## **Parks and Community Property**



#### What we do

The Parks and Community Property activity includes the following:

- Parks and Open Spaces
- Cemeteries
- Public Conveniences
- Community Property.

This activity manages and provides maintenance for a wide variety of parks, reserves, sports grounds, cycle and walkways, coastal foreshore areas, and other open spaces throughout the district.

Approximately two thirds of the value of the parks and community property assets are located within urban Gisborne with the balance spread throughout the district roughly in proportion to population distribution.

This activity also manages the district's public convenience facilities, urban and rural cemeteries and miscellaneous community property including such assets as the Gisborne town clock, public art, plaques, monuments, cenotaphs, boat ramps, jetties and the administration and management of leases and licenses on council owned land.

Asset management for the major community facilities of the HB William's Memorial Library, Olympic Pool, theatres and the Tairāwhiti Museum and Art Gallery is also included within this activity.

### Why we do it

Council maintains a Parks and Community Property network that provides our district with areas that allow cultural, leisure and recreational activity and opportunities while ensuring landscape amenity values and ecological protection of these areas is achieved.

# This activity contributes to the following Community Outcomes

- Tairāwhiti Tangata
- Tairāwhiti Taonga

### **Challenges and Opportunities**

Future challenges and opportunities facing the activity:

Parks, reserves, sports grounds, coastal foreshore and other open spaces play an important role in enhancing Gisborne as a great place to live, work and play. They are key elements of Gisborne's infrastructure which provide opportunities for our community to relax, socialise, play sport, enjoy nature, appreciate our heritage and enjoy the summer sun.

A lot of this community infrastructure is aging and some of it is in poor condition. Council is planning to invest in parks and community property to help bring facilities and equipment up to standard. It is also planning to invest in new infrastructure, for example the Tairāwhiti Navigations cultural heritage trail to revitalise the inner harbour. As communities develop and change opportunities for Parks and Community Property include the need to plan for:

- a population with more children than the national average
- a desire for affordable and accessible recreation, social and cultural activities
- an ageing population with likely fixed incomes
- better all-round utility of sporting infrastructure
- provision of urban walking and cycleway linkages
- ensuring strong and enduring relationships with lwi/Tangata Whenua
- development and maintenance of ecological linkages that support environmental sustainability.

The quality of our public conveniences have at times not met the standard our community expects. Public feedback has consistently demonstrated dissatisfaction with the standard of cleanliness of some highly used public conveniences. Council will review public conveniences across the district to make sure they are well distributed, hygienic, safe and are provided at an affordable level.

Parks and community property also provide important economic benefits including helping to attract new visitors and residents.

### What are our plans for the next ten years?

#### What have we been doing?

#### Adopted a District Sports Park Management Plan and upgraded training lights in a number of sports parks.

- Constructed new cycle and walkways at Alfred Cox Park, Waikanae Beach and from Kaiti to Wainui.
- Developed a co-management plan for the Kopututea coastal area with iwi.
- Gained agreement on general location of C Company Building.
- Implemented Summer Hosting initiative to improve overall coordination of works planned over summer period.
- Completed open space design guidelines to assist in operational planning for parks.
- Completed Hamanatua Beach access way and picnic area.
- Agreed on hockey turf location at Harry Barker.
- Worked with the Te Karaka community to address tree and playground issues.
- Assisted with the upgrade of London Street playground.
- Worked on township upgrades such as Tolaga Bay
- Worked with Te Runanga o Turanganui a Kiwa to develop a maintenance management plan for railway site.

#### What will we do in years 1-10?

#### Years 1-3

#### Parks and Reserves

- Complete harvesting and progress redevelopment of Titirangi Recreation Reserve (Kaiti Hill). Council is commencing a programme to help restore the mauri (wellbeing) of Titirangi for 2019 commemorations and move towards co-management with Ngati Oneone.
- Develop the Navigations cultural heritage trail, revitalising the inner harbour.
- Implement the Sports Park Management Plan to increase utilisation and provide continued service but across fewer sites.
- Carry out feasibility assessment on the development of Alfred Cox Park.
- Undertake an asset management review of playgrounds including progressing upgrades to key destination playgrounds and managing an active renewals programme ensuring all playgrounds comply with safety standards.
- Carry out actions associated with the Waihirere Domain Reserve Management Plan.
- Carry out a strategic review of playgrounds in the district.
- Develop a treescape strategy to enhance and protect streetscapes, parks and public spaces.
- Progress the 'Our Place' city revitalisation work through installation of plantings, art work and light furnishings in the CBD and across the district.
- Support development of a business case for the proposed Kaiti Sport and Recreation Community Hub (Papawhariki)
- Support development of a business case for the upgrade of the Alfred Cox Skate Park
- Support development of the community proposed Junior Cycle Track.

#### Public Conveniences

- Improve the existing hygiene and tidiness standards of public conveniences.
- Develop a district wide public convenience strategy.
- Consider CBD public convenience rationalisation.

#### Cemeteries

• Implement standard operating procedures for the management of cemeteries.

#### Asset Management

- Regularly carry out condition assessments on the Museum Building and undertake required maintenance work.
- Pursue external funding and undertake required work on Wylie Cottage.

### Years 1-10

#### Parks and Reserves

- Work across Council to help implement integrated Township plans
- Continue implementation of the Sports Park Management Plan and upgrades to specific reserves.
- Continue to manage an active renewals programme of playgrounds.
- Continue with implementation of reserve management plan actions.

What have we been doing?	What will we do in years 1-10?
	Completion of Navigations project.
	<ul> <li>Implement recommendations from treescape strategy.</li> </ul>
	Review open space design guidelines.
	Public Conveniences
	Continue to implement recommendations from public convenience strategy.
	<u>Cemeteries</u>
	Review cemetery bylaw if relevant legislation changes.
	Asset Management
	<ul> <li>Maintain asset register.</li> <li>Continue to keep up to date condition assessments of all community facilities.</li> <li>Implement required asset maintenance work.</li> <li>Continue to actively manage lease agreements for public facilities.</li> </ul>

#### We will achieve these plans by:

- Robust activity management planning and reporting
- Using a mix of contractors and in-house staff
- Engaging skilled experts to assist in the development of key strategies
- Leveraging external funding
- Developing partnerships
- Utilising technology that enables appropriate asset monitoring and management
- Developing a professional development framework for staff.

### Levels of Service and Performance Measures

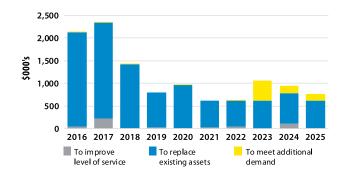
Level of Service	Performance measure	Results 2013/14	Target Years 1-3	Target Years 4-10
We provide a parks and open spaces network that protects landscape amenity values and biodiversity while promoting leisure and recreational	Number of visitors to parks.	New measure	Year 1: Establish baseline and targets	Establish targets
opportunities that meet the needs of the district.	Percentage of playgrounds that meet relevant New Zealand safety standards.	Not Reported	100%	100%
	Percentage of residents satisfied with our local parks as found in the Annual Resident Satisfaction Survey.	83%	86%	Replace with user satisfaction
	Percentage of stakeholders satisfied with the quality of care of Council managed heritage, cultural and archaeological sites.	New measure	Year 1: Establish baseline and targets	Target to be established
	Percentage of the beach restoration maintenance standards achieved based on project-by-project requirements.	New measure	Year 1: Establish baseline and targets	Target to be established
	Percentage of users satisfied with the quality of sports surfaces and facilities when using parks.	Amended Measure	80%	80%
	Percentage of users satisfied with the quality of their experience when using parks.	New measure	Year 1: Establish baseline and targets	Target to be established
We provide safe, fit for purpose and appropriately located public conveniences that meet the needs of the district.	Percentage of residents satisfied with public conveniences as found in the Annual Resident Satisfaction Survey.	26%	50%	70%

# **Forecast Activity Cost Statement**

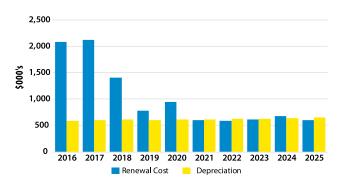
OPERATING REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE (\$000)	Budget 2015/16	Budget 2016/17	Budget 2017/18	Budget 2018/19	Budget 2019/20	Budget 2020/21	Budget 2021/22	Budget 2022/23	Budget 2023/24	Budget 2024/25
Operating Non Exchange Revenue	8	8	8	8	9	9	9	9	10	10
Operating Exchange Revenue	358	367	377	387	398	410	423	437	452	468
Operating Expenditure	4,947	5,139	5,309	5,321	5,448	5,460	5,579	5,728	5,870	5,986
Net Cost of Service	4,581	4,764	4,924	4,925	5,041	5,041	5,147	5,282	5,408	5,508

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE (\$000)	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
- to meet additional demand	21	10	2	0	22	0	2	438	162	153
- to improve level of service	36	219	10	19	10	26	37	0	102	12
- to replace existing assets	2,091	2,126	1,413	782	945	596	583	620	680	607
Capital Projects	2,148	2,355	1,425	801	977	622	622	1,058	944	771

# **Total Capital Projects**



# Depreciation v renewal capital assets



# Capital Expenditure 2015-2025

Description	LOS	Total Cost	2015/16 \$000s	2016/17 \$000s	2017/18 \$000s	2018/19 \$000s	2019/20 \$000s	2020/21 \$000s	2021/22 \$000s	2022/23 \$000s	2023/24 \$000s	2024/25 \$000s
Parks and Reserves Improvements	MAINTAIN INCREASE	2,384	208	374	195	231	170	270	175	268	233	260
Sports Parks and Recreation	GROWTH INCREASE MAINTAIN	2,089	398	654	302	205	161	46	81	31	131	80
Community Monuments and Signage	MAINTAIN INCREASE	1,395	153	224	156	129	130	111	132	112	135	113
Titirangi Recreation Reserve Upgrades and Improvements	MAINTAIN	1,322	600	512	210	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Reserves and Ecological Links	GROWTH INCREASE MAINTAIN	1,044	237	139	295	78	68	54	71	32	48	22
Public Conveniences	MAINTAIN	1,000	121	97	82	80	109	85	116	90	123	97
Purchase and Land Improvements	GROWTH	741	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	427	161	153
Neighbourhood Parks & Public Gardens	GROWTH INCREASE MAINTAIN	617	104	32	61	34	85	41	42	82	107	29
Cultural Heritage	MAINTAIN	617	214	290	5	44	5	15	5	16	6	17
Parks - Waikirikiri Reserve	MAINTAIN	457	90	0	118	0	249	0	0	0	0	0
Township Plans	MAINTAIN	56	23	33	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals		11,722	2,148	2,355	1,424	801	977	622	622	1,058	944	771