

Mahere-ā-Tau 2020/21 Annual Plan 2020/21



WHAT GREATER WELLINGTON DOES IN OUR REGION

Greater Wellington has a role as an environmental protection organisation for our region. Greater Wellington has another role as the owner of Metlink, the organisation that delivers public transport across the region.

Now, these might seem like incompatible roles but that's not necessarily the case.

More people using public transport, means fewer cars on the road, means less pollution and a cleaner environment.

Further down, you'll find more information about what Greater Wellington does across the region.



WHAT GREATER WELLINGTON IS DOING IN THE HUTT VALLEY



We're continuing to work on the RiverLink project

RiverLink is one of Greater Wellington's major projects. It's being delivered in collaboration by Greater Wellington, Hutt City Council and the New Zealand Transport Agency to achieve some big improvements for Lower Hutt.

RiverLink will make Hutt City safer from severe floods, help the city develop and improve transport connections between the city centre and the Wellington region.

In 2020/21 Greater Wellington will continue its work on Hutt river flood protection. We'll focus on progressing development of the design and lodgement of resource consents for the RiverLink project.



We're upgrading the Hutt Valley Line through the Future Rail project

We know how frustrating it can be when there are delays on the Hutt Valley railway line during peak times.

To reduce these delays and allow more people to travel on the trains in the future, KiwiRail and Greater Wellington are working together to upgrade the Hutt Valley Line through the Future Rail project. Work includes double tracking the railway line between Trentham and Upper Hutt stations, station upgrade work at Trentham and Wallaceville and a new overhead power system.



Restoring the lower Kilmister block in Belmont Regional Park

Located in the hills between Porirua and Hutt Valley, Belmont Regional Park contains much of the headwaters of the western side of the valley.

The Kilmister block within Belmont Regional Park has been grazed under licence for many years. Council has signalled its intention to phase out grazing activities and as part of this work is underway to revegetate the lower Kilmister block with native plants.

Over time this work will see ecosystem health restored in this area of Belmont Park.

How did we calculate your 2020/21 rates?

After reviewing our work programme and budgets for 2020/21 in light of the current COVID-19 pandemic, Council adopted an average rates increase of three percent, across the region.

This equates to approximately an average of \$0.21 (incl. GST) and \$1.18 (excl. GST) increase per week for the residential and business ratepayer respectively and an average decrease of \$0.18 (excl. GST) for the rural ratepayer region-wide.

Your individual rate demand may differ from the figures above as they are an average across the whole region. Each area within the region has a different set of inputs on which your rates are calculated. What this means is that your rates bill is likely to differ from that of your neighbour's and your neighbouring areas. For a more personalised estimate of your 2020/21 rates please check out our rates calculator at rates.gw.govt.nz

What do your rates pay for?



10%

Regional Leadership



52%

Public Transport



21%

Environment



13%

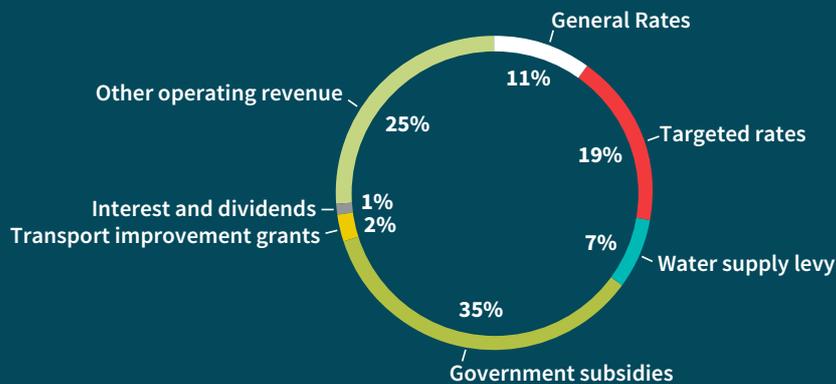
Flood Protection and Control Works



4%

Regional Parks and Forests

How do rates contribute to Greater Wellington's overall income?



Hutt Valley		Rates 2020/21	Change in amount per annum	Change in amount per week
Residential (incl. GST)	Hutt City	\$670.15	\$14.04 higher	\$0.27 higher
	Upper Hutt City	\$584.51	\$27.84 higher	\$0.54 higher
Business (excl. GST)	Hutt City	\$2,167.61	\$45.96 higher	\$0.88 higher
	Upper Hutt City	\$1,877.35	\$140.38 lower	\$2.70 lower
Rural (excl. GST)	Hutt City	\$529.60	\$3.57 higher	\$0.07 higher
	Upper Hutt City	\$455.35	\$14.57 lower	\$0.28 lower

Here are some of the activities that Greater Wellington will be doing across the region.

Finalising and implementing the proposed Natural Resources Plan (pNRP).

The pNRP sets out guidelines for people that use the region's resources.

Implementing year two of the Greater Wellington Regional Pest Management Plan 2019-2039.

The plan establishes a framework for managing or eradicating specified plants or animals within the Wellington region.

Finalising and implementing the Parks Network Plan.

This plan is designed to provide a coherent, consolidated management regime for the network as a whole as well as specific management provisions for each park.

Delivering the second year of the Wellington Regional Erosion Control Initiative programme.

Erosion is an issue across New Zealand; this programme targets the Wairarapa region.

Consultation and adoption of the Regional Land Transport Plan.

This plan is a blueprint for a transport network that will keep the Wellington region on the move.

Delivering programmes, such as Movin' March, to encourage active travel and use of public transport.

Continuing to work with KiwiRail and Transdev to improve the rail network.

Working with our bus operators to continually improve bus service performance.

Implementing a number of improvements to our water supply infrastructure.



To read the full 2020/21 Annual Plan see [gw.govt.nz/annual-plan](https://www.gw.govt.nz/annual-plan)