \$204,000 and internal rates \$161,000 partially offset by savings in security \$100,000 and rates \$77,000
 - o Realised losses on financial assets (TEL) \$515,000, and unrealised losses on the TEL fund equities of \$1.9m
 - o Cost of sales expense for land development over budget by \$760,178 due to timing with budget on anticipated sales of sections.
- 8) March forecast changes approved by Council in April are reflected in the full year forecast column.

FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 APRIL 2026

\$000	YTD Actual	Year End Budget (AP)	Note
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	9,578	10,656	
Trade and other receivables	39,406	9,634	
Other financial assets	115,726	130,243	
Prepayments	2,038	1,775	
Inventories	18,961	18,150	
Total Current Assets	185,709	170,458	
Non-current assets			
Derivative financial instruments	163	0	
Intangible assets	3,584	7,497	
Investment in CCO and other similar entities	12,256	10,810	
Investment properties	63,662	33,303	
Biological assets - forestry	9,857	9,623	
Property, Plant and Equipment	1,982,682	2,155,463	
Total Non-current assets	2,072,205	2,216,696	
Total Assets	2,257,914	2,387,154	
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	41,661	22,687	
Employee benefit liabilities	3,930	3,937	
Derivative financial instruments	343	79	
Borrowings	73,000	38,000	
Total Current Liabilities	118,935	64,703	
Non-current liabilities			
Provisions	174	180	
Derivative financial instruments	2,425	964	
Borrowings	164,093	234,131	
Total Non-Current Liabilities	166,693	235,275	
Total Liabilities	285,628	299,978	
Net Assets	1,972,286	2,087,176	



The above graph shows the capital expenditure by Group of Activity for the current year to date

We have achieved 60.7% of the current forecast budget.

Please note that due to accounting treatment the EUL development is not included in the Annual Plan capital budget but for ease of reporting we include it in the capital expenditure actuals as it is, in essence, capital expenditure. In the Annual Plan the value of the work is included in inventory.

CE DELEGATIONS REPORTING

CE approval of budgeted expenditure over \$500,000: Nil to Report

CE approval of unbudgeted expenditure over \$50,000: Nil to report

TREASURY REPORT - TEL Fund update

Customised Investment Solutions

30 April 2026

Account Number: 6000004

Adviser Names: Andrew Bateman & Roger FitzGerald

Portfolio Summary
Taupo District Council

Interim Only

Customised Investment Solutions

As a Wholesale Advice Client and a Wholesale DIMS Investor you have authorised Forsyth Barr Limited to manage this portfolio in accordance with the Service Agreement for our Wholesale Portfolio Advisory & Management Service, a discretionary portfolio advisory and management service.

Your portfolio is managed on a discretionary basis in accordance with our Service Agreement and with reference to your Statement of Investment Policy & Objectives (SIPO), noting in particular any investment limitations or exclusions in your SIPO.

Asset Allocation

Underlying sectors in which the portfolio is invested

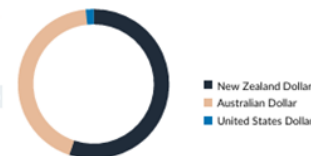
Sector	NZ Dollar Value	Portfolio %
Cash	5,933,255.87	7.2
Fixed Interest	28,026,543.47	34.0
Property	4,162,487.97	5.1
NZ Equities	7,726,458.40	9.4
Australian Equities	7,505,359.72	9.1
International Equities	28,957,416.45	35.2
Total	\$ 82,311,521.87	100.0



Currency Allocation

Currency of market on which the security trades

Assets by Currency	Native Value	FX Rate	NZ Dollar Value	Portfolio %
New Zealand Dollar	45,474,931.92	1.0000	45,474,931.92	55.2
Australian Dollar	29,121,378.20	0.8203	35,502,378.79	43.1
United States Dollar	783,048.53	0.5869	1,334,211.16	1.6
Total			\$ 82,311,521.87	100.0



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