

LEADERSHIP

Overview

The Leadership activity covers the role and functions of the Mayor and elected members of Council who are responsible for community leadership and setting the policy direction for the Upper Hutt City Council.

The Council consists of the Mayor and ten Councillors who are elected on a city-wide basis every three years. The “First Past the Post” electoral system is currently used.

The Local Government Act 2002 provides the statutory foundation for local authorities. The Act:

- states the purpose of local government;
- sets out the framework and powers of local authorities;
- requires accountability to the community; and
- provides for local authorities to play a broad role in promoting the well-being of the community, taking a sustainable development approach.

The Leadership activity contributes to the following Community Outcomes:

- 1 Upper Hutt is the city of choice for people from all walks of life
- 2 Upper Hutt has a vibrant city heart
- 3 The economy is robust innovative and growing
- 4 Upper Hutt offers a ‘green’ and attractive living environment
- 5 The community is safe healthy and strong
- 6 Leisure opportunities are outstanding
- 7 Upper Hutt is connected with the world.

Level of Service Statement

Council will endeavour to ensure that people are aware of and have the opportunity to express their views on those matters that affect them prior to any decision being made by Council.

Council will endeavour to ensure that their decisions and leadership meet current needs without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their needs.

Level of Service Objectives and Performance Measures

Indicator	Performance Measure	Target 2007/08	Achievements at 30 June 2008
Objective:		Council will meet its statutory roles and responsibilities.	
1	ELECTIONS		
	Hold the triennial local authority elections	Triennial elections to be held in October 2007	Council elections and Rimutaka Licensing Trust elections were successfully undertaken and results were announced on 13 October 2007.
2	GOVERNANCE		
2a	Triennial Agreement	Prepare by 1 March 2008	Each triennium the Territorial Authorities in the region take turns in coordinating the update of the Triennial Agreement. Hutt City Council is scheduled to facilitate the 2008 update.
2b	Governance Statement	Prepare by 30 April 2008	Achieved. The Governance Statement was adopted by Council on 2 April 2008.
2c	Code of Conduct	Prepare by 30 April 2008	Achieved. The Code of Conduct was adopted by Council on 2 April 2008.
2d	Community Outcomes	Review by 30 June 2008	Achieved. The revised Community Outcomes were approved by Council on 25 June 2008.
2e	LTCCP Review	Prepare by 30 June 2009	On track to being achieved. Preparation of the LTCCP is well underway with two LTCCP Councillor Workshops held to date. A third Workshop is planned for August 2008.
2f	Annual Plan	Prepare by 30 June 2008	Achieved. The Annual Plan 2007/08 was adopted by Council on 25 June 2008 and published on the website on 17 July 2008.
2g	Annual Report	Prepare by 31 October 2007	Achieved. The Annual Report was adopted by Council on 10 October 2007. It has been printed and distributed.

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Indicator	Performance Measure	Target 2007/08	Achievements at 30 June 2008
3 MONITORING			
3a Performance Reporting	Report on financial achievements and performance targets	Present Quarterly Performance Report to the Audit Committee	Achieved. The Management Reports were received by the Audit Committee and adopted by Council on 12 December 2007 (First Quarter), 20 February (Half Year), and 14 May (Third Quarter).
3b Community Outcomes	Report on progress the community has made towards achieving the Community Outcomes	Present report on progress towards achieving the Community Outcomes by 30 September 2007	Achieved. The Community Outcomes Monitoring Report was received by Council on 19 September 2007.
Objective:		Council will endeavour to ensure that people are aware of and have the opportunity to express their views on those matters that affect them prior to any decision being made by the Council.	
4 INFORMATION	Community satisfaction with the provision of information by Council	90% of respondents are satisfied or very satisfied ¹	Achieved. 96% of respondents were satisfied or very satisfied with the provision of information by Council.
Objective:		Council will endeavour to ensure that its decisions and leadership meet current needs without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their needs.	
5 SATISFACTION	Community satisfaction with the elected Council's performance in catering for community needs	90% of respondents are satisfied or very satisfied ¹	Achieved. 96.7% of respondents were satisfied or very satisfied with the elected Council's performance in catering for community needs.

¹ Annual Community Survey

Activities Undertaken Supporting the Community

COMMUNITY OUTCOME	Significant Actions Taken at 30 June 2008
<p>1 Upper Hutt is the city of choice for people from all walks of life</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CIVIC leaders are passionate in making Upper Hutt 'A Great Place to Live' 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Council undertook public consultation on the Community Outcomes and also consulted on the proposed new library and the rates review. A public meeting on the draft Annual Plan was held on 14 April 2008. The 2008 Annual Upper Hutt Community Calendar has been released. Four citizenship ceremonies were held in 2007/08 with candidates attending from Britain, South Africa, Cambodia, India, Fiji, Samoa, Vietnam, Russia, Poland, America and Germany to name a few. Waitangi day celebrations at Orongomai Marae were attended by the Mayor and several Councillors. The Mayor hosted an afternoon tea for 21 Japanese students studying at Hutt International Boy's School (HIBS) and Chilton St James. The Mayor attended the Youth Hui held at Orongomai Marae in May. The Mayor met with new migrants and refugees at a Meet the Mayor Forum in June 2008.
<p>2 Upper Hutt has a vibrant city heart</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> EFFECTIVE leadership in bringing together those people with an interest in the city centre 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The 3rd Annual Senior Celebration Day was so well attended, with over 300 people, that as with every other year, again next year a larger venue will need to be sourced. With a special send off from the Mayor, the Vintage Car Club rally, which was supported by Council, was a highly successful event, with over 180 vintage cars participating. In partnership with others the Council hosted the Highland Gathering, at which visitors came to see highland dancing, bagpipes, Scottish stalls, children's entertainment etc. Council hosted the Upper Hutt Community Awards, at which EarthLink Inc was the Overall Supreme Winner.
<p>3 The economy is robust, innovative and growing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CLEAR consideration of economic matters in decision-making 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Experience Upper Hutt held an 'After 5' session on 'Business Security'. The Urban Growth Strategy was adopted by Council on 14 September 2007. The associated work programme was adopted by Council on 17 December 2007. Council officially approved the Proposed Wellington Regional Strategy Multilateral Agreement on 19 September 2007. The Mayor attended the opening of ESR in Wallaceville.
<p>4 Upper Hutt offers a 'green' and attractive living environment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CLEAR consideration of environmental matters in decision-making 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Council initiated garden watering restrictions in order to prevent possible severe water pressures during dry periods. Council provided free guided tours of Bartons Bush. In partnership with key stakeholders, Council officially opened the Hulls Creek site in Silverstream, which included speeches and a planting session with the Mayor.

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COMMUNITY OUTCOME	Significant Actions Taken at 30 June 2008
<p>5 The community is safe, healthy and strong</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CLEAR consideration of social and cultural matters in decision-making 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff members new to Council visited the Orongomai Marae as part of the Council's staff induction process on 7 April 2008. The Mayor was elected chair of the Wellington Mayoral Forum, which covers a broad range of topics in respect of the whole region. Council decided to fast track funding for the CCTV surveillance cameras to be installed within the CBD. The Mayor officially opened the subway linking the Upper Hutt Railway Station to the Mitre 10 Mega development site.
<p>6 Leisure opportunities are outstanding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> STRONG support for leisure as a key feature of Upper Hutt life 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Mayor played a key role in the Christmas Santa Parade, which was very successful. In partnership with Youthtown, Council supported the Youthtown Family Fun Day and the Upper Hutt Sports Expo, at which over 15,000 people attended. The 22nd Karapoti Classic was held within our city.
<p>7 Upper Hutt is connected with the world</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ADVOCACY on behalf of Upper Hutt 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Mayor hosted a Chinese government delegation from Changzi. Their feedback was positive and communications will continue. Council has continued to strongly advocate for upgrades to State Highway 2. Moonshine area intersections have started to be upgraded. The Timberlea computer hub and Community Hall were opened with an official unveiling, speech and a powhiri, provided by Minister Winnie Laban, the Mayor, and Murdoch Pahi, respectively.

Compliance with Section 81, Local Government Act 2002

The Council has a close relationship with Orongomai Marae that is designed to provide opportunities for Maori to contribute to the decision making of the Council and to contribute to the spirit and values of the Council. In particular, the following are in place:

- His Worship the Mayor is a trustee of the Orongomai Marae Community Centre.
- His Worship the Mayor and the Chief Executive meet four times a year with representatives of the Orongomai Management Committee to discuss issues of mutual interest.
- Orongomai Marae are invited to participate in all Council consultation processes.
- Council assists with the promotion of Orongomai Marae's Waitangi Day celebrations.
- Orongomai Marae is regularly used as a venue for Community fora.
- Kaumatua from Orongomai Marae participate in public ceremonies and the opening of Council facilities.
- Council's staff induction processes include visiting Orongomai Marae and learning about Maori culture and issues.

Orongomai is a community marae and as such does not represent tangata whenua for Upper Hutt. For this reason, the Council also consults with Te Runanganui o Taranaki Whanui kit e Upoko o te Ika a Maui and the Wellington Tenth Trust in relation to issues relating to land, water or air.

Significant Acquisitions/Replacements

- None.

COST OF SERVICES STATEMENT	Actual 30 Jun 08 (\$000)	Actual 30 Jun 07 (\$000)	Forecast 30 Jun 08 (\$000)
Operating Expenditure			
Direct Expenses	1,134	668	717
Administration Support	1,044	980	1,032
Total Operating Expenditure	2,178	1,648	1,749
Operating Revenue			
Fees and Charges	(90)	(455)	(30)
Total Operating Revenue	(90)	(455)	(30)
Net Operating Costs of Services	2,088	1,193	1,719
BALANCE SHEET TRANSACTIONS			
Net Operating Costs of Services	2,088	1,193	1,719
Share of Management Support Income	(39)	(30)	(31)
Non Cash Transactions (Management Support)	(17)	(11)	(9)
Add (less) non - cash items	(326)	421	0
Cost of Services (Funding)	1,706	1,573	1,679
Net Transfer from Funds	(50)	0	(50)
Rates Funding Required	1,656	1,573	1,629