

Overview

The solid waste division is responsible for the management of solid waste within Upper Hutt to ensure waste is minimised and disposed of appropriately. This includes:

- administration of contracts for collection services
- planning for the future
- education on waste matters.

Urban and rural household and central city waste and recycling collection services are carried out by contract. Local people and businesses are able to use the Silverstream Landfill, which is owned by the Hutt City Council. Services are paid for by the user, either through purchase of refuse bags or through landfill fees.

The current Hutt Valley Waste Management Plan outlines the high level strategy for the future, by which the Hutt City Council and the Upper Hutt City Council will jointly manage waste. The Hutt Valley Waste Management Plan has been prepared using the policy framework established by the New Zealand Waste Strategy 2002 with a vision of "Towards zero waste and a sustainable New Zealand". In September 2008 the new Waste Minimisation Act 2008 was released, which requires council to amend its waste management and minimisation plan or revoke it and substitute a new plan by 1 July 2012. We will be working with the Hutt City Council to achieve this.

The city's interest in Silverstream landfill is identified in a 1972 deed with the Hutt City Council. No assets are owned by the Upper Hutt City Council.

For more information refer to the Solid Waste Management Plan 2004.

The Assessment of Water and Sanitary Services 2005 discusses the provision of solid waste services in Upper Hutt City. The key focus of the Assessment is the protection of public health in the city.

Council is involved because it is required to do so by the 'Waste Minimisation Act 2008 Sections 42 and 43 which requires every territorial authority to:

1. promote effective and efficient waste management and minimisation within its district
2. adopt a waste management and minimisation plan
3. undertake or contract for any activity it considers appropriate for the efficient and effective management of waste in its district including the collection, recovery, recycling, treatment, and disposal services for the district to meet its current and future waste management and minimisation needs (whether provided by the territorial authority or otherwise).

Proposed project:

Waste minimisation project

Council will continue to monitor waste management with the emphasis on encouraging the reduction of solid waste and an increase in recycling within the community. The Waste Management Plan contained within the current Long Term Council Community Plan is proposed to be amended and was the subject of parallel consultation with the 2011-12 draft Annual Plan.

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Level of service objectives and performance measures

Objective

Council will ensure that there is a weekly collection for urban and rural household waste and recyclable material.

1. Satisfaction

Indicator	1a. Household refuse collection
Performance Measure	Community satisfaction with household refuse collection
Target 2011-12	95 percent of respondents are satisfied or very satisfied ¹
Indicator	1b. Recycling
Performance Measure	Community satisfaction with kerbside recycling collection
Target 2011-12	90 percent of respondents using the service are satisfied or very satisfied with the way the kerbside collection programme meets their aspirations to recycle ¹

Objective

Council will encourage waste minimisation through reduction, re-use, recycling and treatment.

2. Quantity of waste

Indicator	2a. Quantity of household refuse collection
Performance Measure	Reduce the annual tonnage of refuse collected
Target 2011-12	Maintain the compounding target of reducing the refuse collected per household on average by 5 percent per annum
Indicator	2b. Quantity of recycling
Performance Measure	Increase the weight of recycling
Target 2011-12	Increase to 160 kg per household per year ²

¹Annual Community Survey

²In-house report using contractor's data

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Cost of service statement	Forecast Annual Plan Year 2 2010-11 (\$ 000)	Forecast LTCCP Year 3 2011-12 (\$ 000)	Forecast Annual Plan Year 3 2011-12 (\$ 000)	Forecast Variation Year 3 2011-12 (\$ 000)
Operating statement				
General rates	(272)	(371)	(323)	48
Operating income	662	697	640	(57)
Total operating revenue	390	326	317	(9)
Operating costs	391	328	318	(10)
Interest	0	0	0	0
Depreciation	0	0	0	0
Total operating costs	391	328	318	(10)
Operating surplus/(deficit)	(1)	(2)	(1)	1
Capital and reserves funding statement				
Capital expenditure	0	0	0	0
Loans repayments	0	0	0	0
Operating (surplus)/deficit	1	2	1	(1)
Transfer to funds	0	0	0	0
Total funding required	1	2	1	(1)
Funding from non-cash expenses	1	2	1	(1)
Loans raised	0	0	0	0
Transfer from funds	0	0	0	0
Accumulated funds	0	0	0	0
Transfer from funds applied	1	2	1	(1)