

4.0 Other Activities

The Hauraki District Council undertakes a number of 'other activities' which are carried out in addition to the significant activities, but which are still considered to be an important part of the Council's function.



These activities include:

- Civil Defence and Rural Fire Control which are statutory functions of the Council;
- District promotion and beautification which involve programmes to promote the District and beautify the main traffic routes;
- Activities to encourage and assist local business and encourage new businesses to the District;
- The provision of pensioner housing which offers rental units to pensioners meeting specific criteria;
- Provision of a sports coordinator to promote exercise and general well-being and assist sporting organisations through a co-ordination role;
- Financial assistance to maintain a public passenger transport service;
- An Information Centre located at Paeroa, to provide visitor information and other services.

The Hauraki District Council's goal in respect of other activities is to ensure a range of other activities are undertaken to enhance the appearance and services of the District and the well-being of residents.

Focus	Emphasis	Achievements
4.1 To be prepared for civil emergencies in accordance with the Civil Defence Act.	4.1.1 To be a member of both the Waikato Civil Defence and Emergency Management Group and the Thames Valley Combined District Civil Defence Organisation and to ensure there is a Civil Defence Officer and an operative Civil Defence Plan for the planning period.	4.1.1 Achieved The Council is a member of the Thames Valley Combined District Civil Defence organisation and the Waikato Civil Defence. There is an Operative Combined District Plan. A Civil Defence Officer is employed. The Civil Defence Plan was reviewed during the period.
	4.1.2 To undertake two headquarters staff training programmes in Paeroa during the planning period.	4.1.2 Achieved Two staff training programmes were undertaken.
4.2 To meet the Council's obligations under the Forests and Rural Fires Act for the prevention and control of rural fires within the Hauraki District.	4.2.1 To be a member of the Thames Valley Combined Rural Fire District Committee and to ensure there is a Rural Fire Officer and an operative Rural Fire Plan for the planning period.	4.2.1 Achieved Hauraki District Council is a member of the Thames Valley Combined Rural Fire District Committee. A Rural Fire Plan for 2003/04 operating. Two rural fire officers in the Hauraki District attended Thames Valley Combined Rural Fire District committee meetings.

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4.3 To promote the Hauraki District as a place to visit through advertising and other promotional activities carried out in conjunction with Tourism Coromandel, to attract national and international visitors.	4.3.1 To provide financial support to Tourism Coromandel by 31 December 2003.	4.3.1 Achieved Funding of \$105,000 was provided in two stages to Tourism Coromandel in July and December 2003.
	4.3.2 To report quarterly to Council's Planning and Finance Committee on the progress with Tourism Coromandel activity.	4.3.2 Achieved One report each quarter was provided to the Planning and Finance Committee.
4.4 To improve the appearance of the District through the planting of trees and other means along major traffic routes and at the entrances to Paeroa, Waihi and Ngatea.	4.4.1 To plant no less than 20 trees along the major traffic routes within the Hauraki District during the planning period.	4.4.1 Not achieved Trees were ordered to be supplied and planted by mid July 2004.
4.5 To implement and review Council's current Economic Development Strategy.	4.5.1 To implement the appropriate stages of the Economic Development Strategy in alignment with the proposed timeframe.	4.5.1 Not achieved 22 of the 33 measures of the Economic Development Strategy have been achieved. These include forums on issues effecting local businesses; the development of a joint committee with TCDC and HDC. A review of the promotional strategy is to be undertaken in the 2004/05 year.
4.6 To provide advice and other forms of assistance on Economic Development issues as Council directs.	4.6.1 To establish and hold forums at least once during the period, to discuss strategic issues regarding the Economic Development Strategy.	4.6.1 Not Achieved No specific forum was held. Meetings with community groups to discuss economic development matters have been held.
	4.6.2 To report quarterly to Council on economic development issues during the planning period.	4.6.2 Achieved Four reports were provided to the Planning and Finance Committee.

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4.7 To own and maintain pensioner housing providing it remains economically viable.	4.7.1 To have pensioner flats 95% occupied within the planning period.	4.7.1 Achieved Pensioner flats were 98% occupied during the review period.
	4.7.2 To respond to complaints and service requests regarding pensioner flats at Waihi, Ngatea and Paeroa before the end of the next working day.	4.7.2 Not Achieved Complaints are being responded to appropriately on a priority basis.
4.8 To make available the services of a Sport Waikato representative to offer advice and assistance to informal and formal recreational organisations within the District in order to promote and enhance the personal enjoyment of recreational participation and healthy activity and personal well-being.	4.8.1 To visit or be in contact with the following during the planning period to advise on sports-related matters: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All primary schools at least twice per annum, • All secondary schools at least four times per annum, • Training opportunities sent to all pre-schools and parent education groups. 	4.8.1 Achieved <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All primary schools visited twice. • All secondary schools visited four times. • Four separate opportunities were provided to all pre-school/parent groups.
	4.8.2 To co-ordinate at least 15 sports-related training/ advisory sessions and at least five exercise opportunities to cater for pre-schools, primary and secondary schools, sports clubs and community groups, and seniors within the Hauraki District before 30 June 2004.	4.8.2 Achieved 19 sports related training/advisory sessions were held and all the required groups each received six exercise opportunities before 30 June 2004.
	4.8.3 To initiate partnerships with a least two health organisations to promote and support physical activity as part of a holistic approach to good health.	4.8.3 Achieved Four partnerships were developed and discussions were initiated with one group. These were developed with Waihi Medical centre, Te Korowai, the health coalition and with 'Active Hauraki'.
	4.8.4 To support Sport Waikato school holiday initiatives.	4.8.4 Achieved Sport Waikato held or attended nineteen sessions during school holiday periods.
4.9 To operate an Information Centre in Paeroa to serve the needs of visitors to the District, and to provide support to the independently operated information centres at Ngatea and Waihi.	4.9.1 To have the Paeroa Information Centre open for a minimum of 306 days during the planning period.	4.9.1 Achieved The Paeroa Information Centre was open for 310 days during the review period.

Costs and Funding – Other Activities

Actual 2002-03 \$000's		Actual 2003-04 \$000's	Budget 2003-04 \$000's
	Cost of Service		
10	Abandoned Vehicles	16	9
636	Abandoned Waihi Mines	49	-
7	Barry Rd Subsidence	-	-
5	Beautification	3	12
86	Civil Defence	53	70
49	Community Development	48	68
-	Contaminated Site Rehabilitation	122	-
17	Customer Surveys	53	-
39	District Promotions	19	51
112	Economic Development	150	178
105	Tourism Coromandel	105	105
50	Forestry	35	-
44	Go Waihi	66	66
33	Hamilton Stadium Contribution	33	33
-	Mine Workings Project	-	140
67	Paeroa Information Centre	73	72
57	Positive Paeroa Co-ordinator	66	66
26	Iwi Liaison	26	26
12	Noxious Weeds	22	14
35	Other	5	-
54	Rural Fire Control	81	76
228	Pensioner Housing	248	214
2	Safer Community Council	9	-
64	Sports Co-ordinator	64	64
-	Conservation Initiatives	-	2
26	Disaster Planning Fund	26	26
-	Waihi Visitors' Centre	3	19
3	Whiritoa Beach Care	3	5
9	Public Transport	9	9
1,776	Total Gross Cost Of Service	1,387	1,325
	Less Fees and Charges		
208	Rentals - Pensioner Housing	215	205
-	Forestry Roundwood Sales	-	-
13	Information Centre Recoveries	8	9
221	Total Fees And Charges	223	214
66	Less Targeted Rates	191	347
1,489	NET COST OF SERVICE	973	764