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Subject: Final response - LGIMA 354316 - 77(2)(a) - Finance policy split between rates and fees for BC and RC
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Kia ora,

We refer to your information request below. Hamilton City Council provides the following response.

Your request:

I would like some information about Council's Revenue and Finance Policy, in particular what is the split between rates and fees recovery targets for building and resource consents.

Our response:

Hamilton City Council's Revenue and Financing Policy is available on our website and provides more information on HCC policies, here:

https://storage.googleapis.com/hccproduction-web-assets/public/Uploads-v2/Documents/Policies/Revenue-and-Financing-Policy_D-1684879_Revised-June-2021.pdf

On page 167 of the 21-31 Long-Term Plan a Summary of sources of funding for operating costs and lays out the funding of each activity. Below is a screenshot. <https://storage.googleapis.com/hccproduction-web-assets/public/Uploads-v2/Documents/Plans/2021-31-Long-Term-Plan-Volume-1-FINAL-for-web.pdf>

Building Control: 80-100% is funded from Fees and charges.

On average 91% of Building control was funded from Fees and Charges over the last 3 years

Planning Guidance: 40-60% funding from General rates with 60-80% funded from Fees and Charges.

On average 65% was funded from Fees and Charges over the last 3 years, and 20% from rates

Table 1: Summary of funding sources by activity s.101(3)(a) only

Range name	Range	Key	General Rates	Targeted Rates	Fees and User Charges	Grants and subsidies	Other	Borrowing	Activity	General Rates	Targeted Rates	Fees and User Charges	Grants and subsidies	Other	Borrowing
Unlikely	0%	x							Streetscapes	✓	x	✓	x	✓	✓
Minimal	0% - 20%	✓							Sports Parks	✓	x	✓	x	✓	✓
Low	20% - 40%	✓							Playgrounds	x	✓	x	x	✓	✓
Moderate	40% - 60%	✓							Indoor Recreation	✓	x	✓	x	✓	✓
High	60% - 80%	✓							Partnership with Maori	✓	x	x	x	✓	✓
Most	80% - 100%	✓							Growth Programmes	✓	x	✓	x	✓	✓
All	100%	✓							Planning Guidance	✓	x	✓	x	✓	✓
Activity									Refuse Collection	✓	x	✓	x	✓	✓
Animal Control	✓	x	✓	x	✓	x	✓	✓	Waste Minimisation	✓	✓	x	✓	✓	✓
Aquatics	✓	x	✓	x	✓	x	✓	✓	Landfill Site Management	✓	✓	x	✓	✓	✓
Community Development	✓	x	x	x	x	x	x		FMG Stadium Waikato	✓	x	✓	x	✓	✓
Building Control	x	x	✓	✓	x	✓	✓	✓	Seddon Park	✓	x	✓	x	✓	✓
Cemeteries and Crematorium	✓	x	✓	✓	✓	✓	x	✓	Stormwater Network	✓	✓	x	x	✓	✓
City Planning	✓	✓	✓	✓	x	x	✓	x	Theatres	✓	x	x	x	✓	✓
Public Safety	✓	x	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Event Sponsorship	✓	x	x	x	✓	✓
Civil Defence	✓	x	x	x	x	x	x		Transportation Network	✓	x	✓	✓	✓	✓
Claudelands	✓	x	✓	✓	x	x	✓		Wastewater Treatment and Disposal	✓	✓	✓	x	✓	✓
Environmental Health	✓	x	✓	✓	x	x	x		Wastewater Collection	✓	✓	✓	x	✓	✓
Governance and Public Affairs	✓	x	x	x	x	x	x		Water Treatment and Storage	✓	✓	✓	x	✓	✓
Hamilton Gardens	✓	x	✓	✓	x	✓	✓		Water Distribution	✓	✓	✓	x	✓	✓
Hamilton Zoo	✓	x	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓								
i-Site	✓	x	✓	✓	x	✓	✓								
Libraries	✓	x	✓	✓	✓	✓	x								
Liquor Licensing	x	x	✓	✓	x	x	x								
Museum	✓	x	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓								
Parking	✓	x	✓	✓	✓	x	✓								
Community Parks	✓	x	✓	✓	x	x	✓	✓							
Natural Areas	✓	x	✓	✓	x	x	✓	✓							

2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	TOTAL
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BUILDING CONTROL			
INCOME - Fees & Charges	\$9M	\$8M	\$8M
EXPENSES	\$12M	\$8M	\$7M
% of Cost covered by F&C	74%	95%	116%
			91%
PLANNING GUIDANCE			
INCOME - Rates	\$1M	\$1M	\$1M
INCOME - Fees & Charges	\$3M	\$3M	\$3M
EXPENSES	\$4M	\$5M	\$5M
			\$14M
% of Cost covered by Rates	23%	18%	21%
% of Cost covered by F&C	75%	64%	57%
			65%

- This includes Subsidies & Grants, Infringements and the net surplus/deficit as this is funded by debt.

Including Overheads/Support Unit charges

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

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Subject: General website enquiry - HCC-GEN-231006-KZ0B0



We've received an enquiry for you.

This request was received on 06 October 2023 @ 12:21PM.

Here's your reference number and the details:

UUID

HCC-GEN-231006-KZ0B0

Name

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Phone number

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