

Central Hawke's Bay District Council LEVEL OF ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN PREPARATION POLICY	POLICY MANUAL	
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Central Hawke's Bay District Council will prepare its asset management plans at the following levels (as defined in NAMS International Infrastructure Management Manual):

Activity	Level
Land Transport	Core – with extensions as necessary to meet the minimum New Zealand Transport Agency requirements for asset management practice
Solid Waste	Core
Utilities	Core
Parks and Property	Core

BACKGROUND

Asset and Activity Management Plans (AMPs) have been developed as tools for Councils to describe how they intend to manage assets, meet the level of service agreed with the community and understand expenditure and funding requirements.

The Office of the Auditor General (OAG) reviews AMPs as part of the LTCCP audit. The OAG have chosen to use the International Infrastructure Management Manuals (IIMMs) as the benchmark to measure the standard of AMP's against. The IIMMs have been compiled with significant New Zealand industry input, and are recognised internationally as best practice. The requirement for an Asset Management Policy is outlined in the IIMM, Section 1.2.

Within the IIMM (Section 2.2.4), Council can state the standard to which it will undertake asset and activity management. These standards can be considered on a scale as follows:

- Core - often referred to as basic AMP's
- Core Plus (+) - transition between Core and Comprehensive/Advanced
- Comprehensive/Advanced - most thorough AMP, accounting for all lifecycle elements.

Council staff with the assistance of Waugh infrastructure Management Ltd, established the base level at which they consider the AMPs should be delivered to the community.

This level has been assessed against a range of parameters:

- District and Community Populations
- Issues affecting the district and each activities
- The cost and benefits to the community
- Legislative requirements
- The size, condition and complexity of the assets
- The risk associated with failures
- The skills and resources available to the organisation
- Customer expectation

By assessing and adopting an appropriate AMP level, Council has identified what is appropriate best practice for Central Hawke's Bay District, and therefore focus resources accordingly to enhance prudent management of the community infrastructure.

The report on this process is available upon request.