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Report to the Rural Services and Wairarapa Committee from Stephen Hill, Divisional Accountant, Wairarapa

Financial Report for the Six Months to 31 December 2001

1. Purpose

To inform the Committee of the Division's financial performance to budget.

2. **Operating Performance**

	YTD	YTD	YTD	FY	FY
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Forecast	Budget
	\$000's	\$000's	\$000'S	\$000's	\$000's
Rates & Levies	3,786	3,789	3U	7,567	7,578
Grants & Subsidies	0	0	0F	0	0
External Revenue	3,068	3,210	142U	6,971	7,698
Investment Revenue	65	60	5F	120	120
Internal Revenue	1,470	1,145	325F	2,364	2,194
Total Revenue	8,389	8,204	185F	17,022	17,590
Personnel Costs	2,666	2,965	299F	5,683	5,931
Materials	1,186	993	193U	1,999	2,114
Travel & Transport	149	165	16F	341	348
Contractor & Consultants	1,936	2,034	98F	4,699	4,518
Grants & Subsidies	39	39	0F	128	112
Internal Charges	1,487	1,351	136U	2,632	2,607
Total Direct Expenditure	7,463	7,547	84F	15,482	15,630
Financial Costs	282	288	6F	586	586
Bad Debts	9	0	9U	0	0
Net Corporate Overheads	345	345	0F	689	690
Depreciation	133	138	5F	265	276
Loss(Gain) on Assets	(31)	(77)	46U	(69)	(77)
Total Indirect Expenditure	738	694	44 U	1,471	1,475
Total Operating Expenditure	8,201	8,241	40F	16,953	17,105
Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	188	(37)	225F	69	485

Net Capital Expenditure	195	225	30F	225	225
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3. Comment

At the end of December the Division overall was \$225,000 under budget with revenue being \$185,000 above budget and operating expenditure \$40,000 below budget. Capital expenditure at December was \$30,000 below budget.

Significant components of this favourable variance are as follows:

(1) Biosecurity Department \$90,000 Favourable

Bovine Tb operational savings due to a reduction in control area because of lower pest densities.

(2) Operations Department \$69,000 Favourable

River Management was \$279,000 favourable due to the timing of scheme maintenance, District Council revenue and shingle royalty income. Net logging revenue for Reserve Forests was \$177,000 below budget. Net expenditure for Soil Conservation was \$31,000 over budget.

(3) Planning & Resources Department \$78,000 Favourable

Due to savings in personnel, materials and contract expenditure.

(4) Support Services Department \$12,000 Unfavourable

Reduced rate penalties.

4. Recommendation

That the report be received and the contents noted.

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