

Statement of Intent

1 July 2012 - 30 June 2015



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1. INTRODUCTION

This Statement of Intent (SOI) sets out Auckland Transport's strategic approach and priorities for the next three-years and how they contribute to the longer-term outcomes Auckland Council seeks to achieve. As Auckland's leading strategic document, it is essential that Auckland Transport's SOI gives effect to the Auckland Plan.

The outcomes framework which forms the foundation of this SOI is based on three primary sources:

1. Auckland Transport's legislative purpose¹;
2. The vision, outcomes, strategic directions and priorities set out in Auckland Council's Auckland Plan; and
3. The Mayor's Letter of Expectation.

Auckland Transport's functions and obligations

Auckland Transport is a council-controlled organisation (CCO) of Auckland Council. It was established on 1 November 2010 under section 38 of the Local Government (Auckland Council) Act 2009.

Auckland Transport has a number of statutory obligations set out over a variety of different statutes. Auckland Transport is responsible for all of the region's transport services (excluding state highways) – from roads and footpaths, to cycling, parking and public transport.

In addition, Auckland Transport is responsible for preparing the Regional Land Transport Programme for Auckland in accordance with the Land Transport Management Act 2003.

Auckland Transport's partnership with Auckland Council

This SOI recognises the important partnership between Auckland Transport and Auckland Council in the delivery of shared outcomes, and that the success of each organisation is dependent on the actions of the other partner. This includes:

- A commitment to collaboration;
- A commitment to openness and transparency;
- Adhering to a "no surprises" policy; and
- Engaging with other CCOs to ensure a coordinated approach.

In particular, Auckland Transport's ability to successfully deliver on the Programme of Action (as outlined in section 3) and performance targets set out in this SOI relies on the Council providing a supportive policy and regulatory environment, and making sufficient funds available to enable the necessary transport investments and services to be implemented in a timely manner.

Auckland's "One Transport System"

The "one system" approach is of particular importance to Auckland Transport's operations. The one system approach will improve the connectivity and integration of the transport system by ensuring that:

- the networks of the different transport modes are connected and integrated to function as a single system i.e. the State Highway and regional arterial road networks are integrated to function as one system; and
- modal services are integrated to provide a seamless transport experience.

¹ Under section 39 of the Local Government (Auckland Council) Act 2009, the purpose of Auckland Transport is "to contribute to an effective and efficient land transport system to support Auckland's social, economic, environmental, and cultural well-being".

The “one system” for Auckland will be clearly outlined in Auckland Transport’s Integrated Transport Plan (ITP). The ITP will:

- give effect to the strategic transport objectives and outcomes set out in the Auckland Plan;
- take into account with the Government Policy Statement on Land Transport Funding; and
- provide the long term implementation strategy for developing the Regional Land Transport Programme (RLTP) every 3 years.

A diagram setting out Auckland Transport’s strategic planning context is provided at Attachment A.

Auckland Transport’s partnership with NZTA

To achieve the one system, Auckland Transport is working in partnership with the New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA). A successful one system will enable transport projects critical to Auckland’s transport needs to be identified, planned, funded and implemented in a coordinated and strategic manner. Effective coordination with NZTA will, therefore, help maximise the return on transport investment for Auckland.

2. STRATEGIC DIRECTION

Auckland Transport’s strategic environment

As New Zealand’s largest urban centre, Auckland is vital to national prosperity and economic growth.

A high-quality transport system is essential to the performance of Auckland’s economy and its residents’ way of life.

Auckland is anticipated to grow by around 1 million people by 2050 - this is 75% of New Zealand’s estimated population growth. Auckland Transport must ensure that the transport system remains efficient and facilitates that growth in an affordable way.

Vision for Auckland

The Mayor’s vision for Auckland, as expressed in the Auckland Plan, is for Auckland to become the world’s most liveable city. In order to achieve that, the Plan identifies seven outcomes. The outcomes over which the shape of Auckland’s transport system can have a direct influence are:

- A fair, safe and healthy Auckland;
- A green Auckland;
- An Auckland of prosperity and opportunity;
- A well connected and accessible² Auckland; and
- A beautiful Auckland that is loved by its people.

In addition, the Auckland Plan includes six “transformational shifts”, the key transport-related shift is: *Move to outstanding public transport within one network*. The Auckland Plan also sets out a number of strategic directions. The strategic directions of primary relevance to Auckland’s transport system are:

- Create a strong, inclusive and equitable society that ensures opportunity for all Aucklanders;
- Contribute to tackling climate change and increasing energy resilience;
- Keep rural Auckland productive, protected and environmentally sound;
- Create a stunning city centre, with well-connected quality towns, villages and neighbourhoods; and

² The Auckland Plan notes that the transport system must be designed for safe and universal access for all, including children, older persons and those with disabilities.

- Create better connections and accessibility within Auckland, across New Zealand and to the world.

The Auckland Plan also includes a number of other priorities which are relevant to the operation of the transport system:

- Increased services and increase use of public transport in the Southern Initiative area;
- Sustainably manage natural resources;
- Mitigate climate change;
- Improve energy efficiency, security and resilience;
- Support rural settlements, living and communities;
- Realise quality compact urban environments;
- Demand good design in all development; and
- Create enduring neighbourhoods, centres and business areas.

The Auckland Plan also includes a number of sets of principles which Auckland Transport must take into account in the course of its operations. The principles of relevance to Auckland Transport's operations – covering land use and good design, and the environment – are included at Attachment B.

Further, Auckland Transport is expected to enable Maori aspirations and wellbeing by giving effect to Auckland Council's Maori Engagement Policy, strategic directions and outcomes in its plans.

Finally, Auckland Transport will assist Council to achieve the target of a 10-20% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions by 2020 and the aspirational target of reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 40 per cent by 2031 (based on 1990 levels).³ Auckland Transport also acknowledges the Plan's commitment to work towards a 50% reduction by 2050.

Auckland Transport's outcomes' framework

To align with to the strategic direction in the Auckland Plan, Auckland Transport has identified the following overarching outcome: *Auckland's transport system is effective and efficient, and provides for the region's social, economic, environmental and cultural wellbeing.*⁴

A transport system that supports Auckland's social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being will contribute significantly to Auckland's "liveability". Such a transport system will enable Aucklanders to travel to work efficiently, engage in recreation and leisure activities, socialise with friends and family, and undertake business activities in a cost-effective way, thereby enhancing Aucklanders' quality of life.

Auckland Transport's impacts

To deliver such a transport system, Auckland Transport has identified the following impacts that it aims to achieve over the coming three-year period:

- Better use of transport resources to maximise return on existing assets;
- Increased customer satisfaction with transport infrastructure and services;
- Auckland's transport network moves people and goods efficiently;
- Increased access to a wider range of transport choices;
- Improved safety of Auckland's transport system; and
- Reduced adverse environmental effects from Auckland's transport system

³ The last year for which a full inventory of greenhouse gas emissions in Auckland was prepared was 2009. The Draft Auckland Plan target represents a 49% reduction from 2009 levels by 2031 (in gross terms, excluding forestry).

⁴ This outcome statement is also aligned with AT's legislative purpose: *to contribute to an effective and efficient land transport system to support Auckland's social, economic, environmental, and cultural well-being* (section 39 Local Government (Auckland Council) Act 2009).

Better use of transport resources to maximise return on existing assets

Maximising the return on existing assets delivers significant benefits and achieves value for money, ensuring that the rate-payer's dollar goes further whilst not compromising quality. Better use of resources will also contribute to reducing adverse impacts of the transport system on the environment and help contribute towards the Auckland Plan's greenhouse gas emissions reduction targets.

Increased customer satisfaction with transport infrastructure and services

Transport is not an end in itself. People and businesses rely on the transport system to access economic, social, educational, medical, social and cultural opportunities. It is essential that customers are satisfied with the transport system they rely on for their quality of life.

Auckland's transport network moves people and goods efficiently

Congestion on the road network impedes business activity; therefore, the efficient movement of people and goods on Auckland's road network is critical to the region's economic prosperity. Moreover, the more efficiently people and goods can be moved, the less time they are travelling in vehicles releasing pollutants; thereby reducing the adverse environmental impacts of the transport system.

Increased access to a wider range of transport choices

Accessibility directly affects the region's social, economic, environmental and cultural wellbeing. Providing access to a wide range of transport options enables people to travel to work, engage in recreation and leisure activities, socialise with friends and family, and undertake business activities.

Accessibility to a wider range of transport choices is also key to reducing reliance on private vehicle use. However, it is essential that those transport choices are also reliable and safe. Commuters need to regard public transport, walking and cycling as viable alternatives to using private vehicles. Increased patronage of public transport and active modes will, in turn, free up the road network for commercial trips, and provide the region with health and environmental benefits.

Improved safety of Auckland's transport system

It is essential that Auckland has a transport system that provides for the safety of all road users, public transport passengers, cyclists and pedestrians. Fatal and serious crashes carry significant and tragic social costs. In addition, road crashes lead to serious disruption on the region's road network, which in turn carries economic impacts.

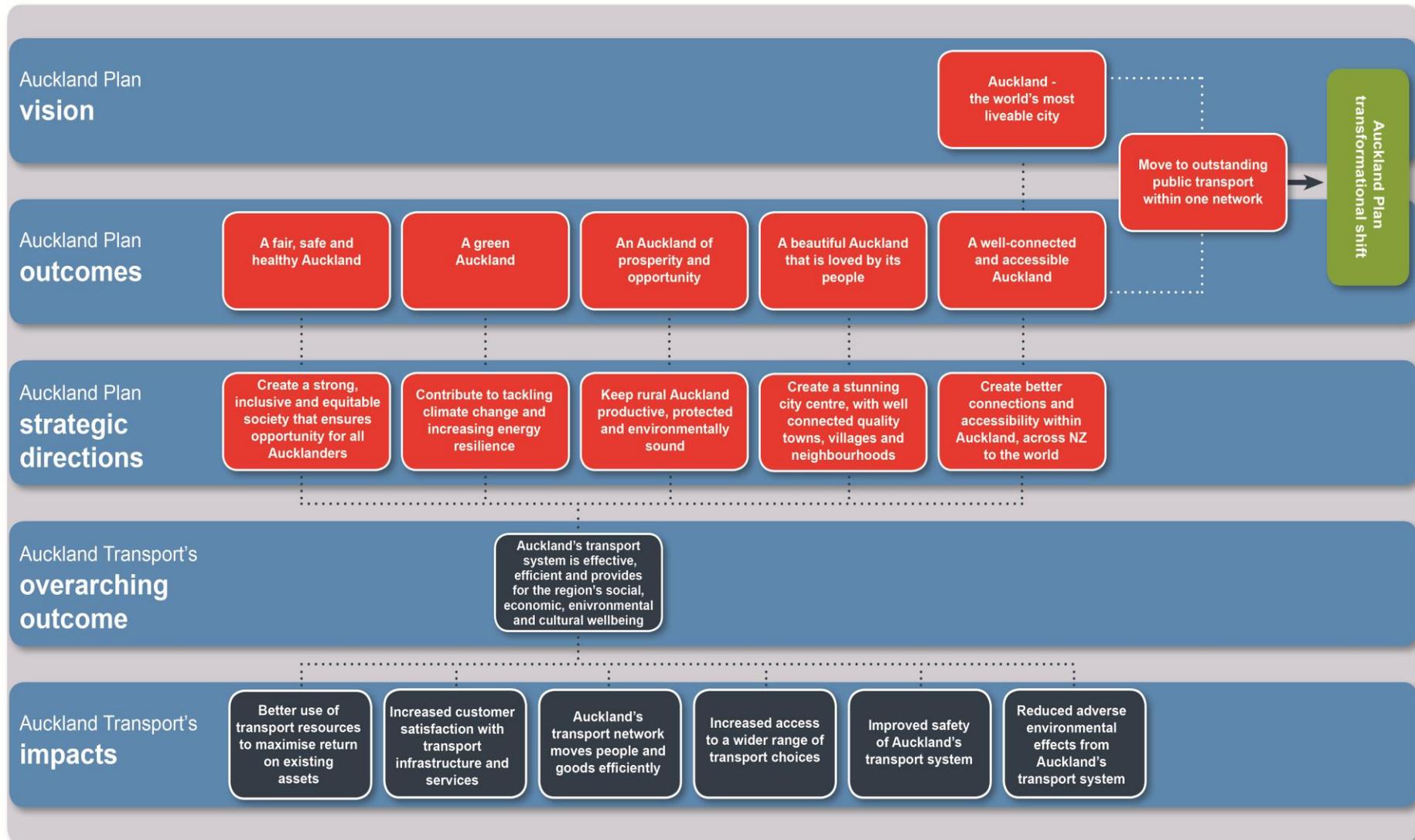
Reduced adverse environmental effects from Auckland's transport system

Auckland's transport system is a large source of adverse environmental effects. Motor vehicles in particular, are a major contributor to greenhouse gas emissions. Providing residents with viable transport options (such as public transport, walking and cycling) will help reduce motor vehicle reliance in Auckland, thereby providing health and environmental benefits for the region. Moreover, this will assist Auckland Council to achieve the Auckland Plan's greenhouse gas emissions reduction targets.

The diagram below sets out Auckland Transport's outcomes framework which forms the basis of Auckland Transport's strategic direction over the next three-years. It illustrates the linkages between the vision, outcomes and strategic directions in the Auckland Plan (shown in red), and Auckland Transport's own overarching outcome and impacts (shown in blue).

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Outcomes framework



3. NATURE AND SCOPE OF ACTIVITIES

Programme of Action

Auckland Transport has developed a “Programme of Action” (POA) aimed at achieving the impacts and outcomes stated in the preceding section. The POA comprises a package of activities and initiatives to be undertaken over the three-year term of this SOI.

The POA has been grouped into five categories; the first four are the four priorities contained in the transport chapter of the draft Auckland Plan, the fifth has been identified by Auckland Transport.

The projects that sit within each of the five categories have been sourced from the key strategic projects outlined in the Draft Auckland Plan, Auckland Council’s Annual Plan 2011/2012 and the strategic priorities identified in the Letter of Expectation to Auckland Transport.

It should be noted that the POA lists the major projects and priorities AT will be undertaking over the three-year period covered by this SOI. AT will be carrying out other complimentary projects and initiatives during that timeframe.

1. Manage Auckland’s transport as a single system:

- a) working with the New Zealand Transport Agency to develop and manage the State highways and regional arterial road system as one network through mechanisms such as the JTOC
- b) School, Tertiary, Area, and Workplace Travel Plans
- c) extending signal optimisation on arterial road network
- d) extending the real time public information system

2. Integrate transport planning and investment with land development:

- a) completing investigations to determine the long-term Rapid Transit Network, including:
 - i. City Rail Link
 - ii. South Western Airport Multi-Modal Corridor Project / rail to the airport
- b) Whangaparaoa Road upgrade
- c) progressing the Northern Strategic Growth Area
- d) working with NZTA and Auckland Council on land use planning and transportation issues in order to inform route protection processes for the additional Waitemata Harbour Crossing
- e) reviewing public transport services in the Southern Initiative area and carrying out a customer survey and educational campaign about transport services of the area.

3. Prioritise and optimise investment across transport modes:

- a) integrated transport ticketing and fares
- b) local road improvements associated with SH20 Waterview and SH16 upgrades:
 - i. Tiverton Road to Wolverson Street improvements
 - ii. Te Atatu Road
 - iii. Lincoln Road
- c) East/West Connection (linking SH1 to SH20 around Neilson Street)
- d) rail station upgrades on the electrified network, including the new Parnell station
- e) implementation of the Regional Land Transport Programme 2012 – 2022
- f) progress on the Panmure package of the Auckland-Manukau Eastern Transport Initiative (AMETI) – a major, multi-year project to develop integrated multimodal infrastructure between Glen Innes and the Manukau city centre
- g) ferry network extension to Hobsonville and Beach Haven
- h) ferry terminal upgrades, including:

- i. Half Moon Bay
- ii. Bayswater
- iii. Downtown
- iv. Devonport
- i) progress on the Dominion Road upgrade project, which will improve bus speeds and reliability on this key link in the Quality Transit Network
- j) further implementation of the New Lynn Transport Oriented Development, including transport centre and interchange
- k) procurement of new performance based bus and ferry service contracts under a new Public Transport Operating Model legislative framework
- l) review of public transport network structure to offer a logical, intuitive and integrated public transport network, and implement revised bus services across the region to establish the core and supporting services of the revised network structure
- m) implementation into service of new electric train fleet and transition of diesel fleet

4. Implement new transport funding mechanisms:

- a) contribute to Auckland Council's investigations into new funding mechanisms required to help finance the approximate \$10-15 billion total funding shortfall for transport infrastructure projects (such as the City Rail Link and additional Waitemata Harbour Crossing)

5. Transport safety initiatives:

- a) implementing Crash Reduction Programme
- b) reducing identified black spots

Two tables are included at Attachment C: Table A details how the four wellbeings contained in Auckland Transport's legislative purpose are achieved by Auckland Transport's impacts; and Table B depicts how Auckland Transport's impacts are achieved by the Programme of Action.

Local Board Plans

Auckland Transport has assessed the transport-related priority projects/initiatives tabulated in each of the Local Board Plans and will be reporting the status of these projects/initiatives via the quarterly report provided to each local board.

4. PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT

I. Non-financial Performance

The following table outlines the performance measurement framework adopted by Auckland Transport for the three-year period covered by this SOI. The performance measures included in the framework will enable Auckland Transport to demonstrate how it is achieving the impacts sought and outline the levels of service it intends to provide.

Auckland Transport is currently developing a performance measurement framework for the Integrated Transport Plan in conjunction with Auckland Council and NZTA. The purpose of the ITP is to give effect to the Auckland Plan. The performance measurement framework included in future Auckland Transport SOIs will be aligned with that of the ITP.

Auckland Transport will work with Auckland Council to establish a mutually acceptable performance framework that provides information on both the performance of Auckland Transport and the effectiveness of Council investment. This work will include the development of methodologies and baselines for new Auckland Plan targets and will be aligned with the performance measurement framework in the ITP. Reports of progress on the framework and targets will be provided quarterly. AT will be able to report on other measures, other than those listed below, as they are developed as part of the establishment of the agreed future SOI programme.

With the exception of the CO2 emissions performance measure, the measures included in the table below are consistent with those contained in Auckland Council's Long-term Plan.

IMPACT	PERFORMANCE MEASURE	RECENT PERFORMANCE	TARGET
Better use of transport resources to maximise return on existing assets	Public transport subsidy per passenger kilometre	\$0.27c (for year to 30 June 2012)	\$0.27c (2012/13) \$0.27c (2013/14) \$0.26c (2014/15)
	Parking: off-street occupancy rates	52%	57% (2012/13) 57% (2013/14) 57% (2014/15)

	Parking: on-street occupancy rates	52%	55% (2012/13) 60% (2013/14) 65% (2014/15)
Increased customer satisfaction with transport infrastructure and services	Percentage of public transport passengers satisfied with their public transport service	86% (year to 31 Dec 2011)	87% (2012/13) 87% (2013/14) 87%(2014/15)
	Percentage of residents satisfied with the quality of roads in the Auckland region	79%	No less than 75% (2012/13) No less than 75% (2013/14) No less than 75% (2014/15)
	Percentage of residents satisfied with the quality of footpaths in: 1. the Auckland region 2. their local area	1. 76% 2. 76%	No less than 75% (2012/13) No less than 75% (2013/14) No less than 75% (2014/15)
Auckland's transport network moves people and goods efficiently	Arterial road network productivity: % of road corridor productivity maintained or improving on key arterial routes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Airport to CBD via Manukau Rd; St Lukes to St Johns via St Lukes; Rd/Greenlane/Remuera Rd; Albany to Birkenhead via Glenfield Rd; and Henderson to CBD via Gt North Rd 	Road Corridor Productivity is measured by: # of vehicles X their average speed X average vehicle occupancy by lane Based on considerable research, Austroads* has issued recommendations for measuring this, based on ideal arterial road conditions. Taking these recommendations into account, an AT corridor productivity ideal has been set at: 38,000 person km, per hour, per lane (900 vehicles travelling at an average	50% of the corridor productivity ideal (19,000 person km/hour/lane) to be achieved on nominated key arterial routes (2012/13) 51% of the ideal achieved (2013/14) 52% of the ideal achieved (2014/15)

		speed of 35kph in one lane, with an average of 1.2 occupants)																	
Travel times along strategic freight routes during the inter-peak (9am-4pm)	85% of trips are travelled within these travel times (in minutes)	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>from SH 20 to SH 1 via Nielson St</td> <td>16</td> </tr> <tr> <td>from SH 1 to SH 20 via Nielson St</td> <td>13</td> </tr> <tr> <td>from Sylvia Park to East Tamaki via South-eastern arterial</td> <td>11</td> </tr> <tr> <td>from East Tamaki to Sylvia Park via South-eastern arterial</td> <td>12</td> </tr> <tr> <td>from SH1 to SH18 via Wairau Rd</td> <td>8</td> </tr> <tr> <td>from SH18 to SH1 via Wairau Rd</td> <td>8</td> </tr> <tr> <td>from East Tamaki to SH1 Highbrook interchange via Harris Rd</td> <td>10</td> </tr> <tr> <td>from SH1 Highbrook interchange to East Tamaki via Harris Rd</td> <td>11</td> </tr> </table>	from SH 20 to SH 1 via Nielson St	16	from SH 1 to SH 20 via Nielson St	13	from Sylvia Park to East Tamaki via South-eastern arterial	11	from East Tamaki to Sylvia Park via South-eastern arterial	12	from SH1 to SH18 via Wairau Rd	8	from SH18 to SH1 via Wairau Rd	8	from East Tamaki to SH1 Highbrook interchange via Harris Rd	10	from SH1 Highbrook interchange to East Tamaki via Harris Rd	11	<p>Maintain travel times for 85th percentile (2012/13)</p> <p>Maintain travel times for 85th percentile for all routes except from SH1 to SH20 via Nielson St, which is to reduce by 1 minute - from 13 minutes to 12 minutes (2013/14)</p> <p>Maintain travel times for 85th percentile (2014/15)</p>
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Total public transport patronage**	70,970,360 (to 30 June 2012)	74,580,000 (2012/13)	79,090,000 (2013/14)																
		83,041,000 (2014/15)																	
Rapid Transit Network rail boardings	11,200,000 (year to 30 June 2012)	12,376,000 (2012/13)	14,423,000 (2013/14)																
		16,128,000 (2014/15)																	
Rapid Transit Network busway boardings	2,320,000 (year to 30 June 2012)	2,457,300 (2012/13)	2,618,000 (2013/14)																
		2,756,800 (2014/15)																	
Quality Transit Network and Local Connector Network bus boardings (including contracted school buses)	52,182,360 (year to 30 June 2012)	54,243,600 (2012/13)	56,305,450 (2013/14)																

			58,227,900 (2014/15)
	Ferry boardings	5,268,000 (year to 30 June 2012)	5,503,100 (2012/13) 5,743,550 (2013/14) 5,928,300 (2014/15)
Increased access to a wider range of transport choices	Walking trips into the CBD during the morning peak	5,297	2% increase (2012/13) 2% increase (2013/14) 2% increase 2014/15)
	Cycling trips throughout the region during the morning peak	6,457	3% increase (2012/13) 3% increase (2013/14) 3% increase (2014/15)
	Number of morning peak (7-9am) car trips avoided through travel planning initiatives	8,417 (2010/11)	8,800 (2011/12) 9,200 (2012/13) 9,600 (2013/14)
Improved safety of Auckland's transport system	Total fatal and serious injuries on local road network.	410 (year to 31 Dec 2010***)	2% reduction (year to 31 Dec 2011) 2% reduction (year to 31 Dec 2012) 2% reduction (year to 31 Dec 2013)
	Public and customer safety and security incidents across public transport network	0.115 incidents per 100,000 passenger boardings	0.095 incidents per 100,000 passenger boardings (2012/13) 0.0925 (2013/14) 0.090 (2014/15)

Reduced adverse environmental effects from Auckland's transport system	Total CO2 vehicle (petrol and diesel powered) emissions	3,790 kilotons (year to 30 June 2011)****	Reduce baseline*****
	CO2 emissions from rail network	24.1 kilotons (year to 30 June 2011)****	Reduce baseline*****

* AUSTROADS (Association of Australian and New Zealand Road Transport and traffic Authorities)

** Subject to NZTA approving the investment profile to align with the Auckland Council investment profile for the next 3 years.

*** The figures for fatal and serious injuries on the local road network for each year are reported on a calendar year basis. The figures for the year to 31 December 2011 will be available in approximately June 2012 so will not be available before this SOI is finalised. Therefore, the result for the year to 31 Dec 2011 will be the first able to be used for reporting against this SOI.

**** Includes 10% nominal additional delivery emissions to account for additional fuel emissions from fuel supply delivery.

***** As this is a new performance measure, specific targets for CO2 reduction are currently being developed in conjunction with Auckland Council.

II. Financial Performance

Ratio of consolidated shareholder funds to total assets

Shareholder funds	\$14,223,661,000
Total assets	\$14,672,053,000
Ratio of shareholder funds to total assets	97%

Note:

- Consolidated Shareholder Funds are defined as Issued and Paid Up Capital, Revaluation Reserve and Retained Earnings.
- Total Assets are defined as Net Book Value of Current Assets, Investments and Fixed Assets as disclosed in the Company's Statement of Financial Position.
- The ratio of Consolidated Shareholder Funds excluding the revaluation reserve to Total Assets less the revaluation reserve is referred to as the historic cost basis.

Accumulated profit and capital reserve distributions to Auckland Council

Auckland Transport does not anticipate making a distribution to Auckland Council as Auckland Transport is funded at a level to undertake the operating and capital programmes agreed with the Council.

Commercial value of Auckland Council's investment

While Auckland Transport's assets are valued every three years, Auckland Transport does not have a commercial value per se. The value associated with the operation of Auckland Transport is in the delivery of public goods and benefits to the Auckland community.

Prospective summary income statement

for the four years ended 30 June 2015

\$000	Budget 2011/12	Budget 2012/13	Budget 2013/14	Budget 2014/15
Income				
Opex funding from Auckland Council	222,574	215,347	238,938	235,635
Capex funding from Auckland Council	54,641	123,949	131,711	139,913
Revenue from services	347,243	368,279	383,299	401,148
Other revenue to fund capital expenditure	151,185	119,076	158,579	238,711
Revenue from vested assets	0	0	0	0
Finance income	0	0	0	0
Dividend Income	0	0	0	0
Other gains/(losses)	0	0	0	0
Total income	775,643	826,651	912,527	1,015,407
Expenditure				
Personnel Costs	68,745	69,400	71,746	73,789
Depreciation and amortisation	222,962	240,615	252,905	265,891
Finance costs	0	12,261	18,285	23,987
Other expenditure	501,072	501,965	532,206	539,007
Total operating expenditure	792,779	824,241	875,142	902,674
Surplus/(deficit) before tax	(17,136)	2,410	37,385	112,733
Gains/(losses) recognised directly in equity	0	522,799	489,839	434,080
Total surplus/(deficit)	(17,136)	525,209	527,224	546,813

Prospective summary funding statement

for the four years ended 30 June 2015

\$000	Budget 2011/12	Budget 2012/13	Budget 2013/14	Budget 2014/15
Total operating expenditure	792,779	824,241	875,142	902,674
<i>Less depreciation and amortisation</i>	(222,962)	(240,615)	(252,905)	(265,891)
Operating expenditure to be funded	569,817	583,626	622,237	636,783
Operating expenditure funded by:				
Opex funding from Auckland Council	222,574	215,347	238,938	235,635
Revenue from services	347,243	368,279	383,299	401,148
Other revenue	0	0	0	0
Total opex funding	569,817	583,626	622,237	636,783
Total capital expenditure	546,200	719,777	858,868	841,729
Capital expenditure to be funded	546,200	719,777	858,868	841,729
Capital Expenditure funded by				
Capex funding from Auckland Council	54,641	123,949	131,711	139,913
Investment by Auckland Council	340,374	395,062	438,578	316,104
Loans from Auckland Council	0	81,690	130,000	147,000
External Loans	0	0	0	0
Grants and subsidies	151,185	119,077	158,579	238,712
Development and financial contributions	0	0	0	0
Total capex funding	546,200	719,777	858,868	841,729

Prospective Statement of Financial Position

As at 30 June

	Budget 2011/12	Budget 2012/13	Budget 2013/14	Budget 2014/15
\$000				
Assets				
Current assets				
Debtors and other receivables	169,046	220,000	220,000	220,000
Cash and cash equivalent	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
Other current assets	19,629	15,000	15,000	15,000
Total current assets	193,675	240,000	240,000	240,000
Property plant and equipment	13,248,225	14,407,053	15,502,856	16,512,774
Other non-current assets	25,344	25,000	25,000	25,000
Total non-current assets	13,273,569	14,432,053	15,527,856	16,537,774
Total assets	13,467,244	14,672,053	15,767,856	16,777,774
Liabilities				
Current liabilities				
Creditors and other payables	141,079	192,320	193,042	194,328
Other current liabilities	8,000	0	0	0
Total current liabilities	149,079	192,320	193,042	194,328
Non-current liabilities				
Borrowing from parent	0	238,072	367,353	513,067
Other non-current liabilities	14,775	18,000	18,000	18,000
Total non-current liabilities	14,775	256,072	385,353	531,067
Total liabilities	163,854	448,392	578,395	725,395
Net assets	13,303,390	14,223,661	15,189,461	16,052,379
Equity				
Contributed equity	12,409,356	12,804,418	13,242,995	13,559,100
Reserves	950,633	1,473,432	1,963,271	2,397,351
Retained earnings	(56,599)	(54,189)	(16,805)	95,928
Total equity	13,303,390	14,223,661	15,189,461	16,052,379

Prospective Statement of Cash Flows

As at 30 June

	Budget 2011/12	Budget 2012/13	Budget 2013/14	Budget 2014/15
Cash flow from operating activities				
Cash provided from:				
Income from activities	347,243	368,279	383,299	401,148
Operating funding from Auckland Council	222,574	215,347	238,938	235,635
Capital funding from Auckland Council	54,641	123,949	131,711	139,913
Grants and subsidies	151,185	119,077	158,579	238,712
Total cash provided	775,643	826,652	912,527	1,015,408
Cash applied to:				
Payments to suppliers and employees	569,817	583,626	622,237	636,783
Total cash applied	569,817	583,626	622,237	636,783
Net cash from operating activities	205,826	243,026	290,290	378,625
Cash flow from investing activities				
Cash applied to:				
Capital expenditure projects	546,200	719,777	858,868	841,729
Total cash applied	546,200	719,777	858,868	841,729
Net cash from investing activities	(546,200)	(719,777)	(858,868)	(841,729)
Cash flows from financial activities				
Cash provided from:				
Loan from Auckland Council - EMU	0	81,690	130,000	147,000
Capital contribution from Auckland Council	340,374	395,062	438,578	316,104
Total cash provided	340,374	476,751	568,578	463,104
Net cash from financing activities	340,374	476,751	568,578	463,104
Net(decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents	0	0	0	0
Opening cash balance	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
Closing cash balance	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000

Summary of capital expenditure

Key capital projects over \$2 million or of public/political interest (both renewal and new projects)

Capital Project Name	Budget
\$000	Yr 2013-2015
AIFS Capex Systems	6,002
Albany Highway North Upgrade (Schnapper Rock to SH17)	57,777
Albany Highway South Upgrade (Sunset to SH18)	2,672
AMETI - Package 4 Pakuranga Ti Rakau & Reeves Rd	18,625
AMETI - Panmure Corridor Package 1	184,050
AMETI - Sylvia Park Bus Lanes Package 2	15,694
Assumed Deferrals from 2011/12	20,619
Bus Lane Priorities	3,112
CBD Bus Infrastructure Requirements Fanshawe Street	15,561
CRL Construction	236,133
CRL Land	225,000
Crown Lynn Regeneration (New Public Roads)	7,263
Customer Services Experience Project	2,680
Cycleway development and construction (Regional cycling and walking programme)	31,058
Dominion Road Corridor Upgrade	30,192
EMU Depot Capex	73,819
Flatbush to Manukau City Centre (Bus Priority Improvement)	3,636
Fleet Vehicle replacement	2,432
Glenfield Rd Upgrade Stage 4 (James to Sunset)	15,452
Half Moon Bay Ferry Terminal & Vehicular Ferries	8,287
Hibiscus Coast Busway Station	8,587
HPMV routes	2,440
IT My street	2,127
IT Other (New programmes after 2012)	2,608

Capital Project Name	Budget
\$000	Yr 2013-2015
Lincoln Road Corridor Improvements	5,495
Local Board Initiatives	31,058
Manukau City Rail Link (Manukau Transport Interchange)	18,912
MCC Flat Bush School Rd- Stage 4 Murphys	4,645
MCC Ormiston Rd Widening (TI Dr-Chapel)	2,618
Mill Road Corridor Upgrade	9,385
Mt Albert Station (SUP)	7,808
Network Performance (Route Optimisation)	9,317
New Lynn TOD Stage 5 Great North Road	3,674
Newmarket Station	5,236
Northern Busway - Westlake Station Land	3,083
Papakura Station (SUP)	6,743
Parnell Station (SUP)	7,412
Plan Change 13 Area - Hobsonville Airbase	2,481
Plan Change 14 Area - Hobsonville Town Centre and Industrial Precinct	3,688
Plan Change 15 Area - Massey North and Westgate	27,092
PT Bus Stop Construction and Improvement	10,603
PT Customer Info - Minor Infrastructure	3,112
PT EMU Capex - Rolling Stock Purchase	323,307
PT Minor Capex	2,594
PT Real Time Passenger Information System (RTPIS)	6,938
Pukekohe Station (SUP)	4,918
Regional Road Reconstruction	62,115
Regional safety programme	7,747
Regionwide RTN and Corridor Land Purchase	5,187
Safety and minor improvement	41,865
Safety around schools	25,231

Capital Project Name	Budget
\$000	Yr 2013-2015
Sarawia Street Level Crossing Upgrade	6,225
Station Amenity Improvements	2,075
SWAMMCP Detailed design	12,480
Taharoto Rd / Wairau Rd Upgrade (Shakespeare to Boulevard)	9,334
Tamaki Drive Broadwalk between Kelly Tarltons and Millinium Bridge	6,632
Tamaki Drive/Takaparawha Pt Safety Imp	2,594
Te Atatu Motorway Bus Interchange	5,236
Te Atatu Road Corridor Improvements	19,165
Tiverton-Wolverton Corridor Upgrade	34,387
Triangle Road/Lincoln Road Bus Interchange	2,055
Warkworth SH1 / McKinney / Hill / Hudson Intersections	6,813
Whangaparaoa Rd Upgrade (Hibiscus Coast to Red Beach)	18,973
Total project > \$2m or of high interest	1,748,400
Total other project < \$2m	63,962
Total capital expenditure	1,812,362

5. APPROACH TO GOVERNANCE

All decisions relating to the operation of Auckland Transport will be made by, or under the authority of, the Board of Auckland Transport in accordance with its SOI, rules and relevant legislation.

The Board of Auckland Transport is committed to the highest standards of governance and business behaviour. The Board will continue to monitor developments in corporate and public sector governance to ensure Auckland Transport implements the highest standards of governance at all times.

In undertaking its activities, the Board will ensure:

- Sound business practice in its commercial undertakings;
- Sustainable business practice;
- Act in accordance with the principles of the Treaty of Waitangi;
- Ethical and good behaviour in dealing with all parties;
- It acts as a good employer, and exhibits a sense of social and environmental responsibility;
- An open and transparent approach to decision-making, while respecting the need for commercially sensitive information to be protected; and
- An active partnership approach with Auckland Council and key Auckland Council Group stakeholders.

The Board will:

- Obtain full and timely information necessary to discharge its obligations fully and effectively;
- Actively review and direct the overall strategy of Auckland Transport;
- Actively review its policies and delegations;
- Negotiate SOIs with Auckland Council;
- Monitor the external and internal environment and identify, evaluate and mitigate controllable risk factors;
- Establish Auckland Transport as an effective, focused organisation with core competencies and appropriate systems necessary to carry out its functions;
- Manage and monitor the performance of the Chief Executive;
- Establish remuneration policies and practices, and set and review remuneration for the Chief Executive, and other senior executives; and
- Provide leadership in relationships with key stakeholders.

Pursuant to section 96 of the Local Government (Auckland Council) Act 2009, the Board will ensure that it holds two specific meetings during each financial year that are open to members of the public:

- One meeting will be held before 30 June each year for the purpose of considering comments from shareholders on the organisation's draft statement of intent for the following financial year; and
- The other meeting will be held after 1 July each year for the purpose of considering the organisation's performance under its statement of intent in the previous financial year.

Auckland Transport board meetings will be held to satisfy those statutory requirements in:

- June 2012; and
- August 2012.

The specific times and locations of these meetings will be publicly notified in newspapers with a circulation across Auckland, and on the Auckland Transport website.

Auckland Transport will endeavour to act consistently with the guidelines provided in the Shareholder Expectation Guide for Council Controlled Organisations. Auckland Transport will report quarterly to the Governing Body of Auckland Council and provide the information specified in the template provide by the CCO Governance and Monitoring Unit.

I. Relationship with Local Boards

While Auckland Transport is accountable to the Governing Body as shareholder, it also has relationships with Local Boards who share the decision-making responsibilities of the Auckland Council with the Governing Body. Auckland Transport will:

- Prepare a Local Board Engagement Plan in accordance with the requirements of the Shareholder Engagement Guide;
- Report to Local Boards as specified in its Local Board Engagement Plan;
- Adequately resource liaison with and reporting to Local Boards; and
- Keep informed of local board priorities and objectives in Local Board plans and ensure that these are considered when:
 - (i) preparing budgets; and
 - (ii) undertaking activities in Local Board areas.
- Ensure that business cases seeking Auckland Council funding, take into account Local Board priorities and objectives;
- Provide a works programme to local boards in advance of work occurring in local places so that they can be informed when constituents make enquiries;
- Recognise that in conjunction with Council, local boards have a ‘place-shaping role and that Auckland Transport will work with local boards where appropriate to achieve this, for example the creation of streetscapes which mirror local identity and history.”

II. Maori Relations Framework

Auckland Transport acknowledges its responsibilities to enable Maori aspirations and wellbeing by giving effect to council’s Maori engagement policy, strategic directions and outcomes in its plans.

Auckland Transport will take into account Te Tiriti o Waitangi/Treaty of Waitangi (Treaty principles) for engagement with Maori. That includes both Mana Whenua (indigenous population made up of the iwi of Tamaki Makaurau) and Mataawaka (wider Maori population, residents and ratepayers).

Auckland Transport will prepare a Maori Engagement Framework, which will be aligned with the frameworks prepared by both Auckland Council and NZTA. Auckland Transport’s framework will outline the protocols for consultation and engagement at a strategy and project level, leading towards the closer partnership envisaged by Auckland Council.

Protocols for engagement with Maori will be captured in Auckland Transport’s project management practices, including:

- Relationship with the Independent Maori Statutory Board;
- Direct relationships with the 22 iwi authorities with Mana Whenua status across the Auckland region;
- Approach engagement with Maori as a partnership, with an emphasis on building relationships beyond a specific project or programme; and
- Contribution towards Maori-focussed outcomes will be expressed in a Maori Impact Statement in the Long-term Plan.

III. Procedures for purchasing shares in other companies

The Board of Auckland Transport will consider any share investment proposals. Any decision to invest in or divest shares in another company or to enter into a joint venture relationship or participation arrangement through equity agreements will be made by the Board in consultation with Auckland Council.

Where the Special Consultative Procedure needs to be followed, Auckland Transport will work with Auckland Council prior to undertaking that process to ensure the Council is fully aware of the process being followed. Consultation with the shareholder will address the nature of any significant increase in risk exposure or the potential to raise public interest.

IV. Management of strategic assets

The Board will comply with Auckland Council’s Accountability Policy and seek the Council’s prior approval for all major transactions relating to Auckland Transport’s strategic assets.

For the purposes of Auckland Council’s Accountability Policy, Auckland Transport’s strategic assets that comprise elements of the roading and public transport networks that are integral to the functioning of the

whole are as follows:

- Britomart Transport Centre;
- Rapid Transit Network;
- Regional arterial road network;
- Rail stations;
- Busway stations;
- Quality Transit Network ferry terminals.

Heritage assets

Wherever possible, Auckland Transport will protect heritage assets, for which it is responsible, in areas under the control of Auckland Council in transport corridors. Auckland Transport is currently working with Auckland Council to identify all Auckland Transport owned and managed heritage assets. That work forms part of a wider piece of work currently underway to produce a Heritage Asset Management Plan for all Auckland Council and CCO owned and managed heritage assets.

6. ORGANISATIONAL HEALTH AND CAPABILITY

The Board of Auckland Transport is committed to building and maintaining an enduring and resilient organisation. Auckland Transport will foster a corporate culture that provides an excellent interface and strong relationships with the communities of Auckland and with Auckland Council.

Auckland Transport will adhere to clause 36 of Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002, which provides that a local authority must operate a personnel policy that complies with the principle of being a good employer.

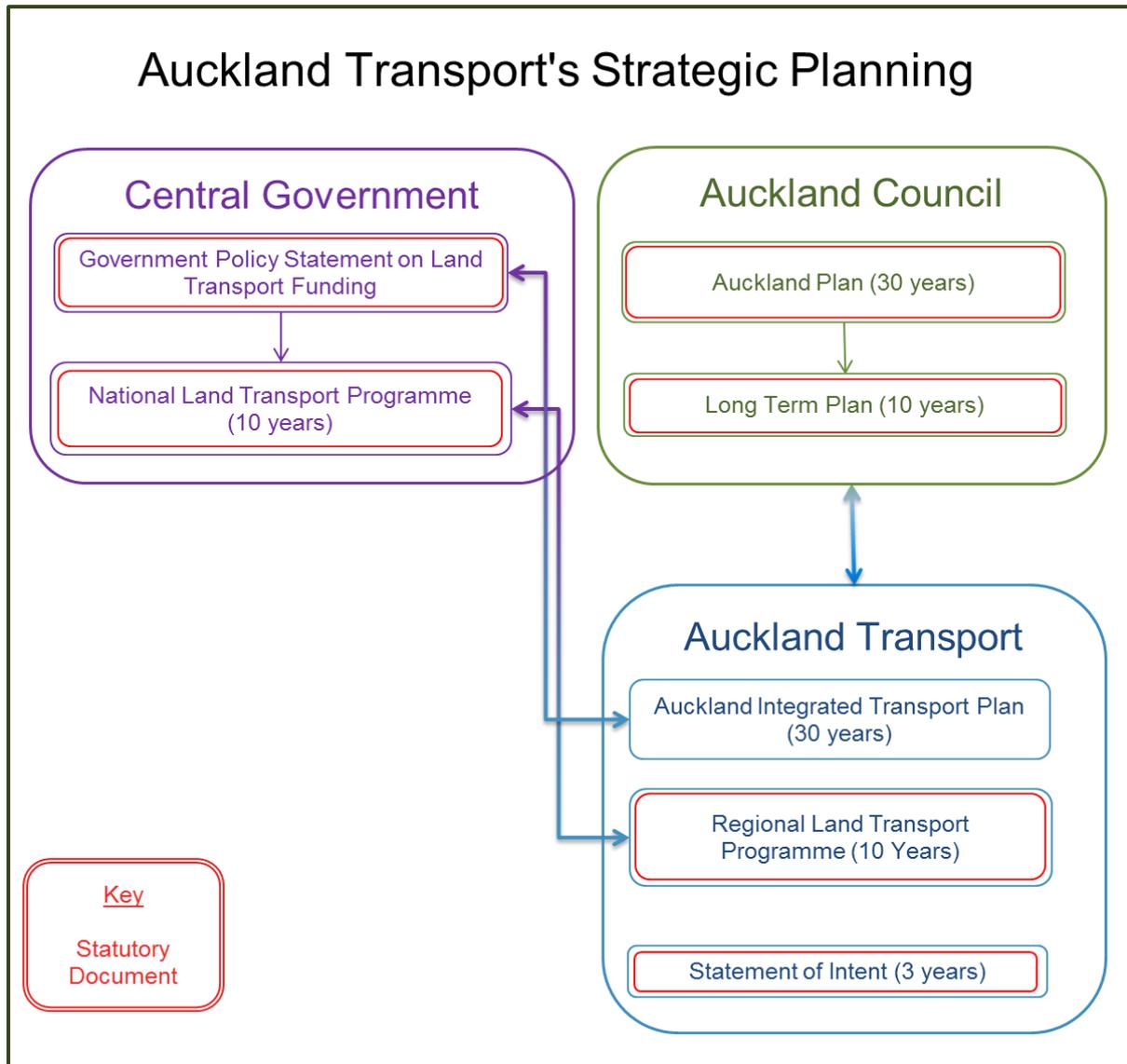
7. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Auckland Transport will comply with the accounting and disclosure practices set out in all the relevant Financial Reporting Standards issued by the New Zealand Institute of Chartered Accountants as periodically updated and as required by the Financial Reporting Act 1993.

Auckland Transport's accounting policies are consistent with GAAP. If Auckland Transport's accounting policies are not the same as Auckland Council policies, Auckland Transport will provide further information to Auckland Council for group consolidation purposes if required.

A statement of Auckland Transport's accounting policies is provided in Attachment D.

ATTACHMENT A – Auckland Transport’s strategic planning context



ATTACHMENT B – Auckland Plan Principles

BOX 13.1 PRINCIPLES – LAND-USE AND TRANSPORT

1. Use a single-system approach in the planning, design, management and development of our transport system (motorways, state highways, arterial and local roads, freight, rail, bus and ferry services, walking and cycling, ports and airports).
2. Use travel demand management techniques, such as travel plans for schools and businesses, to manage the growth in demand for private vehicle travel and improve the way existing infrastructure networks operate, before providing additional capacity to the transport system.
3. Achieve the appropriate balance between movement and place, considering capacity (incorporating the safe movement of people and goods) and character (recognising the role of road/street in the urban setting and types of buildings/landscape present or planned - see paragraph 677 and the design principles in Chapter 10: Urban Auckland), acknowledging the role of transport to assist in place-shaping.
4. Ensure that long-term land-use and activities drive long-term transport functionality, taking into account the existing and proposed transport network, and that transport investment aligns with growth as envisaged in this Plan.
5. Optimise existing and proposed transport investment.
6. Establish corridor management plans that account for 'place shaping'.
7. Recognise existing community investment and the need to enable connectivity between and within communities.
8. Align community expectations in urban areas with urban levels of service, particularly with realistic expectations around levels of congestion.
9. Align community expectations in rural areas with rural levels of service, particularly acknowledging limited opportunities for alternatives to motor vehicle travel.
10. Ensure that transport is sustainable in the long-term, minimises negative impacts on people's health and the built and natural environment, and reduces our dependence on fossil fuels (see Priority 2 Chapter 7: Auckland's Environment)
11. Improve the capability of the transport system to withstand adverse events.(See Priority 4 Chapter 7: Auckland's Environment regarding natural hazards and Priority 1 and 2 Chapter 8: Auckland's Response to Climate Change regarding building resilience to climate change).

Box 7.1 Environmental Principles (also see Box 10.2)

Auckland's environment must be healthy and resilient in order to support life and lifestyles. To ensure this we must recognise that:

1. **The environment supports us** - we recognise the natural resources provided by our environment have limits and must be protected and restored to ensure our future well-being
2. **We need to consider environmental values in all that we do** – the interaction between the environment and people is understood and considered in our everyday behaviour and choices
3. **Everything is connected** – human activities affect the air, sea, land and freshwater systems. Understanding the connections between environments in the way we manage them is critical.
4. **Biodiversity is everywhere** – our flora and fauna, and their habitats, occur on both public and private spaces, and in urban, rural, freshwater and coastal areas. To maintain biodiversity values we must all work together.
5. **Natural hazards can affect our well-being** – we need to ensure that Auckland and its people are resilient to the effects of natural hazards.
6. **We are environmental stewards** – future generations will depend on how well we manage the natural environment

Box 10.1 – Good Design Principles	
The following good design principles sit across the Auckland Plan, the Unitary Plan, Infrastructure Plans and the Auckland Design Manual.	
These principles must be read as a complete set, which collectively directs a common understanding of what attributes are required of a place to make it successful. They are also applicable to a range of city and urban scales as illustrated in Figure 10.2.	
1. Identity:	<p>Landscape and ecology, heritage, built form, people and communities together establish the context for Auckland's unique sense of place.</p> <p>Good design must recognise and respond to this context, with development enriching character, quality and legibility and thereby a sense of place.</p>
2. Adaptability:	<p>Auckland should accommodate a rich mix of uses, activities, urban form and architecture, which supports variety, vibrancy, chance exchange, safety and choice.</p> <p>Good design must encourage and embed flexibility and adaptability to ensure continued support for our changing communities, cultures, built form and environments.</p>
3. Integration:	<p>Development in Auckland should support uses, activity centres, energy systems and movement networks which are well-connected, and provide convenient and universal access to a range of services and amenities. The cumulative picture of a street, a block, a neighbourhood and the city - not just buildings, roads or open spaces as individual elements - must be recognised and responded to.</p> <p>Good design must ensure that development supports existing and/or creates integrated urban form (including streets and spaces) to facilitate well-being, movement and access.</p>
4. Efficiency:	<p>The unique benefits and efficiencies of urban systems need to be maximised, delivering quality places where transactions and exchange are encouraged and resources are optimised.</p> <p>Good design must ensure that development focuses on benefits and positive effects, and optimises the full potential of a site's intrinsic qualities. This includes site shape, relationship to the street, landform, outlook and proximity to services, amenities and infrastructure.</p>

ATTACHMENT C – Auckland Transport Impacts

Table A.1 below details how the four wellbeings contained in Auckland Transport’s legislative purpose are achieved by Auckland Transport’s impacts.

Table A.1: Achievement of the Four Wellbeings by Auckland Transport’s Impacts

		WELLBEINGS			
		Social Wellbeing	Economic Wellbeing	Environmental Wellbeing	Cultural Wellbeing
IMPACTS	Better use of transport resources to maximise return on existing transport assets		✓		
	Increased customer satisfaction with transport infrastructure and services	✓	✓		
	Auckland’s transport network moves people and goods efficiently		✓	✓	
	Increased access to a wider range of transport choices	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Improved safety of Auckland’s transport system	✓	✓		
	Reduced adverse environmental effects from Auckland’s transport system			✓	

Table A.2 depicts how Auckland Transport's impacts are achieved by the Programme of Action categories of activity.

Table A.2: Achievement of Auckland Transport's Impacts by the Programme of Action

		IMPACTS					
PROGRAMME OF ACTION – CATEGORIES		Better use of transport resources to maximise return on existing assets	Increased customer satisfaction with transport infrastructure and services	Auckland's transport network moves people and goods efficiently	Increased access to a wider range of transport choices	Improved safety of Auckland's transport system	Reduced adverse environmental effects from Auckland's transport system
	Manage Auckland's transport as a single system	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
	Integrate transport planning and investment with land development		✓	✓	✓		
	Prioritise and optimise investment across transport modes	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
	Implement new transport funding mechanisms			✓			
	Transport safety initiatives					✓	

ATTACHMENT D – Statement of accounting policies

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below.

Basis of preparation

Statement of compliance

The financial statements of Auckland Transport have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act 2002, which includes the requirement to comply with New Zealand generally accepted accounting practice (“NZ GAAP”).

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with NZ GAAP. They comply with NZIFRS, and other applicable Financial Reporting Standards, as appropriate for public benefit entities.

Measurement base

The financial statements are prepared based on historical cost modified by the revaluation of the following:

- financial assets and liabilities at fair value
- derivative financial instruments at fair value
- certain classes of property, plant and equipment at methods appropriate to the class of asset

The methods used to measure fair value are discussed in the specific accounting policies.

Functional and presentation currency

The financial statements are presented in New Zealand dollars (\$), which is Auckland Transport’s functional currency, and have been rounded to the nearest thousand unless otherwise stated.

Costs allocation

Cost of service for each activity was allocated as follows:

- Direct costs are charged directly to activities. Indirect costs are charged to activities using appropriate cost drivers such as actual usage, staff numbers and floor area.
- Direct costs are those costs directly attributable to an activity. Indirect costs are those costs that cannot be identified in an economically feasible manner with a specific activity.

Standards, amendments, and interpretations issued but not yet effective that have not been early adopted, and which are relevant to Auckland Transport are:

- NZ IFRS 9 Financial Instruments will eventually replace NZ IAS 39 Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement. NZ IAS 39 is being replaced through the following 3 main phases: Phase 1 Classification and Measurement, Phase 2 Impairment Methodology, and Phase 3 Hedge Accounting. Phase 1 has been completed and has been published in the new financial instrument standard NZ IFRS 9. NZ IFRS 9 uses a single approach to determine whether a financial asset is measured at amortised cost or fair value, replacing the many different rules in NZ IAS 39. The approach in NZ IFRS 9 is based on how an entity manages its financial assets (its business model) and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial assets. The financial liability requirements are the same as those of NZ IAS 39, except for when an entity elects to designate a financial liability at fair value through surplus or deficit. The new standard is required to be adopted for the year ended 30 June 2014. Auckland Transport has not yet assessed the effect of the new standard and expects it will not be early adopted.

- NZ IAS 24 Related Party Disclosures (Revised 2009) replaces NZ IAS 24 Related Party Disclosures (Issued 2004). The revised standard simplifies the definition of a related party, clarifying its intended meaning and eliminating inconsistencies from the definition. This will be applied for the first time in AT's 30 June 2012 financial statements.

(a) Foreign currency translation

Auckland Transport translates its foreign currency transactions into New Zealand dollars using the exchange rates at the dates of the transactions. It records foreign exchange gains and losses from the settlement of transactions, and from translation at year-end exchange rates, in the statement of comprehensive income.

(b) Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment consists of:

- (i) Operational assets
These include land, buildings, rolling stock, locomotive improvements, wharves, furniture and fittings, computer hardware, motor vehicles and plant and equipment.
- (ii) Infrastructure assets
These include the land-infrastructure and roading infrastructures.

Land (operational)

Land (operational) includes land held for roading purposes and land under off-street carparks.

Building

Building includes residential buildings held for roading services, car park buildings and wharf buildings.

Rolling stock

Rolling stock includes carriages and locomotives.

Land infrastructure

Land infrastructure includes restricted land, land under roads and land underfields.

Roading infrastructure

Roading infrastructure includes public transport (e.g. bus shelters, bus stations, train stations, wharf structures, etc.), roading (e.g. footpath, streetlights, traffic control, pavements, etc.) and carparking (e.g. off-street carparks).

Plant and equipment

Plant and equipment includes parking equipment (e.g. barrier arms, handheld parking infringement machines, etc.) and public transport equipment (e.g. public transport information, signal pre-emption, CCTV camera, etc.).

Initial recognition

Property, plant and equipment at the time of transition

Property, plant and equipment transferred at the time of transition are initially shown at their previous carrying values (net book value) in the financial statements of the predecessor Councils, ARTA and ARTNL. These property, plant and equipment are depreciated over their remaining estimated useful life.

Property, plant and equipment acquired after transition

Property, plant and equipment acquired after transition are initially shown at cost or at fair value in the case where an asset is acquired at no cost, or for a nominal cost. Cost includes any costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition of the items.

Subsequent costs

Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount, or recognised as a separate asset, when it is likely future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to Auckland Transport, and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repairs and maintenance are charged to the statement of comprehensive income for the financial period they relate to.

Valuation of assets

Auckland Transport accounts for revaluations on a class of assets basis.

The revaluation for roading infrastructure and rolling stock was completed last financial year. The roading infrastructure revaluation was done internally with the support of specialist expertise while the revaluation for rolling stock was completed by an independent expert. Both revaluations have used the depreciated replacement cost method, to ensure that their carrying amount does not differ materially from fair value. Roothing infrastructure is revalued at least once every three years.

The revaluation for operational land and buildings for the current year will be completed by an independent expert.

Any accumulated depreciation at the date of revaluation is transferred to the gross carrying amount of the asset, and the asset cost is restated to the revalued amount.

Increases in asset carrying amounts due to revaluation increase revaluation reserves in equity. Decreases in asset carrying amounts decrease revaluation reserves in equity only to the extent that the class of assets has sufficient revaluation reserves to absorb the reduction. All other decreases are charged to the statement of comprehensive income.

If a revaluation increase reverses a decrease previously recognised in the statement of comprehensive income, the increase is recognised first in the statement of comprehensive income to reverse previous decreases. Any residual increase is applied to revaluation reserves in equity.

Additions

The cost of an item of property, plant and equipment is recognised as an asset if, and only if, it is probable that future economic benefits or service potential associated with the item will flow to Auckland Transport and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. In most instances, an item of property, plant and equipment is recognised at its cost. Where an asset is acquired at no cost, or for a nominal cost, it is recognised at fair value at the date of acquisition.

Disposals

Gains and losses on the sale or disposal of assets are determined by comparing the proceeds of sale with the asset's carrying amount. Gains and losses are included in the statement of comprehensive income. When a revalued asset is sold or disposed of, any amount in the revaluation reserves in equity relating to that asset is transferred to general equity.

Depreciation

Land (operational) and land-infrastructure are not depreciated. Assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis. Depreciation writes off the cost of the assets to residual value over their useful lives.

<u>Class of asset depreciated</u>	<u>Estimated useful life (years)</u>
Operational assets	
• Buildings	10-100
• Rolling stock	2-9
• Locomotive improvements	2-9
• Wharves	50-100
• Furniture and fittings	5-15
• Computer hardware	3-8
• Plant and equipment	10-25
• Motor vehicles	5
Infrastructure assets	
• Public transport	10-80
• Roothing	10-120
• Carparking	10-50

Auckland Transport reviews and, if necessary, adjusts the assets' residual values and useful lives at each year-end.

Capital works in progress

Capital works in progress are not depreciated. The total cost of a project is transferred to the relevant asset class on its completion and then depreciated.

(c) Intangible assets

Intangible assets are initially recorded at cost. The cost of an internally generated intangible asset represents expenditure incurred in the development phase only.

Subsequent to initial recognition, intangible assets with finite useful lives are recorded at cost, less any amortisation and impairment losses, and are reviewed annually for impairment losses. Assets with indefinite useful lives are not amortised but are tested, at least annually, for impairment, and are carried at cost, less accumulated impairment losses.

Realised gains and losses arising from the disposal of intangible assets are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income in the period in which the disposal occurs.

Where an intangible asset's recoverable amount is less than its carrying amount, it will be reported at its recoverable amount and an impairment loss will be recognised. Losses resulting from impairment are reported in the statement of comprehensive income.

Operating leases – land

The operating leases on land are long term land leases on which stations have been built. They are

recognised in the accounts at fair value and amortised over the life of the underlying asset.

Computer software

Computer software licences are capitalised based on the costs incurred to acquire and bring to use the software. These costs are amortised using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives (three to eight years).

Costs associated with maintaining computer software programmes are recognised as an expense when incurred.

Costs directly associated with the development of identifiable and unique software products controlled by Auckland Transport, and that will probably generate economic benefits exceeding costs beyond one year, are recognised as intangible assets (e.g. software development employee costs). Computer software development costs recognised as assets are amortised using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives (not exceeding eight years).

Staff training costs are recognised as an expense when incurred.

(d) Impairment of non-financial assets

Assets that have an indefinite useful life are not subject to amortisation and are tested annually for impairment. Assets that have a finite useful life are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised if the estimated recoverable amount of an asset is less than its carrying amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use.

Value in use is depreciated replacement cost for an asset, where the future economic benefits or service potential of the asset are not primarily dependent on the asset's ability to generate net cash inflows, and where the entity would, if deprived of the asset, replace its remaining future economic benefits or service potential. The value in use for cash-generating assets is the present value of expected future cash flows.

If an asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount, the asset is impaired and the carrying amount is written down to the recoverable amount. For revalued assets, the impairment loss is recognised against the revaluation reserve for that class of asset. Where that results in a debit balance in the revaluation reserve, the debit balance is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income. For assets not carried at a revalued amount, the total impairment loss is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income.

The reversal of an impairment loss on a revalued asset is credited to the revaluation reserve. However, to the extent that an impairment loss for that class of asset was previously recognised in the statement of comprehensive income, a reversal of the impairment loss is also recognised in the statement of comprehensive income. For assets not carried at a revalued amount (other than goodwill), the reversal of an impairment loss is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income.

(e) Financial assets

Auckland Transport classifies its financial assets in the following categories:

- financial assets at fair value through surplus or deficit
- available-for-sale financial assets
- loans and receivables
- held-to-maturity investments

The classification depends on the reason behind acquiring the investment. Auckland Transport decides how to classify its investments when they are acquired.

Purchases and sales of investments are recorded on the value date at fair value plus transaction costs, unless they are carried at fair value through surplus or deficit, in which case the transaction costs are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income. Financial assets are no longer recognised when the right to receive cash flows from the financial assets has expired or has been transferred.

The fair values of quoted investments are based on current bid prices. If the market for a financial asset is not active (and for unlisted securities), Auckland Transport establishes fair value through valuation techniques.

At each year-end, Auckland Transport assesses whether there is evidence that a financial asset or group of financial assets is impaired. Any impairment loss is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income.

Financial assets at fair value through surplus or deficit

This category has two subcategories: financial assets held for trading and those designated at fair value through surplus or deficit on initial recognition. A financial asset is classified in this category if acquired principally to sell in the short term. Derivatives are also categorised as held for trading unless they are designated as hedges. They are classified as current assets if they are held for trading and expected to be realised within 12 months of the period end date.

After initial recognition financial assets at fair value through surplus or deficit continue to be measured at fair value. Realised and unrealised gains and losses arising from the changes in the fair value of the financial assets at fair value through surplus or deficit category are included in the statement of comprehensive income in the period in which they arise.

Available-for-sale financial assets

Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income are non-derivative financial assets designated in this category or not classified in the other categories. After initial recognition, they are measured at fair value. They are included in non-current assets, unless Auckland Transport intends to dispose of the asset within 12 months of year-end. Auckland Transport does not have any financial assets under this category.

After initial recognition they are measured at fair value, with gains and losses recognised directly in other comprehensive income except for impairment losses, which are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income.

Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments not quoted in an active market. They arise when Auckland Transport provides money, goods or services directly to a debtor with no intention of selling the receivable asset.

After initial recognition, they are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method less impairment. Gains and losses are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income. Loans and receivables are included in current assets, except for those with maturities greater than 12 months after the year-end date, which are classified as non-current assets.

Held-to-maturity investments

Held-to-maturity investments are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments, and fixed maturities that Auckland Transport management has the intention and ability to hold to maturity.

After initial recognition, they are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method less impairment.

Auckland Transport does not currently have any financial assets under this category.

(f) Derivative financial instruments

Auckland Transport uses derivative financial instruments to hedge exposure to foreign exchange. In accordance with its treasury policy, Auckland Transport does not hold or issue derivative financial instruments for trading purposes.

The fair value of financial instruments traded in active markets is based on quoted market prices at the year-end date. The quoted market price used for financial assets held by Auckland Transport is the current bid price. The quoted market price for financial liabilities is the current ask price.

The fair values of forward foreign exchange contracts are determined using a discounted cash flows valuation technique based on quoted market prices. The inputs into the valuation model are from independently sourced market parameters such as currency rates.

Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value on the date a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently remeasured at their fair value. The resulting gain or loss is recognised immediately in surplus/(deficit) within 'other gains(losses) unless the derivative instrument has been designated as a hedging instrument and qualifies for hedge accounting, in which case, the method of recognising the resulting gain or loss is discussed below.

Derivatives that qualify for hedge accounting

When a derivative is designated as a hedging instrument, Auckland Transport documents a hedge relationship as either a cash flow hedge (hedge of a forecast transaction) or a fair value hedge (hedge of the fair value of a recognised asset or liability). Also documented are the nature of the risk being hedged, its risk-management objective, strategy for hedge transactions, identification of the hedging instrument and hedged item, and how the hedging instrument's effectiveness is to be assessed.

Cash flow hedge

The effective portion of changes in the fair value of derivatives that are designated and qualify as cash flow hedges is recognised in equity in the hedging reserve. The gain or loss relating to the ineffective portion is recorded in the statement of comprehensive income.

When a hedging instrument expires, or is sold or terminated, or when a hedge no longer meets accounting criteria, any cumulative gain or loss in equity at that time remains in equity and is recognised when the forecast transaction is recorded in the statement of comprehensive income. When a forecast transaction is no longer expected to occur, the cumulative gain or loss reported in equity transfers to the statement of comprehensive income.

Fair value hedge

Auckland Transport only applies fair value hedge accounting for hedging fixed interest risk on borrowings. The gain or loss relating to the effective portion of the interest rate swaps that hedge fixed-rate borrowings is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income within "finance costs". The gain or loss relating to the ineffective portion is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income within "other gains/ (losses)". Changes in the fair value of the hedged fixed-rate borrowings attributable to interest rate risk are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income within "finance costs".

If the hedge no longer meets the criteria for hedge accounting, the adjustment to the carrying amount of a hedged item for which the effective interest method is used is recorded in the statement of comprehensive income.

(g) Inventories

Inventories such as spare parts, stores and finished goods are stated at lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost comprises direct materials, direct labour and an appropriate proportion of variable and fixed overhead expenditure, the latter being allocated on the basis of normal operating capacity.

Costs are assigned to individual items of inventory on the basis of weighted average cost.

Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business, less the estimated costs of completion (if applicable) and the estimated costs necessary to make the sale.

Where inventories are acquired at no cost or for nominal consideration, the cost is the current replacement cost at the date of acquisition.

The amount of any write-down in the value of inventories is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income.

(h) Trade and other receivables

Trade and other receivables are recognised initially at fair value, and subsequently measured at amortised cost less any provision for impairment. They are due for settlement no more than 30 days from the date of recognition.

Auckland Transport reviews the collection of trade receivables on an on-going basis and writes off debts known to be uncollectable. A provision is made for doubtful receivables when there is objective evidence that Auckland Transport will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables. The amount provided is the difference between the receivable's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at the effective interest rate. This amount provided is recorded in the statement of comprehensive income.

The carrying amount of the asset is reduced through the use of a provision account, and the amount of the loss is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income. When a receivable is uncollectable, it is written off against the provision account.

(i) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand and deposits held at call with financial institutions. They also include other short-term, highly liquid investments (with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value) and bank overdrafts.

(j) Equity

Equity is the shareholder's interest in the organisation and is measured as the difference between total assets and total liabilities. Equity is disaggregated and classified into contributed equity from shareholder, accumulated funds, and revaluation reserves.

(k) Borrowings

Borrowings are initially recognised at fair value (net of transaction costs) and subsequently measured at amortised cost. Any difference between the proceeds (net of transaction costs) and amortised cost is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income over the period of the borrowings using the effective interest method.

Borrowings are classified as current liabilities unless Auckland Transport has an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least 12 months after the year-end date.

(l) Borrowing costs

Auckland Transport has elected to defer the adoption of NZ IAS 23 Borrowing Costs (Revised 2007) in accordance with its transitional provisions that are applicable to public benefit entities.

Consequently, all borrowing costs are recognised as an expense in the period in which they are incurred.

(m) Current and deferred income tax

The income tax expense is the tax payable on the current period's taxable income, based on the New Zealand tax rate, and adjusted for changes in deferred tax assets and liabilities, and adjustments to income tax payable in respect of prior years.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities account for temporary differences at the tax rates expected to apply when the assets are recovered or liabilities settled. This is based on those tax rates set by the government. The relevant tax rates are applied to the cumulative amounts of deductible and taxable temporary differences to measure the deferred tax asset or liability.

An exception is made for certain temporary differences from the initial recognition of an asset or a liability. No deferred tax asset or liability is recognised in relation to these temporary differences if they came from a transaction, other than a business combination, that at the time of the transaction did not affect accounting profit or taxable profit and loss.

Deferred tax assets are recognised for deductible temporary differences and unused tax losses only to the extent it is likely that future taxable amounts will be available for Auckland Transport.

Current and deferred tax balances attributable to amounts recognised directly in equity, such as asset revaluations, are also recognised directly in equity.

(n) Provisions

Provisions are recognised when:

- Auckland Transport has a present legal or constructive obligation due to past events
- it is more likely than not that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation
- the amount has been reliably estimated.

Provisions are not recognised for future operating losses.

Provisions are measured at the present value of the expenditure expected to settle the obligation, using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the obligation.

Organisational

An organisational provision is recognised where there is a legal or constructive obligation to meet redundancy expenses. The amount recorded in the financial statements is the estimated cost of this expense.

Contractual

A contractual provision is recognised when legal claims have been issued against Auckland Transport for past transactions and it is probable that Auckland Transport will be liable for these claims. The amount recorded in the financial statements is the estimated cost of these claims.

(o) Creditors and other payables

These amounts represent unpaid liabilities for goods and services provided to Auckland Transport before the end of the financial year. The amounts are unsecured and usually paid within 30 days of recognition. Creditors and other payables are initially measured at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

(p) Goods and services tax (GST)

Items in the financial statements are exclusive of GST, with the exception of receivables and payables.

The net amount of GST receivable from, or payable to the Inland Revenue Department is included as part of receivables or payables in the statement of financial position. Where GST is not recoverable as input tax, it is recognised as part of the related asset or expense.

(q) Employee benefit liabilities

Short-term employee benefit liabilities

These include wages and salaries, annual leave and sick leave. These liabilities are expected to be settled within 12 months of the reporting date. They include employees' services up to the year-end date and are measured at the amounts Auckland Transport expects to pay when the liabilities are settled. A liability is recognised for bonuses where they are contractually obliged or where there is a past practice that has created a constructive obligation. Auckland Transport recognises a liability for sick leave to the extent that absences in the coming year are expected to be greater than the sick leave entitlements earned in the coming year. The amount is calculated based on the unused sick leave entitlement that can be carried forward at balance date, to the extent that Auckland Transport anticipates it will be used by staff to cover those future absences.

Long-term employee entitlements

Entitlements that are payable beyond 12 months such as long-service leave have been actuarially measured as the present value of expected future payments for services provided by employees up to the year-end date. Consideration is given to expected future wage and salary levels, experience of employee departures and periods of service.

(r) Revenue

Auckland Transport measures revenue at the fair value of the amounts received or receivable, net of discounts, duties and taxes paid.

Auckland Transport receives revenue from the following main sources:

Auckland Council grants

Auckland Transport is funded by its parent the Auckland Council in order to deliver the agreed annual operational and capital programmes. This funding is recognised when the expenditure is incurred i.e. on an accrual basis.

New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA) grants

Auckland Transport receives government grants from NZTA, which funds operational and capital expenditure. Grants distribution from NZTA are recognised as income when the expenditure they cover is incurred i.e. on an accrual basis.

Traffic and parking infringement income

Income and receivables are recognised when an infringement notice is issued based on the estimated recoverable amount. Infringement amounts not recovered after 60 days are lodged with the courts for collection. Subsequent collections from the courts which differ to estimated recoverable amounts are recognised in income as received. The estimated amount expected to be received is reviewed at least annually.

Any predecessor Council traffic and parking infringement income recognition policy not in line with Auckland Transport's policy were adjusted in the current period.

Fare revenue

Auckland Transport receives fare box revenue from certain bus and ferry and all rail services. This revenue is recognised when the ticket is purchased.

Vested assets

Where a physical asset is acquired for nil or nominal consideration, the fair value of the asset received is recognised as income. Assets vested to Auckland Transport are recognised when control over the asset is obtained.

Vested assets arise when property developers undertake development which requires them to build roads and footpaths. When the development is complete those assets vest in the network provider. As Auckland Transport controls roads and footpaths and accounts for the asset value the income from vesting comes to Auckland Transport.

Auckland Transport accounts for revenue for the following activities:

- Licenses and permits revenue – on application
- Rental revenue – for the period it relates to
- interest income – on a time proportion basis using the effective interest method
- other grants and subsidies- when received
- contra transactions – are measured at the fair value of the asset received or the fair value of the goods given up.

(s) Grant expenditure

Non-discretionary grants are those grants that are awarded if the grant application meets the specified criteria and are recognised as expenditure when an application that meets the specified criteria for the grant has been received.

Discretionary grants are those grants where Auckland Transport has no obligation to award on receipt of the grant application and are recognised as expenditure when a successful applicant has been notified of Auckland Transport decision.

(t) Leases

Operating leases

With operating leases, the lessor retains the risks and benefits of ownership. Lease payments are recognised as an expense in the statement of comprehensive income on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease.

Finance leases

Finance leases effectively transfer to the lessee the risks and benefits incidental to ownership. These are capitalised at the lesser of the fair value of the asset or the present value of the minimum lease payments. The leased assets and corresponding liabilities are recognised in the statement of financial position. Interest on finance leases is charged to the statement of comprehensive income over the lease period.

Leased assets are depreciated over the period Auckland Transport is expected to benefit from their use.