

# Community Facilities

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**Civic Offices**

## Goal

To provide, maintain and improve all recreational areas, reserves and facilities to a level that satisfies the social, economic, environmental and cultural needs of the community.

## Nature and Scope of Activity

### Parks, Reserves and Playgrounds

The Council provides parks, playgrounds and sports fields for the recreational and sporting needs of the community. Reserves include the numerous road and recreational reserves throughout the district. The main parks and reserves include Churchill Park, South Bay Domain, Takahanga Domain, and playgrounds at Gooches Beach, South Bay, and Bayview Street plus a new children's playground at the Beach Rd/Gillings Lane reserve.

### Library

The Kaikoura District Library is situated in the West End, and houses approximately 17,000 items. The library provides a range of services in addition to its fiction and non-fiction book collection, such as colour and black & white photocopying, computer and internet access, document binding, large print books, talking books, and videos. The library runs various programmes such as toddler time, children's holiday programmes, school visits, and a housebound book delivery service.

### Swimming Pool

The "Lions Pool" is situated on the Esplanade at Gooches Beach, and is a heated open-air facility, with changing rooms, toilets and a toddler's shaded pool. The pool is generally open from November to March, seven days a week. It is intended that, in response to public interest for a combined sports facility, a new indoor swimming pool will be developed, and the Lions Pool will be eventually demolished.

### Public Toilets

There are now eight public toilet facilities, at West End, Gooches Beach, Jimmy Armers Beach, the South Bay Marina, South Bay Domain, Beach Road, South Bay recreational reserve, and a new public toilet at Kiwa Road, Mangamaunu. Council continues to investigate further locations for public toilets along the Kaikoura coastline, in response to public dissatisfaction at human waste on some popular beaches. An ongoing programme of upgrading the existing facilities has been put in place.

## Community Halls

The Memorial Hall is situated next door to the Council offices on the Esplanade, and boasts a modern kitchen, dressing rooms, bar, supper room, and new toilet facilities. Following the major refurbishment in 2002, further upgrading has included the main hall floor being restored, and the smaller meeting rooms having been refurbished. Council is currently using the Memorial Hall for its meeting rooms, as it has outgrown its own office building and Council chambers.

Council also owns the Drill Hall on Beach Rd, which is in a poor state of repair. The community has shown its support for the Hall by reinstating the Drama Club and is making use of the hall more regularly.





## Housing for the Elderly

Council owns the pensioner flats at 94 Torquay Street, and has entered a partnership agreement with Housing Corporation NZ which has enabled a further four flats to be constructed at this site, bringing the total to 16 units. The new flats have been designed and built with sustainability and energy efficiency in mind. The older units have been fitted with heat pumps and underfloor insulation, plus the roof has been replaced.

## Civic Offices

In addition to the properties already mentioned, Council owns its offices at 34 Esplanade. These offices are no longer adequate, both in terms of space and the structural integrity of the building. Council had proposed to relocate its offices in the 2008/2009 year, however has deferred the office project for at least ten years in response to the global financial crisis.

## Effects on the Community

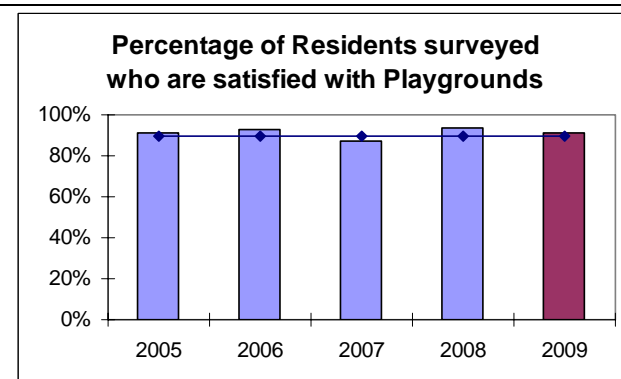
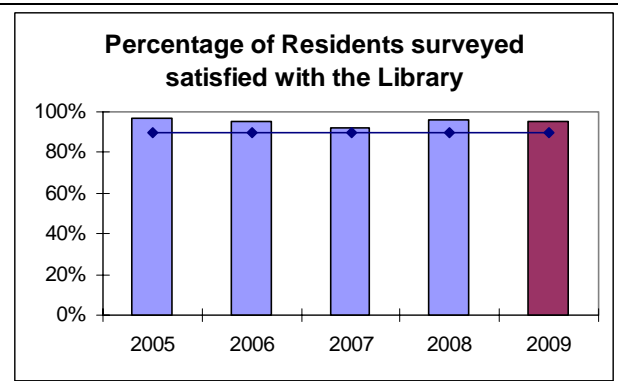
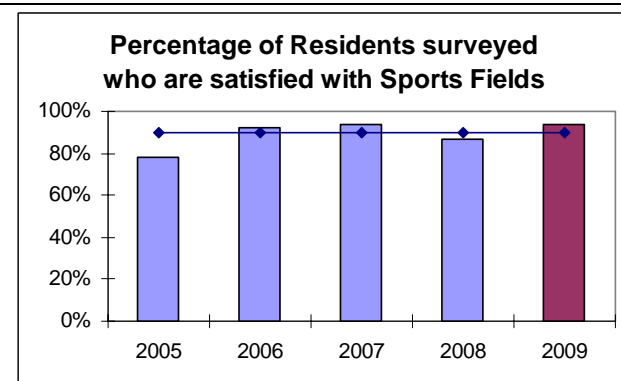
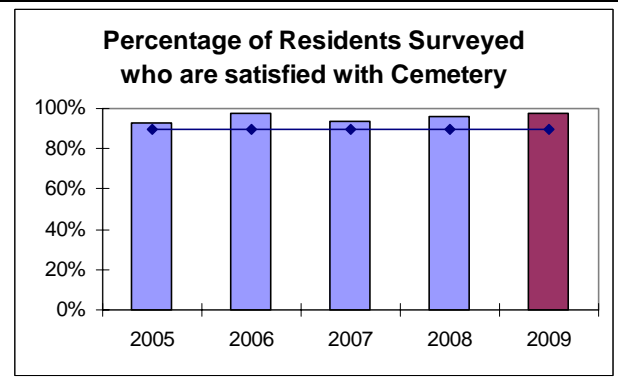
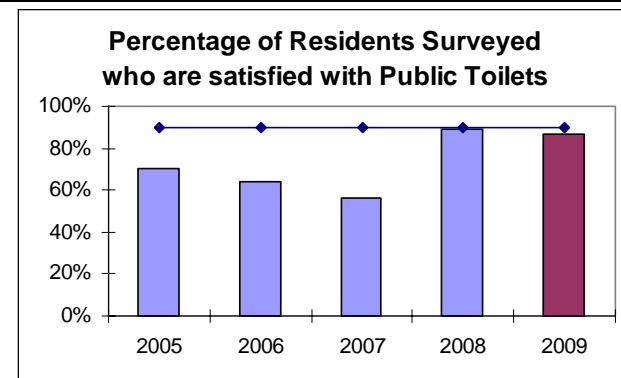
<b>Economic</b>		With the exception of housing for the elderly, which is self funding, these facilities do come at a cost to the ratepayer, however without attractive parks and reserves and community facilities the district would have little appeal for residential and commercial development to continue
<b>Environmental</b>		The provision of attractive parks and reserves enhances the environment, increasing the green space within the district. Providing public toilets prevents the spoiling of beaches and other areas frequented by visitors
<b>Social</b>		These facilities are fundamental to the social well-being of the community, in terms of providing locations for interaction, for leisure, sport, education and recreation.
<b>Cultural</b>		Community facilities such as the library, museum, and civic offices are considered cultural hubs in any community.

## Measuring our Contribution to Community Outcomes

**KEY:** The line in each graph indicates the Councils desired trend, and for 2009 the Actual Target.

### Outcome 1: Sustainable Development

Community Facilities contribute to Sustainable Development by providing adequate infrastructure and services, appropriately funded, to meet future development needs



Resident satisfaction with the quality of community facilities remains extremely high. Satisfaction with public toilets increased significantly in 2008 and remains high in 2009. This is likely due to new toilet facilities being built at Mangamaunu, at the gateway to the peninsula walkway, and at the northern end of Beach Road. The existing public toilets in the West End were also substantially refurbished last year. Plans remain for a further toilet to be built at a location to be determined.

### Outcome 4: Opportunities for Quality Education and Employment

Community Facilities contribute to this outcome by supporting physical activity in schools in their provision of weekly physical activity by providing adequate facilities, such as swimming pool, sports grounds, etc, for this to occur.

We measure our progress by:	Target 2008/2009:	Actual Result:
Continued use of community facilities for the provision of physical activity programmes by the schools	Facilities continue to be used at least once per month (on average)	District schools continue to use Takahanga Domain for events (estimated 16 times during the year), and the swimming pool has been used at least three times.

### Outcome 5: Quality Standard of Affordable Housing

Community Facilities contribute to this outcome by providing good quality pensioner housing.

We measure our progress by:	Target 2008/2009:	Actual Result:
Percentage of residents surveyed who are satisfied with the housing provided	75% satisfaction	No survey of the tenants was undertaken in 2008/2009
By providing adequate pensioner housing by developing additional units at the Torquay Street facility	Four new pensioner housing units completed	Four new pensioner housing units have been built, and are tenanted.
Plan for the construction and ownership of affordable housing units by developing partnerships with Housing NZ, assess the needs of the community, and develop affordable housing units should this be the outcome of this process	Continue discussions with Housing NZ, including a needs assessment for affordable housing units	The application for funding has been declined, therefore the housing units will not be constructed.

### Outcome 6: Environmental Protection and Enhancement

Community Facilities contribute to this outcome by providing sufficient public toilets to serve the needs of residents and visitors to Kaikoura.

	Target 2008/2009:	Actual Result:
Investigate possible locations for new public toilets on coastal reserves, with particular emphasis on the Kekerengu, Clarence, Oaro, and Peketa and Mangamaunu areas.	Develop new toilets at Mangamaunu and continue investigating potential locations at the South of the township.	New toilets have been developed at Kiwa Rd, Mangamaunu, and other potential locations are being investigated.

## Outcome 7: Affordable Access to Quality Community Facilities

The Community Facilities activity is the key contributor to this outcome, and contributes through the provision of attractive recreational reserves, good quality sports and leisure facilities, public toilets, and a library service that meets the needs of all users.

	<b>Target 2008/2009:</b>	<b>Actual Result:</b>												
By providing attractive recreational reserves, and ensuring that these areas continue to be developed with the expansion of the urban area.	West End upgrade completed, and Bayview Street playground equipment replaced	The West End pavement upgrade has been completed. A survey of the Bayview St area community revealed that there was not support for new playground equipment. Instead, the area was tidied up with new park furniture.												
Develop a multipurpose community facility consisting of indoor pool, indoor sports complex, gymnasium, museum, library, art gallery, meeting room and local government offices.	Funding sources developed in 2007 and construction completed by 2010	The project has been deferred until 2014, and a Kaikoura Community Facilities Trust has been established to drive the project, including to determine the best location(s) for these facilities.												
Upgrade public toilet facilities at Gooches Beach, Armers Beach, South Bay Recreational Reserve and South Bay Domain	No complaints received regarding the condition of the toilets.	Two complaints were received over the Christmas period, which were due to vandalism.												
Encourage increased physical activity, through the provision of adequate community sport facilities, playgrounds, and mountain biking tracks, for example, to enable exercise to occur.	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Percentage of Residents surveyed who exercise 3 or more hours a week</b></p> <table border="1"> <caption>Percentage of Residents surveyed who exercise 3 or more hours a week</caption> <thead> <tr> <th>Year</th> <th>Percentage</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>2005</td> <td>48%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2006</td> <td>50%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2007</td> <td>55%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2008</td> <td>65%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2009</td> <td>70%</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Year	Percentage	2005	48%	2006	50%	2007	55%	2008	65%	2009	70%
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	<b>Target 2008/2009:</b>	<b>Actual Result:</b>
Ensure that recreation reserves are maintained to the highest appropriate standard possible through regular contract supervision. Maintenance contracts are carried out in compliance with specifications (relating to frequency of grass cutting, clearing away wind blown detritus, etc)	Contracts are carried out in compliance with specifications.	Contracts were carried out in compliance with specifications.
Provide adequate library facilities Opening hours are not less than 9.30am to 5.30pm Monday to Friday, plus 10.00am to 1.00pm Saturday, open until 7.00pm Friday during summer months	Opening hours as specified	The library hours were as specified
Provide a heated open-air swimming pool opening hours are not less than 11.00am to 5.00pm seven days per week, from November through March	Opening hours as specified	The swimming pool was open 57 full days, and 33 partial days, out of a possible 113 days
Provide clean public toilet facilities	Complete regular cleaning schedules and respond to complaints within 4 hours	Contracts were carried out in compliance with specifications.

## Level of Achievement

Public satisfaction with community facilities is pleasingly high, particularly for the library service, cemetery, and playgrounds. An increased satisfaction with our public toilets in the last two years reflects the significant refurbishment of the West End toilets and the new toilets established at Mangamaunu.

The swimming pool did not meet its target for opening hours, as the pool is exposed to weather conditions.

## Operating Cost of Service Statement: Community Facilities

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2009

	<b>2008/2009 BUDGET</b>	<b>2008/2009 ACTUAL</b>	<b>2007/2008 ACTUAL</b>
	\$	\$	\$
<b>Operating Expenses</b>			
<u>Parks &amp; Reserves</u>			
Operations	377,207	420,791	372,929
Loan Interest	63,633	54,361	30,029
Depreciation	25,872	42,716	32,812
	<b>466,712</b>	<b>517,868</b>	<b>435,770</b>
<u>Facilities</u>			
Operations	194,721	179,257	165,788
Loan Interest	96,411	31,585	15,126
Depreciation	110,170	71,881	62,236
	<b>401,302</b>	<b>282,723</b>	<b>243,150</b>
<u>Library</u>			
Operations	231,498	210,266	190,034
Loan Interest	-	-	-
Depreciation	43,040	39,721	35,422
	<b>274,538</b>	<b>249,987</b>	<b>225,456</b>
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>1,142,552</b>	<b>1,050,578</b>	<b>904,376</b>
<b>Funded by:</b>			
User Fees & Charges	225,967	247,505	197,401
Grants & Subsidies	436,500	33,625	487,910
Development Contributions	516,795	25,358	476,327
	<b>1,179,262</b>	<b>306,488</b>	<b>1,161,638</b>
<b>Operating Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>36,710</b>	<b>(744,090)</b>	<b>257,262</b>

## Capital Cost of Service Statement: Community Facilities

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2009

	2008/2009 BUDGET \$	2008/2009 ACTUAL \$	2007/2008 ACTUAL \$
<b>Capital Expenditure</b>			
<u>Parks &amp; Reserves</u>			
New/Upgrade Assets	492,280	665,006	241,285
Renewals	13,741	15,205	10,463
Increasing Level of Service	-	-	-
	506,021	680,211	251,748
<u>Facilities</u>			
New/Upgrade Assets	4,057,207	47,682	778,760
Renewals	-	18,309	-
Increasing Level of Service	-	-	-
	4,057,207	65,991	778,760
<u>Library</u>			
New/Upgrade Assets	-	-	-
Renewals	24,400	17,437	12,015
Increasing Level of Service	-	-	-
	24,400	17,437	12,015
Loan Principal	111,782	91,393	28,768
<b>Total Capital Expenditure</b>	<b>4,699,410</b>	<b>855,032</b>	<b>1,071,291</b>
<b>Funded by:</b>			
General Rates	843,185	842,541	633,411
Transfer from/(to) Reserves	240,251	202,263	(165,005)
Property Sales	1,815,000	-	-
Loans	1,585,182	400,000	225,000
Depreciation	179,082	154,318	120,623
Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	36,710	(744,090)	257,262
	<b>4,699,410</b>	<b>855,032</b>	<b>1,071,291</b>

## **Capital Expenditure: Acquisition of Assets**

### **Esplanade Beautification**

Kerb and channel has been developed along the foreshore side of the Esplanade, from the Council office to Torquay Street, largely to eliminate flooding issues, and also to provide for improved carparking spaces and enhance the area.

### **West End Beautification**

Paved footpaths and new kerbs have been constructed throughout the West End, enhancing the town centre. Some businesses in the area have expressed concern that the new pavers show the dirt more than the previous simple asphalt, and regular cleaning schedules are now established to keep the pavers in good condition.

### **Walkways**

New walkways are being developed from Jimmy Armers beach to the seal colony, and from Ocean Ridge to South Bay. The proposed walkway from Churchill Street to South Bay (adjacent to the state highway) had not started prior to year end, as funding had not been secured. That project commenced in September 2009.

### **Community Facilities**

The 2008/2009 Annual Plan had provided for the construction of new council offices and museum, at a total combined estimated cost of just over \$4 million. That project has now been deferred; the council offices are no longer expected to be constructed within the next ten years, and the museum is assumed to be built within the next three years at a location yet to be determined.