

# Mahere-ā-Tau 2022/23 Annual Plan 2022/23

## WHAT GREATER WELLINGTON DOES IN OUR REGION

Greater Wellington's vision is for an extraordinary region, with a thriving environment, connected communities, and a resilient future. This guides our delivery of a wide range of activities that protect the environment, enable an efficient, accessible, low-carbon public transport network, sustainable economic development, and ensures a clean, safe, and sustainable drinking water supply.

Our priorities include to improve outcomes for mana whenua and Māori and respond to the climate emergency, while continuing to respond and to adapt to both the impacts of COVID-19 and changes in Government direction.

Below, you'll find more information about some of the activities Greater Wellington is planning to deliver across our Region in 2022/23.



## WHAT GREATER WELLINGTON IS PLANNING TO DELIVER IN **WAIRARAPA**



**Major Rivers Riparian Management Project implementation** – continuation of the project with the planting of 103,800 native plants (and fencing when required) across 30 hectares of our waterways, to improve water quality and restore habitat.

**Wairarapa Moana Wetland Project** – progressing the ecological restoration by planting 40,000 trees, increasing pest control operations, improving visitor facilities, and delivery of an education programme.

**Development of Whaitua Programme** on how we approach land and water management and decision making in the **Ruāmahanga Whaitua and the Wairarapa Coast and Eastern Hills Whaitua**.

## How did we calculate your 2022/23 rates?

**As indicated for Year Two of our 2021-31 Long Term Plan, the Council has confirmed an average rates increase of 12.27 percent across the region.**

This equates to approximately an average regionwide increase per week of \$1.29 (incl. GST) for a residential ratepayer, \$2.79 (excl. GST) for a business ratepayer, and \$1.14 (excl. GST) for a rural ratepayer.

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 2022/23 rates please check out our rates calculator at [rates.gw.govt.nz](https://rates.gw.govt.nz).

### Where the money goes:

**9.6%**

Regional Strategy and Partnerships

**62.3%**

Metlink Public Transport

**20.6%**

Environment and Flood Protection

**7.5%**

Water Supply

Wairarapa average rates*		Change in amount per annum	Change in amount per week
Residential (incl. GST)	Masterton district	\$36.35	\$0.70
	Carterton district	\$46.11	\$0.89
	South Wairarapa district	\$36.75	\$0.71
Business (excl. GST)	Masterton district	\$129.59	\$2.49
	Carterton district	\$75.40	\$1.45
	South Wairarapa district	\$88.88	\$1.71
Rural (excl. GST)	Masterton district	\$34.13	\$0.66
	Carterton district	\$51.66	\$0.99
	South Wairarapa district	\$42.92	\$0.83
	Tararua district	\$74.53	\$1.43

\* 2021-31 Long Term Plan average rates application

## Some of the activities that Greater Wellington is planning to do across the Region in 2022/23

Implementation of the Regional Economic Development Plan, and Te Matarau a Māui (the Māori economic development strategy).

Continuing the roll-out of a contactless public transport ticketing system as part of transitioning to the National Ticketing Solution.

Commencing a project to improve fish passage in the Wellington Region to look after our native freshwater fish species.

Continuing the electrification of our bus fleet.

Bulk water supply network improvements.

Planning for and implementing Local Government Elections in October 2022.

Recloaking Papatūānuku Restoration Planning across the Regional Parks Network.

Developing Regional Carbon Reduction and Adaptation Plans as part of our climate change programme.

Completing Government-funded Kanoa Climate Resilience Programme projects in the Te Awa Kairangi/Hutt River, Porirua Stream and Ruamāhanga River.