Long Term Plan 2024-34 Activity Plan

# Flood Protection and Control Works

• Major tidal river flooding flood protection and control works are maintained, repaired and renewed to key standards



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### 1. What this activity delivers

The flood protection and control works activity delivers floodplain and stormwater management plan objectives to reduce the harm from flooding to our community

The activity includes construction of new flood protection infrastructure and management of existing infrastructure including:

 water flow control devices and structures such as stopbanks, dams and tide gates,

Under this activity plan, protection and control works that are required to mitigate the effects from flooding of our tidal waterways, coastal and estuary areas within the Christchurch City Drainage boundary. Note: Banks Peninsula Waterways are administered by Canterbury Regional Council.

Therefore this activity <u>excludes</u> anything that provides flood mitigation against runoff that is generated by rainfall falling on urban "surfaces" such as roads, dwellings, commercial builds, parks etc. that is collected and discharged into our urban waterways within the current Christchurch City Drainage boundary.

Note: This activity is intrinsically linked to and interdependent with the Stormwater Drainage activity.

#### This activity includes the following services:



Major tidal river flooding flood protection and control works are maintained, repaired and renewed to key standards

This is to reduce risk of flooding to property and dwellings during extreme tidal flooding events – focussing on above residential floor flooding - across the city



Stopbanks along a stretch of the Avon River will contain a tide associated with a one in 100-year storm. (https://www.stuff.co.nz/the-press/news/125656079/avon-river-stopbanks-will-protect-area-from-one-in-100year-tide)

# A snapshot of provision and use:

✓ We operate 12.1 kilometres of stop bank



Previous flooding around the Opawaho Heathcote River

#### What our community is saying

**Who our key customers are:** All residents of the City and Banks Peninsula

**Who our key stakeholders are:** All residents of the City and Banks Peninsula

What residents say: "Our street has flooded multiple times and there seems to be nothing done to solve it."

Community outcomes: A green, liveable city.

#### Where we came from

Christchurch City's flooding and storm water draining has generally been interdependent and intrinsically linked.

A complex system of drains, both open and piped, have been created to carry stormwater from the city to the Linwood Avenue outfall. Natural streams and creeks have been used, with many becoming boarded drains.

In 1868 Christchurch was flooded by the Waimakariri River. This prompted the construction of flood protection works that started in the 19th century and continued well into the second half of the 20th century.

Christchurch remains vulnerable to surface flooding from large rainfall events, rivers spilling over their banks, and major storm events associated with high tides.

This was exacerbated by the Canterbury earthquakes of 2010 and 2011, substantially altered ground levels in parts of the city and flooding affected Mairehau, Richmond, St Albans and properties along the lower reaches of the Ōpawaho-Heathcote River.

In 2012 the Land Drainage Recovery Programme was established to assess the effects of the earthquakes on the land drainage network and prepare a programme of works to address them.

After a series of floods, a Mayoral Taskforce was set up in 2014 to grapple with this problem in the most vulnerable areas. It prioritised funding for mitigation projects, particularly in the Flockton area and the Heathcote catchment. The Land Drainage Recovery Programme was absorbed back into 'business as usual' works at the end of 2019.

Historically, work on Banks Peninsula focused on enclosing hillside streams for safety and land stability, and to improve drainage to the sea from Lake Forsyth to reduce the risk of flooding.

In the LTP2024, some services that had previously been sitting under the Flood Protection and Control Works Activity were re-classified into the Stormwater Drainage activity due to their Levels of Service being primarily for stormwater management purposes.



### 2. Why we deliver this activity

### 2.1. Community Outcomes: How this activity contributes

	Community Outcomes	Contribution*	Key contributions to achieving our community outcomes		
	A collaborative confident city Our residents have the opportunity to actively participate in community and city life, have a strong sense of belonging and identity, and feel safe	*	<ul> <li>We aim to involve our communities with our green assets to change attitudes by:</li> <li>As part of what we do, community groups are able to engage with waterways through being part of activities such as community plantings. This is important for improving the connection of people with our waterways and the restoring the Mauri of water.</li> </ul>		
2	A green, liveable city Our neighbourhoods and communities are accessible and well-connected, supporting our goals to reduce emissions, build climate resilience and protect and regenerate the environment, especially our biodiversity, water bodies and tree canopy	***	<ul> <li>We strive to provide appropriate measures for climate change adaptation by:</li> <li>Appropriate flood management is a crucial part of Council providing such measures within our control to ensure all communities with the city are provided with a liveable city. Council is cognisant of the effects of climate change and our adaptation responses need to consider the needs of our customers to provide the best informed solutions.</li> </ul>		
	A cultural powerhouse city Our diverse communities are supported to understand and protect their heritage, pursue their arts, cultural and sporting interests, and contribute to making our city a creative, cultural and events 'powerhouse'	**	<ul> <li>We strive to include multiple values within our business by:</li> <li>One of the 6-values that Council aspires to include within capital works projects and the way it operates and maintains assets is culture. This can be often seen with the inclusion of items within flood protection facilities (artifacts, storyboards etc.).</li> </ul>		
	A thriving prosperous city Our city is a great place for people, business and investment where we can all grow our potential, where enterprises are innovative and smart, and where together we raise productivity and reduce emissions	**	<ul> <li>We strive to deliver cost effective solutions to improve the city by:</li> <li>Developing flood mitigation strategies that are provide sufficient confidence to allow the city to grow and be productive.</li> <li>Through careful planning, consultation and prudent financial investment, Council aspires to ensure Christchurch is well prepared for the impacts and consequences of climate change and our obligations to meet emissions targets.</li> </ul>		
	ontribution – what this means				
***			outcome – we measure our impact with specific levels of service		
***			unity outcome – we measure our impact with specific levels of service for some elements		
**	This activity supports the Council's contribution to achieving this community outcome – we measure our impact with specific levels of service if practicable				
★	This activity may provide incidental support to achieving this community outcome – it's not cost-effective to measure our impact				



### 2.2. Strategic Priorities - How this activity supports progress on our priorities

	Strategic Priorities	Contribution*	How our strategic priorities influence the way we work
8	Be an inclusive and equitable city which puts people at the centre of developing our city and district, prioritising wellbeing, accessibility and connection	**	<ul> <li>The provision of flood protection measures provides an element of safety to the residents that live in areas that are at risk of tidal flooding, both now and in the future. By working with communities in preparing for adaptation, which considers the well-being of our affected communities, it will hopefully provide more connection between Council and residents over the proposed works.</li> </ul>
	Champion Christchurch and collaborate to build our role as a leading New Zealand city	**	<ul> <li>By being proactive with climate adaptation as related to sea level increases Council has the ability to be a leading New Zealand city. While council has the passionate and skilled staff to be able to deliver this work, it will require our elected members to commit the require expenditure in new assets (and further OPEX increases) to meet the ideal of our strategic priorities.</li> </ul>
	Build trust and confidence in the Council through meaningful partnerships and communication, listening to and working with residents	**	<ul> <li>Though engagement with the community on climate change adaptation, and the proposed adaptation pathways, Council will be able to ensure that the residents concerns are addressed to build trust and confidence what we do.</li> </ul>
(CO)	Reduce emissions as a Council and as a city, and invest in adaptation and resilience, leading a city-wide response to climate change while protecting our indigenous biodiversity, water bodies and tree canopy.	***	• The Flood Protection & Control Structure activity is very aware of the effects of the changing climate on our asset base and the changes that will be required to manage rising ground water levels, rising sea levels, more intense rain events and times of drought. While not undertaken yet, as the business is awaiting further strategic direction, there will need to be greater planning carried out how we will provide for resilience for our infrastructure which may require planning for our approach for providing flood protection. We will need to address the potential for increased emissions that this will result in with real emission reduction strategies.
\$	Manage ratepayers' money wisely, delivering quality core services to the whole community and addressing the issues that are important to our residents	***	<ul> <li>We aim to ensure that capital works projects are delivered in the best possible way to minimise expenditure which limits the amount of borrowing Council is required to undertake.</li> <li>Operational expenditure is managed through the use of a multi-year maintenance contract.</li> <li>The balancing act of managing the cost of renewals with increased operational cost is something that staff are mindful of when making financial decisions. We are ratepayers too.</li> </ul>
***	Actively balance the needs of today's residents with the needs of future generations, with the aim of leaving no one behind	***	<ul> <li>The business is well aware of the requirement with providing suitable flood defences that are balanced between a suitable level of protection (which considers best estimates on the future climate scenarios) and the capital costs. This is why it is essential that Council continues essential projects such as the Multi Hazard Assessment works and providing additional OPEX funding to the Coastal Hazard Adaptation Planning team and the Stormwater and Waterways Planning teams.</li> <li>As discussed above climate adaptation and carbon emission reduction works are required considerations with many of the projects undertaken by the activity.</li> </ul>
	ontribution – what this means		
*** *** **	This activity strongly supports achievement of this strate	gic priority – we measur	mpact with actions and levels of service in the Strategic Priorities Action Plan e our impact with actions and levels of service in the Strategic Priorities Action Plan for important elements only act with actions and levels of service in the Strategic Priorities Action Plan if practicable
*	This activity may provide incidental support for the achie	vement of this strategic	priority – it's not cost-effective to measure our impact



### 2.3. Climate Resilience Goals: How this activity supports climate resilience goals

#### **Net zero emissions Christchurch**

Key sources of greenhouse gas emissions from this activity includes:

- Construction of flood protection structures
- Maintenance of flood protection assets including travel associated with operation and maintenance activities

Flood Protection and Control Works are taking the following actions to reduce greenhouse gas emissions:

Operational/embedded greenhouse gas emissions

 Reduce our carbon footprint through changes in design, material choice and construction of new assets without compromising level of flood protection Greenhouse gas emissions by users of the Flood Protection and Control Works activity

- Reduce the need for relocation due to the effects of climate change and flood inundation due to adequate flood protection
- Reduce carbon emissions during and following flood events by providing adequate flood defence. Emissions from adverse flood effects may include:
  - Use of diesel generators to provide temporary power to properties
  - Emergency responses and evacuations
  - o Road closures leading to large diversions, increasing petrol use
  - o Repairs to or replacement of flood damaged properties, structures, equipment, etc
  - o Energy in drying processes (e.g. dehumidifiers, air blowers, etc)
  - Waste generation from flood damaged goods

#### We understand and are preparing for the ongoing impact of Climate change

Key climate risks for the Flood Protection and Control Works activity includes:

- Sea Level Rise Related
  - o Reduced system conveyance and flood management capacity due to either a raised groundwater table or decreased hydraulic gradient due to sea level rise
  - o Salinity may affect vegetation health, leaving banks at higher potential for erosion
  - o Increased flooding extent in coastal areas
- Rainfall and Flooding Related
  - More intense and frequent storms contribute to increased flood flows
  - o Rainfall amounts and seasonality changes may contribute to increased runoff volumes due to change in ground soakage capacity
  - o Overland flow paths may change
- Heat, Drought, Fire Related
  - o Grass/vegetation die off along stop banks may lead to faster degradation and erosion
- Soil Erosion and Landslides Related
  - o Changes in seasonality of rainfall could cause effect on soil erosion on surfaces at different stages of vegetation life
  - o Increased scour and erosion during flood events due to increased flows
- Other
  - o Buildings, homes, and businesses may become inhabitable, unusable, or uninsurable





- Alterations to river flows may result in changes to flood hazards
- o Damage from flooding could result in large amounts of hazardous waste requiring disposal
- o Flood waters can contain contaminants which can pose human health risks
- o Contaminants in flood waters can also impact social, recreational, and cultural values in surface water bodies and coastal areas
- Flooding and erosion may lead to restricted road access and isolate affected communities
- Other impacts on assets and infrastructure (see the Land Drainage Asset Management Plan for more details).

Options being considering to reduce the risks to the Flood Protection and Control Works activity and the community posed by those climate risks include:

- Improve knowledge of flood management system performance by continuing to use and maintain hydraulic models which consider current and future climate-factor scenarios to enable informed decision making
- Manage assets collectively to ensure future works maximise collaborative benefits across Council activities. This includes reviewing climate change risks, such as sea
  level rise extents, and incorporating the results into current and future planning and design works, noting management of climate related risks and reduction in
  vulnerability will likely include collaboration in multiple Council activity areas such as the Coastal Hazards Adaptation Programme.
- When considering replacement or upgrading of existing assets in current and future flood prone areas, consider the lifespan of the new asset and cost over its lifetime.

  Undertaking a lifespan cost assessment may highlight design options to reduce intergenerational burden.

#### We are guardians of our natural environment and taonga

We have selected a pilot project in the next three years support a strengthened resilience to climate change impacts.

<u>Project 1: Mapping the Flood – Continued Development of Flood Hazard Models and Utilisation of Outputs for Decision-Making and Planning</u>
Carryout project to update flood hazard mapping throughout the district for a range of current and future scenarios. Continued upgrade of flood models has the following benefits:

- Creation of updated district-wide comprehensive, dynamic flood models enable informed decision making based on the latest predictions and estimations
- Outputs from the flood model would be able to be incorporated into the climate risk explorer tool developed in the coastal hazard adaptation team and contribute to evidence-based decision making utilising a multi-hazard tool
- A detailed flood model can be used as the basis for providing forecasting and alerts when predicting effects and likely hazard areas for incoming storm events. Establishment of a model of this detail would enable consideration of flood management procedures such as temporary flood barriers and building design criteria. These types of solutions can enable cost-effective management while minimising the necessity for relocation.
- Enable a cost-effective way of testing and developing flood management designs which take into account the effects to the whole system and account for future climate change impacts such as sea level rise and increased rainfall.
- Contribute to the ongoing safety of residents by educating on existing flood risk locations and enabling development of whole of system designs which consider effects upstream and downstream.
- Are essential for contributing to the ongoing reduction of flood risk to the city by providing information on flood risk, notably when considering new housing areas or facilities or purchase of a property.

The current level of service (LOS) set-out already begin to address accountability of the activity functions in relation to climate change vulnerability and greenhouse gas emissions as outlined below.

- LOS: Major flood protection and control works are maintained, repaired and renewed to key standards
  - o A maintained system is more effective at minimising adverse flooding

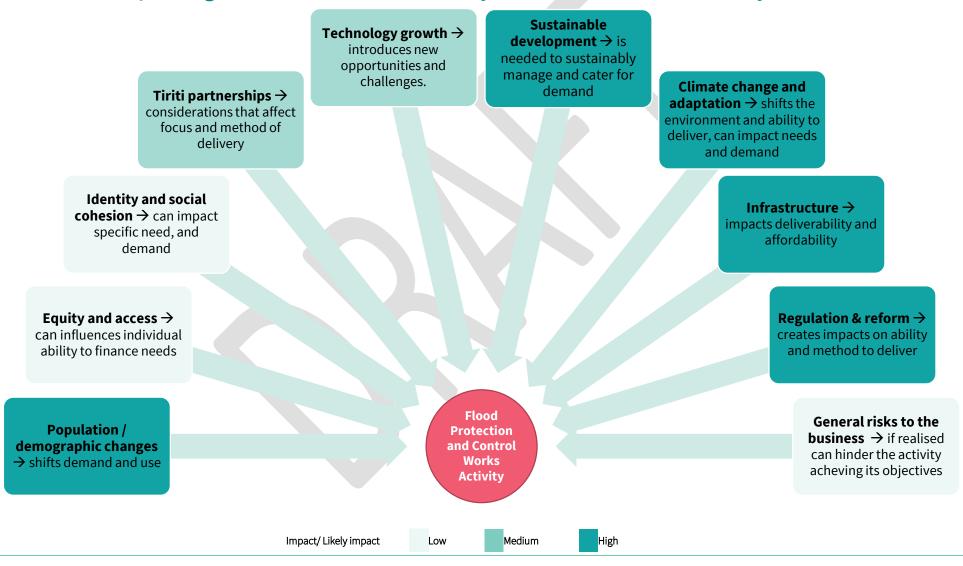




### 3. How we are planning for future impacts

There are various factors influencing current and future demand for Flood Protection and Control Works and the ability to deliver them. These are listed below.

### 3.1. Issues impacting current and future activity demand and deliverability



### 3.2. The high impact issues and mitigations planned

The more prominent ones that in particular effect our Community Outcomes or Strategic Priorities are summarised on this page. For further details on issues, including the current status, future projections, likely impact and mitigations please see Appendix B.



#### **Climate Change and Adaptability**

→ there is a need to service communities with infrastructre that is safe, practical and cost effective.

This will **impact the community outcomes and strategic priorities** if being unable to meet levels of service.

**Mitigating actions** to ensure we manage this, if funded, include carrying out infrastructure planning for future climate scenarios, work with Strategic Hazard teams, avoid maladaptive projects while policy is developed.



#### **Infrastructure**

→ sufficent investment in asset renewals, protracted delivery process, lack of asset managment tools is needed

This will **impact the community outcomes and strategic priorities** if money is not managing wisely to make a thriving prosperous city.

**Mitigating actions** to ensure we manage this, if funded, include improving asset management maturity, carrying out systemic process changes for delivery.



#### Population/Demographic Changes

→ can result in increased flooding or waterway contamination if not managed

This will **impact the community outcomes and strategic priorities** negatively.

Mitigating actions to ensure we manage this, if funded, include hydraulic modelling, planning for demand management, looking at increasing future infrastructure requirements differently.

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#### Sustainable development

→ development should not occur where it cannot be sustained long term due to climate adaptation.

If done, this can **impact the community outcomes and strategic priorities** providing infrastructure that will not meet its required asset life and incur excessive OPEX costs.

Mitigating actions to ensure we manage this include ensuring the effects of climate hazards are incorporated in design, work with Strategic Hazard teams, avoid maladaptive projects while policy is developed.



### 4. Our levels of service

Council's Levels of Service (LoS) measures enable us to monitor and report against our outcomes and service performance. See Appendix A: Levels of Service Details for more detail.

#### Services & Levels of Service measurements

- → Flood Protection and Control Works have **3 Community (C) Levels of Service.** (These LOS community facing and will be published in our Statement of Service Provision)
- This activity also has **1 Management (M) Levels of Service**. (These are LOS that are measured in the organisation to ensure service delivery)



#### Major tidal river flooding protection and control works are maintained, repaired and renewed to key standards

#### Service contributes to:

- A collaborative confident city
- A thriving
   prosperous city
   is by gonerally.

This is by generally maintaining (?) the targets of the levels of service promised.

#### **Levels of Service**

This service has 3 Community and 1 Management LoS.

- Stopbank crest surveys are carried out at required intervals
- Cross sectional surveys of selective waterways are carried out at required intervals
- Stopbanks identified as not meeting the original design requirements for condition and/or height are repaired within 9 months
- Stormwater attenuation facilities are compliant with New Zealand Dam Safety Guidelines 2015: % of Stormwater Attenuation Facilities assessed and compliant with New Zealand Dam Safety Guidelines 2015



### 5. How assets will be managed to deliver the services

The Flood Protection and Control Works portfolio is made up of flood protection structures such as the Woolston Barrage and stop banks. The Asset value of this Activity is approximately \$11M

#### Managing our assets

Assets are provided by the activity by 3 key means: asset improvement/growth, renewals and vested assets from development. Development is unplanned and can be difficult to financially manage, especially OPEX funding, as the provision of the timing of delivery is out of council's hands. Improvement and growth works are generally required to meet compliance and regulatory requirements (Comprehensive Stormwater Network Discharge Consent (CSNDC), Freshwater NES) and climate change resilience projects. Renewal projects are required to ensure our asset based is replaced at a time that manages the cost of borrowing CAPEX funds to replace the asset compared to rates raising required for increased OPEX costs.

Given the size of the asset base, there are separate teams that manage the various provision of Assets. the various teams in this activity work well together.

There are three maintenance contracts for the maintenance and operation of the assets, with the main one being the CN4600003932 – "Stormwater and Waterways Maintenance Christchurch". The funding for the maintenance activities are a mixture of planned works and reactive works. This allows the greatest flexibility for the funding provided and a mixture of works that are required to meet levels of service for amenity and public satisfaction as well as fault resolution.

Not all of the maintenance activities on flood protection and control works are carried out by the Land Drainage operations team. Some of the maintenance activities are carried out by

#### **Looking forward**

The focus for the activity for this LTP period is consistent with other previous LTP's. There is always a focus on how best to prioritise the needs of the community, meeting our legal requirements and ensuring value for money. This LTP also needs to consider the cost implications of the changing economic situation with increasing inflation and cost escalation and finally looking at prioritising climate resilience with the attention that's been needed for some time. These competing priorities create some tension with the available funding that needs to be balanced across the 3 Waters activities and the wider organisation. With the emphasis on Climate Resilience through the Strategic Priority of "Reduce emissions as a Council and as a city, and invest in adaptation and resilience, leading a city-wide response to climate change while protecting and enhancing our indigenous biodiversity, water bodies and tree canopy", there have been a number of pilot projects that have been identified and funding requested (CAPEX and OPEX). These projects include initiatives such as "Continued Development of Flood Hazard Models and Utilisation of Outputs for Decision-Making and Planning" and "Identification of Properties at-risk of Above Floor Flooding" (see section 2.3 for further detail). This will have corresponding benefits with the "A green, liveable city" Community Outcome, which, as discussed in Section 2.1 above, is a key outcome for this activity.

There are a number of Council strategy documents that are important to the activity, with one of the key documents being "Te Wai o Tane - Integrated Water Strategy (2019)". The strategy sets out 4 goals including; the value of water use by the community, the importance of water quality and ecosystem protection and enhancement, an understanding of the effects of climate change and assisting with community adaptation and the sustainable management of water in line with the principle of kaitiakitanga. Unfortunately, while there have been child water strategies prepared by the Water and Wastewater Planning team, this has not been done yet by the Land Drainage and Waterways Planning team due to other competing priorities for similar works (CSNDC work, Freshwater Action Plan, Stormwater Management Plans) and insufficient dedicated resource. The business has not able to make use of the "Otautahi



the Parks operations team. Given the planned water reform, there will either need to be a change in operation, or more detailed Service Level Agreements will be required. As can be seen in "Section 6: Capital Expenditure and key capital projects", the main spend for Stormwater Drainage and Flood Protection activities is Growth and Improvement. This is primarily due to the provision of treatment facilities both within and outside of the Ōtākaro Avon River Corridor (and associated land purchase) and flood mitigation projects. There is a large renewal required for lined drains as well.

The Draft Infrastructure Strategy (IS) contains some key significant issues that affect our ability to manage ratepayer money wisely, including "We need to improve our understanding of our infrastructure so we can make the best decisions for our community". This is an on-going issue that additional resource is needed to make any improvements to data collection or management. There are a number of processes that need to be improved, for example the ability to collect and update condition data of our waterway linings to be able to create renewal models with accurate funding projections. Many of these issues are also reflected within the Risk Table of the Strategic Asset Management Activity Plan which is the key team responsible for guiding the organisation with all things asset management.

Christchurch Climate Change Strategy (2021)" as there have been insufficient policy or guidance (or funding/resourcing) for the activity to work within the framework of goals and programmes in the strategy. Therefore, the emphasis of climate within this LTP is welcomed by the business.

One of the key messages within the Infrastructure Strategy, Financial Strategy and the Mayors Letter of Expectation is ensuring that the capital programme is appropriate and deliverable. We acknowledge that while past performance is valuable for learning, it is crucial to focus on the changes required to enhance delivery processes and ensure the capital program's deliverability. Three Waters has and continues to make systematic changes to delivery that will enable the delivery of the Capital program. The following are changes being undertaken to improve the efficiency of capital delivery:

- Development of a 3-year delivery program
- Improved scheduling, resourcing and allocation
- Improved program management
- Pipe renewals delivered through a multi-year performance based contract with Tier 1 contractors
- Contingency funds to be held at program level for low risk projects
- Development of a capital works program that is agile and can react to project delays that will invariably occur on a capital works program of this size
- Increased investigations and designs ahead of plan, this will remove the risk of procurement delays impacting the capital program

By recognizing the need for improvement and implementing the necessary changes, we are confident in achieving successful outcomes for the program and it is deliverable. There are sufficient contractor resources in the market, the challenges in supply chain are being overcome through advanced planning, and design resources are available. This is all made possible with a will developed program and schedule, allowing our delivery partners to prepare and allocate resources to support our capital program.

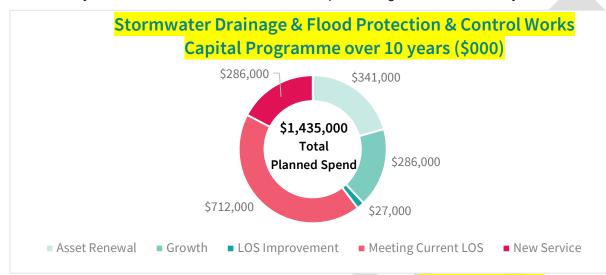
Reducing the capital program would increase the risk profile to Council. The program is developed to meet the level of service targets, avoid the sweating assets that would increase operational costs, and undertaking projects required to meet growth demands.

Please refer to the Land Drainage Asset Management Plan for more information on these assets.



### 6. Capital expenditure and key capital projects

To ensure the continued ability to deliver on our activities and services, and contributing to our community outcomes and strategic priorities, projects have been planned and budgeted for the next 10 years. (Note: Capital includes both Flood Protection and Control AND Stormwater Drainage and this programme is based on the capital works programme provided to the National Transition Unit to reflect the unconstrained needs of the 3 Waters business with consideration for deliverability. *Note that Water Services Entities are expected to go live between 1 July 2024 and 1 July 2026.*)



### Planned significant projects and programmes include:

1. Ōtākaro-Avon River Corridor Programme ~\$90 – 180M

### Total Planned Capital Programme summary (\$000) (to be updated)



See <reference> for more detail on the Planned Capital Programme.



### 7. Financial resources needed

#### 7.1. Resources needed

Indicative budgets are based on the 2023/24 Annual Plan projections for the balance of the current LTP. They are subject to year end capital carry forwards, and further refinement of inflation and other assumptions for the new LTP. (table to be updated)

Flood Protection & Control Works											
000's	Annual Plan 2020/21	LTP 2021/22	LTP 2022/23	LTP 2023/24	LTP 2024/25	LTP 2025/26	LTP 2026/27	LTP 2027/28	LTP 2028/29	LTP 2029/30	LTP 2030/3
Activity Costs before Overheads by Se	rvice										
Flood Protection	2,073	3,492	3,643	3,824	4,030	4,263	4,510	4,786	5,071	5,375	5,693
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Activity Costs by Cost type											
Direct Operating Costs	181	22	22	23	23	24	24	25	26	26	27
Direct Maintenance Costs	775	2,232	2,370	2,522	2,697	2,896	3,108	3,350	3,601	3,867	4,148
Staff and Contract Personnel Costs	1,116	1,238	1,251	1,279	1,310	1,342	1,378	1,411	1,445	1,482	1,519
Other Activity Costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	2,073	3,492	3,643	3,824	4,030	4,263	4,510	4,786	5,071	5,375	5,693
Activity Costs before Overheads	2,073	3,492	3,643	3,824	4,030	4,263	4,510	4,786	5,071	5,375	5,693
Overheads, Indirect and Other Costs	218	348	371	378	392	427	431	452	486	489	509
Depreciation	300	348	612	878	1,104	1,364	1,581	1,742	1,926	2,147	2,294
Debt Servicing and Interest	26	29	50	72	107	150	201	237	277	311	335
Total Activity Cost	2,616	4,216	4,676	5,152	5,634	6,204	6,723	7,218	7,760	8,323	8,832
Funded By:											
Fees and Charges	34	35	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43
Cost Recoveries	-			-	-		<u> </u>	-	-	-	-
Total Operational Revenue	34	35	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43
Net Cost of Service	2,582	4,181	4,641	5,116	5,597	6,166	6,684	7,178	7,720	8,281	8,789
Funding Percentages:											
Rates	98.7%	99.2%	99.2%	99.3%	99.3%	99.4%	99.4%	99.4%	99.5%	99.5%	99.5%
Fees and Charges	1.3%	0.8%	0.8%	0.7%	0.7%	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%
Grants and Subsidies	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Cost Recoveries	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Capital Expenditure											
Replace Existing Assets	907	4,427	2,579	1,483	1,169	1,029	1,091	1,249	4,478	1,275	1,693
Improve the Level of Service	8,704	17,019	21,837	11,810	17,290	28,777	25,851	23,795	24,111	22,572	30,138
Meet Additional Demand	14,764	22,441	14,571	17,648	26,853	20,949	16,867	17,792	17,745	20,815	16,653
Total Activity Capital	24,376	43,886	38,988	30,941	45,312	50,754	43,809	42,836	46,334	44,662	48,485



### 7.2. Funding consideration and outcome

Section 101 Local Government Act 2002 - Funding Consideration. The following tables are based on the financials from the previous page.

Council funds the Flood Protection and Control Works Activity predominately through the general rate. This means that most funding comes from <who?>, mostly on the basis of <what grounds>.

- **Operating expenditure** is largely funded through general rates as the Activity benefits the community as a whole, and the benefits are received mostly in the same year the expenditure is incurred.
- **Capital expenditure** is largely funded from rates in the year the expenditure occurs as the capital expenditure is mostly on asset renewals. This funding approach is based on applying the following main funding principles to determine the funding policy.

#### Funding principles considered for operating costs

Consideration for fu	nding method	Result	Implication
User-Pays	the degree to which the Activity can be attributed to individuals or identifiable groups rather than the community as a whole	Х	Fund from X
Exacerbator-Pays	the degree to which the Activity is required as a result of the action (or inaction) of individuals or identifiable groups	Х	Fund from x
Inter-Generational Equity	the degree to which benefits can be attributed to future periods	х	Fund when
Separate Funding?	the degree to which the costs and benefits justify separate funding for the Activity	х	Fund from x

#### **Outcome: Funding for operating costs**

Source	Proportion funded*	Funding Mechanisms
Individual / Group	x	How (x)
Community	х	How (x) How (x)

#### Funding of net capital expenditure

Net means after specific capital grants/subsidies/funding

Category of capex	How it is funded initially - Refer also to Financial Strategy	Proportion*
Renewal/replacement	Mix of rates and debt, but mostly rates – because the renewal / replacement programme is continuous. In future years, debt repayment is funded by rates.	Х
Service improvement	Debt – because the benefits of capital expenditure on service improvement are received in future periods. In future years, debt repayment is funded by rates.	х
Growth	Development contributions and debt – because the benefits of capital expenditure relating to growth are received in future periods. In future years, debt repayment is funded by a mix of development contributions and rates.	х

#### **Outcome: Initial funding for capital**

Initial funding source	Proportion of capex funded*
Rates	х
Borrowing	Х
Development Contributions	Х
Grants and Other	Х

<sup>\*</sup> Low = this source provides 0%-25% of the funding for this Activity, Medium = this source provides 25%-75% of the funding for this Activity, High = this source provides 75%-100% of the funding for this Activity

More information on the Council's Finance and Funding Polices can be found in the *Financial Strategy* and the *Revenue and Financing Policy* 



### 8. Possible significant negative impacts on wellbeing



This activity may have significant negative effects on social, economic, environmental or cultural wellbeing of the local community, now or in the future.

Negative Effect	Mitigation
Social	
Social, cultural and environmental effects of construction works	Management of construction activities to minimise risk of non-compliance with relevant consent conditions.
Social, cultural and environmental effects of stormwater	Ongoing education and works programme to reduce contaminant load.
discharges into waterways	Develop and deliver stormwater management plans that consider all six values and set appropriate, measurable performance targets.
	Monitor stormwater discharges and instigate appropriate remedial actions as may be necessary to address potential non-compliances.
Future risk to levels of service as climate change and sea level rise strain the effectiveness of stormwater and flood management system (projected increased stormwater volumes in more frequent, more extreme events and decreasing hydraulic gradient). Risk to living assets through more frequent, more intense drought, higher temperatures and seasonal shifts.	Investigations to better understand how climate change will affect demand and capacity in order to maximise effectiveness of future investment and adaptation. Engage community in cost vs LOS discussion. Work with town planners and those engaged in community consultation on dynamic adaptive planning to ensure a holistic approach is taken.
Social and economic effects of flooding caused by declining stormwater conveyance and flood storage capacity due to urban infill	Appropriate provisions in the District Plan and the Stormwater Bylaw and increased provision of Council resources for community education, monitoring and enforcement
Economic	
Cost to Council / ratepayers of operating flood management system	Follow documented procedures and industry best practice for cost minimisation.  Follow technological developments and implement cost saving initiatives on a continuous improvement basis.  Focus process of defining key performance indicators on cost efficiency.  Ensure staff are kept updated with technological and operational best practice through attendance at conferences and participation in specialist industry working groups.
Cost to Council/ratepayers of future work needed to upgrade system in order to appropriately manage projected increased volumes of stormwater in more frequent, more extreme events and decreasing hydraulic	Investigations to better understand how climate change will affect demand and capacity in order to maximise effectiveness of future investment and adaptation. Work with town planners and those engaged in community consultation on dynamic adaptive planning to ensure a holistic approach is taken.



gradient resulting from climate change and sea level rise. Risk of eutrophication of wetlands and waterways and devegetation of assets in drought.	
Meeting community and regulatory requirements for management of stormwater quantity, including flooding	Appropriate provisions in the District Plan and the Stormwater Bylaw and increased provision of Council resources for community education, monitoring and enforcement
and the effects on it from climate change, requires	Timely development and implementation of an effective Council Climate Change Adaptation Plan
ongoing CAPEX and OPEX commitment by Council	Provision of adequate CAPEX and OPEX to meet the regulatory requirements and community levels of service
Environmental	
Embedded carbon in capital works contribute to council &	Take a whole-of life approach to greenhouse gases. Seek guidance on carbon pricing in order to affordably minimise
district greenhouse gas footprint.	embedded carbon in capital works. Train staff as necessary.
Cultural	
Without suitable consideration for cultural values with	By conserving and improving our landscapes and biodiversity which are taonga, mahinga kai will be enhanced through
how we renew, plan for, construct and operate our	our activities. This can be achieved over time by ensuring that good stormwater management practice is carried out by
networks, Council will not meet runanga and central	Council in its planned works and maintenance activities, and by the community in general.
government legislation requirements.	





### A. Appendix A: Levels of Service detail

### A.1. Continuous Improvement Review (S17A) – Recommendations for change

No Continuous Improvement Reviews (S17A) have been identified for this Activity, noting that the Three Waters Reform programme is ongoing and that there will be a change to an entity model.



### A.2. Levels of Service: Performance measures in detail

LOS	C/	Performance	Historic Performance	Benchmarks		Future Perfor	mance Targets		Method of	Community
number	Leve	Measures Levels of Service (LOS)	Trends		Year 1 2024/25	Year 2 2025/26	Year 3 2026/27	Year 10 2033/34	Measurement	Outcome
Major tio	dal riv	ver flooding flood p	rotection and control w	orks are maint	tained, repaired	and renewed to I	key standards			
14.1.3.2	С	Stopbank crest surveys are carried out at required intervals	2023: TBD 2022: Survey completed 2021: Survey completed 2020: Survey completed 2019: Survey completed		Annually	Annually	Annually	Annually	Annual Survey Department of Internal Affairs, Flood Protection & Control non- financial performance measure number 1	A collaborative confident city  A thriving prosperous city
14.1.3.1	С	Cross sectional surveys of selective waterways are carried out at required intervals	2023: TBD 2022: 5 year survey verification completed 2021: None required 2020: Survey completed 2019: Survey completed		2-5 yearly or as required	5 year survey verification Department of Internal Affairs, Flood Protection & Control non- financial performance measure number 1	A collaborative confident city  A thriving prosperous city			
14.1.3.3	С	Stopbanks identified as not meeting the original design requirements for condition and/or height are repaired within 9 months	2023: TBD 2022: 100% of stopbanks identified as below their original design standard will be repaired within 9 months 2021: 100% 2020: 100% 2019: 100%		80%	TBC	TBC	100%	Bi-annual survey of critical stop banks. Target is measured as a proportion of actual stop bank length remediated out of the total non-compliant length of stopbank requiring remediation within the required timescale.	A collaborative confident city  A thriving prosperous city



	C/	Performance	Historic Performance	Benchmarks		Future Perforr	mance Targets		Method of	Community
number	М	Measures Levels of Service (LOS)	Trends	nds	Year 1 2024/25	Year 2 2025/26	Year 3 2026/27	Year 10 2033/34	Measurement	Outcome
14.1.8	M	Stormwater attenuation facilities are compliant with New Zealand Dam Safety Guidelines 2015: % of Stormwater Attenuation Facilities assessed and compliant with New Zealand Dam Safety Guidelines 2015	2023: TBD 2022: 0% New measure with LTP 2021		0%	0%	0%	0%	Department of Internal Affairs, Flood Protection & Control non- financial performance measure number 1 Ensure that all stormwater retention devices that can hold a volume greater than 20,000m³ of water shall have a NZSOLD Consequence Assessment carried out, and if deemed appropriate a Potential Impact assessment with relevant assessment and safety reports completed with inspections and reviews being	A collaborative confident city A thriving prosperous city



## A.3. Levels of Service changes from Long-term Plan 2021-31, and why Deletions

Activity / Level of Service	Change from 2021-31 LTP	Reason/Rationale	Options for Consultation
14.1.6.2 - Manage the risk of flooding to property and dwellings during extreme rain events: Catchment models for the city represent the current network. Target: X% of operational network 300mm diameter or greater is included in model	Level of service is deleted.	This level of service is no longer required as the intent is suitably covered under level of service 14.1.6.9 and is a legal requirement of the Comprehensive Stormwater Network Discharge Consent (CSNDC).	Management level of service, consultation not required
14.1.6.1 - Manage the risk of flooding to property and dwellings during extreme rain events:  Annual reduction in the modelled number of properties predicted to be at risk of habitable floor level flooding of the primary dwelling in a 2% AEP Design Rainfall Event of duration 2 hours or greater excluding flooding that arises solely from private drainage	Level of service is moved to Stormwater & Drainage		No consultation required
14.1.6.9 - Manage the risk of flooding to property and dwellings during extreme rain events: Catchment models are updated and run to represent existing development (ED) and maximum probable development (MPD) flooding; Ōtākaro Avon River and other models at required intervals not greater than every 5 years	Level of service is moved to Stormwater & Drainage		

14.1.6.3 - Manage the risk of flooding to property and dwellings during extreme rain events:  Number of surface water network monitoring sites (flow, level or rainfall)	Level of service is moved to Stormwater & Drainage		
14.1.7.1 - Reduce pollution of waterbodies from discharge of urban contaminants to waterways: Annual rolling average reduction in the discharge of zinc/copper/Total Suspended Solids (TSS) to be equal or greater than that required to meet the reduction set in the Comprehensive Stormwater Network Discharge Consent (CSNDC) for 2023 and 2028, derived through contaminant load reduction modelling of the stormwater treatment facilities which have been installed	Level of service is moved to Stormwater & Drainage	This LOS belongs to the Service of Waterways are clean and pollution is minimised, which has been moved to Stormwater & Drainage Activity	Management level of service, consultation not required
14.1.7.5 - Reduce stormwater contaminants in receiving waterways: Average annual of retrofit stormwater treatment to existing or brownfield development areas			Management level of service, consultation not required
14.1.7.4 - Reduce pollution from discharge of industrial contaminants to waterways: Auditing of stormwater systems on industrial premises			Management level of service, consultation not required

#### New

This Activity has no new levels of service.



### **Amendments**

Activity / Level of Service	Change from 2021-31 LTP	Reason/Rationale	Options for Consultation
14.1.3.2 - Major flood protection and control works are maintained, repaired and renewed to key standards: Stopbank crest surveys are carried out at required intervals	Removal of the service description "Major flood protection and control works are maintained, repaired and renewed to key standards."  Into:  14.1.3.2 - Stopbank crest surveys are carried out at required intervals		No consultation required
14.1.3.1 - Major flood protection and control works are maintained, repaired and renewed to key standards: Cross sectional surveys of selective waterways are carried out at required intervals	Removal of the service description "Major flood protection and control works are maintained, repaired and renewed to key standards."  Into: 14.1.3.1 - Cross sectional surveys of selective waterways are carried out at required intervals	Simplification of wording to focus to Level of Service on only the specific goal description and target	No consultation required
14.1.3.3 - Major flood protection and control works are maintained, repaired and renewed to key standards: Stopbanks identified as not meeting the original design requirements for condition and/or height are repaired within 9 months	Removal of the service description "Major flood protection and control works are maintained, repaired and renewed to key standards."  Into: 14.1.3.3 - Stopbanks identified as not meeting the original design requirements for condition and/or height are repaired within 9 months		No consultation required



# B. Appendix B: Possible issues impacting the Activity & the mitigations planned

### **B.1.** Changing customer needs

Population / demographic changes (high impact)

Issue/driver	<b>Present Position</b>	→ Projection	Impact on services	Mitigating plans/actions
Population growth (general and in specific areas)		<ul> <li>Change in population intensity in parts of the city to areas affect by potential future tidal flooding.</li> <li>Change in demand density in parts of the network</li> </ul>	May need to increase size/height or change operation of existing assets to provide the expected level of service.	<ul> <li>New infrastructure to increase resilience</li> <li>Upgrade existing infrastructure to increase resilience</li> </ul>
Shifts within city (e.g., growing communities, possible future managed retreat)		<ul> <li>It is considered that changes will be seen in the number and location of growth as a result of Plan Change 14 (Housing and Business Choice Plan Change) and concurrent spatial planning activities.</li> <li>It is as yet uncertain what the quantum and rate of intensification will be across the City.</li> <li>Unknown extent of possible managed retreat, but some policy, actions and directives are inevitable for coastal areas. Decisions are unable to be made yet that may be seen as predetermining the results of the Coastal Hazard Adaptation Planning (CHAP) process with communities.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Growth may exceed the capacity of infrastructure at a localised level and can lead to reduced levels of service and criticism of Council.</li> <li>Create uncertainty on performance of existing hydraulic modelling requiring more work to be done to verify solutions proposed in the forward works programme.</li> <li>Unfeasible to service some areas requiring a change to the District Plan, restricting development.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Hydraulic models and Stormwater Management Plans to be reviewed and updated with population growth changes</li> <li>Waiting on Central Government decisions legislation around managed retreat. Then developing and following policy on managed retreat</li> </ul>

#### **Equity and access (low impact)**

This Activity has identified no equity and access issues impacting the Activity.

### Identity and social cohesion (low impact)

This Activity has identified no identity and social cohesion issues impacting the Activity.

### **B.2. Tiriti Partnerships (medium impact)**

Issue/driver	Present Position	<b>→</b>	Projection	In	npact on services	Mi	tigating plans
Mana whenua cultural	There is a general	•	Increased genuine engagement and	•	Minor (generally) increase cost	•	Review and update the 3W
awareness	lack of awareness		collaboration with mana whenua		in projects due to engagement		Strategy Implementation
	for many staff on the	•	Increased training for staff on how the		time and cost.		Plan with mana whenua.
	effects that the		business affects Māori values.	•	Minor cost to look at updating	•	Guidance and leadership
	business has on the	•	Provision of sincere guidance from		the 3 Waters Strategy		from management with a
	Mauri of water,		Management to staff		Implementation Plan		focus on eventual co-
	being of high						governance with 3 Waters
	cultural and						Reform.
	spiritual significance						
	to Maori.						

### **B.3. Technological growth (medium impact)**

Issue/driver	<b>Present Position</b>	<b>→</b>	Projection	In	pact on services	Mit	tigating plans
Changing technology	CCC was a leader in	•	Using information such as	•	Provision of funding will allow	•	Further develop suitable
	the adoption of a		bathymetric data and land settlement		smarter decisions to be made		solutions and updates to
	multi-values		data of the coastal and estuary areas,		resulting in better outcomes.		design guidelines and
	approach to the		to note physical changes over time,	•	Use of smart technology in the		standards.
	management of		and inform flooding.		network will provide for higher	•	Provide requested OPEX to 3
	stormwater. We are	•	Use of smart technologies such as		confidence in our hydraulic		Waters Asset Management to
	in danger of not		recording ground water levels for		models, allow for "real-time"		



	moving with the times as much as our peers around the country and relying on old techniques for managing our networks and the ensuing flood response missing opportunities for planning.	provision into hydraulic models or for hazard modelling for District Plan Matters.  If a network of flow monitoring stations is set up in the network, there will be more reliable data to use for calibration of our hydraulic models.  Use of technology for real time reporting of storms as they occur across the city may allow for better deployment of resource to manage the effects of flooding rather than spending time all over the city. This can also feed into hydraulic models to predict areas of flooding before it occurs. By seeing the flooding as it occurs, it will provide verification of hydraulic model outputs.	predictions and focussed renewal/improvement planning.	enable monitoring programmes to be created.  • Provide funding for the installation of monitoring equipment in the network, and for the purchase of data to inform coastal hazard understanding.
Digital security		<ul> <li>More stormwater flow data available and administered by Council</li> <li>More sophisticated hacking and cyber-attack technology and techniques</li> </ul>	May affect the operation of key structures that control flood retention systems	<ul> <li>Maintain separate operations communication network</li> </ul>

# B.4. Resilience and environmental considerations Climate change & adaptation (high impact)

Issue/driver	Present Position	7	Projection	Impact on services	Mitigating plans
Population movement	Unable to make any	•	Following government advice, it is	Unable to advise until further	No plans are currently being
due to managed retreat	infrastructure		expected that suitable guidance will	work has been undertaken by	progressed.
and adaptation	decisions on this		be provided to the business for	other teams.	-
	issue.		incorporation in Planning.		



Increasing numbers of extreme weather events change utilisation of physical and digital assets	See Section 2.3 for detailed information.						
Increased community expectations of information and engagement	There is currently no advice that can be provided to communities as there is no Council policies that give staff direction on how to adapt infrastructure to climate change.	•	The development of guidance/policy is required to give direction to the business units which can then be used to better inform the public.  By installing stopbanks along the Avon River in the OARC corridor, Council is signalling that all upstream catchments are to be protected from flooding, however this doesn't consider changes to e.g. ground water elevation, lack of outlets for drainage networks etc. that may make the areas unserviceable.	•	There would be an increase in workload of a specialist nature. This would require additional staff, or more reliance on information from other teams within Council.  Additional focus required for the Land Drainage Planning teams to look at the "bigger picture" effects of climate change adaptation. This may mitigate maladaptive investment within the OARC area.	•	The CHAP team has a programme of work to carry out extensive community engagement to plan out adaptive pathways. 3 Waters support the extra resourcing required for this work

### Sustainable development (high impact)

Issue/driver	<b>Present Position</b>	→ Projection	Impact on services	Mitigating plans
Managing GHG emissions (per table above)	See Section 2.3 for detailed information.			
Resilience & risk	Staff generally consider resilience and risk on an individual project basis. There is no policy giving guidance to the business for managing resilience	<ul> <li>Increased expectation for resilience to be built into infrastructure solutions.</li> <li>Being an isolated island nation, we are exposed to the cost of materials.         Any trade embargos/wars may affect the costs for replacing assets beyond budget forecasts, or preventing renewals resulting in lower levels of service.     </li> </ul>	The way that providing services is considered i.e. solely focussed on the "engineering solution" needs to consider environmental changes and effects on public perceptions and well-being.	Develop 3 waters risk and resilience framework incorporating wider issues than just climate change resilience.



	and risk to the asset	1_	If waterway health continues to				
		•	-				
	base.		deteriorate, NZ's reputation as being				
			"Clean and Green" may be further				
			compromised affecting tourism and				
			income.				
		•	Change in the public's perception and				
			desire of public infrastructure from				
			solely economic to environmentally				
			lead is not being visualised by				
			Council.				
		•	To offset potential intensified housing				
			areas to service a community need,				
			an increase in greenspaces could be				
			provided with enhanced waterways				
			as a public meeting point for families				
			and communities. This would involve				
			the daylighting of assets where				
			possible, property purchase for				
			increased waterway margins and				
			enhancement requiring increases in				
Note and I amount	Ct-ffIl-		operational funding.				
Natural hazards	Staff generally	•	Sea level rise will expose	•	Investment in larger capital	•	Current design requires an
	consider natural		infrastructure in low lying coastal		works such as combined		allowance for increased
	hazards on an		communities, causing damage. The		catchment pump stations		rainfall amounts based on
	individual project		existing sea outfalls will be unable to		maybe required, seawalls and		MfE predications.
	basis. There is no		discharge storm flows increasing the		stop banks constructed. Retreat	•	Hydraulic models have an
	policy giving		chances of flooding. This can result in		from vulnerable areas may be		allowance for future density
	guidance to the		water backing up a long way inland so		required.		based on current District
	business for		that flooding may also affect	•	Provision of services in areas of		Planning maps for runoff
	managing resilience		communities that are further from the		high groundwater may not be		prediction.
	and risk to the asset		coast. Recent studies have identified		feasible as Council will need to	•	Work carried out under the
	base.		that we can already expect higher		pump ground water to		LDRP 97 Multi-Hazard
			storm tides than previously thought.		maintain a level of service. This		Analysis project continues to
		•	Shallow, saline groundwater will rise		level of planning – or even		provide essential information
			closer to the surface in coastal areas,				for informing capital planning

which will inhibit soakage to ground,	considering this as an option –	and avoiding maladaptive
leaving more runoff to be handled by	has not been undertaken.	works.
the flood management assets.	Accelerated asset deterioration	
Shallow groundwater will also cause	due to site conditions not	
increased infiltration of the	designed for.	
stormwater network, reducing its	Reduced levels of service due to	
capacity. The increase in ground	inability to drain pipework	
water levels, particularly saline water	which may be "drowned" in the	
may lower the expected life of	future reducing available	
pipework and structures meaning	capacity.	
asset renewal rates are accelerated		
causing funding problems. In some		
areas, groundwater will rise to the		
ground surface resulting in long-term		
standing water. This may be further		
exacerbated by ongoing subsidence		
identified along the Christchurch		
coast by an Otago University study.		
<ul> <li>Rainfall and storm patterns involving</li> </ul>		
intensity and frequency may require		
investment in pipe upgrades or		
duplication to mitigate flooding in		
communities.		
<ul> <li>Periods of drought may also occur</li> </ul>		
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ground surface resulting in long-term standing water. This may be further exacerbated by ongoing subsidence identified along the Christchurch coast by an Otago University study.  Rainfall and storm patterns involving intensity and frequency may require investment in pipe upgrades or duplication to mitigate flooding in		

	sea level. This may accelerate deterioration of some assets.		
Triple bottom line	<ul> <li>Increased expectation for financial, social and environmental bottom line reporting</li> </ul>	•	Continue to incorporate triple bottom line analysis and reporting at a strategic planning level

### **B.5.** Infrastructure (high impact)

Issue/driver	<b>Present Position</b>	<b>→</b>	Projection	In	npact on services	Mi	itigating plans
Delivering on what we say and looking after what we've got	Currently underinvesting in renewals, we "sweat" our assets. Delivery is too slow to meet the requirements of the work that is needed for meeting the needs of both growth/improvement projects and renewal projects.  We do not invest enough in asset management to improve our data, how we plan for renewals, and how we collect and use information.		The continual underinvestment in renewals will lead to an asset base that is continually being "sweated" relying on an increased OPEX through reactive maintenance repairs.  There is no current method within the corporate data and financial structure to be able to track the effects of delaying capital spend on OPEX costs meaning that decisions on optimising CAPEX vs OPEX costs for renewals is unable to be carried out.  The delivery of growth projects is extended due to the currently followed systemic process not being efficient through the design and procurement process.  There is an unquantifiable risk to public/private infrastructure due to failure of lined drains which do not have a current process for renewal		Reduced ability to carry out well informed asset renewals programme to replace asset base that has reached full depreciation in a timely manner.  Growth projects are slow to deliver, risking breach of consent conditions.  Increased overall project costs.	•	Working with Councils procurement teams to change the way we deliver projects to increase capital delivery with selected current Tier 1 contractors. Develop programmes of work to review and inspect assets so we have a better understanding of the condition and performance e of our assets. Improvement items have been recommended in previous AMP's for consideration, these items will improve the ability to look after what we've got. Ensure whole-of-life maintenance costs are identified and the required OPEX is factored into future budgets before asset

		forecasting beyond what the		investment decisions are
Resilience to impacts of climate change Planning and investing for growth	See Section 2.3 and Appendix B.4 See Appendix B.1	operations team report.		made.
Understanding and maintaining the condition of our infrastructure	There has not been any emphasis on improving asset management processes over recent years, particularly in Land Drainage.  While we have reasonable confidence in asset data held in SAP the lack of asset management systems within SAP mean we don't make best use of data.	<ul> <li>There has not been an increase in the way that asset management has been improved in Land Drainage. Any improvements to asset management maturity over recent years has been due to changes in framework and policy improvements, not how data is used or processes for the use of data.</li> <li>It is hoped that that the Strategic Asset Management team will be mandated with the requirement to improve asset management maturity to an appropriate level, which will include providing guidance and support to 3 Waters.</li> <li>Council needs to advice on the level of asset management maturity that it is willing to fund. From this point, advice on the risks and likely OPEX costs can be better provided to elected officials.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Disruption to services</li> <li>Increased costs of meeting regulation</li> <li>Reliance on OPEX to manage shortfalls in managing assets for timely renewal.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>OPEX funding for an asset improvement programme has been requested for the 3 Waters Asset Management team.</li> <li>It is hoped that the SAP improvement programme will provide improved processes.</li> </ul>

### **B.6. Regulations & reform (medium impact)**

Issue/driver	Present Position	<b>→</b>	Projection	Impact on services	Mi	itigating plans
Three Waters reform	Recent changes to	•	Organisational change and upheaval	Unknown affects on the	•	Participate with the National
	the legislation has		with move from Council delivery to	services due to uncertainty on		Transition Unit Process
	slowed down the		new Entity model	timeframe for reform.	•	Monitor proposed changes
	timeframe for	•	Increased regulation and standards			and engage with Council



	reform, with some question if there is a change in central government.	The business has had piecemeal involvement with reform to date with all requests for information being managed by staff not within the business. Not all key staff have been involved with NTU meetings at times when they should be.	<ul> <li>Staff are affected by uncertainty over how reform will affect their jobs.</li> <li>Uncertainty over future budget availability to continue identified work programmes e.g. OARC.</li> <li>Many and varied Service Level Agreements will be needed, but nothing has yet been discussed.</li> </ul>	Leadership to prepare submissions  Make provisions for regulation and standards when they are advised
Resource Management reforms		Unknown state	•	To be developed
Future for Local government		Unknown state		To be developed



### **B.7. Identified Business Unit Risks**

The main risks to the activity have been discussed in Section 3.XX of the Land Drainage Asset Management Plan. Below are some risks that are more general and affect the 3-Waters Business. Risks are recorded and periodically reported to the Executive Leadership Team and the Audit and Risk Management Committee.

Strategic priorities risk is associated with	Risk Description	Assessed Risk Level				Controls / Mitigations	Residual Risk Rating	
	<b>Risk Title</b> There is a risk that/of	Impact	Likelihood	Inherent Risk Level		Inherent	Residual	
Manage     ratepayers'     money wisely,     delivering     quality core     services to     the whole     community     and     addressing     the issues     that are     important to     our residents.	Economic Environment on Capital Programme  There have been significant financial increases affecting Council due to changes in the current economic environment that started with the onset of the Covid-19 Pandemic.  There is a risk of:  Capital programme forecasts will be underdeveloped requiring additional funding.  Inability to source key materials/products.  Failure to meet levels of service  Inability to meet compliance requirements (CSNDC conditions for water quality)	Moderate	Highly Likely	7	•	Ensure realistic contingency amounts are included in the project/programme estimates.  Ensure that suitable escalation calculations are carried out and used.  Ensure projects are carried out in a timely fashion to prevent undue escalation during the design phase of the project.  Consider having a stand-alone "escalation" budget that can be called upon to top up projects if needed over the financial year and returned to the general Council funds if not required.	Medium	
<ul> <li>Manage ratepayers' money wisely, delivering</li> </ul>	Three waters reform	Moderate	Likely	6	•	More open and transparent information to be provided from staff.	medium	

Strategic priorities risk is associated with	Risk Description		Assessed Risk L	evel	Controls / Mitigations	Residual Risk Rating
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quality core services to the whole community and addressing the issues that are important to our residents.	There is still general uncertainty on the reform process, what staff will be affected, what positions will be required in the new entity and how work flows will be managed in the future.  There is a risk of:  Staff well-being and stress levels as the process continues  Disengagement of staff.  Loss of institutional knowledge if staff leave.  Lack of advice from the National Transition Unit (NTU) to give and surety to staff.  Continuation of the current process with lack of key 3-waters staff involvement in meetings/workshops led by NTU may lead to staff feeling disconnected with the reform process.				<ul> <li>Increased involvement of key 3-waters staff with NTU workshops.</li> <li>Allow NTU staff to liaise directly with staff.</li> <li>More staff involvement in the processes of e.g. data provision and high level meetings.</li> </ul>	
Be an inclusive and equitable city which puts	Staff wellbeing  If the level of organisational demands continues to be highly	Moderate	Highly Likely	7	<ul> <li>Increased leadership engagement with teams on wellbeing</li> <li>Increased EAP, People and Culture connections</li> </ul>	Medium



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people at the centre of developing our city and district, prioritising wellbeing, accessibility and connection.  • Manage ratepayers' money wisely, delivering quality core services to the whole community and addressing the issues that are important to our residents.	ambiguous and reactive, then staff will feel pressured and have unreasonable workloads.  There is a risk of:  Staff burnout and related health issues  Absenteeism and productivity impacts  Increased recruitment costs if retention impacted				<ul> <li>Wellbeing activities embedded into dayto-day working culture.</li> <li>Development of unit programme of work to prioritise activities and manage individual workloads.</li> </ul>	
Be an inclusive and equitable city which puts people at the centre of developing our city and district,	Recruitment and retention of skilled staff  If Council and the activity have a high level of staff turnover, then there is less skilled and experienced staff to deliver the activities.	Moderate	Likely	6	<ul> <li>Increased staff wellbeing programmes</li> <li>Work with staff on personal development opportunities including internal secondments.</li> <li>Use exit interviews to identify opportunities for improvement.</li> <li>Development of leadership opportunities and training</li> </ul>	Low



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prioritising wellbeing, accessibility and connection.  Manage ratepayers' money wisely, delivering quality core services to the whole community and addressing the issues that are important to our residents.	<ul> <li>There is a risk of:</li> <li>Staff wellbeing negatively impacted by workload changes.</li> <li>Level of service achievement is impacted.</li> <li>Increased cost of external resourcing to achieve schedule requirements</li> </ul>				Increase renumeration to closer match the private sector.	
<ul> <li>Manage         ratepayers'         money wisely,         delivering         quality core         services to         the whole         community         and         addressing         the issues         that are         important to         our residents.</li> </ul>	Asset Management Policy advice and performance  If Asset Management advice is not understood and taken into consideration across the organisation, then Elected Members and Community expectations of Council Assets will not be met.  There is a risk of;	Major	Highly Likely	8	<ul> <li>Develop a comprehensive communication plan to ensure that Asset Management advice is effectively communicated to all relevant stakeholders, including elected members, staff, and the community.</li> <li>Use clear and concise language to explain Asset Management principles, objectives, and benefits. Avoid jargon and technical terms that may hinder understanding.</li> </ul>	High



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	•	Clear asset management priorities will not be embedded at the needed operational level to see the required changes. Decision-making is not informed by evidence-based advice. The necessary investment into asset management will not occur. Councils Asset management will not align with national legislation or best practice				•	Foster a collaborative culture by creating forums, workshops, or focus groups where stakeholders can exchange ideas, share experiences, and contribute to Asset Management discussions.  Provide training programs and resources to enhance the knowledge and skills of staff members and elected members regarding Asset Management principles, processes, and decision-making frameworks	