Te Kaunihera o Te Awa Kairangi ki Uta Upper Hutt City Council

Wellington Water

OPEX Dashboard
As at 30 September 2025

Legend	Description
	Overspend more than 10%
	Overspend but less than 10%
	Underspend more than 20%
	Within budget and ≤20% underspend

Water

	Activity	September 2025 Actual $000	Budget $000	Variance $000	%	YTD Actual $000	Budget $000	Variance $000	%	Full Year Forecast $000	Budget $000	Variance $000	%
Drinking Water	All	130	273	143	52%	601	819	218	27%	2,802	3,276	474	14%
	Network	54	159	105	66%	346	476	131	27%	1,826	1,906	80	4%
	Monitoring	19	36	17	49%	72	108	36	34%	188	433	244	56%
	Storage	16	14	(-2)	(-11%)	46	43	(-3)	(-7%)	111	173	62	36%
	Investigations	(-2)	12	14	116%	6	36	30	83%	95	146	51	35%
	Pump Stations	3	7	4	61%	7	20	13	65%	53	78	25	32%
	Control Systems	3	5	1	29%	7	14	6	47%	50	55	5	9%
	Utilities	1	3	2	55%	6	8	2	22%	27	33	6	17%
	Planning	1	1	1	61%	2	4	2	58%	15	16	2	9%
	Management & Advisory Services	36	36	0	%	109	109	0	%	436	436	0	
Stormwater	All	37	70	34	48%	140	211	72	34%	788	848	61	7%
	Network	8	32	24	75%	57	95	38	40%	342	381	39	10%
	Monitoring	3	6	3	48%	13	19	5	29%	72	75	2	3%
	Pump Stations	4	5	0	7%	8	14	7	47%	52	57	5	8%
	Investigations	2	7	5	72%	5	22	16	76%	78	89	11	12%
	Planning	0	1	0	61%	1	2	1	58%	7	8	1	9%
	Control Systems	1	2	1	63%	1	5	4	73%	18	21	3	13%
	Management & Advisory Services	18	18	0	%	55	55	0	%	218	218	0	
Wastewater	All	121	158	36	23%	368	473	104	22%	1,807	1,890	83	4%
	Network	18	43	25	58%	88	128	40	31%	492	514	22	4%
	Pump Stations	10	15	5	33%	30	46	16	35%	169	185	16	9%
	Investigations	7	10	3	33%	13	30	17	57%	106	118	13	11%
	Drainage Investigation	8	11	3	25%	15	33	18	56%	111	131	20	15%
	Control Systems	3	4	1	28%	7	12	5	45%	43	48	4	9%
	Monitoring	8	6	(-2)	(-30%)	15	19	5	23%	71	77	6	8%
	Planning	0	1	1	70%	1	4	3	67%	16	18	2	11%
	Management & Advisory Services	67	67	0	%	200	200	0	%	800	800	0	
Wastewater JV	All	413	413	0	%	1,239	1,239	0	%	4,957	4,957	0	%
	JV Treatment Plant	413	413	0	%	1,239	1,239	0	%	4,957	4,957	0	%
Total Opex excluding the Metering programme		701	914	213	23%	2,348	2,742	394	14%	10,353	10,971	618	6%
Total Opex Programme		580	793	213	27%	1,985	2,379	394	17%	8,899	9,517	618	6%
Total Management & Advisory Services		121	121	0	%	364	364	0	%	1,455	1,455	0	%
Metering programme		[redacted]											
Total Opex including the Metering Programme		[redacted]											

Monthly Commentary (OPEX)

Summary

The first quarter result for the BAU OPEX programme is 14% ($394k) under budget, and overall including the Metering programme [redacted] All Waters are under budget and costs have continued at a run rate similar to that reported last month, $769k for August compared to $715k for September.

The costs for the Metering programme are reported [redacted] after the BAU OPEX programme. The annual plan (budget) assumes Metering programme costs are shared across participating councils for design and procurement activities, and deployment costs, CAPEX, against Hutt City Council. The metering programme's activities are deemed to opex and the work is continuing with the focus for this financial year being development of the business case.

The Joint Venture Wastewater treatment plant is currently at budget as the year to date costs are accruals to budget. At this time we do not have invoices from Hutt City Council on our ledger but anticipate a catchup in time for October reporting.

The OPEX budget for the current year is largely at the same level as last financial year with the Joint Venture Wastewater treatment plant the only area with incerased funding for the current year, $961k. Overall the first forecast for the year for the BAU OPEX anticipates 6% ($618k) under budget for the full year with the anticipated Metering programme costs [redacted] This forecast will be reviewed and updated as needed on a monthly basis.

Notes on our approach for reporting:

Wellington Water invoices Council a monthly fixed charge in advance for the opex programme and management & advisory services.

The opex programme is made up of the following:

- Controllable costs incurred by Wellington Water in delivering the programme, such as charges for repairs and maintenance, cos ts of consumables, consultants, and contractors' charges
- Costs of labour and plant which are charged to specific jobs. This is for Wellington Water employees within our Customer Oper ations, Network Management and Network Engineering groups i.e. those working directly on opex jobs.

Management & Advisory Services is made up of staff costs that cannot be directly attributed to Council opex or capex programmes and overheads such as insurance, rent, IT costs, etc. We're a

Investment Category

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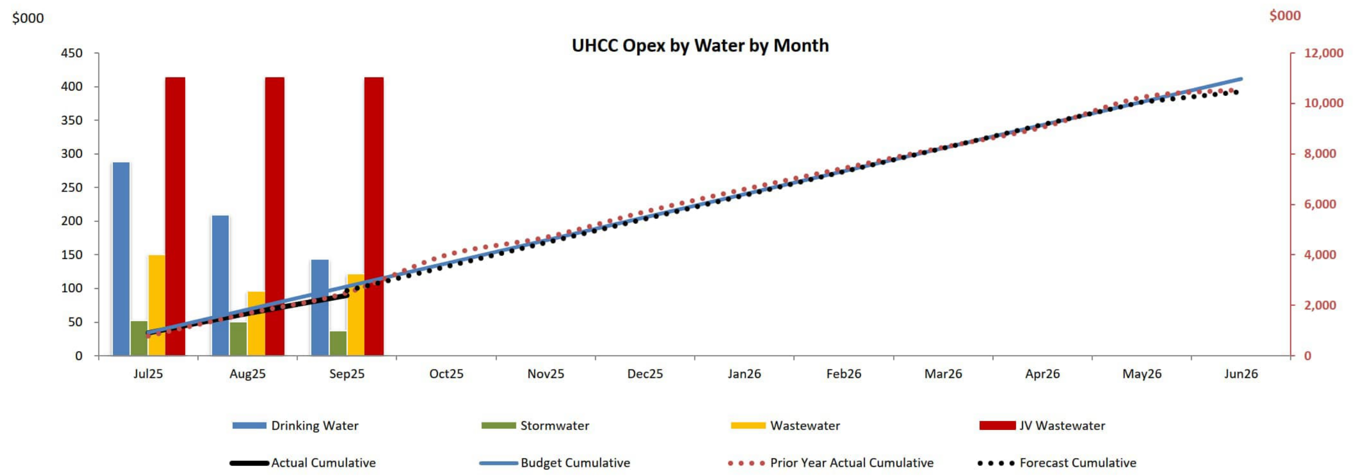
Drinking Water	All	143	273	130	47%	642	819	177	22%	2,911	3,276	365	11%
	Monitoring and Investigations	35	55	20	37%	121	164	43	26%	409	656	247	38%
	Maintenance (Planned)	26	36	10	27%	81	108	27	25%	347	430	84	19%
	Maintenance (Reactive)	43	142	98	69%	324	425	101	24%	1,669	1,698	29	2%
	Operations	3	5	1	29%	7	14	6	47%	50	55	5	9%
	Management & Advisory Services	36	36	0	%	109	109	0	%	436	436	0	%
Stormwater	All	37	70	34	48%	140	211	72	34%	788	848	61	7%
	Monitoring and Investigations	6	14	9	61%	20	43	23	54%	161	175	14	8%
	Maintenance (Planned)	6	20	14	70%	41	59	18	31%	213	237	24	10%
	Maintenance (Reactive)	6	16	10	61%	23	49	26	54%	177	197	20	10%
	Operations	1	2	1	63%	1	5	4	73%	18	21	3	13%
	Management & Advisory Services	18	18	0	%	55	55	0	%	218	218	0	%
Wastewater	All	121	158	36	23%	368	473	104	22%	1,807	1,890	83	4%
	Monitoring and Investigations	24	30	6	20%	45	89	44	50%	316	357	41	12%
	Maintenance (Planned)	19	21	2	9%	34	64	30	47%	207	258	51	20%
	Maintenance (Reactive)	9	36	27	76%	82	107	25	23%	441	428	(-13)	(-3%)
	Operations	3	4	1	28%	7	12	5	45%	43	48	4	9%
	Treatment Plant	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0	
	Management & Advisory Services	67	67	0	%	200	200	0	%	800	800	0	%
JV Wastewater	All	413	413	0	%	1,239	1,239	0	%	4,957	4,957	0	%
	JV Treatment Plant	413	413	0	%	1,239	1,239	0	%	4,957	4,957	0	%
Total Opex		715	914	199	22%	2,389	2,742	353	13%	10,462	10,971	509	5%



Unexpected Event Reserve Commentary:

In years that UHCC actual costs finish below budget, the funds are retained for the Unexpected Event Reserve (capped at 5% ofthe opex charge for the current financial year). Wellington Water is able to utilise these funds for costs arising from unexpected events insubsequent years. The funds are ring-fenced for the council in which the savings were achieved.

The opening and closing balances for this financial year is nil.

Unexpected Event Reserve	$000s
Opening Balance	
Drinking Water	
Storm Water	
Waste Water	
Closing Balance	0