

ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY, PLANNING AND SERVICES

Cost of Proposed Services

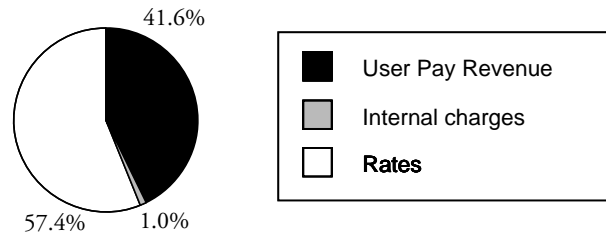
Budget 2000/01		Costs (After Internal Recoveries)	Budget 2001/02	Net Cost
Net Cost	Operational Outputs		Revenue	Cost
\$		\$	\$	\$
2,168,589	Consents and Applications	9,044,614	(6,722,400)	2,322,214
645,373	Environmental Effects Control	868,823	(204,500)	664,323
2,348,276	Plans and Policy Statements	2,570,783	(20,000)	2,550,783
2,233,087	Information and Advice	3,816,784	(1,383,000)	2,433,784
(16,998)	Animal Control	1,499,823	(1,421,300)	78,523
225,883	Consents & Applications	112,248	0	112,248
2,404,093	Policy Advice	3,347,442	0	3,347,442
230,435	Promotions	345,136	(80,000)	265,136
106,251	Monitoring	100,553	0	100,553
589,926	Funds Administration	597,863	0	597,863
908,945	Energy Programmes	853,762	0	853,762
11,843,860	Net Cost of Service	23,157,831	(9,831,200)	13,326,631

Note: The above Cost of Service Statement includes a depreciation provision for 2000/01 of \$113,770 and in 2001/02 of \$74,339.

Projected Cost of Service 2002/03	12,565,054
Projected Cost of Service 2003/04	12,355,315

2000/01	Capital Outputs	2001/02
\$		\$
31,000	Renewals and Replacements	19,500
574,900	Asset Improvements	822,786
2,627,000	New Assets	350,000
3,232,900		1,192,286

Sources of Funding



Nature and Scope

- Prepare, review, monitor and implement the objectives and policies of the City Plan prepared under the Resource Management Act 1991.
- Monitor the preparation and administration of policy statements and plans prepared by the Environment Canterbury and adjacent local authorities.
- Prepare concept plans for urban renewal and environmental improvements of the city, including the Central City, which address the effects of urban renewal on people and communities.
- Provide policy advice on planning and development, conservation, design and heritage, transportation and environmental health issues, that affect the city.
- Develop projects and prepare feasibility studies for achieving the objectives and policies of the City Plan, other than by regulation.
- Administer funds set aside for promoting heritage retention and the removal of non-conforming activities.
- Promote an awareness of the environmental issues and values of the city.
- Process land use and subdivision consents.
- Administer the Building Act and Building Code within the city, including the issue of building consents, code compliance certificates, and annual warrants of fitness.
- Administer environmental health statutes, including food licensing, dangerous goods, sale of liquor, offensive trades and hazardous substances.

- Minimise occurrences that are likely to be objectionable or otherwise affect human health or safety arising from the presence or keeping of dogs and other animals.
- Provide information and advice on planning, building and environmental statutes and regulations, including developing and maintaining the necessary information bases.
- Process applications for land information memoranda.
- Monitor and control adverse environmental effects, including primary responsibility for noise, and shared responsibility for hazardous substances.

Overall Service Objectives

These services contribute towards the following Council Strategic Objectives: C1, C2, C3, C4, C5, D4, D5, F5, F7 and G2 (as printed in the Strategic Statement).

In summary the aim is:

- To manage and plan the use, development and protection of the natural and physical resources of the city in a sustainable way which:
 - Meets the reasonably foreseeable needs of future generations.
 - Protects and enhances the significant natural environmental qualities of the city.
 - Provides effective opportunities for business and other economic activities.
 - Provides for a diverse range of housing needs.
 - Provides effectively for movement of people and goods around the city.
 - Provides for a pattern of community, recreation and shopping facilities that effectively services the needs of the city.

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- Maintains and enhances the amenity values of the city.
- Enhances the landscape, visual and heritage qualities of the city.
- Co-ordinates developments with the provision of services.
- To promote the environmental health of the city and the health, safety and well-being of its citizens.
- To limit the adverse effects of activities on the environment including people and communities.
- To ensure that the statutory purposes and principles of building control, of health, dangerous goods and liquor licensing, and of animal control, are achieved with minimal compliance cost.

Objectives for 2001/02

1. Prepare concept plans for the environmental improvement of the Central City, urban renewal in the inner city and suburban shopping centres.
2. Complete strategic open space strategy.
3. Undertake detailed studies of parts of the city subject to change and growth.
4. Assess applications for grants to help retain listed heritage buildings.
5. To prepare for and defend references lodged with the Environment Court.
6. Administer the City Plan in an efficient and effective manner.
7. Investigate and respond to situations which cause nuisance or objectionable effects on human health and safety.
8. Inspect registered premises to ensure compliance with required environmental health standards.
9. Process building consent applications within the time limits prescribed by the Building Act.
10. To respond to and investigate complaints relating to nuisances caused by dogs.
11. Survey through the Annual Citizens Survey ratepayer satisfaction with environmental planning and services.

Performance Indicators

1. Complete plan for one suburban shopping centre by June 2002.
2. Complete by 30 June 2002.
3. Complete by 30 June 2002.
4. Provide assistance to owners of 10 listed buildings by 30 June 2002.
5. Successfully defend 90% of references to Environment Court.
- 6.1 Process subdivision and land use resource consent applications within the time limits prescribed by the Resource Management Act.
- 6.2 Residents who believe building or land development in their local area during the year, have made their area worse, no more than 12%.
- 6.3 Monitoring of conditions imposed on resource consents actioned within periods stipulated on monitoring request forms.
7. Undertake initial investigations within two working days of receipt of noise complaints
8. All food premises identified as being high risk in terms of food safety to be inspected at least once during the year.
9. Subject to provision of complete information, to process 100% of building consents within the time limits prescribed within the Building Act.
10. Response and investigation in the following time frames:

- aggressive behaviour	100% in 2 hours
- other complaints	100% in 72 hours
- complaints resolved	100% in 7 days
- 11.1 Residents satisfied with the value for money of rates spent on overall city and environmental planning, at least 60%.
- 11.2 Residents satisfied with the value for money of rates spent on regulating activities and investigating nuisances, at least 57%.



The recently painted old Coachman Inn in Gloucester Street. This is a heritage project which the Council has had a long involvement with.