



Infrastructure and Planning Bulletin

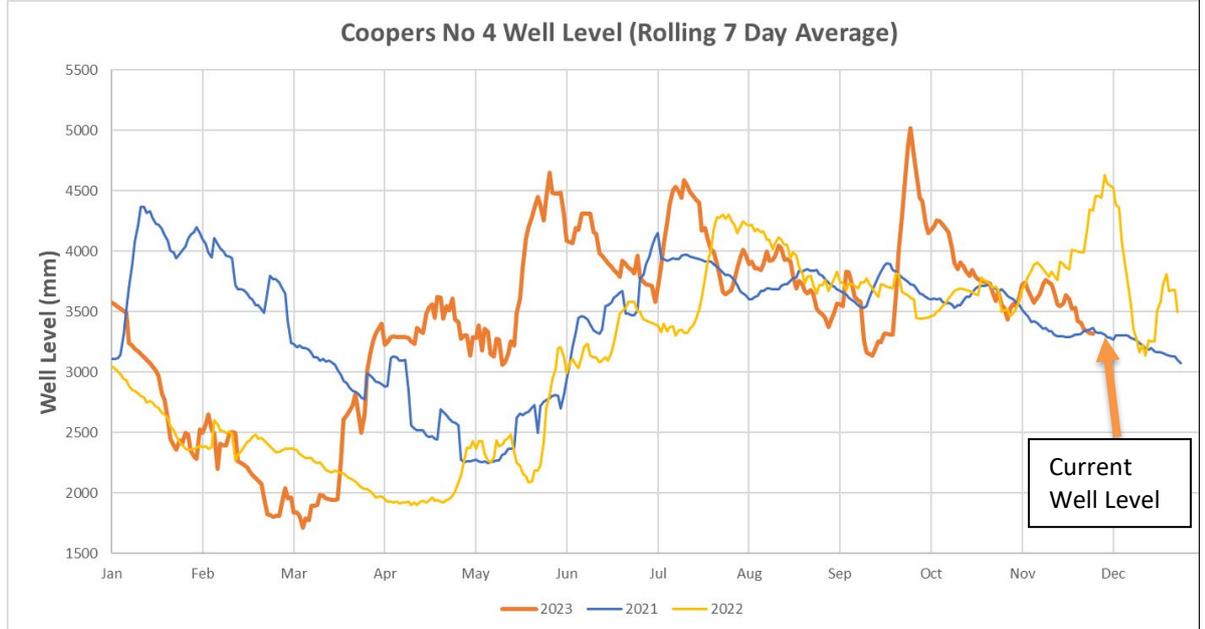
November 2023

1. REPORT FROM THE THREE WATERS OPERATIONS MANAGER (Aaron Green)

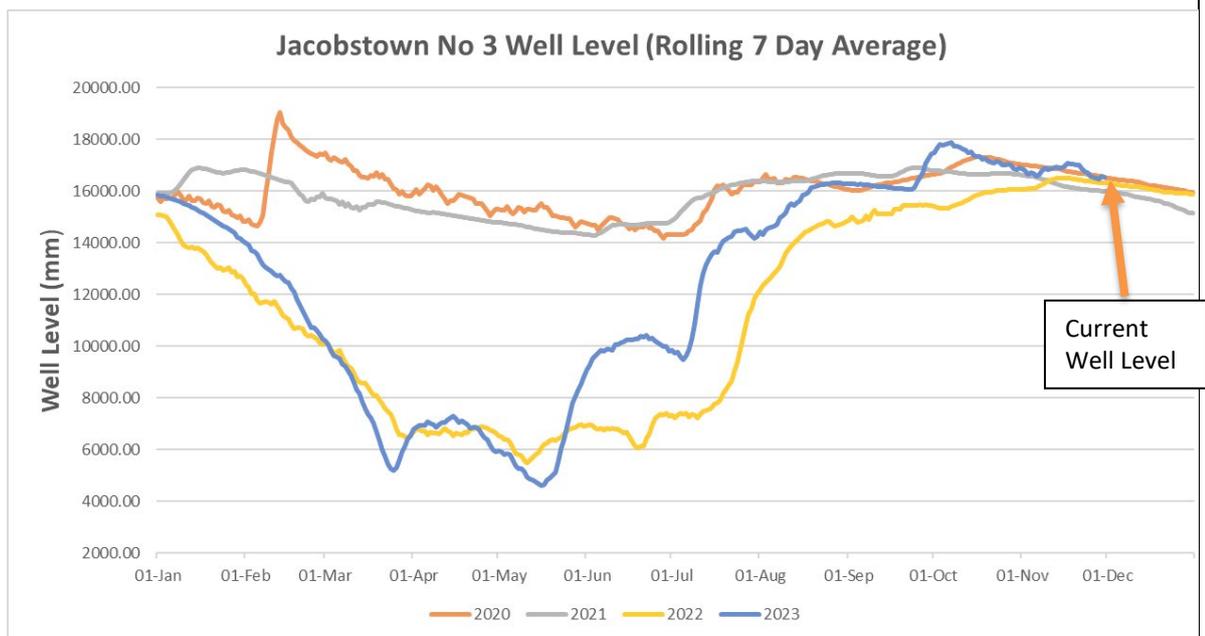
Drinking water

Gore well levels

- Coopers Well is tracking well



- Jacobstown Well is as expected for this time of the year.



Gore drinking water

- Water consumption in Gore for November averaged 4208 m³/day. This is a 1.87% increase for the same period last year.

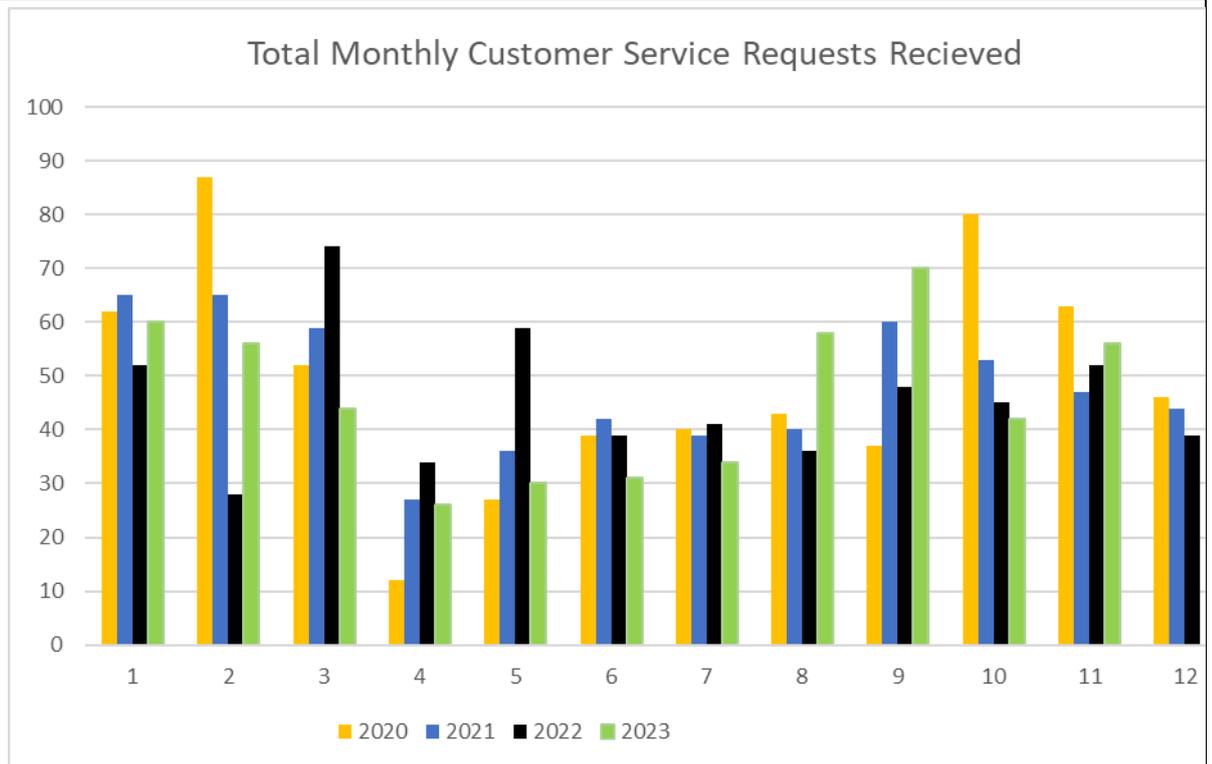
Mataura drinking water

- Water consumption in Mataura for May averaged 1169.20m³/day. This is a 9.66% decrease on the same period last year.

Wastewater and stormwater

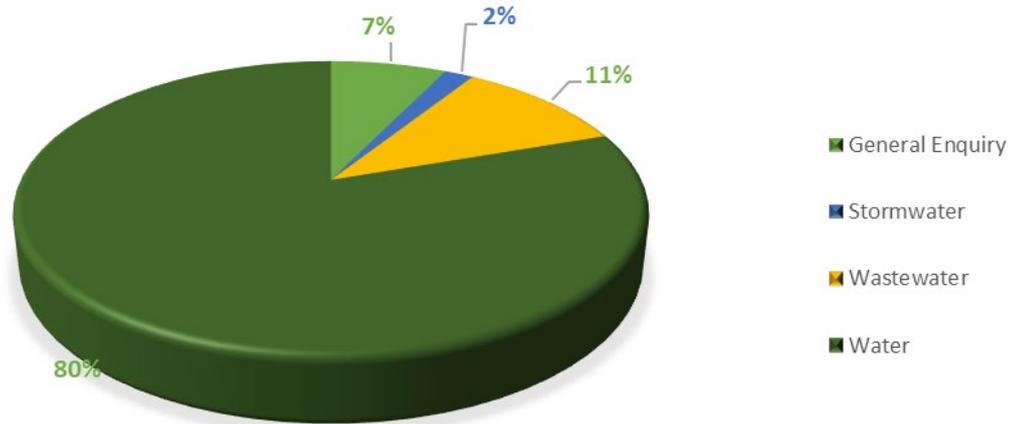
- A total of two wastewater laterals were replaced in November.
- The Gore, Mataura and Waikaka wastewater treatment plants continue to perform well with no discharge consent exceedances being recorded during the current reporting period.
- CCTV work was carried out around some flooding hot spots to see if there were any issues in the mains. We have found some tree roots in some of the pipes and have started to remove them. While these are not causing the floods, the Council has decided to remove them now before they get any bigger.

Customer service requests (CRM)



- A total of 56 CRMs were received for November 2023.

TYPE OF CUSTOMER SERVICE REQUEST



- Of the 56 CRMs received during November 80% were associated with water supply, 7% with general enquiries, 11% with wastewater and 2% with stormwater.

2. REGULATORY SERVICES REPORT (*Frances Shepherd*)

Alcohol licensing

The following alcohol applications were received:

2023/24	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Special licences	3	3	3	6	7							
Managers certificates	1	5	3	9	2							
Licence renewals	0	0	0	0	1							
Temporary authority					2							
2022/23	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Special licences	4	4	7	7	3	4	5	6	9	7	12	4
Managers certificates	6	4	6	5	2	2	5	5	6	5	1	4
Licence renewals	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
2021/22	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Special licences	8	3	3	4	2	2	1	4	2	2	4	1
Managers certificates	5	3	6	1	7	5	1	5	3	1	5	1
Licence renewals	15	3	0	2	0	1	0	0	1	1	3	3

Abandoned vehicles

The following customer service requests regarding abandoned vehicles were received:

	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
2023/24	2	1	2	2	4							
2022/23	3	1	0	1	2	0	0	0	3	1	5	5
2021/22	2	4	1	0	1	1	3	2	3	4	0	2

Noise control

The following customer service requests for noise complaints were received:

2023/24	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Complaints	6	15	6	7	15							
Seizures	0	1	1	0	0							
2022/23	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Complaints	6	8	12	14	8	18	13	12	12	21	5	12
Seizures	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2021/22	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Complaints	18	20	10	20	28	28	23	16	22	20	8	8
Seizures	0	0	2	0	3	4	0	0	1	0	0	0

Litter

The following customer service requests regarding dumped rubbish were received:

	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
2023/24	3	4	1	0	2							
2022/23	1	3	3	5	7	1	3	4	4	1	7	4
2021/22	1	1	1	4	5	4	4	1	1	1	3	1

Animal services

The following customer service requests regarding animal control were received:

Customer Service Requests 2023/24	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	Total
Dog attack	0	1	1	1	0								3
Enquiries	3	3	3	2	7								18
Barking	7	6	7	4	6								30
Lost/found	12	13	5	6	11								47
Rushing	0	1	4	2	1								8
Wandering	13	15	19	19	9								75
Stock/Poultry	6	8	9	12	7								42
Dogs impounded	7	6	3	7	5								28
Stock impounded	0	0	0	0	0								0
Infringement notices	0	0	2	3	107								112
Dogs rehomed	1	0	0	1	0								2
Abatement notices	0	0	0	0	0								0
Menacing classification	0	0	1	0	0								1
Dangerous classification	0	0	1	0	0								1
Prosecution	0	0	0	0	0								0

Customer Service Requests 2022/23	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	Total
Dog attack	2	5	3	0	2	1	1	0	2	1	4	1	22
Enquiries	4	2	2	1	4	1	3	4	6	7	2	2	38
Barking	8	7	13	8	8	2	7	16	16	10	7	7	109
Lost/found	16	11	5	6	6	7	10	13	10	12	10	13	119
Rushing	1	0	5	0	0	5	0	3	2	2	1	1	20
Wandering	25	29	24	23	16	28	23	8	11	18	16	19	240
Stock/Poultry	3	8	11	13	8	7	10	9	7	5	7	2	90
Dogs impounded	6	5	4	3	6	5	2	6	5	7	7	11	67
Stock impounded	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Infringement notices	1	5	3	37	3	2	1	1	1	15	2	1	72
Dogs rehomed	0	0	1	2	1	3	1	0	1	1	1	2	13

Abatement notices	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Menacing classification	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	3
Dangerous classification	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Prosecution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

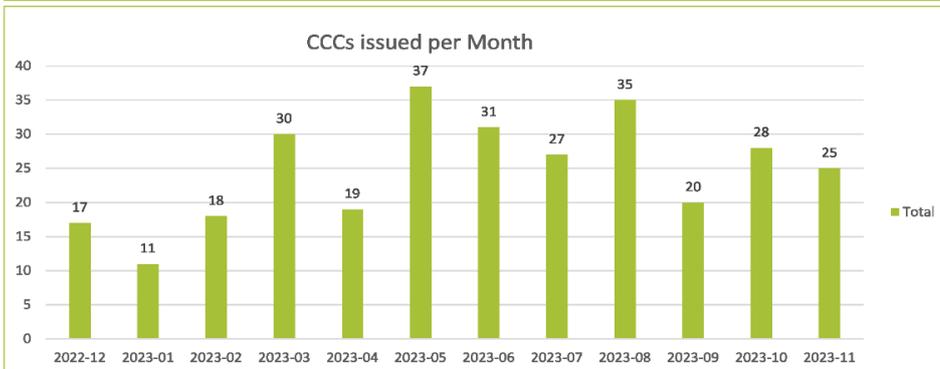
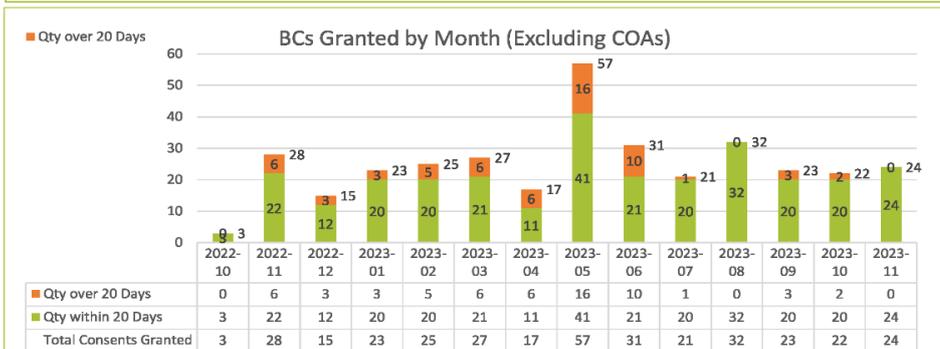
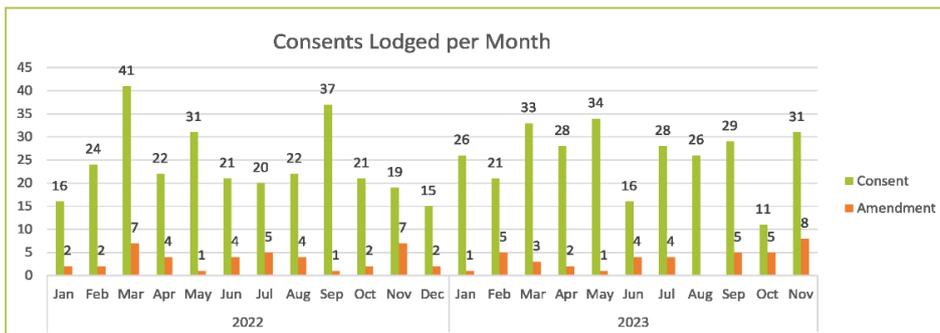
3. REPORT FROM THE BUILDING CONTROL MANAGER (Russell Paterson)

November processing timeframes and statistics

- There were 24 BCs granted, average of 10.3 days to process/grant (100% < 20 days)
- A total of 25 CCCs issued, average of 4.8 days (100% < 20 days)
- There were 2 x Certificate of Acceptance (COA) applications, and 2 x Schedule 1(2) discretionary exemption applications approved this month.
- The following BC and CCC graphs show the numbers lodged, granted and/or issued for November, compared to previous months.

GORE DISTRICT COUNCIL BCA STATISTICS

Thursday, 30 November 2023



Building consent applications

The low number of applications experienced in October did not continue into November. The application numbers have bounced back as the demand for building projects seems to have stabilised. (The one noticeable omission from our recent statistics are the group home builds - which appear to have suffered a significant downturn within our district).

However, this late swing in numbers has instilled a bit of confidence that the building industry is still reasonably healthy albeit not in the large numbers we usually see in a pre-Christmas influx.

Compliance matters

Building Warrant of Fitness (BWof) renewals - 19 annual BWofFs were due in November - 16 of those were received and 3 are overdue.

BWof audits

These are also continuing, the compliance team are concentrating on higher risk group assembly buildings, aged care facilities and accommodation providers initially.

Swimming pool register

Only limited response has been received as a result of the public notices inserted in the newspaper - to alert potential pool owners of their requirements under the swimming pool legislation. A further publication is planned for this month.

Completion of works

Several larger projects are nearing completion and that invariably involves a lot of BCO resource to check and compile the mountain of compliance documentation required to make the CCC decision.

This aspect is sometimes overlooked by the developer/owner as they just want to get into their new or refurbished buildings without necessarily considering what is required by the Building Act 2004, especially if the consented work is not fully completed to enable the CCC and Compliance Schedule to be issued.

Even though there was a short-term lull in applications received the team are still very busy with all other BCA and TA functions, including investigation of customer service requests, cases of illegal building work and handling multiple public enquiries.

- ↳ Building consent statistics for November 2023 are attached.

Building Consent Statistics

Building Consents and Certificates of Acceptance (COA's) issued

2023/2024	Building Consents		COA's		Schedule 1 exemptions	New Dwellings issued
	No. issued	Value	No. issued	Value		
July	21	1,845,552	0	0	8	2
August	34	1,177,429	4	56,700	4	2
September	23	2,313,685	0	0	1	5
October	22	2,527,468	1	2,000	1	5
November	24	1,506,012	2	90,000	3	2
December						
January						
February						
March						
April						
May						
June						
Total	124	9,370,146	5	148,700	17	16

2022/2023	Building Consents		COA's		New Dwellings issued
	No. issued	Value	No. issued	Value	
July	25	2,578,746	0	0	2
August	28	3,600,800	3	58,100	7
September	24	748,507	1	2,000	1
October	26	3,955,640	0	0	2
November	28	9,990,500	3	12,000	3
December	15	1,891,696	0	0	3
January	23	3,273,646	0	0	3
February	25	3,369,824	2	68,000	3
March	27	3,776,146	0	0	4
April	17	2,065,020	1	1,000	4
May	56	3,880,407	0	0	4
June	32	5,217,388	0	0	6
Total	325	44,798,320	10	234,000	42

2021/2022	Building Consents		COA's		New Dwellings issued
	No. issued	Value	No. issued	Value	
July	42	2,681,500	0	0	3
August	29	1,571,550	0	0	3
September	32	9,517,752	0	0	8
October	22	8,746,645	0	0	4
November	33	2,136,975	0	0	2
December	23	3,078,260	0	0	2
January	7	1,184,755	0	0	1
February	37	1,690,318	0	0	2
March	35	2,484,594	1	7,500	4
April	26	2,745,607	1	5,000	6
May	41	3,440,604	0	0	4
June	32	4,165,767	1	3,000	6
Total	359	\$43,444,327	3	\$15,500	42

Consents issued over \$50,000

Location	Description of Work	Value of Consent
1573 Waikaka Road, Waikaka	Waikaka Public Toilets – Concrete groundwork and Utility connections	\$ 155,000
22 Albany Street	New 3 bedroom dwelling with attached garage	\$ 450,000
1 Aotea Crescent	Internal alterations to dwelling including new bathrooms	\$ 90,000
263C Waimea Highway RD 6	New farm building with toilet/wash area	\$ 150.000
4 South Street Pukerau	Internal Alteration + New feature fire	\$ 75.000
140 Coalpit Road RD1	New 3 bedroom dwelling	\$ 399.000

4. REPORT FROM THE ROADING TEAM

Routine Road Maintenance Contract

(Term 2+2)

This contract is for the routine maintenance of the Gore roading network.

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- Routine rural work includes drainage work/culvert replacement, grading, metalling, bridgework, signage.
- Urban work includes hand sweeping, potholes, signage, emergency response, mud tanks grate cleaning, litter pickup and dealing with spills.
- The contract budget for 2023/24 is \$2,182,421.

\$2,182,421



- The total spent to the end of October was \$1,130,104.
- Increased grading was enabled due to less wet days during November.
- Increased metalling was enabled due to good weather during November.
- A second grader continued to provide a catch up to grading on the network.
- Increased grading significantly reduced the need for hand patching of potholes during November.
- Callouts to accidents and other incidents continued during and after work hours.

Routine maintenance - November

Grading



166km

Sweeping

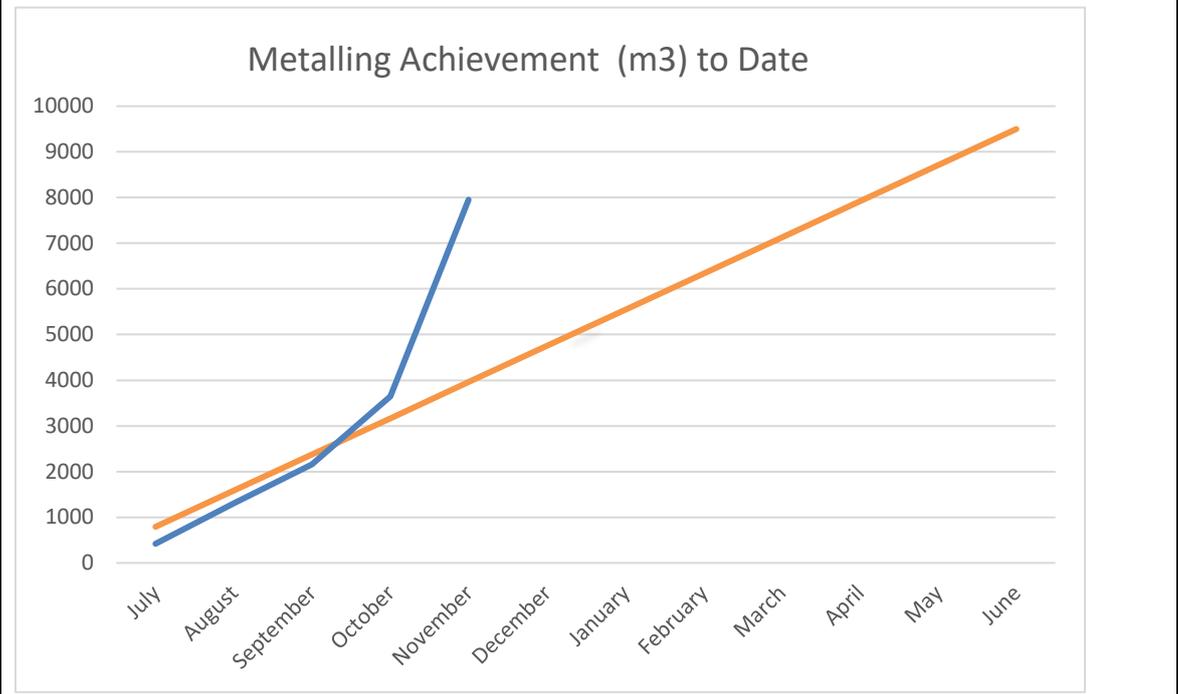
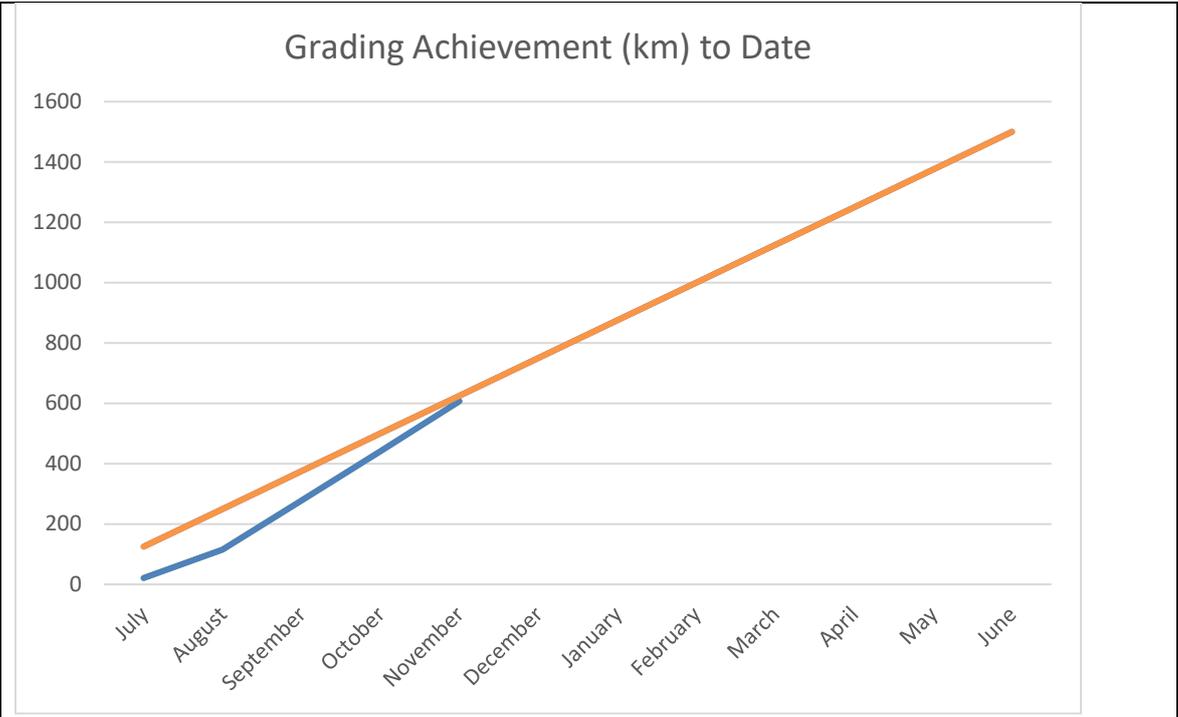


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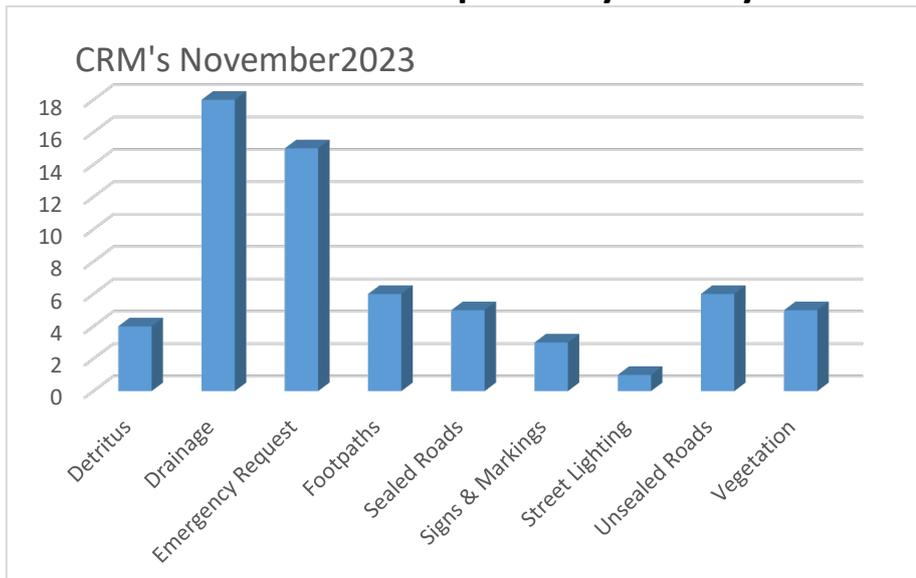
Metalling



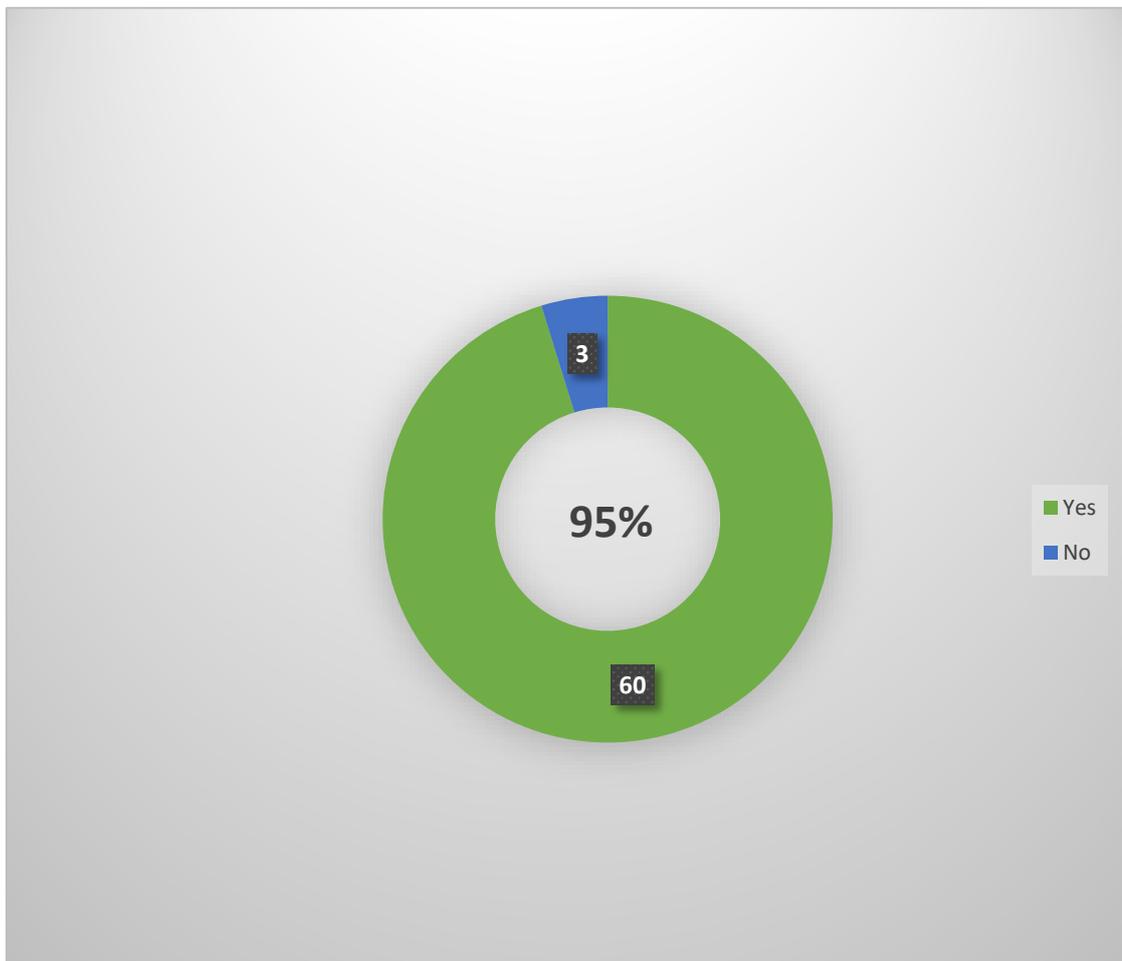
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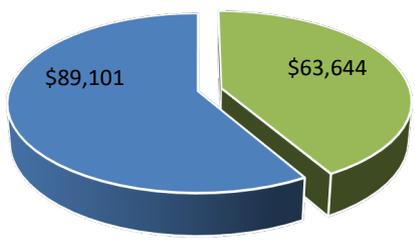


CRMs Enquiries by activity

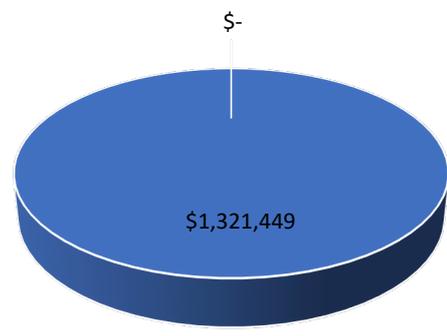


CRM closure times met – November 2023

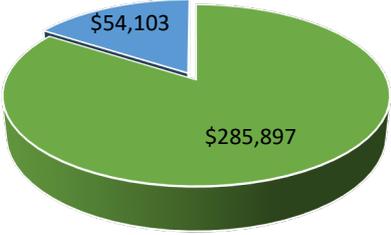


<p>Vegetation Control Contract (Term 2+2)</p> <p>Southern Vegetation Control – new contract from 1 August 2022.</p> <p>This contract includes urban and rural chemical vegetation control by spraying. Control of growth on rural shoulders, around signs and drainage facilities is undertaken. Growth on urban footpaths and kerbing is also targeted. In addition the control of pest plants on rural state highways in the district is carried out under delegation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The budget for 2023-24 is \$152,744. 	<p>\$152,744</p>  <table border="1" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <tr><th>Category</th><th>Amount</th></tr> <tr><td>Blue</td><td>\$89,101</td></tr> <tr><td>Green</td><td>\$63,644</td></tr> </table>	Category	Amount	Blue	\$89,101	Green	\$63,644
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- Total expenditure to the end of October was \$63,644.
- Windy and wet conditions limited the amount of weed spraying completed during November.
- Rural shoulder and pest plant spraying was approximately 95% complete at the end of November. Shoulder spraying will be completed by 10 December 2023.
- Pest plant spraying on State Highways is complete.
- Urban weed spraying has been delayed by weather conditions. Spraying in Mataura will be completed by 10 December 2023 (weather dependent), Gore spraying is 60% complete.

<p>Resurfacing Contract (Term 3 years)</p> <p>Fulton Hogan – new collaborative resurfacing contract with Clutha District Council.</p> <p>The contract includes resurfacing work across the road network.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The budget for 2023-24 resurfacing is \$1,321,449. This includes resurfacing of chip sealed and asphalt surfaced roads. 	<p>\$1,321,449</p>  <table border="1" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <tr><th>Category</th><th>Amount</th></tr> <tr><td>Blue</td><td>\$1,321,449</td></tr> <tr><td>White</td><td>\$-</td></tr> </table>	Category	Amount	Blue	\$1,321,449	White	\$-
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- Expenditure to date during 2023-24 is nil.
- No resurfacing work has been undertaken during 2023-24.
- Consultant, Beca has formulated the resurfacing programme for 2023-24.
- Fulton Hogan will be carrying out investigation of the sites to enable design of treatments.
- Resurfacing programmed for early February 2024.
- An initial contract meeting with Fulton Hogan and the Clutha District Council was attended by the Roading Manager.

<p>Concrete and Associated Works (Term 2+2)</p> <p>McDonough Contracting</p> <p>Contract includes replacement of sections of urban footpaths, vehicle crossings and street drainage infrastructure. Also includes 3-Waters trench reinstatements.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Budget for 2023-24 is \$340,000. 	<p style="text-align: center;">\$340,000</p>  <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Category</th> <th>Amount</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Green</td> <td>\$285,897</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Blue</td> <td>\$54,103</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Category	Amount	Green	\$285,897	Blue	\$54,103
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Total spending to date is \$285,897. The Railway Esplanade (SH1) pedestrian crossing is complete. The railway corridor fence is still to be completed. Kerbing surrounds for replacement trees on the east side of Main Street is 80% complete. Repair or renewal of sections of faulty kerbing on re-seal sites has commenced. Minor concrete works programmed has been halted and will continue on completion of kerbing on re-seal site. 							
<p>Road Marking Contract (Term 2+2)</p> <p>Downer NZ Ltd</p> <p>Contract for re-marking work across the network, both urban and rural.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Budget for 2023-24 is \$113,000. 	<p style="text-align: center;">\$113,000</p>  <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Category</th> <th>Amount</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Blue</td> <td>\$113,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>White</td> <td>\$-</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Category	Amount	Blue	\$113,000	White	\$-
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expenditure to date during 2023-24 is nil. Road marking commenced in early December. Downer commenced with high priority re-marking in the urban area. 							
<p>Mechanical Cleaning Contract (Term 2+2)</p> <p>Downer NZ Ltd – from 1 October 2022</p> <p>The contract covers cyclic mechanical sweeping of the Gore and Matakura urban areas and cleaning urban stormwater sumps.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Budget for 2023-24 is \$172,000. 	<p style="text-align: center;">\$172,000</p>  <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Category</th> <th>Amount</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Green</td> <td>\$99,169</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Blue</td> <td>\$72,831</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Category	Amount	Green	\$99,169	Blue	\$72,831
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- Expenditure to date during 2023-24 is \$99,169.
- The vacuum sweeper generally spends Tuesdays and Fridays in Gore/ Mataura.
- Cleaning of all 75 stormwater sumps, identified by the Council in Gore and Mataura as needing cleaned, was completed.

Seal Repair Contract

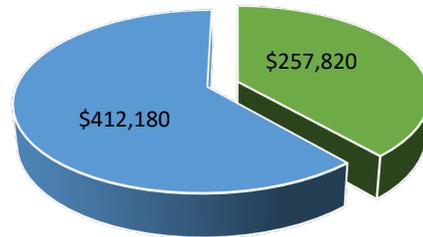
(Term 2+2)

Supreme Siteworks

Includes repair of various sealed pavement faults such as edge breaks, digouts, levelling of depressions, and pavement stabilisation. Will include pre-reseal repairs from the start of the 2023/24 year.

- Budget for 2023-24 is \$670,000

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- Expenditure to date during 2023-24 is \$257,820.
- Seal repair work has commenced.
- Rework reinstatement will be completed when conditions allow.
- Council staff have assessed all the sealed road faults, along with the contractor.
- A package of all pre-reseal repairs has been provided to the contractor. Our aim is to complete these repairs before the end of December.

Staffing/health and safety

- The Roding team has been short staffed since mid-November as a staff member has travelled to India to attend family bereavement arrangements.
- Senior Roding Officer, Hari Pillay, continues working on his management training programme.
- No injuries or health and safety issues affecting the in-house roding team during November.
- Roding staff engaged in Council wide health and safety activities including the Contractor Link meeting which covered contractor health and safety issues.
- Staff also participated in training for customer risk management.

Asset management

- Consultant, Beca is carrying out deterioration modelling for the sealed network. This will help refine the information in the draft Roding Activity Management Plan.
- The final version of the Technical Audit Report from the audit undertaken by NZTA in November 2022 has been received. This was presented to the Council along with an accompanying report from the Roding Manager advising of progress on implementing recommendations and suggestions contained in the audit report.
- Delivery of the draft Speed Management Plan (SMP) was delayed due to the ill health of the consultant assisting with this. The new Government has indicated that it may undo some or all of the changes already undertaken by other roding authorities.

- A draft programme of proposed Low Cost Low Risk (LCLR) capex improvement works was submitted to NZTA. The LCLR programme was the subject of a workshop with Councillors in early December.
- A significant focus for the Roading Manager has been further development of the final draft Roading Activity Management Plan.

Other network updates

Mataura welcome signs

Both completed sign plinths are awaiting transporting from Mosgiel to Mataura for installation. A decision has been made to install the southern entrance sign first rather than waiting for KiwiRail to be available to provide rail protection which it requires during installation at the relocated northern site. Site preparation has been carried out at the southern site in preparation for the arrival of the sign. The Mataura Community Board recently requested that external lighting of the signs be explored. NZTA has subsequently advised that lighting of the signs is not acceptable and will not be approved.



Completed sign plinth

Bridges

Replacement of the damaged section of handrail on the Otamita Bridge, damaged earlier this year by a tractor crash, is underway.

We are currently exploring the capabilities of local contractors specialised bridge repair crews. Our plan is to invite the Southland based contractors with these specialised resources to undertake similar works in the District, to assess their suitability for future bridging works. This may possibly be as part of a panel of pre-qualified contractors to be invited to carry out future bridge works.