

10.5 Wairarapa Joint Plan

Masterton, Carterton and South Wairarapa District Councils have an existing sub-regional joint Waste Management Plan (Waste Management Wairarapa). The councils are not proposing any new actions other than those outlined in the Regional Action Plan.

10.5.1 Wairarapa regulation

Reference and title	Description	Time frame	Funding options	Strategic goals and hierarchy position	Method and targets
R.1: Implement regionally consistent bylaw	Ensure systems and resources are in place for updating our Solid Waste Bylaw in line with the model. Regional Solid Waste Bylaw and implementing, monitoring and enforcing its provisions once it becomes active.	Pending development of Regional Solid Waste Bylaw	Fees and rates. Waste Levy where applicable.	Objective: To take actions that will improve information on waste and recovered material activities, including both Council-contracted and private sector activities. Hierarchy level: All Levels	Action G: Implement and oversee monitoring and enforcement of the revised regional bylaw.
R.2: New buildings recycling facilities	Require new multi-unit residential and commercial buildings to include space for appropriate recycling facilities.	Completed – included in district plan, ongoing monitoring	Rates and Waste Levy	Objective: To increase diversion of waste that is currently disposed of to landfill for reuse, recovery or recycling. Hierarchy level: Recycling	Action A: Determine and commit to implementing optimised kerbside systems that maximise diversion and are cost effective to communities.
R.3: Future recycling facility provisions	Address recycling facilities within the building and subdivision consent process	Completed – included in district plan, ongoing monitoring	Rates and Waste Levy	Objective: To increase diversion of waste that is currently disposed of to landfill for reuse, recovery or recycling.	Action A: Determine and commit to implementing optimised kerbside systems that maximise diversion and are cost effective to communities.

R.4: Safe collection and storage of hazardous wastes	Continue to include guidelines for safe collection, storage and disposal (where appropriate) of hazardous and difficult wastes, including hazardous household wastes in landfills and transfer station management plans.	Ongoing – Part of waste minimisation role	User pays	Hierarchy level: Recycling	Objective: To take actions that will improve information on waste and recovered material activities, including both Council-contracted and private sector activities. Hierarchy level: Treatment and disposal	Action B: Investigate and develop a region-wide resource recovery network – including facilities for construction and demolition waste, food and/or biosolids and other organic waste.

Rationale: We will use bylaws and the district plan to help ensure that households, businesses and operators make use of water and recycling systems correctly, don't cause nuisance and operate in a way that is consistent with the WMMP. This may include for example, but not be limited to, licensing of operators and facilities, specification of approved containers and the setting of times and places for different types of collections.

10.5.2 Wairarapa data

Reference and title	Description	Time frame	Funding options	Strategic goals and hierarchy position	Method and targets
D.1: Implement Waste Data Framework	Collect and manage data, ideally in accordance with the National Waste Data Framework. This includes working with licensed waste collectors and operators to improve the quality and comprehensiveness of data reported to Council as well as conducting	Ongoing	Fees and rates. Waste Levy where applicable	Objective: Improve and align data collection and reporting systems where possible across the districts, region and nationally.	Action H: Implement National Waste Data Framework and utilise the Framework to increase strategic information.

	SWAP surveys and other measures to improve data availability and management.				Hierarchy level: All levels	
D.2: Reduce construction & demolition waste	Reduce the quantity of construction, demolition waste and cleanfill to landfill	Co-ordinate with regional actions	Rates and Waste Levy	Objective: To establish a Wairarapa measurement programme to quantify the amount of construction, demolition waste and cleanfill to landfill in order to reduce this amount.	Action H: Implement National Waste Data Framework and utilise the Framework to increase strategic information.	
D.3: Material diverted to recycling	Record the amount of material diverted to recycling each year.	Completed – Ongoing annual report	Rates and Waste Levy	Objective: To take actions that will improve information on waste and recovered material activities, including both Council-contracted and private sector activities.	Action H: Implement National Waste Data Framework and utilise the Framework to increase strategic information.	
D.4: Collection of hazardous chemicals	Establish a monitoring and recording programme to document the amount of hazardous chemicals collected.	Completed – Ongoing annual report	Rates and Waste Levy	Objective: To take actions that will improve information on waste and recovered material activities, including both Council-contracted and private sector activities.	Action H: Implement National Waste Data Framework and utilise the Framework to increase strategic information.	
				Hierarchy level: Treatment and disposal		

D.5: Recovery and recycling rates	Investigate current recovery and recycling rates for a list of priority wastes, and increase these rates.	Ongoing - Part of waste minimisation role	Rates and Waste Levy	Objective: To increase diversion of waste that is currently disposed of to landfill for reuse, recovery or recycling. Hierarchy level: Recovery and recycling	Action I: Identify specific targets in the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan for each council and the region, specifying achievable reduction, reuse, recycling and diversion of waste.
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Rationale: Although a significant amount of waste data is currently collected regionally, it is not always consistent or comparable between councils in the region. TAs in the region have agreed to collect and manage data in line with the National Waste Data Framework. Action under this heading will give effect to the National Waste Data Framework in our district.

10.5.3 Wairarapa engagement

Reference and title	Description	Time frame	Funding options	Strategic goals and hierarchy position	Method and targets
E.1: Community minimisation practices	Encourage the community, through education and promotion, to adopt sustainable waste minimisation practices	Ongoing – Continue as part of waste minimisation role and co-ordinate with regional actions	Rates and Waste Levy	Objective: To reduce the total quantity of waste to landfill, with an emphasis on wastes that create the most harm. Hierarchy level: Reduction, re-use, recycling and treatment	Action D: Deliver enhanced regional engagement, communications and education.
E.2: Publicise waste management in Wairarapa	Regularly publicise recent achievements and future initiatives in waste management in the Wairarapa.	Ongoing – Continue as part of waste minimisation role and co-ordinate with regional	Rates and Waste Levy	Objective: To engage the community and provide information, education and resources to support community actions.	Action D: Deliver enhanced regional engagement, communications and education.

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E.3: Education and Promotion	Liaise with the Ministry for the Environment, the Department of Conservation and Greater Wellington Regional Council to ensure a consistent approach to education and promotion.	Ongoing – Continue as part of waste minimisation role and co-ordinate with regional actions	Rates and Waste Levy	Hierarchy level: Reduction Objective: To investigate and where appropriate develop partnership, joint working and co-operation across the private and community sectors as well as territorial and regional councils including shared services. Hierarchy level: Reduction	Action D: Deliver enhanced regional engagement, communications and education.
E.4:	Encourage the market for reusable goods, recycled goods and composting products.	Ongoing – Continue as part of waste minimisation role and co-ordinate with regional actions	Rates and Waste Levy	Objective: To use Council influence to advocate for increased or mandatory producer responsibility Hierarchy level: Reduction and re-use	Action E: Collaborate on and lobby for waste minimisation policies and strategies, for example product stewardship.
E.5: Use of hazardous materials	Promote sharing of information to encourage reduced use of hazardous materials.	Ongoing – Continue as part of waste minimisation role and co-ordinate with regional actions	Rates and Waste Levy	Objective: To reduce the total quantity of waste to landfill, with an emphasis on wastes that create the most harm. Hierarchy level: Reduction	Action D: Deliver enhanced regional engagement, communications and education.

E.6: Industrial and commercial waste reduction	Promote industrial and commercial waste reduction mechanisms by: - <i>Promoting waste audits of businesses</i> - <i>Promoting Cleaner Production</i>	Ongoing – Continue as part of waste minimisation role and co-ordinate with regional actions	Rates and Waste Levy	Objective: To increase diversion of waste that is currently disposed of to landfill for reuse, recovery or recycling. Hierarchy level: Reduction	Action B: Investigate and develop a region-wide resource recovery network – including facilities for construction and demolition waste, food and/or biosolids, and other organic waste.
E.7: Education on minimisation and recycling	Facilitate education and the dissemination of information to individual households on best practice minimisation and recycling processes.	Ongoing – Continue as part of waste minimisation role and co-ordinate with regional actions	Rates and Waste Levy	Objective: To engage the community and provide information, education and resources to support community actions. Hierarchy level: Reduction	Action D: Deliver enhanced regional engagement, communications and education.
E.8: Public waste reduction information	Facilitate the provision of information to the public on how they can reduce the amount of waste being disposed of include encouraging the processing and use of diverted resources locally.	Ongoing – Continue as part of waste minimisation role and co-ordinate with regional actions	Rates and Waste Levy	Objective: To engage the community and provide information, education and resources to support community actions Hierarchy level: Reduction	Action D: Deliver enhanced regional engagement, communications and education.
E.9: Reduced use of hazardous	Encourage reduced use of hazardous materials Promote knowledge and	Ongoing – Continue as part of waste minimisation	Rates and Waste Levy	Objective: To reduce the total quantity of waste to landfill, with an emphasis on wastes that	Action B: Investigate and develop a region-wide resource recovery network – including facilities for construction

materials	awareness of alternatives to hazardous materials in the home and at work.	role and co-ordinate with regional actions		create the most harm.	and demolition waste, food and/or biosolids, and other organic waste.
Hierarchy level: Reduction					

Rationale: In addition to work undertaken as part of the Regional Waste Education Strategy, Council will continue to support local education initiatives that have a positive impact.

10.5.4 Wairarapa collections

Reference and title	Description	Time frame	Funding options	Strategic goals and hierarchy position	Method and targets
C.1: Effective collection of recycled material and residual waste	Provide for effective collection and delivery mechanisms of recycled material and residual waste - Facilitate the collection of urban household residual waste at least once per fortnight. - Provide a timetabled collection of kerbside recyclable materials to all urban households in the region. - Review of waste management contracts, including	Completed – Shared service contract in place. To be reviewed in year one.	User pays and targeted rates	Objective: To work with service providers to identify efficiencies while maintaining or improving service levels.	Action A: Determine and commit to implementing optimised kerbside systems that maximise diversion and are cost-effective to communities.

	assessing the benefits of collectively tendering out the services. Commit individual councils to adopt in-house waste minimisation programmes.				Hierarchy level: Reduction, reuse, recycling and disposal	
C.2: Waste management practices in rural and holiday areas	Encourage good waste management practices in rural areas and holiday communities - Provide extra collection services in holiday areas to meet demand. - Facilitate the provision of information on management of hazardous chemicals in rural areas. - Facilitate the collection, transportation and disposal where appropriate of rural hazardous wastes. - Undertake regular reviews of the level	Completed - Ongoing review of level of service with annual plans.	User pays and targeted rates/waste levy	Objective: To increase diversion of waste that is currently disposed of to landfill for reuse, recovery or recycling.		Action A: Determine and commit to implementing optimised kerbside systems that maximise diversion and are cost-effective to communities.

	of service provided for waste management in rural areas and rural residential settlements.				Hierarchy level: Recycling and disposal	
C.3: Support the reduction and diversion of organic waste	Support the sustainable reduction and diversion of organic waste by supporting collection initiatives.			Fees and rates. Waste Levy where applicable.	Objective: To engage the community and provide information, education and resources to support actions. Hierarchy level: All Levels	Action A: Determine and commit to implementing optimised kerbside systems that maximise diversion and are cost-effective to communities. Contribution to targets, Wairarapa = 1765 tonnes.
C.4: Collection and disposal charges	Encourage waste minimisation through collection and disposal charges - Encourage the councils to put in place systems that will achieve full cost recovery of waste management operations. - Encourage waste minimisation practices through collection and disposal charges which reflect the full cost of treatment and disposal.	Ongoing review of level of service with annual plans.	User pays and rates	Objective: To consider both short and long term cost impacts of all actions across the community including economic costs and benefits.		Action A: Determine and commit to implementing optimised kerbside systems that maximise diversion and are cost-effective to communities.

	- Ensure charges for disposal of hazardous or difficult wastes reflect the nature of the waste. - Have differential charges for green waste. - Encourage a consistent charging policy for waste Disposal across the Wairarapa.			Hierarchy level: Reduction, recycling and recovery	
C.5: Kerbside recycling	Provide for effective kerbside recycling	Completed – Shared service contract in place. To be reviewed in year one.	Targeted rates	Objective: To increase diversion of waste that is currently disposed of to landfill for reuse, recovery or recycling. Hierarchy level: Recycling	Action A: Determine and commit to implementing optimised kerbside systems that maximise diversion and are cost-effective to communities.
C.6: Collection of hazardous chemicals	Facilitate periodic collection of unwanted hazardous chemicals in the Wairarapa. Coordinate collection with Agricoverey.	Continue as part of waste minimisation role	Rates/Waste Levy	Objective: To reduce the total quantity of waste to landfill, with an emphasis on wastes that create the most harm. Hierarchy level: Treatment and disposal	Action B: Investigate and develop a region-wide resource recovery network – including facilities for construction and demolition waste, food and/or biosolids and other organic waste.

Rationale: The Wairarapa Councils offer households a user pays bag service for rubbish and a crate based recycling service. The planned actions will look to improve the performance of the collection services we provide so as to divert more material from landfill while controlling costs to households.

10.5.5 Wairarapa infrastructure

Reference and title	Description	Time frame	Funding options	Strategic goals and hierarchy position	Method and targets
IN.1: Green waste and recycling	Provide for green waste separation and recycling facilities at all transfer stations.	Completed – Shared service contract in place	User pays and Rates/Waste Levy	Objective: To increase diversion of waste that is currently disposed of to landfill for reuse, recovery or recycling. Hierarchy level: Reuse, recycling and recovery	Action I: Identify specific targets in the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan for each council and the region, specifying achievable reduction, reuse, recycling, and diversion of waste.
IN.2: Promote private and community facilities	Support and promote private and community resource recovery and reuse facilities throughout the Wairarapa.	Ongoing - Continue as part of waste minimisation role	User pays and Rates/Waste Levy	Objective: To work with local businesses and organisations to actively promote waste reduction at a local level. Hierarchy level: Reuse, recycling and recovery	Action D: Deliver enhanced regional engagement, communications and education.
IN.3: Regional resource recovery	Investigate regional resource recovery facility options and provide additional facilities if feasible.	Investigate as part of waste minimisation role	User pays and Rates/Waste Levy	Objective: To investigate the use of available recovery and treatment technologies and service methodologies and apply these where appropriate. Hierarchy level: Reuse, recycling and recovery	Action B: Investigate and develop a region-wide resource recovery network – including facilities for construction and demolition waste, food and/or bio solids, and other organic waste.
IN.4: Accessible recycling	Ensure that recycling facilities are available within a 20 minute	Completed – Shared service	Rates/Waste Levy	Objective: To increase diversion of waste that is currently disposed of to landfill for reuse,	Action I: Identify specific targets in the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan for each council and the region,

facilities	drive to at least 95% of the community.	contract in place		recovery or recycling.	specifying achievable reduction, reuse, recycling, and diversion of waste.
IN.5: Reduce land filled organic waste	Reduce the volume of land filled organic waste - Promote the benefits of home composting and vermiculture including schools promotion - Provide drop-off facilities for green waste at all transfer stations and landfills in the Wairarapa - Investigate end markets for compost and vermiculture products. - Monitor the organic waste stream - Investigate options for achieving increased diversion of commercial organic waste.	Continue as part of waste minimisation role	Rates/Waste Levy	Objective: To increase diversion of waste that is currently disposed of to landfill for reuse, recovery or recycling. Hierarchy level: Recovery	Action B: Investigate and develop a region-wide resource recovery network – including facilities for construction and demolition waste, food and/or biosolids, and other organic waste.

IN.6: Signage at landfills and transfer stations	Provide clear and consistent signs at landfills and transfer stations to show compost, re-use and recycling facilities.	Completed – Shared service contract in place. To be reviewed in year one.	User pays and targeted rates	Objective: To increase diversion of waste that is currently disposed of to landfill for reuse, recovery or recycling. Hierarchy level: Reduction, reuse, recycling and disposal	Action D: Deliver enhanced regional engagement, communications and education.
IN.7: Future residual disposal needs of the Wairarapa	Ensure the residual disposal needs of the Wairarapa community are provided for now and in the future.	Continue as part of long term planning process	User pays	Objective: To consider both short and long term cost impacts of all actions across the community including economic costs and benefits. Hierarchy level: Disposal	Action B: Investigate and develop a region-wide resource recovery network – including facilities for construction and demolition waste, food and/or biosolids and other organic waste.
IN.8: Council transfer station and landfill management plans	Produce, comply with and regularly revise management plans for council transfer stations and landfills.	Continue as part of regulatory compliance requirements	User pays	Objective: Consider the environmental impact of all options and ensure that the overall environmental impact is taken into account in decision making. Hierarchy level: Disposal	Action G: Implement and oversee monitoring and enforcement of the revised regional bylaw.

Rationale: Council is committed to investigating, and where feasible, developing facilities that can form part of a region-wide resource recovery network. This initiative looks to develop our local transfer stations in line with regional standards to increase the quantity of materials that can be economically recovered for beneficial use.

10.5.6 Wairarapa leadership and management

Reference and title	Description	Time frame	Funding options	Strategic goals and hierarchy position	Method and targets
LM.1: Collective approach to waste management	Take a collective approach to waste management, where appropriate, including the following: • Reviewing end markets for recyclable materials, compost and re-useable goods. • Hazardous waste collection, storage and disposal. • Residual disposal options. • Bylaws (solid waste).	Ongoing - review of level of service with annual plans	Rates/Waste Levy	Objective: To investigate the use of available recovery and treatment technologies and service methodologies and apply these where appropriate. Hierarchy level: All Levels	Action I: Identify specific targets in the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan for each council and the region, specifying achievable reduction, reuse, recycling, and diversion of waste
LM.2: Costs of collective approach	Take into account costs when assessing the benefit of a collective approach.	Ongoing - review of level of service with annual plans	Rates/Waste Levy	Objective: To consider both short and long term cost impacts of all actions across the community including economic costs and benefits. Hierarchy level: All Levels	Action A: Determine and commit to implementing optimised kerbside systems that maximise diversion and are cost effective to communities.
LM.3: Waste minimisation staff	Employ dedicated Waste Minimisation staff	Provide resource in year one	Rates/Waste Levy	Objective: To work with local businesses and organisations to actively promote waste	Action D: Deliver enhanced regional engagement, communications and education.

				reduction at a local level. Hierarchy level: All Levels	
LM.4: Partnering with groups outside the Wairarapa	Investigate partnering with community groups, businesses and local authorities outside the Wairarapa.	Investigate as part of waste minimisation role	Rates/Waste Levy	Objective: To engage the community and provide information, education and resources to support community actions. Hierarchy level: All Levels	Action I: Identify specific targets in the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan for each council and the region, specifying achievable reduction, reuse, recycling, and diversion of waste.
LM.5: Participation with Tangata Whenua	Encourage the active participation of tangata whenua in waste management issues in the Wairarapa - Facilitate consultation with iwi on solid waste management matters in the Wairarapa region. - Encourage iwi participation in decision making on waste management issues in the Wairarapa.	Include as part of waste minimisation role	Rates/ Waste Levy	Objective: To engage the community and provide information, education and resources to support community actions. Hierarchy level: All Levels	Action D: Deliver enhanced regional engagement, communications and education.
LM.6: Waste Levy funding from MfE	Investigate and support applications for contestable waste levy	Ongoing - Continue as part of waste	Rates/ Waste Levy	Objective: To investigate and where appropriate develop partnership, joint working and	Action F: Fund regional resources for the implementation of the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan,

	funding from MfE for both council and community waste reduction and minimisation initiatives. (New action)	minimisation role		co-operation across the private and community sectors as well territorial and regional councils, including shared services. Hierarchy level: Reduction, re-use, recycling and treatment	for example, human resources and research.
LM.7: National approach to Waste Policy	Encourage Central Government to take a consistent national approach to Waste Policy • Support central government in implementing a consistent statutory and regulatory framework in the waste management area. • Encourage central government to facilitate the development of a national approach to identifying the benefits and costs of waste management initiatives. • Encourage central government to		Rates/ Waste Levy	Objective: To investigate and where appropriate develop partnership, joint working and co-operation across the private and community sectors as well territorial and regional councils, including shared services.	Action E: Collaborate on and lobby for waste minimisation policies and strategies, for example product stewardship.

	facilitate national e-waste and product stewardship schemes. (New action)				Hierarchy level: Reduction and recycling	
LM.8: Consistent policies across regional and territorial councils	Encourage the regional and territorial councils to develop consistent policies and approaches to the matter of clean spoil within their respective statutory plans.	Ongoing - Continue as part of waste minimisation role	Rates/ Waste Levy	Objective: To investigate and where appropriate develop partnership, joint working and co-operation across the private and community sectors as well territorial and regional councils, including shared services.	Action E: Collaborate on and lobby for waste minimisation policies and strategies, for example product stewardship.	
LM.9: Adopt the MfE Cleanfill Guidelines	Promote the adoption of the Ministry for the Environment's Cleanfill Guidelines for all cleanfill sites.	Ongoing	Rates/ Waste Levy	Objective: To increase diversion of waste that is currently disposed of to landfill for reuse, recovery or recycling.	Action B: Investigate and develop a region-wide resource recovery network – including facilities for construction and demolition waste, food and/or biosolids and other organic waste.	
LM.10: Event recycling and zero waste events	Encourage and support event recycling and “zero waste events”. (New action)	Include as part of waste minimisation role	Rates/ Waste Levy	Objective: To use Council influence to advocate for increased or mandatory producer responsibility.	Action D: Deliver enhanced regional engagement, communications and education.	
				Hierarchy level: Recycling		

Rationale: The Wairarapa Council are committed to showing leadership by continually improving their own practices to achieve waste minimisation, ensuring sufficient resources are available to implement the regional and local actions as set out in this plan, and enabling other organisations, businesses and the broader community to become leaders in waste minimisation. The councils have no direct control over waste produced by businesses and other organisations but will look to work with local groups and businesses and promote initiatives that assist in enhancing economic development through reducing and recovering waste.