



WEST COAST
REGIONAL COUNCIL

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WCRC meeting its targets

West Coast Regional Council's report card for the third quarter of the year shows it meeting 85% of its targets.

The achievements are in the non-financial performance report for the 2024-2025 financial year which is on the agenda of next week's Council meeting. This measures against the 2024-2025 Long-term Plan.

Corporate Services Group Manager Peter Miller says the report shows 23 of 27 (85%) targets were met, an improvement on the second quarter's 81%.

"Overall, it demonstrates we're doing what we said we'd do. Our emergency preparedness, flood protection scheme maintenance and responsiveness to increased demand on our hotline 0508 800 118 are all high points.

"There were some targets we couldn't meet mainly due to external factors, such as the Ministry for the Environment not yet releasing National Policy Statements. This means we haven't been able to deliver on some of our expected work programmes."

A report on developing the Annual Plan for 2025-2026, and seeking direction on the setting of rates, will also be tabled at next week's meeting.

"There are no significant differences to levels of service or deliverables between the Long-term Plan Year 2 and the Annual Plan for 2025-2026", says Peter Miller.

"The increase in Council's general rate is proposed to be 12%, as per the Long-term Plan Year 2 consultation.

"Increases in targeted rates for the 23 rating district schemes across the Coast will be discussed with those rating districts."

"There'll also be an option presented to Council about setting the targeted rate for Te Tai Poutini Plan to include repaying the interest associated with the loan.

"Council's unallocated debt has risen as expected, it was \$10m in 2024. In line with previous expectations set out in the Long-term Plan, the paper recommends Council start considering how to manage debt as part of the next LTP cycle."

Subject to direction from Council the draft Annual Plan will be presented at its
3 June meeting

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