

# *District Planning*

## **ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLAN 2014**

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# Executive Summary

## What We Do

Council’s planning department is responsible for providing a statutory planning framework to assist the community in controlling development and land uses in the District.

This is achieved primarily through the District Plan, which has policy, rules and standards for a range of land use activities that reflect the responsibilities of the Council under the Resource Management Act.

The key functions of the District Planning activity are:

**District Plan Preparation:** The operative Ashburton District Plan was adopted in September 2001 and a full review began in 2007. Submissions on the Proposed District Plan were invited between April and June 2010 and again in September and October 2010. Hearings commenced on 23 February 2011, but were interrupted by the Canterbury earthquakes. Council released the majority of its decisions on submissions on November 14 2012, with a further notification of remaining matters on 19 December 2012. . The Plan was adopted by Council in August 2014.

**District Plan Administration:** Consent processing is a significant part of the District Planning activity and includes the processing of applications for resource consents including subdivisions and land uses, certificates of compliance, designations, and privately initiated plan changes changes to name a few. District Planning is also responsible for monitoring and enforcement of land use and subdivision consents and monitoring the effectiveness and efficiency of the District Plan and anticipating and responding to changes in central government and Regional Council statutory regulations and documents.

**Ashburton Town Centre Concept Plan**  
The Concept Plan was published for consultation in May 2009 and adopted in 2011. This Concept Plan identified a number of projects to improve access and public spaces in the town centre that can make Ashburton town centre a more attractive place to live, work and visit. Ongoing maintenance works will be influenced by the Concept Plan wherever possible. the Planning Department will continue to pursue close coordination with private developments and other departments so as to ensure regeneration potential resulting from the Canterbury Earthquakes of 2010 and 2011 and resultant Earthquake Prone Building legislation is maximised.

**Policy Advice:** The planning department provides policy advice on planning and development, conservation, biodiversity, design, heritage, and transportation issues that affect Ashburton District as well as commenting on relevant proposed plans and documents from other Councils and policy and legislation from Central Government.

## Why We Do It

Council has responsibilities under Section 31 of the Resource Management Act to undertake integrated environmental planning to control any actual or potential adverse effects of the use, development, or protection of land. This is achieved primarily through the District Plan, which has environmental objectives, policies and rules to achieve the responsibilities of council under this Act. However by providing advice and advocacy this responsibility is made more effective.

The functions undertaken under this activity are aimed at assisting the community in managing the use of natural and physical resources so that they are sustained for the enjoyment of current and future generations.

A key function of Council is to plan for future growth. In planning for growth, a balance needs to be achieved between protecting the existing environment of the district, and the economic and social needs and expectations of the community.

## Contribution to Community Outcomes

Planning for the sustainable management of natural and physical resources contributes to achieving the following community outcomes:

**A thriving and diverse local economy**

- a. Our district’s infrastructure and services meet our current and foreseeable future needs.
- b. Our district is a desirable place to live, visit and do business.

**Sustainable natural and built environments**

- a. People can access and experience our natural environments
- b. We understand the need to protect our natural environment and act to do so.
- c. We have safe and attractive built environments that meet our community’s needs
- d. Our community has access to information and services that promote environmental responsibility and sustainability.

**An enjoyable place to live**

Our community has access to a range of cultural and heritage facilities and activities.

**Rationale and Levels of Service**

*Rationale*

To assist our district to develop in ways that minimise adverse impacts on the environment or the community.

*Levels of Service*

- a) We provide an efficient and responsive consent processing service.
- b) We provide quality and timely district planning, processes, advice and information.

**Current and Future Issues**

**District Plan Review:** Council has recently completed a District Plan review, which actively commenced in 2008. Council will need to commence a new review around 2017-18 in order to ensure statutory compliance. Council can conduct a “full review” of the Plan where all chapters of the plan are reviewed concurrently or as a “rolling review” where matters are considered in a sequential fashion over a longer period. The costs of this are significant however could be substantially reduced by bringing the process in-house (ie. by using existing staff or contractors appointed specifically for the process).

**Other:** Other issues identified as potentially having an impact on changes in demand and standards of service in the future are:

- Uncertainty over the rate of recovery and continued growth;
- Implications of legislative changes, particularly to the Resource Management Act;
- Implications of Regional Council limitations on the current intensity of dairy and farming operations in general;
- The ability of the Business/Commercial sector to accommodate costs associated with strengthening and rebuilding buildings;

The above matters have been considered and provided for in the future planning for provision of this service.

**Capital Expenditure – 2012–2022**

Description	2012/13 \$000s	2013/14 \$000s	2014-22 \$000s
TOTAL	0	0	0

**Operational Expenditure – 2012 – 2022**

Operational expenditure for this activity is included in the group of activities budget for Environmental Services.

# 1.0 Introduction

## Purpose

The purpose of this activity management plan is to summarise in one place the Councils' strategic approach to the provision, administration and maintenance of Councils district planning services in Ashburton District.

## Background

### **Why the Council carries out this activity**

District Councils have responsibilities under Section 31 of the Resource Management Act (1991) to undertake integrated environmental planning to control any actual or potential effects of the use, development, or protection of land. This is achieved primarily through the District Plan, which has environmental objectives, policies and rules to achieve the responsibilities of Council under the Act.

A further key function of Council is to plan for future growth. Economic growth and population increase will allow a wider range of services and facilities to become available to local residents, and also provide greater education and employment opportunities. In planning for growth, a balance needs to be achieved between protecting the existing environment of the district, and the economic and social needs and expectations of the community.

### **How this Activity is carried out**

Council has a number of responsibilities under the Resource Management Act 1991 relating to managing the district's environment. The District Plan is Council's principal environmental planning document, and sets out how Council will manage the effects of activities on the natural and built environment. It is the means by which the district's natural and physical resources will be sustainably managed for future generations.

Resource Consents are required for activities that are not permitted by right in the District Plan. The consent process enables Council to assess the effects an activity will have on the environment and to put in place measures that will avoid or remedy any potentially detrimental environmental effects. Resource consents fall into two categories, those for subdivision of land, and those for land use activities. Resource consents are processed and monitored in accordance with the requirements of the Resource Management Act. Requirements for designations and Plan changes are also processed by the Council.

District Plan administration involves day-to-day enquiries from people who have an interest in the use of their properties or who are concerned with the effects of activities that are undertaken by others. The Planning Section of the Environmental Services Department also has responsibility for Land Information Memorandums and input into Liquor Licenses and Building Consents to ensure that development is consistent with the District Plan or relevant consents are secured.

In June 2005 Council approved the District Development Plan, which set out Council's vision of how Ashburton, Rakaia and Methven would develop in the future. This plan was used in the review of the Ashburton District Plan.

Council is responsible for administering functions under the Resource Management Act and a number of other government statutes. In carrying out its resource management responsibilities Council is required to comply with the provisions of the Act at all times. Council is also active in advocating on behalf of the district on statutes, plans, policies, strategies and proposals produced by central and local government agencies such as Environment Canterbury and the New Zealand Transport Agency

which may affect the people of the district. The District Planning activity also has a lead role within Council for iwi consultation and heritage protection issues.

Refer to Appendix I for relevant legislation/strategic linkages/bylaws

## Community Outcomes

Ashburton District Council's community outcomes were developed in 2012/13 and provide high level goals for the district for Council to work towards achieving. All Council activities contribute to achieving one or more outcomes for the community. Supporting the community outcomes are more detailed levels of service.

The District Planning activity primarily contributes to the following outcomes:

Community Outcomes	Contribution
<p><b>A thriving and diverse local economy</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Our district's infrastructure and services meet our current and foreseeable future needs.</li> <li>b. Our district is a desirable place to live, visit and do business.</li> </ul>	<p>Subdivision and other new developments are administered in a way to ensure that quality infrastructure is established.</p>
<p><b>Sustainable natural and built environments</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. People can access and experience our natural environments</li> <li>b. We understand the need to protect our natural environment and act to do so.</li> <li>c. We have safe and attractive built environments that meet our community's needs</li> <li>d. Our community has access to information and services that promote environmental responsibility and sustainability.</li> </ul>	<p>By providing a District Plan and regulatory framework aimed at sustainably managing the natural and physical resources of the Ashburton District.</p>
<p><b>An enjoyable place to live</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Our community has access to a range of cultural and heritage facilities and activities.</li> </ul>	<p>Protection of heritage through identification of heritage items and inclusion in the District Plan. This ensures that they are subject to controls set out in the plan which recognise the heritage features and requires maintenance of defining attributes.</p>

## Rationale and Levels of Service

This section outlines why Council engages in a particular activity, and what Council aims to achieve in relation to that activity. Performance measures and targets (see over) provide a mechanism to monitor how well this is achieved.

### **Rationale**

To assist our district to develop in ways that minimise adverse impacts on the environment or the community.

### **Levels of Service**

- a) We provide an efficient and responsive consent processing service.
- b) We provide quality and timely district planning, processes, advice and information.



# 2.0 Service and Performance

## Performance Reporting

Reporting enables the performance of an activity to be considered through performance measures. These measures can detail level of service information, ongoing operational information and the activity's impact on community outcomes. The following performance measures have been defined to provide performance information at three levels:

1. Levels of Service performance measures identified in the Community Plan and Annual Plan are shown in the first table below – 'Performance Measures from Community Plan 2009-19'
  - These measures will be reported in Council's Annual Report
2. Operational Performance measures relating to service delivery are shown in the second table below – 'Operational Performance Measures'
  - These measures will be reported to Council through the standing committee to which this activity reports
3. Performance measures for monitoring progress to achieving community outcomes
  - These measures will be reported in Council's State of the Community Report and have been shown with a # in the tables below

Note: Some measures may be used for more than one of the above reporting processes.

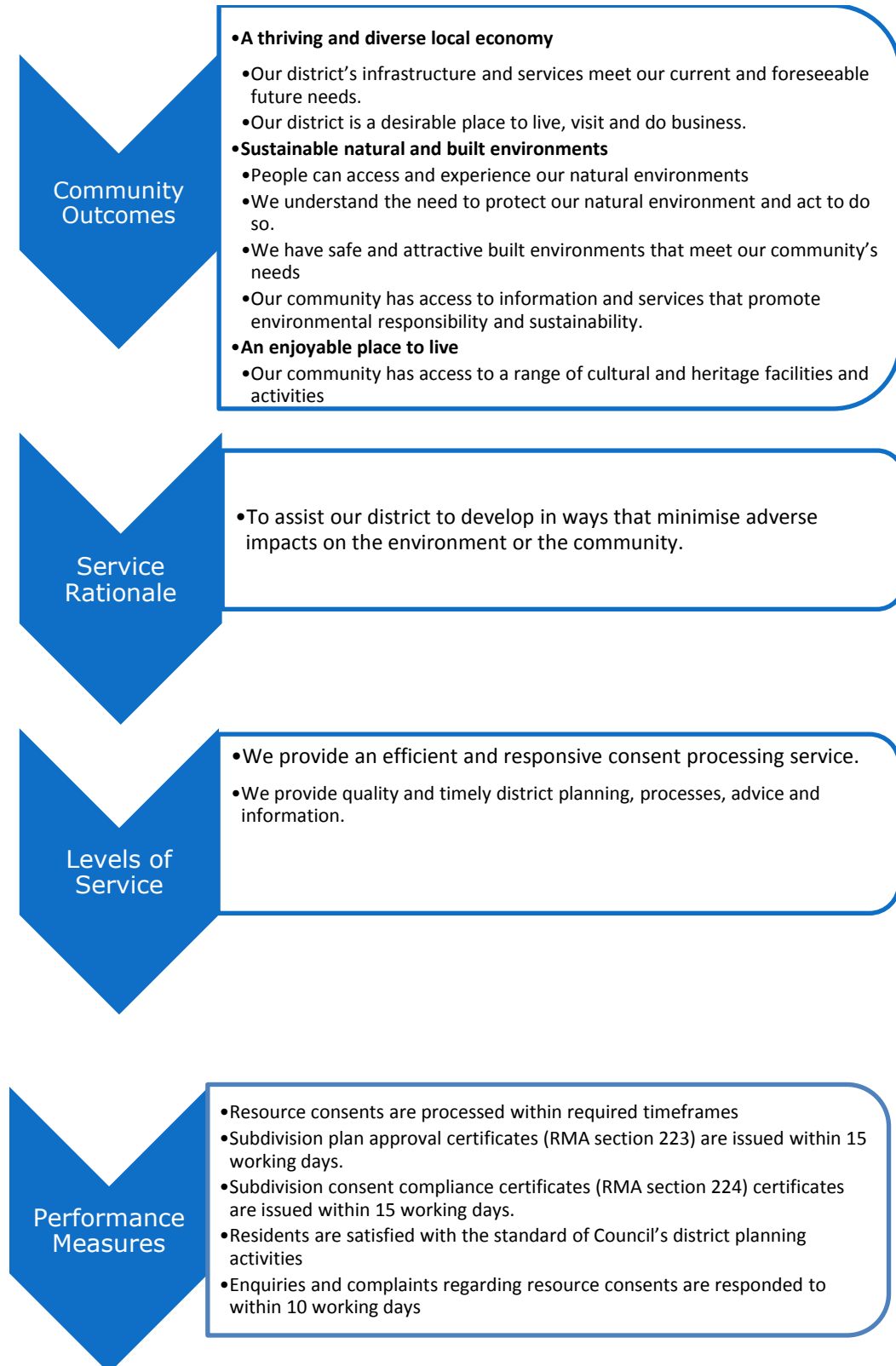
Council produces two statutory public performance reports:

- **Annual Report** - Includes performance measures targets and results (as set out in the Community Plan) for each activity
- **State of the Community Report** – A three yearly report which uses indicators to monitor progress towards achieving community outcomes. The first report was produced in 2009. Note: this activity does not directly impact on community outcomes

# Performance Monitoring & Reporting

## Performance Management Framework

The linkages between Community Outcomes, Council Strategic Objectives, Levels of Service and performance measures are shown in the diagram below.



## Performance Measures from the Community Plan 2012-22

Performance measures and targets will be reported each year in Council's Annual Report.

Level of Service	Measure of Performance	Results	Target			
		2012/13 Actual	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16 - 2021/22
We provide an efficient and responsive consent processing service	Resource consents are processed within required timeframes	90%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	Subdivision plan approval certificates (RMA section 223) are issued within 15 working days.	62%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	Subdivision consent compliance certificates (RMA section 224) certificates are issued within 15 working days.	61%	100%	100%	100%	100%
We provide quality and timely district planning, processes, advice and information.	Residents are satisfied with the standard of Council's district planning activities	85%	85%+	85%+	85%+	85%+
	Enquiries and complaints regarding resource consents are responded to within 10 working days	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

## Metadata

We provide an efficient and responsive consent processing service

Measure 1 of 3		Resource consents are issued within required timeframes			
Targets	Base (2010/11)	2012/13	2013/14	2014-15	
	98%	90%	100%	100%	
<b>Strategic Links</b>					
<b>How this measure signposts performance</b>	This measure indicates to the public whether applicants are receiving their resource consent decisions in a timely manner and whether Council is meeting its statutory obligations				
<b>Service contracts</b>					
<b>Legislation</b>	Resource Management Act 1991				
<b>Responsibility</b>					
<b>Data provision</b>	District Planning				
<b>Activity Manager</b>	District Planning Manager				
<b>Senior Manager</b>	Environmental Services Manager				
<b>Monitoring Performance</b>					
<b>How</b>	Property and Rating				
<b>When</b>	As required				
<b>Methodology</b>	<p>P&amp;R generates the "Resource Consents Issued" report, showing the number of consents processed within statutory timeframes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Type of consent (Land use, Subdivision)</li> <li>- Decision Date</li> <li>- Description (of proposal)</li> <li>- Notification Type</li> <li>- Days (processing time)</li> <li>- Within Timeframe (Yes/No field)</li> </ul> <p>Statutory timeframes for processing consents are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 20 working days for non-notified consents</li> <li>- 40 working days for non-notified consent with hearing</li> <li>- 50 working days for notified consents with no hearing</li> <li>- 70 working days for notified consents with hearing.</li> </ul>				
<b>Reporting Performance</b>					
<b>Channel</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>				
<b>TPR</b>	All				
<b>Annual Report</b>	October				
<b>State of the Community Report</b>	Triennial				
<b>Improving Performance</b>					
<b>Responsibility</b>	District Planning Manager				
<b>Reviewing and improving performance</b>	Results are reviewed and any delays are investigated by reviewing correspondence and any other documentation on file and discussing with processing officer. There may be systemic or other reasons that can be addressed to avoid similar circumstances arising in the future. Investigating the cause of delays identified areas for improvement, such as the timeframe alert system.				

<b>Measure 2 of 3</b>	<b>Subdivision plan approval certificates (RMA Section 223) are issued within 5 working days</b>			
<b>Targets</b>	<b>Base (2010/11)</b>	<b>2012/13</b>	<b>2013/14</b>	<b>2014-15</b>
	80%	62%	100%	100%
<b>Strategic Links</b>				
<b>How this measure signposts performance</b>	This is a measure of timely service and shows whether Council is meeting its legal obligations.			
<b>Service contracts</b>				
<b>Legislation</b>	Resource Management Act 1991			
<b>Responsibility</b>				
<b>Data provision</b>	District Planning			
<b>Activity Manager</b>	District Planning Manager			
<b>Senior Manager</b>	Environmental Services Manager			
<b>Monitoring Performance</b>				
<b>How</b>	Property and Rating			
<b>When</b>	As required			
<b>Methodology</b>	<p>P&amp;R generates the "S223 Timeframe Report", showing the number of consents processed within statutory timeframes.</p> <p><i>For each time period</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Application (Number)</li> <li>- Description (of proposal)</li> <li>- Site Address</li> <li>- S223_Received (Date application received)</li> <li>- S223_Decision (Date certificate issued)</li> <li>- Days Open – (Applications still open)</li> <li>- Days Within 5 Days- (Number of processing days for apps within timeframe)</li> <li>- Days Over 5 Days (Number of processing days for apps outside of timeframe)</li> </ul>			
<b>Reporting Performance</b>				
<b>Channel</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>			
<b>TPR</b>	All			
<b>Annual Report</b>	October			
<b>Improving Performance</b>				
<b>Responsibility</b>	District Planning Manager			
<b>Reviewing and improving performance</b>	Delays are investigated by looking at correspondence and other documentation. Reasons are identified and systems put in place or improved, in order to help avoid similar delays in future instances. An alerts system identifies Section 223 certificates that are outstanding, minimising the potential for request processing to exceed timeframes.			
<b>Additional Information</b>				

<b>Measure 3 of 3      Subdivision consent compliance certificates (RMA Section 224) are issued within 15 working days</b>				
<b>Targets</b>	<b>Base (2010/11)</b>	<b>2012/13</b>	<b>2013/14</b>	<b>2014-15</b>
	94%	61%	100%	100%
<b>Strategic Links</b>				
<b>How this measure signposts performance</b>	This is a measure of timely service and shows whether Council is meeting its legal obligations.			
<b>Service contracts</b>				
<b>Legislation</b>	Resource Management Act 1991			
<b>Responsibility</b>				
<b>Data provision</b>	District Planning			
<b>Activity Manager</b>	District Planning Manager			
<b>Senior Manager</b>	Environmental Services Manager			
<b>Monitoring Performance</b>				
<b>How</b>	Property and Rating			
<b>When</b>	As required			
<b>Methodology</b>	<p>P&amp;R generates the "S224 Timeframe Report", showing the number of consents processed within statutory timeframes.</p> <p><i>For each time period</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Application (Number)</li> <li>- Description (of proposal)</li> <li>- Site Address</li> <li>- S224_Received (Date application received)</li> <li>- S224_Decision (Date certificate issued)</li> <li>- Days Open – (Applications still open)</li> <li>- Days Within 5 Days- (Number of processing days for apps within timeframe)</li> <li>- Days Over 5 Days (Number of processing days for apps outside of timeframe)</li> </ul>			
<b>Reporting Performance</b>				
<b>Channel</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>			
<b>TPR</b>	All			
<b>Annual Report</b>	October			
<b>Improving Performance</b>				
<b>Responsibility</b>	District Planning Manager			
<b>Reviewing and improving performance</b>	Delays are investigated to isolate the cause. Any delays are assessed to so as to institute changes which will potentially mitigate these issues in the future.			
<b>Additional Information</b>				

**We provide quality and timely district planning, processes, advice and information**

<b>Measure 1 of 2</b>	<b>Enquiries and complaints regarding resource consents are responded to within 10 working days</b>			
<b>Targets</b>	<b>Base (2010/11)</b>	<b>2012/13</b>	<b>2013/14</b>	<b>2014-15</b>
	67%	100%	100%	100%
<b>Strategic Links</b>				
<b>How this measure signposts performance</b>	This measure indicates whether Planning are providing a timely service to the public.			
<b>Service contracts</b>				
<b>Legislation</b>	Resource Management Act 1991			
<b>Responsibility</b>				
<b>Data provision</b>	District Planning			
<b>Activity Manager</b>	District Planning Manager			
<b>Senior Manager</b>	Environmental Services Manager			
<b>Monitoring Performance</b>				
<b>How</b>	CRMS			
<b>When</b>	As needed			
<b>Methodology</b>	Customer service operators enter the details of each request into the CRMS as they are received. Operators forward Planning complaints through the P&R system for action.			
<b>Reporting Performance</b>				
<b>Channel</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>			
TPR	All			
Annual Report	October			
<b>Improving Performance</b>				
<b>Responsibility</b>	District Planning Manager			
<b>Reviewing and improving performance</b>	CRM reports can indicate where complaints are not being responded to in a timely fashion, or systems not being correctly followed, thereby allowing for investigation. Any CRM's not responded to are flagged in a daily report for Heads of Department to investigate.			
<b>Additional Information</b>				

<b>Measure 2 of 2</b>	<b>Residents are satisfied with the standard of Council's district planning activities</b>			
<b>Targets</b>	<b>Base (2010/11)</b>	<b>2012/13</b>	<b>2013/14</b>	<b>2014-15</b>
	70%	85%	85%	85%
<b>Strategic Links</b>				
<b>How this measure signposts performance</b>	Satisfaction levels identify whether services provided by Planning are meeting the public's expectations.			
<b>Service contracts</b>				
<b>Legislation</b>	Resource Management Act 1991			
<b>Responsibility</b>				
<b>Data provision</b>	Community Planning			
<b>Activity Manager</b>	Community Planning Manager			
<b>Senior Manager</b>	Democracy and Community Services Manager			
<b>Monitoring Performance</b>				
<b>How</b>	Annual Residents Survey			
<b>When</b>	Annual			
<b>Methodology</b>	The Annual Residents Survey asks a sample of residents "How satisfied are you with the standard of Council's planning activities, which includes resource consents and rules about urban and rural planning, that is the District Plan?" Results are analysed and reported to the Finance and Community Services Committee and the community,			
<b>Reporting Performance</b>				
<b>Channel</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>			
<b>Finance and Community Services Committee</b>	July			
<b>TPR</b>	July			
<b>Annual Report</b>	October			
<b>Improving Performance</b>				
<b>Responsibility</b>	District Planning Manager			
<b>Reviewing and improving performance</b>	Survey results will identify whether the public's expectations are being met, and identify room for improvement where satisfaction is low.			
<b>Additional Information</b>				



## Operational Performance Measures

Operational Performance measures relating to service delivery are shown below. These measures will be reported to Council through the standing committee to which this activity reports

Measure of Performance	Results	Target			
	2010/11 Actual	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16–2021/22
A resource consent monitoring plan is developed and approved by Council by 30 June 2012 and implemented thereafter.	Not achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
Statutory timeframes are met for processing the Council's own and private plan changes	N/A	100%	100%	100%	100%

## 3.0 The Existing Situation Described

Council's planning department is responsible for managing development and land uses in the District through planning for future growth, controlling the actual and potential effects of the use of land and protecting what is valued by the Community e.g. historic buildings and trees. This is achieved primarily through the District Plan, which has objectives, policies and rules to achieve the environmental outcomes we want for the District, and reflects responsibilities of the Council under the Resource Management Act.

### **District Plan**

The District Plan has passed its submission period and decisions on submissions were released in late 2012. Several appeals on these decisions have been received; however it is likely that the majority of the Plan will be made operative in 2013.

### **Resource Consents**

Consent processing is a significant part of the District Planning activity and includes: the processing of non-notified, limited notified and publicly notified Resource Consent applications including both Land Use Consent and Subdivision Consent applications. It also includes

- processing of applications for Certificates of Compliance, applications for Outline Plans, Notices of Requirements, Alterations to Designations, Removal of Designations;
- Variations/Plan Changes to the District Plan;
- Monitoring and Enforcement of Land Use Consents and Subdivision Consents as well as District Plan rules, and other functions specified in the Resource Management Act 1991.

### **Policy Advice**

The Planning Department also provides policy advice on planning and development, conservation, design and heritage, and transportation issues that affect Ashburton District. It will also develop projects and prepare feasibility studies for achieving the objectives and policies of the District Plan other than by regulation.

### **Property Identification**

The Planning Department also maintains the rural and urban property numbering for the district.

### **Key Current and Future Issues**

**District Plan Review:** This review process was initiated in 2007 and as stated above is a significant project. Decisions on submissions have been released, however appeals must still be resolved and the plan made operative.

### **The Ashburton Town Centre Concept Plan**

Capital funding to implement the project has not been provided at this time. However it is expected that maintenance works will be consistent with the Plan and that Council will attempt to work closely with private developers to ensure that the provisions of the Plan are implemented wherever possible.

### **Personnel**

Training of staff to keep pace with evolving and existing legislation is an important issue. The effectiveness of the service offered is very much linked to the abilities of the staff performing the function. Where possible staff will be multi-skilled to cover absences due to illness, leave etc. For all of these reasons it is predicted that staff training will be an ongoing cost.

Existing staff are able to manage the general regulatory processing requirements and oversee bigger planning exercises such as the District Plan Review and District Development Plan. The operational

roles in regard to these and similar projects are undertaken by consultants and contractors where required.

### **Economic Climate**

Numbers of Resource Consent applications are starting to trend upwards as the district economy gains confidence. The rebuilding following the Canterbury earthquakes and continued investment in rural farming activities would appear to support this contention.

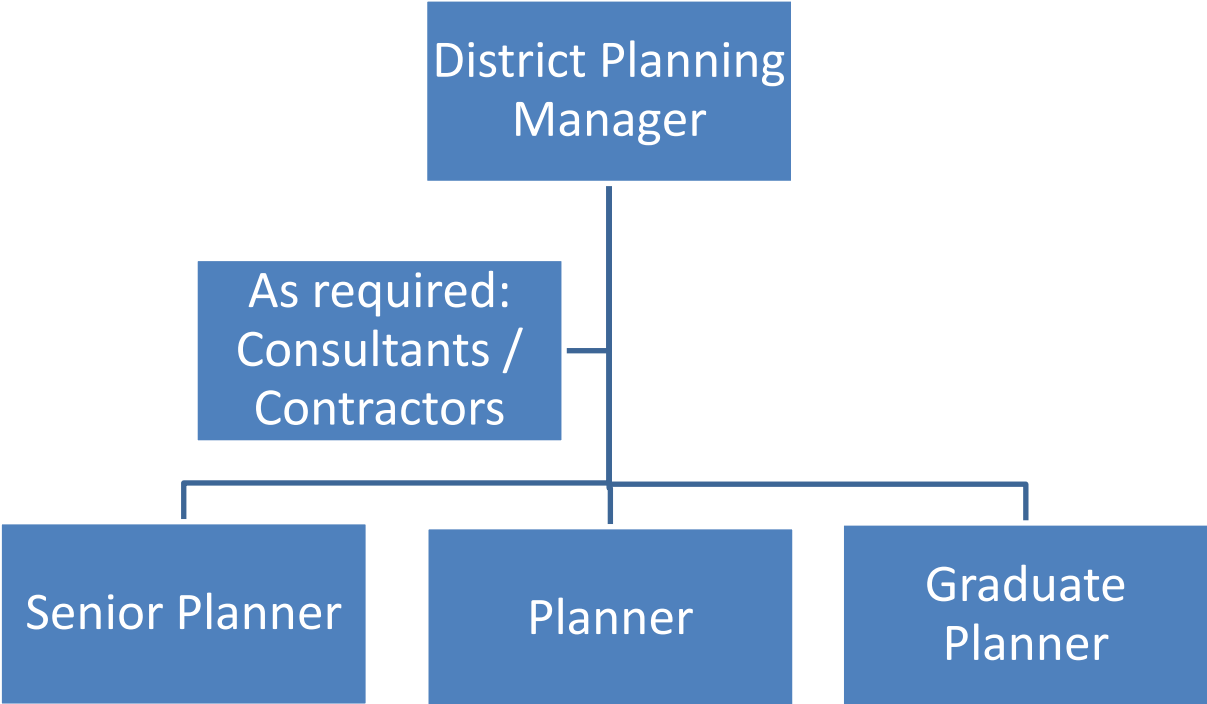
### **Future issues**

Future issues identified as having an impact on changes in demand and standard of service are

- Uncertainty over the level of activity, namely consent processing, and when levels of development might return to those experienced before the economic downturn
- Addressing a shortage of residential accommodation and pressures for urban expansion and development.
- Legislative changes, particularly to the Resource Management Act and the implications of these
- Implementing National Environmental Standards
- Regional Policy and Plans, including the Canterbury Land and Water Management Plan.
- Continued intensification of land-use through agriculture
- Increased emphasis on sustainable development

The above matters have been considered and provided for in the future planning for provision of this service.

**Structure and Staffing**



# Maintenance and Operating

## Asset Ownership and Valuations

There are no significant assets associated with the District Planning activity.

Vehicles and computers are controlled by other departments of Council.

## How Managed and Controlled

Not Applicable.

## Maintenance and Operating Issues

Not Applicable.

# LTP 2012-22 Forecast Activity Costs

2011/2012		2012/2013	2013/2014	2014/2015	2015/2016	2016/2017	2017/2018	2018/2019	2019/2020	2020/2021	2021/2022
	<b>INCOME</b>										
154,000	Non Notified Consents	160,000	165,120	170,400	176,192	182,352	188,544	194,768	201,200	208,448	215,744
21,000	Notified Consents	15,000	15,480	15,975	16,518	17,096	17,676	18,260	18,863	19,542	20,226
75,000	Recoveries	60,000	61,920	63,900	66,072	68,382	70,704	73,038	75,450	78,168	80,904
1,050	Infringement Fees	1,050	1,084	1,118	1,156	1,197	1,237	1,278	1,320	1,368	1,416
505,385	General Rates	713,648	836,898	838,499	837,055	839,289	843,247	841,446	844,212	850,895	852,905
41,000	Sundry Income	41,000	42,312	43,665	45,149	46,728	48,314	49,909	51,558	53,415	55,284
23,000	Internal Fees	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7,221	Treasury Internal Recoveries	5,586	5,765	5,949	6,151	6,366	6,583	6,800	7,024	7,277	7,532
23,968	Interest Allocation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>851,624</b>		<b>996,284</b>	<b>1,128,578</b>	<b>1,139,506</b>	<b>1,148,294</b>	<b>1,161,409</b>	<b>1,176,305</b>	<b>1,185,499</b>	<b>1,199,627</b>	<b>1,219,113</b>	<b>1,234,011</b>
	<b>OPERATING EXPENDITURE</b>										
273,084	Salary / Wages	292,545	299,566	306,763	314,749	322,941	330,693	338,299	347,105	356,466	366,091
3,277	ACC Levies	3,511	3,595	3,681	3,777	3,875	3,968	4,060	4,165	4,278	4,393
3,500	Staff Training	4,000	4,096	4,194	4,304	4,416	4,522	4,626	4,746	4,874	5,006
1,440	Indemnity Insurance	840	867	895	925	957	990	1,023	1,056	1,094	1,133
6,600	Printing (External)	2,000	516	533	551	570	589	609	629	651	674
250	Stationery	250	258	266	275	285	295	304	314	326	337
800	Postages	800	826	852	881	912	943	974	1,006	1,042	1,079
7,800	Photocopiers/Printers	6,560	6,770	6,986	7,224	7,476	7,730	7,985	8,249	8,546	8,846
1,300	Telephone / Tolls	1,000	1,032	1,065	1,101	1,140	1,178	1,217	1,258	1,303	1,348
30,391	Interest	45,117	44,149	39,341	34,533	30,204	25,320	20,436	15,552	10,668	5,784
30,000	Legal Expenses	30,000	41,280	42,600	44,048	45,588	47,136	48,692	50,300	52,112	53,936
15,000	Valuation Fees	15,000	15,480	15,975	16,518	17,096	17,676	18,260	18,863	19,542	20,226
5,000	Consultancy	12,000	10,320	10,650	11,012	11,397	11,784	12,173	12,575	13,028	13,484
0	Refunds	100	103	107	110	114	118	122	126	130	135
0	Insurance	375	387	399	413	427	442	456	472	489	506
60,000	Subdivision Approval	60,000	61,920	63,900	66,072	68,382	70,704	73,038	75,450	78,168	80,904
250	Suppers & Receptions	250	258	266	275	285	295	304	314	326	337
0	Advertising	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
454,000	Maintenance Contracts	110,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2,640	Sundry Expenditure	1,000	1,037	1,072	1,109	1,149	1,191	1,238	1,290	1,345	1,404
25,000	Contractors	10,000	10,370	10,723	11,088	11,487	11,912	12,377	12,897	13,452	14,044
3,900	Plant Costs	8,000	8,296	8,579	8,871	9,190	9,530	9,902	10,318	10,762	11,235
67,993	Interest - Internal	86,401	84,745	76,105	67,465	58,825	50,185	41,545	32,905	24,265	15,625
<b>992,225</b>		<b>689,849</b>	<b>595,871</b>	<b>594,952</b>	<b>595,301</b>	<b>596,715</b>	<b>597,201</b>	<b>597,639</b>	<b>599,589</b>	<b>602,867</b>	<b>606,527</b>
	<b>OVERHEAD COSTS</b>										
35,955	Depreciation Recoveries	22,383	23,100	23,838	24,648	25,510	26,376	27,247	28,147	29,161	30,182
115,182	Overhead Recoveries	100,635	104,777	109,710	111,573	115,429	121,450	123,351	127,391	134,106	136,887
162,262	Environmental Services Recoveries	173,416	179,430	185,606	191,372	198,355	205,879	211,861	219,099	227,579	235,017
<b>313,399</b>		<b>296,435</b>	<b>307,307</b>	<b>319,154</b>	<b>327,593</b>	<b>339,294</b>	<b>353,705</b>	<b>362,459</b>	<b>374,637</b>	<b>390,845</b>	<b>402,085</b>
<b>1,305,624</b>	<b>TOTAL OPERATING COSTS</b>	<b>986,284</b>	<b>903,178</b>	<b>914,106</b>	<b>922,894</b>	<b>936,009</b>	<b>950,905</b>	<b>960,099</b>	<b>974,227</b>	<b>993,713</b>	<b>1,008,612</b>
	<b>CAPITAL INCOME</b>										
0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	<b>CAPITAL EXPENDITURE</b>										
0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	<b>LOANS RAISED</b>										
454,000	Loans Raised	90,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
454,000		90,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	<b>LOANS REPAYED</b>										
0	Loan Principal Repayment	100,000	225,400	225,400	225,400	225,400	225,400	225,400	225,400	225,400	225,400
0		100,000	225,400	225,400	225,400	225,400	225,400	225,400	225,400	225,400	225,400
	<b>RESERVE MOVEMENTS</b>										
0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	<b>FUNDING</b>										
-346,239	Operating Income	-282,636	-291,680	-301,007	-311,239	-322,120	-333,058	-344,053	-355,415	-368,218	-381,106
1,305,624	Operating Expenditure	986,284	903,178	914,106	922,894	936,009	950,905	960,099	974,227	993,713	1,008,612
0	Capital Income	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	Capital Expenditure	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	Depreciation Funding	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
-454,000	Loans Raised	-90,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	Loans Repaid	100,000	225,400	225,400	225,400	225,400	225,400	225,400	225,400	225,400	225,400
0	Transfer to Reserves	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>505,385</b>	<b>Funding Required from Rates</b>	<b>713,648</b>	<b>836,898</b>	<b>838,499</b>	<b>837,055</b>	<b>839,289</b>	<b>843,247</b>	<b>841,446</b>	<b>844,212</b>	<b>850,895</b>	<b>852,905</b>
505,385	General Rates - CV	713,648	836,898	838,499	837,055	839,289	843,247	841,446	844,212	850,895	852,905

# 2013/14 Activity Budget

<b>BUDGET 2012/2013</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Notes</b>	<b>BUDGET 2013/2014</b>	<b>LTP 2013/2014</b>	<b>Variance 2013/2014</b>
<b>INCOME</b>					
160,000	Consents		162,640	165,120	-2,480
15,000	Notified Consents		15,480	15,480	0
60,000	Recoveries		61,920	61,920	0
1,050	Infringment Fees		1,084	1,084	0
713,648	General Rates		843,651	836,898	6,753
0	Sales		8,460	0	8,460
41,000	Sundry Income		39,352	42,312	-2,960
5,586	Treasury Internal Recoveries		6,546	5,765	781
0	Interest Allocation		16,391	0	16,391
<u>996,284</u>			<u>1,155,524</u>	<u>1,128,578</u>	<u>26,946</u>
<b>OPERATING EXPENDITURE</b>					
292,545	Salary / Wages		336,210	299,566	36,644
3,511	ACC Levies		4,035	3,595	440
4,000	Staff Training		0	4,096	-4,096
0	Protective Clothing		1,500	0	1,500
840	Indemnity Insurance		1,040	867	173
2,000	Printing (External)		516	516	0
250	Stationery		258	258	0
800	Postages		826	826	0
6,560	Photocopiers/Printers		6,169	6,770	-601
1,000	Telephone / Tolls		1,032	1,032	0
45,117	Interest		22,888	44,149	-21,261
30,000	Legal Expenses		41,280	41,280	0
15,000	Valuation Fees		15,480	15,480	0
12,000	Consultancy		10,320	10,320	0
100	Refunds		103	103	0
375	Insurance		419	387	32
60,000	Subdivision Approval		61,920	61,920	0
250	Suppers & Receptions		0	258	-258
100	Advertising		0	0	0
110,000	Maintenance Contracts		231,200	0	231,200
1,000	Sundry Expenditure		1,037	1,037	0
10,000	Contractors		0	10,370	-10,370
8,000	Plant Costs		6,000	8,296	-2,296
86,401	Interest - Internal		105,556	84,745	20,811
<u>689,849</u>			<u>847,788</u>	<u>595,871</u>	<u>251,917</u>
<b>OVERHEAD COSTS</b>					
22,383	Depreciation Recoveries		24,814	23,100	1,715
100,635	Overhead Recoveries		108,677	104,777	3,899
173,416	Environmental Services Recoveries		180,044	179,430	614
<u>296,435</u>			<u>313,535</u>	<u>307,307</u>	<u>6,228</u>
<b>986,284</b>	<b>TOTAL OPERATING COSTS</b>		<b>1,161,324</b>	<b>903,178</b>	<b>258,146</b>
<b>CAPITAL INCOME</b>					
0			0	0	0
<b>CAPITAL EXPENDITURE</b>					
0			0	0	0
<b>LOANS RAISED</b>					
90,000	Loans Raised		231,200	0	231,200
<u>90,000</u>			<u>231,200</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>231,200</u>
<b>LOANS REPAYED</b>					
100,000	Loan Principal Repayment		225,400	225,400	0
<u>100,000</u>			<u>225,400</u>	<u>225,400</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>RESERVE MOVEMENTS</b>					



## 4.0 New Capital Expenditure

### Capital Works Programme 2012 - 2022

Not Applicable.

### How Capital Works Are To Be Funded

Not Applicable.

### Development and Financial Contributions

Not Applicable.

# 5.0 Renewals, Capital Expenditure and Depreciation

## Cyclic Renewals Programme 2012 - 2022

Not applicable.

## How Cyclic Renewals are to be Funded

Not applicable.

# 6.0 Funding the Annual Net Cost – “Who Pays”

## Council’s Revenue and Financing Policy for this Activity

The Revenue and Financing Policy contains Council’s approach to funding operating and capital expenditure from available sources, determining who pays for Council’s activities and on what basis.

<b>District Planning</b>	
<b>Who benefits / creates need?</b>	<p>Resource consent applicants are the direct beneficiaries of this activity. The community as a whole also benefits through the environmental protection provided by the District Planning activity.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Private benefit 50%</li> <li>• Community-wide benefit 50%</li> </ul>
<b>Period of benefit</b>	Ongoing
<b>Other considerations</b>	
<b>Funding</b>	<p><b>Operational Expenditure:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fees and Charges 50%</li> <li>• CV General Rate 50%</li> </ul> <p><b>Capital Expenditure:</b> Capital expenditure for this activity is funded in the same way as operational expenditure.</p>
<b>Other funding</b>	<p><b>Note regarding fees and charges:</b> Council sets its fees for this activity based on recovering actual and reasonable costs associated with providing the services covered by this activity. The revenue from fees depends on demand for service. Any budgeted shortfall in fees will come from the general rate while any budgeted excess will offset the general rate.</p>

# 7.0 Future Demand

## Predicted Changes to Future Demand

### Forecast Population Growth

Usually resident population 2006 census	27,372
Urban population	19,278
Rural population	8,094
Increase in District population 2001-2006	1,929
Percentage population increase since 2001 census	7.6 %

Statistics New Zealand produces population estimates in non-census years. The estimated population as at 30 June 2010 was 29,400.

Statistics New Zealand has forecast population growth out to 2031, using 2006 forecast population figures as a baseline (updated). The forecast provides low, medium and high projections based on varying migration, fertility and mortality forecasts. These forecasts are shown in the table below.

Ashburton District Projected Population, 2006 (base) - 2031 update.									
Series	Year as at 30 June						Population change 2006-2031		
	2006 (base)	2011	2016	2021	2026	2031	#	Average %	Annual %
<b>Low</b>		29,300	29,300	29,000	28,400	27,600	-400	-0.1	
<b>Medium</b>	28,000	30,000	31,000	31,700	32,200	32,600	4,600	0.6	
<b>High</b>		30,800	32,600	34,400	36,100	37,700	9,700	1.2	

Ashburton District Council uses the “high” population forecast series in its growth modelling for the future. The “high” series is used because it best reflects:

- current strong population growth in the district
- continued change in land use with increased on-farm residences
- expected migration from Christchurch due to the recent earthquakes (based on current anecdotal evidence)
- consistency with Ashburton District residential building consent trend analysis over the past five years (which indicates the district’s population has grown by approximately 2,500 people since 2006 – closest to the high series forecast).

It is considered that the “high” series provides a prudent assessment of future increased demand through population growth. Ashburton District’s population looks set to continue this growth over the next ten years, reversing earlier trends of low or no growth.

### Growth by Area

The rate of projected growth varies across the district, with Methven expected to be the fastest growing urban centre over the next 20 years, growing at an average rate of 2.7% per year. The rural population is also projected to grow at a faster rate than the Ashburton urban area.

**Projected Population by Area Unit, 2006 (base) - 2031 update.<sup>1</sup>**

Area <sup>2</sup>	Year as at 30 June						Population change 2006-2031	
	2006 (base)	2011	2016	2021	2026	2031	#	Average Annual %
Ashburton	16680	17860	18540	19090	19570	19970	3290	0.8
Methven	1360	1640	1810	1970	2130	2280	920	2.7
Rakaia	1090	1200	1260	1310	1360	1410	320	1.2
Rest of the District	8900	10050	10900	11740	12570	13390	4490	2.0

1: Using "high" series projection data.

2: The projected population of towns within the Ashburton District is based on Statistics New Zealand's census area unit boundaries. 'Ashburton' comprises the following area units: Allenton, Ashburton Central West, Netherby, Ashburton Central East, Hampstead, Fairton and Tinwald.

**Impact of Population Growth:**

It is anticipated that population growth will result in continuing strong demand for district planning and resource consent activities. If development is to occur in ways that meet the needs of the local community there is a need to plan for, and manage, future growth. Population increase and development will continue to require that Council's District Plan and planning framework be reviewed periodically. The Ashburton District Development Plan has put in place provisions for land use planning to accommodate future population growth over the next 30 years. The Council has advanced that future planning by incorporating these provisions in the District Plan Review.

**Demographic Change**

In addition to a growing population the demographics of Ashburton District are changing, a trend expected to continue in the future. In particular:

- The population, like that of New Zealand as a whole, is ageing. This trend is forecast to continue, with the over 65 population in the district expected to nearly double between 2006 and 2031. This age group is expected to account for almost one-quarter of the total district's population by 2031.
- The ethnic make-up of the district is changing with increased Maori and Pacific populations and an increasing proportion of international migrants.

**Impact of Demographic Change:** Demographic change is not expected to significantly change the demand for service or how Council delivers this activity. However the aging population may increase demand for housing on smaller allotments, while the Ashburton Business Estate may result in new business activity and demand for worker accommodation.

**Community Expectations**

Council monitors resident satisfaction with the services and facilities it provides through an Annual Residents Survey undertaken by the National Research Bureau (NRB). Resident satisfaction is used as a guide to prevailing community expectations – i.e. if satisfaction drops while levels of service have remained the same there could be some shift in community expectations behind that change. Council will, when the situation requires, undertake more detailed research to ascertain whether this is the case.

Results from the NRB survey over the past three years that relate to this activity are included below.

Residents are satisfied with the standard of Council's environmental planning activities (Target satisfaction rate 85%+ - don't know responses excluded)	2012	65%
	2011	70%
	2010	67%

**Impact of Changes in Community Expectations:** It is clear from consultation undertaken on the District Development Plan there is strong community demand for Council to take a more proactive role in development planning. There may also be an increasing expectation that built environments and towns within the district be further enhanced through town planning and urban design. The community's willingness to pay for further development and enhancement work will be determined through consultation on specific development projects.

**Impact of Changes in Legislative Requirements:** The government's first phase of reforms to the Resource Management Act has sought to simplify consent processes. The next stage of reforms may result in more significant changes but are not expected to affect service demand.

#### **Other**

**Land Use Change:** Continued increase in intensive agricultural practices will create challenges for sustainable management of resources including efficient use of water and minimisation of pollution and waste.

**Sustainable Development:** Increased general acceptance that sustainable development approaches to issues that incorporate "whole system thinking" and "bigger picture connections" can contribute to prosperity while at the same time advance the non economic aspects of a better quality of life.

# 8.0 Significant Forecasting Assumptions and Risk Management

## Assumptions

### Organisational Assumptions

Issue	Information Source	Assumptions
<b>Inflation</b>	Berl Price Adjuster	Inflation is budgeted for the years 2013/14 onwards. The level of inflation has been derived from the forecasts prepared for Local Government New Zealand by BERL and deal primarily deal with areas of expenditure local authorities are exposed to through their business.
<b>Interest Rates</b>	Council Analysis	Assumed interest rates for new loans and investments in this Long Term Plan have been calculated on an average of Council's current and expected interest costs and returns. The interest rate, using this method, is assumed to be 6%.
<b>District Population Growth</b>	Statistics NZ Population Forecasts	Population growth is assumed to be in line with Statistics New Zealand's population forecasts for Ashburton District (using 2006 as the base year), using the "high" series of figures.  See section 8 of this document for further details on population growth assumptions.
<b>Natural Events/ Disasters</b>	Council Analysis	Natural events such as storm or earthquake damage can happen at any time but have been assumed not to happen for the purposes of preparing this plan. This plan has, therefore, been prepared on the basis that no unforeseen natural events will affect Council's assets and business.
<b>Climate Change</b>	Council Analysis	Climate change impacts have been assumed to not impact on Council business scope or cost of business in a material way over the next 10 years.
<b>Nature of Council Business</b>	Council Analysis	Legislative requirements may change the nature of Council's business from time to time. No potential legislative changes have been identified that might impact on this activity.  Council monitors community expectations through its annual resident's survey, community consultation processes and working with community organisations.  It has been assumed there will be no changes in the general nature of Council's business.

### Activity-Specific Assumptions

Issue	Information Source	Assumptions
<b>Community expectations/ levels of service</b>	Council Analysis	<p>Council monitors community expectations through its annual resident's survey, community consultation processes and working with community organisations.</p> <p>It has been assumed there will not be significant changes to the levels of service expected through this activity.</p>
<b>Climate Change (District Planning)</b>	Council Analysis	<p>Changing climate patterns affect development options in the district. It is assumed that climate change is occurring and that the district will experience the generally acknowledged affects.</p>
<b>Changes to Legislation</b>	Council Analysis	<p>The first phase of amendments to the Resource Management Act has been implemented with a second stage of reforms programmed. The scope of these changes is uncertain but it is assumed this will not materially impact on this activity.</p>
<b>Economic conditions</b>	Council Analysis	<p>The economic slowdown creates uncertainty as to whether the current rate of development and demand for this activity will continue. It is assumed that there will be a reduction in demand for services in this activity of 10% per year over the next 2 years.</p>
<b>Increase in intensive agriculture</b>	Council Analysis	<p>Growth in intensive farming in Ashburton District has continued in recent years. Given the current climate it is uncertain how much will continue. It is assumed that growth in intensive farming, dairying in particular will continue.</p>
<b>Sustainable development approach to planning</b>	Council Analysis	<p>It is assumed that a continued acceptance of sustainable development approaches to planning will continue.</p>



# Risk Management

Risk	Likelihood/ Impact	Potential Impact/ Mitigation
<p><b>Inflation is significantly different from Berl Price Adjusters</b></p>	<p>Low/ Low</p>	<p>A change in the inflation rate tends to affect all areas of the economy and not just Council rates. The impact of a variance in inflation is therefore not considered to have a serious effect on Council's business.</p> <p>Annual Plan budgets will reflect the prevailing rate of inflation on annual basis. Forecast rate requirements may therefore vary from those stated in the LTP.</p>
<p><b>Interest rates vary significantly from assumed levels</b></p>	<p>Medium/ Medium</p>	<p>A change in interest rates impacts on the cost of capital and the return on capital.</p> <p>Council uses a range of measures to mitigate the impact of a rise in interest rates. As Council's level of external borrowing increases this risk rises.</p> <p>Council has imposed a borrowing limit through its financial strategy as detailed in the Long Term Plan 2012-22.</p> <p>Annual Plan budgets will reflect interest rates on annual basis. Forecast rate requirements may therefore vary from those stated in the LTP.</p>
<p><b>District population growth varies from assumed level</b></p>	<p>Low/ Medium</p>	<p>It is considered unlikely population growth will differ from the Stats NZ forecasts to an extent that causes material difficulties for Council.</p> <p>Most projects potentially impacted by population changes tend to be of a long-term nature that can be adjusted in terms of timing and scale to suit population projections.</p>
<p><b>Natural Events/ Disasters</b></p>	<p>Low/ High</p>	<p>Council manages risk associated with natural disasters through insurance.</p> <p>No specific measures have been included in this activity for any such event.</p>
<p><b>Climate Change</b></p>	<p>Low/ Medium</p>	<p>The risk of any event impacting materially on this activity over the next 10 years is considered low..</p> <p>Since the 2004 amendment to the RMA the Council has been required to take account of climate change in district planning. The main recognised effects in terms of this district are increased rainfall in the catchment area, reduced rainfall on the plains and increased incidence of extreme weather, e.g. wind. Water management is primarily the responsibility of ECAN. River management is the responsibility of this Council. The key impact is the risk of river flooding which can be minimised by avoiding development in flood plain areas. There is minimal development on the coast. Adaptation to the impact of climate change from a planning perspective is relatively</p>

<b>Changes to Legislation will occur</b>	High / Low	straight forward - the impact is low.  The government has implemented the first phase of amendments to the Resource Management Act to streamline the process with a second stage of reforms programmed. This is unlikely to have a significant consequence in terms of service provision.
<b>Economic conditions leading to decrease in demand</b>	Medium / Low	This activity has had difficulty maintaining service targets with existing resources. The impact of a slowdown in development activity will be that: targets for consent processing should be achieved; staff will be able to be redeployed to areas not met well in recent times.
<b>Increase in intensive agriculture will continue</b>	Medium / Low	It is assumed that growth in intensive farming- dairying in particular will continue but that the rate of growth will reduce due to the current economic climate. The impact therefore will be relatively low and manageable with existing resources.
<b>Continued growth in acceptance of Sustainable Development Approach to planning</b>	Medium / Low	It is assumed that a continued acceptance of sustainable development approaches to planning will continue. The impact is low in that a sustainable development approach is a requirement of the LGA and RMA. Increased acceptance will require that the Council consider matters fully but assist the Council in gaining acceptance of well prepared proposals.

## 9.0 Demand Management

### Council's Demand Management Approach

Council believes there are no issues relating to future demand that would mean it cannot undertake this activity as it currently does. There are no demand management approaches in place or planned.

### Sustainable Development Issues

All planning is undertaken taking a sustainable development approach.

### Significant Negative Effects

There are no significant negative effects arising from this activity.

# 10.0 Plan Review/Public Consultation

## Overview of Consultation Undertaken

Consultation processes that have informed the development of this Activity Management Plan are:

1. **Annual Residents Survey:** Commissioned annually by the Council and conducted by National Research Bureau the survey covers resident satisfaction with the delivery of Council facilities. The information is used to consider the level and quality of service provided.
2. **Community Plan / Annual Plan:** Annual consultation regarding any proposed Community Plan or Annual Plan. Consultation involves circulation of plan statements of proposal (i.e., the plan) and summaries of the statement for community evaluation. It includes community presentations and open days to provide community discussion of the proposal.

This consultation meets the requirements of ss83-85, and s89 of the Local Government Act 2002.

3. **District Plan Review Consultation Processes:** The review of the Ashburton District Plan currently underway includes several community consultation processes that will enable information to be captured from the community that will inform the review process and also inform Council on wider issues relevant to this activity.
4. **Issue-specific Consultation Processes:** In addition to the consultation and feedback processes outlined above the District Planning activity undertakes project-specific community consultation as required. This consultation informs decision-making processes and provides information on wider issues relevant to this activity

## Proposed Future Consultation

It is proposed to continue with the above processes.

## Activity Management Plan Review

- All Ashburton District Council *Activity Management Plans* will be reviewed and updated annually as part of the development of the Community Plan or the Annual Plan – whichever is applicable.
- This process takes place by December of each year.
- Plans may be updated during the year where there have been significant changes to asset values or business plans.

# 11.0 Resource Designations

Consents/

Property

Not applicable.

# APPENDIX I

## Legislative and Strategic Linkages

### **Legislation Impacting on This Activity**

- Resource Management Act 1991
- Local Government Act 2002

### **Strategic Planning Documents with Links to this Activity**

- National Policy Statements
- National Environmental Standards
- Environment Canterbury's Regional Policy Statement
- Canterbury Natural Resource Regional Plan
- Canterbury Biodiversity Strategy
- Adjoining District Councils District Plans
- Iwi Management Plans

### **Other Organisations with Links to this Activity**

- Central Government
- Ministry for the Environment
- Department of Conservation
- New Zealand Transport Agency
- Canterbury Regional Council
- Fish and Game Council
- The Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society
- Historic Places Trust
- Federated Farmers of New Zealand Inc
- State Owned Enterprises

### **Other Significant Linkages**

- Ashburton District Council Policy Register

### **Council Policies**

- Policy on Bonds for Financial Contributions for Subdivision Consents – Council Policy Manual; Section B; Environmental Services
- Policy on Bonds in Respect to Formation of Vehicular Access to Properties – Council Policy Manual; Section B; Environmental Services
- Policy on Naming of New Roads Vesting Upon Subdivision of Land – Council Policy Manual; Section B; Environmental Services
- Policy on Naming of Private Rights-of-way – Council Policy Manual; Section B; Environmental Services
- Policy on Sealing of Sewer Connections – Council Policy Manual; Section B; Environmental Services

## Bylaws

Not Applicable.