



Assessment of Sanitary Services

Public Toilets

2004





1. Executive Summary

The Local Government Act 2002 requires all councils in New Zealand to complete an assessment of water and sanitary services. These include public and private water supplies; sewerage, stormwater, cemeteries, public toilets and solid waste disposal facilities within the Hauraki District. Issues like the quality and adequacy of water supply, wastewater arrangements, and the risk to public health where services are not provided, are all aspects that Hauraki District Council will be covering.

Hauraki District Council is undertaking the consultation on the Assessment of Water and Sanitary Services via a number of mechanisms. This report is a summary on the submitted comments received from the community on a survey distributed on public toilets.

48 business owners were identified as a potential provider of toilets to the public and a survey was mailed to each of these businesses, asking nine questions. 55% (27) of the questionnaires were returned.

The underlying general response to the questions asked were that the majority of people that responded were identified as providers of toilets to the public. Some of which of these are providers of toilets to the public, but only in the sense, of making the facilities available to their customers. Half of these had just one pan, and just over one quarter of respondents had two pans. Over half of respondents are connected to the town sewerage disposal system. Half of the respondents felt there were sufficient public toilets in the district, but of those they felt more were required, numerous suggestions were made, predominantly in the Plains Ward.



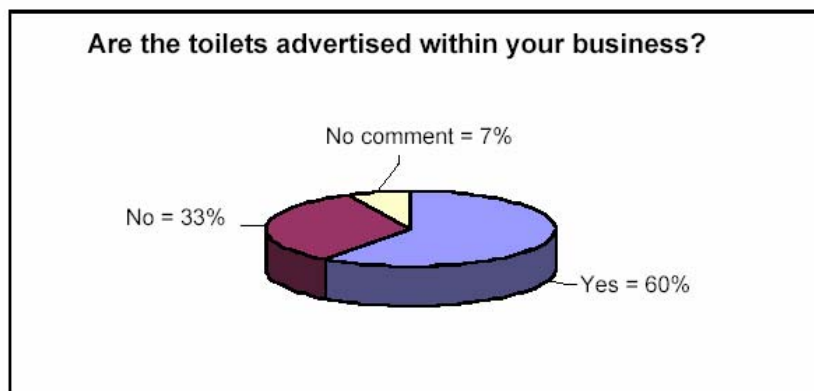
2. Submission Summaries

The summary below is an indication of those questionnaires completed and returned.

Question 1

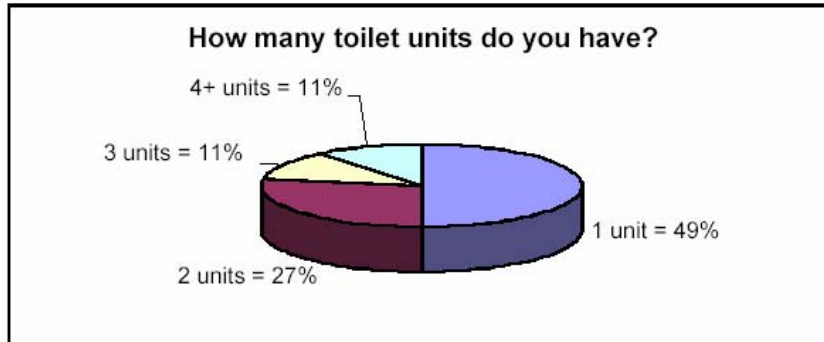


Question 2





Question 3:



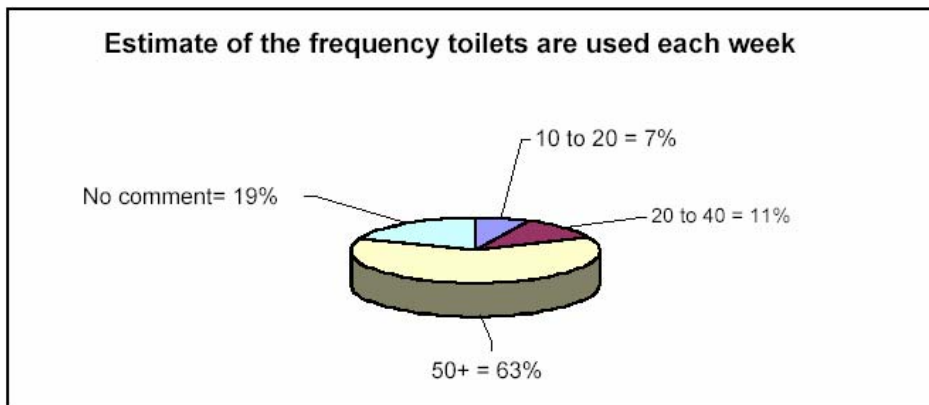
It was noted that the location of these toilets were either within or attached to the premises.

Question 4

What day and hours are your toilet facilities available?

- 59% = 7 days per week, 24 hours a day
- 11% = 7 days per week within quoted hours from am to pm.
- 11% = 6 days per week
- 19% = did not record an answer

Question 5



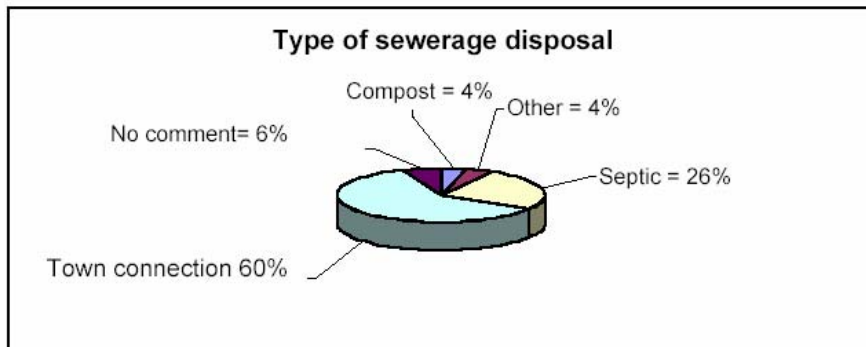


Question 6

Do these facilities cater for those with disabilities?

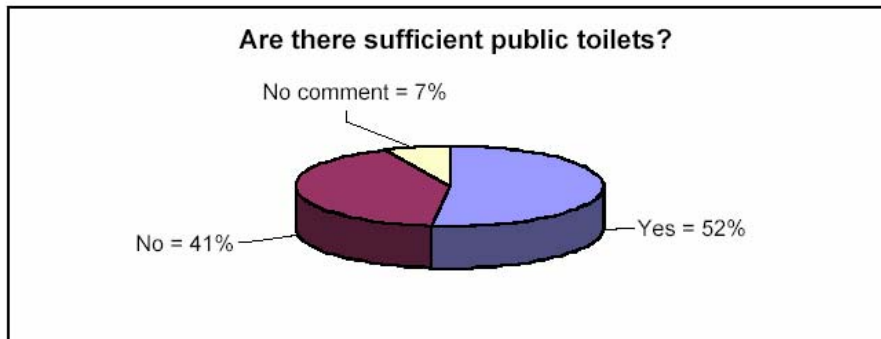
- 45% = No
- 45% = Yes
- 10% = No comment.

Question 7



Question 8

Do you think there are sufficient public toilets available in the District? If no, where do you think the best location for additional public toilet facilities are?



Suggested best locations for additional public toilet facilities by Ward:

Paeroa Ward

- L & P Bottle Park
- RSA

Plains Ward:

- Dress Circle, Kaihere SH27
- East end of Ngatea township
- Kopurahi Corner
- Near Kopurahi Hall
- Near Hauraki Golf Course
- SH27 near Patetonga
- Petticoat Junction Transport Café



Waihi Ward:

- Post Office
- Waikino Railway Station end carpark
- Start of Victoria Battery road underpass
- Information Centre and/or area adjacent to KFC, Commercial Hotel and RD1 in Waihi

Other:

- Road end facilities required - especially as recreation use of DOC land increases
- Kopu

Question 9

Are there any further comments you would like to make?

Please refer to individual submission comments in Section 3.