

# **Financial Report**

#### Introduction

This report summarises for Auckland Transport:

- the financial results for the four months ended 28 February 2011,
- update on the reforecast results for the eight months ended 30 June 2011.

## Abbreviations used in this report

Please note that the following abbreviations are used in this report:

YTD = Year to date

8 Months = 8 month financial period, from 1 November 2010 to 30 June 2011 year end

U = Unfavourable result (e.g. reduced revenue, or increased costs)

F = Favourable result (e.g. increased revenue, or savings achieved in costs)

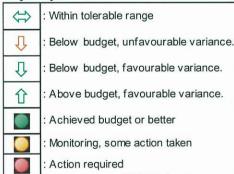
\$m = Millions of dollars

Plan = Approved budget as per Auckland Council Planning Document for the 8 month period from 1 November 2010 to 30 June 2011

Forecast = The revised forecast financial results following Auckland Transport review of the budgets established in the plan

YTD Variance = This is comparison of actual results compared to YTD forecast.

### Key to symbols used:







# **Executive Summary**

### YTD results:

Net operating result Income Expenditure Capital expenditure Net asset position

Current month variance \$m	Year to date variance \$m	Year to date results		990		Year to date Actual \$m	
(12.4)	(16.5)	Û		(8.9)			
(9.8)	(29.4)	Û		201.6			
(2.6)	12.9	$\hat{\Gamma}$		210.5			
(19.8)	(43.5)	Û		122.6			
	(127.0)	\$		11,637.0			

Net operating result YTD is a deficit of \$8.9m, which is \$16.5m unfavourable to forecast.

Operating expenditure is below forecast by \$12.9m due to savings in personnel costs of \$1.2m (staff vacancies) and reduced other operational expenses of \$11.7m as detailed below:

- Road network \$2.0m: infrastructure project costs.
- Public transport costs \$5.0m: \$1.9m consultants and contractors, \$1.5m internal capitalisation recoveries misallocation, \$1.1m service delivery. This predominantly relates to Rail Contract plan phasing and is forecast to be spent over March to June.
- Support costs \$3.8m: \$1.5m strategy and planning, \$1.1m communication and public affairs, and \$1.0m in IT operating costs; with \$0.6m in delayed licence costs and \$0.1m in communication costs.
- Parking and enforcement \$0.9m: predominantly levies and legal costs.

<u>Income</u> is below forecast by \$29.4m due to reduced NZTA capital funding of \$16.7m, where there have been delays in the capital works programme, and NZTA operating funding of \$12.8m, where operating expenditure is below forecast.

Parking and enforcement income is understated by \$1.4m due to delays with receiving infringement funds back from the courts.

<u>Capital expenditure</u> is significantly underspent with a YTD variance to forecast of \$43.5m.

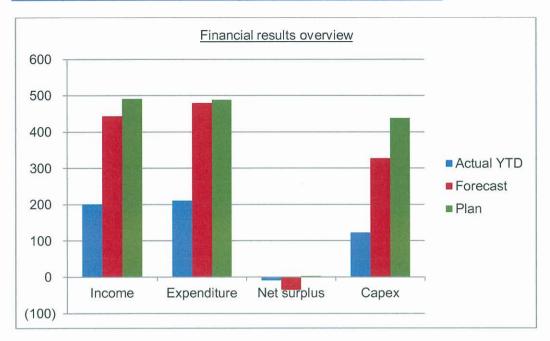
The asset position is sound with net assets of \$11.6b at the end of February and cash flow funding arrangements in place to ensure all liabilities can be met.

#### Items to note:

Final audited and adopted annual reports from the terminating legacy entities were completed at the end of February, except for Papakura District Council and Auckland Regional Council. There is on-going discussion around the apportionment of some of the legacy entity balance sheets between AT and AC, with draft results included in the financial information presented in this report.



### February Forecast results for the eight months ended 30 June 2011:



Net operating result Income Expenditure Capital expenditure Net asset position

Year to date Actual \$m	Forecast 8 months \$m	Plan 8 months \$m	Variance Plan vs forecast	22(0)277367	cast ults
(8.9)	(35.6)	3.2	(38.8)	Û	
201.6	443.8	491.4	(47.6)	Û	
210.5	479.4	488.2	8.8	Û	
122.6	327.2	438.3	(111.1)	Û	
11,637.0	11,985.0	11,985.0	-	$\Leftrightarrow$	

The forecast presented to the February 2011 board meeting, was based on the 2 months result to 31 December 2010. In February a further review was undertaken and is summarised here. A further forecast review is to be undertaken in April based on March YTD actual results.

<u>Income</u> was originally forecast down by \$17.9m, and is now forecast to be down by \$47.6m, mainly due to the NZTA capital works income of \$51.2m, reduced parking and enforcement of \$1.4m, offset by increased petrol tax income of \$4.1m. (Refer to further information in the capital expenditure comment below.)

<u>Expenditure</u> was originally forecast down by \$2.5m, and is now forecast to be down by \$8.8m, mainly due to duplicate project budgets in Road Network and refined budget estimates.

The main changes to the operational expenditure reforecast is due to reduced personnel costs of \$2.1m, reduced depreciation of \$1.5m, and reduced public transport costs of \$6.2m.

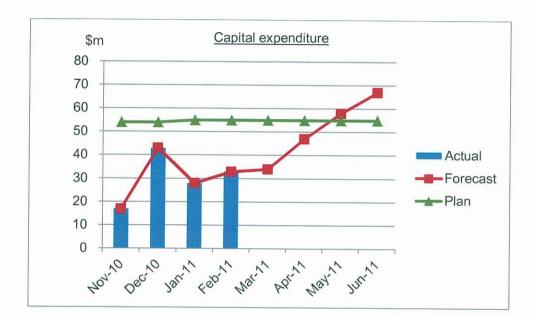
<u>Capital expenditure</u> was originally forecast down by \$6.3m, and is now forecast to be down \$111.1m. This is due to a provision for the non-completion of new capital expenditure of \$77m, the removal of the Infrastructure new capital projects added in the previous forecast presented of \$5.8m, and refined



budget estimates with a net reduction of \$23m. This reduces the capital works programme down to \$327m from the planned \$438m.

The YTD recorded capital expenditure is \$123m, however this is understated by approximately \$10m due to the omissions of accruals (including the following projects: New Lynn \$2m, NORSGA \$2m, AMETI \$0.8m, Wynyard Crossing \$1m, Cycleways \$1.5m, Manukau city rail link \$0.6m).

All projects are under constant review and expenditure will be monitored monthly and any changes included in future reforecasts/monthly updates.





## Recommendation

- (i) That the report be received.
- (ii) That the financial results and forecast be approved.

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