

Animal Control

Why we do it

To minimise danger, distress and nuisance caused by stray dogs and the associated effects of the health and safety of the community to wildlife and natural habitats, and to ensure the control of stock on the roads of the district in the interest of public safety.

What we do

The Animal and Stock Control section is responsible for effective dog and stock control in the Gisborne district. This includes:

- ▶ Investigating complaints received in relation to dog and stock behaviour.
- ▶ Maintaining a register of dogs within the district and identifying and processing unregistered dogs.
- ▶ Controlling stock on all district roads and on State Highways 2 and 35 on behalf of Land Transport NZ.
- ▶ Maintaining a service and facilities for the impounding and care of stray and seized dogs and stock.
- ▶ Providing education on dog and stock control, ownership and safety.
- ▶ Monitoring and enforcing regulations and bylaws.

The Council leases a central city building to accommodate its dog impounding operation. The building has a capacity for 25 dogs.

The Animal Control Activity is undertaken by three fulltime officers and one part-time officer in Gisborne. In addition, two fulltime Animal Control Officers and two part-time Stock Control Officers, based in Te Puia, are responsible for stock control on State Highways 2 and 35. They are funded by Land Transport NZ.

Community outcomes

This activity contributes to the following community outcome:



Safe Tairāwhiti

Where we are now

The existing dog pound is unsatisfactory. It is poorly ventilated, resulting in unsuitable conditions for staff and dogs all year round. The Council has made provision for a new facility to be constructed by 2010. This is subject to securing a resource consent for the facility.

Dog registration compliance is encouraged through education and microchip compliance. Dog registration data is uploaded from the National Dog Database.

The Council provides educational information on dog safety, animal control and welfare. All dog owners are visited annually.

The Council promotes keeping the district's roads free from wandering stock. It does this by the physical removal of stock from roads following notification and through a programme of rural stock fencing checks. Information is also provided to farmers.

Dog and Stock Control Bylaws were updated and revised in 2008.

Where we want to be

- ▶ Continue to provide a high quality control service of the district's dogs and stock for the benefit of their owners and the wider community.
- ▶ Build a new pound facility by 2010.
- ▶ Dog and stock owners complying with all policies and regulations.

- ▶ Recognise the benefits of preventative measures and education to minimise dog and stock control incidents.

How we plan to get there

- ▶ Complete the construction and relocation to the new dog pound by 2010, funding for which has been provided for in the 2009 Annual Plan.
- ▶ Adequately resource the Animal Control Activity.

Significant negative effects

There are no significant negative effects from this activity.

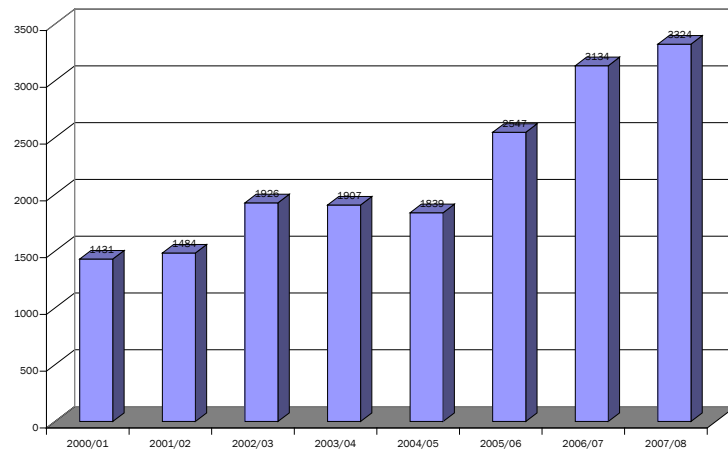
Summary of Forecasted Financial Performance for the 10 Years 2010 to 2019

| | 2010 \$000 | 2011 \$000 | 2012 \$000 | 2013 \$000 | 2014 \$000 | 2015 \$000 | 2016 \$000 | 2017 \$000 | 2018 \$000 | 2019 \$000 |
|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| ANIMAL CONTROL | | | | | | | | | | |
| OPERATIONS | | | | | | | | | | |
| Operating Revenue | | | | | | | | | | |
| Activity revenue | -662 | -689 | -707 | -722 | -740 | -755 | -773 | -790 | -810 | -830 |
| Grants and subsidies | -50 | -50 | -50 | -50 | -50 | -50 | -50 | -50 | -50 | -50 |
| Other revenue | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total operating revenue | -712 | -739 | -757 | -772 | -790 | -805 | -823 | -840 | -860 | -880 |
| Operating Expenditure | | | | | | | | | | |
| Depreciation | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Interest | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Operating costs | 533 | 553 | 569 | 583 | 597 | 611 | 627 | 645 | 662 | 681 |
| Total Operating Expenditure | 533 | 553 | 569 | 583 | 597 | 611 | 627 | 645 | 662 | 681 |
| Net Internal Charges/(Recoveries) | 248 | 259 | 272 | 295 | 309 | 317 | 338 | 361 | 406 | 437 |
| Net Cost of Service | 69 | 73 | 84 | 106 | 116 | 123 | 142 | 166 | 208 | 238 |
| Funded by: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Rates income | -86 | -95 | -101 | -106 | -110 | -114 | -118 | -124 | -130 | -136 |
| Transfers to/(from) reserves | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Depreciation not funded | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| (Increase)/decrease in deficits carried forward | 17 | 22 | 17 | 0 | -6 | -9 | -24 | -42 | -78 | -102 |
| Total Operations Funding | -69 | -73 | -84 | -106 | -116 | -123 | -142 | -166 | -208 | -238 |
| CAPITAL | | | | | | | | | | |
| Capital Outgoings | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total asset purchases | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Loan repayments | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Capital Outgoings | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Funded by: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Rates income | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Development contribution income | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Transfers to/(from) development contribution reserve | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Capital grants and donations | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other capital revenue | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Loan funding | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Transfer from depreciation reserve | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Transfer to/(from) other reserves | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| TOTAL CAPITAL FUNDING | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

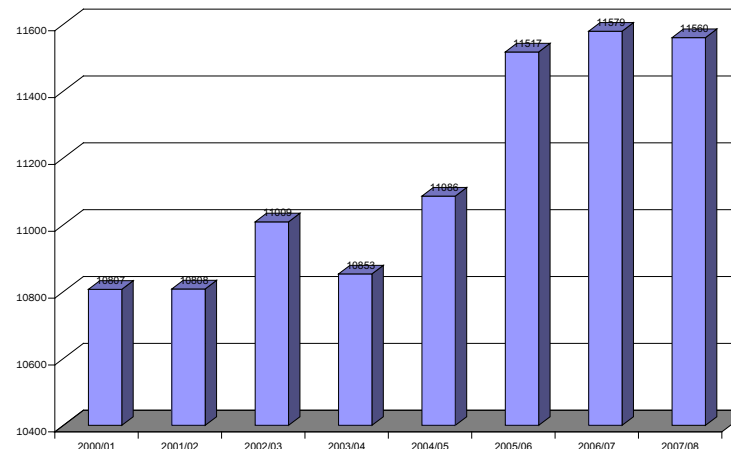
ANIMAL CONTROL

| Levels of Service Statement | Performance Measure | | Current Performance | Targets | | | | Mechanism to Achieve Target |
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| | Customer | Technical | | Yr 1 2009-10 | Yr 2 2010-11 | Yr 3 2011-12 | Yr 4-10 2012-18 | |
| LOS (1) - Customer Service To provide a service that controls dogs and stock to minimise risk to the public | Percentage of Requests for Service (RFS) resolved within target timeframes. | | 97% (2008) | 95% | 95% | 95% | 95% | |
| | Percentage of customers who rate RFS responses as excellent / good. | | 97% (2008) | 95% | 95% | 95% | 95% | |
| | Percentage of residents who are very / fairly satisfied with the Council's efforts in controlling dogs. | | 71% (June 2008) | 70% | Not Measured | 70% | Year 4 - N/M Year 5 - 10 70% | |
| | | Adequate facilities are available for the impounding and processing of stray dogs and stock. | Not met (2008) | Not met | Met | Met | Met | New pound facility built. |
| | | Percentage of known dogs that are registered. | 97% (June 2008) | 97% | 97% | 97% | 97% | |
| | | Percentage of rural/urban properties with known dogs visited per year. | 90% 2008 | 90% | 90% | 90% | 90% | |
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Annual Number of Animal Complaints



Number of Dog Registrations



Asset management

Key assets as at 2008:

- ▶ Dog Pound (currently leased) and Stock Pounds.