

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.

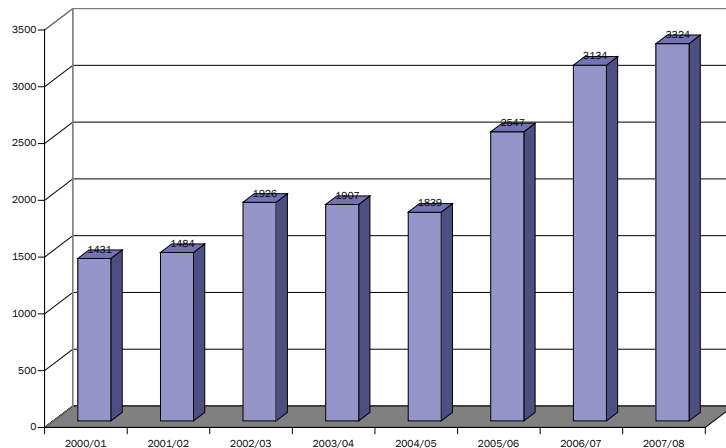
Summary of Forecasted Financial Performance for the 10 Years 2010 to 2019

	2010 \$000	2011 \$000	2012 \$000	2013 \$000	2014 \$000	2015 \$000	2016 \$000	2017 \$000	2018 \$000	2019 \$'00
ANIMAL CONTROL										
OPERATIONS										
Operating Revenue										
Activity revenue	-662	-689	-707	-722	-739	-755	-773	-790	-809	-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	-789	-805	-823	-840	-859	-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	542	562	579	593	607	622	637	656	673	693
Total Operating Expenditure	542	562	579	593	607	622	637	656	673	693
Net Internal Charges/Recoveries	248	262	276	300	312	321	343	366	411	443
Net Cost of Service	78	85	98	121	130	138	157	182	225	256
Funded by:										
Rates income	-88	-97	-103	-108	-112	-116	-120	-126	-132	-139
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	10	12	5	-13	-18	-22	-37	-56	-93	-117
Total Operations Funding	-78	-85	-98	-121	-130	-138	-157	-182	-225	-256
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

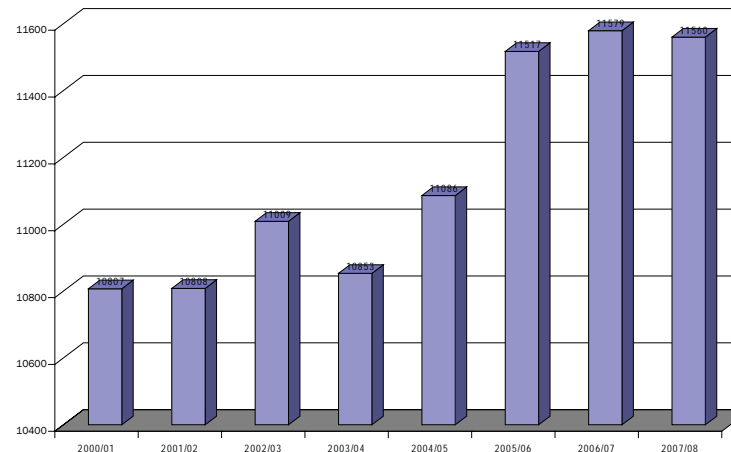
ANIMAL CONTROL

Levels of Service Statement	Performance Measure		Current Performance	Targets				Mechanism to Achieve Target
	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%	

Annual Number of Animal Complaints



Number of Dog Registrations



Asset management

Key assets as at 2008:

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