

ORDER PAPER

ASSETS/INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Thursday, 27 August 2026
Time: 9.30am
Venue: Council Chamber
Rangitikei District Council
46 High Street
Marton

Chair: Cr Dave Wilson

Deputy Chair: Cr Paul Sharland

Membership: HWTM Andy Watson
Cr Alan Buckendahl
Cr Fi Dalgety
Cr Sandra Field
Cr John Hainsworth
Cr Piki Te Ora Hiroa
Cr Graeme O'Fee
Cr Coral Raukawa
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Notice is hereby given that an Assets/Infrastructure Committee Meeting of the Rangitīkei District Council will be held in the Council Chamber, Rangitīkei District Council, 46 High Street, Marton on Thursday, 27 August 2026 at 9.30am.

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AGENDA

1 Welcome / Prayer

2 Apologies

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4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

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

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

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

6 Confirmation of Minutes

6.1 Confirmation of Minutes

Author: Petra Fleming, Governance Advisor

1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 The minutes from **Assets/Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on 28 May 2026** are attached.

Attachments

1. **Assets/Infrastructure Committee Meeting - 28 May 2026**

Recommendation

That the minutes of Assets/Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on 28 May 2026 [**as amended/without amendment**] be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting, and that the electronic signature of the Chair of this Committee be added to the official minutes document as a formal record.

MINUTES



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DISTRICT COUNCIL
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UNCONFIRMED: ASSETS/INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Thursday, 28 May 2026
Time: 10.00am
Venue: Council Chamber
Rangitikei District Council
46 High Street
Marton

Present

Cr Dave Wilson
Cr Alan Buckendahl
Cr Fi Dalgety
Cr Sandra Field
Cr John Hainsworth
Cr Graeme O'Fee
Cr Paul Sharland
Cr Jeff Wong
HWTM Andy Watson

In attendance

Ms Carol Gordon, Chief Executive
Mr Arno Benadie, Deputy Chief Executive
Ms Leanne Macdonald, Group Manager – Corporate Services
Ms Katrina Gray, Group Manager – Strategy, Community and Democracy
Mr Darryn Black, Roading Transport Manager
Mr Eswar Ganapathi, Senior Project Manager
Ms Crystal Johnston, Executive Assistant – Group Managers

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1 Welcome / Prayer

The meeting was opened by Cr Wilson at 10:00am and the Council prayer was read.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number 26/AIN/007

That the apology received from Cr Hiroa be accepted and leave of absence granted.

Cr D Wilson/HWTM A Watson. Carried

3 Public Forum

There was no public forum.

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

There was no change to the order of business.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number 26/AIN/008

That the minutes of Assets/Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on 2 April 2026 without amendment be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting, and that the electronic signature of the Chair of this Committee be added to the official minutes document as a formal record.

Cr G O'Fee/Cr A Buckendahl. Carried

7 Follow-up Action Items from Previous Meetings

7.1 Follow-up Action Items from Assets/Infrastructure Committee Meetings

Marton to Bulls Wastewater Centralisation

Officers confirmed that work is progressing.

Discussion took place regarding HWTM's query relating to the recognition of revenue within the Finance/Performance reporting. Officers advised that this matter would be confirmed at the next Finance/Performance Committee meeting.

Marton Water Strategy – Guarantees

The Committee discussed whether this item should remain as a follow up action. Members discussed that the specific action was in relation to a project that was no longer active, but considered it important that effective reporting occur on the Marton Water Strategy project.

It was agreed that Action 2 be removed and replaced with a new action requesting that the whole Marton Water Strategy project be included in the Projects Report.

Resolved minute number 26/AIN/009

That the report Follow-up Action Items from Assets/Infrastructure Committee Meetings be received.

Cr A Buckendahl/Cr P Sharland. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/AIN/010

That item 2 is removed from the follow up actions as completed.

Cr D Wilson/Cr J Wong. Carried

8 Chair's Report

8.1 Chair's Report - May 2026

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 26/AIN/011

That the Chair's Report – May 2026 be received.

Cr D Wilson/Cr J Hainsworth. Carried

9 Reports for Information

9.1 Roding Update - May 2026

Officers advised that following the February wind event, Council's local share of funding required an additional \$105,000. This matter will be reported through a future Chief Executive's Report.

An update was provided on transport projects, and that the resealing programme had been impacted by weather, with some works deferred until the following construction season, and heavy vehicle issues for Bruce Street, Hunterville.

Members were advised that replacement of the Stantialls Road Bridge has been deferred due to design delays.

Resolved minute number 26/AIN/012

That the report 'Roading Update - May 2026' be received.

Cr P Sharland/Cr J Hainsworth. Carried

9.2 Project Update Report - April 2026Wastewater Projects

Officers advised that the project status reporting now includes an updated status column to better reflect changes from the previous reporting period.

An update was provided on discussions with ANZCO, with officers advising that the company has expressed strong interest in becoming a trade waste customer. Work is continuing to progress this opportunity, including consideration of how the arrangement would transfer to the future Water Services Council Controlled Organisation (WSCCO).

A member sought an update on land acquisition associated with the wastewater project. Officers advised that a report outlining the available options, including land acquisition, will be presented to Council, subject to programme timing, towards the end of August.

Discussion also occurred regarding the Rātana wastewater project. Officers confirmed that options would be presented to Council before any consultation is undertaken.

HWTM requested that discharge to land be specifically identified within the list of project alternatives and suggested that all options remain visible within future reporting to ensure they are not inadvertently removed as the project progresses. Officers advised that discussions have also taken place with Whanganui District Council regarding the potential for Rangitikei to become a trade waste customer. The Kaitoke proposal remains a viable option and will be included alongside all other alternatives in future reports.

The Chair noted that the reported project budget appeared to have increased. Officers advised that the approved budget was \$7.65 million and that rounding may have resulted in inconsistencies. Officers undertook to ensure future reports accurately reflect approved budget figures.

Taihape Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements

The Chair questioned whether the identified risk relating to the transfer of the programme to the future CCO should also apply to other major projects. Officers agreed and undertook to review the risk registers for consistency. It was also noted that Local Government reform should be reflected as a project risk across all water and wastewater projects.

Marton Water Strategy

Members confirmed that future project reporting should reinstate the full scope of the Marton Water Strategy, including longer-term strategic considerations.

Community Facilities

Officers advised that work on the Marton Office project is continuing. The Chief Executive reminded members that Council had resolved through the Annual Plan deliberations for options to be presented to Council by the end of June, noting that Local Government reform may also influence future decisions.

Emergency Operations Centre (EOC)

Officers advised that the project continues to progress. Information expected during the first week of June is anticipated to enable construction to commence.

Taihape Grandstand

The Chair advised that Council has provided the community group with the final draft agreement. A further minor amendment has been requested by the group, although it does not alter Council's previous resolution. Officers advised that the amendment can be addressed administratively.

Taihape Town Hall

A member asked when detailed designs would be presented to Council. Officers clarified that the concept design previously approved by Council remains unchanged and that detailed design is a separate stage of the project.

Marton Pool

Officers advised that the contractor commenced work on site on 10 June.

Small Capital Expenditure Projects

Officers advised that this section has been added to provide elected members with additional visibility of smaller capital projects.

Resolved minute number 26/AIN/013

That the report 'Project Updates Report – April 2026' be received.

Cr C Raukawa/Cr A Buckendahl. Carried

9.3 Consent Compliance Report - April/May 2026

Water Take

The Chair sought clarification regarding the flowmeter installed on the Erewhon Rural Water Scheme, noting that Horizons Regional Council's monitoring equipment has been in place for some time and asking whether Council should already know if the scheme is compliant. Officers advised that Horizons Regional Council would notify Council should any compliance issues arise.

A member noted that the water take consents for Taihape and Bulls had expired. Officers confirmed that renewal applications are currently being progressed.

Wastewater Compliance

HWTM sought an update on the status of the Taihape Wastewater Treatment Plant resource consent. Officers advised that the current consent expires in 2027 and that Council is already progressing the renewal application, which must be lodged at least six months prior to expiry.

Resolved minute number 26/AIN/014

That the report 'Consent Compliance Report – April/May 2026' be received.

Cr F Dalgety/Cr P Sharland. Carried

The meeting closed at 11:21am.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Assets/Infrastructure Committee held on 27 August 2026.

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Chairperson

7 Follow-up Action Items from Previous Meetings

7.1 Follow-up Action Items from Assets/Infrastructure Committee Meetings

Author: Petra Fleming, Governance Advisor

1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 On the list attached are items raised at previous Assets/Infrastructure Committee meetings. Items indicate who is responsible for follow up, and a brief status comment.

2. Decision Making Process

- 2.1 Staff have assessed the requirements of the Local Government Act 2002 in relation to this item and have concluded that, as this report is for information only, the decision-making provisions do not apply.

Attachments:

1. Follow-Up Actions Register [↓](#)

Recommendation

That the report Follow-up Action Items from Assets/Infrastructure Committee Meetings be received.

Current Follow-up Actions

Item	From Meeting Date	Details	Person Assigned	Status Comments	Status
1	2-Apr-26	How much has been spent on the Marton to Bulls WW Centralisation as a total cost spend to date, entire life of the project, including past LTP periods. E.g. pipeline, land purchase.	Arno	Since 2017 RDC has spent \$19.4M. The majority of this spend was for the construction of the Marton to Bulls pipeline and for the purchase of the land for disposal of treated wastewater. RDC received \$8.5M in funding for the Marton to Bulls pipeline.	Completed
2	28-May-26	The Marton Water Strategy project as a whole, including the long term project be included in the Projects Report. This includes information on the use of the bores as part of the long term solution.	Arno	We added comments to the report to note that the larger project continues and can confirm that \$20M has currently been included in the CDW budgets. We are finalising the capital expenditure plan and will add that to this project update once that program has been finalised through CDW.	Completed

ITEM 7.1 ATTACHMENT 1

8 Chair's Report

8.1 Chair's Report - August 2026

Author: Dave Wilson, Deputy Mayor

Welcome members

During the last Council meeting we approved the Roding Activity Management Plan for submission to NZTA. This plan identifies the work programme & business case for the next 3 years of our roading works across the Rangitikei District. It is important to note that NZTA are the major funder with our FAR (Finical assistance rate) being 66% of funds needed, meaning our rate payers fund the balance of 34%. As you will all be aware we have approx. 1280kms of roads in our district with about 400kms still in gravel.

Our roading network is complex in nature, as is the terrain it covers. The plan our roading team have submitted is very thorough and based on excellent data to support the programme.

Roding across our district is very important as an 'Enabling' function to support our rural base district, which is a strong contributor to our districts' GDP.

As mentioned during the meeting there is a mis-alignment in the timing for approval from NZTA and the timing of our LTP plan preparation for next year, meaning the full rate impact of our increased roading plan can only be based on what we have submitted and not confirmed until final approval by NZTA. We must remember that roading is just one of the work streams that make up our LTP planning and forecasts.

We have completed a number of capex projects as reported in today's agenda which is pleasing from my point of view as Chair.

We have also started the new build of the district EOC, Emergency Operations Centre. Whist this is planned to have multiple functions its primary purpose is to serve as an operations centre in the event of a district emergency event - not if but when! Let's hope we don't need it any time soon!

The establishment of Central Districts Water (CDW) is progressing well in preparation of the scheduled full transfer to start up 01 July 2027.

With on-going Geo-Political disruptions, worldwide, we are still experiencing large price increases for construction materials that are oil based, this is having real impact on our CAPEX programme with both HDPE pipe and Bitumen 40% more than 6 months ago.

Whilst 'Simplifying Local Government/Amalgamation' has taken a lot of our attention since being announced in May this year it is important that we do not lose sight of our Asset Management plans and our CAPEX programme to ensure we deliver for our district, not just below ground and roading but the above ground infrastructure which supports all of our communities to 'call this place home'.

Recommendation

That the Chair's Report – August 2026 be received.

9 Reports for Decision

9.1 Terms of Reference - Assets/Infrastructure Committee

Author: Arno Benadie, Deputy Chief Executive

Authoriser: Arno Benadie, Deputy Chief Executive

1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 This report presents the updated Terms of Reference for the Assets/Infrastructure Committee for consideration and recommendation to Council for adoption.

2. Context

- 2.1 The Terms of Reference (TOR) for the Assets/Infrastructure Committee of this triennium was presented to the Assets/ Infrastructure Committee earlier this year. The Committee requested updates to the original document.
- 2.2 The attached document has now been updated and presented for consideration as an attachment to this report.

3. Financial Implications

- 3.1 There are no financial implications.

4. Impact on Strategic Risks

- 4.1 There are no strategic risks identified in this report

5. Strategic Alignment

- 5.1 There are no implications on Council's strategic framework associated with developing terms of reference.

6. Mana Whenua Implications

- 6.1 There are no mana whenua implications. The TOR enable a representative from Te Rōpū Ahi Kā, however, it is noted that officers are awaiting detail of legislative change which intends to remove the ability of non-elected members to have voting rights on council committees.

7. Climate Change Impacts and Consideration

- 7.1 There are no climate change considerations.

8. Statutory Implications

- 8.1 The TOR set out the scope and delegations of the Assets/Infrastructure Committee. The updated Assets/Infrastructure committee TOR have not yet been approved.

Attachments:

1. **Draft Terms of Reference - Assets/Infrastructure Committee** [↓](#)

Recommendation 1

That the report Terms of Reference – Assets/Infrastructure Committee be received.

Recommendation 2

That the Assets/Infrastructure Committee recommends to Council the updated Terms of Reference are adopted.

DRAFT Assets/Infrastructure Committee

Terms of Reference

As at August 2026

Elected Members	Open to all councillors, no minimum number. His Worship the Mayor (ex-officio)
External Members	1 member appointed by Te Rōpū Ahi Kā (optional)
Chair	Deputy Mayor Dave Wilson
Meeting frequency	Monthly – alternating between a formal meeting and workshop
Reports to	Council

Purpose

To ensure governance oversight and strategic direction for the management of Council-owned assets/infrastructure.

Outcomes

The community and Council are confident that:

- Council's infrastructure assets are managed on a whole-of-life basis.
- Infrastructure investment decisions are aligned with the Long Term Plan, Infrastructure Strategy, asset management plans, and agreed levels of service.
- Significant capital projects and renewal programmes are monitored effectively for alignment with Council's strategic framework, scope, cost, timing, and risk.
- Infrastructure planning responds to resilience, climate adaptation, growth, affordability, and compliance.
- Council's asset portfolios are maintained in a way that protects public value and supports current and future communities, taking into account financial and external constraints.
- Appropriate engagement occurs with mana whenua, affected communities, and key stakeholders on significant infrastructure matters.

Scope

- Roading and transport
- Drinking water, wastewater, and stormwater, until Council's transition to Central Districts Water
- Rural water supply
- Solid waste and recycling
- Council property, buildings, and community facilities

- Parks, reserves, cemeteries, and other public places
- Major renewals, replacements, and capital delivery programmes
- Asset management planning

Terms of Reference (delegations)

1. Strategic direction
 - a. Oversight and input into Council's infrastructure and assets priorities for Council's Long Term Plan, including asset management planning.
2. Major Capital Projects
 - a. Monitor approved capital works, renewal programmes, and major projects, including risks, budget variances, schedule changes.
3. Road legalisation actions, including road stopping, realignment, vesting.
4. Approval of contract terms for acquisition and disposal of land interests (subject to approval in principle of Council, or in adopted Council documents e.g. Annual Plan or Long Term Plan).

10 Reports for Information

10.1 Project Update Report - August 2026

Author: Arno Benadie, Deputy Chief Executive

Authoriser: Arno Benadie, Deputy Chief Executive

1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 This is a report on progress on significant projects currently being delivered by Council staff for the period ending July 2026.

2. Key Highlights from Current Projects

Wastewater Projects

3. Project: Marton to Bulls Wastewater Centralisation

Project Manager: Steve Carne

Budget: \$85.36M

Reporting Period: July 2026

3.1 Overall Project Health

Category	Status	Previous Status	Comment
Overall Status	● Green	● Green	No major hurdles envisaged
Scope	● Green	● Green	T+T scope up to lodgement to be defined
Schedule	● Green	● Green	On track as per latest HRC advisory in May
Budget	● Green	● Green	Within upper bound LTP- estimates expected to decrease
Benefits	● Green	● Green	Expected outcomes unchanged
Stakeholder Support	● Green	● Green	Positive Iwi feedback about land passage/wetland discharge to Rangitikei River

3.2 Progress Since Last Report

Completed:

- Significant progress of periphyton risk assessment required by the Wastewater NEPS regulations.
- Flows and loads refined and finalised based on latest industrial monitoring and sampling data
- Agreement with HRC to adjust the consenting timelines due to periphyton risk assessment processes.

In progress:

- Periphyton risk assessment as per WW NEPS Regulations.
- Land Passage/wetland concept designs being developed with Iwi

3.3 Key Milestones

Milestone	Planned Date	Status
Periphyton Risk Assessment Complete	End June 2026	
Preferred Option Identified	End August 2026	
Consent Lodgement	December 2026	

3.4 Financial Summary

Metric	Amount
Approved Budget	\$85.36M
Actual Spend	\$1.61M
Forecast Completion	\$85.36M

Variance: **within budget**

3.5 Top Risks

Risk	Impact	Mitigation
Uncertainty related to Periphyton Risk assessment process	Medium	Early liaison with Taumata Arowai and HRC
Uncertainty re timing of cultural values assessment with iwi and hapu	Medium	On-going dialogue

3.6 Further Information/Decisions that may be required of Council

Verification of preferred Option selection will be presented to Council for consideration.

4. Project: Rātana Wastewater Discharge to Land**Project Manager: Steve Carne****Budget: \$8M****Reporting Period: July 2026****4.1 Overall Project Health**

Category	Status	Previous Status	Comment
Overall Status	● Amber	● Amber	Alternative Options Report prepared and submitted to Officers for consideration
Scope	● Green	● Green	Strategy to reticulate Koitiata and discharge Ratana and Koitiata effluent via sea outfall at Koitiata was investigated and identified as an option to be included for consideration.
Schedule	● Amber	● Amber	Program to be confirmed
Budget	● Green	● Green	Budget is dependent on consideration of newly identified options and project outcomes.
Benefits	● Green	● Green	Benefits that can be achieved will be dependent on final option selection.
Stakeholder Support	● Amber	● Amber	New strategy not being discussed with the wider community and stakeholders until Council has considered Alternative Options Report

4.2 Progress Since Last Report

Completed:

- Alternative Options Report prepared and submitted to Officers

In progress:

- Alternative options to be presented to Council for consideration.

4.3 Key Milestones

Milestone	Planned Date	Status
Koitiata Outfall Concept Strategy Investigation finalised	April 2026	●
Stakeholder Consultation Starts	June 2026	●

4.4 Financial Summary

Metric	Amount
Approved Budget	\$8M
Actual Spend	\$1.5M
Forecast Completion	\$9M

Variance: **Uncertain until alternative options are presented to Council for approval.**

4.5 Top Risks

Risk	Impact	Mitigation
Community views and acceptance of alternative strategy	High	Early consultation re: alternatives and reasons why

4.6 Further Information/Decisions that may be required of Council

Consideration of alternative options available.

5. Project: Taihape Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvement Projects**Project Manager: Steve Carne****Budget: \$2.18M****Reporting Period: July 2026****5.1 Overall Project Health**

Category	Status	Previous Status	Comment
Overall Status	● Green	● Green	Process and Strategy clarified to move forward
Scope	● Green	● Green	Being confirmed, specifically regarding WWTP works
Schedule	● Red	● Amber	Schedule being developed and finalised and will be included in CDW budgets.
Budget	● Green	● Green	Within tolerance
Benefits	● Green	● Green	Lowest capex and compliance with consent conditions and WW NEPS Regulations
Stakeholder Support	● Green	● Green	Positive community feedback thus far re network investigations

5.2 Progress Since Last Report

Completed:

- Further field I/I source detection works via CCTV
- Investigation of WWTP operational efficiencies and capital upgrades continues. We are working on finalising the potential upgrades by end of the year

In progress:

- Sampling of WWTP influent flows and quality to confirm small plants status in the WW NEPS Regulations continues.
- Remaining CCTV inspection works in network.
- More detailed investigation at WWTP of short- and medium-term capital improvements.
- Repair of on-property inflow defects and manholes

5.3 Key Milestones

Milestone	Planned Date	Status
Complete remaining field network investigations	Mid-June 2026	●
Complete WWTP investigations	July 2026	●
Confirm works strategy	August 2026	●

5.4 Financial Summary

Metric	Amount
Approved Budget	\$2.18M
Actual Spend	\$1.03M
Forecast Completion	\$2.18M

Variance: **None**

5.5 Top Risks

Risk	Impact	Mitigation
Effective Transfer of program to CCO	Medium	Develop clear strategy

5.6 Further Information/Decisions that May Be Required of Council

Council decision regarding the funding of private property inflow defects and rectification works will be required.

6. Water Projects

Project: Marton Water Strategy

Project Manager: Gwilym van Hoffen

Budget: \$1.5M

Reporting Period: July 2026

6.1 Overall Project Health

Category	Status	Previous Status	Comment
Overall Status	● Green	● Green	Following the Council decision in April, work is proceeding well with the interim operational improvement solutions proposed to be implemented before summer 2026
Scope	● Green	● Green	The scope going forwards is aligned with the April Council decision
Schedule	● Green	● Green	The project is currently on track to deliver better quality water in Marton for the summer peak of 2026
Budget	● Green	● Green	The rescoped project budget is currently on track
Benefits	● Green	● Green	The outcomes and benefits of the project are expected to be significant
Stakeholder Support	● Green	● Green	Stakeholder support is good, based on the April Council decision

6.2 Progress Since Last Report

Completed:

- Preparation and site work for the Calico Line package treatment plant are well advanced. The site will be fully ready to receive the package plant when it is delivered at the end of August.
- The ultrasonic units have been installed in the Tutaenui Reservoir, and initial results are promising. Cyanobacterial cell counts and biovolume are well below the initial (benchmark) readings at all sites measured. The upper reservoir shoreline readings for cyanobacteria have reduced by nearly 80%. Geosmin readings are currently stable and are expected to fall in coming weeks as the ultrasonic units start to work longer hours on increasing daylight for solar power.
- A placeholder budget for a full new WTP has been developed for inclusion in the CDW capital works programme.

In progress:

- Concept design work and indicative costing is underway to develop a conveyance solution for the backwash water at the existing Marton WTP.

6.3 Key Milestones

Milestone	Planned Date	Status
Commissioning of the Calico Line package treatment plant	Nov/Dec 2026	●
Commissioning of the ultrasonic devices in the Tutaenui Reservoir	Sept/Oct 2026	●

6.4 Financial Summary

Metric	Amount
Approved Budget	\$1.5M
Actual Spend	\$0.5M
Forecast Completion	\$1.5M

Variance: **None**

6.5 Top Risks

Risk	Impact	Mitigation
Public perceptions	Medium	Ongoing communication and regular engagement with Marton residents
New technology risks	High	Obtain high quality engineering review and technical advice

6.6 Further Information/Decisions that may be required of Council

Nothing anticipated at present

7. Community Facilities

Project: Marton Offices and Library

Project Manager: EswarPrasath Ganapathi

Budget: \$15.68M

Reporting Period: July 2026

7.1 Overall Project Health

Category	Status	Previous Status	Comment
Overall Status	● On hold	● Green	Major risks identified and planned for
Scope	● On hold	● Green	No changes
Schedule	● On hold	● Green	On hold
Budget	● On hold	● Green	Within budget
Benefits	● On hold	● Green	Expected outcomes unchanged
Stakeholder Support	● On hold	● Green	Positive

7.2 Progress Since Last Report

Completed:

- Preliminary Designs completed

In progress:

- Project put on hold until gaining clarity on Government's Headstart pathway.

7.3 Key Milestones

Milestone	Planned Date	Status
Preliminary Design	May 2026	●
Developed Design	Jul 2026	●
Detail Design	Nov 2026	●
Resource Consent	Jul 2026	●
Building Consent	Nov 26	●
Construction Start	Jan 2027	●
Project Completion	Jul 2028	●

7.4 Financial Summary

Metric	Amount
Approved Budget	\$15.68M
Actual Spend	\$993K
Forecast Completion	

Variance: **None**

7.5 Top Risks

Risk	Impact	Mitigation
Unexpected findings during demolition	Medium	Contingency sums allowed in design and construction budgets
Construction & Design costs could increase if the project is halted for too long	High	Need direction around Council’s intention for the project

7.6 Further Information/Decisions that may be required of Council

None

8. Project: Marton EOC**Project Manager: EswarPrasath Ganapathi****Budget: \$3.2M****Reporting Period: July 2026****8.1 Overall Project Health**

Category	Status	Previous Status	Comment
Overall Status	● Green	● Green	Resource consent conditions obtained
Scope	● Green	● Green	No changes
Schedule	● Green	● Green	Schedule has been finalised and approved
Budget	● Green	● Green	Within budget
Benefits	● Green	● Green	Expected outcomes unchanged
Stakeholder Support	● Green	● Green	Positive

8.2 Progress Since Last Report

Completed:

- Resource consent conditions obtained
- Building consent application issued
- Contract signed with Maycroft Construction

In progress:

- Project kick-off meeting done
- Site mobilisation planning in progress
- Cultural design discussions with Iwi representatives

8.3 Key Milestones

Milestone	Planned Date	Status
Detailed Design	Mar 2026	●
Resource Consent	May 2026	●
Building Consent	Aug 2026	●
Construction Start	Aug 2026	●
Project Completion	Apr 2027	●

8.4 Financial Summary

Metric	Amount
Approved Budget	\$3.2M
Actual Spend	\$177K
Forecast Completion	\$3.2M

Variance: **None**

8.5 Top Risks

Risk	Impact	Mitigation
Contaminated soil	Low	Allow for soil to be utilised within site
Archaeological findings	Low	Keep Archaeological consultant appraised of the project, so we can turn around quickly, in the event we find something

8.6 Further Information/Decisions that May Be Required of Council

None

9. Project: Taihape Grandstand (Community Lead Project)**Staff Support: Pio Rowe/Gaylene Prince****Reporting Period: July 2026**

- 9.1 The Taihape Grandstand Restoration Committee (TGRC) have committed to a Review and Project Reset that will allow for a more concise way-forward report and action plan. It would identify the viable project scope, the core risks and evidence gaps, the realistic funding position, and the key decisions required from Council and TGRC.
- 9.2 Council staff are committed to supporting TGRC.
- 9.3 TGRC were successful in receiving a grant toward the project from Four Regions Trust, for an amount of \$75,000.

10. Project: Taihape Town Hall and Library Redevelopment**Project Manager: Eswar Ganapathi****Budget: \$14M****Reporting Period: July 2026****10.1 Overall Project Health**

Category	Status	Previous Status	Comment
Overall Status	● Green	● Green	On track
Scope	● Green	● Green	No changes
Schedule	● Green	● Green	On track
Budget	● Green	● Green	Within budget
Benefits	● Green	● Green	Expected outcomes unchanged
Stakeholder Support	● Green	● Green	Positive community feedback

10.2 Progress Since Last Report

Completed:

- Developed designs completed

In progress:

- Detailed designs

10.3 Key Milestones

Milestone	Planned Date	Status
Developed Design	May 2026	●
Detail Design	Sep 2026	●
Building Consent	Oct 26	●
Construction Start	Nov 2026	●
Project Completion	Jun 2028	●

10.4 Financial Summary

Metric	Amount
Approved Budget	\$14M
Actual Spend	\$1.1M
Forecast Completion	\$14M

Variance: **None**

10.5 Top Risks

Risk	Impact	Mitigation
Unexpected findings during demolition	Medium	Contingency sums allowed in design and construction budgets

10.6 Further Information/Decisions that may be required of Council

None

11. Project: Marton Swim Centre Structural Remediation**Project Manager: EswarPrasath Ganapathi****Budget: \$6M****Reporting Period: July 2026****11.1 Overall Project Health**

Category	Status	Previous Status	Comment
Overall Status	● Green	● Green	Works in progress
Scope	● Green	● Green	No changes
Schedule	● Amber	● Green	Potential delay on roof steel frames from China. To be confirmed
Budget	● Green	● Green	Budget approved by Council
Benefits	● Green	● Green	Expected outcomes unchanged
Stakeholder Support	● Green	● Green	Positive

11.2 Progress Since Last Report

Completed:

- Contract signed
- Construction works started on 10 June 2026
- 70% of Column seismic works completed
- PowerCo contract signed

In progress:

- Seismic works on last 3 columns
- ETFE roof and structural steel fabrication
- HVAC designs and procurement
- 70% Roof structural steel members are ready for delivery while the supply of the remaining 30% have been notified as a potential delay from China for 4-6 weeks. Alaska is currently evaluating alternative options to mitigate the delay.

11.3 Key Milestones

Milestone	Planned Date	Status
Contractor selection	Feb 2026	●
Construction Start	Jun 2026	●
Project Completion	Mar 2027	●

11.4 Financial Summary

Metric	Amount
Approved Budget	\$6M
Actual Spend	\$940K
Forecast Completion	\$6M

Variance: **None**

11.5 Top Risks

Risk	Impact	Mitigation
Increased shipping costs due to current global market condition	High	Allow for cost contingencies
Potential delay in steel delivery from China that could result in delays.	Medium	Alaska are investigation all alternative solutions to limit the exposure to a delay.

11.6 Further Information/Decisions that may be required of Council

- None

12. Small Capital Projects**Project: Taihape Watermain Renewal****Project Manager: Peter Sharpe****12.1 General Update**

All pipelines installed and operational. Minor remediation works to be completed before final sign off.

13. Project: Hunterville Stormwater Upgrade**Project Manager: Peter Sharpe****13.1 General Update**

Project has been completed within budget and timeframes.

14. Project: Calico Line Watermain (In conjunction with footpath)**Project Manager: Peter Sharpe****14.1 General Update**

All pipe and lateral connections installed. Doing final quality assurance.

Shared pathway has been formed and sealed. Paint and traffic management devices to be installed in the next few weeks. Expected to be completed by end of September.

15. Project: Skerman Street Stormwater**Project Manager: Peter Sharpe****15.1 General Update**

Project has been completed within budget. The breakdown of available AC plants in the region resulted in a 2-week delay in the completion of construction.

ITEM 10.1**16. Project: Bredins Line Stormwater**
Project Manager: Peter Sharpe**16.1 General Update**

The pipeline construction has been completed and is now in service. Minor reinstatement being completed and practical completion will likely be achieved by the end of August. The project is on budget.

17. Project: Marton to Bulls Pipeline – Pipe Bridges
Project Manager: Peter Sharpe**17.1 General Update**

All three pipe bridges and connecting pipework have been installed. Awaiting some fine weather to tidy up site 1. Project is on budget.

18. Financial Implications

18.1 This report does not identify any financial implications.

19. Impact on Strategic Risks

19.1 There are no impacts on strategic risks.

20. Strategic Alignment

20.1 All projects are aligned with strategic goals.

21. Mana Whenua Implications

21.1 All mana whenua implications are managed by the individual projects.

22. Climate Change Impacts and Consideration

22.1 There is no climate change impact.

23. Statutory Implications

23.1 There are no statutory implications.

Recommendation 1

That the Project Updates Report – August 2026 be received.

10.2 Consent Compliance Report - August 2026**Author:** Arno Benadie, Deputy Chief Executive**Authoriser:** Arno Benadie, Deputy Chief Executive**1. Reason for Report**

- 1.1 The reason for the report is to update elected members on district-wide consent compliance performance for the period ending June 2026.
- 1.2 The consent compliance includes raw water abstraction, Drinking Water Quality Assurance Rules and treated wastewater discharge.

2. Water Supply**2.1 Water Supply Consent Compliance**

- 2.1.1 Table 1 shows the compliance of each water supply scheme against abstraction consent conditions. Only those schemes for which Rangitikei District Council (RDC) is the consent holder have been shown.
- 2.1.2 RDC is authorised to abstract surface water and groundwater to provide water for eight water schemes. The associated limits for six of these abstractions were complied with for the duration of June 2026 (see Table 1 for details).

Table 1: Consent Compliance with Abstraction - Water Supply

Scheme	Compliance June 2026	Comments	Actions
Marton	Compliant		No action required
Taihape	Compliant		Consent expired - S124
Bulls	Compliant		Consent expired - S124
Mangaweka	Non-Compliant	Min night flow n/c on: 23/6, 26/6, 28/6, 30/6	Monitor
Ratana	Compliant		No action required
Erewhon Rural		This is Horizons Equipment	
Hunterville Rural	Compliant		No action required
Omatane Rural	Non-Compliant	Max flow rate exceedances on: 3/6, 17/6, 20/6	Monitor

2.2 Drinking Water Quality Assurance Rules

- 2.2.1 Tables 2a through 2f show the compliance for June 2026 of each water supply scheme against the Drinking Quality Assurance Rules (DWQAR) (2022) Treatment Rules. E. coli is monitored monthly at Mangaweka.

Table 2a: DWQAR Compliance Monitoring Treatment Rules - BULLS

	Rule	Parameter	Limit	Compliance June 2026	Comments	
Bacterial	T3.2	C.t.	≥ 15 min.mg/L (95%)	Compliant		Treated Water
	T3.3	FACE	≥ 0.2 mg/L (100%)	Compliant		
	T3.4	T ₁₀ contact time	≥ 5 minutes contact	Compliant		
	T3.5	Turbidity	< 1.0 NTU (95%)	Compliant		
	T3.6	Turbidity	Not > 2 NTU for 15 min period	Compliant		
Protozoal	T3.31	Turbidity	≤ 0.15 NTU (95%)	Compliant		Filters 3 Log
	T3.32	Turbidity	not > 0.5 NTU for 15 min period	Compliant		
	T3.85	Flow	Within certified range (95%)	Compliant		UV 4 Log
	T3.86	UV Dose	≥ Required Dose (95%)	Compliant		
	T3.87	UV Dose	Not < Req Dose for 15 min period	Compliant		
	T3.88	Turbidity	Not > 5.0 NTU for 15 min period	Compliant		
Continuous Monitoring Checks						
bacterial	T3.1	chlorine disinfection / treated water		✓		
protozoal	T3.33	coagulation, flocculation, direct filtration		✓		
	T3.91	UV disinfection		✓		

Table 2b DWQAR Compliance Monitoring Treatment Rules – HUNTERVILLE

	Rule	Parameter	Limit	Compliance June 2026	Comments	
Bacterial	T3.2	C.t.	≥ 15 min.mg/L (95%)	Compliant		Treated Water
	T3.3	FACE	≥ 0.2 mg/L (100%)	Non-Compliant		
	T3.4	T ₁₀ contact time	≥ 5 minutes contact	Compliant		
	T3.5	Turbidity	< 1.0 NTU (95%)	Compliant		
	T3.6	Turbidity	Not > 2 NTU for 15 min period	Compliant		
Protozoal	T3.43	Turbidity	≤ 0.15 NTU (95%)	Compliant		Filters 3 Log
	T3.44	Turbidity	not > 0.5 NTU for 15 min period	Compliant		
	T3.65	Turbidity	≤ 1.0 NTU (95%)	Compliant		Cartridge Filters 0.5 Log
	T3.66	Turbidity	not > 1.0 NTU for 15 min period	Compliant		
	T3.67	Turbidity	Filtrate not > Raw for 15 min period	Compliant		
	T3.68	Flow	Within certified range (100%)	Compliant		
	T3.69	Differential Pressure	Within certified range (100%)	Compliant		UV 4 Log
	T3.70	Differential Pressure	Min DP > new DP (100%)	Non-Compliant		
	T3.85	Flow	Within certified range (95%)	Compliant		
	T3.86	UV Dose	≥ Required Dose (95%)	Compliant		
	T3.87	UV Dose	Not < Req Dose for 15 min period	Compliant		
	T3.88	Turbidity	Not > 5.0 NTU for 15 min period	Compliant		
Continuous Monitoring Checks						
bacterial	T3.1	chlorine disinfection / treated water		✓		
protozoal	T3.45	coagulation, flocculation, sedimentation, filtration		✓		
	T3.72	cartridge filtration		✓		
	T3.91	UV disinfection		✓		

Table 2c: DWQAR Compliance Monitoring Treatment Rules - MANGAWEKA

Rule	Parameter	Limit	Compliance June 2026	Comments	Treated Water
T2.1	E Coli	<1	Compliant	1 per month required	
T2.1	Total Coliforms	<1	Compliant	1 per month required	
T2.2	Turbidity	<5 NTU	Compliant	continuously monitored	
T2.2	FAC	≥ 0.5 mg/L	Compliant	continuously monitored	
T2.2	pH	between 6.5 - 8	Compliant	continuously monitored	

Table 2d: DWQAR Compliance Monitoring Treatment Rules - MARTON

	Rule	Parameter	Limit	Compliance June 2026	Comments	
Bacterial	T3.2	C.t.	≥ 15 min.mg/L (95%)	Compliant		Treated Water
	T3.3	FACE	≥ 0.2 mg/L (100%)	Non-Compliant		
	T3.4	T ₁₀ contact time	≥ 5 minutes contact	Compliant		
	T3.5	Turbidity	< 1.0 NTU (95%)	Non-Compliant		
	T3.6	Turbidity	Not > 2 NTU for 15 min period	Compliant		
Protozoal	T3.39	Turbidity	≤ 0.30 NTU (95%)	Non-Compliant		Filters 3 Log
	T3.40	Turbidity	not > 0.5 NTU for 15 min period	Compliant		UV 4 Log
	T3.85	Flow	Within certified range (95%)	Compliant		
	T3.86	UV Dose	≥ Required Dose (95%)	Compliant		
	T3.87	UV Dose	Not < Req Dose for 15 min period	Compliant		
	T3.88	Turbidity	Not > 5.0 NTU for 15 min period	Compliant		
Continuous Monitoring Checks						
bacterial	T3.1	chlorine disinfection / treated water		×		
protozoal	T3.41	coagulation, flocculation, direct filtration		×		
	T3.91	UV disinfection		×		

Table 2e: DWQAR Compliance Monitoring Treatment Rules - RATANA

	Rule	Parameter	Limit	Compliance June 2026	Comments	
Bacterial	T3.2	C.t.	≥ 15 min.mg/L (95%)	Compliant		Treated Water
	T3.3	FACE	≥ 0.2 mg/L (100%)	Compliant		
	T3.4	T ₁₀ contact time	≥ 5 minutes contact	Compliant		
	T3.5	Turbidity	< 1.0 NTU (95%)	Compliant		
	T3.6	Turbidity	Not > 2 NTU for 15 min period	Compliant		
Continuous Monitoring Checks						
bacterial	T3.1	chlorine disinfection / treated water		✓		

Table 2f: DWQAR Compliance Monitoring Treatment Rules - TAIHAPE

	Rule	Parameter	Limit	Compliance June 2026	Comments
Bacterial	T3.2	C.t.	≥ 15 min.mg/L (95%)	Non-Compliant	
	T3.3	FACE	≥ 0.2 mg/L (100%)	Compliant	
	T3.4	T ₁₀ contact time	≥ 5 minutes contact	Non-Compliant	
	T3.5	Turbidity	< 1.0 NTU (95%)	Compliant	
	T3.6	Turbidity	Not > 2 NTU for 15 min period	Compliant	
Protozoal	T3.39	Turbidity	≤ 0.15 NTU (95%)	Compliant	
	T3.40	Turbidity	not > 0.5 NTU for 15 min period	Compliant	
	T3.85	Flow	Within certified range (95%)	Compliant	
	T3.86	UV Dose	≥ Required Dose (95%)	Compliant	
	T3.87	UV Dose	Not < Req Dose for 15 min period	Compliant	
	T3.88	Turbidity	Not > 5.0 NTU for 15 min period	Non-Compliant	
Continuous Monitoring Checks					
bacterial	T3.1	chlorine disinfection / treated water		✓	
protozoal	T3.41	coagulation, flocculation, sedimentation, filtration		✓	
	T3.91	UV disinfection		✓	

2.2.2 Drinking water was safe to drink for the month of June 2026.

2.2.3 Digital reporting of DWQAR compliance to Taumata Arowai is updated using Water Outlook. Large water supplies (population greater than 500) are reported monthly. Small water supplies have a 3 monthly reporting timeframe; the only Rangitikei District water supply of this size is Mangaweka.

Table 3: DWQAR Compliance Distribution Rules D3

Scheme	Rule	Parameter	Limit	Compliance June 2026	Comments
Bulls BUL001BU	D3.19	FAC	0.2 mg/L (85%)	Compliant	
	D3.29	E. Coli, Total coliforms	<1	Compliant	
	D3.22	Disinfection by-products	various	Compliant	samples required once per quarter
	D3.24	Plumbosolvent Metals	various	No samples	samples required twice per year
Hunterville HUN001HU	D3.19	FAC	0.2 mg/L (85%)	Compliant	
	D3.29	E. Coli, Total coliforms	<1	Compliant	
	D3.22	Disinfection by-products	various	Compliant	samples required once per quarter
	D3.24	Plumbosolvent Metals	various	No samples	samples required twice per year
Marton MAR001MA	D3.19	FAC	0.2 mg/L (85%)	Compliant	
	D3.29	E. Coli, Total coliforms	<1	Compliant	
	D3.22	Disinfection by-products	various	Compliant	samples required once per quarter
	D3.24	Plumbosolvent Metals	various	No samples	samples required twice per year
Ratana RAT001RA	D3.19	FAC	0.2 mg/L (85%)	Compliant	
	D3.29	E. Coli, Total coliforms	<1	Compliant	
	D3.22	Disinfection by-products	various	Compliant	samples required once per quarter
	D3.24	Plumbosolvent Metals	various	No samples	samples required twice per year
Taihape TAI001TA	D3.19	FAC	0.2 mg/L (85%)	Compliant	
	D3.29	E. Coli, Total coliforms	<1	Compliant	
	D3.22	Disinfection by-products	various	Compliant	samples required once per quarter
	D3.24	Plumbosolvent Metals	various	No samples	samples required twice per year

Table 4: DWQAR Compliance Distribution rules D2 (new rules commenced 1 January 2025)

Scheme	Rule	Parameter	Limit	Compliance June 2026	Comments
Mangaweka MAN001MA	D2.1	E. Coli, Total coliforms	<1	Compliant	samples required once per month
	D2.2 & D2.7	FAC	0.2 mg/L (80%)	Compliant	samples required 8x per month
	D2.5	Plumbosolvent Metals	various	No samples	samples required once per year

3. Wastewater

3.1 RDC has seven discharge consents, none of which were fully compliant for the reporting period up to June 2026 (See below tables for details).

Marton WWTP

Month	Volume		Effluent		Environment	
	statement	Days non-compliant	statement	Parameters non-compliant	statement	Parameters non-compliant
Jul 2025	Compliant	0	Compliant		Compliant	
Aug 2025	Compliant	0	Compliant		Compliant	
Sept 2025	compliant	0	Compliant		Non-Compliant	D/S - scBOD
Oct 2025	Compliant	0	Compliant		Non-Compliant	D/S - scBOD
Nov 2025	Compliant	0	Compliant		Non-Compliant	D/S - scBOD
Dec 2025	Compliant	0	Compliant		Non-Compliant	D/S - scBOD
Jan 2026	compliant	0	Compliant		Non-Compliant	D/S - scBOD, Turbidity
Feb 2026	Compliant	0	Compliant		Compliant	
Mar 2026	compliant	0	Compliant		Compliant	
Apr 2026	Compliant	0	Compliant		Non-Compliant	D/S - scBOD, Turbidity
May 2026	compliant	0	Compliant		Non-Compliant	D/S - scBOD
Jun 2026	Compliant	0	Compliant		Compliant	

*No consented maximum daily discharge limit for Marton.

Taihape WWTP

Month	Volume		Effluent		Environment	
	statement	Days non-compliant	statement	Parameters non-compliant	statement	Parameters non-compliant
Jul 2025	Non-Compliant	28	Compliant	No consent limit available	Non-Compliant	D/S - POM (VSS), Aluminium
Aug 2025	Non-Compliant	22	Compliant	No consent limit available	Non-Compliant	D/S - Aluminium
Sept 2025	Non-Compliant	5	Compliant	No consent limit available	Non-Compliant	D/S - Aluminium
Oct 2025	Non-Compliant	3	Compliant	No consent limit available	Non-Compliant	D/S - POM (VSS), E.Coli, Copper, Aluminium
Nov 2025	Non-Compliant	13	Compliant	No consent limit available	Non-Compliant	D/S - Aluminium, E.Coli
Dec 2025	Non-Compliant	24	Compliant	No consent limit available	Non-Compliant	D/S - Aluminium
Jan 2026	Non-Compliant	15	Compliant	No consent limit available	Non-Compliant	D/S - E.Coli
Feb 2026	Non-Compliant	18	Compliant	No consent limit available	Non-Compliant	D/S - E.Coli
Mar 2026	Non-Compliant	29	Compliant	No consent limit available	Compliant	
Apr 2026	Non-Compliant	18	Compliant	No consent limit available	Non-Compliant	D/S - E.Coli
May 2026	Non-Compliant	24	Compliant	No consent limit available	Non-Compliant	D/S - Aluminium
Jun 2026	Non-Compliant	17	Compliant	No consent limit available	Non-Compliant	D/S - Aluminium

*Taihape consented discharge limit less than what is required – re-consenting needed.

Bulls WWTP

Month	Volume		Effluent		Environment	
	statement	Days non-compliant	statement	Parameters non-compliant	statement	Parameters non-compliant
Jul 2025	Non-Compliant	19	Compliant		Compliant	No consent limit available
Aug 2025	Compliant	0	Compliant		Compliant	No consent limit available
Sept 2025	Non-Compliant	7	Non-Compliant	Ammonia-N	Compliant	No consent limit available
Oct 2025	Non-Compliant	15	Compliant		Compliant	No consent limit available
Nov 2025	Compliant	0	Compliant		Compliant	No consent limit available
Dec 2025	Non-Compliant	2	Compliant		Compliant	No consent limit available
Jan 2026	Non-Compliant	1	Compliant		Compliant	No consent limit available
Feb 2026	Non-Compliant	3	Non-Compliant	TSS	Compliant	No consent limit available
Mar 2026	Compliant	0	Compliant		Compliant	No consent limit available
Apr 2026	Non-Compliant	8	Compliant		Compliant	No consent limit available
May 2026	Compliant	0	Compliant		Compliant	No consent limit available
Jun 2026	Non-Compliant	5	Compliant		Compliant	No consent limit available

Mangaweka WWTP

Month	Volume		Effluent		Environment	
	statement	Days non-compliant	statement	Parameters non-compliant	statement	Parameters non-compliant
Jul 2025			Non-Compliant	E.Coli	Compliant	No consent limit available
Aug 2025			Non-Compliant	E.Coli, scBOD	Compliant	No consent limit available
Sept 2025			Non-Compliant	E.Coli	Compliant	No consent limit available
Oct 2025			Compliant		Compliant	No consent limit available
Nov 2025			Compliant		Compliant	No consent limit available
Dec 2025			Non-Compliant	Ammonia-N	Compliant	No consent limit available
Jan 2026			Non-Compliant	E.Coli, Ammonia-N, scBOD	Compliant	No consent limit available
Feb 2026			Non-Compliant	E.Coli, Ammonia-N, scBOD, TSS	Compliant	No consent limit available
Mar 2026			Compliant		Compliant	No consent limit available
Apr 2026			Non-Compliant	scBOD	Compliant	No consent limit available
May 2026			Compliant		Compliant	No consent limit available
Jun 2026			Compliant		Compliant	No consent limit available

*Mangaweka volume data not reading due to CPU replacement

Hunterville WWTP

Month	Volume		Effluent		Environment	
	statement	Days non-compliant	statement	Parameters non-compliant	statement	Parameters non-compliant
Jul 2025	Non-Compliant	20	Non-Compliant	DRP, E.Coli	Compliant	
Aug 2025	Non-Compliant	11	Non-Compliant	DRP	Compliant	
Sept 2025	Non-Compliant	17	Non-Compliant	DRP	Compliant	
Oct 2025	Non-Compliant	27	Non-Compliant	DRP	Compliant	
Nov 2025	Non-Compliant	1	Non-Compliant	DRP, scBOD	Compliant	
Dec 2025	Non-Compliant	6	Non-Compliant	TSS	Compliant	
Jan 2026	Non-Compliant	7	Compliant		Compliant	
Feb 2026	Non-Compliant	7	Compliant		Compliant	
Mar 2026	Compliant	0	Non-Compliant	DRP	Compliant	
Apr 2026	Non-Compliant	7	Compliant		Compliant	
May 2026	Non-Compliant	1	Compliant		Compliant	
Jun 2026	Non-Compliant	14	Non-Compliant	DRP	Compliant	

Koitiata WWTP

Month	Volume		Effluent		Environment	
	statement	Days non-compliant	statement	Parameters non-compliant	statement	Parameters non-compliant
Jul 2025	Non-Compliant	31		no samples taken		no samples taken
Aug 2025	Non-Compliant	31		no samples taken		no samples taken
Sept 2025	Non-Compliant	30		no samples taken		no samples taken
Oct 2025	Non-Compliant	31		no samples taken		no samples taken
Nov 2025	Non-Compliant	30		no samples taken		no samples taken
Dec 2025	Non-Compliant	31		no samples taken		no samples taken
Jan 2026	Compliant	0		no samples taken		no samples taken
Feb 2026	Non-Compliant	1		no samples taken		no samples taken
Mar 2026	Compliant	0		no samples taken		no samples taken
Apr 2026	Non-Compliant	10		no samples taken		no samples taken
May 2026	Compliant	0		no samples taken		no samples taken
Jun 2026	Compliant	0		no samples taken		no samples taken

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Rātana WWTP

Month	Volume		Effluent		Environment	
	statement	Days non-compliant	statement	Parameters non-compliant	statement	Parameters non-compliant
Jul 2025	Non-Compliant	21		no samples taken		no samples taken
Aug 2025	Non-Compliant	8		no samples taken		no samples taken
Sept 2025	Non-Compliant	22	Compliant			no samples taken
Oct 2025	Non-Compliant	19		no samples taken		no samples taken
Nov 2025	Non-Compliant	3		no samples taken		no samples taken
Dec 2025	Compliant	0	Compliant			no samples taken
Jan 2026	Non-Compliant	11		no samples taken		no samples taken
Feb 2026	Non-Compliant	3		no samples taken		no samples taken
Mar 2026	Compliant	0	Compliant			no samples taken
Apr 2026	Non-Compliant	11		no samples taken		no samples taken
May 2026	Compliant	0		no samples taken		no samples taken
Jun 2026	Non-Compliant	12	Compliant			no samples taken

*Rātana effluent sampling is quarterly.

4. Glossary

Acronym	Full Term	Brief Definition
	Plumbosolvent Metals	Most drinking water in Aotearoa New Zealand is plumbosolvent. This means the water can dissolve small amounts of metals it may encounter, such as lead and copper in your plumbing fittings (like pipes and taps).
	Turbidity	A measure of water cloudiness from suspended particles. High turbidity requires additional treatment to ensure the effectiveness of disinfection, protect public health, and meet regulatory requirements.
Ammonia-N	Ammonia Nitrogen	Elevated levels of ammonia-N in drinking water are primarily a treatment concern, not a direct health risk at low levels, but can cause taste and odour issues and reduce the effectiveness of chlorine disinfection.
C.t.	Concentration-Time	Water treatment plants use the C.t value to determine if their disinfection process is effective at inactivating microorganisms, like bacteria and viruses.
DBPs	Disinfection by-products	When disinfectants, such as chlorine, are added to drinking water this results in the creation of chemicals, referred to as DBPs, which can be bad for our health if not monitored.
DP	Differential Pressure	Used with drinking water in filtration and purification systems to monitor filter health and detect blockages. A clean filter or membrane offers little resistance to water flow, so the pressure difference is low, while a clogged filter will show as a high DP.
DRP	Dissolved Reactive Phosphorus	A form of phosphorus readily available for plant and algae growth, and high concentrations can cause algal blooms and harm aquatic life.
E. Coli	Escherichia Coli	A bacterium that comes from faecal matter. Its presence in drinking water signals that the water has been contaminated with faeces from animals or humans. While not all E. coli strains are harmful, some can cause serious illnesses.

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FACE or FAC	Free Available Chlorine Equivalent	The residual chlorine that remains in water after a set contact time. A sufficient FACE indicates that enough chlorine has been added to kill or inactivate pathogens.
NTU	Nephelometric Turbidity Unit	The standard unit to measure turbidity or how cloudy water is. It's used as a visual indicator for how well a wastewater treatment system is working.
pH	Potential of Hydrogen	A measurement of the acidity or alkalinity of a solution on a scale of 0 to 14. The guideline value for the pH of drinking water at your tap is between 7.0 and 8.5.
scBOD	Soluble Carbonaceous Biochemical Oxygen Demand	A measure of water pollution from organic matter that consumes oxygen as it decomposes. High SCBOD in rivers and streams can indicate wastewater contamination and is a concern for both environmental health and drinking water safety.
T10	T10 contact time	T10 (contact time) is the minimum effective time water is exposed to a disinfectant, often a minimum of 5 minutes for chlorine, to ensure microbial inactivation for safe drinking water.
TC or T.Coli	Total Coliforms	TC in drinking water are monitored as an indicator of potential contamination, though they don't always pose a health risk themselves. Their presence signals a possible issue with treatment effectiveness or points to vulnerabilities in the water supply.
TSS	Total Suspended Solids	Refers to particulate matter, such as mud and silt, that is suspended in water, affecting its clarity and harming aquatic life. High concentrations can be a significant threat to coastal and marine environments, leading to reduced light for underwater plants and potential issues for marine animals.
UV	Ultraviolet	UV disinfection is an effective, chemical-free method for treating drinking water to eliminate bacteria, viruses, and protozoa. New Zealand's regulations set criteria for a UV system including pre-filtration and a minimum UV dose.
VSS	Volatile Suspended Solids	High VSS levels in natural water bodies indicate high organic pollution, which consumes dissolved oxygen during decomposition, threatening aquatic life.

5. Financial Implications

5.1 There are no financial implications.

6. Impact on Strategic Risks

6.1 There are no impacts on strategic risks.

7. Strategic Alignment

7.1 The information contained in this report aligns with Council strategic alignment.

8. Mana Whenua Implications

8.1 There are no implications for Mana Whenua.

9. Climate Change Impacts and Consideration

9.1 There are no climate change impacts to consider.

10. Statutory Implications

10.1 There are no statutory implications.

Recommendation

That the Consent Compliance Report – August 2026 be received.

10.3 Roothing Update - August 2026**Author:** Darryn Black, Acting GM Assets Infrastructure and Projects**Authoriser:** Arno Benadie, Deputy Chief Executive**1. Reason for Report**

1.1 To provide an update on the roading activity.

2. 2025/2026 Summary**2.1 Maintenance, Operations and Renewals (MOR) Programme**

2.1.1 The NZTA subsidised MOR programme was delivered to within approximately \$30,000 of budget. The remaining \$30,00 will be carried forward to 2026/27.

2.2 Low Cost Low Risk

2.2.1 The projects at Waiaruhe Road and Murimotu Road span multiple years so unspent budget will be carried forward to 2026/27 to enable completion of these projects

2.3 Emergency Work

2.3.1 The full funding allocation (for 2025/26) for damage sustained to the roading network following the February 2026 wind event was expended in 2025/26. The remaining \$979,547 (total cost) required to complete the associated works has been allocated to the 2026/27 financial year.

2.3.2 There has been some impact on roads in the Santoft/Bulls area as a result of the harvesting of windthrown trees and the accelerated harvesting of associated forestry blocks. Harvesting activity is expected to continue through to November 2026. The resulting impact on the local road network is being monitored, and at this stage it is expected that the additional repair costs can be accommodated within existing 2026/27 budgets, although this may require some reprioritisation of planned works.

A factor in our favour is the free-draining nature of the sand country in the Santoft area which makes these pavements less susceptible to the water-related failures experienced in other parts of the district affected by intensified heavy traffic.

2.3.3 Subsidised Budget Activity

Subsidised Activity - 2025/26	NZTA Budget	% Spend
Maintenance Operations and Renewal	\$ 16,238,483	99.8%
Walking and Cycling	\$ 202,928	97.6%
Low Cost Low Risk	\$ 1,222,936	45.3%
Emergency Work	\$ 1,775,207	100.0%
Total	\$ 19,439,554	96.4%

2.4 Non-Subsidised Work Programmes

2.4.1 Both the non-subsidised capex and opex budgets were under spent. Officers are currently reviewing budget requirements and carry forwards for 2026/27.

3. 2027/30 National Land Transport Programme

- 3.1 Following the resolutions made at the Council meeting on 13 August 2026 the Roding team has updated the Roding Asset Management Plan and the Maintenance, Operations and Renewal (MOR) programmes. Updated documentation will be submitted to NZTA on 28 August 2026 for their assessment.

4. Otara Bridge

- 4.1 On 18 August 2026 a non-routine inspection of the Otara Road bridge identified that a steel component on the eastern abutment structure had failed, presumably due to excessive repetitive movement. Once initial assessments were undertaken by RDC, MDC and WSP engineers a 6-tonne weight limit restriction was put in place effectively closing the bridge to heavy traffic.
- 4.2 Electronic variable message boards have been placed at strategic locations to warn heavy traffic operators of the restriction.
- 4.3 WSP's initial advice is that repairs should be undertaken to the failed structural component, followed by a more detailed engineering assessment to determine the underlying cause of the failure. The findings of this assessment will inform any further remedial works required to reinstate the previous load-carrying capacity.
- 4.4 At the time of writing this report we are unable to confirm a timeframe for when the current capacity restriction will be lifted. However, based on the information available, it is likely that heavy vehicle access will remain restricted for a significant period while the condition of the bridge and permanent repair options are considered.

5. Calico Line Shared Pathway

- 5.1 The replacement water main and new shared pathway on Calico Line has been completed, all that remains is to install delineation devices to separate the pathway from the road. These will be small bolt down type islands with reflective delineation markers attached.

6. Performance Framework

- 6.1 Contract 1152 includes a Performance Framework to measure how well the contract is delivering the outcomes expected by Council. The framework includes seven key performance areas: Network Safety, Customer & Network Assurance, Asset Management, Network Performance, Healthy Market, Collaboration and Value for Money. Each area has several performance measures which are reported monthly, quarterly or annually.
- 6.2 We have now appointed a Performance Manager, and we are working with the wider contract team to put the systems and processes in place to measure and report against all the performance measures. This includes making sure that the information used to assess performance is accurate, repeatable, supported by evidence and can be audited. As the framework becomes fully established, it will give us a much clearer picture of where the contract is performing well and where improvements are required.

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- 6.3 The Performance Framework is an important part of Contract 1152 as performance is linked to both the potential extension of the contract and financial incentives or penalties. The intent is to encourage continuous improvement and make sure the contract continues to deliver good outcomes and value for money for Council and the community.

7. Audits

- 7.1 An independent financial and commercial audit of the first year of the Road Maintenance Contract is being commissioned to provide assurance to RDC and NZTA that the contract is delivering its intended financial, commercial and contractual outcomes. The review will assess Year 1 expenditure against budgets, programmes and work delivered, together with the operation of pricing, payment, variation and other commercial mechanisms. A representative sample of contract activity, targeted at approximately 10% of total Year 1 expenditure, will be tested to confirm that expenditure is appropriately authorised, accurately claimed, supported by evidence and represents value for money.
- 7.2 Solidify Collaborative Services Limited has been engaged to undertake the independent review. The audit is intended to identify any systemic financial or commercial issues and, importantly, opportunities to strengthen contract management, transparency, efficiency and value for money. The final report will provide an overall audit opinion, findings from transaction testing and assessment of commercial controls, together with prioritised recommendations to improve the financial and commercial performance of Contract 1152 in Year 2 and subsequent years.
- 7.3 NZTA have advised that they will be undertaking a Procedural Audit of RDC's NLTP funded activities and related contracts, with the audit team scheduled to be on site in late September. The audit provides assurance over how Council, as an Approved Organisation, manages and accounts for National Land Transport Programme (NLTP) funding. Procedural audits are generally undertaken every three to four years and focus on Council's systems and processes, including financial controls, procurement, contract management and compliance with NZTA investment requirements. The audit is primarily concerned with whether appropriate processes and controls are in place to ensure NLTP investment is being effectively managed and provides value for money, rather than assessing the physical condition or technical performance of the roading network.
- 7.4 The intent of the audit is to give NZTA assurance that NLTP funding has been used for its approved purpose, has been correctly accounted for, and that NZTA funding and procurement requirements have been met. The audit also considers whether contract management reflects leading practice and whether the land transport disbursement account correctly represents eligible land transport expenditure. NZTA's wider assurance programme is intended to establish that investment is well managed and provides value for money, with audit findings also informing future funding decisions and continuous improvement

8. Downer Asset Management Maturity Assessment (AMMA)

- 8.1 As part of Downer's embedded asset management and continuous improvement processes, an Asset Management Maturity Assessment (AMMA) was completed in June. The AMMA provides a structured assessment of the maturity of the systems, processes and practices supporting management of the roading network and identifies areas where these can be further developed. Contract 1152 achieved an overall maturity score of 70.0%. This compares with an average score of 74.0% across the seven Downer contracts provided for comparison, with individual contract scores ranging from 69.6% to 76.1%.
- 8.2 The assessment identified a number of areas which are still under development, and these will remain a focus during Year 2. Future AMMA's (undertaken annually) will provide a consistent means of measuring improvement against both the Contract 1152 baseline and comparable Downer maintenance contracts.
- 8.3 Given Contract 1152 was completing its first year of operation when assessed, the result provides a useful baseline from which asset management capability can continue to mature.

9. Rātana Urban Services Extension – Rangatahi Street

- 9.1 Urban service extension work is in the planning phase for a 170m section of Rangitahi Street, (past Seamer Street) in Rātana. This work will provide a 1.5m wide footpath, streetlighting, storm water reticulation, kerb and channel and road widening.
- 9.2 The planning estimate to undertake this work is \$300,000. This work will rely on carry forward of unspent funds from 2025/26 and is not subject to NZTA funding subsidy.
- 9.3 Detailed design plans are currently being prepared and will include a schedule of quantities, enabling a more accurate cost estimate to be developed.

10. Financial Implications

- 10.1 Financial implications where relevant are outlined through the report.

11. Impact on Strategic Risks

- 11.1 There are no impacts on strategic risks.

12. Strategic Alignment

- 12.1 There are no impacts related to strategic alignment.

13. Mana Whenua Implications

- 13.1 There are no known mana whenua implications.

14. Climate Change Impacts and Consideration

- 14.1 There are no climate change implications.

15. Statutory Implications

- 15.1 There are no statutory implications.

16. Decision Making Process

16.1 This item is for information only, therefore, there are no decision making processes.

Recommendation

That the Roding Update – August 2026 be received.

11 Meeting Closed.